

CONCERT OF THE POWERS WILL REMAIN UNBROKEN.

Non-union painters painted the state fair buildings at Syracuse. The unions threaten to boycott the fair, and offer as their only plan of settlement that the painting be done over again by union painters.

A new spelling book will be used in Cincinnati in which there are some changes in the spelling of words. Among them are "thru" for "through," "alho" for "although," and "catalog" for "catalogue."

Competent authorities assert that South America has greater undeveloped resources than any other portion of the world. Any crop grown elsewhere can be duplicated there, and the country abounds in mines of coal, silver and gold, most of which have been only slightly developed.

Some idea of the magnitude of the electric lighting machinery in this country may be obtained from the statement that the public lighting stations of New York city alone supply incandescent lamps each year to the number of 2,125,000. This is independent of those furnished by private plants.

Literary Paris is greatly agitated over the difficulty of deciding which is the genuine copy of "L'Ami du Peuple," which was stained with the blood of Marat when the revolutionist met his death at the hands of Charlotte Corday. So far seven copies have turned up, all solemnly accredited and all bearing the blood stain.

The will of M. Alphonse Milne Edwards bequeaths his valuable scientific library to the Jardin des Plantes. In Paris, the proceeds of the sale to increase the stipend of the chair of zoology, which was filled by him. He gives 20,000 francs to the Geographical Society for an annual prize to explorers, and 10,000 francs to the Society of the Friends of Science.

Dr. Henry J. Costello, a Philadelphia physician committed suicide while of unsound mind. Knowing that he was becoming insane, Dr. Costello kept a journal, in which are to be found most minute details as to the progress of his mental derangement. He was an enthusiast in his profession and worked himself into a condition of mental and physical decrepitude.

Margaret Vatelme, a little girl of Geneva, N. Y., has been frightened nearly to death by a lot of bats. The room was nearly full of them and they were very large. Twenty-seven were killed and a nest containing nineteen had just moved into the house, which had been unoccupied for two years. The doctors think the child may lose her reason. There have been many bats killed in the east this year and the reason for their visitation is not known.

The Chamber of Commerce of San Diego, Cal., is making an effort to establish the production of raw silk in the agricultural districts about that city. Steps have been taken to secure a large number of silk worms, and five thousand mulberry trees will soon be planted. The climate of southern California is deemed even preferable for this industry to that of France, the home of silk culture. The consumption of raw silk in this country is enormous, and the entire supply comes from foreign countries, principally from Japan, China and Italy. In 1899 the total imports of this raw material were valued at \$43,546,872.

At Boulder, Col., a curious accident occurred. The brake on a tank car loaded with sulphuric acid refused to work, and the car went down a grade. Whistles were blown and the switchman saw the train in time to shunt it onto a sidetrack. The tank car struck a box car loaded with household goods; the tank car, which contained about 4,500 gallons of the acid, slid off the platform car and was telescoped into the box car. The acid began to escape and ruined the furniture, and made a great pool in the yard, temporarily preventing the passing of teams to obtain freight. The loss amounted to several thousand dollars.

The naphtha launch of L. A. Scott of Philadelphia came suddenly to a stop recently in a swarm of myriads of green flies along the lower Jersey coast. The engine refused to run. The force was turned off and an investigation instituted forthwith, which resulted in the finding of about two gallons of "green headers" tightly packed into one of their air chambers which fed the flame with oxygen. The flies had been drawn in by the suction until they were as solidly packed as powder and shot in a gun barrel. It required an hour of patient work to remove the mass of dead flies from the hot cylinder and get the boat in working order again.

Lady Gwendolin Cecil, the unmarried daughter who now presides over the household of Lord Salisbury, the British premier, is esteemed as one of the foremost of English mathematicians. A singularly gifted family are the Cecils. The marquis himself is a most accomplished electrician and chemist and, besides, has worked for an income as a subeditor. Lord Cecil, one of his sons, is counted among the best-read political writers and workers in the islands. And there are others, not forgetting the accomplished and literary nephew, Arthur Balfour.

Washington, Sept. 7.—Within the last twenty-four hours the United States government has received from its representatives at foreign capitals much material information as to the attitude of the powers on the Russian proposal to evacuate Peking. It is stated authoritatively that if there was at any time a prospect of a serious international clash this has been very nearly, if not entirely, relieved by the harmonious character of the communications these governments are making. It is said, however, that the answers go much beyond the tentative character of those heretofore referred to and are of a conclusive nature, so far as showing the purposes of the governments, although they may not be regarded as conclusive in accepting or rejecting the particular proposition advanced by Russia. The responses are understood to be rather long and somewhat argumentative, similar in this respect to the American response. This very fact is a cause for congratulations among officials as they point out that there is no disposition to treat the proposal with terseness or in any manner to give offense, but rather to bring the powers together on a common basis. On the whole the general tendency of the response is such as to give entire satisfaction here as to the course of the negotiations. If the present state of affairs in China is protracted until the arrival there of Field Marshal Count von Waldersee, which should occur in ten days or a fortnight, it is not doubted that the government of Germany will endeavor to have all the negotiations with the Chinese government conducted through that official as a representative, not of Germany alone, but of all the powers. It is gathered that strong arguments will be advanced to support the advisability of combined action through one agency in this manner as the best means of securing a speedy and generally satisfactory termination of the Chinese trouble. In fact, it will be urged that there is little hope for an early adjustment of the differences between China and the powers. If there is any change in the military situation since Gen. Chaffee's dispatch, supposed to be of the 30th ult., no word of it has reached Washington. It is understood that the disturbances and outrages upon missionaries continue in some of the districts outside of Peking. It is believed here, possibly because of these reports, that the foreign ministers in Peking probably will enter an earnest objection to any withdrawal of troops if their respective governments upon the Russian proposition until they have had a chance to express their views. The German foreign office appears to be active in furthering the negotiations, and quite a number of messages have passed between Washington and Berlin. Those persons most likely to have a correct understanding of Germany's attitude look for the suggestion of a compromise, or middle course, which will be neither an acceptance nor a rejection of Russian proposals, but will be such a satisfactory middle ground that all the powers, including Russia, can agree to it.

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Waz Department Will Send Transport to Nome City. Washington, Sept. 7.—Under direction of the secretary of war the quartermaster's department is arranging to send the transport Lawton to Nome City for the purpose of bringing back the American citizens who are in a destitute condition at that place. Reports received at the war department indicate that there are a great many men who have been unable to make a "strike," and unless the government takes the matter in hand great suffering and starvation is likely to result. The Lawton will sail from San Francisco about the 11th inst., taking on supplies at Seattle and then going direct to St. Michaels. It is probable she will carry about 400 tons of freight for the troops in Alaska.

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Democratic Candidate For Vice President in 1896. Bath, Me., Sept. 7.—Arthur Sewall, Democratic candidate for vice president in 1896, died at 8:30 a. m. yesterday of his summer home, Small Point, about twelve miles from this city, of apoplexy, the stroke having been sustained Sunday. He was sixty-four years of age. Mr. Sewall had not been in good health for some time, although he was not considered seriously ill. As early as last June he had been advised by his physician to rest, and he attended the Democratic convention in July against the advice of his doctor. He appeared to have suffered no ill effects from the journey, however, and was passing the summer quietly at Small Point. The unconsciousness which followed the attack continued until death came.

Prominent Shipbuilder. Arthur Sewall was born in Bath in November, 1835. His father, W. D. Sewall, for years was prominent as a shipbuilder, and his son fitted himself for the same trade. In 1855, by forming the partnership of E. & A. Sewall he continued the calling of one of the oldest shipbuilding families in Maine. Upon the death of his brother, Edward Sewall, the firm of Arthur Sewall & Co. was formed, and the corporation now controls one of the largest American sailing fleets. Mr. Sewall was also one of the prominent railroad men of New England. For nine years he was president of the Maine Central and he was president of the Eastern railroad until it was absorbed by the Boston & Maine. For many years he was the Maine representative on the Democratic national committee, and in 1896 he was the choice of his party for vice president. Mr. Sewall is survived by two sons, Harold M. Sewall, who was stationed by the government at Hawaii, and William D. Sewall, who is in business in Bath.

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Nebraskan's Presence of Mind Prevents a Panic. Chicago, Sept. 5.—By a trite little joke sprung with cool but effective declamation W. J. Bryan yesterday arrested a stampede of frantic men and women in the speakers' stand at Electric Park, preventing a panic. The Nebraskan had just fought his way through the crowd and had taken his place in front of the orators' platform when the overcrowded floor of the small stand creaked and began to waver. A section of the worn floor gave way, women shrieked in terror, and men tried to jump from the railing on the heads of the packed throng at the rear of the stand. "Hello," laughed Mr. Bryan, turning a smiling face upon the scared crowd of people. This can't be a Democratic platform. There are no bad planks in that. Come now, stand still, won't you? If you stand together where you are you will be all right. If you stampede the thing will fall on you," and he laughed as if it was an every-day occurrence. His self-assurance had a quieting effect on the crowd. When the dust cleared away it was found that a few people had been precipitated into the chamber under the stand, but none were seriously injured.

Killed by Electric Shocks. Electric Light Wire Gets Crossed With Police Patrol Wires. St. Louis, Mo., Sept. 5.—Two patrolmen were killed last night by electric shocks sustained while they were using the police telephone, and eleven other officers were injured in the same manner. The men had gone to patrol boxes on their beats to call up "headquarters." When they touched the receivers to place them to their ears they were knocked a distance of twenty feet, falling limp to the ground. Both died within half an hour after being carried to the hospital. The other eleven patrolmen had their hands burned and suffered from shock, but none were seriously injured. The electric light wire, which had crossed the police wires, was operated with a current of 8,000 volts.

Democrat and Populist Fuse on a Candidate. Mankato, Minn., Sept. 6.—M. E. Mathews of Marshall, Lyon county, was yesterday nominated for congress from the Second district by the Democrats and the Populists. Each held a separate convention. Mathews had been previously agreed upon, and his nomination was made by both parties at the same time. In accepting the nomination Mathews said he did not want to go to congress, but preferred remaining at his law practice at Marshall, which he had carried on through all administrations for twenty-seven years. He had not been a candidate, but being the unanimous choice of the delegates, would do all he could to defeat McClary.

Gold Medal Awarded Walter Baker & Co. Paris, Aug. 20.—The judges at the Paris Exposition have just awarded a gold medal to Walter Baker & Co., Ltd., Dorchester, Mass., U. S. A., for their preparations of cocoa and chocolate. This famous company, now the largest manufacturers of cocoa and chocolate in the world, have received the highest awards from the great international and other expositions in Europe and America. This is the third award from a Paris Exposition.

They Are Labor Day Orators at Chicago. Chicago, Sept. 5.—Organized labor of Chicago yesterday passed in review before Col. William J. Bryan and Col. Theodore Roosevelt. Hour after hour the labor unions marched down Michigan avenue past the Auditorium hotel, on the loggia at which stood the Democratic nominee for president, the Republican vice-presidential candidate, together with Charles A. Towne, Senator W. E. Mason and a dozen other political leaders. Both Bryan and Roosevelt were heartily greeted by the men as they marched past the hotel. In the afternoon addresses were made by Col. Bryan and Col. Roosevelt.

Man Burned to Death. Fire at Ashland Proves to Have Been Fatal. Ashland, Wis., Sept. 6.—Fire caught in a vacant saloon building and the structure was destroyed. Later it was discovered that a man had been cremated in the burning structure. He had gone there when drunk, and had evidently been the cause of the fire. It is presumed that the flames started from a cigar, and that the man was burned while in a drunken stupor.

Engineer Was Killed. Freeport, Ill., Sept. 5.—The Chicago & Northwestern passenger train that left Chicago at 4:45 yesterday afternoon, due at Freeport at 7:55, was derailed near Ridott in this county, resulting in a frightful wreck. All the cars left the track. The engineer, Patrick Ryan of Freeport, went over the embankment in his engine and was instantly killed. Twelve or fifteen passengers were more or less injured, some seriously.

Shooting Was Accidental. Arapahoe, Neb., Sept. 5.—Lena Stagemer and Maud Noltmeier, each about fourteen years old, have been shot, supposedly by two boys named Holloway, who were hunting. Miss Stagemer was dead when found and the other girl is in a serious condition. The boys left the vicinity at once. The shooting is believed to have been accidental.

Murder at a Dance. Chattanooga, Tenn., Sept. 5.—Louis Motz and J. A. Spriggs, prominent young men, became involved in a difficulty at a dance at Yallobrosa last night, in which friends on both sides interfered, and Spriggs was later found on the ground dead from a knife stab. Motz surrendered at 1 o'clock a. m. with the remark, "They say I have killed a man."

Was Tired of Life. Montgomery, Ala., Sept. 5.—M. F. Gardner, who traveled for a Cincinnati firm, committed suicide at Centerville, Ala., yesterday. He was talking to a lady at the time and was talking he was tired of living, shot himself, the ball entering the head just below the ear.

Mine Is Burning. Leadville, Colo., Sept. 5.—The R. A. M. mine is on fire. It is the deepest mine in this district, employing 150 men, all of whom will probably get out as the mine has many connections. The loss will be about \$40,000.

Severe Weather at Santiago. Santiago, Cuba, Sept. 5.—Santiago is now experiencing the severest weather since 1877. Yesterday the weather of the city was five feet under water. The firemen and police are assisting the sufferers.

New Town Started on the Albert Lea & Southern. Albert Lea, Minn., Sept. 6.—The village of London is now an established fact and the steel tracks are being laid, the laying of the steel between that place and Lyle, on the Albert Lea & Southern railway having just been completed. London is about seven miles from Lyle, twelve miles from Hayward, sixteen miles from this city and about the same distance from Austin. Two grain elevators are in sight, one to be built by W. A. Morin of this city, and they will soon be ready for use. The track from London to Glenville will be laid as soon as the force can do the work. It is expected trains will be running into this city within a few weeks, as the tracks of the Burlington, Cedar Rapids & Northern are to be used from this city to Glenville.

Big Deal in Pine. Vilas & Knight of Ashland Dispose of Their Holdings. Ashland, Wis., Sept. 6.—Vilas & Knight have sold their entire holdings of timber on the north shore of Lake Superior, on the Brule and Iron rivers in Wisconsin, and their sawmill plant in Ashland, to the estate of Thomas Nester of Baraga, Mich. This is one of the largest transactions in pine that has taken place here this year. The new purchasers are gentlemen well known in the lumbering world. They will make Ashland their home. Senator Vilas and Col. Knight will retire from the lumber business in this neighborhood, having made a handsome profit in the deal. The transaction involves nearly a million dollars. The new parties will take possession of the mill at the close of the present sawing season.

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Good Indian Dies. Charger, Who Rescued Whites After the New Ulm Massacre. Pierre, S. D., Sept. 6.—The Forest City Press announces the death of Chief Charger at his home near the Cheyenne agency. Charger was one of the party which helped to rescue white captives from the hostiles after the New Ulm massacre. The surviving members of that party are Swiftbird, Little Noheart, Fourbear and White Swan. Three of them attended the funeral, White Swan being kept away by sickness. Each of these Indians live in good houses which were built for them by the government several years ago as a tribute to their services to the whites at the time they made the rescue.

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ADMIRAL SCHLEY RESPONDS. He Sends Four Books, Autographs and a Letter for Fargo Library. Fargo, N. D., Sept. 6.—In response to the many letters sent out by Mayor Johnson, requesting donations of books for the public library his honor has heard from Admiral Schley, now at Montevideo. The admiral sends four books with autographs, and a kindly letter to the mayor wishing the movement success.

Thrown by a Runaway Horse. Mellette, S. D., Sept. 6.—At the Labor day celebration at Armadale island, six miles east of here, Calvin Quigley rode a running horse in the free-for-all running race. The horse became unmanageable, bolted the track, ran at a break-neck speed against a tree, crushing his arm and shoulder. He was picked up insensible and fears are entertained for his recovery.

Killed by a Former Lover. Waukesha, Wis., Sept. 6.—Mrs. E. Miller, a widow, was shot on her doorstep and instantly killed late last night by Paul Cronin, a former lover. Cronin turned the revolver on himself and inflicted a fatal wound. The affair happened near the center of the city and was the result of continued rebuffs of Cronin by Mrs. Miller, who had tired of his attention. Cronin is still living but is very low.

Track-Laying Completed. Barron, Wis., Sept. 6.—The laying of the tracks on the R., L. & M. Railroad has been completed to Ridgeland, the present terminus of the extension of that line. Trains will be run from Rice Lake to Ridgeland, beginning Sept. 10, using the Soo tracks from this city to Cameron Junction.

Albert Lea, Minn., Sept. 6.—Porter's rendering works, located half a mile east of the city, was burned to the ground. Loss nearly \$2,000; no insurance. The fire is supposed to have been of incendiary origin.

Freight Wreck at Adams. Adams, Minn., Sept. 7.—The northbound fast freight on the Milwaukee was badly wrecked just east of town. Several cars of fruit and lumber were dented and several empty stock cars demolished. No one injured.

Hoboes Hold Up Tramps. Red Wing, Minn., Sept. 7.—Two tramps held up two other tramps on the Milwaukee road, and at the point of revolvers collected just 20 cents from their fellow members of the "tourists' train."

WANTS HEAVY DAMAGES. Milwaukee Road Cnd for Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars. Fargo, N. D., Sept. 7.—The case of F. A. Brown vs. the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway company for \$75,000 damages was begun in the United States court yesterday afternoon. A motion by the attorneys of the road to dismiss was denied, and after the jury was secured one witness, Dr. W. A. Jones of Minneapolis, was examined. Brown sustained injuries more than a year ago and has since been helpless. It is alleged that a box car was shunted against the coach in which he was riding and he was thrown violently against the edge of a seat, and that his spine was injured.

CARVER TO HAVE A JAIL. Promoters of Public Disturbances Should Have a Care. Carver, Minn., Sept. 7.—The village council met in regular session and passed a resolution authorizing the immediate purchase of the large brick building on Fourth street formerly owned by H. Blordell. The fire department has been given exclusive use of this building for the apparatus and council room except the extreme rear portion, which will be used for jail purposes. Steel cages will be erected at once. This will enable the village to take care of any disturbance that may occur in future. At present the village has no lock-up.

Organize the Minnesota Veterans Association. St. Paul, Sept. 7.—Col. William Crooks of Portland, Or., presided over a meeting of Minnesota veterans of the Civil War held yesterday at the capitol at which the preliminary steps were taken toward the organization of the Minnesota Association of Veterans of the Civil War. Two hundred men who enlisted in the various regiments and batteries which went to the front from Minnesota, were present. Col. Crooks, who presided, commanded the Sixth Minnesota and was one of the earliest residents of St. Paul.

LA CROSSE CAR COUPLER. Wisconsin Man's Patent Likely to Be Officially Adopted in Germany. La Crosse, Wis., Sept. 7.—Adolph F. Kuhlman of this city left for Germany last night, where he goes to negotiate about introducing a car coupler of his own invention. He received a telegram from his attorneys in New York stating that Germany was considering adopting it throughout the country. It is understood that the selection was made after a competitive examination in which the best inventors of the continent took part.

Found Hanging by the Neck in a Farmer's Hay Mow. Fergus Falls, Minn., Sept. 7.—Ole O. Eggum, who resides ten miles south of the city, found a man hanging in his hay mow. The man was around his premises and acted strangely the previous evening. He was ordered away but refused to go, and committed suicide during the night. The coroner has gone down to investigate.

Fireman Killed. Miles City, Mont., Sept. 7.—West-bound freight No. 53, with double-header, went into the ditch four miles east of here yesterday morning, killing Fireman Ellis Warren of the second engine; seriously injuring brakeman Steven Washington. Engineer Sorenson lost four fingers on right hand. Engineer Jack Lee was injured, but not seriously. A wash-out caused by heavy rains led to the accident. Six box cars were piled onto the engines.

Broom Corn in South Dakota. Kimball, S. D., Sept. 7.—O. A. Crown, a farmer living near the Bijou Hills, in this county, has discovered that he can raise with profit a crop which heretofore has been totally unknown in this section. He has this year a field of twelve acres of broomcorn which will yield, on a very conservative estimate, six tons. As broomcorn is worth nearly \$200 per ton, it will be seen that the crop will bring him something like \$1,200.

Hard Winter Predicted. Sioux Falls, S. D., Sept. 7.—The Sioux Indian weather prophets have forestalled the pale face weather prognosticators in outlining the sort of a winter the Northwest will experience. They predict that the approaching winter will be a hard one, basing their predictions upon the heavy crop of seeds found on the buffalo grass, which they maintain is always a sure sign of a severe winter and deep snow.

New Boats for Minnetonka. Excelsior, Minn., Sept. 7.—Capt. J. R. Johnson of the Transportation company will build and have ready for next season's business two new boats with a carrying capacity of 200 passengers each, one to be used for traffic on the lower lake and one on the upper lake. The past season has been the best in the history of Lake Minnetonka.

Shorn of Their Locks. Winona, Minn., Sept. 7.—Something of a stir has been created by the practicing of hazing going on at the high school. The sufferers in each instance have been new boy pupils, and the offense against them has consisted in cutting off part of their hair. The affair is likely to lead to an investigation.

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