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PARTIES LEAVING FOR SUMMER: Parties leaving the city for the summer may have the Bee sent to them regularly by notifying The Bee Business office, in person or by mail.

Pandemonium reigns at Kansas City, but the government at Washington still lives.

"For ways that are dark and tricks that are vain the heathen Chinese is peculiar."

Liquified air is not in demand at Kansas City; the Bowery boys want something stronger.

Bryan must feed proof of having the New York Tammany boss for his chief champion at the national democratic convention.

Teddy Roosevelt declined to indulge in Fourth of July oratory to the Rough Riders. Teddy is a Fourth of July orator in himself.

The spectacle of R. L. Metcalfe giving Boss Croker a lecture on practical politics is enough to make the gods weep and practical politicians smile.

Theodore Roosevelt has already demonstrated that as a running mate for McKinley he is amply able to keep his singletree off the wheel.

Everybody in Kansas City was at liberty to make a spectacle of himself by joining the silver republican sideshow as a self-appointed delegate.

After the assembled democrats at Kansas City have watched the rockets shoot upward they will only have to wait a few minutes to see the sticks come down.

Ex-Governor Altgeld did not get his hand out to the Bryanite platform, but he hovered on the outskirts of the convention to make sure that no "ism" should be forgotten or omitted.

Nebraska delegates to Kansas City, in their professions of friendship for Towne, are laying the foundation for a demand for a larger measure of recognition on the fusion state ticket.

The meeting of Richard Metcalfe of the Omaha Tammany and Richard Croker of the New York Tammany is a momentous event worthy of record in white chalk on black chimneys.

As the corn grows taller calamity is getting weaker as a campaign issue. At the present rate calamity will be hopelessly distanced by October 1 and nothing remain for November but the funeral.

Parties who have viewed both the Transmississippi and the Paris expositions assert that the illuminations at the former excelled in every respect those at the latter.

Boss Croker has demonstrated that he is not only the power which guides the democratic party in the city of New York, but also in the state. Senator Hill was sat on about as effectually as any similar job has been performed in recent years.

Whenever a republican becomes influential in the party councils, according to the papocratic press, it is the result of the machine. When a democrat dictates what a convention shall and shall not do it is simply the influence of a great mind over lesser ones.

"Some men are born great and others have greatness thrust upon them." This wise observation is again forcibly illustrated by the projection of William Oldham before the great national democratic convention as the orator chosen to deliver the speech nominating William Jennings Bryan. Sir Oldham's last great forensic effort was made before the supreme court of Nebraska in support of the royal prerogative.

POLITICAL FOURTH OF JULY.

The celebration of Independence day by the firing of salutes, public processions, martial music and night displays of pyrotechnics, as a stimulus to patriotism, has become one of the features of the annual observance of the birth of the republic. Skyrockets and skyrocket oratory are in perfect accord with the eternal fitness of things on that day.

The American people, however, have not yet reached that stage of emotional insanity which would inspire them with the belief that the ringing of the bell on Independence day on July 4, 1776, dedicated that day for all future time to the nomination of presidential candidates. It would be just as absurd to claim that a nomination on the Fourth of July carries with it an omen of good luck as it would to assume that that day is an opportune time for the birth or death of a patriotic American.

Thomas Jefferson and John Adams helped promulgate the Declaration of Independence on the Fourth of July and both died on July 4 of the same year, but there are many patriotic Americans who did not die on that particular day and who would prefer to die at some future day if they had any chance of survival.

The first democratic national convention was held at Baltimore in 1828 and its candidate, General Jackson, was elected president, although he had been nominated in the month of May and not on the Fourth of July.

The first national convention held on July 4 was that of 1808 when Horatio Seymour was launched in the city of New York against Ulysses S. Grant. Although surrounded by the halo of Jefferson's immortal declaration and supported by the scream of the eagle and shouting of the patriots Seymour was the worst beaten man that ever ran on the democratic national ticket.

These reminiscences may not afford much comfort to Nebraska's presidential candidate, but the lessons of history are without value unless we profit by them.

OPPOSED TO PARTITIONING CHINA.

The statement that our government has notified the European powers of its opposition to the dismemberment of China will, if true, have an important influence upon the situation. It is a most proper position for the United States to take, from the point of view of its own interests.

If the United States has, even by implication, notified the powers interested in China that it does not favor dismemberment, we may be sure of the approval and support of Great Britain, Germany and Japan, and with those four nations joined in favor of maintaining the integrity of the middle kingdom, the other powers having interests there would not be likely to offer any serious opposition.

A LARGE TREASURY SURPLUS.

The fiscal year of the government ended June 30, with a surplus revenue about double what was estimated by the secretary of the treasury in his last annual report.

The liberal receipts of the government attest the general prosperity. Imports increased during the year, so that the revenue from customs was considerably in excess of estimates.

while for the last fiscal year they were \$192,000,000. The probability is that for the fiscal year just begun there will be a still further large reduction in these expenditures, since it is to be expected that before the end of the year the demand for such expenditure will have ceased.

George Washington was conspicuously distinguished in that he could not tell a lie. This very ancient chestnut was resurrected by Charles A. Towne at the so-called national convention of silver republicans as a strictly original and veracious revelation.

THE KANSAS CITY CONVENTION.

The first day of the so-called democratic national convention was marked by anything but harmony. There was a great deal of noise and commotion that passes for enthusiasm, but below the surface were undercurrents of disaffection and dissatisfaction that will be felt in the campaign and in the election.

There was a very pronounced manifestation of opposition to the despotic dictation of Mr. Bryan and while there is no doubt that this will be of no avail so far as the convention is concerned, because of the overwhelming preponderance of his adherents, the effect will undoubtedly be seen next November.

The latest authoritative statement of British losses in South Africa places them at nearly 30,000, exclusive of sick and wounded. Nearly 22,000 were killed in action, a number nearly or quite half the Boer forces.

ENGLAND'S HEAVY LOSSES.

The strength of the republican party lies, first, in the fact that better times have come since McKinley was elected, and second, that the re-election of its candidate will be a guarantee that the war office standards shall not be reopened for at least another four years.

Has the Goods to Sell.

Mr. Hiram Maxim declares we are upon the verge of the greatest war the world has ever seen, but it is possible that Mr. Maxim's connection with the rapid-fire industry has colored his views to coincide with his business interests.

An Example for St. Louis.

Omaha looks back on its Transmississippi exposition as a success. Its total population of subscribers 92 per cent of their contributions. No reaction followed in real estate or any regular branch of business.

Where is Competition?

The famous Transmississippi Freight association decision of the supreme court was said to have thrown the railroads and passenger association has decreed that any road running a train between New York and Chicago in less than twenty-eight hours must charge \$4 above the regular fare.

J. Bull's Troubles in Africa.

Of great importance by far than the petty squabbles of the brass ring of communication in South Africa is the development of the political situation in Cape Colony. The Schreiner ministry having been obliged to resign because of the refusal of Governor General Milner to concur in a policy of annexation.

Chicago's internal revenue receipts have dropped nearly half a million dollars for the fiscal year ending June 30 as compared with the year preceding, notwithstanding the fact that the people of Chicago consume more beer, tobacco, cigars, cigarettes and oleomargarine and buy a greater number of playing cards than they did in A. D. 1898.

COMMON SENSE VIEW.

A New York firm's monthly financial statement for June very pertinently calls attention to the fact that while there will be a short crop in the spring wheat country, it is an error to anticipate depression in the country at large.

With Kansas harvesting 100,000,000 bushels of wheat, Nebraska 65,000,000 bushels and Oklahoma doing its best to take care of a yield of 60,000,000 bushels, the southwest will have plenty of grain to sell at good prices, and by the same token an abundance of money for the purchase of merchandise.

You can always find a preacher ready to make an invocation in a political convention to meet any and all political conditions and emergencies.

Willie Wally Astor is again demonstrating to the people of the world and England in particular just how big a fool a man can make of himself when he tries. Up to the present he has achieved a measure of success which is likely to deter anyone from entering into competition with him with hopes of success.

Bryan appears to have the democratic convention hypnotized to do just as he says, but when he attempts to transfer the "influence" to the voting public it will be different.

Whistling in the Graveyard.

Marching along to the graveyard by antiem the democrats are whistling to keep their courage up and some of them trying to start a tune that will carry Indiana.

Too Busy for Politics.

Those commercial travelers who were going to the up against McKinley and the trusts for depriving them of employment have not yet taken action.

Man's Efforts Set at Naught.

Such a disaster as that at the Hoboken docks seems to set at naught all man's puny foresight and precautions. Who could have foreseen such a shocking catastrophe?

Haits of Republican Strength.

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Extent of National Prosperity.

During the month of June our exports of manufactures amounted to nearly \$30,000,000 and during the fiscal year that ended on Saturday they aggregated \$400,000,000.

England Shouting "Stop, Thief!"

High above the notes of disorder and massacre that come from China rises the apprehensive scream of Great Britain that the Russian eagle is swooping down upon the control of the situation.

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Careful Calculation on the Subject by Mr. Michael Davitt.

Michael Davitt, former member of the British Parliament, who resigned his seat as a protest against Great Britain's action in forcing the Dutch republic into war, was one of the few correspondents with the Boer army.

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PATH OF PLAIN DUTY.

"Times When Theories and Common Sense Were Not Mixed."

It is unfortunate that congress is not in session in order to give to the president authority to use the military forces of the United States for the protection of American citizens in China.

The president's critics hold that the landing of troops upon Chinese soil is equivalent to a declaration of war.

On returning from Trichard's camp Captain Hassell of the American scouts came to my room in the Bradford hotel and gave me a long talk on the war and his experiences.

PERSONAL POINTERS.

The Tennessee supreme court has decided that women cannot practice law before any of the courts of that state.

Philip D. Armour, the Chicago millionaire, is devoted to his three grandchildren, with whom he plays as if he himself were of their age.

In a free lecture in Boston on "English as She is Spoken" the speaker stated that but that his "efforts at identity were unavailable."

Samuel Alschuler of Aurora, Ill., who has been nominated for governor of Illinois on the democratic ticket, was born in Chicago in 1859.

Colonel N. P. Pond, the new commander-in-chief of the New York Grand Army of the Republic, is a newspaper man and has for years been connected with the Robert R. Demorest and Chronicle.

The statue of General Albert Pike, which the Masons are to erect in Washington, is the work of Gaetano Trentanove, who won distinction through his statue of Pere Marquette. It is bronze and colored in size.

Senator Chandler of New Hampshire while at his home, in Concord, is an enthusiastic mountain-climber, and may be met almost any afternoon on one or other of the peaks of the White Mountains.

Criminal prosecution of the officers of the New York Ice trust collapsed when it reached the grand jury.

The late Prince de Joinville was the last surviving son of Louis Philippe. He was never exiled by the republic with the rest of his family because he was not in the direct line of pretors and because he had made himself so popular with all classes.

When a bolt of lightning knocked the Rev. Shepard Knapp, a Congregational preacher of New Haven, off of the wooden horse of a merry-go-round from which he was endeavoring to secure the brass ring, another ride free, he remarked as he picked himself up, unharmed and somewhat startled, that he regarded the phenomenon as a divine warning against playing games of chance.

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PIPE, BOOK AND SHADY NOOK.

This is the dreamy season when we feel like growing down the pen and swearing off from work until we've done it all up and got our fill of just a lazyin' round.

Up in ol' nature's campin' ground he's sittin' there, with his pipe in his hand and his book in his hand.

Beside a merry mountain brook.

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