

WRITES A STATEMENT

Roosevelt Defines His Position to the Vice Presidency.

HIS DUTIES LIE IN NEW YORK.

He Declares, and Asks His Friends to Respect His Judgment.

Deliver the Leading Alternative for the Second Place, It Seems—Views Gathered at Delegation Headquarters.

Philadelphia, June 19.—Gov. Roosevelt yesterday gave out the following statement:

"In view of the revival of the talk of myself as a vice presidential candidate I have this to say: It is impossible to express how touched I am by the attitude of those delegates who have wished me to take this nomination. Moreover, it is not necessary to say how thoroughly I understand the high honor and dignity of the office, an office so high and so honorable that it is well worthy the ambition of any man in the United States.

Can He Most Useful in New York.

"But while I appreciate all this to the full, nevertheless, I feel most deeply that the field of my best usefulness to the public and to the party is in



TIMOTHY L. WOODRUFF.

New York state, and if the party should see fit to nominate me for governor I can in that position help the national ticket as in no other way. I very earnestly ask that every friend of mine in the convention respect my wish and my judgment in this matter."

Wrote the Statement Himself.

Standing in a small room facing a crowd of newspaper men he made the foregoing statement, reading it from a couple of sheets of manuscript. The document was in his own handwriting and in lead pencil. During the reading with the same complacency that he would have given a platform speech. Sitting near him as he spoke were Representatives Litaner and Sherman, of New York, and Professor Jenks, of Columbia college, who have all along urged the governor not to accept. Just behind the row of newspaper men stood Frank Platt, Lemuel Quigg and E. B. Odell, the New York organization. As the governor read and waited for the newspaper men to write down the statement he frequently glanced in the direction of the group of politicians. When he finished he said: "Gentlemen, that is all. I have nothing more to say." Litaner said he thought the statement timely and believed that the governor would accept. Quigg and Frank Platt simultaneously declared that they believed the statement was correct.

The Meats of the Convention.

FEELING IN THE DELEGATIONS.

Illinois Inclined for Dilliver—Indiana, Iowa and Michigan Views.

The Illinois people are holding off their meeting until the delegates are all here and the sentiment has become clearer. About the headquarters there appeared to be considerable Dilliver sentiment, and the representative from Chicago, said: "I have not conferred with the delegates, but those with our party like Dilliver."

Belgian Peasants Revolt.

Belgrade, Serbia, June 19.—The peasants' revolt has broken out again in Bulgaria in the district of Varna.

Wagon Dies on the Street.

Chicago, June 19.—Mrs. Anna Gawlowski died yesterday at Western and Milwaukee avenues.

Death of Henry Walter Webb.

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Dead Baby Under a Bridge.

St. Louis, June 19.—A dead baby was found under a bridge in the northern city limits Sunday morning.

Storm Demolishes a Warehouse.

Wine and Rain Storm Sunday Evening Demolished Bierhaus & Son's Warehouse and St. John's Hotel.

Mrs. Beitz Sails for Europe.

Lourenzo Marquez, June 19.—Mrs. Beitz, wife of the Transvaal state secretary, sailed for Europe yesterday, accompanied by her family.

AS TO CENSUS FACTS

None Will Be Known For at Least Two Weeks.

SIX EUROPEANS BITE THE DUST

While Fifty-Six Are Wounded in the Engagement.

RUSSIANS LOSE THE HEAVIEST.

Four Hundred Chinese Said to Have Been Killed—Dowager Empress Orders the Practical War Declaration.

Berlin, June 19.—A semi-official dispatch from Che Fu announces that the Taku forts have been captured after a combined attack by the foreign warships.

Story That Came to Washington.

Washington, June 19.—Actual news of the situation in China was received by the navy department yesterday in two cables, the contents of which were made known as follows:

It is explained that in the opinion of the authorities this order conferred upon Admiral Kempf ample power to seize forts, to fight, or to do anything, in fact, on the sole condition that in his judgment his acts should tend to the protection of American interests.

FOUND A BLOOD-STAINED KNIFE.

Weapon with Which Old Man John Doe Was Murdered.

Bellefonte, Pa., June 19.—The mysterious murder of old man John Doeing, who was killed in his home in this city on New Year's night, 1888, by being stabbed and horribly butchered, promises to be finally solved and the murderer brought to justice.

Grand Rapids, Mich., June 19.—The local ice trust has thrown up the sponge. South End citizens organized an association for the importation of ice from Muskegon, and the local ice trust was broken up.

Chicago, June 19.—Yesterday's League base ball scores were as follows:

Nashville, Ills., June 19.—The continuous rainfall throughout this section of the state is working serious havoc with the growing crops.

Calomet and Hecla in Operation.

Houghton, Mich., June 19.—The Calomet and Hecla started yesterday working full force for the first time since fire was discovered, May 27.

Colfax, Ia., June 19.—Colfax experienced a severe water spout Saturday night.

Wet in the Chippewa Too Low.

Chippewa Falls, Wis., June 19.—The Chippewa Lumber and Boom company was unable to operate its mill here yesterday.

Tramps Prepare for a Banquet.

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Two Women Daily Injured.

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JENNIE DID SAVE THE TRAIN.

But Now She Probably Wishes She Had Let the Old Thing Go.

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