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That Esterhazy and Dreyfus are to be Grouped Together

Says Esterhazy Has Chang- M'LEAN NOMINATED Handwriter His Since Accused.

General Staff Now Fighting Every Point Favorable to Dreyfus.

This is Regarded as a Hopeful Indication-Judges are not Leagued With the Army Conspirators

Rennes, Aug. 30,-Everybody, the defense included, is mystified by today's developments in the court room and the precincts thereof. General Mercier, who heretofore had at least the excuse of his name being mentioned to justify his interruption of the proceedings, today raised a point in regard to the authorship of the bordereau hich apparently bore strongly in the prisoner's favor. He insisted upon the importance of a declaration made by one or two witnesses that Esterhazy, from the date his name was first connected with the bordereau, changed the style of his handwriting.

The defense from the first thought this strange move was the preliminary of the development of a diabolical scheme for the prevention of the acquittal of Dreyfus simply on the ground that he did not write the bordereau. There is now strong confirmation of the fact that the headquarters coterie is preparing to launch the theory that Dreyfus was associated in his treason with Esterhazy and Weill, and that he is no less guilty because he was not the actual writer of the bor-

Mercier, however, made no attempt today to follow up his suggestion about Esterhazy's change of handwriting, and the lawyers for the defense acknowledge themselves somewhat puzzled by his manoeuvre. They are also disappointed that the breach among the generals has been apparamently healed, for Boisdeffre no longer holds aloof from Mercier, Roget and the other extremists. The latter show a marked revival of their spirits, which have been manifestly depressed during the last three or four days by the overwhelming evidence that the defendant is their victim in no sense.

One of the best signs of the situation s the fact that the generals are making the most determined struggle at every point raised. This is excellent evidence that there is no collusion with the judges, and that the trial is genuine in every sense of the word. There is no doubt they will make every possible use of appeals to the esprit de corps, professional prejudice, etc. But they must convince the judges that the prisoner is guilty in order to obtain a verdict to that effect. The defense has still confidence on this point, therefore do not fear an attempt to force the judges to decide the case upon all the issues, instead of upon the bordereau alone In fact, Labori and Demange will welcome a desperate move of the generals, which they expect.

THE COURT MARTIAL

Rennes, Aug. 30.-In the opening in the Lycee this morning M. Paul Meyer member of the institute and director of the school of ancient manuscripts, was the first witness called. He deposed in favor of Dreyfus. After hearing MM. Molinier and Giry and M. Picot, member of the institute, all of whom testified in favor of Dreyfus, General Deloye testified against the prisoner on the artimery reference in the bordereau. Then the court on the application of Major Carriere ordered the opening part of tombrrow's session behind closed doors for the purpose of discussing documents relating to the artillery. The evidence of Meyer, Molinier and Giry, handwriting experts of the first rank, was a strong point for Dreyfus. They were most emphatic in declaring the bordereau written by Esterhazy



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S. L. McKEE,

and created a better impression than Bertillon by not introducing fantistic diagrams which the latter deemed nec-

The action of General Mercier in asking permission to reply to General Molinier and then getting up and confirming the --ofessor's statement that Esterhazy changed the handwriting since 1894 puzzled the audience. There unsolicited testimony today an indication of a change of attitude, perhaps a prelude to a candid avowal of the mistakes of 1894. On the other hand many persons think General Mercier, fearing Saturday's exposure will discredit him altogether with the judges, has conceived the idea of giving way on certain points which are almost incontestable and thus reinstate himself by an affectation of impartiality.

Journalist---Principles of the Party in Ohio.

Zanesville, Aug. 30.-John R. McLean was nominated for governor by the democratic convention this afternoon. The voite stood: McLean, 402 1-2; Kilbourn, 22; remainder scattering. Mc-Lean's nomination was made unanimous. Judge A. W. Patrict was nominated for lieutenant governor: W. H. Dore, for attorney general; D. C. Badger, for supreme court judge: G. W. Sigerfoss, for auditor, and J. I. Morman for treasurer.

party shall make. There is no differof Ohio stands squarely upon every plank of the Chicago platform of 1896. We believed it them and we believe it his courage.

"The people who sent us here do not believe in a double standard of democtest today.

in the United States and it is argued at Chicago was declined. that this makes most strongly against our position. That there has been a revival none will deny, and that the revival is not confined to this country our adversaries will certainly not comtend. Revival of trade in Canada, Germany and Mexico, as well as the United States, proves too much for the republican party has nothing in ecommon with Ger- Heavy Cars Crash Into Passenger many, holds Mexico as a 'horrible example, and till it yields up a portion of Alaska, will mot be re-established cousinly terms with Canada.

favored a tariff to eliminate competition so that the favorites of the govern-

perialism," said the speaker, "we in no and the smoking cars and sending them manner abandon our soldiers in the field. over an embankment. Every passenger But at the same time whenever a purse- on the smoker was more or less injurproud. trust-controlled administration ed. Arthur Neely, of Belleville, died of dares array our flag or forces against a his injuries, after being removed from people fighting for the God-given right the wreck. Sixteen in all were injured, to rule themselves, whenever the sum total of a people's offending is that they nine seriously. desire to be free, it will be the duty of the democratic party to be brave enough to expose the pretense, to tear the mask from the covered face of fraud and greed and avarice, and proclaim that the recognition of such a war for such a purpose is un-American and must be brought to a close. We proclaim that there shall be beneath our flag no slaves, no subjects, no colonies who cannot be citizens, and, lest we be late, we proclaim it now. We affirm that the war in the Philippines, as at present conducted, is one of criminal aggression, and we find no difference in the situation the administration occupies, than the one occupied by Spain in the Philippines before the surrender. Whatever rights we have were acquired by purchase from Spain; our right is no higher.

ONE BRUTE KILLS ANOTHER.

ton county, at Rischer's postoffice Monin an attrocions crime.

On June 16th these two men visited the house where L. H. Leitch and David be utilized in the Philippines. Meetze were living with their newly married wives, and at the point of their pistols forced the husbands to leave the premises. During the struggle with the women Mrs. Leitch was shot; Attaway ately. McLeod is now under arrest.

TO THE CUBANS

are some people who see in Mercier's Published in Havana---The Establishment of Self Government.

Havana, Aug. 30.-McKinley's proclamation was published today. It is dated August 17, and addressed to the Cubans. It says that the disorganized condition of the island resulting from the war and the absence of generally recognized authority aside from millitary control makes it necessary that the United States should follow the restoration of order by giving its assistance to the establishment of self-gov-FOR GOVERNOR ance to the establishment of self-govin the performance of this duty he has directed that a census be taken. The people are urged to aid the census offi-Easy Victory for Millionaire cers by all means in their power in the performance of their duties.

BAR ASSOCIATION SENDS MESSAGE TO LABORI

Spmpathy and Appridiation of His Courage-Officers Elected.

Buffalo, Aug. 30.-The National Bar association had a lively debate today on the resolution extending sympathy to Labori. Opinion was divided as to hurled from the car. the propriety of the resolution, fears being expressed that it would prejudice Judge W. P. Mooney, as temporary the Dreyfus case. The resolution was chairman of the convention, spoke on finally adopted, stating that without the national issues. He said in part: intending to pass on the merits of the "There will be today no contest as to case on trial the bar association asthe platform declarations which our sures their professional brother, Labori, of their sympathy for his sufference of opinion. The democratic party ing from assault while in the discharge of duty and expressed apreciation of

> The secretary was directed to cable the resolution to Labori. Charles F. Manderson, of Nebraska.

racy. In 1896 the test was 'Are you loyal was elected president of the associatreasurer. The invitation to send a "We are pointed to a business revival delegation to the anti-trust convention lost.

TRAIN BREAKS IN TWO AND CAUSES WRECK.

Train-Sixteen Persons Injured New York, Aug. 30.-This afternoon

a train on the Upper Mont Clair and Mr. Mooney said, however, that the Greenwood Lake branch of the Erie money question was not the only issue road broke in two as it was being back in the campaign, and talked about ed from a siding to the main track. trusts. "Must not that party, which Two cars, one loaded with coal, the ment might plunder the pockets of the and steadily gained momentum on the abouts. The affairs of the bank are people, be in favor of trusts while they down grade toward Arlington. Near take the people by the throat?" he the latter place they crashed into an accommodation train from Jersey City. "In condemning the doctrine of im- derailing the engine and the baggage

NEW AND DESTRUCTIVE CUN TO BE TRIED AT SANDY HOOK

May be Used in Philippines-Throws Bursting Shells.

Washington, Aug. 30 .- Secretary Root and Major General Miles left for New York today to attend a meeting of the board of ordnance and fortifications at Sandy Hook tomorrow. While there Root will inspect the fortifications and witness tests of several guns and probably the Isham shell gun, which will engage his particular attention. This is a new mountain gun constructed by the Maxim-Norderfelt company. Root Columbia, S. C., Aug. 30.-John Atta- is very much interested in this gun. It way, a white man, was killed in Lexing- is constructed for transportation on a Dr. M. A. Simmons Liver Medicine in mule's back and is designed for firing my family many years. Its timely use day evening, by one McLeod. The two a twenty-pound shell filled with a men had been close friends and partners bursting charge which will set fire to buildings and huts. It probably will

GENERALS FOR A NEW ARMY. Washington, Aug. 30 .- One addition-

al major general and five additional said it was accidental, but the woman brigadier generals will be appointed maintained he did the shooting deliber- by McKinley for the new volunteer army. Under the army reorganization ...Oakland Heights Hotel...

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law the president is authorized to appoint one major general for every 12,000 enlisted men. It is believed the selection of these officers will be taken up on McKinley's return.

STRANGE MOUNTAIN PHENOMENON

Special to the Gazette.

Alto, N. C., Aug. 30.-A strange phenomenon occurred here Monday night, The great Rocky Face mountain which stands a gigantic giant between Hayphosphorescent light making it a weird spectacle indeed. The tip of the mountain looked like one continuous pillar of fire slowly rolling round and round and gradually fading to an ashy brown, finally disappearing. No cause is known.

CAR BLOWN UP IN CLEVELAND

Eighteen Passengers and the Motorman and Conductor Injured.

Cleveland, Aug. 30 .- A car on the Consolidated line was blown up by dynamite tonight at the corner of Wilson and Scovill streets. The car was shattered and a big hole torn in the

Eighteen passengers on the car were all injured, six seriously. The motorman and conductor were

also seriously injured. The passengers were thrown from

their seats and suffered principally from shock and cuts from flying glass. Windows in houses for several blocks n the vicinity of the explosion were shattered. There is no clew to the perpetrators

of the outrage.

ARIZONA TOWN DESTROYED.

almost wholly destroyed by fire today. to the platform?' and that is the Ohio tion; Francis Rawle was re-elected It is reported there are several lives

A MESSAGE RECEIVED FROM CASHIER SLOAN

Says He Has not Embezzled a Cent From Wilmington's Sayings Bank.

Washington, D. C., Aug. 30.-George Sloan, the missing cashier of the Wilmington Savings bank, was heard from today through a letter written to his wife, who is at Lincolnton. He earnestly vows in the letter that he has not his followers should not be politicians, embezzled a cent from the bank, and if they want to be; but it is always other with stone flagging, broke away says he will soon disclose his whererunning smoothly. The work of examining the accounts is progressing.

SAVED FROM LYNCHING MOBS

From Other Jails.

Raleigh, N. C., Aug. 30.-Joe Jefferson, who murdered Calvin Barnes, a prominent citizen of Wilson county. was brought here early this morning represents Mr. Pecksniff strolling along and placed in jail. A mob gathered at a pathway in a wood, the bare boughs Wilson last night to lynch him, when of whose trees made an archway over he was spirited away by officers. Jef- his head and a vista of light beyond. ferson, who shot Barnes in the back as His hands, with palms together, were the latter was riding with two of his on his breast, and his eyes were turned little granddaughters, gloats over the heavenward, and there was about him

brought here and jailed this morning among the last year's leaves the placid to save them from an angry mob that Pecksniff strolled." surrounded the fail at Durham to lynch them.

ber the "odorless." For sale by Mrs. L. article on Section 5, published about the A. Johnson, 27 N. Main street.

J. H. Howard, Surveyor, Person Co., Roseville, N. C., writes: I have used prevents many diseases. It does all are not sustained by either the history claimed for it. I prefer it to Black of our country or the decided cases. Draught and Zeilin's.

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QUESTION

wood and Buncombe, was lit up with a Some Plain Facts About the Proposed Amendment.

> Lineal Descendent Section Clearly Unconstitutional-

Supreme Court not the Creature of Fleeting Public Sentiment.

The Silly Cry of Negro Domination-Interesting Article on the Campaign Issue by Frank Nash. Editor of the Gazette.

In reading the opinions of judges whom I have never seen, I have the habit of forming some mental conception, not only of the ability, but of the appearance and personality of those judges. Of course as I discover afterwards, I miss as often as I hit the mark; yet there is something fascinating in the operation, while at the same time it gives interest to and fastens the attention upon Yuma, Ariz., Aug. 30.—This town was those opinions.

Now, Mr. Simmons, in his latest col-

lection of arguments for the proposed

suffrage provision, has saved me all this trouble, for a likeness of its author accompanies each one of them. These authors, however, are not judges, not by any manner of means, but simple advocates of the pro side of a legal and political question. All of them are politicians, too, or have held political office. Some of them are old sinners in this regard. Others have heretofore taken what they fondly imagine to be a rear seat in the synagogue, and aire anxiously craning their necks less they should be forgotten and not be invited to come up higher. All of them are, of course, able men, men of reputation and character; and, as their Great Leader, Mr. Bryan, makes politics a profession, there is no reason why they well to be wisely cautious in giving full credence to interested judges or advocates, or witnesses or politicians.

Governor Jarvis is a man of much more than ordinary ability as a man and political manager, well balanced and generally wise, and he is withal kind and benevolent. I think there is no hypocrisy in his make-up, except Three Prisoners Taken to Raleigh when he is soft-sawdering a sovereign, and of this art he is past grand master. But to save my life, when reading his article. I could not prevent the memory of an illustration in Dickens' "Mar-+:- Chuzzlewit" from haunting me. It an indescribable atmosphere of benev-Melville Parker and Andy McAdams, Jolence, of goodness and of wisdom. colored, charged with rape, were also Underneath was this legend: "Rustling

Judge Conner, too, has an enviable reputation in the state, as a lawyer, as a judge and as a man. But compare When you buy a refrigerator, remem- his Bar association address with his same time. In the former he is clear, able, dignified and self-confident; in the latter his argument, if argument it may be called, is enveloped in a haze of words. He lays down principles that He seems to join in the hue and cry of his smaller colleagues against those who dare to differ with them as to the constitutionality of Section 5. They, to them, are either interested politicians ("wretches concentered all in self") or vaporing fools. So his dignity therein appears a strut and his self-confidence mere pretence.

Having given these general impressions, I proceed now to examine more minutely some of the positions taken Our SUGAR minutely some of the positions taken by these gentlemen. Judge Conner

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