

TWO CENTS.

SCRANTON, PA., MONDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER 3, 1900.

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LOSING FAITH ENTIRELY IN EARL LI

The Old Man's Motives Are Regarded With Suspicion.

NEWS OF THE EMPRESS

It is to the Effect That the Energetic Lady is Still Moving Away from the Capital as Rapidly as Possible...

Washington, Sept. 2.—As far as can be ascertained by important developments in the Chinese situation today...

It is therefore impossible to learn definitely to what extent answers have been received. The opinion prevails that none of a conclusive character has as yet come to hand...

No Faith in Li. The latest record concerning Li Hung Chang's whereabouts was contained in the Associated Press cable from Shanghai tonight...

Orders received from Washington direct that the 5,000 American troops be divided between Peking, Tien Tsin and Taku...

DEFENDS MR. PECK.

Mr. Valois Dwells Upon the Troubles That Have Confronted the Commissioner General.

Paris, Sept. 2.—The French steamer La Touraine, arrived from Havre today.

In the cabin was Arthur Valois, United States commissioner to the Paris exposition. He defended Commissioner General Peck from the caustic charge that he had netted discourteously to state representatives at the exposition.

STEAMSHIP ARRIVALS.

New York, Sept. 2.—Arrived: La Touraine, Havre; Massada, Rotterdam and Bostone, Sailed; Foss, Naples and Genoa, Queenstown.

ENGLAND MAY HOLD BALANCE OF POWER

Rupture of the European Concert Is in London Considered an Accomplished Fact.

London, Sept. 2, 4 a. m.—The publication of the text of the Russian proposal has intensified, rather than diminished, the suspicions entertained by England of Russia's proceedings.

The Daily Telegraph, which expresses regret that President McKinley has committed the United States to follow the Russian leader, considers, however, that Japan's, whose consistent policy since the war of 1894 has been to conciliate and effect a rapprochement with China, "will throw in her lot with Russia, and will be reluctantly followed by France, who does not dare to risk a divergence with Russia."

Events have therefore conspired," says the Daily Telegraph, "to throw balance of diplomatic power in Lord Salisbury's hands, for Austria-Hungary and Italy must side with Germany, who will probably propose some compromise and be supported by England."

The Times feels perfectly clear, it says, that neither honor nor the interests of England will permit her to follow Russia's example. It trusts that Germany also will refuse to leave Peking, and expresses the hope that the report that the states government in Washington disapproves the Russian suggestion may prove correct.

Most of the other morning papers express similar views and decline to believe in the sincerity of Russia's promise to evacuate Manchuria.

There is no confirmation of the report that the Chinese attacked the allies at Kang-Chun, which is six miles south of Peking.

GERMANY DEMANDS CAMPING GROUND

They Desire the Site Occupied by the United States Forces at Peking.

Copright, 1900, the Associated Press. Tien Tsin, Aug. 29, via Taku Aug. 29.—The Germans have formally demanded for themselves all the buildings and grounds of the camp of the United States troops, explaining that these will be needed by the large German forces soon to arrive.

OUR COAL IS VERY EVIDENTLY IN DEMAND

American Coal Exports Have Doubled in the Past Four Years.

GREAT RATIO OF GROWTH

Ten Years Ago the Total Value of Our Coal Exports Was Only \$6,000,000—This Year the Value Promises to Exceed \$20,000,000.

Table showing coal exports by country from 1890 to 1900. Columns include Country, Quantity (tons), and Value (dollars).

THE SITUATION AT HAZLETON

Clergymen Endeavor to Prevent the Threatened Strike—Minesville Colliery May Be Closed.

Hazleton, Sept. 2.—It is announced here today that if the employees of the Minesville colliery, which is about worked out, go on strike, the colliery will be shut down permanently.

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BRYAN'S CAMPAIGN TOUR.

Programme for Speechmaking the Coming Week.

Chicago, Sept. 2.—William J. Bryan spent today at the Auditorium hotel with Senator Jones and a number of labor day orators.

WILL INVESTIGATE CAUSE OF WRECK

The Coroner and Railroad Officials Believe That the Trouble Was Due to Negligence.

Philadelphia, Sept. 2.—Coroner McClelland, when he returned to Norris-town from the scene of the Hatfield accident tonight, stated that there may be some arrests made within the next twenty-four hours. Several are under surveillance, but who the coroner would not tell.

Immediately on the arrival of District Attorney Hendrick tomorrow morning from Pottstown, they will go to the scene and make further investigations. The coroner did not seem to think that Engineer Davis, of the special, was as much to blame as others, but he would not indicate who he meant.

The Inquest will likely be held at either Lansdale or Norristown and will be started on Thursday. The coroner does not expect that the investigation will be finished inside of two days. The coroner does not think the milk train crew are responsible in any way. They were stopped at the station as a regular train.

Superintendent Tomlinson, of the New York division of the Reading railway, spent all of today at the wreck scene, and he said, when asked what the accident was due to: "It was doubtless due to negligence. If the train dispatcher at Philadelphia had done his duty, this would not have happened. He had orders to send orders to Souderton to have the first section of the excursion held there until the milk train had departed from Hatfield."

When asked if he expected any arrests to be made he answered that this was a future consideration. "We hire men who are supposed to know their business," he said, "and it is evident we have been mistaken in somebody. A thorough investigation will be started right away."

ODELL WILL LEAD THE NEW YORKERS

Probable Make-up of the Republican Ticket of the Empire State.

Saratoga, N. Y., Sept. 2.—The consensus of opinion here is that the following list of Republican state ticket to be nominated by the convention which will meet here Tuesday: For governor, Benjamin J. Odell, Jr., of Orange; for lieutenant governor, Timothy L. Woodruff, of Kings; for comptroller, William J. Morgan, of Erie; for secretary of state, John T. McDonough, of Albany; for state engineer, Edward A. Bond, of Jefferson; for attorney general, John C. Davies, of Onondaga; for state treasurer, John P. Jaekel, of Cayuga.

So far as obtainable tonight, because over some sections of the platform there is still debate, the resolutions have been decided upon which will be adopted by the convention.

First, indorse strongly the administration of President McKinley, vigorously uphold the doctrine of the gold standard.

Second, a strong indorsement of the government policy in Cuba and Porto Rico and a statement that the Philippines are ours by every right and that it can be called upon to defend the party in New York state in its expansion.

Third, an endorsement of the administration of Theodore Roosevelt as governor of New York.

Fourth, an endorsement of the legislature of 1900, specially calling attention to the tax rate of 1.96 mill; the solution of rapid transit for New York city, and the city's water supply; shortening the hours of labor; reform in tenement houses and cost of school; the erection of a consumptive hospital; protection of the forest; improvements of the agricultural land.

Fifth, a non-compulsory plank regarding the consular, saying that there is now being made a preliminary survey, authorized by the last legislature, for the purpose of ascertaining the cost of their enlargement and that the republican party will not favor any large expenditures unless it is certain that as a result of the enlargement of their capacity, the condition of all classes of the people and all sections of the state will be materially improved.

THIRTEEN EXCURSIONISTS ARE DEAD

The Victims of an Appalling Rear End Collision.

Philadelphia, Sept. 2.—Thirteen persons killed and over thirty others injured in the appalling record of a rear-end collision between an excursion train and a milk train on the Bethlehem branch of the Philadelphia and Reading railway this morning at Hatfield, Pa., twenty-seven miles north of this city.

THE KILLED.

MRS. MINNIE SHERIDAN, aged 21 years, South Bethlehem; ROBERT MILLER, 21, South Bethlehem; RICHARD BACHMAN, 40, South Bethlehem; WILLIAM EHRET, 22, South Bethlehem; IRA EHRET, 25, twin brother of William; JOSH. MORDAUNT, 22, South Bethlehem; CHAS. M'FONGUE, Allentown; THOMAS DAY, Allentown.

MRS. MAMIE KASZ, 14, Telford; GOFRAY KAELIN, father of Mamie; WILLIAM BLACKBURN, 57, proprietor Hotel Ambler, Ambler; HAROLD LAND, Hatfield; ACKERMANN, Philadelphia.

THE INJURED.

John David, Philadelphia, engineer of excursion train; skull fractured; critical; Albert J. Wagner, Philadelphia, fireman excursion train; contusions chest and legs; serious; WILSON CROWLAND, South Bethlehem, baggage master of milk train; head lacerated; serious; MICHAEL J. FICKE, Allentown, legs crushed and lacerated; serious.

John Gorman, South Bethlehem; foot crushed; John McHugh, South Bethlehem; leg and thigh injured and last internally; not serious; ABRAHAM TRASSER, Jr., South Bethlehem; deep scalp wounds, contusion of back and internally injured; serious.

Mrs. William Kuntz, South Bethlehem, injured internally; Miss Gertrude Burkhardt, South Bethlehem, both legs broken; P. McMahon, South Bethlehem, ankle broken; John Betsley, South Bethlehem, internally injured; Mrs. Geo. Harrison, arm broken and contusions of body.

Irvin Newhard, head badly crushed; Mary Newhard, South Bethlehem; crushed ribs; Miss Carrie Bachman, daughter of Richard B. Bachman, who was killed; chest crushed; serious; Miss Brennan, South Bethlehem, arm broken; L. T. Hertzog, South Bethlehem, arm broken; Harry Scholtz, South Bethlehem, leg crushed; EDWARD REESE, Allentown, contusion of shoulder and leg; Mrs. S. Haber, Allentown, both legs crushed; William B. Reseler, South Bethlehem, internally injured and jaw broken.

John Schantz, Allentown, foot crushed; William Schantz, thigh injured; Mrs. Schaeffer, Allentown, legs broken; Mary Koch, fractured legs; Lewis Knudt, Bethlehem, contusion of legs; George Knudt, Bethlehem, scalp wounds; Mrs. Alfred Schroyer, Bethlehem, badly lacerated.

Annie Miller, South Bethlehem, hips crushed; William Wilmer, South Bethlehem, badly lacerated; Mrs. Wilmeyer, legs crushed; Michael Tupper, car inspector, on excursion train; fractured skull, probably fatally injured; Walter Frickeburg, South Bethlehem, lacerated fingers, dislocated wrist and severe bruises; Annie Edwards, 19 years, South Bethlehem, leg broken; C. J. Strauss, Allentown, scalp wounds and internal injuries; Jennie Stauffer, Allentown, 24, leg broken; B. T. Betsler, Allentown, 24, leg crushed; A. Slough, Allentown, 25, both legs broken; Carl Reiss, 29, South Bethlehem, cut about head, eyes badly injured; Edward Rogers, 23, Easton, scalp wound; Mrs. Howard Chinaman, South Bethlehem; body wounds and internal injuries; Charles Laffer, West Bethlehem; bruised; Mrs. Charles Laffer, bruised; John Conli, 31, South Bethlehem; scalp wound; Miss May Davis, 18, South Bethlehem; internal injuries; Miss Annie McKern, 53, South Bethlehem; shock and internal injuries; Miss Mabel Kings, Bethlehem; foot crushed; John Krans, 35, South Bethlehem; bruised; cut.

THE NEWS THIS MORNING

- Weather in Locations Today. WARM; FOLLOWED BY SHOWERS. 1. General-Thirteen Dead as Result of Rear End Collision on the Reading. Commissioner Rockhill Says Concert at Peking Is Necessary. 2. General-Northeastern Pennsylvania News. Financial and Commercial. The Tribune's Educational Contest. 3. Local-Labor Day Sermon by Rev. Dr. Giffis. Mention of Some Men of the Hour. 4. Editorial. News and Comment. 5. Local-Sallyburg Invited to Return to the Lackawanna. Comments on the Proposed Miners' Strike. 6. Local-West Scranton and Suburban. 7. Round About the County. 8. General-Gossip in the World of Sport. Live Industrial Jottings.

WEATHER FORECAST

Washington, Sept. 2.—Forecast for Monday and Tuesday: Eastern Pennsylvania—Warm Monday, followed by showers or thunderstorms and cooler in the afternoon, or evening, Tuesday, fair, fresh southerly winds, becoming westerly by Tuesday.