

ST. LOUIS IS READY

TO ENTERTAIN VISITORS AT THE CONVENTION.

More Newspaper Men than Politicians on the Ground at Present—Anxiety Over the Forthcoming Report of the Venezuelan Commission

St. Louis Is Ready. Up to date there are fully five times as many out of town newspaper correspondents in St. Louis, who have come to the national convention, as politicians.

All the arrangements for handling the crowd have been completed. The hotels, boarding houses and cafes, big, little and indifferent, have laid in their supplies of food and extra bedding.

In short, St. Louis, in spite of the fact that a fortnight ago a storm swept a hole a mile and a half wide through her center from the western limits to the river, is ready to comfortably accommodate and handle the scores of thousands of visitors whom it is expected will attend the convention.

FIRST BATTLE ON THE NILE.

Egyptian Troops Victorious in a Fight with Dervishes.

Firket Egypt was taken by Egyptian troops at an early hour on the morning of the 7th and their manner of acquitting themselves in this, the first engagement of the Nile campaign, has given great satisfaction to the British officers in command of them.

The dervishes were finally put to rout by a flank movement executed by the cavalry. Seeing themselves in danger of being surrounded, the forces of the khalfifa took flight to the southward, towards Suarda, pursued by the cavalry.

Reports received indicate that the loss to the dervishes will amount to 1,000 men. It is probable that the taking of Firket was decided upon owing to the doubtful strength of Akasheh as an outpost, surrounded as it is by low hills, the taking of which would make Akasheh a death trap.

The finishing of the railroad line from Sarrahs has been rapidly pushed since the expedition was determined upon. By extending it to Firket the worst cataract will be turned, and early advantage can thus be taken of the rise in the Nile at the end of July for water transportation to Dongola.

The Egyptian loss in the fight was twenty killed and eighty wounded. Hundreds of Dervishes were taken prisoners.

VENEZUELA TO THE FRONT.

London Papers Say American Commission Will Soon Report.

The Venezuela question has again crept to the front. The London Speaker says it hears disquieting news in connection with the negotiations looking to the peaceful settlement of the boundary dispute between British Guiana and Venezuela.

"But," the Speaker continues, "two facts are perfectly clear. First, that the report of the American commission is expected ere long and in the event of our refusal to accept its recommendations we shall have an outbreak of feeling in the United States compared with which that of last December will seem trifling."

"Under these circumstances the foreign office is not making any attempt to hasten a close of the incident and is simply nursing the old plan of letting things drift."

"We can speak with confidence when we say that in the highest quarters of the opposition there is a feeling of grave anxiety as to the future of the question."

A bomb was thrown into the crowd during the Corpus Christi procession at Barcelona, Spain, on the 7th, and its explosion resulted in the killing of six persons and the injury of fifty. The perpetrator is as yet unknown and his motive is equally a mystery.

Provides for Three Warships.

The conferees on the naval appropriation bill have agreed on a final report. The agreement provides for three new battleships, and fixes the price of armor plate at \$4.25 per ton.

Killed by a Mail Train.

Mary Roberts of Syracuse was instantly killed by a mail train on the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad at Ligonier, Ind., the other night.

Disappears with \$100,000.

Philip Oppenheimer, who was ordered by Judge Prewett, of the Sacramento, Cal., superior court, to turn over to T. M. Yates, receiver, \$100,000 which he held as trustee for his mother, has disappeared and is supposed now to be in Toronto, Canada.

French Expedition Routed.

A British Guinea West Africa dispatch says: The French Niger expedition from Salaga was routed and many of its members killed by poisoned arrows in this Boreno country.

THE SITUATION IN TRADE.

Not Much Activity Expected Till After the Convention.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade says: Summer is close at hand and with new crops promising well and old stocks large, it is no wonder that farm products are cheap. The opinion gains ground that more active business is to be expected after the conventions have been held, and the safety and sufficiency of crops have been assured.

The movement of cattle at the west is very heavy at Chicago, 10 per cent. greater than last year thus far, and lard makes a new low record, with enormous stocks accumulated.

Cotton goods are reduced still further in price, and gingham to the lowest point ever known, while no increase appears in the demand.

Failures for the week were 244 in the United States, against 195 last year and 29 in Canada, against 25 last year.

GROVER TO COME WEST.

Cleveland to Angle for Trout in Wisconsin in August.

Winnibjoui, the new and favorite fishing resort on the Brule, is to be honored this season with the presence of President Cleveland and party. The party will be the guests of Senator Vilas, and will be quartered in the senator's rustic cabin on the great fishing stream.

SENATE SESSION ON CUBA.

Morgan Wants Warships Sent to Free American Prisoners.

Senator Morgan gave the Senate a spirited revival of the Cuban question on the 5th. The Senator urged the adoption of his resolution calling on the President for information concerning the Americans taken on the Competitor and now under sentence of death at Havana.

Armours Are Cleared.

For two nights the directors of the Chicago Board of Trade have been listening to the evidence in the case against the Armours, in which the Armour elevators were some time since declared irregular.

Unseated a Democrat.

By a vote of 153 to 23 the House on the 4th decided against the claim of William Elliott, from the First South Carolina District, and gave the seat to George W. Murray, Mr. Murray is a colored man, and in the Fifty-first Congress was seated in place of Mr. Elliott. The latter had a majority of 1,734 on the face of the returns, but the committee found that the former had carried the district by a majority of 434.

The Revolt in Crete.

The London Times has a dispatch from Athens which says telegrams from the Island of Crete indicate that there is a state of anarchy in the whole western portion of the island. In numerous villages the Turks are besieged by insurgent Christians. Wherever the Mohammedans are in the majority they plunder and murder the Christians. The sound of battle in the villages can be distinctly heard on board the warships in Suda Bay.

Kate Field's Funeral.

The funeral of Kate Field who died at Honolulu on the 19th inst. of pneumonia, took place the day following. The body was embalmed and placed in a temporary vault. The final disposition of the remains will depend entirely upon the news which Consul General Mills receives from the United States. The funeral was attended by President Dole, the members of his cabinet and a large number of leading citizens.

Russia Warns the Porte.

A dispatch from Constantinople to the London Times says: Russia has warned the Porte that a Christian massacre in Crete would unite the whole of Europe against Turkey.

Warship Massachusetts Finished.

The United States battleship Massachusetts, built by the Cramps at Philadelphia, has been completed and will go into commission in June.

To Fix Up the Dispute.

A jury of honor, composed of generals, will be appointed to arrange the dispute between Gens. Campos and Boreore at Madrid.

AUSTIN CORBIN DEAD.

The New York Multi-Millionaire Killed in a Runaway.

Austin Corbin, the multi-millionaire of New York, died at Newport, N. J. from injuries received by the running away of the horses attached to his carriage. The accident occurred while Mr. Corbin was driving from his estate and game preserves, two miles from Newport, accompanied by his grandson, Edgell Corbin, and the latter's tutor. The driver was John Stokes.

When coming out of the entrance gate the horses shied and in their fright dashed across the road, colliding with a high stone wall. The carriage was overturned sufficiently to eject with great force all its occupants, with the result that one of Mr. Corbin's legs was broken in two places and the other wrenched, while his head was terribly bruised. The driver was injured internally and died at 6 o'clock.

Austin Corbin, who was often called the "King of Long Island," was born in Newport, N. H., July 11, 1827. In 1851 he removed to Davenport, Iowa, where he lived fourteen years. It was while there that he entered the banking business with a success that was followed by others of greater magnitude.

Mr. Corbin's one ambition was to develop a great system which should bring all roads on the island under one management. This he attained in the early part of this year, when he became the owner of the majority interest in the one system which now controls transportation on the island. It is difficult to estimate his wealth.

SEATS FOR THE PRESS.

Arrangements at the National Republican Convention.

Arrangements for the allotment of seats reserved for the press at the National Republican Convention have been practically completed. It was finally agreed that no paper should be allowed more than six seats in the press gallery. The great morning dailies of New York, Chicago, Cincinnati, Boston, Philadelphia, St. Louis, Pittsburg, St. Paul, Minneapolis, Denver and San Francisco will each be given six seats, while the afternoon papers of those cities will receive from one to four seats.

Newspaper Man Arrested.

An American citizen named Thomas Daly, said to be a correspondent of a New York newspaper, who was detained by the Spanish authorities of St. Christobal, Province of Pinar del Rio, Cuba, on the charge of having taken photographs of the county in violation of military regulations, has arrived at Havana under escort and is now at the chief police station, where he is held awaiting instructions from Capt. Gen. Weyler.

Big San Jose, Cal. Failure.

Jacob Rich, an individual, and the First Street railroad of San Francisco, have filed a petition of insolvency. The total liabilities are placed in round numbers at \$600,000. Rich places the value of the total assets at \$700,000, but the railroad and real estate owned by him will not bring that amount now.

New Oil Field Discovered.

The Northern Indiana Oil Company has struck a monster oil well one mile east of Bryant. The well opens up a new field. It is estimated at 500 barrels a day, and oil men are greatly excited over the strike.

Lady Henry Is Re-Elected.

The important step at the meeting of the British Woman's Temperance Association in London was the re-election of Lady Henry Somerset as president.

Arthur Re-Elected Chief.

P. M. Arthur was re-elected chief of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers at Montreal, Ont., by a vote of 325 to 85 for Haberstick of Wisconsin.

No Cabinet Crisis in Spain.

The reports of a cabinet crisis at Madrid seem to be devoid of foundation.

MARKETS.

Table with market prices for various commodities in Sioux City, Chicago, South Omaha, Kansas City, and Minneapolis.

OF A GREAT STATE

NEWS FROM ALL PARTS OF NEBRASKA.

There Being No Heirs the Estate of John Fitzpatrick, Deceased, Near Charleston, Will Become the Property of the State—Other Items.

Left a Fortune for the State. A suit was some time ago commenced by eastern parties to foreclose a mortgage that was given by John Fitzpatrick, deceased, on his lands in York County.

A NEBRASKA HURRICANE.

Considerable Damage in the North-eastern Part of the State.

The farming section about five miles north of Pender was visited on the evening of the 4th by a hurricane, accompanied by a severe hailstorm. For miles around the fences were wholly destroyed, the wires being strewn across the public highways to such an extent that they are impassable.

Exciting Chase of a Thief.

R. B. Leonard, residing about twelve miles southeast of Wayne, was accidentally shot by Peter Neff while attempting to capture a grain thief, and although twenty-six shot entered his side and back his wound is not considered dangerous.

To Quit Banking Business.

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YORK CHURCHES IN COURT.

Amount of a Bank Deposit in Dispute.

A peculiar controversy has been commenced in the York circuit court. While the action is between the Lincoln Creek Christian Church and the First National Bank of York, the main matter is between the Christian Church and the Church of Christ, lately organized.

A BULLET IN HIS CHEST.

Woman and Two Men Held to Await Result of Inquest.

Oakland was thrown into intense excitement Tuesday morning at 9:30 when it was rumored that Liveryman E. L. Sellers had been found dead in the house occupied by Miss Olive Hiscox, Grant Hiscox and Calvin Hiscox.

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TO VOTE FOR SILVER.

KENTUCKY DEMOCRATS ADOPT THE UNIT RULE.

At the State Convention in Lexington White Metal Delegates Rigidly Bind Representatives Sent to Chicago and Instruct for Blackburn for President

Kentucky for Silver.

Kentucky's twenty-six votes at the Democratic national convention will be solidly cast for free silver and for Senator Blackburn as the party's presidential nominee, with "Silver Dick" Bland of Missouri as the probable second choice.



SENATOR BLACKBURN.

committee on credentials to unseat enough delegates from the Louisville district to give the white metal faction control there, but the adoption of the unit rule rendered this unnecessary.

Senator Blackburn, the present idol of Kentucky silver Democrats; P. Wat Harlin, who last November as the party gubernatorial nominee on a white metal platform, led Kentucky Democrats to their first defeat; John S. Rhea, an able stump speaker, and W. T. Ellis, also known as an efficient campaigner, were elected as delegates-at-large, with Robert W. Nelson, J. Morton Rothwell, Theodore F. Hallam and John D. Carroll as alternates. J. P. Tarvin and W. B. Smith were nominated for presidential electors-at-large. They are all earnest advocates of free coinage.

Joseph Clay Stiles Blackburn, candidate of the Kentucky Democracy for the presidency of the United States, is a native son of Kentucky. His father was a breeder of thoroughbreds, but Joseph took to the law. He spent two years in Chicago and returned to the South in 1860.

He was an elector on the Breckinridge and Lane ticket, joined the army, went to Arkansas and planted cotton, returned to his home and became a legislator, went to Congress and became a Senator.

FRANCE'S PRIME MINISTER.

Felix Jules Meline Now at the Helm of the French Government.

Felix Jules Meline, who has taken the helm of the French Government as prime minister, is one of the strong men in Gallic politics. Every Frenchman is a politician, and Meline is one of the fortunate few who have come to the front. Born in Remiremont, he studied law, and was an intense politician at his majority. He was elected a member of the commune, but declined the office. He was

made a national assemblyman in 1872, and four years later was elected to the chamber. For fifteen years he was almost constantly before the public as deputy or as filling some function under the patronage or necessity of some ministry. He was under secretary of the interior with Grevy, but resigned at one month's end. Later he was made a member of the tariff commission. In 1883 we find him minister of agriculture. Retiring in 1885 with Ferry's cabinet, he went back to the chamber, and in 1888 he presided over that body. Since then he has been in the chamber at odd times, and has never been out of the public eye. He is a sharp politician, a good statesman, and thoroughly understands the temper of his countrymen.



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The Pullman Palace Car Company fled with State Auditor Gilbert of Ohio its annual report for taxation under the special law. The whole mileage is put at 132,665, of which 2,737 is in Ohio. The tax is about \$8,000. The report is filed under protest, but the company has made two annual payments under the law without taking it to the courts.

James W. Hadley, aged 17, was fatally hurt and several other persons badly injured during a storm at Avondale, Ala., which blew down a building in which they had taken refuge.