

OUR DISTINGUISHED VISITOR

LI HUNG CHANG

Arrived Friday Morning on the American Liner St. Paul.

Li Hung Chang, viceroy of China, ambassador extraordinary to Russia and world-renowned diplomat, arrived in New York on the 25th and became the guest of the nation.

The steady St. Louis passed Fire Island at 10:35 a. m. with the distinguished visitor on board. The American built greyhound of the seas made the trip from Southampton in six days and three hours.

The fleet presented a magnificent spectacle, the rays of a brilliant sun lighting up the highly polished railings and protruding runs, with dazzling effect.

The visit of Li Hung Chang to the United States is not of an official character. He has no special mission from his emperor, although he bears an autograph letter from his royal highness to President Cleveland.

He has just completed an extensive tour of Germany, France and England, where he was received with the greatest honor.

A CITY ANNIHILATED.

Business Houses, Mills, and Other Property Burned.

Ontonagon, Mich., was destroyed by fire Tuesday afternoon. Of the city of about 2,000 population hardly a house is left standing.

A message was sent to Supt. McInturn of the St. Paul railway at Green Bay asking for a train to take the people away.

HOKE SMITH'S SUCCESSOR.

Ex-Governor Francis, of Missouri, Chosen Secretary of the Interior.

President Cleveland announced Monday that David B. Francis, ex-governor of Missouri, had been appointed secretary of the Interior.

David Rowland Francis was born in Madison county, Kentucky, October 1, 1836. He entered Washington university, St. Louis, and graduated in 1858.

Struck an Iceberg.

Capt. Burnside and 22 of the crew of the British tramp steamer Moldava, were picked up at sea in three open boats by the Anchor line steamer Cronaca, which arrived at New York, August 25, from Glasgow.

Spanish Defeats.

Thomas Estrada Palma, president of the Cuban junta at New York, received a letter from General Calixto Garcia of the Cuban army.

SCALE SIGNED AT ELWOOD.

The Amalgamated Association Wins a Big Victory.

The American Tin Plate Co. of Elwood, Ind., Tuesday morning signed the Amalgamated association scale after having prepared for a long fight with the association.

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TURKS GO RIOTING.

Armed Mobs Loot the Ottoman Bank in Constantinople.

A dispatch to a local London news agency from Constantinople says: Mobs were in possession of a large part of Constantinople last night.

The rioters mounted the roof of the building, and from the open windows fired at the police in the street below.

THE TURKS DEFEATED.

The Lost 80 Killed and 47 Wounded in a Battle with Christians.

The most serious fighting which has been recorded in Crete up to the present time occurred Friday, when the Christians in the mountains organized a strong expedition against a number of Moslem villages in the Heraklion district.

UNITED STATES TOO SLOW.

European Countries Getting the Choice Space in the Paris Exposition.

The French Government is rapidly perfecting the details for the International Exposition to be held in Paris in 1900, commemorating the birth of the century.

President Cleveland called the attention of Congress to the invitation in his annual message last December, and expressed the most earnest hope that steps would be taken for an adequate representation by the United States.

It appears, however, that Great Britain, Germany and other leading powers have been quick to accept, and the French government is allotting space to these countries.

NEWS NOTES.

W. N. Winans, a Detroit drygoods dealer, committed suicide by jumping into the river. He was in financial trouble.

THE GOLD DEMOCRATS ORGANIZING.

A THIRD PARTY.

The Jefferson Democrats Ready for an Active Campaign.

A new political party has been born in Pennsylvania, and it will be known upon the official ballots as the "Jefferson" party.

The convention adopted a strong, old-fashioned Democratic platform, adopted Pennsylvania's electors for the national Democratic party's nominees for president and vice-president.

The most notable feature of the convention was the unanimous election of headquarters to be opened at the Bullitt building at an early date.

First—That the Chicago convention was un-democratic and must be repudiated by every honest and patriotic Democrat.

Second—That a third party is essential in order to restore the real Democracy from drifting into Republicanism.

Third—That the Allentown platform, pledging the party to the gold standard and insuring the administration of President Cleveland, represents the sentiment of an overwhelming majority of the Democrats of Pennsylvania.

CLEVELAND INDORSER.

Massachusetts Gold Standard Democrats Repudiate the Chicago Platform.

The convention of gold standard Democrats of Massachusetts, to adopt a platform and elect delegates to the Indianapolis convention, was called to order in Boston, August 23th by ex-Mayor Frederick O. Prince.

Hon. J. Russell Reed was made temporary chairman. Committees were appointed on permanent organization, on resolutions and on names of delegates to the Indianapolis convention.

GOLD STANDARD DEMOCRATS.

John C. Black Nominated for Governor of Illinois.

The gold standard Democrats of Illinois nominated the following state ticket: For governor, John C. Black; lieutenant-governor, Chester A. Babcock; secretary of state, Charles S. Wiley; auditor, F. E. Bruck; treasurer, Edward J. Maguire; attorney general, William S. Foran; trustee of state university, R. H. Butey; C. E. Babcock and August Nichols.

The convention was bitterly against Gov. Altgeld and the Chicago platform, and it had no hesitancy in declaring its position. The platform omitted any reference to Gov. Altgeld, although Monday night it was the intention to allude to him in terms more or less pointed.

The platform has but little to say regarding the Chicago platform, and in its declaration for the gold standard. The platform demanded "the retirement of the United States government from the banking business and gradual redemption and cancellation of the United States and treasury notes."

Steel Company Closes.

Thomas K. Atkins was appointed receiver of the Union Steel company, at Anderson, Ind. It is capitalized at \$1,500,000 and claims to have \$1,000,000 invested in stock, machinery and plant at Alexandria.

OHIO GOLD DEMOCRATS.

The Chicago Platform Rejected As Undemocratic and Revolutionary.

The state convention of the national Democratic party was called to order at Columbus, O., August 27, by ex-congressman Joseph H. Outwaite. It represents the Ohio Democrats who favor the gold standard.

When the convention reassembled there were 250 delegates in attendance, representing every county in the state. There was also a large number of spectators.

The resolutions declared for the maintenance of the present gold dollar as the American unit of value.

After the adoption of the resolutions delegates and electors-at-large were chosen as follows: Delegates-at-large—Hon. Joseph H. Outwaite, of Columbus; Hon. George E. Soney, of Tiffin; William E. Haynes, of Fremont; Michael Ryan, of Cincinnati.

Delegates-at-large—W. A. Lynch, of Canton; W. W. Williams, of Columbus. Electors-at-large—It was decided that the state central committee should act as an executive committee and that it should name candidates for judge of the supreme court and food commissioner on the Democratic state ticket, instead of the Populists.

NEW YORK NOMINATIONS.

Congressman Black Heads the Republican State Ticket.

Congressman Frank S. Black, of Troy, was nominated for Governor by the Republican State convention at Saratoga on the fourth ballot.

As the fourth ballot proceeded it was seen that Mr. Black would be nominated. When Mr. Black made a brief speech of thanks.

Timothy E. Woodruff, of Brooklyn, was nominated for Lieutenant Governor on the first ballot over Titus Sheard and Nevada N. Stranahan.

Whitney Vanderbilt. A Wedding of Great Interest to Newport's Exclusive Set.

The wedding of Miss Gertrude Vanderbilt, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt to Mr. Harry Payne Whitney, eldest son of the former secretary of the navy.

A Michigan Banker Shoots His Wife and Kills Himself.

Church & Sons, bankers of Lowell, Mich., closed their doors Monday and posted a notice announcing that, owing to inability to realize on assets, they were temporarily unable to meet their obligations.

CONDEMNED ITEMS.

The Henry Schenk Co. of Erie, Pa., were bidders \$21,373 for the interior furnishing of the new postoffice at Tauton, Mass.

THE BOMBARDMENT OF ZANZIBAR.

A BRITISH VICTORY.

British Gunboats Shell the Usurping Sultan From His Palace.

The English foreign office has received dispatches from Zanzibar stating that the usurping sultan, Said Khalid, having refused to surrender, in accordance with the terms of the British consulate ultimatum, the palace was bombarded by the warships in the harbor.

A later dispatch says that Said Khalid and his leading adherents made their escape and took refuge in the German consulate.

Other dispatches from Zanzibar say that the bombardment of the palace lasted fifty minutes. The firing was done by the warships Raceon, Thrush and Sparrow.

M'KINLEY IS FOR GOLD.

His Position Clearly Defined in His Letter.

Major McKinley gave out his letter of acceptance on the 26th. It is addressed to Senator John M. Thurston, chairman, and the members of the notification committee named by the Republican national convention.

COXEY LED FUSIONISTS.

Ohio Populists Successfully Treated With the Populists.

The populist State convention at Springfield, O., after agreeing on fusion at the end of a three-hour debate Wednesday night, was called to order Thursday morning at 9 to hear further reports of committees and nominate a state ticket.

Coxey was chairman of the Populist committee to confer with the Democrats on fusion. As the Populists had 32,000 votes in the last Ohio election, this fall on account of the fusion promises to be interesting.

THREE TRAINS WRECKED.

Collision on the P. & W. in Which 23 Persons Were Injured.

A horrible railroad disaster occurred Monday morning at 11 o'clock on the Pittsburgh and Western road, near Valencia station, 22 miles above Allegheny, in which 23 persons were badly injured.

THEY FORTIFY THEMSELVES AND DEFY THE LOCAL OFFICERS.

A telegram from the United States marshal at Santa Fe, N. M., states that the Searg gang of postoffice robbers with other outlaws are fortified in Grant county, N. M., and that owing to the fact that many of the ranchers are in sympathy with the robbers it is difficult to procure a posse to effect their arrest.

Peary Heard From.

News reached St. John's N. F., from Turnavick, Labrador, that the steamer Hope, now on route for the Arctic ocean, commanded by Lieut. Peary, reached there July 29 after a quick run from Sydney.

A Family Murdered.

TRADE REVIEW.

Failures Have Been Very Heavy. Stoppage of Work Continues.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says: Clearinghouse certificates have not been issued, but instead gold is coming hither largely on the swiftest steamers.

The stoppage of work also continues, including among other concerns the Illinois steel plant at Hammond, Ind., and the Lake Side Nail works there.

Coke production at Connellsville decreased 10,000 tons last week, further decrease being expected.

Speculation in products caused an advance of 1.82c in wheat, but by Thursday it had been lost only to rise again and close at near the top.

Bradstreet's review says: Changes in stock market values for the past week have, on the whole, been unimportant.

WARSHIP SENT TO TURKEY.

The Sultan Will Be Made to Pay Indemnity to This Government.

The President has ordered the naval academy training ship Baneroff to go to Constantinople.

THOUSANDS WERE KILLED.

The Constantinople Riots Could Have Been Prevented.

MORE GOLD COMING.

Nearly \$10,000,000 Now on the Way From Europe.

The importation of gold is assuming large proportions and, according to foreign bankers, the influx is likely to continue for some time.

JONES PICKS HIS ADVISERS.

Teller, Du Bois and Butler Three of the Six Whom He Selects.

Chairman Jones, of the Democratic National committee, has appointed the advisory committee of six from outside of the Democratic party to act as his advisers in the campaign.

A TOWN BESIEGED.

Cuban Insurgents Surround Banes and Make Trouble.