

ALL IS PEACEFUL AT WILKES-BARRE

Many of the Coal and Iron Police-men Have Departed for Their Homes.

IDLE MEN ARE SOBERED BY SHOOTING AFFRAY

No Parades, Marches or Other Demonstrations—Large Crowds of People in the Vicinity of Coal Mines. The Coal and Iron Policemen Are Conducted to Train by Committee of Strikers.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Wilkes-Barre, June 6.—Last night's turbulent times had a sobering effect on the idle men and boys in this valley, and as a result the Wyoming region was a place of almost absolute peace today. There were no parades, marches or any considerable gathering of persons, and the police authorities of the county had little more to do than keep watch. The Stanton colliery, where the shooting affray occurred last night, was visited today by hundreds of persons who expected to see more trouble, but no crowds were permitted to congregate in the neighborhood. The colliery is closed down as tight as a drum, as a result of the disturbance there. Even the coal and iron police, with the exception of four or five, gave up their jobs and left town as quickly as they could get out. There were about twenty in the party, including several colored cooks. Last night's demonstration was too much for them, and they decided to leave. The fact in some manner became known to the strikers, and the latter promised to protect them to the railroad station if they would leave the city. Accordingly, under a strong guard of mine workers, the ex-policemen left the colliery, while a crowd cheered, and were marched to the offices of Lehigh and Wilkes-Barre Coal company, where they received their pay and transportation. Later the men left for New York and Philadelphia on the Lehigh Valley's Black Diamond express. The preliminary hearing of the four coal and iron policemen who are charged with the shooting of Charles McCann, the 13-year-old boy, was not held today, but they probably will be arraigned tomorrow morning. The condition of the boy is still serious, but it is believed he will recover.

Sheriff Swears in Deputies.

Sheriff Albert Jacobs, of this (Luzerne) county, swore in twenty men as deputies today. They are now quartered in the court house, ready for any emergency. Some of the coal companies wanted him to swear in as his deputy some of their policemen, but he preferred to pick his own men.

There were a number of desertions among the firebreases employed at several mines in this vicinity, which caused the companies to consider the inconvenience. President Hurlbut today said that the strike of the engineers, firemen and pumpmen is practically complete. The mining superintendents say that as far as they are concerned there was no change in the general situation during the past twenty-four hours. Water is still accumulating in some of the lower level of the mines, but the coal companies seem to be indifferent regarding the flooding of the workings.

The borough of Nanticoke has decided to begin injunction proceedings against the Susquehanna Coal company to enjoin that company from cutting off the water supply from a portion of the borough. The coal company furnishes the power for pumping water into the reservoir and when the miners, firemen and pumpmen quit the company, the pumps were shut down.

Another boy, named John Short, aged 13 years, was seriously wounded here today, but his injuries were not so serious as those of the other boy. He was crossing a farm at Sugar Notch near here, owned by the Lehigh and Wilkes-Barre Coal company, but tenanted by Robert Hayden. Hayden since the strike started has been bothered by idle men and boys holding up Fletcher Walker, a fireman, as he was coming from work this evening. The man ran when he saw the crowd surrounding him. He took refuge in a barn, where he was held prisoner until he promised not to go to work tomorrow. He was escorted to his home by committee of the strikers. Squads of men from the United Mine Workers are watching many of the mines tonight.

The mine workers were advised tonight by Sheriff Gombert, of Carbon county, that the commissions of forty-four deputies sworn in by him at Yorktown during the last two days, have been revoked, as requested by District President Duffy. Most of these deputies were picked from the imported elements stationed at the mine. A special train, with steam up, is ready at Roan Junction to carry a carload of officers to any part of the district.

LYKENS VALLEY MINERS.

Sheriff Reiff Is Preparing for an Outbreak That Is Imminent.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Harrisburg, Pa., June 6.—The miners in the Lykens valley region threaten to make trouble if the pumpmen and engineers do not quit work. During the past twenty-four hours operators and

other mine officials have been burned in effigy in Lykens, Williamstown and Wilkeson. An effigy labeled "Scab" was suspended from a telegraph pole in the public square at Lykens today by strike sympathizers.

When the men at work left their posts at quitting time this morning and started for their homes they were hooted and jeered by the strikers and spoiled eggs were hurled at them. The danger of a serious affray was imminent, but cooler heads prevailed and peace was again restored. Sheriff Reiff sent here for deputies this afternoon, but his clerks could find nobody willing to serve. Several men were at the sheriff's office to ask what it meant, and when they found it was to preserve order at a strike, they refused the place.

COMMITTEE DECLINED THE INVITATION.

New York Board of Trade Members Will Not Visit President Upon Strike Matters.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

New York, June 6.—The Board of Trade and Transportation at noon received a telegram from President Roosevelt, apprising them that the president would be glad to receive the committee appointed by the board to ask the president to appoint a commission to investigate and take steps looking toward the settling of the anthracite strike.

Following is the text of the president's message to the Board of Trade and Transportation:

Your letter of the 4th, with enclosure, received. The section you refer to was repealed by act of June 1, 1888, but the president will be glad to see your committee if they should decide to come over.

The committee, which is composed of ex-Congressman Darwin R. James, James Talcott and John D. Kernan, was a member of a commission appointed by the president to investigate the Pullman strike, was hurriedly called together upon the receipt of the message from the white house, and after a brief conference it was decided not to go to Washington, at least not until further notice.

In view of the comment caused by the false position in which the Board of Trade and Transportation find itself, owing to the adoption of Mr. Kernan's resolution, the gentlemen who are the following letters to Frank S. Gardner, secretary of the board, today:

Dear Sir: My attention has been called to the fact that chapter 1,063 of the laws of the United States, passed October 1, 1888, and amended by section 12 of the act of October 3, 1888, and section 12 of the act of October 3, 1888, which repealed the act of June 1, 1888, and which gave the president the power to appoint a commission to investigate and take steps looking toward the settling of the anthracite strike, and that, therefore, he has no power under that act to comply with the request presented by the board in its resolution of June 1, 1888. No one knows better than I do that the board took its action in entire good faith and with highly patriotic motives, relying upon the statement of the anthracite committee that the president had given to the matter, that the president still had power under the statute of 1888. I greatly regret that through my mistake the board was induced to pass the resolution in question.

THIRTY THOUSAND WILL QUIT WORK.

Miners' Strike in West Virginia Will Be General.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Roanoke, Va., June 6.—A special from North Fork, W. Va., says: "The miners' strike, ordered to take place tomorrow, will be general and a complete tie-up of the forty or more coal and coke companies' works in the Flat Top fields will result. All miners coming out of the various mines tonight are bringing their tools with them. All is quiet at this place and no trouble is anticipated.

Planting Mills Destroyed.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

McDonald, Ga., June 6.—The saw and planing mills of J. B. Bailey & Co., were destroyed by fire today. Five million feet of lumber and seven freight cars were burned. The loss will be about \$120,000. Three hundred men are out of employment. The origin of the fire is unknown.

Fleming Concedes Defeat.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Augusta, Ga., June 6.—W. H. Fleming, of Augusta, concedes his defeat for congress from the Tenth Georgia district by T. W. Hardwick, of Sandersville, Ga. Fleming carried the popular vote, but Hardwick secured the nomination majority.

Miss Chapman Tennis Champion.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Philadelphia, June 6.—Miss Helen Chapman, Philadelphia, today won the state tennis championship in women's singles, defeating Miss T. G. Baird, Merion 'no out of three sets.

TILDEN CLUB DINNER.

Will Be Attended by the Most Prominent Democrats.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

MR. HANNA FAVORS THE PANAMA CANAL.

An Earnest Plea for Panama Route. Debate on the Anti-Anarchy Bill Closed.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Washington, June 6.—After transacting some routine business today, the senate resumed its session before the isthmian canal bill, Mr. Hanna of Ohio continuing his arguments in support of the Panama canal. The Ohio senator declared that no political considerations were involved in the canal problem. He presented the opinions of 83 ship masters and pilots in favor of the Panama route as against the Nicaragua route, for many reasons which they cited.

He urged that the construction of the Nicaragua canal was beset with unknown difficulties, while the construction of the Panama canal was "an open book." He laid particular stress on the danger to the Nicaragua route from volcanoes and urged that it was not good business policy to ignore those dangers in a project involving an expenditure of \$200,000,000. In conclusion Mr. Hanna appealed to the senate to consider the matter as a business proposition and, with some feeling, repudiated the suggestion that those favoring the Panama route were not in favor of any canal.

DOCTOR BILL OF THE LATE SENATOR MAGEE.

Physician Sues to Collect Fees Amounting to \$190,070.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Pittsburg, June 6.—The bill of Dr. Walter C. Browning of Philadelphia, for \$190,070 for professional services in attending State Senator Chris L. Magee during the long illness which resulted in his death came before Judge Over, of the county orphans' court today.

The executor of the estate of the late senator, Mr. Magee, is Dr. Browning's former partner in a specialty, and advised Senator Magee to go to him. Mr. Magee had paid Dr. Browning \$30 an hour for an examination and \$20 an hour for treatment. Senator Magee when told of this said expense was not to be considered.

Andrew Fulton, who had known Senator Magee for 40 years, testified that Magee had time and again said that Browning thoroughly understood his case and he was confident of the physician's ability.

Mr. Magee told the witness that he wished to live and he would make the doctor independent in a financial way. Several other witnesses testified in the same strain and court adjourned with John D. Shaw on the stand. Mr. Shaw in his testimony said Mr. Magee had said to him that he intended to beat the record of P. A. B. Widener, who had given his physician \$800,000 for curing him of a case of double pneumonia, as he (Magee) intended to give Dr. Browning \$1,000,000.

Claimed to Be a Human Battery.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Washington, June 6.—A colored man who gave his name as B. E. Allen, of Hicksville, Ohio, was taken into custody at the white house today. He claimed to be a human battery and to be the only means of communication with the army of the United States, which he said he brought along with him in balloons. He will be held pending an investigation as to his sanity.

Yale Ball Association.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

New Haven, Conn., June 6.—The Yale University Base Ball Association tonight elected the following officers: President, Post, says today that on account of Mr. Kruger's age and infirmities the British government has waived its claim for the acknowledgment by him of British sovereignty over the Transvaal, and has guaranteed to all the Boer delegates in Europe a safe conduct their homes in South Africa.

LEADERS AT HARRISBURG

Prominent Republicans Preparing for the State Convention Next Week.

ELKIN CLAIMS VOTES ENOUGH TO NOMINATE

Deputy Attorney General Fleitz Believes the Fight Is Won—Politicians Much Interested in Washington Dispatch to Pittsburg Gazette—Those in Charge of Elkin Advance Guard Claim That Surprises Are in Store.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Harrisburg, June 6.—W. B. Andrews, private secretary to Senator Penrose, reached here today from Washington, to open headquarters for Senators Quay and Penrose for next Wednesday's Republican state convention.

Senator Penrose reached here tonight from Washington. The senator is a delegate from Philadelphia and is instructed for Judge Samuel W. Pennypacker for governor, although he declined to discuss the contest for that office.

He is framing the platform, which he says will endorse the suit against the best railroad merger and Philippine and other policies of the Roosevelt administration. Senator Quay is expected here tomorrow, as is also Attorney General Elkin, who will have personal direction of his own campaign for governor.

Elkin's Figures.

Harrisburg, June 6.—The Republican campaign, so far as the selection of delegates to the state convention is concerned, will end in a matter of days. Delegates will be chosen, representing these counties:

- Allegheny ..... 25
Bedford ..... 3
Butler ..... 3
Cambria ..... 5
Montour ..... 1
Perry ..... 2
Somerset ..... 3
Westmoreland ..... 5
Westmoreland ..... 8

The attitude of most of these counties is pretty generally understood. The Allegheny delegates will doubtless vote unitedly. It is the belief on Capitol Hill that Elkin will receive the solid support of that county. The votes of Bedford, Cambria, Clarion, Perry and Westmoreland are claimed by the Elkinites, and they say the chances are they will win in Somerset, Washington, controlled by Congressman Acheson, will undoubtedly be for Quay, and the probability is that Butler will be in the same column. The Montour delegate is claimed by both sides.

Pittsburg Sentiment.

Politicians here were much interested in a Washington dispatch appearing today in the Pittsburg Gazette, the organ of the Olivers. The Gazette, until today, has been printing the stiffest kind of claims that Pennypacker would win easily on first ballot, but now it says:

"According to advices received by the leaders, the nomination of Judge Pennypacker on the first ballot, would lose some of the delegates who have pledged their votes to him are enticed away by the Elkinites. It is his belief that the Stone machine is working hard and is well supplied with cash and other accessories. All that is necessary for Mr. Pennypacker's friends to hold to the votes that have been pledged. In the event that enough delegates are won away to prevent Judge Pennypacker's nomination on the first ballot, the nomination of Mr. Waters is possible, and his friends are on the alert."

Editorially the Gazette speaks approvingly of Colonel Waters, which is known by the name of the representative here that Quay's only hope of defeating Elkin is in getting Waters' delegates. It is known that he has made desperate overtures to Waters, but it is said without success.

Major General Sweeney's announcement for Elkin, carrying with it the three votes from Venango, the one from Cameron and the probability of the three from Warren, came as a surprise to the Quay workers. Those in charge of Elkin's interests here say other and better articles are in store.

SOLDIERS' INSPECTION.

Inspector General Sweeney Will Observe National Guard July 12-19.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Harrisburg, June 6.—General orders were issued today from the headquarters of the national guard of Pennsylvania announcing that the annual inspection will be made during the division encampment at Gettysburg on July 12-19 under the supervision of Inspector General Sweeney.

The orders also state that officers will not be permitted to mess with the enlisted men during the encampment or to have cooking done in company tents. Only such articles as are absolutely necessary must be taken to camp.

CONCESSION TO MR. KRUGER.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

London, June 6.—The organ of Colonial Secretary Chamberlain, the Birmingham Post, says today that on account of Mr. Kruger's age and infirmities the British government has waived its claim for the acknowledgment by him of British sovereignty over the Transvaal, and has guaranteed to all the Boer delegates in Europe a safe conduct their homes in South Africa.

CRUELTY CHARGES ARE WITHDRAWN.

Polo Player Escapes Punishment for Torturing a Horse.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

London, June 6.—The summons issued at the instance of Earl of Shrewsbury, charging Lawrence Waterbury, of the American polo team, with cruelty to animals in using sharp spurs on his pony during the international match at Hurlingham on Saturday last was formally withdrawn in the police court today.

Interest in the result of the polo matches for the American cup tomorrow has spread rapidly here today. In the event of last week. It has been raining steadily for two days and the ground is likely to be in poor condition, even if it is possible. Both teams are confident tonight.

ANOTHER OUTBURST FROM MT. PELEE

Eruption Yesterday Results in the Formation of a Heavy Cloud. Detonations Elsewhere.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Port de France, Island of Martinique, June 6, 10.10 a. m.—A volcanic outburst from Mt. Pelee today resulted in the formation of a heavy cloud, similar to that of May 20 last, though it was not so dense. No stones fell, and when the cloud had spread over Port de France, half an hour later, there was no panic here.

It is noted at Port de France that the volcanic outbursts coincide with the changes of the moon.

Mt. Pelee is still in violent eruption. This morning an enormous column of black smoke rose from the volcano to a height estimated at four miles, and the present eruption is a much more violent one than that which appeared to have a diameter of forty miles.

The most notable phenomenon today was that the sea rose nearly three feet, then fell to below its normal level, and then returned to its normal level. The cause of this rise and fall of the sea is inexplicable. The eruption today was absolutely not accompanied by earthquake. No reports of damage have been received.

Prof. Angelo Heilprin, president of the Philadelphia Geographical society, and George Kennan, noticed a great outburst of yellow vapor from the volcano yesterday, when they were at Le Precheur. These outbursts seem to be positive precursors of severe eruptions.

Castries, Island of St. Lucia, B. W. I., June 6.—The royal mail steamer Eden, Captain Down, arrived at Castries yesterday, when they were at Le Precheur. Mt. Pelee erupted and threw out an enormous cloud of smoke, which passed to the eastward. At half past 11 o'clock almost entire darkness prevailed. While three miles distant from the shores of the island of St. Lucia, clouds of volcanic dust obscured the coast and made it difficult for the vessel to enter the harbor. At 2 o'clock this afternoon the darkness was intense over St. Lucia.

Basse Terre, Island of St. Christopher, B. W. I., June 6.—A great eruption of Mt. Pelee yesterday at 10.15 o'clock, and lights had to be lit. Loud detonations were heard from the southward.

SUNDAY GOLF CONDEMNED.

Dr. Hathaway Claims That Sabbath Observance Is the Only Safety.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Asbury Park, N. J., June 6.—Liturgy revision came before the general synod of the Reformed Church of America this morning. The report of the committee on this subject was read by Dr. Collier and was adopted, although a concluding clause recommending certain changes in the baptismal service was not agreed to. It was the committee's opinion, therefore, of the synod, that in these forms simplicity, dignity and brevity shall be sought, rather than elaboration of form.

Dr. W. Hathaway made a stirring address on Sabbath observance, in the course of which he claimed that the American exhibits at Paris and the Buffalo exposition were closed on Sunday as a direct result of the influence brought to bear on the authorities in Washington. He condemned Sunday golf, and claimed that the observance of the Sabbath was the only safety for the preservation of the Christian religion.

Rev. David M. Hunter, of New York, caused something of a stir by a resolution asking that a committee of eight be appointed to urge on the churches a general advance in evangelical work. Some of the delegates were rather disposed to believe that the resolution was a reflection on their zeal in the conversion of souls. One delegate said he would favor it if every minister in the Reformed church was added to the committee.

President Kittredge made an impassioned address, urging a return to the old-time form and zeal in evangelical work, and said it was a duty that should not be delegated to special evangelists.

GENERAL MILES MISQUOTED.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Chicago, June 6.—General Miles left for Washington over the Pennsylvania road at 5.30 p. m. He was seen at the Auditorium by the Associated Press representative just before he left and said: "I have been misquoted. I did not say that I had been ordered to Washington. I did not say that I would not attend the exercises at West Point."

Tommy Dixon Released.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Boston, June 6.—The Chicago boxer, Tommy Dixon, who was arrested here on May 23, following the death of Tommy Noonan, of Chelsea, who had knocked Dixon out in a boxing bout, was discharged from custody today. The medical examination decided that Noonan died of over-exertion.

THE PHILIPPINES ARE AT PEACE

REFUSED TO CERTIFY.

Controller Costello Says Stone Crusher Can Wait—His Views on Emergency Appropriations.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

City Controller P. W. Costello has taken a decided stand against certifying ordinances providing for emergency appropriations, as provided by the "ripper" bill.

This act provides that all appropriations shall be made and taxes levied annually prior to the first of February every year and that after the general appropriation ordinance is passed no other appropriation ordinance shall be considered by councils "except in cases of emergency, when, on a certificate signed by the city recorder and controller that such emergency exists, a special appropriation may be made to meet the same."

An ordinance is now pending in councils providing for the purchase of a stone crusher and appropriating funds therefor for the same out of an expended balance in various accounts for last year. Director of Public Works Roche requested City Controller Costello to sign a certificate setting forth that the appropriation is a necessary one. The controller refused to sign such a certificate without even looking at the ordinance. In speaking about the matter yesterday afternoon to a Tribune man, he said:

"I have decided to refuse to certify that any appropriation is an emergency if it can wait just as well until next year's appropriation ordinance is being prepared. I don't consider that the necessity of purchasing a stone crusher is so great that it can be construed into a case of emergency by even a liberal stretching of the law.

"I am inclined to believe that Mr. Quinn's interpretation of the law is correct. If a bridge is washed away or a fire house is burned down or some other such thing occurs then an emergency arises. The line has got to be drawn some place or we'd have appropriations for everything that comes along. I don't think that the appropriation of funds for the payment of the deficiency bills which are piled up in my office is far more important than the purchase of a stone crusher."

NEW FRENCH CABINET.

List of Ministers Semi-Officially Announced.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Paris, June 6.—Senator Combes, progressive Republican and ex-vice-president of the senate, who yesterday accepted the task of forming a new cabinet, has been engaged all day today in selecting his political friends, and tonight the formation of a ministry is assured.

The following list of ministers was semi-officially announced: M. Combes, premier, minister of the interior and minister of public instruction, Senator Vaillant, minister of justice, St. Delasse, minister of foreign affairs, General Andre, minister of war, Deputy Maruejols, who was minister of commerce in the Brisson cabinet, minister of marine, Senator Chastanet, public instruction, Deputy Pelletan, minister of public works, Deputy Doumergue, minister of colonies, Deputy Trouillot, who was minister of colonies in the Brisson cabinet, minister of commerce, Deputy Mougeot, minister of agriculture, Deputy Rouvier will probably accept the portfolio of minister of finance.

A FUSION MOVEMENT.

Central Committee and Democrats of Pittsburg to Confer.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Pittsburg, June 6.—Two meetings were held here today which will have their effect on the November election. The citizens' central committee, composed of thirty-two members, representing eight legislative districts in Allegheny county, met and organized. A committee of ten was appointed to confer with a similar committee of Democrats to arrange for a fusion ticket for the November election.

John Dalzell was unanimously nominated for congress in the Twenty-third district. Other nominations will be considered after the conference with the Democrats.

The meeting of the Democratic county executive committee was brief. A conference committee of ten to meet the citizens looking to fusion was appointed and the meeting adjourned, leaving nominations to follow the meeting of the conference committee, which will probably be held tomorrow.

Soft Coal Strike.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Harrisburg, June 6.—The strike for higher wages of the soft coal miners in West Virginia, which is to be inaugurated tomorrow, will be directed by President Mitchell from Wilkes-Barre. He said today there are twenty-nine thousand men in that field, that eighteen thousand will stop work tomorrow, and that he expects the others will all be out in the course of a few days.

Steamship Arrivals.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

New York, June 6.—Cleared: Luccania, Liverpool; Rotterdam via Boulogne; Georgian, Liverpool, Southampton. Arrived: Augusto Victoria (from Hamburg), New York via Cherbourg; Genoa. Arrived: Aller, New York via Gibraltar and Naples; Lizard—Passadi; Kensington, New York for Antwerp.

Acting Governor Wright Sends a Report on the Conditions on the Islands.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Washington, June 6.—Secretary Root today made public the following cable dispatch from Acting Governor Wright of the Philippines:

Secretary of War, Manila, May 23, 1902. With reference to your cablegram of 15th, outside of Moro country, only portions of archipelago not organized under civil government are Lepanto, Bontoc, Batangas, Laguna, Principe, Infanta, Mindoro, Samar and Paragan and other small groups. No armed insurrection in any of these islands, but peace is far from peaceful conditions, why civil government in all may not be now established. Special governments for Bontoc and Lepanto are organized exclusively by peace. Progress will be organized in a few days. Will organize civil government in Laguna immediately. Batangas, formerly organized, was turned over to military authorities by Philippines commission's act No. 173. Will repeat same, to take effect July 4. Only reason for not giving act immediate effect is that many people in this province have only recently returned to their homes, and in order to prevent possibility of suffering, think best to have military look after them until they are named, because latter have perfected organization, which civil authorities lack.

Crops now being planted will mature by August 1. Willat Principe and Infanta could be organized at once, difficult to look after until we receive vessels now building, say by September. Few inhabitants and unimportant. Mindoro and Paragan group large islands, sparsely populated and difficult of access without vessels. For these reasons difficult to give military attention in change because they have transportation facilities. Under Spanish regime, Bontoc, Lepanto, Principe, Infanta and Paragan group did not have provincial government, commanded by military officers, and Mindoro was attached to Marinduque.

General Adna R. Chaffee concurs in above. Wright.

Governor Taft's Instructions.

Washington, June 6.—Secretary Root today sent to the Philippine committee of the senate and house textual copies of the instructions given by him to Governor Taft for his guidance in dealing with the vatican respecting the acquisition by the United States of the friars lands in the Philippines. These instructions were exhibited yesterday by Governor Taft to the vatican officials and served the purpose of credentials.

Governor Taft is authorized to visit Rome on his return journey to the Philippines, and there ascertain what church authorities have the power to negotiate for and determine upon a sale of the lands of the religious orders in the Philippine islands, and if you find, as we are informed, that the officers of the church at Rome have such power and authority you will endeavor to attain the results above indicated. Any negotiations which you may enter upon are always subject to granting of power by congress to follow the negotiations by binding action.

Governor Taft is requested to bear in mind in the course of his negotiations with the other side that the purchase of the lands must be on the propositions of "a complete separation of church and state, with the freedom of each from any control or interference by the other; religious orders can no longer perform in behalf of the state the duties in relation to public instruction and public charities formerly resting upon them; no rents can be collected from the populous communities occupying their lands unless it be by the intervention of the civil government; it is the wish of our government that the titles of religious orders to large tracts of land which they now hold shall be extinguished, but full compensation shall be paid."

Governor Taft is informed that his errand to Rome will not be in any sense diplomatic in its nature, but is purely a business matter of negotiations for the purchase of the property from the owners.

Oldest Gypsy Queen Dead.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Harrisburg, June 6.—Ezra Lovell, who claimed to be the oldest gypsy queen in this country, died this afternoon in the camp of her band in this city, aged 93 years.

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER.

Local data for June 6, 1902: Highest temperature ..... 81 degrees Lowest temperature ..... 62 degrees Relative humidity ..... 68 per cent. Precipitation, 24 hours ended 8 p. m., none.