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CZAR'S CONDITION IS WORSE

Members of the Family Hastening Home from the French Capital.

ALARMING REPORTS FROM ST. PETERSBURG

Symptoms of General Debility and Weakness of the Heart More Pronounced—Journey to Corfu Thought to Be Too Dangerous.

ST. PETERSBURG, Oct. 18.—It is announced here that the condition of the czar has perceptibly changed for the worse. It is added that his symptoms of general debility and weakness of the heart are more pronounced.

It is announced that the czar's physicians have given up the idea of having him taken to Corfu.

Grand Dukes Sergius and Paul, brothers of the czar, started for Lividia today.

An official dispatch indicating the sudden gravity of the czar's condition was sent to Darmstadt yesterday and a reply was received today saying that the Grand Duke of Hesse Darmstadt and the Grand Duchess Sergius, his sister, had started for St. Petersburg.

The news from Lividia has caused consternation in St. Petersburg and there is a general feeling that the end may be expected any day. Consequently great anxiety is experienced regarding the consequences of the czar's sudden demise.

LONDON, Oct. 18.—The report that the czar's health has changed rapidly for the worse has caused a sensation here, especially in view of the previous reports which have led people to believe that he was in no immediate danger. It is now concluded that there is little doubt that a decided change for the worse has taken place, and that the czar may be in a more dangerous state than the most alarming reports have hitherto stated.

The anxiety regarding the health of the czar was increased today by the reception of a dispatch from St. Petersburg distinctly announcing that the condition of the czar has perceptibly changed for the worse, and people are trying to read between the lines of the official bulletin, published by the Official Messenger of St. Petersburg, on Tuesday last, many interpreting the announcement on that day to mean that the czar is unable to bear the journey to Corfu.

The Official Messenger, as already cabled on Tuesday last, in a special edition, published the following bulletin, which was signed by President F. S. Leyden, Zacharin, Popoff and Beljaminoff, the "Physicians in Attendance on the Czar."

"After consultation, we find that the disease of the kidneys shows no improvement. His majesty's strength has diminished, but the physicians in attendance hope that the climate of the south coast of the Crimea will have a beneficial effect upon the health of the czar."

It will readily be seen that an unfavorable interpretation can easily be made by the above bulletin, and that it is not astonishing that it has given rise to additional reports of an alarming nature in spite of the fact that every preparation has been made to receive his majesty at Corfu.

A correspondent of the British Medical Journal, telegraphing from Lividia yesterday evening, says that he has seen two of the czar's physicians. The correspondent adds: "There is no less cause for anxiety than there was a fortnight since, although the czar suffers less from vomiting and headache. His immediate removal from Lividia would be beneficial in one sense, but the czar's weakness increases."

MINNEAPOLIS, Oct. 18.—Dr. George Von Schmidt, the German traveler, claiming to have inside advices by mail as to the situation in Russia, said today that he had just received another cryptograph letter directly from St. Petersburg indicating an upheaval when the czar dies. The student party and the army and the clergy are honeycombed with a conspiracy to set aside the czarewitch and place Prince George on the throne in spite of the czar's personal wishes. The czar is crazed with fear and dares not employ Russian physicians for fear they are connected with the conspiracy.

PARIS, Oct. 18.—The statement that the condition of the czar has changed unexpectedly for the worse is confirmed by reports to the same effect that reached this city. Grand Duke Vladimir, oldest brother of the czar, and the Grand Duke Alexis, the Russian high admiral, second brother of the czar, leave Paris for St. Petersburg tonight.

BERLIN, Oct. 18.—The Cologne Gazette has a dispatch from St. Petersburg stating that the czar appears to be dying. All the members of the imperial family are enroute to Lividia, where his majesty is sojourning. It is reported that after the reception of the Princess Alix, the czarowitz's betrothed, into the orthodox church, a quiet wedding will follow. The marriage will take place in Lividia before November 20, on which day the great fasts of the church begin. The formal appointment of the czarowitz as regent is hourly expected.

It is persistently stated that Pobiedonesseff resigned the procuratorship of the holy synod a week ago, but that his resignation was not accepted.

ST. PETERSBURG, Oct. 18.—A bulletin issued at 7 o'clock states there is no change in the condition of the czar.

Hopes Foreigners Are All Right.

LONDON, Oct. 18.—T. A. Martin, the London agent of the ameer of Afghanistan for the past nine years, in an interview this afternoon with a representative of the Associated press in regard to the situation of affairs at Cabul, said: "If the ameer knew that his death was near and that the lives of the Europeans at Cabul would be in danger, he would take every step possible in order to insure their safety. I hope to hear of the arrival of the Europeans in India at any moment. Afghanistan has immensely changed under the rule of the ameer, and the British are more liked there than formerly. I know the ameer told me the whole feeling of the inhabitants of Afghanistan was against Russia, and the ameer discouraged trade with Russia in every possible way."

Ameer's Reported Death Not Confirmed.

SIMLA, Oct. 18.—The Indian government does not confirm the announcement made by a newspaper of Lahore that the ameer of Afghanistan is dead.

It is believed in government circles that the ameer is dead, although no official confirmation of the report has been received. In view of this reported death of the ameer, the situation at Cabul is considered to be serious. Nothing has been heard of Engineer Pine or the other Europeans at Cabul for a number of days past.

Learning to Speak Russian.

ST. PETERSBURG, Oct. 18.—The Official Messenger announces that Princess Alix of Hesse, the intended wife of the czarowitz, has made excellent progress in the Russian language, which she has studied assiduously in England and Germany. The princess has made equal progress in the study of the history, doctrine and liturgy of the orthodox church.

Egypt the Stumbling Block.

PARIS, Oct. 18.—The Siecle, in an article discussing the eastern war, says France cannot discuss the Corean question while the British hold Egypt, the gate of Asia. If important occurrences take place in the east negotiations between the powers regarding them must be preceded by pourparlers looking to the evacuation of Egypt by England.

Prominent Prelate Ill.

ROME, Oct. 18.—Cardinal Persico, secretary general of the propaganda and titular archbishop of Damatis, is critically ill. He has only recently returned from a holiday trip to Paris.

Gen'ral Booth's Daughter Married.

LONDON, Oct. 18.—Thousands of Salvationists gathered at the Salvation Army "barracks" this morning to witness the marriage of Miss Lucy Booth, daughter of General Booth of the Salvation Army, to Colonel Hemberg, a Swedish member of the army. It is the intention of the couple to go to India and engage in missionary work.

PRESENTED THE FLAGS.

Newly Organized Infantry Battalions Receive Their Colors.

BERLIN, Oct. 18.—The ceremony of presenting the 132 flags destined for the recently organized four battalions of infantry regiments was performed in the presence of Emperor William today in front of Frederick the Great's statue on the Unter den Linden. His majesty later presented the flags to the commanders of the respective battalions and addressed the officers present, alluded to the achievements of the German army in 1871 and called on the commanders to remain loyal unto death and render unconditional obedience to their war lord against his external and internal enemies.

The emperor referred to the fact that today is the anniversary of the birth of his father, Frederick III, and also of the last great ceremony of blessing the flags in 1861.

His majesty concluded: "May the Most High, who has hitherto watched over the army, remain with it. And may my royal forefathers look down protectingly upon the new colors. With God for king and fatherland."

Field Marshal General Von Blumenthal replied to the emperor's speech on behalf of the army, thanking him and assuring his majesty of the unswerving loyalty of the troops.

Then the troops, which were joined by the three eldest of the imperial princes, marched past the emperor in parade order.

The emperess of Germany and the king of Servia witnessed this interesting ceremony from a balcony of the palace opposite the residence of the emperor's grandfather, William I. The altar in the front of the monument of Frederick the Great was decorated with flowers and flanked by guns and drums.

The famous "emperor's weather" failed to prevail today, and during the ceremony the first snow of the season in Berlin, accompanied by a drizzling rain, began to fall. Notwithstanding the inclement weather immense crowds were on the streets. Thousands of strangers were in the crowds and it was remarked they applauded louder and more frequently than the residents of the city.

Stands had been erected opposite the monument, and these were crowded by members of the aristocracy, diplomats and army officers, among the latter being numerous generals. The emperor was the picture of health, but he was suffering from a slight hoarseness and his voice could not be heard twenty yards away. Emperor William was on horseback throughout the ceremony. He wore the uniform of the infantry guard and a gray Hohenzollern hat.

At 5 o'clock a luncheon was served in the new palace, at which 400 covers were laid. In addition to the emperor and empress, there were present the king of Servia, a number of German princes and many high dignitaries. The emperor offered a cordial toast to the army, referring to the special significance of the day. His majesty then conferred the decoration of the Order of the Black Eagle on King Alexander.

Received with Much Ceremony.

POTSDAM, Oct. 18.—Alexander, the 18-year-old king of Servia, arrived here last evening from Budapest on a visit to Emperor William. Great preparations had been made for his reception, and it was generally understood that his visit had political significance. The railway station was beautifully decorated and a guard of honor was drawn up on the platform. The party which received the young king was a brilliant one. The emperor greeted the king most cordially, and after an inspection of the guard of honor their majesties drove to the palace, escorted by the guard. A grand gala dinner was given at the new palace.

The emperor proposed the health of King Alexander. The latter, speaking in German, thanked Emperor William for the cordiality of his reception and said he hoped that the friendly relations between Servia and Germany would be further strengthened.

"Holy John" Will Pray for the Czar.

ST. PETERSBURG, Oct. 18.—The famous Pere Ivan of Cronstadt, otherwise known as Holy John of Cronstadt, who is universally revered by the Russian people, and who is often called to the bedside of persons dangerously ill to pray for their recovery, has started for Livadia to pray for the recovery of the czar.

Prosecuting Spanish Newspapers.

MADRID, Oct. 18.—Queen Regent Christiana has instructed the government to prosecute the proprietors and managers of several Catholic papers which asserted she had caused the king to be enrolled as a Free Mason.

Foreign Notes.

The German cruiser Marc has arrived at Tien-Tsin.

Colombia is strengthening her garrison at Bocas del Toro.

Cabinet troubles due to jealousy are reported in Servia.

Vice President Stevenson spoke to a large crowd at Danville, Ill.

Spain has opened negotiations for a commercial treaty with Japan.

Guatemala is giving important army commands to American citizens.

The first snow of the season fell in several districts in Germany yesterday.

Premier Crispi tendered Senor Castellar, the Spanish republican leader, a dinner.

A cyclone has leveled 700 houses in San Domingo and damaged the cotton crop in Hayti.

A conspiracy has been unearthed in Caracas in which prominent army men are implicated.

The Spanish government will subsidize a line of steamers from Spanish ports to China and Japan.

M. de Burbette, prime minister of Belgium, is expected to resign. M. Bernardt, his predecessor, will probably succeed him.

Adams and Spencer, two Americans in Belim prison in Mexico, had a fight with knives, and Adams will probably die.

Jorge Nunez of Guatemala is trying to precipitate a war with Mexico. He boasts that he can raise an army of 100,000 men.

The Portuguese governor at Angelia, West Africa, has been ordered to hold 400 soldiers in readiness to be sent to Lourenzo Marquez.

Mrs. Veristigue is suing Senor Romero, in Mexico City, for calumniating her late husband, who succumbed at the hands of Romero.

There is a rumor in London that troops have been ordered to march from India to Khyber pass, the principal entry to Afghanistan. It is not believed.

The London Standard, commenting on Bayard's speech at Wilmington, Del., says a hearty response to the sentiment expressed will come from the English people.

A mutiny in the garrison of Maracaibo, Venezuela, having for its object the kidnaping of President Crespo, was discovered, and the mutineers fled to the mountains.

Mme. Marie Cresto created a sensation in Paris by riding into the courtyard of the Elysee and denouncing Ambroise Thomas, who had refused her a prize in the conservatoire.

In an election to fill a vavancy in the Commons, Lees, the conservative candidate, was elected. At the last general election the district gave a slightly smaller conservative majority.

Portuguese authorities at Lourenzo Marquez are declared to be in a state of entire demoralization. Forces are being raised at Johannesberg and Pretoria to go to their relief.

There are rumors of differences in the Prussian cabinet. They are ascribed to the unwillingness of Chancellor Caprivi to introduce repressive measures which are liable to involve electoral struggles.

President Barrios of Guatemala is trying to stir up revolts in Salvador and Honduras by means of agents whom he has placed in these countries. He is angered by the attitude of those countries toward Guatemala. The government thinks it has unearthed a conspiracy in which many Mexicans are implicated.

SAFELY LANDED IN THE PEN

Guarded by the Troops He is Marched to the Train.

DOLBY IN THE SAFE KEEPING OF THE LAW

Taken to Columbus in the Early Morning Hours After the Excitement Had Almost Died Out—Prisoner Now Denies His Guilt.

COLUMBUS, O., Oct. 18.—James Dolby, the negro sentenced at Washington Court House to twenty years' imprisonment for a criminal assault on a most estimable white lady, an old woman, was landed in the penitentiary at 7 o'clock this morning. He was escorted here by Sheriff Cook and Deputy Busick, accompanied on the train by the Columbus companies of the Ohio National guard. The prisoner was taken from the train at Denison avenue, not coming into the union station, and walked to the prison, one wall of which is on the avenue. The military remained in the cars and were carried to the union station. All troops have left Washington Court House.

A Columbus Dispatch reporter, who came up with the train, stated that the thousands at the court house had quieted down very much. The citizens had nearly all gone home. Yet many persons stood on the neighborhood corners until a late hour, discussing the affair, as may be readily imagined in connection with such a terrible sensation as the killing of two men and the wounding of eleven others by the militia. Some of these people who remained about the court house were supposed to be in the plot to blow up the building with dynamite. There had been so much talk about a possible occurrence of that kind, based upon what seemed to be reliable evidence that the vigilance of the military was not relaxed in the least.

The military all told, until 3:30 a. m., numbered less than 100 men. Against the surging hundreds of men who crowded into or about the court house this small band had kept up a determined front for twelve or fifteen hours. Finally when the first regiment from Cincinnati and two companies from the Fourteenth at Columbus arrived, at about 3:30 a. m., a square was formed by the soldiers, the negro in the square. He had been in the court house twelve hours, the officers not daring to return him to jail after the sentence had been passed. Enroute to the cars in the early morning nothing of interest happened, except that many people were still on the streets. Beyond an occasional voice in the stillness of the hour uttering threats and disapprovals, the affair closed in a rather wierd way.

Just before the troops left the death of G. W. Johnson or "Mac" Johnson, as the reporter called him, was announced, making three dead. He was shot in the stomach and lived at Kyles, Butler county, O. The old man, Frank Neiderhouse, aged 70, shot in the leg and suffering amputation, cannot survive. He was the only prominent citizen injured. The other injured men, it would seem, belonged to a class who would be likely to get into a place of this kind. Theodore Ammerman, aged 22, at last accounts, was still in a critical condition.

The reinforcements called for by Sheriff Cook at 4 p. m. yesterday, did not arrive until 3:30 this morning and an investigation has been set on foot to ascertain whether the cause of delay in arrival of the reinforcements was due to the railroad company or the military department. It is proper to state that the soldiers had to be gathered from their respective vocations or homes and the Columbus companies were held here to wait for a Marysville company and left at 11 p. m. It is ninety-eight miles to Washington court house. The train stopped at Mount Sterling, twenty-three miles from here, to pick up a company.

The Cincinnati troops, according to the statement of a railroad man, were to arrive at Washington court house by the same line, but from the opposite direction, and were to be timed so as to arrive simultaneously with the troops from Columbus. Inquiry alone can determine the cause of delay in arrival. The criticism is that a greater promptness on the part of somebody might have saved the loss of life.

The governor was up all night in direct communication until 3:30 a. m., with his adjutant general and came through Washington court house at about 6 a. m., having left Cincinnati at 3:30, the car having stood in the Cincinnati station until time for the departure of the train.

The governor says he will not leave Ohio so long as there is a possibility of trouble. He has received a number of telegrams to the effect that "his stand for law and its proper enforcement will be heartily approved of by all wise lovers of state and country." He has cancelled speaking engagements at Louisville and Nashville and the meeting at New Orleans will depend upon the developments of today. The feeling here is that the governor would be justified in going to New Orleans, but he says: "It is better to stay here a little too long than to go a little too soon."

The prisoner stated to the prison officials that he was not guilty, but had entered a plea of guilty because he had been informed that he was to be mobbed and that this was the only way to escape with his life. He claimed never to have been arrested or charged with the slightest infraction of law.

Dr. Ireton, in making the physical examination, said Dolby's legs trembled and his heart fluttered as a result of his scare. The fact in this case is that he was clearly identified by his victim.

WAS COLONEL COIT DRUNK.

Intense Indignation at the Unwarranted Shooting of Peaceable Citizens.

WASHINGTON COURT HOUSE, O., Oct. 18.—The feeling against Colonel Coit and his troops was so intense this morning that had they remained in town further rioting and bloodshed could not have been avoided. It is charged that Coit was drunk and the massacre in the street is claimed to have been the immediate result of his condition. Charges will be preferred against him by responsible citizens and a court-martial asked. Indignation against Sheriff Cook is as fierce. Leading republicans are circulating petitions this moment asking Cook's removal from the republican ticket upon which he is a candidate for re-election. It is believed that there would have been no trouble whatever had the militia not been called out.

No word in defense of the guards who fired last night can be heard. They shot without a word of warning into a public street, crowded with people, most of whom had been called out by an alarm of fire and were returning home after the blaze subsided. At the time the fire broke out the streets were comparatively deserted and not more than 150 were about the court house. The fronts of the buildings facing the south front of the court house this morning show the effects of the fusillade in broken glass and shattered masonry. Twenty-four people were wounded, among them two women. One boy was killed outright, two men have since died of their injuries and three more are fatally hurt.

Governor McKinley was appealed to this morning to remove the troops still remaining and at 10:30 he ordered the First regiment to return to Cincinnati, which they did at 11:30. There is now no guard at the jail or court house. The latter is filled with curious people, but there is no danger of further violence.

WASHINGTON COURT HOUSE, O., Oct 18.—This place is as quiet tonight as though rioting and bloodshed had never been seen within its borders. The withdrawal of the last detachment of the soldiers acted like a soothing potion upon the half-crazed people. William Sams died tonight, which increased the list of killed to four. Theodore Ammerman is dying and F. L. Nitterhouse can hardly survive until morning. Little George Keating, whose injuries were at first thought surely fatal, may recover, but he will be horribly maimed.

SODA WATER MEN HELD UP.

Police Made Them Pay for the Privilege of Running Sidewalk Stands.

NEW YORK, Oct. 18.—Charles H. Light, treasurer of the Soda Water Manufacturers association, concluded his evidence before the Lexow police investigating committee today. He positively asserted the $3,500 paid to John Brodsky was to have an ordinance passed by the board of aldermen.

"It was a common thing," said he, "to get up collections and presents for the captain. We charged the stand owners $5 rent besides and this money went for the captains. The collections for Captain Schultz did not surprise me."

Here the witness' "communicativeness" ceased. He was asked what John Brodsky did with the $3,500 which the Manufacturers Protective association turned over to him. The witness finally said the money was paid Brodsky for other services.

"Come now, wasn't the money a tax not in the city budget?" asked Senator Lexow.

"Yes," reluctantly admitted the witness.

"How much did you raise the year previous?"

"A thousand dollars."

"And that went to prevent police interference with the stands that obstructed the sidewalks?"

"Yes."

"Who got the money?"

"I don't know. The money was collected for all the down town captains."

Wolf Walsh, one of the soda water combine, was the next witness called. He had twenty-five customers from each of whom last summer he collected $5 and gave the money to Brodsky.

"Those who pay $5," he said, "are not troubled. If they have to go to court, nothing comes of it—Brodsky fixes it. Last April all the Stop Line soda fountains were closed for two or three days by police orders. The order to open came from Brodsky, who said things were 'all right.'"

Witness personally contributed $250.

"What for?"

"For the permits."

"Did any part of the Brodsky fund go to the police?"

"None that I know of."

Captain Copeland of the harbor police was called to the stand shortly after the recess. He denied that he had given orders to subordinates to refuse to allow the counsel for the committee to examine the station blotter. Moss finally succeeded in procuring the blotter, and called to an entry made June 13, which stated that a citizen had reported to the sergeant that a man named H. R. Klein was going around collecting money for excursion parties. The man said he was acting under instructions from Captain Copeland. Copeland claimed he had investigated the matter, but that he could not find any person by the name of Klein. He was then questioned concerning the violations of the excise law in the harbor. He admitted that violations were going on, but said it was useless to try to bring the offenders to justice. The patrol operated by the police department is a large boat, and when the officers reached any of these excursion boats they could not find any traces of liquor selling.

Mrs. Kittie Kamech, a poor Slav woman, told a story of a banker getting her money away from her. She had secured the arrest of the banker, but the case had been postponed again and again, and lawyers and police officials were getting all her money.

W. D. Valentine, who does an alleged commission business, testified that he was the president of the Stearns Commission company. It was claimed he was dealing in bogus mining stocks. He was given until tomorrow to find out additional particulars concerning some of the mines.

WAR AMONG HIGHBINDERS.

Chinese Factions at Los Angeles Having a Lively Time.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Oct. 18.—New fuel has been added to the flames in the feud between the highbinder factions in this city and Chinatown is again in the throes of excitement. The Hop Sing Tong is now camped on the trail of the Bing Kung Tong.

Wong Chee entered a brothel kept by Mow Bing Wing, a Hop Sing man, and in a quarrel with the inmates had his face slapped by an irate Celestial who answers to the name of Ah Jeung. Wong and his brother returned to Mow Bing Wing's place and forcibly abducted Ah Jeung in spite of her outcries and the protests of the proprietor.

The Hop Sing clan gathered together, and it was resolved that the Bing Kung Tong should answer for the outrage. Messages were sent to San Francisco asking Charley Ah Him, a man of might, hardly less renowned than Wong Chee, whose bitter rival he is, to come at once and take up the fight against his old enemy. The members of Bing Kung Tong are up in arms. Meantime Wong Chee is acting on the principle that possession is nine points of the law, and is holding on to Ah Jeung, though he has announced that his purpose is to sell her forthwith.

A few years ago Wong started for San Francisco with a woman whom he claimed was his wife, but who, it was afterwards reported, he was taking there for sale. The woman by some means managed to telegraph to Charley Ah Him, and when he arrived at Bakersfield the latter, with a party of followers, entered the train and rescued the captive.

SEARCEY'S HEARING POSTPONED.

Neither Side Ready to Proceed with the Train Robber's Trial.

CUMBERLAND, Oct. 18.—C. J. Searcey, arrested for the Virginia train robbery, was brought before Judge Hoffman at 4 o'clock today for examination. Lawyer Thomas of Baltimore represented the Adams Express company and requested a postponement of the hearing until Saturday. The prisoner's counsel, Messrs. Richmond & Macbeth offered no objection, and the request was granted, and the hearing set down for Saturday at 4 o'clock.

The gold glasses found in Searcey's satchel have been identified as those in the possession of the company at the time of the robbery, and were shipped to Richmond, Va. The man who joined Searcey at Shenandoah Junction and passed through here on the night of Searcey's arrest, has been located, and, it is understood, is at Parkersburg, W. Va. Governor Brown has telegraphed State Attorney Sloane to take part in the hearing this afternoon and have the prisoner held for a requisition from Governor O'Ferrall.

The police regard the possession of a package of unused Honduras lottery tickets as one of the most damaging pieces of evidence tending to connect Searcey with the train robbery, since the business of the lotteries is now carried on by express. Agent Moss of the Adams company says that it is not known whether any lottery tickets were in transit, as they are sent under cover. If sent by express they are contraband goods, and the consignor would not bill them as lottery tickets.

RUSSEL IS IN ST. JOSEPH.

Was Not in Kansas City the Night of the Murder.

ST. JOSEPH, Oct. 18.—Richard Russel, who carried the key to the cellar of A. A. Mosher's house, where Christenson Peterson was murdered, is in the city, stopping at the home of his brother-in-law, Wesley White, at 704 South Fourteenth street. He has been in attendance at the Baptist association for the past two days, but is not a delegate. He was seen tonight and questioned in regard to the missing key. He stated that he left Kansas City at 6 o'clock Tuesday night and came here to visit his brother-in-law for a few days. He explained that about a year ago, while in the employ of Mr. Mosher, he one day gave the key to another colored man named Ernest Miller to bring out a garden hose. He said Miller kept the key, and when he asked him to return it claimed that he had lost it. Miller, he says, is now in the employ of a gentleman named Martin, who resides on Thirty-seventh and Boulevard, Hyde Park. He also claimed that he knew nothing of the murder until today, when he read the account in the papers. Tonight Chief Broder sent an officer to the home of White and had Russel brought to the central station, where he was closely questioned. He told the same story as given above, after which he was allowed to go, as no papers or orders had been received by Chief Broder from Kansas City. He will be kept under surveillance awaiting further developments.

RUMPS' CONTENTION ENDED

Holcomb Declared the Regular Nominee by the Supreme Court.

SEVERAL QUESTIONS PASSED UPON

Name of No Candidate Can Appear on the Official Ballot More Than Once—Conclusions of the Judges in the Premises.

LINCOLN, Oct. 18.—(Special Telegram.)—The knockout blow for the "rump" ticket was delivered by the judges of the supreme court today, when the following decision was handed down:

State of Nebraska ex rel, P. B. Sturdevant et al against John C. Allen, secretary of state: It is sought by the record in this proceeding to present for determination the following questions:

1. Is the power of the secretary of state with respect to certificates of nomination under the provisions of our ballot law, chapter xxiv, laws of 1891, limited to matters of form only, or does the act in question confer upon him authority to inquire into the irregularity of nominations or the authority of the convention making them?

2. Does the law authorize the printing more than once on the official ballot of the names of candidates nominated by different parties or by petition?

Answering the first question stated, it may be said that the power of the secretary, when objection is made to any certificate filed with him, to determine from extrinsic evidence whether or not such certificate is fraudulent, and whether the nomination therein certified was made by a convention or assemblage of voters, in good faith, claiming to represent a party which cast the requisite number of votes at the last election, is plainly implied from the act.

2. The power of the secretary to decide between two candidates or sets of candidates nominated by rival conventions, claiming to represent the same political party, is not represented by this record, and is not decided.

3. It appearing that the secretary of state upon hearing of objections duly made, rejected the certificates of the relators, this court will assume, there being neither allegation nor proof to the contrary, that sufficient ground existed for such objection.

Answering the second question, we say our ballot law evidently contemplates that the name of each candidate shall appear but once on the official ballot, followed by such political designations as correspond with the nomination papers on file with the officer charged with the duty of printing and distributing them. It follows that there exists no authority for the printing of the names thereon more than once.

FROM A REAL TRAVELING MAN.

Reasons Why Business Man Should Not Support Tattooed Tom.

ANSLEY, Neb., Oct. 16.—To the Editor of The Bee: As a citizen of the state of Nebraska, having an interest in the general welfare of our people, I regard it my duty to do and say what in my judgment will contribute to the good of the people from a political standpoint. I have closely observed the political movements of the three political parties of Nebraska for two years last past, have a personal knowledge of the tactics employed by railroad corporations to accomplish their political ends—gained by being in the employ of one of the leading railway companies for several years—know of their methods to bribe witnesses, jurors and judges, and I wish to say to the traveling men of Nebraska that our interests are the interests of the merchant and the farmer of the state, and it does seem to me that the republican nominee for governor does not represent the substantial interests of the state; does not represent the people upon whom we depend for our business; does not represent the general sentiment of the republicans of this state; that he is not in touch with the masses; has been in office too long.

It does seem to me that there is no doubt but what McColl was the choice of the delegates to the state convention when they left home, at which time they represented the republicans who elected them, but for some reason they changed before the convention closed. What changed their views? Was it subsequent instructions from their constituents? If not, did they represent us in the convention or did they misrepresent us? If the latter then the delegates betrayed their trust. Are we to be untrue to ourselves because others were untrue to us? "Above all else to thine own self be true, and it will follow as the night the day thou canst not then be false to any one." It is evident to us all that corrupt methods were used by some power to change the votes of our delegates in the convention which nominated Tom Majors for governor. I do not believe that good results can be obtained by corrupt methods, and do not think it good judgment to sanction it by our votes. I never voted for but one democrat in my life of forty-four years, but have always put in a republican straight; have never voted a populist ticket, but I think I will be forced to vote for Judge Holcomb for governor. I know him to be honest beyond the shadow of a doubt, competent, and has an interest in the welfare of the masses. He is a poor man financially, humble and unassuming; a man in whom I have entire confidence. I do not personally know Majors, but do know of his political record and the manner in which he secured his nomination. I am a traveling man in Nebraska for an eastern corporation, and to this class of voters these thoughts are chiefly directed.

TRAVELER.

WOMEN IN POLITICS.

Taking an Active Part in the Colorado Campaign.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 18.—Letters received from Colorado indicate an interesting feature of the campaign in the part the women are taking in it. They will have their first vote on a general state election in November next and it is represented that they are evincing an interest in politics which had not been supposed probable before the right of suffrage was conferred. All of the three parties, the republican, democratic and populist, have tickets in the field and there are female candidates on each of them.

Furthermore, the ladies co-operate with men on the state, county, ward and precinct committees, have independent plans and other arrangements of their own which they discuss, canvass party prospects and do all they can to instill into the minds of the members of their sex the necessity of a full party vote and of creating an ante-election enthusiasm which will insure this result. They also hold public meetings, which, though conducted so far as the machinery is concerned, by the women, are addressed by speakers of both sexes. Meetings of this character have been held in the principal halls and theaters in Denver and other cities and the audiences were composed largely of women. All accounts represent that the women are taking quite as much interest in the campaign as the men and the indications are believed to be that the vote of the women will be very large. This state of affairs is due largely to the bitter feeling which exists between the republican and populist parties. The republicans predominate in the cities, while the populists have their greatest strength in the mining districts. As there are proportionately more women in the cities than in the mining camps, the republicans expect to gain an advantage from the female vote.

Crowded the Hall.

MILFORD, Neb., Oct. 18.—(Special.)—Hon. A. W. Scott of Lincoln spoke to a crowded house at this place last night under the auspices of the Republican club. Many were unable to get into the hall.

Pleased with Meiklejohn's Logic.

CLEARWATER, Neb., Oct. 18.—(Special.)—Hon. George D. Meiklejohn delivered two addresses here yesterday afternoon and evening to large audiences. A large tent was provided for the afternoon meeting and was well filled with enthusiastic republicans, and a few of opposite parties. The impression created by Mr. Meiklejohn, as compared to that of his opponent, Mr. Devine, was decidedly in favor of the former, and it is safe to say that Mr. Meiklejohn will run far ahead of his ticket in this vicinity.

DIFFERENCES NOT YET SETTLED.

No Progress Yet Made Toward Securing Democratic Harmony in New York.

NEW YORK, Oct. 18.—No progress has yet been made toward harmonizing the democratic factions in the congressional districts of this city, which was so urgently recommended by the chairman of the congressional campaign committee, Senator Faulkner of West Virginia, in the address he issued on Tuesday. In eight of the nine districts comprised exclusively within the city of New York there are opposition democratic candidates. Tammany was first in the field with its nominations, and for one reason or another "turned down" about half of the delegation as it exists in the Fifty-third congress. John Dewitt Warner was elbowed out of the nomination in the Thirteenth district by the transfer thither of Amos J. Cummings from the Eleventh; E. J. Dunphy, who had contumaciously defied Tammany, was retired. The redoubtable Timothy J. Campbell was deemed to have had his full share of honor and dignity and the nomination in his district was given to Henry C. Miner, the theatrical manager. Bourke Cockran was shelved, as it is alleged, by the express direction of Mr. Croker, to make place for George B. McClellan, the young president of the board of aldermen and son of the general of the same name, and some other changes in the delegation were made. Dunphy and Campbell have had their names placed upon the state democratic ticket. Every member of the delegation, with one exception, who voted for the Wilson bill was passed over by Tammany. Ex-Mayor Grace, who represents the state democracy, has demanded an equitable division of the nominations between his organization and Tammany, and specifically the restoration of Cockran and Warner, but up to the present has obtained no assurance that his claim for the state democracy will be allowed. There is scarcely one of the city districts, all of which are now represented by democrats, which will be safe for either Tammany or the state democratic candidate should both remain in the contest. Chairman Faulkner is reported to have said in Washington, since his return from New York that he had reason to hope for an arrangement upon a satisfactory basis, but upon what this hope is founded he has not indicated. The appearance of Senator Hill's name at the head of both the Tammany and the state democratic tickets may also complicate matters. Nathan Strauss, Tammany's regular nominee for mayor, claims that he should have the exclusive benefit of whatever prestige there may be upon the regular state ticket. Senator Hill has declined to refuse the use of his name to state democracy, which is supporting Strong, a republican, for mayor, and Strauss and his friends are in consequence much disaffected toward the senator.

An evening paper says that Mr. Strauss has sent his private secretary to Mr. Hill with the ultimatum that the senator must discountenance the state democracy's ticket by refusing to allow his name to appear upon it with that of Mr. Strong, citizens and republican nominee for mayor, or he (Strauss) would withdraw from the regular Tammany ticket.

Opposition to Weaver.

ATLANTIC, Ia., Oct. 18.—(Special.)—J. S. Crawford of Atlantic delivered a republican speech to a large audience at Oakfield school house, Audubon county, Tuesday night. At the close of his address Prof. Brinkerhoff, who was last year the democratic candidate for state representative in Audubon county, made a short speech, in which he said he wanted to say that he was first of all a democrat, but that he wanted to register his opposition to the sell-out to Weaver by the three democratic candidates for judges, Cullison, Kelley and Ware, and that he would not be a party to any such sale and would not only vote for Hager and the republican judicial nominees, but would advise all his democratic friends to do likewise.

General Weaver's Campaign.

DUNLAP, Ia., Oct. 18.—(Special Telegram.)—General Weaver spoke in the opera house here last evening to a large gathering of farmers, their wives and children. He tried to convince the people of his good deeds and his honesty of purpose of keeping his pledge when in congress.

He spoke one hour and a quarter and was very careful to say everything good of the democrats possible. His visit was made for the express purpose of getting on friendly terms with the democrats here, but he was not met with a very warm reception. A man from Logan came to introduce him. Hager will poll a big vote here, and the prospects are good for electing the county ticket from top to bottom.

Plans of Superior Republicans.

SUPERIOR, Neb., Oct. 18.—(Special.)—The Republican club of this city has arranged for a grand rally and barbecue here Saturday. Among the speakers who will be present are: Hon. John L. Webster, Tom Majors, Hon. E. M. Bartlett, Hon. G. L. Lansing, General Colby and George McKeeby, republican candidate for state senator from this district. Roast ox and coffee will be served at noon, and music will be furnished by the glee club and a number of bands. A big crowd is looked for.

Holds the Republicans Responsible.

CRESTON, Ia., Oct. 18.—(Special.)—Ex-Governor Horace Boies and Horatio F. Dale, aspirant for secretary of state, addressed the democrats of this city last night. Boies' speech was the same delivered by him at Davenport and Ottumwa. He confined himself to the tariff and attributed the present depression all over the country to the republican attitude on that issue.

Kem Explains to Boyd County Citizens.

BUTTE, Neb., Oct. 18.—(Special.)—Congressman Kem spoke here this afternoon. His attempt to "explain" his inability to secure any legislation wanted by the homesteaders of Boyd county was regarded as a failure, judging from the talk on the streets after the speach. He "roasted" The Bee and claimed it had misrepresented him.

Daugherty Arraigns Kem.

STUART, Neb., Oct. 18.—(Special.)—Hon. Matt Daugherty, republican nominee for congress from this district, addressed a large audience of ladies and gentlemen at the opera house last night. His address was listened to with much attention throughout. Congressman Kem was severely arraigned for his dereliction of duty.

Meiklejohn on Money.

BATTLE CREEK, Neb., Oct. 18.—(Special.)—There was a great rally here yesterday. The opera house was filled with democrats, populists and republicans. Hon. George D. Meiklejohn spoke on the money and tariff questions. He received much applause.

Pleased Peru People.

PERU, Neb., Oct. 18.—(Special.)—Hon. J. B. Strode and Hon. M. L. Hayward spoke to a large and enthusiastic audience of voters and many ladies at this place Thursday night. Their reception was a warm one and their remarks made them many friends.

Wheeler Accepts the Nomination.

NEW YORK, Oct. 18.—Everett P. Wheeler has accepted the nomination for governor of the state of New York on the third ticket. His letter of acceptance to Chairman Charles S. Fairchild was made public today.

Hainer at Tobias.

TOBIAS, Neb., Oct. 18.—(Special.)—Hon. E. J. Hainer addressed a large audience at Tobias on the political issues of the day Sunday. There were 465 present by actual count, not counting minors.

TARIFF THE THEME

Second and Last Debate Between Mr. Thurston and Mr. Bryan.

COLISEUM COULD NOT HOLD THE PEOPLE

Disappointed Thousands Turned Away Before the First Word Was Spoken.

PROTECTION AND FREE TRADE DISCUSSED

Mr. Thurston's Plea for the American Laborer and the American Fireside.

WILSON'S SERVICE TO BRITISH INTERESTS

Reply that Protective Duties Enrich the Rich and Impoverish the Poor.

PEOPLE GROUND DOWN BY CORPORATIONS

Effect of the Democratic Administration in Omaha—Some Personal Questions Put and Answered—How Protection Has Been "Rebuked."

It is but seldom in the history of political campaigns that a discussion of party issues has drawn together such an audience as assembled at the Coliseum last night. Never before has Nebraska witnessed such a spectacle. The intense interest in the campaign and the personal popularity of the speakers contributed to make the occasion one of the most notable political events in the history of the state, and an unprecedented gathering of voters to hear their party faiths expounded by thier chosen leaders—John M. Thurston and William J. Bryan.

The barren floor of the old rink was concealed by a compact and turbulent mass of earnest, enthusiastic and partisan humanity. It was an expanse of faces so vast that all personality was lost, and in the bright electric illumination each man looked like his neighbor. Whether he wore a broadcloth coat or a laborer's blouse was not distinguishable. From the vantage of the elevated rostrum he might be a pauper or a millionaire. Nothing was visible but the broad sea of human faces, that glowed and brightened under the impulse of the speaker's voice.