

NATIONAL EXPORT EXPOSITION OPENED

Ceremonies at Philadelphia Unattended by Great Ostentation.

DISTINGUISHED VISITORS

Governor Stone Makes an Address of Welcome and Turns the Exhibition Over to Mayor Ashbridge.

Philadelphia, Sept. 14.—With ceremonies unattended by ostentation the national exposition was formally opened at noon today.

The exhibition grounds were opened to the public at 8 o'clock and long before noon thousands of people had passed through the gates.

The first event of the day was the landing of Admiral Sampson and the officers of his squadron at Chestnut street pier at 10 o'clock.

Promptly at 11:15 o'clock the company in the mayor's office re-entered the exhibition grounds.

In the absence of P. A. B. Widener, president of the American Export Association, W. W. Foulkrod, delivered the address turning the exposition over to the governor of Pennsylvania.

The purpose of this exposition, said Director Wilson, "is to show the foreign consumer what the American manufacturer can make and how cheaply and how well he can make it."

The governments of the whole world have been invited and have accepted the invitation to send their delegates.

Governor Stone made an address welcoming the visitors, accepting the exhibition and turning it over to the mayor of Philadelphia. He said:

Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen: The National Export Exposition makes its bow to the world and invites inspection of its exhibits.

WATSON REPORTS A NAVAL FIGHT

SHARP ENGAGEMENT IN PHILIPPINE WATERS.

United States Gunboat Paragua Fired On Off Balenao — Hit Several Times, but No Casualties—Insurgents' Fire Silenced in Twenty Minutes—Filipino Schooner Captured and Destroyed—Commissioners Recalled—Filipino Police Go on Duty in Manila.

Washington, Sept. 14.—The following despatch has been received at the Navy Department:

Manila, Sept. 14.—Secretary of Navy, Washington.—Davidson, commanding Paragua, reports sharp engagement at Balenao in Philippine waters, Sept. 13, at 10:30 a.m.

Balenao is in the province of Masbato, south of Luzon and north of Visayas.

Manila, Sept. 14.—Colonel Charles Denby and Prof. Dean Worcester, members of the Philippines commission, have received instructions from President McKinley.

THE TARTAR RELEASED.

Authorities at Hong Kong Issue Clearance Papers to Transport.

Washington, Sept. 14.—Clearance papers have been issued to the Tartar, at Hong Kong. It is expected that the vessel will proceed to the United States at once.

The information that clearance had been allowed came in a despatch to Adjutant General Lodge from Colonel Metcalf, commanding the Twentieth Kansas and the troops aboard the transport.

PRESIDENT WILL NOT MEDDLE.

Cannot Interfere in the Disputes in Foreign Countries.

Washington, Sept. 14.—President McKinley is daily receiving letters, petitions and resolutions from various parts of the country urging his mediation in behalf of Dreyfus and suggesting that he tender his good offices in the pending dispute between Great Britain and the Transvaal.

KILLED AT CROSSING.

Two Boys Meet Death at Black Walnut.

Tunkhannock, Sept. 14.—While driving across the Lehigh Valley railroad tracks at Black Walnut today Charles Harvey, aged 12, and his brother, aged 10, were run down by a light engine and instantly killed.

A construction train was passing at the time and the boys had stepped their feet on the other track and down the engine backing down upon them.

Lutheran Orphans' Home. Tipton, Pa., Sept. 14.—The Lutheran Orphans' home near this borough, was dedicated today in the presence of nearly 500 people who came from all points in Eastern and Lehigh valleys.

Partial Victory for the Painters. Philadelphia, Sept. 14.—The members of the Amalgamated Journeymen House Painters' association, who struck yesterday because of the construction of the new bridge over the Schuylkill river.

Drawback Is Shipping Facilities. Our only drawback in shipping facilities, we have protected and fostered our industries, but we have neglected our shipping.

Red Men Visit President. Washington, Sept. 14.—The great council of the Improved Order of Red Men, was received by President McKinley in the east room of the white house today.

WILL COMMAND INDIANS.

James H. Tillman Directed to Organize a Company.

Washington, Sept. 14.—James H. Tillman, a son of ex-representative Tillman, of South Carolina, and who served as lieutenant colonel of the First South Carolina volunteers in the Spanish war, has been promoted by the president a captain in one of the new volunteer regiments.

One platoon of the company will be composed of Ojibwa, Indian, leading men of the Ojibwa, Nea Peres and other tribes.

United Typothetae. Discussion Over the Recognition of Union Labor.

New Haven, Sept. 14.—Today's business session of the United Typothetae of America developed a heated discussion of the question involving recognition of the union labor and before the hour of adjournment had arrived the typothetae had gone on record as generally opposed to official recognition of typographical union.

The pro-trust men and the anti were careful, it became evident, that one side of the other would obtain control and bind the minority to something of which they disapproved.

BEDFORD'S LIBEL SUIT.

The Hademan-Thropp Case Attracts Much Attention.

Bedford, Pa., Sept. 14.—The libel suit of Hademan against Thropp, now on trial in the court of this county, is attracting large crowds of spectators.

LANG'S SUCCESSOR.

Serious Charges Against the Consul at Berlin.

Washington, Sept. 14.—The president has appointed Henry Dietrich, United States consul at Magdeburg, to be consul at Berlin in place of Louis Lang, Jr., who retires as a result of an investigation by the state department into his official methods.

TEN PERSONS SWEEP AWAY.

Floods Doing Much Damage in Germany and Austria.

Berlin, Sept. 14.—The floods are causing widespread damage in Southern Germany and Austria. The northern part of Zwickau is inundated.

BRITISH SEAMEN'S STRIKE.

Seventeen Steamships Unable to Leave the Tyne.

London, Sept. 14.—Seventeen steamships were unable to leave the Tyne today owing to the shipping strike.

OHIO DEADLOCK BROKEN.

Martin's Ferry, O., Sept. 14.—Joseph J. Gill, of Steubenville, was nominated for congress by the Sixteenth congressional district.

PATCHEN BEATS GENTRY.

Sioux City, Ia., Sept. 14.—In a special mail race today for a purse of \$2500 Patchen beat John R. Gentry in two straight heats.

TRUST CONFERENCE IS FIZZLING OUT

RENEWAL OF THE FIGHT BETWEEN THE FACTIONS.

Each Side Afraid the Other Will Obtain Control—W. P. Potter, of Philadelphia Speaks on "Co-operation Rather Than Competition"—Afternoon Session—Speakers All Overstep the Time Allowed Each Speech.

Chicago, Sept. 14.—The second day's session of the Trust conference was opened here today, with William Wirt Howe, of New Orleans, in the chair, and a falling off in the attendance of both delegates and spectators.

The original motion was not acted on, but an amendment in regard to the manner of appointment was carried by a standing vote—99 to 14.

Governor Atkinson, of West Virginia, rising from a far corner, declared that it was unfair to bind the delegates to a resolution.

Ex-Governor Luce, of Michigan, showed that the reference to a committee without reading or debate meant that many a well-intended effort would go to sleep in the hands of the committee.

W. P. Potter, of Philadelphia, spoke about "Co-operation Rather Than Competition."

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The afternoon session was devoted to the papers on the "relation of agriculture to trusts." Dudley Wootton acted as chairman for the session.

Corner Roberts was notified and went to Factoryville yesterday. After learning the facts of the case he deemed an inquest unnecessary.

TROLLEY CAR AFIRE.

Caused Lots of Excitement on West Drinker Street.

Dunmore car No. 133 caught on fire last evening on West Drinker street, Dunmore, and caused much excitement for a time.

CHALLENGE FOR ESTERHAZY.

Another American Anxious to Spill Walsin's Gore.

Columbia, S. C., Sept. 14.—The following challenge to mortal combat was sent to Comte Ferdinand Walsin Esterhazy this morning at his address in London.

GRAND CIRCUIT RACES.

Providence, R. I., Sept. 14.—In the grand circuit meet today Louis Mac won the unimproved 210 turf yesterday, taking the seventh heat in 2:19.4. Battleton got second money.

THE NEWS THIS MORNING

Weather Indications Today: FAIR, COOLER.

- 1 General-Opening of the National Export Exhibition. Reply of the Transvaal Dismissing Factional Fight in the Trust Conference.

GOVERNOR AT THE RACES

He Watches Darrel Pace a Mile in 2:10 at State Fair—Other Exhibitions.

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It may be several days before the general public learns what answer the Transvaal has made to the President's reply to the British ultimatum.

SITUATION NOT FAVORABLE.

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WASHER FORECAST.

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Will Not Be Satisfactory to England.

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STATEMENT BY MR. WHITE

The Boers' Agent-General in London Talks—News Received by Mr. Chamberlain—Text of the Answer May Not Be in London for Several Days—First Draft Being Considered by the Raad—British Colonial Office Notifies Lord Wolseley, Prospective Commander of the Forces in Natal Summation—Orange Free State Burgers Decide to Aid the Boers.

The news received by Mr. Chamberlain today, it is now said, was probably information regarding the nature of the Boer reply, and not the reply itself.

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