

COREA IS NOW AN EMPIRE

Official Cable at Washington Announces the Fact.

KING PROCLAIMS A CHANGE OF HIS TITLE

Change Taken to Indicate Sacerdotal of Progressive Party and Denial of Chinese Suzerainty—Hits Russia and Japan.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 15.—The Korean legation received an official cable today stating: "King proclaimed himself emperor from this date, October 15, 1897."

The transition which Korea makes today, from a kingdom to an empire, is felt to have considerable significance in Oriental affairs, although the cable to the legation gives no details of the change, and the officials here are without any information as to the causes leading up to it. It is understood, however, to be a part of the progressive policy which has been followed by the king, following the lead of Japan and China. The king is a member of the progressive party and shares the wish of that party to bring Korea up to modern standards. The opposition element is known as the conservative party and is desirous of preserving the old traditions and governmental system of the country.

The change has another aspect. China has long asserted a suzerainty over Korea and it was this claim that brought on the China-Japan war. While the claim is dormant, yet it has never been relinquished, and is regarded as an hereditary sovereignty over Korea. With the latter country as a kingdom, some apparent aid was given the claim, but the imperial authority in China, but with Korea itself advancing to the rank of an empire it throws off every evidence of dependence on any outside power. This independence was not only a step toward the acquisition of Korea, but also a step toward the acquisition of Korea, but also a step toward the acquisition of Korea.

The advance made by Russia and Japan in Korea has led to much conflict between the two countries, the last being a protest by Japan against the assignment of Russian officers to drill the Korean army. With Korea an empire it is felt that it gives an unmistakable evidence to other aspiring nations that it has no intention of becoming absorbed by or becoming a vassal of any other empire, but will exercise imperial authority itself.

HOPE TO REDUCE EXPENDITURES

Cabinet Carefully Considering Annual Estimates.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 15.—The cabinet was in session for two hours today. Most of the time was devoted to a discussion of the financial operations of the government. This included both receipts and expenditures. The latter was the special object of consideration, as it is the wish of the administration to keep the expenditures from exceeding the receipts. The different heads of departments have been asked for some time upon the estimates of their departments and efforts are being made to have reductions made wherever possible. In both the War and Navy departments there is pressure for larger expenditures for coast defenses, rivers and harbors and for an increase of the military and naval establishments of bureau officers in these departments. These have been scanned very closely and reductions will be made if found compatible with the public interest. The other departments have no urgent demand for increases. Various other departmental matters were brought before the cabinet and several members remained after the meeting to consider them with the president.

EXPORT AND IMPORT FIGURES

Statistics Showing the Condition of the Country's Trade.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 15.—The treasury statement of the merchandise and currency imports and exports of the United States during September shows the exports of domestic merchandise to have aggregated \$103,369,659 as compared with \$82,746,269 for September last year. This brings the increase of such exports for the last nine months over the same period last year up to over \$20,000,000. The imports of merchandise during September amounted to \$22,410,128, of which over 50 per cent was free of duty, a loss in total receipts on imports as compared with September, 1896, of \$3,400,000. For the nine months an increase is shown of \$95,669,852. The gold exports during September amounted to \$54,787 and the imports to \$4,243,282. The exports of silver during the month aggregated \$4,572,294 and the imports \$846,545.

SHUTTING OUT AMERICAN GOODS

German Authorities Take Advantage of a Technicality.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 15.—United States Consul Deuster, at Crefeld, Germany, reports to the State department two instances where the German authorities have taken action which tends to discourage the importation of American goods. In one case nearly three times the ordinary duty was assessed against an invoice of stove pipes because they had what would be called common castings in this country, but which the German importers sell were ornamental castings and subject to the highest duties. Another case was where nearly a third of a large shipment of Chicago sausages was condemned by the official inspectors. This action indicated that the American inspection was defective. Mr. Deuster says that the American carriage and wagon is being introduced into Germany.

JOINT TRAFFIC CASE POSTPONED

Chief Justice Fuller Announces that it Will Come Before Oct. 17.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 15.—Chief Justice Fuller, when the supreme court met today, announced that the Joint Traffic Railroad association case from New York and the Lucile Gaslight case from St. Louis had been assigned by the court for argument on the first Monday in next January. The argument had been set for the month of July and Justice Field's retirement leaves the bench with only eight members and in view of the important constitutional questions presented by the two cases it was decided that they should be heard by a full bench. B. J. Phelps, ex-minister to Great Britain, is the counsel for the railroad in the joint traffic case, was in court and acquiesced in the postponement of the hearing.

Getting Out Sugar Laborers.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 15.—Dr. Carter, in charge of the Camp Hutten detention camp in Louisiana, telegraphs that five applicants were admitted on the 13th and forty-three yesterday and the number expected today, and a rapid increase thereafter. This camp is designed to allow the sugar workers, experts, etc., who have been held at New Orleans on account of the fever, to spend ten days in the camp and there acquire certificates enabling them to get to sugar plantations, where their services will soon be in demand.

Postmasters Commissioned.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—Postmasters commissioned today: Nebraska—Albert B. Cady, Highland, Iowa—William R. Orchard, Gilman; Daniel P. Ellsworth, Lehighville; Austin A. Thompson, Ellsworth, Wyoming—William E. Taylor, Bonanza.

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These maps have been transmitted to Washington for review. The company acquires the right of way for five years from the date of location. The road when complete means great things for the southern hills. There are many rich mining prospects along the road which have never been developed because of there not being a way of transportation to the mills.

GRIEVE OVER W. B. STERLING.

Arrangements for South Dakota Bar to Attend Funeral in a Body.

HURON, S. D., Oct. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—There is profound sorrow here and over the entire state because of the death in Omaha this morning of Hon. William B. Sterling. He lived here many years and was one of the brightest and most successful attorneys in the state, being at the head of the South Dakota Bar association and the choice of the republicans for United States senator. His only son, a young sister, is buried here. His father, Colonel Edward Sterling, is treasurer of Beadle county and his brother, Harry, owns the electric light plant at Beadle. Arrangements are being made for the bar of this city and state to attend the funeral in a body.

Confesses to Being a Counterfeiter.

DEADWOOD, S. D., Oct. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—Word has been received in this city from Pierre, S. D., that the man known as E. J. Earley, who is in jail there for the murder of Henry Borden, has admitted to the jailer that his real name is Dick Flick, who is wanted in this city for taking the chief part in the counterfeiting and coin sweating last summer. If he is not convicted for the crime for which he is now under arrest he will be brought to this city for trial for the same.

Jury Stands Nine to Three.

PIERRE, S. D., Oct. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—In the case of Maggie McCullin against the Chicago & Northwestern Railway for \$3,000 for the loss of a mill by fire at St. Lawrence the jury failed to agree after an hour's deliberation. The case occupied a week and was on its second trial. The jury stood nine for plaintiff and three for defendant.

To Head an Indian School.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—Ralph P. Collins of Arizona has been appointed superintendent of the Indian school at Rapid City, S. D.

FAREWELL TO POPULAR PASTOR.

Reception Tendered to Rev. and Mrs. S. B. McCormick.

A farewell reception was last evening tendered to Rev. and Mrs. S. B. McCormick, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, and Mrs. McCormick, in the parlors of the church. The reception was given by the members of the church and congregation, but the attendance was not confined to them. Members of all the other Presbyterian churches, members of the city and other denominations were present to bid farewell to the retiring pastor. The rooms were prettily decorated with potted plants and light refreshments were served. Mr. and Mrs. McCormick leave for Cedar Rapids, Ia., on Monday. The former has been offered and has accepted the presidency of the college at that point. Both will leave with the sincere regret of many Omahans, both in and out of the church, with which they have been connected for too long a time. Dr. McCormick will preach his last sermon here on Sunday morning and evening.

Money for a Church Debt.

A concert was given at Patterson hall last night under the auspices of the Epworth league of the Swedish Methodist church. After an invocation by Rev. C. O. Karlson, pastor of the church, numbers were given by the Mendelssohn quartet, Misses Bessie Donahue, Emmie Clark, Emma Carlson, Clara Harve and Messrs. Frank and S. D. Williams. The concert was a success and the proceeds with which to meet the expenses of the church, and about \$50 was cleared for this purpose. The committee in charge was composed of C. W. Johnson and John S. Swenson.

Loses a Diamond Stud.

Ed O'Brien, a Nevada stoker, arrived in town yesterday and registered at a hotel near the depot. In the afternoon he took a stroll uptown and returned without a large diamond which had ornamented his shirt front, and he later missed also a check for his baggage. Mr. McCormick will search for the diamond in the manner in which any one could have handled him so cleverly. He thinks, however, that the theft was accomplished by some party hiding in a store window in a moment of abstraction.

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Mary Jarvis was arrested last night on a warrant filed by Mary Seacrest, charging

SCHOOL BOARD CANDIDATES

Republicans Make Nominations for Membership on Board of Education.

CONVENTION IS PRACTICALLY UNANIMOUS

Candidates Are Nominated All in a Bunch on the First Ballot, with but Few Scattering Votes.

For members of the Board of Education: Three-year Term: A. A. HUGHANAN, Eighth ward; F. HURRIGLES, Sixth ward; DR. J. C. MOORE, Fifth ward; H. J. PENFOLD, Fourth ward; B. F. THOMAS, Seventh ward. Two-year Term: A. W. JOHNSON, Sixth ward. One-year Term: ANDREW KIEWIT, Second ward.

The above ticket was nominated by the republican city convention at Washington hall last night on the first ballot. It was chosen by an overwhelming majority of the delegates and the convention was perfectly harmonious throughout.

Chairman E. J. Cornish of the city central committee called the delegates to order and introduced H. L. Day of the Seventh ward as temporary chairman. In accepting the chair Mr. Day called attention to the fact that although this was the last republican convention of the year, it was not the least in importance. It involved not only the welfare of the republican party, but that of the common schools, which made the republican party possible.

H. H. Boyles of the Second ward was made temporary secretary, and G. H. Burchard of the Fourth ward assistant secretary. On motion of H. T. Lewis the temporary organization was made permanent, and the list of delegates in the hands of the secretary was declared duly accredited.

R. C. Jordan offered a resolution which provided that the convention now proceed to select seven candidates for members of the Board of Education by the call of wards, each ward to cast its vote for five candidates for the three-year term, one candidate for two years, and one for one year.

Jonathan Edwards wanted to substitute a resolution which provided that the names should be selected from the wards that had not more than one representative on the board, but he was in a lone minority and Jordan's resolution was adopted by a narrow margin. Nominating speeches were dispensed with, but previous to casting the vote of the Third ward delegation, V. B. Walker managed to sandwich in a fervent appeal for the nomination of Rev. J. C. Owens, the pastor of the African Methodist church, for one of the short terms.

FIRST BALLOT SETTLES IT.

The ballot elected the five candidates for the full term as follows: Penfold, 81; Buchanan, 81; Moore, 73; Thomas, 63; Burgess, 63. Johnson received sixty-four votes for the two-year term, and Kiewit eighty votes for the one-year term. O. P. Schrum of the Ninth ward received eighteen votes for a full term, and three votes for two years. J. L. Welshans of the Second ward received nine votes for the full term and five votes for two years. J. C. Owens nine votes for three years, eighteen for two years and one for one year. On motion of Frank Burman the ward delegation proceeded to construct a new city central committee with the following result: First ward—Henry Baumann, Frank K. Darling, W. Scott. Second ward—N. M. Nicklas, H. H. Boyles, George Reid. Third ward—Charles R. Groves, V. B. Walker, Louis Burman. Fourth ward—W. B. Whitehorn, J. W. Battin, F. C. O'Halloran. Fifth ward—W. B. Christie, Randall K. Brown, E. A. Equist. Sixth ward—W. B. Johnson, Louis Littlefield, M. G. Solomon. Seventh ward—C. L. Chaffee, Charles F. Blandford, A. E. Baldwin. Eighth ward—J. B. West, U. B. Balcombe, W. P. Cavan. Ninth ward—C. E. Winter, C. E. Malm, S. T. Williams.

After the convention adjourned the new city central committee met and elected T. R. Sutherland of the Fourth ward chairman, and Randall K. Brown of the Fifth ward secretary. E. J. Cornish was tendered a re-nomination as chairman, but declined to accept on account of the fact that he was already treasurer of the county central committee.

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Genuine has this signature in blue: It goes a long way.

MEN ARE EVIDENTLY EMPLOYED.

Few Applications for Clerks and Judges of Election. County Judge Taxter is inclined to believe that prosperity is really here. He based his opinion on the fact that he is not getting anywhere near the number of applications for positions as clerks and judges of election as he ought to have. From this he concludes that there are comparatively few unemployed men in the city, for in the past there have been four times as many applicants as there have been positions.

Applicants will have to file their applications within a very few days in order to secure an appointment. There are 700 judges and clerks to be appointed and it will take considerable time to select them and appoint them among the different political parties. The central committees have as yet not been in but few applications.

PLAN OF MR. STERLING'S FUNERAL.

Remains to Be Taken to Dixon, Ill., for Interment. Ed Sterling, father of the late William B. Sterling, and Harry Sterling, a brother, arrived last evening from Dixon, S. D., and arrangements were perfected for the funeral last night, as follows: Services will be held at the residence, 123 South Thirty-ninth street, at 3:30 p. m., conducted by Rev. T. J. Mackay, of Newton, Mo. Mann, Attorney, will be in charge of the funeral. The remains will be transferred to the Union depot, where they will be taken by the Northwestern train at 6:30 for Dixon, Ill. The funeral services will be held in the Episcopal church at Dixon on Sunday afternoon at 6:30, and interment made at that place.

The following active pall bearers have been selected: George E. Bidwell, C. C. Hughes, K. C. Morehouse, J. R. Buchanan, J. B. Berry, P. Whitney, J. T. White and L. H. Dunham. Honorary pall bearers have been chosen for Omaha as follows: General Charles F. Manderson, Judge W. W. Keyser, Judge Clinton N. Powell, W. R. Kelly, Charles Ornt, Edward P. Peck, Luther Drake, Colonel J. J. Dickey and R. B. Schneider of Fremont. Honorary pall bearers for Dixon, who will accompany the remains to that point, are: Samuel Watson of Fremont, Eustace Shaw of Dixon, Henry Brown of Dixon, A. B. Kittredge of Sioux Falls, Thomas Martin of Sioux Falls, O. S. Pender of Sioux Falls, A. C. Johnson of Watertown, S. D., and E. C. Harris of Chadron.

LOCAL BREATHLES.

Mary Louise Low has secured a decree of divorce from Austin W. Low on the grounds of nonsupport. Seventy-one out of the seventy-six precincts in the city report a registration of 4,243 on last Thursday. D. J. Gracy, who was chief clerk of the Election eight years ago, has accepted a position as chief clerk of the Northwestern freight depot in the rear of her house. This bar Mr. Kalish objects to and he is said to have attempted its destruction.

Sadie Josephine Janey, living near Fourteenth and Williams streets, avowed out a warrant for the arrest of Joseph Kalish yesterday charging him with malicious destruction of property. Mrs. Janey has a barn in the rear of her house. This barn Mr. Kalish objects to and he is said to have attempted its destruction. A very short married life was enjoyed by Carl Ulrich and Edward Uttrich, according to the allegations of the former. She says that she was married to Edward on November 16, 1894, in Chicago, and that he deserted her on January 10, 1895. She considers this sufficient grounds for a divorce and has therefore applied to the district court for a decree.

Drexel Shoe Co., 1419 Farnam Street.

New fall catalogue now ready; mailed for the asking. We are offering this beautiful hand engraved gold filled watch—warranted for 15 years—with genuine Elgin nickel movement—either 16 or 18 size for gentlemen—with your choice of over fifty different designs—complete with a rolled gold chain warranted for five years for \$15.00—this watch can't be duplicated anywhere at the price—We will print you 100 cards from your engraved plate for \$1.00—or furnish you 100 engraved cards and copper engraved plate for \$1.50—Elegantly engraved wedding stationery at \$10 for the first hundred—\$3.50 for each hundred thereafter—Mail orders promptly attended to.

C. S. Raymond Co., Jewelers, 15th and Douglas Streets.

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