

FATE OF MINISTERS IS STILL IN DOUBT

Little Faith Is Placed in Despatches from Li Hung Chang.

MINISTER WU'S MESSAGE

Falls to Impress the Department Favorably—In Spite of Alleged News from the Missing Men, Admiral Kempf Sends No Word Concerning the Ministers—American Action in China Will Depend Upon Minister Conger.

London, June 29, 4 a. m.—The casualties of the international force attacking Tien Tsin were:

touching the strength of the foreign forces ashore in China and another, which the officials stated had no bearing upon the military situation, but in neither was there any mention of the ministers.

STANDARD BEARERS OF PROHIBITION

JOHN G. WOOLEY AND HENRY B. METCALF NOMINATED.

The Nominations in Each Instance Made by Acclamation—Dr. Swallow Came Very Near Being Roosevelt, but Is Left Off the Ticket at Last—Castle Denounces Quay.

was an overwhelming vote in favor of Metcalf. The vote was as follows: Total votes cast, 584; Metcalf, 243; Swallow, 132; Eaton, 113.

VICTORY FOR THE YALE OARSMEN

THE NEW HAVEN EIGHT TOO MUCH FOR HARVARD.

Higginson's Absence Was Felt—Old and Experienced Stroke Out of the Boat, Harvard Meets Defeat. Steady Swing of the Yale Oarsmen Carries Them to Victory.

THE NEWS THIS MORNING

- Weather Indications Today: LOCAL SHOWERS. 1 General—Doubt as to the Fate of Foreign Ministers in China.

THE LAWYERS ELECT OFFICERS

Concluding Session of Pennsylvania Bar Association.

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CONVENTION SIGNS AT KANSAS CITY

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KNIGHTS OF ST. JOHN.

They Elected Officers Yesterday at Philadelphia.

Philadelphia, June 28.—The Knights of St. John, who have been in convention here since Monday, today re-elected by acclamation the present supreme president, Henry J. Fries, of Erie Pa.

DELAWARE VALLEY RAILROAD.

Attorneys Argue the Case Before Judges at Albany.

Albany, N. Y., June 28.—Before the judges of the appellate division today an exciting procedural attorneys argued in review of the action of the board of railroad commissioners in granting the application of the Delaware Valley and Kingston railway company for a certificate of incorporation.

KILLED BY LIGHTNING.

Tragedy Follows an Electric Storm at Allentown.

Allentown, June 28.—During an electrical storm last evening, William Koch, aged nineteen years, was instantly killed by lightning, while loading a wagon with hay.

Judge of Schuylkill County.

Harrisburg, June 28.—Arthur L. Shay, of Pottsville, was today appointed judge of Schuylkill county, vice George S. Walling, deceased.

President Will Go to Canton.

Washington, June 28.—It is authoritatively stated that there is no truth in the published report that the president will visit New York in the near future.

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Among the Convention Signs are Pictures of W. J. Bryan in Many Windows of the Shops and Hotels and Decorations and Flags are Being Put up Everywhere.

At the convention hall every effort is being made to complete the building by Wednesday morning. Tonight there is much to do, but wherever a man can work he is employed, so that the prediction of the committee that all will be ready by no doubt be verified.

There is a feeling that Mr. Bryan may come to Kansas City during the convention and some of those now here think the great demonstration which would follow his appearance would carry enthusiasm all over the country and start the campaign off with a burrah that would be beneficial.

This is a matter which will be determined by Mr. Bryan and the leaders when they arrive.

There is the faintest intimation that there may be a contest over the platform.

It is known that Mr. Bryan not only wants the Chicago platform reaffirmed but that he also wants the adoption of the 16th amendment.

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Not even the advance guard of the convention has yet arrived. A few men in charge of arrangements for headquarters are here and some men who are boomers for some vice presidential candidates are about the hotels, talking for their men.

Visits of various leaders to Lincoln indicates a desire to conform with Bryan's wishes, and many have notified Colonel Bryan by telegraph that they intend to see him on their way to the convention.

David B. Hill visited the Coates house today that he will arrive on Sunday.

Convention hall is not yet completed some of the steel for the structure not having arrived.

RACES AT SAUGUS.

Saugus, Mass., June 28.—Two events, the 216 class race and the 235 trot, which brought out some good sport, comprised the card for the day at the Saugus race track.

Killed by a Train.

Shamokin, June 28.—Edward Ricketts, of Danville, alighted from a Northern Central train here this afternoon to attend the funeral of Robert Taylor, who was killed in the Nesquehoning shaft disaster last Tuesday and while crossing the Philadelphia and Reading railway track was struck and killed by a passenger train.

Crocker Will Not Visit.

New York, June 28.—Richard Crocker left for Elberon, N. J., today where he will be the guest of ex-senator Edward Murphy until tomorrow night, when they will leave for Kansas City.

Sympathy for the Boers.

Grand Rapids, Mich., June 28.—The Christian Reformed church of America today adopted resolutions of sympathy for the Boers in their conflict with Great Britain and present attitude for the legislature by the Republicans of the state.

Signor Villa Elected.

Rome, June 28.—The chamber of deputies today elected Signor Villa to be president of the house.

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Delegates to Saratoga.

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Judge Simonton, of Harrisburg, proposed the reform in the laws by which magistrates or even minor courts should consider petty criminal charges instead of the quarter sessions court. The plan was eloquently advocated by ex-Attorney General Hensel, of Lancaster; Richard C. Dale, of Philadelphia; W. U. Hensel, of Lancaster; S. P. Wolvertson, of Sunbury; Robert Snodgrass, of Harrisburg, and John M. Harris, of Scranton.

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RAIN, WIND AND HAIL.

Wyoming Valley Visited by Storm That Carried Everything Before It.

Wilkes-Barre, June 28.—The Wyoming valley was visited by a terrific rain, wind and hail storm at 5 o'clock this evening.

Colonel Bliss Nominated.

Grand Rapids, Mich., June 28.—Colonel A. T. Bliss was nominated for the Republican state convention today.

Seymour Reaches Tien-Tsin.

Shanghai, June 28.—Vice Admiral Seymour has reached Tien-Tsin, where all are well. There has been few foreign casualties.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Washington, June 28.—Forecast for Friday and Saturday: Eastern Pennsylvania, no local showers Friday; Saturday fair; fresh southwesterly winds.