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TWO CENTS

# **ROUBLES OF** THE GOLDITES

leffersonian Democrats Are Unable to Agree on Course of Action.

ARE DIVIDED ON A TICKET

The Committee Refuses to Put Up a List.

Executive Committee Decides to Put Up a List of Candidates -- The Conference, After a Long Discussion Upon the Above Recommendation, Decides Otherwise.

Philadelphia, Sept. 2.-The state executive committee of the Jeffersonian or Gold Democrats, today decided by a vote of 17 to 10 not to place any candidate in the field for state treasurer and auditor general and immediately afterwards adopted by a viva voce vote resolutions to that effect which also reaffirmed the principles and policies of the regular Democratic convention of Allentown and deplored the action of the recent Reading convention. The decision of the committee today was reached after a conference which was participated in by the members of the committee and a number of Gold Democrats from all parts of the state. The conference, after a long session, decided by a vote of 38 to 34 to place a ticket in the field, but the committee when called upon to consider the conference recommendation decided other-

The state committee was called to brder shortly after noon by Chairman Given, of Lancaster, and the only absentee was John Blanchard, of the Twenty-eighth congressional district. After the roll call Mr. McCully, of this city, moved a recess until a general conference had been held between the committees and other Gold Democrats of the state at present in favor of nominating a ticket. This was adopted and the conference began at once by Mr. Quillan, two grandchildren of Mrs. Mc-Rush, of Delaware, moving that Quillan: Mrs. Connell, Scranton, badly candidates for auditor general and state treasurer be named. He strongly flying debris, and slightly bruised; advocated immediate organization for the election of congressmen next year. Mr. Rush stated further that it is desir- bruised. able that sufficient votes be polled this year to give the Jeffersonian party a

place in the ballot. The Rush resolution was supported by representatives from Lehigh, Montgomery, Montour and Lancaster counties, James P. Marshal, of Lancaster, in strong terms said: "If th' . committee does not give us some, iv to vote for I reserve the right to choose the lesser of two evils and vote as I see fit for the Republican ticket."

Mr. Carpenter, of Pittsburg, questioned the wisdom of nominating a icket and was sustained by Mr. hoades, of Delaware, who said: These Reading people were Demoats. They are coming to us gradual-Let us do all we can to get them ith us. I am a Gold Democrat, and orked against Bryan, but I don't see nat is to be gained by naming a ket of our own.

mes D. Hancock, of Venango, faed nominating a ticket and dered that the so-called Democratic rty in every state in the Union and n every county in every state was controlled by Populists and anarchists. and that every good Democratic principle had been eliminated from its ar-ticle of faith. He finished a vigor-ous speech by declaring: "Let us nominate our candidates and stand by

MR. WRIGHT'S RESOLUTION. Ex-Chairman Wright then submitted the following resolution:

The national Democratic party of Pennsylvania, through its state committees. reaffirms its adherence to the principles and policies declared in the platform of the Allentown convention

the language of that platform again declare that we in a firm and in varying manner are in favor of the gold standard. While we favor the most liberal use of silver, consistent with the enforcement of the gold standard, we are absolutely opposed to the free coinage of silver, and to the compulsory purof silver bullion by the govern-We believe that the interests of the people demand that the earnings of trade, agriculture, manufacture and com-merce and especially the wages of labor should be paid in money on the greatest value and the largest standard adopted by the civilized world. We are, therefor, unalterably opposed to all devices and schemes for the debasement of our currency, and to all evasions and compromise of a question so closely affect ng individual and national credit and

We deplore the action of the recent convention at Reading in again fastening upon the Dmocratic organization the exploded heresies of Populism, cheap money

The action of that convention is especlally unwise and unpatriotic at this of workmen in the ruins, time, in that it thrusts into the state campaign an issue that should have no recovered and seven of the state place in this contest-it divides again the great Democratic party at a time when unity of purpose and action is most essential to the interests of the State invites defeat to the party that should have been the instrument of reform in state affairs and to adopt the recent ut-terance of an honored Pennsylvania Democrat leaves this boss-ridden state naked to the scourge and rapine of its

We deem it inexpedient at this time to nominate candidates for the office of au-ditor general and state treasurer. The The issues in Pennsylvania are local and not Issues in Pennsylvania are local and not national and offer no fit occasion for the discussions of federal policy. Our organization was formed by way of protest against the position taken by the late Democratic convention at Chicago on certain national issues. In every election is which those issues are directly tion in which these issues are directly involved it has already affirmed our adherence to the principles of the old time Democratic party so admirably illustrated by the administration of President Cleveland, so perfectly and comprehensively tent of \$100,000.

stated by the national Democratic con-vention at Indianapolis. We are com-pelled to do this if need be, and at the proper time, by nominating and vot-ing for a separate ticket. We cannot believe that the doctrines which we op-pose can long influence the Democratic mass, nor that the men who now champion those doctrines can long retain con profit those doctrines can long retain con-trol of the Democratic organization sub-dued if not instructed by repeated at-tacking and deserved defeat, they must eventually give up the unequal struggle and give opportunity for the real and so-ber judgment of Democratic principle to assert itself.

COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

Mr. Wright supported his resolution in a vigorous speech. The conferees then entered upon a long discussion which resulted in the recommendation to the committee that a ticket be placed in the field.

The committee at once reconvened and George R. Bedford, of the Eleventh district, submitted the Wright resolution. Another discussion seemed im-minent when Chairman Given stated that the real question to be decided was whether a ticket was to be nominated or not. He told the committee of trouble he had in getting the present conference, out of 1,000 letters sent out he only got three hundred replies and today's attendance was less than one hundred. The question was have heretofore been supposed to be then put, with the result already men-

Those for a ticket were Messrs. Lederer, Wilson, Rush, S. McCormick, Chalfont, Foote and Farguhar, Brooks, Smith and Hancock; total, 10. Against a ticket, Messrs. Lowrey, Bullitt, Ryan, Tracev. Cope. Wright, Given, Bedford, 3raham, Millensbury, McCorick, Powell, Greevey, Jenks, Carpenter, Plulala, Fleeharty; total, 17. Murray Rush then submitted the Wright resolution, which were adopted unanimously. The committee then adjourned to meet at the call of the chair.

#### AWFUL WRECK OF A VESTIBULE TRAIN

A Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Train Crashes Into the Station House at Blodgett's Mills -- List of Killed and Injured.

Cortland, N. Y., Sept. 2 .- One person vas killed and about a dozen badly in-141st meridian. But our boundary jured and several slightly bruised and cut by flying glass, in a is pretty well defined and I know of no wreck this morning on the Delaware, controversy concerning it." Lackawanna and Western at Blodgett's Mills, a small town several miles from this place. Mrs. McQuillan, of Overbrook, a suburb of Philadelphia, was almost instantly killed. The in-

Mrs. J. H. McQuillan, a daughter-inlaw of the dead woman, of Philadelphia; Price McQuillan and Daniel Mcbruised; Miss Connell, Scranton, cut by Deman Nell, aged 10 years, of Philadelphia, cut about the face and slightly

The wrecked train was south-bound estibule train No. 4, which left Syrause at 9 o'clock this morning. Nearing the station at Blodgett's

Mills the main track makes a sharp curve at a point a few feet north of the passenger station. The Pullman car left the track and plunged into the corner of the little station. The building was knocked from its foundation and the Pullman car almost torn into splinters. The injured were nearly all in the Pullman car.

Superintendent Schwarz, of the Dela ware, Lackawanna and Western road, was in the wrecked train, but escaped with a few scratches. Mrs. McQuillan had been on a visit to relatives at Gien Haven.

## MATCH AT MT. GRETNA.

Result of Yesterday's Contest for the Silver Cup.

Mount Gretna, Pa., Sept. 2.—The bri-gade teams of the National Guard of Pennsylvania were engaged today in Pennsylvania were engaged today in practice at the state rifle range preparatory to tomorrow's match for the silver The cup is now held by the Third brigade, but must be won three times to be permanently held. It was won twice by the First brigade, twice by the Second brigade and once by the Third brigade. The following scores were made 200 yards, First brigade, 411; Second

First brigade, 410; Second brigade, 438; brigade, 424; Third brigade, 441, 500 yards, First brigade, 410; Second brigade, 433; Third brigade, 431, 600 yards, First brigade, 400; Second brigade, 385; Third bri-401. Totals, First brigade. Second brigade, 1,247; Third brigade, 1,273.

## JUDGE WILLARD'S SUCCESSOR.

It Is Stated That the Appointee Will

Come from Philadelphia. Harrisburg, Sept. 2.—The successor to Judge E. N. Willard, of Scranton, a nember of the Superior court, has been etermined upon by Governor Hastings, but the appointment will not be made or several days. The appointee will ome from Philadelphia and is said to one of the most prominent lawyers Judge Willard's resignation was received and accepted yesterday by the governor.

## SEVEN WORKMEN KILLED.

Buried by a Falling Building in Montreux, Near Geneva.

Geneva, Switzerland, Sept. 2.-A dis-patch from Montreux, fourteen miles from here, announces that an asylum for the insane, which was in course of erection there, has collapsed, burying a number The bodies of seven dead men have been ecovered and seven others, triously wounded, have been removed from the wrecked building

Bids for Shells.

Washington, Sept. 2.-The ordinance bureau of the war department today opened bids for 195 eight-inch, 695 ten-inch and 190 twelve-inch armor piercing shells, and 270 twelve-inch mortar shells of one the Midvale company, of Philadelphia, the Firth-Stirling company, the Carpen-ter Steel company and the Driggs-Schroeder company. The awards will not be made for some time.

Handle Factory Burned. New York, Sept. 2.—The works of the Le Metz Umbrella and Bicycle Handle company at West Brighton, S. I., were company at West Brighton, S. I., were burned today, Loss, \$50,000 and \$75,000.

Fire in a Paper Mill.

#### DISPUTING THE Private Corporation Desires to Illu-

can Soil.

national Complications Possible.

letter just received from John U. Smith,

United States commissioner at Dyea,

and Skaguay, intimates that govern-

ment officals now on the way to the

Upper Yukon may, by their official acts,

bring on serious international compli-

cations with the Dominion government,

inounced here by a deputy United

States marshal that the United States

government is to make claim to a large

portion of the Yukon gold fields which

in British territory, and that the ter-

Alaska includes Dawson Cty. The bas-

is of the claim to be made by the United

States officials to the disputed terri-

tory is in the fact that the boundary

the United States authorities are claim-

ing to possess information as to the

surveys made by the Canadian govern-

portion of the gold district within

Alaska.

nent that fix Dawson City and a large

Washington, Sept. 2.-Secretary Sher-

man said today with reference to the published report that this country had

sent men to the Klondike to assert

American ownership of the gold fields,

that there was no truth at all in the

"We have no dispute with Canada

o far as I know over the ownership

of those fields. The Klondike, or what

is generally understood as the Klon-

dike, where the large discoveries of

gold have been made, belongs to Can-

ada. Some of the gold doubtless runs

into American territory west of the

down to the southern part of Alaska

SWEPT INTO A CREVASSE.

Probably Fatal Accident to Four Al-

pine Tourists on Mont Pleureur.

Berne, Switzerland, Sept. 2.—Further advices from La Salle, near Mont Pleur-eur, show that the reports of the acci-dent to a party of Alpine tourists in that vicinity were not exaggerated. Eight per-

sons, it appears, started from Sion, capital of the Canton of Valais, with the intention of ascending Mont Pleureur. The latter is 12,155 feet high and is not a very

difficult ascent from Mauvoisin, by the Gietrox, eight hours being generally occu-

ed in the task. The tourists were led

he ascent divided into two parties of

distance behind when the four persons

composing it were swept by an avalanche nto a crevasse a thousand feet deep. All

tope of resching some of the tourists

alive has not been given up. The miss-ing party was composed of Pastor Gonin,

two schoolboys from Lausanne and a

OGDEN GOELET'S BURIAL.

The Place Will Be Selected After His

Body Reaches Newport.

Cowes, Isle of Wight, Sept. 2 .- The body

of the late Ogden Goelet, who died August 7 on board his steam yacht, Mayflower,

hen at anchor in Cowes Roads, has been embalmed. The coffin containing it has been sealed by the officials of the United

States consulate at Southampton, and it

has been placed in the stateroom which he occupied on board the Mayflower.

for Southampton today, will coal there and will start for Newport, R. I., on Sat-

urday. On the Mayflower's arrival there the family of the deceased will decide whether the body will be buried at New-

port or at New York. The widow and her son and daughter accompany the remains

HEIR TO TWO MILLIONS.

Young Western Miller Suddenly Ac-

quires Great Wealth.

Philip Horton, the news of whose sudden death three weeks ago has been received

father left California. He settled in a Mexican town near Guayamas, and there

KING OF APPLES IN SIZE.

Illinois Judge Raises One with the

Weight of Twenty-one Ounces.

Mascoutah, Ill., Sept. 2 .- Judge Pad-

field, residing near Symmerfield, a half

dozen miles north of here, has broken the big apples record with one just picked

It is of the Belle-Dora variety, weighs

twenty-one ounces, and is five and one-

Fell from Brooklyn Bridge.

New York, Sept. 2.—A man either jumped or fell from the Brooklyn bridge this afternoon. He was picked up by a boat and taken to the United States Marine hospital, where he is said to be in a

precarious condition! He gave his name

Gold Democrats Bob Up.

Philadelphia, Pa., Sept. 2.—The state executive committee of the Jeffermonian or gold Democrats by a vote of 17 to 10

oday decided not to place a state ticket

Secretary Davis at Ebensburg.

Washington, Sept. 2.-Assistant Secre-

has gone to Ebensburg. Pa., his native

Brown Held for Trial.

Altoona, Pa., Sept. 2.—Today United States Commissioner McLeod held George

Brown for trial for using the mails to

defraud wholesale merchants.

to deliver a speech at exercises

s William Orton and he is believed to

to the United States.

reported as \$2,000,000.

n his orchard.

be a sailor.

half inches in diameter.

The Mayflower will leave these waters

young Englishman named Bernard,

four each.

ale. He continued:

line has never been determined, and

ritory which is claimed as being within

In this letter Mr. Smith says: "It is

YUKON BOUNDARY minate Philadelphia. A Claim That Dawson City Is on Ameri-

Philadelphia, Sept. 2.—City councils upon reconvening today after the sum-mer recess received from the United Gas Improvement company a proposition to lease the city gas works for a period of thirty years. The city under the proposition submitted is given the right of terminating the contract at the end of ten years upon the payment of costs of extensions and improvements, which may be made by the company. The or-SECRETARY SHERMAN'S OPINION Officials of the United States Governdinance submitted by the company requires the payment at the outset of \$1. ment Refer to Surveys .- The Boun-000,000 for supplies on hand and an in-demnity bond for a like amount and an-nual payment aggregating \$37,000,000 in thirty years, and the retransfer to the city of the improved plant at the end of the period.

The city is to be furnished free light dary Line Never Determined -- Inter-Port Townsend, Wash., Sept. 2 .- A.

The city is to be furnished free light for its streets and public buildings, and the price to private consumers is to remain at one dollar, subject to changes by courfells, which shall not, however, reduce it below 30 cents before Decemer, 1907, 85 cents before 1908; 80 cents before 1913; or 75 cents before 1918. Ef-forts have been made for years to secure control of the gas works, but the proposition of the United Gas company is the most important that has yet been made by a private corporation.

#### NICARAGUA TIRED OF SILVER.

Business Men Want the Country Put on a Gold Basis.

Nicaragua, via Galveston, Tex., Sept. 2.-Nicaragua business men are tired of their depreciated silver dol-lar. They want their country placed on a

gold basis. At a meeting of merchants, which was largely attended, resolutions were adopted deploring the present financial condition of Nicaragua and petitioning the govern-ment to place the country on a gold basis, estimating the present paper dollar or silver dollar at 30 cents gold.

The meeting asked for the issuance of

gold certificates in the place of the silver dollar at this valuation and requested the government to export and sell the resent silver coinage of Nicaragua.

#### HE RESEMBLED A PHOTO.

A Strange Man, Sapposed to Be David Weeks, Is Arrested.

Clearfield, Pa., Sept. 2,—Constable Woomer, of Morrisdale, this county, who arrested the man suspected of being David Weeks, one of the murderers of George Marcus Nichols, of Trumbell, Fairfield county, Conn., stated today that the arrest of the suspect was brought about through circulars and descriptions given of the murderer. The constable also had a photograph of Weeks. He took a photograph from his pocket and compared it with his man and then because Weeks and the subsect weeks. placed Weeks under arrest

The constable stated that a man would be in this city either tonight or tomorrow morning for the purpose of identi-

#### PRAYER CURE AFTER THREE YEARS: Woman Confined to Bed, but Got Up

and Walked. Bellefontaine, O., Sept. 2.-Mrs. Re-pecca Hartman has been confined to her y Pastor Gonin, of Sion, and they made that has baffled physicians. women called vesterday, and after pray

ing and laying on of hands, Mrs. man announced that she had The first of these parties reached the summit and the second was only a short healed and arose from her bed and walked. She was also able to talk aloud, some thing which she had not done for a long time, having always made her wants

## SCALE OF WAGES ADOPTED.

Outcome of the Miners Convention Held at Du Bois.

known by writing on a slate.

Dubois, Pa., Sept. 2.—The miners, convention, which has been in session for two days, adjourned this afternoon, after adopting a scale of wages. The rate asked is 32 cents for machine mining and 40 for pick. General Manager Robinson has already offered 40 cents for pick mining, and 24 cents for machine.

It is believed that the difference of S cents per ton for machine mining means and the miners.

## OLD BULLET CAME TO LIGHT.

Worked Out of Gettysburg Veteran Back After 34 Years.

Shippensburg, Pa., Sept. 2.—Isaac Kolbe has just been relieved in a peculiar way of a bullet that lodged in his body on the third day of the battle of Gettysburg, July 3, 1863. Surgeons were unable to locate the ball at the time, and the wound healed. Several weeks ago a large carbuncle made its appearance on Mr. Kolbe's back Oakland, Cal., Sept. 2.—Fred Horton, a young miller of Los Angeles, has failen helr to a fortune amassed by his father, nd when this was lanced today the bul-

let dropped out. GIVES THE CHICORA'S LOCATION.

by relatives in Oakland through the United States consul at Guayamas. The father and son have been separated Mrs. Bromwell Claims to Know Just Where the Wreck Lies. for many years. The youth, now about 19, was a child when his parents were di-vorced. The mother, who subsequently married, took the boy with her, and the Joseph, Mich., Sept. 2.-Mrs. Sarah Bromwell, the Chicago spiritualistic me

lium, who claims to have discovered the ocation of the spot where the steamer Chicora was sunk, January 1, 1894, now de scribes it as being one mile south of the harbor and five miles out in the lake. established a flour milling business. By thrift and industry he accumulated a large estate, the value of which has been She says the steamer lies in ten fathoms of water. It is reported that a diver has been sent for from Chicago.

## SWIFT JUSTICE IN THE SOUTH.

Legal Punishment of a Girl's Negro Assailant.

Raleigh, N. C., Sept. 2.—The negro Erodic, who assaulted a white girl at Kittrell one month ago, was hange i yes-terday at Henderson. He was tried at a special term of the court called by the governor under the new law, and was convicted by a jury composed one-third of negroes in turce

Leadville, Col., Sept. 2.—Owing to the neavy fall in the price of sliver, the Mahala mine, employing about fifty men, aenounce a reduction in wages from \$3 to \$2.50. The men have accepted the reduction. The Mahala is one of the largest silver producers in the district.

Silver Miners Accept Reduction.

Lo's Supplies Cut Off.

Las Cruzes, N. M., Sept. 2.—The government has cut off all rations to Apaches Indians, except flour. They are threat-ening an uprising, and the settlers near the reservation are very much excited. There are to date about three hundred indians on the Apache reservation.

Bid for New Mint.

Washington, Sept. 2.—The treasury fle-partment today accepted the bid of Al-len R. Rorke, of Philadelphia, for found-

#### **BRITISH ROUT** THE ORAKZAIS

Dispersed, but Their Retreat Is Not

Intercepted. NEWS FRAGMENTARY AND INDEFINITE

Col. Abbott Attacks 1,500 of the Enemy .- On the Road from Hangu. Interest There and at Shabkadr. Haddah Mullah Threatens Shakdr.

Simla, Sept. 2 .- Col. Abbott, with two

guns and a squadron of the Eighteenth

Bengal Lancers and the First regiment

of Sikhs, has attacked 1,500 of the enmy at Doaba, on the road from Hangu to Thull. The Orakzais fled, but the cavalry failed to cut off their retreat Bombay, Sept. 2.-There is no definite or decisive news from anywhere along the frontier this morning. The centres of interest are Hangu and Shabkadr, where serious fighting is imminent. The Second regiment of Gourkhas, with Brigadier-General Yeatman-Biggs and his staff, has arrived at Hangu. There the camp, which was open and scattered, has been transformed into a defensible position, surrounded by sheltered trenches and breastworks of earth-bags. The camp has also been well supplied with stores and ammunition. According to reliable reports

hills surrounding Hangu. General Yeatman-Biggs has with him mountain battery, the Royal Irish regiment and five native regiments at Hangu. The Eighteenth Bengal Lancers and the Ninth Field Battery are at Shipwari, to cut off the retreat of the

there are 10,000 hostile Orakzals on the

enemy. Advices from Shabkadr say that the Haddah Mullah is threatening the front of that place, where the enemy has collected in great numbers. onel Mills, who is in command at Shabcadr, has at his disposal the Twentieth Punjab Infantry, the Thirty-ninth Gourkas, the Thirteenth Bengal Laneers, a battery of field artillery and a wing of the Somersetshire Light Infantry. The balance of the Somersetthire regiment and the Twenty-sixth Punjab Infantry are on their way to reinforce Colonel Mills at Shabkadr.

The Constantinople correspondent of the Daily Telegraph says that after careful inquiries he is convinced that he Sultan's personal influence among the Mussulmans in Northwest India is non-existent. There is no doubt, the correspondent says, that the suggesion that the Sultan instigated the trouble is flattering to his vanity; but t is quite clear that nothing can restore to the Sultan his preponderance in the Mussulman world.

## PRESIDENT'S OUTING.

A Day of Pleasure at Fremont .- Mr. McKipley Meets War Comrades.

Fremont, O., Sept. 2.—This was a day f pleasure for President McKinley. At 9 clock a breakfast party to invited rep-esentative guests of the city was given at the Haves homestead in the president's honor. The rest of the day was spent in renewing old friendship with his comrades of the Twenty-third Ohio. The president is in the pink of health. He says he has greatly enjoyed the visit at remont. A number of guests from out of town called on him at the Hayes man sion to pay their respects and bid him ood-bye

Tomorrow at 7 o'clock he will start or his special train for Columbus, going by way of Bellevue and the Sandusky Short line to attend the state fair there. He will be accompanied by Mrs. McKinley, Senator Hanna Secretary and Mrs. Alger olonel and Mrs. M. T. Herrick, of Clevland; ex-Governor Foster, of Astoria, and those from Columbus who have been vis wedding and the reunion events.

## SELECTING THE DESIGN.

The Capitol Commission Appears to Have Troubles of Its Own.

Harrisburg, Sept. 2.—The capitol com-nission to select a design for the pro-osed new state house will meet again next Tuesday afternoon. A meeting of the commission was held today at which Robert Snodgrass, a Pittsburg lawyer, illed affidavits that J. M. Carraree, of New York, one of the commission's ex-perts, had told the contents of the report of experts before it was submitted to the commission and how the plans of Harding & Gooch, of New York, whom Mr. Snodgrass represented, had been discarded by the experts because it did not conform strictly to the programme of com

Professor W. P. Laird, professional adviser of the commission, promised to pre-sent an affidavit from Mr. Carraree to the commission at its next meeting de-nying the allegations of Mr. Snodgrass

## RUINED BY THE FALL OF SILVER.

Failure of a Banker and Promoter in Central America.

San Francisco, Sept. 2.-The Evening Post says that private advices have been received here to the effect that Enrico Mathon, the well-known banker and promoter of several gigantic schemes in Cen-tral America, has failed for over \$3. 000.000. The cause assigned for the fall-ure is the heavy depreciation of silver and the collapse of the real estate boom inaugurated by President Barrios several years ago.

Mr. Garman at Home.

Wilkes-Barre, Sept. 2.—State Chairman Garman arrived home from Reading this morning. He said in an interview in an-swer to a question as to what he thought of Mr. Harrity's statement that he was not bound by action of the Reading con-vention that the action of the state committee ratified by the state convention was final and that there was nothing for Mr. Harrity but to step down and out. Mr. Garman also felt confident that the national Democratic committee would up-hold the course of the Reading convention

## Firemen's Contest.

Waynesboro, Pa., Sept. i.—The fire-men's contest in the morning and a trades display in the afternoon were the features of today's contennial celebration. The weather was threatening a portion of the day, and it is estimated more than 20,000 visitors were present during the day. Tonight was given up to enjoyment and an elaborate display of fireworks.

DeArmitt Signs Uniformity Plan. Pittsburg, Sept. 2.-W. P. De Armitt's signature to the uniformity plan has in-duced six others to sign it. It is also ation of new United States mint building. Mr. Rorke submitted several bids ranging from \$128,000 to \$198,000. The one accepted is \$138,000 and provides for a foundation of hurricane island granite.

## COOPER ASSERTS HIS INNOCENCE.

Change in the Accusation Against the Alleged Baronet.

San Francisco, Sept. 2.—The man who says he is Sir Harry Westwood Cooper, but whom Chief of Police Less thinks is a swindler named H. C. McDonald, or W. S. Jones, is still in the city prison.
A telgeram was received from the Pinkertons at Chicago, saying that the self-styled Cooper was not wanted by the Bankers' Protective association, but that his presence was argently requested to answer a charge of having passed a forged draft for \$700 upon Mary F. Mur-phy, of 529 Dearborn street. At this time Sir Cooper is supposed to have been under the name of Dr. Westwood.

Cooper recently directed H. S. Cooper to print him 1,000 letters of credit and the accompanying drafts for the purpose, as Chief Less things, of beating the banks in this city. The order was not filled and the house eventually recovered a preferation machine which covered a perforating machine which they had sold to him. Cooper was in San Francisco a few years ago, and he has also been in Australia and London. He asserts his innocence of the charges of swindling brought against him. Chicago, Sept. 2.—Henry W. Cooper, who travels under the name of Sir Harry Westwood Cooper, M. D., and who was arrested in San Francisco for swindling, lived in Chicago for a time under the name of Milward, and represented himself as an English physician. To a num-ber of persons he explained that he was a member of the English nobility, and claimed that he was in receipt of a regu-lar income from some of the estates of his family. He lived expensively, spent money freely and for a time was enter-tained by some of the best families in

In addition to his swindling operations Cooper is also suspected of being a bigamist, a young woman in Detroit claiming to have been married to him shortly before his departure for San Francisco

#### TROUBLES AT THE SOFT COAL MINES

Demands Made at the DuBois Convention -- Pittsburg Operators Threaten to Employ Negro Labor-

Dubois, Pa., Sept. 2.—The mines represented at the convention here today were the Rochester, London and Sandy Lick of this place, and Adrian, Waiston, Eleanora, Helyetia, Rahmet and Reysoldsville, which mines are on strike and are operated by the Jefferson and Clear-field Coal and Iron company. The dele-gates represented from five to six thouminers and have formulated de

The demands made by the convention are as follows: Twenty-five cents per ton for loading and 7 cents for machine, making 32 cents now for machine mining and 40 cents for piece mining. The demand asks for \$1 for clay. The fourth resolution calls for no discrimination and adds that no mine shall have the power to setle; also asks for the appointment of a joint committee to settle strike affairs. The last resolution is a demand for 20 ents per hour for driving mules

The demands place the miners and op-erators apparently further apart than ver. General Manager Robinson on Sunday sent a communication to the miners making them the offer above stated. Yesterday he sent a second notice saying

his first was final, hence the prospect of settlement is remote. Pittsburg, Sept. 2.—The Pittsburg coal perators were convinced today that a settlement of the strike was in sight when inquiries for coal began to come in from Cleveland. Prices were asked and several contracts were made at 20 cents above the price for mining whatever the rate might be. Cleveland is the head-quarters of the big speculators and these ople who take in the situation. Colonel Read gave his ultimaxum to a commit-tee of his miners today. He told them that if a proposal now under considera-tion at Columbus was rejected he would start his mines at once. He had an of-fer, he said, of 500 colored men from the ith who would work and who could no be frightened away.

## WATCHDOGS WITHDRAWN.

South Carolina Jag Constabulary Forces Have Been Reduced.

Columbia, S. C., Sept. 2.—Governor Electrice said today that he had given orlers withdrawing the state constabulary force from every village, town and city in the State. Only a few constables will be retained in the country districts, where there are no local officials to enforce the dispensary law. This action removes the cause of fric-tion in enforcement of state liquor law and will save the commonwealth \$50,000

# REUNION OF OHIO VETS.

Fremont, O., Sept. 2.-The reunion of the survivors of the Twenty-third regi-ment of Ohio Volunteers infantry was held here today. President McKinley, who was a member of this regiment, and many other distinguished survivors were attendance. The city was profusely decorated. The sunrise salute was fol-lowed at 10 a. m. with the president's salute, and from that time on the comrades were in the highest glee. At noon there was a grand parade, and at 2 p. n, the exercises began in the grove which adjoins the Hayes' mansion.

Death of Senator Mullin.

New York, Sept. 2.—State Senator Joseph Mullin, of Watertown, died here oday. In the senate at Albany Mr. Mullin took high rank as a man of ability. He was connected with several banking and manufacturing concerns, in his secion of the state.

Sinm's King Visits Bismarck. Friedrichsruhe, Sept. 2.—The king of Siam paid a visit to Prince Riemarck tolay. His majesty lunched with the ex-chancellor and they remained in conver-

## THE NEWS THIS MORNING.

sation for a long time.

Weather Indications Today:

l General-Gold Democrats Will Not Name a State Ticket. Strikers Inaugurate a Reign of Terror in the Hazleton Region. One Killed and Several Injured in a D. L. & W. R. R. Wreck. News of the War in India.

Sport-League Season in Scranton Base Ball Games of a Day. Fitzpinmons Wins in the Boxing Bout at Music Hall.

Local-Councils Fail to Confirm the New Park Commissioners, Great Water Resources of Scranton,

Editorial. Comments of the Press. 5 Local-Eleven Scrantonians Injured in the D., L. & W. Wreck. New Telephone Regulations.

6 Local-West Side and City Suburban. 7 Lackawanna County News. Neighboring County Happenings. Financial and Common

# STRIKERS ARE **NOW FRENZIED**

In the Hazleton Coal Region a Reign of Terror Begins.

STRIKERS ON THE MARCH

Hungarian and Italian Miners Carry Red Flags.

Collieries Are Compelled to Shut Down .- Fires Drawn from Boilers. Supt. Jones' Residence Wrecked. The Militia May Be Called Out. Destruction of Property Feared.

Hazleton, Sept. 2.-The strike situation in the Hazleton region became very serious this morning. Thousands of ignorant foreigners have begun a reign of terror, have closed up all the collieries, wracked the houses of the superintendent and march i from one mine to another ami's the wildest confusion, a howling mob without aim or leader. Riot and bloodshed is feared, property is expected to be destroyed and it is very likely that the militia will be called out.

The trouble began at the Audenried colliery of the Lehigh and Wilkes-Barre Coal company this morning. The company's officials refused to grant the men the advances the latter asked and the conference which acted as a truce for several days was declared off last

evening. This morning the men from the Audenried mine refused to return to work, but instead marched, 1,500 strong, to the Coleraine mine of the Van Wickle company. The men of that place joined the strikers and the march was resumed to the Yorktown mine of the Lehigh Valley Coal company. Here the marchers compelled Super-

There were threats of violence unless the men there left their work.

intendent Hayes to blow the whistle of

the colliery, which called out the men.

THE RED FLAG WAVES. Then the crowd, which numbered nearly 3,000, marched on the Beaver Brook collieries, operated by B. W. Dodson. The strikers carried red flags, descriptions and the peaceful miners

and citizens along the route were terrorized. Five washeries were shut down, the fires drawn from the boilers both there and at the various collieries, and every man employed about them was forced

to join the marching strikers.

The residence of Superintendent Gomer Jones was surrounded by the mob. Luckily he was not at home. His residence was badly wrecked, every door and window in the house being broken. At this writing the several thousand

miners, Hungarians, Poles and Italians, are marching on the Silver Brook collieries to compel all these to shut down. The column of men is nearly a It is their intention to close all the

mines in that vicinity and they will march from Silver Brook to Jeanesville and Hazleton. The residents of Hazleton are very much aroused at the lawless turn of affairs in that region and fear bloodshed unless the ignorant foreigners are

controlled. PROGRAMME FOR TODAY. The striking miners held a meeting at McAdoo tonight and decided to continue the marching through the region at 6 o'clock in the morning. They intend stopping all the collieries in the north side, including Drifton, Jeddo and Lattimer. Citizens have started a movement to bring about a meeting for arbitration. The coal operators, it is

#### and agree upon a uniform wage scale for the region. MR. HOBART RESIGNS.

expected, will hold a meeting shortly

Is No Longer a Director of New York, Susquehanna and Western.

New York, Sept. 2.—The annual meeting of the stockholders of the New York, Susquehanna and Western railroad was held today in Jersey City. The board of di-rectors was re-elected with the exception of Vice President Hobart. It was an-nounced that Mr. Hobart declined to his re-election because his duties as vice president made it impossible for him to

give the railroad his attention.
In an interview tonight Mr. Hobart said he resigned because of unjust criticism by the press which charged that because the road was a coal carrying road, he, as a director, was a member of the coal trust and could raise or lower the price of coal. As a matter of fact he said the road carried only 2 per cent, of the coal

## FUSION AT LINCOLN.

Lincoln, Neb., Sept. 2 .- Fusion was effected by the three state conventions which met separately here today, and the same candidates were nominated by all three conventions, the Democrats, the Populists and the silver Republi-cans. The candidates agreed upon are: Judge John J. Sullivan, a Democrats, for supreme judge, and E. Von Forell, a Populist, and George T. Kenower, a silver Republican, for regents of the State university. Two regents are to be elected this fall.

Races Postponed. Hartford, Sept. 2.-On account of the nelement weather the races scheduled

for Charter Oak this week have been HERALD'S WEATHER FORECAST.

New York, Sept. 3 .- In the middle states and New England, today, clear weather will continue with slowly rising temperature and fresh to light northerly and northeasterly winds, shifting to north-easterdly. On Saturday, in both of these sections, fair weather and light easterly to southeasterly winds will prevail.