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DRIFTING INTO A HOPELESS MUDDLE

Negotiations at Pekin So Described—Lansdowne Not Pessimistic—Germany Has Not Increased Her Indemnity Demands.

London, June 22.—Lord Lansdowne, an Associated Press correspondent learns, does not take such a pessimistic view of the Chinese negotiations as do a majority of the British newspapers. The foreign office by no means coincides in the view of the Pekin correspondent of the Daily Mail who cables today that the negotiations are drifting into a hopeless muddle. There is now an opinion among competent officials in Downing street that there is a good prospect of settlement. It is denied that Germany has increased her demand for indemnity; from the British standpoint Germany now asks for a fair and rational basis, though, of course, in common with the United

States, Great Britain would have liked the indemnity to be smaller. It is admitted that Great Britain is partly responsible for the delay in deciding the method of payment but it is maintained that she as the largest trader with China, is more vitally concerned than any other power in keeping down the duty on imports.

"This question," said an official, "is about the only one which now prevents a total conclusion of the negotiations and no doubt it will be solved shortly. In any case, our trade is bound to suffer, and we want to minimize the loss by the substitution, to some extent, of concessions in lieu of increased taxation. We are not adopting any aggressive attitude and we believe that before July 1 the powers will see that our suggestions will be for the mutual good."

MINERS CARRYING WINCHESTERS.

Marching Around the Mine Entrances at Matewan, W. Va.—A Skirmish Occurs, in Which Many Shots Are Fired—A Few Injured.

Matewan, W. Va., June 22.—More trouble is imminent here today. The striking miners are marching around the entrances, many carrying Winchester. All coal operations are closed today, but the operators will endeavor to resume Monday with non-union men. Last evening a skirmish occurred in which one hundred shots were fired. Only a few were injured and none killed. Sheriff Hatfield and a large force of deputies are at the Lick Fork mine, where it is feared an attempt may be made to destroy property. Gov. White has not yet been called on for the state militia, but he may be asked any time.

Huntington, W. Va., June 22. Another outbreak occurred at the Lick Fork mine in the Thacker and Matewan fields late last night. A number of shots were fired and several persons were reported injured, but it is impossible to secure names. Ex-Attorney General Thacker, the attorney for the coal companies, was at the scene and a dozen shots were fired at him but he took shelter behind a pile of rock and escaped injury. The strikers are determined that all non-union men shall quit work in these fields and Winchester are in evidence everywhere. The national guard may be called upon to assist the sheriff in keeping down a riot. The injunction granted by Judge Jackson will be served today.

CHINESE EMPEROR.

He Will Return to Pekin in October, Arriving from Pao Ting Fu.

Peking, June 22.—A dispatch received here from Peking says an official proclamation has been issued there announcing that the emperor will return to Peking in October, arriving at the capital by railroad from Pao Ting Fu.

MISSOURI PACIFIC TRAINS COLLIDE.

Kansas City, Mo., June 22.—A special to the Star from Butler, Mo., says: Two Missouri Pacific freight trains collided head-on in the yards here early this morning and were wrecked. John Slawson, fireman on the north-bound train, had his legs cut off. Wolf, a brakeman, was buried under the wreckage of thirteen cars, and was seriously hurt, and S. Snyder, fireman, of the south-bound train, who jumped before the trains struck, was injured. Slawson and Snyder will die. The Burke, engineer of the south-bound, was asleep in his cab and failed to cry out orders to take a siding. He saved himself by jumping and has disappeared.

Nevada State Journal Sold.

Reno, Nev., June 22.—It is rumored on good authority that the Nevada State Journal has been sold to E. L. Bingham, formerly editor of the Tucson Times-Review. The paper is democratic-silver and has been ever since the silver cause started, and will be sold at the same price as the Tucson Times-Review. The paper is democratic-silver and has been ever since the silver cause started, and will be sold at the same price as the Tucson Times-Review.

After the Mad Mullah.

Aden, June 22.—The Mad Mullah, after the recent repulse by Captain MacNeill, of his attack upon the British warship, accidentally encountered the British force of Camelions and mounted infantry, which immediately attacked and routed him. The pursuit was continued throughout the night. A hundred of the enemy were killed and the Mullah and the sultan of Nur were severely wounded. The British force lost seven killed and wounded.

Attempt to Blow up a Church.

Manhattan, Kansas, June 22.—An attempt was made at 2:30 this morning to blow up the First Methodist church with dynamite. It is believed to be the work of Johnists who directed their spite against Rev. J. M. Miller, pastor of the church, because of his crusade against saloons. No arrest has been made.

Rev. Miller was elected mayor this spring and has waged a bitter fight on the joints. Last Thursday six Johnists were fined \$200 each and sentenced to sixty days in jail, their conviction being secured on evidence worked up by the minister.

Penn's Crew Rows Better.

Hanley, June 22.—The University of Pennsylvania crew went out early today and posed for numerous photographs. They paddled to Temple Island and thence to Hambleton dock. They disembarked and watched their New College rivals in the contest for the grand challenge cup row past. Soon after them came the Dublin crew, out for their first spin. The Dublin men will not meet the Pennsylvanians until the regatta on Lake Killarney. Judging from today's exhibition they are not very dangerous rivals, though they have got Goldie, the famous Canadian, who has been rowing with the Leander this year, as coach. Later Lehman will take them in charge. On re-embarking the Pennsylvanians rowed wonderfully well, putting great driving power into the stroke. The crew was hit up to 25. An English expert who was watching the rowing, said to a representative of the Associated Press:

"Any type of Ward's stroke they could hardly be better and have no doubt they will still further improve." The entries for the grand challenge



DEFENDANT AND DISTINGUISHED COUNSEL IN MOLINEUX APPEAL.

The arguments for and against a new trial for Roland B. Molineux in the New York state court of appeals again bring this famous murder case into prominence. For nearly three years it has been in the courts, and during that time General Molineux has spared no effort or expense to prove that his son did not send the bottle of poison which killed Mrs. Adams. In the present appeal Molineux is represented by John G. Milburn, president of the Pan-American exposition, while ex-Senator David B. Hill represents the prosecution.

The bid for putting in a sanitary plant in the Mason school was awarded to A. W. Meek for \$257.

The board reported that it had purchased a piece of ground from Brig. Holmson adjoining the Five Points school house, for a consideration of \$300. The new purchase is to be used for school grounds.

A DASTARTROUS FIRE.

At 1:50 this morning a fire broke out in the slaughter and packing house of Slater & Buchanan on West Twenty-first street. The alarm was sent in and the fire department made a speedy run for about a mile, but the fire was so remote from the city limits that the run was abandoned and the department returned.

The buildings and contents were totally destroyed, doing damage to the amount of \$13,800, which is fully covered by insurance. The building belonged to the firm of Hasley & Reid of Evansville, Wyoming.

HARRISON MONUMENT FUND.

Local Organization Effected, With Senator Kearns President.

The Utah branch of the Benjamin Harrison monument association held a meeting in the office of Senator Kearns' late yesterday afternoon for the purpose of setting on foot in Utah the raising of funds for the purpose of assisting in erecting a \$300,000 monument in honor of the late ex-President Benjamin Harrison. The people of Indiana will raise \$100,000 and the other states will have the privilege of raising the \$200,000.

Senator Kearns is vice president for Utah in the national organization and has the list of Utah contributors with a donation of \$100. At the meeting yesterday afternoon Senator Kearns was unanimously elected president of the Utah branch with E. H. Cullister as secretary and Frank Knox as treasurer.

A board of vice presidents was elected consisting of P. H. Lamm, H. G. Whitney and William H. Lamm. A resolution was adopted authorizing the selection of a prominent citizen in all the towns in the state to aid in soliciting funds.

This is a movement absolutely without partisanship or politics. The only object is to pay a fitting tribute to an object of a prominent citizen in all the towns in the state to aid in soliciting funds.

LIBERTY WILL BE SHORT.

J. B. Rowan Will Go From Utah to a Michigan Prison.

R. H. Wright, or as he is better known, J. B. Rowan, will be released from the penitentiary tomorrow morning between 9 and 11 o'clock, but his liberty will be of very short duration. Wright has been serving a sentence of three years for forgery committed in this state. He has served two years and three months of his term in imprisonment and on account of good behavior, will be released tomorrow.

However, the sheriff of Kent county, Michigan, called upon Attorney-General Breiden this morning, and as agent from the governor of Michigan, asked that the acting governor of Utah be recommended to issue extradition papers, and a warrant for the arrest of Wright on the same charge as the one under which he was arrested before and convicted.

The attorney-general found the papers to be all right and tomorrow Acting Governor Hammond will sign them. The prisoner will be taken to Michigan and tried for forgery.

LATE LOCALS.

The Primary conference of the Salt Lake Stake was held in the Assembly Hall today with a large attendance of officers and children. President Camilla Cobb presided, and Mrs. Louis B. Felt and Mrs. Little T. Felt made interesting remarks. While Mrs. Jensen of the Nineteenth ward gave a word sketch of President Woodruff. There were interesting class exercises and the musical features were particularly attractive. The playing of Beethoven's Ninth and the singing of Little Miss Catherine McClelland being unusually good.

Mrs. E. A. Empey, superintendent of the Relief Society corps of nurses, announces an important meeting of that body at her residence, 122 West South Temple street, on Monday, at 10 o'clock.

REAL DANGER TO AMERICANS.

They Live on Europe for the Best in Literature and Science.

SAYS SCHURMAN OF CORNELL

In America There Have Been No First Class Productions of the Human Mind.

New York, June 22.—President Schurman of Cornell university is quoted in a Herald dispatch from Ithaca as saying in reply to a question last night regarding the statements in his commencement address concerning American intellectual barrenness in certain directions:

"It is undoubtedly true that in America there have been no first class creative productions of the human mind. We are living on Europe for the best that is in poetry, art, literature and science and the danger is that we are apt to be content to go on living so and neglect to use our own creative instincts."

"Before any betterment can be expected we must come to realize that we do occupy an inferior place in this sphere of culture. We must forget that in many things we lead the old world, and this is the hardest thing for us to do."

"I believe that the hope of the country is in its colleges and universities. If universities and their professors realize our secondary place in first class science, they will themselves be moved to greater effort in the direction of the highest in science, literature and art, and their efforts will radiate out from them and will do much to build up an environment conducive to producing the best."

It is impossible to say how many generations it would take to put America in her proper position. It may take fifty years or it may take five hundred."

Dr. Henry Van Dyke, head of the English department at Princeton is quoted by a Tribune correspondent as saying in an interview upon President Schurman's utterances:

"On the general proposition that America is intellectually inferior to Europe, I would first question the fact and then confess my inability to explain the cause. It seems to me that there is nothing being done in England at present either in the way of criticism, fiction or poetry which is superior to what is being done in this country. The possible exception of Stephen Phillips in dramatic literature, which is of great promise. At the present moment fiction is the leading form of literature activity, and here I think we can hold our own with England beyond question. In criticism it would be easy to name at least four Americans whose work is not excelled, and to my mind not quite equaled by anything being done in England."

CARNEGIE CO. STEEL PURCHASES.

It Absorbs a Vast Number of Plants in Various Sections.

Cleveland, O., June 22.—The Leader today says: The Carnegie Steel company will have absorbed the American Steel Hoop company and the National Steel company by the 1st of July and will have almost doubled its productive capacity, besides gaining complete control of the mills in the valleys which have hitherto been competitors, but which have not until recently been taken into the United States Steel corporation. This deal will not take in the few plants which are running independently in that territory, nor does it include the competition to the Carnegie plant at Pittsburg, but aside from that President Schwab of the steel corporation is to permit of the unification of managements of these constituent companies of the trust to such an extent

that the Carnegie Steel company which he helped to form, will have one of the richest and best territories of the United States almost exclusively its own property. By the addition of these two plants the Carnegie Steel company acquires what was originally the Ohio Steel company, at Youngstown, the Shengung Valley Steel company, New castle, Pa.; King Gilbert and Warner, Columbus; Belaire Steel company, Bridgeport, Ohio, and Mingo Junction; Buhl Steel company, Sharon, Pa.; Sharon Iron company, Sharon, Pa.; Rosena Furnace, Neweastle; Thomas Furnace company, Niles, Ohio; Ohio Iron company, Zanesville, Ohio; Columbia Steel company, Uniontown, Pa.; Standard-Connellville Coke company, Pleasant Unity, Pa.; Continental Coke company, Uniontown, Pa.; as part of the original steel company.

In addition it has acquired the following plants which now comprise the American Steel Hoop company: J. Painter & Sons company, of Pittsburg; Isabella Furnace company, Pittsburg; Clark Sons company, Pittsburg; Lindsay & McCutcheon, Pittsburg; Union Iron & Steel company, Youngstown; Monessen Steel company, Monessen, Pa.; P. L. Kimberly company, Sharon, Pa.; Portage Iron company, Duaneville, Pa.; and Pomeroy Iron & Steel company, of Pomeroy, Ohio.

GUARDING A NEGRO.

Houston Light Guard Will Protect Him at All Hazards.

Houston, Tex., June 22.—A special train bearing the Houston cavalry and a portion of the light guard, which left here last night for Trinity, Tex., where the remainder of the light guard is guarding a negro named Spencer, who was identified as the man who last week attempted an outrage, arrived there at 1:15 o'clock this morning.

A special dispatch which came through a few moments before that time states that the twenty-nine soldiers guarding the negro had taken a stand in a schoolhouse, and that about 200 well-armed men were outside. No further information has been received, and the special is cut short with the words: "The apt. McCormick assured the citizens that the prisoner would be protected at all hazards."

A GAME FISH.

Fine Bear Lake Bass That Are Hard to Catch.

Hon. A. M. Musser, ex-fish and game warden of Utah, today received the following letter from William Budge, of Paris, Idaho, regarding fish that have grown from spawn planted in the Bear lake by himself:

"According to promise in the event of any of the fry put into our lake a long time ago appearing in a successful growth, I have pleasure in stating that five black bass were brought into town a few days ago that were caught in Bear lake. They were all as near as may be of the same weight, viz: two and one-half pounds. A friend presented me with one which was of excellent quality, and very fat. Knowing the interest you have always taken in the fish industry, the foregoing will be satisfactory. I hear much talk of many of the same fish being seen, but it is said that they are shy and difficult to catch."

PLEASANT SURPRISE PARTY.

Friends of David R. Brown Gather at His Home.

David R. Brown of 426 Pearl avenue was tendered a surprise party last evening by his friends of the Second ward in honor of the 40th anniversary of his birth.

The evening was spent in playing progressive high five, after which the guests sat down to a most elegant supper. Mrs. A. W. Witzel won the ladies' prize, and James E. Trowbridge the gentlemen's prize.

The guests were Mr. and Mrs. John C. Little, Mr. and Mrs. George Trowbridge, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Horrocks, Mr. and Mrs. James E. Trowbridge, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest S. Penrose, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Decker, Mr. and Mrs. W. Witzel, Mrs. S. M. Zeigler, Miss Maggie Russell, Mrs. Emma Russell, Miss Lucy Trowbridge, Mr. Charles Fowler, The Misses Clara Trowbridge, Lillian Penrose, Lottie Little and Masters Marvin Zeigler, Tommy Brown, Earl W. Penrose.

TRAIN WITH TROOPS RIDDLED BY BULLETS

Armed Mob at Trinity, Tex., Fires on Special Having on Board the Negro Levy Spencer—Fire Returned.

Houston, Texas, June 22.—The special train bearing troops from Trinity arrived here this afternoon, riddled by bullets. The cavalry arrived at Trinity this morning at 2 o'clock and at once relieved the siege of the light guard, who were kept in a school house with an armed mob forming a cordon around it. The beleaguered soldiers marched back to the train with the negro Levy Spencer in their midst and boarded it without molestation, but as the train pulled out, the mob fired several volleys at the train. The soldiers returned fire and reported at least three

members of the mob hit. The negro was taken to the penitentiary at Huntsville for safe keeping, and the soldiers returned home.

MOB AND MILITIA NEARLY CLASH.

St. Louis, Mo., June 22.—A special to the Post-Dispatch, from Houston, Texas, says a company of state militia and a mob numbering 1,000 came near clashing at Trinity last night, over Eli Spencer, the negro charged with assault on Miss Lauren Trow. On account of the high state of excitement when the negro was captured he was spirited to Houston by Sheriff Chandler. The situation is now calm.

WATER SHORTAGE IN UTAH LAKE.

The publication in the "News" of Thursday that the Salt Lake county grain crop was endangered by reason of the drought that now prevails has aroused no little interest among the farmers who are advancing various ideas in the hopes that the difficulty may be overcome in some manner. The affected district comprises thirty thousand acres of land and not thirty thousand acres of grain, but crops of all kinds, which lie below the several canals, whose source of supply is the Jordan river.

Hon. Angus M. Cannon, president of the board of canal presidents, further commenting upon the scarcity of water in Salt Lake county at the present time says that a large part of the thirty thousand acres referred to must necessarily suffer in great degree unless some kind of relief comes speedily. The fact, said he, that the highest point reached by the Jordan river was 12 1/2 inches below compromise point, while it registered within six inches of the same level last year, shows the seriousness of the situation. While the lake reached within about 8 inches of compromise level last year it also fell, he says, to fully three feet below. He is of the opinion, however, that it will go down considerably farther than that this season, although he believes the lake might rise again during the winter months, providing the millers would permit winter storage.

"The 'News' has received a lengthy communication from Mr. James H. Gardner, superintendent of the Utah Sugar company. In it he suggests the installation of \$150,000 pumping plants, which he declares will bring speedily and effectual relief. President Angus M. Cannon agrees fully with his line of reasoning and says it is very good, but that the objections of the Salt Lake county millers must stand in the way, although he thinks they should not, and that a little inclination on their part to deal equitably with the farmers would do more to solving the difficulty than any other project that could be advanced."

MR. GARDNER'S PLAN.

Lehi, Utah, June 21.—In regard to the great scarcity of water in Salt Lake county, Mr. James H. Gardner, Superintendent of the Utah Sugar company, has given the following as a means of supplying the necessary amount of water for irrigation purposes in Salt Lake county. Mr. Gardner was born and raised in West Jordan and has had a great deal of experience in superintending and construction of canals and from his great amount of practical experience can be relied upon as knowing something of what he writes. Said he:

"In reading the Deseret Evening News of June 19th, my attention was attracted by the headline 'Salt Lake's Grain Crop Threatened.' It appears that water is very scarce in that county and that drought is inevitable and that 30,000 acres of land and a large acreage of alfalfa are at present suffering for the want of water. The lake data shows that it is very low and instead of raising during the high water season, it has fallen 2 1/2 inches and is now 13 1/2 inches below the compromise point."

There has been a great deal more water flow into Utah lake from the Provo

river this year than for several years past and the reason for this is that this season is the lack of seepage water caused through last season's drought. This season there has been a large amount of water flooding the benches in Utah county which will flow into the lake this fall and winter. This was proven two years ago when the water raised according to the commissioner's report, six inches during the month of January. Now if this be true, that the lake will rise in the winter months, even with the plank out of the impounding dam, why not take the lake down to even a lower level by artificial means, during the irrigation season and impound it in the winter months and not allow any water to go to waste."

The water can be raised out of the lake for a nominal price, and can be done in time to do an amount of good in Salt Lake county this year. This plan was devised by Bishop A. Gardner of West Jordan, the veteran canal builder and pioneer of Utah. This is the only plan, out of all that has been advanced that will insure the Salt Lake county all the water needed for irrigation purposes. There has never been any complaint from Utah county on account of the lake being too low, it is the high water, that causes the loss of crops. Drying the lake on the south and east has been talked of, also dredging the river to draw off the water to a lower point, but both propositions are too costly for good farmers. Even if even, thing of entertaining, but the proposition I have is a practical one and will forever solve the question of drought in Salt Lake county which I have submitted for the consideration of Salt Lake City and the several canal presidents I will put in electric centrifugal pumps that will raise 500 cubic feet of water per second out of the lake into the river and in operation in about three weeks from time contract is made. We have sufficient power already here to run the pumps which can be had from the Utah City Light & Power company, and the cost of the whole plant will not exceed \$15,000 while the other propositions would cost at least a half million dollars.

Now, why allow your crops to suffer and your farms to decrease in value and have people move out to Canada and elsewhere, when there is plenty of water for all when properly handled. I know where I can get water and I say there is plenty of water, as I have sufficient data on the matter and am ready to sign contract to furnish and guarantee it, and give bonds if necessary. The argument is made that it is too late this year, but that is a mistake as it can be installed quickly and will save one crop of hay and all late crops besides every farmer knows that to let lucern suffer for water this season it will be a lost crop next year, and it will give more seepage for the mills, etc., and more water can be impounded in the lake during the winter months."

Individually I have no axe to grind, but am interested in the welfare of the country and am satisfied that this is the only available and cheapest water right Salt Lake county can have and will forever insure the water right up to an abundance of water.

WORTH HALF A MILLION DOLLARS

Mahey H. Daley, the well-known civil engineer from Cedar city, early this week completed an abstract of the property of the late Bishop Thomas Taylor and returned to his home. This abstract was filed with the administrator of the estate, Miles R. Taylor, of Salt Lake, and proves that a vast amount of research and labor have been bestowed upon it. The abstract shows that Mr. Taylor was worth close upon half a million of dollars at the time of his death. The property is divided into four classes, as follows:

Class A—The property under this heading consists of seven patented claims near Iron City, valued at approximately \$200,000.

Class B—This consists of twenty acres of land on Little Pinto creek, with furnaces, buildings, iron, machinery, etc., shown in the conveyance to be worth \$55,000.

Class C—Under this head are the coal lands, comprising forty acres, and worth from \$50,000 to \$100,000.

Class D—This class represents ten acres of land in and adjoining Cedar City, upon which the homestead claim, The value placed upon it is \$10,000.

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