

MERELY SELFISH INTERESTS

Slender Basis of the Opposition to President Harrison.

NO HOPE TO DEFEAT A RENOMINATION

After a Careful Review of the Situation the Few Who Desire a Change Admit the Improbability of Such a Thing.

WASHINGTON BUREAU OF THE BEE, 1215 FIFTH STREET, WASHINGTON, D. C., May 8.

Every effort made to concentrate or unite the opposition to President Harrison's re-nomination during the past week has failed utterly.

At the "conference" held last night by Senator Quay, ex-Senator T. C. Platt and a few others who oppose a re-nomination of the president, the figures given out by the friends of the president, and the strength already gathered for him were attacked, and efforts made, as have been during the past three or four days by opposition newspapers, to show that the promises assured were without foundation.

The fact that in a few of the states where the state conventions instructed for a re-nomination there were a few delegates who were not instructed which did not instruct was pointed out as being significant, and an effort was made to show that there was no ground upon which to claim entire state delegations without specific instructions from district as well as state conventions.

No grounds for opposition. But that as it may, what was found to be impracticable as an entire practical one which had been given in the states which had instructed for a re-nomination were very few.

These make a considerable list and with those whose names are down for selection in the states and territories, the number of held conventions and who are now as safely secure for re-nomination as though they had been selected and instructed, is not small.

After delivering these "warnings" an effort will be made to spring the name of Blaine, or Sherman, or Risk. With this they will all go home and no more will be heard in re-nomination.

Displeased the Chinese. Mr. John Russell Young, formerly minister to China, came to Washington last evening on a visit to the Chinese minister, who had been in the city for some time.

Arrival of His Remains for Burial in New York. New York, May 8.—The remains of Mr. William Astor, who died suddenly in Paris on April 20 of heart failure, arrived in this city at 8 o'clock this morning on the steamer La Florida.

High Water at South Bend and Fort Wayne—Inundation Threatened. SOUTH BEND, Ind., May 8.—The high water caused great excitement in this city yesterday and today.

Interstate Commerce Matters. WASHINGTON, D. C., May 8.—The house committee on interstate commerce will on May 30 grant a hearing to delegates from boards of trade and to the counsel for railway companies on the bill brought before the committee providing for uniform bills of lading for carriers engaged in interstate commerce.

What the Situation Promises. Mr. Young said that the present minister was a liberal statesman of an amiable, unassuming character who had formed a sincere attachment for the United States and was disposed to look at events with a practical eye.

WILD WASTES OF WATERS

Sections of Kansas, Missouri, Iowa and Indiana Turned into Lakes.

CREEKS SWOLLEN INTO RUSHING RIVERS

Buildings, Fences and Growing Crops Washed Away—Cities and Towns Inundated—Railroad Traffic Suspended—Cyclone in Oklahoma—Storm Notes.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., May 8.—The past twenty-four hours have furnished the climax for all the rainy weather of this spring.

They Will Meet at Lincoln. Mr. A. D. Shaw, deputy third auditor, will visit Indianapolis, his former home, in a few days, to attend the National Yarmeters' association meeting.

Accommodating the Farmers. The letter of the postmaster general directing the extension of the free delivery experiment to villages and farming districts, which has just been sent to the senate committee on post-offices and post-roads, was accompanied by a batch of newspaper opinions, taken from 325 different papers, all in favor of the proposed rural free delivery extension.

Senator Mitchell of Oregon, who has reported from the senate committee an amendment to the postoffice appropriation bill appropriating \$2,000,000 to continue the present general free delivery experiments, said today that he had every reason to believe that the senate would accept it.

Rain with Cyclone Accompaniments. A small cyclone accompanied the rain north of Galveston, Tex., on Sunday night. The houses of John Davis, Henry Smith and John Crockett were carried some distance by the cyclone and badly damaged.

High Winds Raising a Heavy Sea and Threatening the Levees. PEORIA, Ill., May 8.—Thousands of people today visited the inundated districts surrounding this city. The river is still a raging torrent with a rise that can be heard a long distance.

ILLINOIS TOWNS SUFFER. The Missouri river, which is very high for the season of the year, is rising rapidly and there is much apprehension lest the steady pour of water into it from its tributaries will cause it to overflow its banks.

FROM IOWA POINTS. Difficulty Experienced in Operating Trains.—The Water Falling. KEOKUK, Ia., May 8.—The situation between this city and Quincy is slightly improved, the water falling considerably today in the Mississippi and going down rapidly in the Des Moines.

IN INDIANA. High Water at South Bend and Fort Wayne—Inundation Threatened. SOUTH BEND, Ind., May 8.—The high water caused great excitement in this city yesterday and today.

ORDERED TO LEAVE. Buffalo, Wyo., People Order a Retrailed Cattlemen to Leave. DENVER, Colo., May 8.—A special to the Democrat from Luddington, Mich., says: The mill and salt works of the Butlers & Peters Salt and Lumber company burned today in a m. and 3 p. m. today.

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RUSHVILLE, Neb., May 8.—(Special Telegram to THE BEE.)—Snow has fallen here during the past thirty-eight hours to a depth of sixteen inches.

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ON THE LOWER MISSISSIPPI. Levees Holding Out Well—Reports from Different Points. NEW ORLEANS, La., May 8.—The river at this point has remained almost stationary for several days, reaching sixteen feet and six-tenths as the maximum.

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FRANCE IS WATCHING US

Interest Being Taken in the Coming Elections in This Country.

OUR POLITICAL METHODS SCRUTINIZED

Hungarian Anarchists Resort to Dynamite—French Press Comments on the Italian Crisis—Home Shaken by an Earthquake—Europe for a Day.

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DISCUSSED IN FRANCE

What Its Newspapers See in the Present Italian Crisis.

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