today and decided to present Roosevelt's name to the convention as their candidate, which will permit the New York delegation to leave Woodruff in an easy and graceful manner.

While Roosevelt is tonight on the crest of the wave, tomorrow may bring some other man to the front, the temper of the delegates now here being to nominate some one who would fill the presidential office with honor to the country and himself were he called upon. John N. Baldwin of Council Bluffs, whose name was mentioned yesterday as a possible candidate, today wired his friends in the Nebraska delegation to do nothing more in his behalf.

A call has been posted in the Nebraska headquarters for a meeting tomorrow at 3 o'clock.

UNLOAD ARMY OF DELEGATES

Badged and Buttoned Enthusiasts Swarm from the Trains at Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, June 17.—The stream of incoming delegations set in with the early hours today and tonight each train unloaded its quota of badged and buttoned enthusiasts. The number of club arrivals, however, was mall, only about half a dozen putting an appearance. The first club to reach the city was the Cameron County club of Emporium, Pa. Three smaller delegations arrived during the day and at 6 p. m. the famous Tippecanoe club of Cleveland, O., came in on a number of special cars. This organization received an enthusiastic reception from the crowd at the railway station. The East End Republican club of the Sixth ward then took the Clevelanders in hand and a short street parade was held.

The Colorado-Philadelphia club of Denver, headed by the George W. Cook Drum corps of Denver, followed soon after the Tippecanoe club. At the head of the westerners an enthusiastic gray-haired man carried a huge stuffed eagle on a pole. In its beak was a large placard containing the words: "I'm for McKinley."

Shortly before 8 o'clock this evening the Columbia and Marion clubs from Indianapolis arrived. These clubs were accompanied by the Indiana state central committee.

The last political organization to get here tonight was the well known Cook County Republican club of Chicago. A local committee met the Chicagoans at a suburban station and when they arrived at the city depot they were greeted by more than 1,000 people. The Indian Territory delegation arrived today and the Oklahoma delegates, wearing yellow badges almost a foot long, also reached the city. A part of the Kansas contingent came in and the remainder will come in tomorrow evening. The Utah men came in headed by Governor Wells. The New Mexican delegation, headed by Governor Otero, arrived late this afternoon. The West Virginia delegation arrived at 7 o'clock this evening. They came in two special Pullmans and every man wore a badge declaring for Senator Stephen B. Elkins for vice president.

Members of delegations from Ohio, Missouri, New Jersey, Virginia, Kentucky, Indiana, Nebraska and Tennessee and a number of other states came dribbling in all day long.

Blaine Club Leaves Cincinnati.

CINCINNATI, June 17.—The Blaine club of this city left for Philadelphia at 4:40 this afternoon in a train of a dozen Pullmans, twenty minutes behind the Pennsylvania special. They arrived about noon today. There were over 200 uniformed men, in command of President Eugene Lewis. The First Regiment band of fifty pieces accompanied the club.

The itinerary has been arranged with perfect system. A commander has been assigned to each car. Preparatory drills for the parade have been made and every other arrangement for making a good showing at the parade in Philadelphia tomorrow night. George B. Cox, who is slated for the Ohio member of the national committee, and the southern Ohio delegates accompanied the club.

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POLITICS AT A DINNER

Distinguished Republicans Talk Over Situation at Country Home of Clement Griscom.

PHILADELPHIA, June 17.—A party of distinguished republican leaders were at dinner with Mr. Clement Griscom tonight at his country place near the city. The party included Senators Hanna, Allison, Lodge, Fairbanks, Depew and Kean, Secretary Root, Postmaster General Smith, Congressman Grosvenor, Wayne MacVeagh, A. J. Cassatt, president of the Pennsylvania railroad; Prof. Butler of Columbia university and others. The dinner was given especially for the purpose of permitting an exchange of views on the platform to be adopted by the national convention, but it is understood that the day's developments in the interest of Governor Roosevelt for the vice presidency turned the conversation largely on that subject.

The party broke up without any absolute decision as to what would be done, the general conclusion being to await developments. Considerable feeling was manifested over the manner in which Governor Roosevelt's candidacy was being forced after prominent men had been induced to enter the race upon the distinct understanding that he would, under no circumstances, allow the use of his name. The managers have all along announced that if New York presented an acceptable candidate they would acquiesce, but his eleventh-hour candidacy naturally leaves a good many sore spots. Whether it will eventuate in a contest the events of tomorrow will disclose.

CROWD LEAVES FROM CANTON

McKinley's Friends and Neighbors Will Honor Him at Republican Convention.

CANTON, O., June 17.—A special train on the Pennsylvania leaves Canton tomorrow bearing 200 friends and neighbors of President McKinley, bound for Philadelphia to participate in the demonstration attending the national convention. With the vanguard that has gone to the convention they constitute a crowd of about 300 from the president's home and they plan to make their presence felt in the enormous crowds and show the kind of McKinley enthusiasm that has existed in Canton. The party will be headed by the Grand Army band, a musical organization dating from the close of the civil war, that has gained fame, and been honored with engagements on the Pacific slope, New Orleans, Washington, New York and other places. The band has played at every convention but one before at which McKinley has been a candidate and has been conspicuous in the many McKinley campaigns in this district. The band will go with forty pieces and with the Canton crowd will participate in the parade Monday night. The Canton crowd will include Mayor J. H. Robertson, Major Charles R. Miller, president of the Board of Trade; Judge T. T. McCartey, postmaster; George B. Frease, Judge Maurice Aungst and leading business men and manufacturers.

Delegation Leaves Milwaukee.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., June 17.—The Wisconsin delegation to the national republican convention at Philadelphia left Milwaukee at 11 o'clock today. With the party was a part of the Minnesota delegation. The choice of the Wisconsin delegation for a vice presidential candidate is Governor Scofield of Wisconsin. Henry O. Payne is the unanimous choice for national committeeman.

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STRONG FOR ROOSEVELT

New York's Governor Being Pushed for Vice President.

NEBRASKA DELEGATES FAVOR FAIRBANKS

Movement on Foot to Secure Co-Operation Between Number of Western States and Effort for United Action May Be Made.

PHILADELPHIA, June 17.—The attention, both of delegates and other visiting politicians, tonight is centered upon the movement in the interest of Governor Roosevelt as a vice presidential candidate. The Pennsylvania delegation met early in the day and it was soon announced that the state delegation had taken a positive position for the governor for the second place on the ticket.

The announcement was soon followed by the statement, which was made upon excellent authority, that Colonel Quay and Senator Platt and others in sympathy with them had held a conference last night and had decided upon a plan of campaign, which was intended to bring Roosevelt to the front as a candidate, stampede the convention for him and force his acceptance of the nomination.

Among others who were taken into the confidence of Quay and Platt was National Committeeman Saunders, who has been doing zealous work in bringing over the intermountain states to the support of Roosevelt's candidacy. Senator Penrose of Pennsylvania and Senator Wolcott of Colorado are both in the movement and the managers are claiming the votes not only of the New York and Pennsylvania delegates, but of California, Kansas, Nebraska, Colorado, Indiana and Illinois, as well as of many others. All this, of course, is upon the supposition that favorite sons will be eliminated from the fight.

Colonel Quay's Position.

Colonel Quay announced himself as for Roosevelt because of his confidence that the governor's nomination would assure the success of the republican ticket in November, but there are those—and they are not the enemies of the colonel—who announced the belief that his position is the result of antagonism on his part to Senator Hanna, chairman of the national committee. It was also asserted that Quay still remembered the fact the the Ohio senator had cast his influence against him in his recent effort to secure his old seat in the senate by gubernatorial appointment. Mr. Quay did not admit the truth of these statements, saying there were broader reasons for nominating Roosevelt.

It was also asserted by those in position to know that Roosevelt's acceptance in case of his nomination was assured, but this was not put upon stronger ground than that Senator Platt had given his assurance. There can be no doubt, however, regardless of Roosevelt's own position, that he is to be the Platt-Quay candidate and they feel safe in the confidence that he will not decline the office if it is forced upon him.

The development of the movement in Roosevelt's behalf had the effect of bringing former Secretary Bliss conspicuously forward as the opposing candidate, and the fact was announced late in the afternoon by those very close to him that he would accept if nominated. From the first Senator Hanna and his followers have advocated the nomination of either Bliss or Allison. The latter has made his own declination absolutely unequivocal, thus forcing Bliss to the front despite his own disinclination to accept the position. He repeated today his desire to be relieved of the responsibility, but his friends left him with the knowledge that if the nomination should be tendered it would not be declined.

Bliss Makes Statement.

"I don't want to say that I will not accept before the tender is made, for that would be premature," he said, "but I do say, for the hundredth time, that I hope the right man will be found for the place and that I will not be asked to serve. On the other hand," he added, "after no little entreaty, "I will not say that if nominated I would decline. I know of no American who has ever declined so high an office and I shall not say that I would do so."

Upon this assurance Mr. Bliss' friends went forth with renewed courage. They accepted this declaration as a positive willingness to enter the contest and they lost no time in letting the fact be known.

The Pennsylvania delegation will meet tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock, when it is understood a resolution will be adopted declaring in favor of Roosevelt. It is stated that at least fifty-eight of the sixty-four delegates from this state will be for Roosevelt.

Colonel Quay this afternoon gave an interview to the Associated Press, in which he said: "I do not know what Pennsylvania will do, as all of the delegates have not yet arrived here. I have looked over the situation and find there is nothing else in view except the election of McKinley. I intend to vote for Governor Roosevelt for vice president. The election or defeat of McKinley is a question of $500,000,000 to Pennsylvania and I will cast my vote on the vice presidency in the interest of my state to strengthen McKinley. I know nothing at all about what is going to happen in the convention. This is merely my individual view."

In connection with the movement among the Pennsylvanians to further the nomination of Roosevelt, Attorney General John P. Elkin, the leader of the Quay forces in the state, said:

"A candidate for the vice presidency should be nominated who will strengthen the ticket. The strongest candidate with the American people today is Theodore Roosevelt. He is the best vote-getter by far of all the gentlemen named for second place.

"Roosevelt is the idol of the young republicans of the whole country, and as governor of New York he has demonstrated that he possesses a high order of executive ability. He is able, progressive, patriotic and conservative. The republicans of Pennsylvania are a unit in favor of his nomination. Our delegation will vote for him and I have no doubt that he will be nominated. Colonel Roosevelt is too good a republican not to accept the nomination if his party demands it. With McKinley and Roosevelt as our standard bearers we will sweep the country in November."

Allison for Dolliver.

Senator Allison arrived about noon and took quarters at the Aldine hotel. He was closeted during the greater part of the day with prominent members of the party and late in the afternoon attended a dinner given by Clement Griscom at his country place. The senator announced before leaving for Mr. Griscom's place that he was earnestly supporting the candidacy of Mr. Dolliver and that he hoped to see him nominated for the vice presidency.

Mr. Dolliver's friends are still enthusiastic over his chances and they claim that nothing but an agreement upon some available man by the members of the New York delegation can prevent his nomination.

In the event that the New Yorkers agree upon some available candidate the Iowa man will not press Dolliver's nomination. They say New York should have the first call upon the nomination if it can decide upon a man. If it does not agree upon this point and the Iowa people do not rate Woodruff as an available man, they will push for the nomination of Dolliver against any and all candidates. They are confident that Dolliver will be able to beat Woodruff before the convention and will be a stronger candidate before the people at large.

It is claimed by the Iowa people that they have strong assurances from nearly all of the western states and that the middle west are with him to a man. They claim that nothing will hold off Dolliver if New York fails to agree on a man.

Boom for Long.

The Massachusetts delegation perfected its organization today and also took steps to get into direct telephonic communication with Secretary Long to ascertain his wishes concerning the vice presidential situation. This last move was regarded as rather significant. The delegation is to a man strongly favorable to the secretary and it was believed that co-operation could be secured with the delegations of Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Connecticut and Rhode Island so as to secure practically a solid vote of the seventy-eight New England delegates. So many candidates and possibilities were in the air, however, that a committee consisting of Messrs. Shaw, Murray and Rockwell was chosen to ascertain Mr. Long's wishes as to the presentation of his name. It was supposed he was at Washington and could be reached by long distance telephone, but later it developed that he was at his summer home at Bingham, Mass., where it was hoped to communicate with him later. The delegation was also divided up into committees, which started on canvasses in behalf of the Long candidacy.

The West Virginians are fully determined to present one of their senators as a vice presidential candidate. Senator Scott first proposed a boom for his colleague, Mr. Elkins, but today a strong Scott sentiment began to manifest itself at the West Virginia headquarters. The delegation at least wants to place one of them in nomination and compliment him with the state's vote. After that there is no definite choice thus far, although the tendencies are toward Roosevelt or some other eastern candidate.

The Michigan delegation arrived at the Walton and opened headquarters this evening. D. M. Ferry of Detroit, who is a candidate for the nomination for governor of Michigan, was with the party and said that the delegation had not decided who to support for the vice presidency. There was, however, a strong sentiment among the Michigan men for Dolliver.

Nebraska for Fairbanks.

The Nebraska sentiment has developed quite strongly in favor of Senator Fairbanks' vice presidential candidacy, and such influential members of the delegation as Senator Thurston and Editor Rosewater regard the Indiana man as particularly strong for the place. In this connection a movement is on foot to secure co-operation between a number of western states, including Nebraska, and a meeting may be held tomorrow to discuss the advisability of united action. Mr. Fairbanks has received the overtures from Nebraska and other quarters with expressions of earnest appreciation, but has said that he did not wish to be regarded as an active candidate. This has prevented any systematic canvass in his behalf, although his friends are working on the theory that in the present state of uncertainty on the vice presidency it may be deemed best to turn to a doubtful state for a candidate, in which case they feel Mr. Fairbanks would not resist their efforts.

The California headquarters at the Colonnade are quite unique, showing less of bunting than of huge boxes, baskets and crates of the many varieties of fruit which that state produces. Visitors were made welcome and the headquarters became a rendezvous for large crowds. The delegation held several meetings during the day, feeling its way on the vice presidential question. Although no formal action was taken at the early meetings, members of the delegation said it was unlikely that Irving M. Scott or any other Pacific coast candidate would be pressed for the vice presidency.

Around the Oregon and Washington headquarters it is said they will both stand for Bartlett Tripp until a nomination is made. His name will be presented by General James M. Ashton of Washington and the seconding speech will be made by Wallace McCammant of Oregon. Besides the sixteen votes of these two states there are claimed for him: Utah, 6; North Dakota, 6; South Dakota, 8, and Alaska, 4.

James Boyd, delegate-at-large and member of the national committee of North Carolina, said tonight that the delegation from his state is a unit for Senator Pritchard for vice president.

"Senator Pritchard is our candidate," said Mr. Boyd, "and the delegates have been instructed for him. We might succeed in nominating him. It is time the south was represented on the presidential ticket."

Former Governor Warmouth of the Louisiana delegation was asked tonight how the delegation would stand on the vice presidential question. "If Governor Roosevelt is a candidate," he replied, "I feel confident that he will get the vote of the Louisiana delegation."

The Texas delegation is inclined to be for Secretary Long, but will not announce its position until the Texas contest is decided by the committee on credentials. The delegation will take any man the administration may want.

National Committeeman Payne of Wisconsin expressed the opinion that Wisconsin would support Mr. Roosevelt. "For that matter," he said, "I think the whole country will be found to be for him."

Committeeman Fessenden expressed confidence that Connecticut would accept the nomination of Roosevelt joyously.

"The movement is apparently becoming invincible," he said. "Governor Roosevelt would be all right in the east and I think he will sweep the west like wildfire in a prairie."

"New Mexico is for any man acceptable to the administration," said Governor Otero tonight, speaking for the New Mexico delegation.

New Yorkers Enjoy It.

While interest is focussed on New York, the delegation from that state looks on with complacency, the members apparently enjoying the commotion. The situation in New York may be described in a paragraph:

The mass of the delegates are for the nomination of Theodore Roosevelt for vice president; Senator Platt is pledged to Governor Roosevelt to be against his nomination and will not break the pledge unless the governor gives his consent. This much is known. If the convention names Governor Roosevelt for the vice presidency he will not decline. He has said he would not accept if nominated, but it is known on the best of authority that he will not decline. Nevertheless, his determination to protest against the nomination until the last minute is unchanged. While he admitted tonight that the situation looked as if he would be forced into a nomination, he was hoping that such would not be the case and was using every effort to change the sentiment. He said to the Associated Press:

"My place is at the head of the ticket in New York state. I feel that Mr. Hanna is right and that I can do more to help Mr. McKinley by running in New York state than I can by being on the national ticket."

Lieutenant Governor Woodruff and his campaign manager, William Berri, both asserted tonight that the boom for Roosevelt was helping their cause: "If New York and Hanna stand firm against the Roosevelt boom it will be exploded and Mr. Woodruff will get the nomination," said Mr. Berri.

The logic of this reasoning is not quite apparent, but a significant remark dropped by a lieutenant of Mr. Woodruff's put the matter in a new light.

"Mr. Woodruff," he said, "does not care if Governor Roosevelt beats him. In fact, he has assured the governor that if he changes his mind and cares to stand for the nomination he (Woodruff) will withdraw."

There were several rumors tonight that Roosevelt had at last agreed to stand for the nomination. These rumors probably arose from the fact that he had said that if his nomination were finally forced he could decline it, but he said emphatically tonight that he would not allow Mr. Platt to present his name and would fight against the nomination to the last minute.

PLATFORM FOR REPUBLICANS

Postmaster General Smith Brings Document that It is Believed Will Be Supported.

PHILADELPHIA, June 17.—For the first time since the republican leaders began to assemble in Philadelphia there has today been some earnest work upon the platform and a draft has been made, which, it is believed, will receive the approval of the convention. This document was prepared in part before coming to Philadelphia by Postmaster General Smith and it is understood that it was submitted to the president for his inspection and approval before Mr. Smith left Washington. Mr. Smith was in consultation during the greater part of the afternoon with Senator Foraker, who, it is understood, will be chairman of the committee on resolutions. The senator has himself given considerable attention to the preparation of the declaration of principles and he added considerably to Mr. Smith's draft.

The instrument as so far prepared is of considerable length, but very clear-cut and emphatic in its enunciations. It begins by calling attention to the promises that were made in the St. Louis convention of 1896 and after enumerating them, declares that faith has been kept in almost every instance, as is shown by the statutes which the last congress added to the laws of the country. Especial attention is called to the fact that the platform of 1896 promised that the country should be put upon the gold standard and that this pledge has been faithfully maintained. There is a clear and distinct declaration for the maintenance of this standard and the resolutions as so far prepared make no reference to bimetallism. The resolutions also contain the usual declaration for a protective tariff.

The president's policy in reference to the Philippines is endorsed throughout and his conduct of the war with Spain is upheld in the strongest terms of commendation and praise. The president's course on the Boer-British entanglement is also endorsed and attention is called to the fact that under his guidance the United States has been the only nation to offer intervention between the warring nations. The president also comes in for praise because of his attitude in The Hague peace conference and the administration is especially commended for its position and its accomplishment in the matter of an open door in China. There is no reference to the present critical condition in China. The shipping subsidy bill is endorsed.

The legislation toward which attention is especially directed as having been accomplished in connection with the party pledges in addition to that concerning the finances includes the Dingley tariff law, the annexation of Hawaii and the liberation of Cuba from Spanish domination. The country is also felicitated upon the acquisition of Porto Rico.

The plank on the Philippines is practically in the language of the president's message, promising the restoration of order and the granting of local self-government so soon as the Philippines show that they are prepared for it.

On the question of trusts the platform recognizes the right of capital to combine for industrial purposes, but condemns all conspiracies in restraint of trade and the limitation of prices.

There will be a declaration for an isthmian canal rather than for a canal via the Nicaragua route specifically, pending the report of the commission appointed to investigate.

A demand will be made to redeem the promise to establish order in Cuba as speedily as practicable and a demand will be made for the condign punishment of crimes committed by American officials in Cuba.

Legislation for the restoration of the merchant marine will be indorsed. There is a proposition to at least express the hope with reference to China that that empire shall not be dismembered. A demand will be made for the protection of American missionaries and other Americans in China.

H. H. Hanna, who is credited with the authorship of the gold standard bill, was in conference with Messrs. Smith and Foraker for some time today, with reference to the financial plank of the platform. He is especially anxious that this plank should be unequivocal in its language and that no concession should be made to the silver interest. The representatives from the western states are antagonizing him somewhat on this subject, but Mr. Hanna expresses confidence that no concession will be made.

Want Anti-Lynching Plank.

WASHINGTON, June 17.—A committee has been appointed by the National Afro-American council to present before the republican national convention the question of lynching and the violation of the ballot at the south.

The committee will endeavor to have the convention take strong stand against mob violence in every part of the United States and against the suffrage laws of certain states, which it is claimed in effect nullify the fourteenth and fifteenth amendments to the constitution of the United States.

The council, it is stated, represents over 200,000 colored voters residing in the states of New York, New Jersey, Delaware, Ohio, Indiana, North Carolina, Maryland, Kentucky, West Virginia, Illinois, Connecticut, Minnesota, Missouri and Kansas.

Clark and Daly Fight Again.

ST. PAUL, Minn., June 17.—A special to the Pioneer Press from Helena, Mont., says:

All the counties have now held primaries or county conventions for the selection of delegates to the democratic state convention which meets in Butte on Wednesday. The fight has been very keen between Senator Clark, who has been seeking a vindication, and Marcus Daly, who has conducted the opposition. The figures conceded by both sides give Clark 261 delegates and Daly 217, with Granite county's thirteen in doubt. Silver Bow county will have a contest, the 122 delegates from that county being Dalyites and the Clark contestants will charge fraud and coercion. If the Clark men are seated from this county, as seems likely, he will have an overwhelming majority. There is considerable talk of a bolt in the state convention and a contest at Kansas City.

Davis Has a Boer Plank.

CHICAGO, June 17.—Webster Davis, former assistant secretary of the interior, who resigned his position after his return from the Transvaal, in order that he might better express his sympathy for the Boers, passed through Chicago today on his way to the Philadelphia convention. In his pocket he carried several pages of Boer sympathy resolutions which he will endeavor to have adopted by the convention. "I shall go before the committee on resolutions," said Mr. Davis, "and shall endeavor to secure the adoption of my resolutions. If I am not successful there I will avail myself of the proxy of one of the delegates and go on the floor of the convention and make a fight. I am determined to place the convention on record, even if it requires the hardest kind of a fight."

Committee Notifies Wolcott.

PHILADELPHIA, June 17.—The committee to notify Senator Wolcott of his selection as temporary chairman of the national republican convention discharged that duty this afternoon. Hon. Powell Clayton was chairman of the committee. The notification and reply were informal.

Position of Conventions Asked.

CHICAGO, June 17.—Each national political convention is to be asked to define its position in regard to expressing or refusing to indorse in the party platform the initiative and referendum. This was decided on at a public meeting here today, called by the Municipal Ownership league. State conventions will be asked to declare their position on the question of government ownership of public utilities. This course was adopted by the league in order to secure the election of state legislatures who will vote in favor of government control of all public utilities.

Kansas Selects Mulvaney.

PHILADELPHIA, June 17.—The Kansas delegation today selected W. Mulvaney of Topeka as committeeman to succeed Cyrus Leland, jr.

TROOPS GO TO CHINA

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have been advised to leave, but several have no means of doing so."

The Daily Express Shanghai correspondent states the Chinese troops aided the Boxers in an attack on the legations. Some of the legation buildings were reduced to ruins. Foreigners in the legations are very short on provisions. The hordes around Pekin are being constantly swelled by the arrival of troops from the provinces and must now number in all 120,000.

The Daily News Shanghai correspondent says the London and American Board of Missions buildings were among the foreign buildings destroyed. Further rioting is feared. There is no authentic report of Europeans being killed. On Thursday night there was a big fire in the native city at Tien Tsin. Three English and three American chapels were burned. The latest report of the relief column shows that it is short of provisions.

GERMAN MINISTER IS ALIVE

Report of His Murder Ascribed to the Chinese Superintendent of Telegraph.

LONDON, June 18.—3 a. m.—There is not a cabinet in Europe, apparently, that knows what has been transpiring in Pekin for five days, or in Tien Tsin for three days. Nor is there any that knows with what difficulties the small and inadequately equipped international column is contending between those cities. The German foreign office, on learning the report of the murder of Baron von Ketteller, the minister at Pekin, sent a telegraphic inquiry to St. Petersburg, the seat of the Russian government, because of its wires to Manchuria being supposedly in a better position that the other governments to give direct news. In reply the German foreign office was informed that nothing was known on the subject as communication with Pekin was interrupted. The report spread worldwide from Shanghai that the legations had been attacked and one minister, probably the German, had been murdered, has been traced to Ta To Sheng, who for a number of days, as the empress dowager's representative, has been censoring telegrams from Pekin.

The Daily Express says: "Sheng, as head of the telegraph, pretended that the line had been down since June 9 and that the wires from Tien Tsin were cut on June 15. Nevertheless it is notorious that constant communications have been passing from Shanghai to Pekin over the northern and western routes, although Sheng has refused both ministers and consuls the privilege of using the lines. It is known that last Friday Sheng received a message either from Pekin or Tien Tsin. This said that General Tin Fung Siang's troops, aided by Boxers, made an organized attack on the legations and that in the course of the attack some of the legations were reduced to ruins and one minister hacked to pieces."

It has not been explained why the murdered man was said to be Baron von Ketteller.

A dispatch from Shanghai, June 15, says: Sheng has fled, fearing that the foreign authorities were about to arrest him because of his stoppage of telegrams.

A third cablegram asserts that the reports of the murder of the German minister emanating from London are quite unconfirmed and are discredited at Shanghai.

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Movements of Ocean Vessels June 7.

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At Dover—Passed—Noordland, from New York, for Antwerp.

At Southampton—Arrived—Barbarossa, from New York, for Bremen. Sailed—Bremen, from Bremen, for New York.

At Queenstown—Arrived—Saxonia, from Boston, for Liverpool and proceeded. Sailed—Lucania, from Liverpool, for New York.

At New York—Arrived—Rotterdam, from Rotterdam and Boulogne; Thingvalla, from Stettin, Christiania, etc.; Furnessia, from Glasgow and Moville.

Ridpath's Condition Critical.

NEW YORK, June 17.—There was no improvement in the condition of John Clark Ridpath at the Presbyterian hospital tonight. He is critically ill and little hope is entertained for his recovery.

Population of Buffalo.

BUFFALO, N. Y., June 17.—James W. Hamilton, supervisor of the census, says the population of Buffalo is a little less than 400,000.

Editorial Excursion.

Members of the Nebraska Press association have a delightful trip in prospect. At present the excursion committee of the association is working out the details of the annual outing. It comprises a run through the Rocky mountains this time, taking in Denver, Colorado Springs, Manitou, Salt Lake City and other places of interest in Colorado and Utah. Ten to twelve days will be spent on the outing. Members of the association who intend to avail themselves of the opportunity are requested to communicate with W. N. Huse of the Norfolk News or W. E. Foster of the Plainview News.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Dan Myers, a cross-eyed white, was beating his negro wife in their Third ward abode late Sunday night when arrested by Officer Sauers. Both were drunk.

Mrs. Upton, in charge of Brownell hall, desires to have it understood that strawberry ice and not punch was served at the reception given on Wednesday by the teachers of the institution.

Albert Wilson, colored; J. C. Rice and M. France were drunk and disporting themselves unlawfully in Rameat alley Sunday evening when arrested. They were the remnants of a gang which had caused much trouble.

E. Jones had just finished an unsuccessful attempt to flimflam an Iowa farmer on Officer Woodridge's beat in the Third ward Sunday evening, when the vigilant copper ran him in. Jones vigorously denies he is a confidence man and promises to sue the city when he is released.

William J. McNamara, until two years ago a well known motorman in the employ of the Omaha Street Railway company, was struck by lightning and killed on his farm near Elk City about 10 p. m. Saturday. His relatives residing in this city were notified of the death, but received no particulars.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Templeton and daughter, Florence, left last evening for a two weeks' outing at Red Oak, Ia.

Superintendent A. B. Hunt of the Omaha Water company left Sunday evening for Vermont, expecting to be absent about thirty days.

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FINDS SPOTS ON THE SUN

Big Telescope at Paris Exposition Shows Up Peculiarities of Old Sol.

PARIS, June 17.—Abbe Mareux, the astronomer, has discovered and sketched through the big telescope in the Optic Palace of the exposition a remarkable spot on the sun, forming a part of an extensive group and having a diameter of nearly forty kilometres. This spot, he says, will remain for seven days and become visible to the naked eye.

He predicts the appearance of other spots in July, August and September, inferring that the heat during those months will be very great.

Royal Library Purchase.

BERLIN, June 17.—The Royal library has purchased the recently discovered correspondence of Alexander von Humbert, covering the years from 1830 to 1840.

Bring Gold from Klondike.

SEATTLE, Wash., June 17.—The steamer Dirigo arrived from Lynn canal this evening, having on board eighty-five passengers, who brought down about $300,000 in gold dust.

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