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The flag symbolizes our purposes and our aspirations; it represents what we believe and what we mean to maintain...

Talk about your political bosses, what's the matter with Wm. J.?

The sound money men in the democratic party can be led up to the 16 to 1 trough, but they cannot be made to drink.

The democratic convention at Kansas City said: "We will adopt the 16 to 1 plank in the Chicago platform, but for God's sake don't say anything about it."

Windel, the freak who has made a failure of everything he has ever undertaken in his life, has now quit everything and is making democratic speeches, which is very appropriate, indeed.

A man made an investment on the "board of trade," and he was asked if he realized anything from his investment. He said that he realized that a fool and his money were soon parted.—Ex. Who said that this meant Stuck, the Odell newspaper man?

The democratic national convention was bossed by Bryan, and his principal lieutenants were Boss Croker, of Tammany Hall, New York; Benjamin Tillman, of South Carolina; Altgeld, of Illinois; Williams, of Massachusetts, and a few other rank silver men.

The fact that Wm. J. Bryan is the same age as Judge Yates, rather knocks out the democratic argument that Yates is too young to be governor. Yates and Bryan went to school together, graduated together, but Yates was ahead of Bryan in the class.

Carter H. Harrison said in his speech before the resolutions committee at Kansas City, that with the 16 to 1 plank relegated to the rear, he thought there was a chance to carry Illinois, but with a specific issue on that question there was no show. It is evident that Carter will have to take to the woods.

The STAR and HERALD is in receipt of a neat little volume, "Newspaper Blue Book," published by the Twentieth Century Press Clipping Bureau, New York Life Building, Chicago. It contains a list of the best newspapers in the country, and after looking into the worth of papers in Livingston county, the STAR and HERALD and Fairbury Blade are put down



WILLIAM J. BRYAN

Unanimously Nominated by the Democratic Convention at Kansas City, Thursday, July 5 at 8 p. m. on a 16 to 1 Silver Platform.

The Platform Committee Fought for Eleven Hours on the Money Plank, the Vote Standing 26 to 24 in Favor of a Special Mention of 16 to 1.

After one of the hottest fights ever held in a political convention, William J. Bryan was nominated unanimously as the democratic nominee for president at 8:46 Thursday in Kansas City in the presence of 20,000 people.

The fight was not over the nomination of Bryan, but as to whether a special mention of 16 to 1 should be made in the platform or not. The eastern democrats headed by David B. Hill, and Illinois delegates by Carter Harrison were against it, but Mr. Bryan refused to run on any other platform, and he won out. This action virtually makes the 1900 campaign about the same as 1896.

Mr. Bryan allowed the convention to make the "anti-imperialism" plank in the platform the leader, and they condemned everything the republican party ever done and everything they thought the party ever would do.

The arguments made against silver by many of the ablest and most substantial democrats in the party, during the session of the committee on platform will make some pretty good campaign literature. The New York delegate, Van Wyke, and Harrison, of Illinois, and others, said it meant defeat, but they will probably hedge.

The convention was a great one, and Mr. Bryan's wonderful power and hold upon the party was thoroughly demonstrated. He made a wonderful fight in 1896 and certainly deserved the honor this year.

as the representative papers of the county, having the circulation and standing for news and advertising purposes.

The democrats can pass resolutions and "view with fear, alarm and trembling," and "condemn" everything in sight, but it cuts no figure. Times continue good, and the farmer gets more for his crops and can afford to pay a little more for necessities, so that the dealer, the manufacturer, the mechanic and the laborer can make more money and get better wages to buy what the farmer has to sell. The people are not looking for fairy stories but for realities, and they will never be fooled again like they were in 1892.

The postmaster at Dwight is in receipt of a neat little pamphlet containing a practical, eloquent speech on "The Postal Money Order System of the United States." The speech was delivered at the second annual convention of postmasters at Marshalltown, Iowa, by Hon. J. T. Metcalf, the superin-

tendent of the system in this country. He gives a history of the service, notes its wonderful growth and advantages over any other manner of transferring money—one of which is absolute safety. The address also contains much good, wholesome advice to postmasters and employees.

There is a strong sympathy for the Boers in their struggle in South Africa, and their envoys were perfectly satisfied with the official action of the administration. But they were disgusted with the action of democratic gatherings passing resolutions and making promises which they knew was only done to influence the German voters in this country. The German republicans understand all the tricks of the democrats and can't be fooled into supporting a party which resolves without any resolution.

There were thousands of good, sound, prosperous democrats all over this country awaiting the result at Kansas City as to whether

the convention would go off on another 16 to 1 wild goose chase or not. The result is that Bryan has proven himself to be the biggest boss any party ever had, and made the convention and party swallow 16 to 1 against the judgment of the solid men of the country who have affiliated with the party up to 1896. It makes no difference what other arguments are presented, or what justice there is in them, no party can win which advocates 16 to 1.

The situation in China is very precarious. It is reported that the Emperor and Empress Dowager have both committed suicide under compulsion of Prince Tuan. The latter is in full command and it is reported that all foreigners have been ordered killed. As China has a population of about 400,000,000 and Prince Tuan is a fighter and has a million well armed men who are utterly devoid of sentiment, and evidently think they have been wronged in many ways, it looks like a bloody fight to a finish, and one of the fiercest and longest wars of the world.

President McKinley will be very much surprised when he is notified next Thursday at his home in Canton, Ohio, that he has received the republican nomination for president.

Governor Roosevelt was given one of the greatest ovations ever given anyone on his trip to and from attending the reunion of his Rough Rider regiment in Oklahoma.

The gold men in the democratic party wanted to get back into the ranks, but the silver men didn't do a thing but kick them out again.

Second Annual Excursion to Notre Dame—

Father Meier of the St. Anthony's church of Streator, Ill. has just returned from Notre Dame and St. Mary's where he completed arrangements for running their second Annual Excursion from Streator to Notre Dame and return at the low rate of \$1 for the round trip; full fare, and 60 cts. for children. This excursion will be run Wednesday July 11. Special train consisting of twelve coaches and baggage car will leave Streator at 6 a. m. on the above date, making only three stops for passengers, Dwight, Kankakee and Monec e. Extra coaches will be put on our regular train leaving Streator at 7:15 a. m. on the above date and this train will pick up passengers from all stations. Special train will leave Notre Dame at 7 p. m. returning. Refreshments will be served on the train. Arrangements have been made for conducting excursionists through Notre Dame and St. Mary's also arrangements have been made for dinner at South Bend. A special train will leave the 3:1 depot at South Bend, at 2:30 p. m. on July 11, for Notre Dame and the fare from South Bend to Notre Dame will be five cents. The train returning to Streator will start from Notre Dame at 7 p. m. Special time card for stations along the line will be furnished later and appear on bills. Call on 3:1 agents for further particulars or address.

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Thomas Muncey, aged 90 years, died the other day at Little Creek, Del. He never saw a railroad train, never drank liquor or used tobacco.

ALL HAVE BEEN KILLED.

Massacre of Every Foreigner in Peking Is Reported to Have Occurred.

THE LAST OF THE LEGATIONS BURNED.

Marines Sent to Guard the Ministers Share Their Fate—Army of Half a Million Necessary to Subjugate Northern China—Battleship Oregon Off the Rocks.

Washington, July 2.—The navy department has received a cablegram from Capt. Wilde, of the Oregon, dated Chefoo, Saturday confirming the report that his ship is aground 50 miles from Taku. The Iris and another relief ship are now with the Oregon. The point where the Oregon grounded is 50 miles west-northwest of Chefoo. Taku is 150 miles west of Pinnacle rock, where she struck.

German Minister Was Butchered.

London, July 2.—Official dispatches received by the consular body at Shanghai, an express cable dated Shanghai, July 1, says, confirm in the fullest manner the report of the butchery of Baron Von Ketteler, the German minister, on June 18. The ambassador was riding on Legation street when he was attacked by Chinese troops and Boxers, dragged from his horse and killed. His body was hacked to pieces with swords. The German legation and six other buildings were burned and a number of servants of the legations were killed and their bodies thrown into the flames.

Will Declare War.

Berlin, July 2.—Germany will declare war because of Von Ketteler's murder, and Russia, Japan and France will follow, but England and America will act slowly. Prince Tuan, father of the heir apparent, is said to have usurped imperial authority and ordered the attack on the legations, and caused the flight of the empress dowager. London reports that all provinces south of the Yellow river formed a new confederacy with Nanking as capital, under protection of the powers.

All Are Slain.

Shanghai, July 5.—Three Chinese servants of foreigners, it is rumored from a good source, have escaped from Peking. They report that all the foreigners, 1,000 in number, including 400 soldiers, 100 members of the Chinese customs staff and a number of women and children held out till their ammunition was exhausted in the British legation. The legation finally was burned and all the foreigners were killed.

Council of War.

London, July 5.—A dispatch from Taku dated Saturday, June 30, and Chefoo, Tuesday, July 3, says that the British and Russian admirals at a council of war held on June 30, decided that it was impossible to attempt to relieve Peking without greatly increased forces. They also concluded that it would be possible to hold Tientsin, but in the event of this not proving feasible, they will endeavor to retain possession of Taku. One hundred and forty thousand imperial troops are stationed between Peking and Tientsin, while the total of the allied forces which can be concentrated at the present barely number 20,000. It is reported that Gen. Nich-Si-Chang is advancing for an attack on Tientsin with 90,000 troops.

Need Increased Forces.

A dispatch to the Express from Shanghai says that according to the best military estimates, 500,000 men will be necessary to subjugate northern China, and even then it will take two or three years. The forces of the Chinese empire have gathered such motion that even Japan's full strength, launched now, will be unequal to the task of restoring order.

The morning papers publish editorials regarding the impotence of the great powers as shown by their inability to save their ministers.

Barbarities.

Revolting stories are told of barbarities practiced upon Japanese and European prisoners captured on the way to Peking, though it was not known before that Admiral Seymour lost any prisoners. The Chinese troops marching toward Tientsin, the Chinese say, left behind them trails of rapine, fire and blood. Native women were ravished and children were cut in two.

An edict of Prince Tuan has reached Shanghai ordering the southern viceroys to assemble the vassal Chinese fleet and to attack the warships at Shanghai.

Japan is reported to be landing an army at Peetauhs, to the northward of Taku. The Japanese generals are believed to be about to move toward Peking, following the plan previously formulated.

Cost Seven Lives.

Philadelphia, July 5.—A blank cartridge fired at close range by a small colored boy into a large collection of fireworks of a highly explosive character cost the lives of seven children, and severe burns and lacerations to 24 other persons, only one of whom was an adult.

Heat Causes Eight Deaths.

Chicago, July 5.—The thermometer registered 90 degrees steadily throughout Wednesday, with scarcely any breeze. Up to midnight eight deaths and four prostrations were reported.

Eight Lives Lost.

Hoboken, N. J., July 5.—Fire in a crowded tenement house in this city caused the loss of eight lives.

Many Buildings Burned.

York, Pa., July 5.—A fire at East Prospect Wednesday destroyed 22 buildings. Loss, \$50,000.

The July number of McClure's Magazine contains several notable features; among them a story by Rudyard Kipling, articles on W. J. Bryan, on Railways in China, and on our diplomatic relations with Great Britain.

An article that will attract particular attention at this time is that in the July McClure's on "Railway Development in China," by Mr. Barclay Parsons, with illustrations from photographs and maps. Bret Harte contributes a story of a romantic episode in a California mining camp, and Cyrus Townsend Brady writes of the "Fall of Quebec." "The Sea Builders," an illustrated article on lighthouses and life-saving stations, is also found in this issue.

To dress well is an art, and all women are not artists. How to dress appropriate to the occasion is a possible acquirement for every one, and according to the old English proverb, "All in fine that is fit." A truly refined woman would rather follow than lead a fashion, and she is not well dressed who seems, herself, to be secondary to her clothes.—July Ladies' Home Journal.

If her hostess does her own work the girl guest who is thoughtful may properly give a helping hand in washing the dishes, or dusting the parlor, but this help must be tactfully offered and not intrusively urged; some women are averse to assistance from their guests.—July Ladies' Home Journal.

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