

STRIKE SITUATION; THE LABOR CHIEFS DECLINE OFFERS

President Donnelly Declares the Acceptance of the Packers' Offers of a Settlement is Impossible. Where the Hitch is Said to Be.

There are No Signs of Rioting and the Different Plants are All Going on With the Killing of Cattle. Receipts of Live Cattle Large. Trouble in St. Paul.

(By Associated Press.) Chicago, July 15.—The striking meat cutters and butchers today returned an answer to the packers' proposition of yesterday. The substance of the reply is the refusal by the strikers to arbitrate on the packers' terms. The reply renews the demand for the reinstatement of all striking members of the union and for wages equaling that in the agreement which expired July 28. The reply, it is reported this afternoon, could hardly be acceptable to the packers and it is feared that unless some new proposal will be made there will be no further joint peace conference. The packers, however, consented to meet the labor leaders this afternoon.

Strikers' Statement. Chicago, July 15.—Before leaving strike headquarters at stock yards today President Donnelly and other labor chiefs declared the proposals by the packers at the close of yesterday's conference could not be accepted. He added that he and his advisers would prepare another communication to the packers at once but would not say what changes might be made in the demands of the packers. A thousand more non-union men were imported into the yards this morning making in all four thousand now at work. Every plant killed cattle, sheep and hogs extensively. Receipts were larger than those of Friday of last week, consisting of three thousand cattle, eight thousand sheep and eight thousand hogs. The strikers made no effort to interfere with the deliveries of fresh meat and the filling of local orders is uninterrupted. There is no sign of rioting. Police guards in various parts of the district are doubled and citizens are ordered to keep moving. Packers declined to discuss the situation.

The Strike Situation. Chicago, July 15.—Both sides are willing to arbitrate, but neither disposed to allow the other to dictate conditions under which arbitration will be agreed to. Such was the situation today. This is the fourth day of the strike between the packers and the striking employees. Efforts were continued today toward effecting a settlement. Material progress has been made, some of the chief points being virtually disposed of, and remaining differences not regarded as insurmountable. There is no objection to the provision in the packers' offer by which all new employees will be retained. Strikers say non-union men are not practical workers and will soon be crowded out. Principal objection by the union officials is the provision that they give preference in the order of application for work. This is construed to mean that each man will be obliged to make individual application. Both sides are holding themselves ready for a prolonged conflict, but hopes of adjustment are not abandoned.

Trouble in St. Paul. St. Paul, Minn., July 15.—A force of several hundred strikers lined up in front of the main entrance of the Swift Company's packing plant, St. Paul, today, and refused to let the office force and other employees of the building enter. The sheriff personally took twenty-five men into the plant including ten engineers on the plea the engines must be looked after. Then he refused to escort any more through its gates. Mayor Little was appealed to by the company's officials and consented to lead the office force in the effort to get through the gates. The strikers lined up solidly and refused to admit the mayor and his party. Parleying followed. The strikers said they would allow the office men to enter the yard if officials would give their word of honor that such men would be employed only at their usual duties. The officers refused to make any such pledge and things are at standstill. It is expected that the Governor will be asked to send troops to the stockyards.

TOLERABLY LIGHT SENTENCE. A Sentence For Life for a Heinous Crime Shows the Difference Between New Jersey and Southern Civilization.

(By Associated Press.) Mt. Holly, N. J., July 15.—Aaron Timbels, James and William Austin, negroes who confessed to assaulting and robbing Mrs. Biddle, of Burlington, N. J., were today sentenced to forty-nine years in the State prison.

ELEVATOR BURNED. The Baltimore and Ohio Elevator at South Chicago Burned With the Loss of a Half Million Dollars.

(By Associated Press.) Chicago, July 15.—The Baltimore & Ohio Railroad elevator at South Chicago was burned early today. A quantity of grain was destroyed and the total loss is estimated at five hundred thousand dollars.

PLATT AND ROOSEVELT. Roosevelt Consults With Platt About the Situation, Especially in New York—Other Visitors.

(By Associated Press.) Oyster Bay, July 15.—Senator Thomas C. Platt of New York, was here this morning by invitation of the President for a conference on the political outlook in general and New York State particularly. The President is seeking the advice of Republican leaders throughout the country in whose sagacity he has confidence. Some of these he sees personally if the conference can be arranged without too great difficulty; otherwise he exchanges views by correspondence. His personal mail aside from official business is very heavy and he devotes much time to it daily. The President in receipt of a telegram from the officials of the United Mine Workers saying it will be impossible for the Miners' Committee to come to Oyster Bay today or tomorrow, as suggested by Secretary Loeb, but will come early next week if a conference can be arranged.

HEAVY MAIL AT ROSEMOUNT. The Railroad Waking Up to the Importance of the Place From the Business Point of View.

(By Associated Press.) Esopus, N. Y., July 15.—The heaviest mail in the history of Rosemount came for Judge Parker this morning and an enormous number of letters was sent out. The West Shore railroad and its station are beginning to show signs of the importance which the road attaches to the place from a business viewpoint. Tracks have been rebalanced, a steel bridge over the creek has been overhauled and today the foundations for a new station have been begun. The Judge allows nothing to interfere with his morning swim and this morning was in the Hudson bright and early.

THAT SURPRISE PARTY. Speaker Cannon Says He is Going to Bring Surprise on President Roosevelt—Will Take Part in the Campaign.

(By Associated Press.) Chicago, July 15.—Speaker Cannon has declared his intention of taking an active part in the campaign this fall, making speeches in Illinois, Wisconsin and Indiana, according to the Chronicle. He was suffering from a low type of malaria fever at the close of the Chicago Convention, but said he has fully recovered. "I have arranged to go to Oyster Bay to notify the President of my nomination, July 27, and have been preparing a five minutes speech for the occasion. It will be my duty to spring the surprise on the President. After I get through, the surprise party will play hockey a few weeks on the Coast of Maine."

DUMONT EXPLODES. The Air Ship Man Sore and Angry Over the Cutting of His Gas Bag.

New York, July 15.—According to a World dispatch from London, Santos Dumont on landing after his return from America, said to a correspondent: "I have no intention of returning to the United States to compete for the World's Fair aerial flight. I never felt so angry and disappointed as when the bag of my airship was found ruined at St. Louis. It would take at least two months to repair the damage, which means a money loss of eight thousand dollars. I believe it was wrecked by a crank and not by one of my rivals."

HONOR TO HAY. The Grand Cross of the Legion of Honor Will be Granted Him Soon.

(By Associated Press.) Paris, July 15.—The most important announcement in the forthcoming list of decorations following the French holiday will be that of President Loubet conferring the Grand Cross of the Legion of Honor upon Secretary Hay. This decoration is the highest grade and is given only to persons whom the Government wish to honor signally. The official said it is an evidence of Foreign Minister Delcasse's regard for Hay's conduct of foreign affairs during the last five years, which had constantly strengthened Franco-American relations.

ROCKINGHAM AND SANFORD. The Two Base Ball Teams Meet and Sanford Wins by Nine to Five.

(Correspondence The News.) Sanford, N. C., July 14.—The baseball teams of Rockingham and Sanford played a fine game of ball here this evening, resulting in a score of 5 to 9 in favor of Sanford. Both teams were in good condition and the game was one of the best that has been played on our diamond this season. Line up of the teams was as follows: Rockingham: Wells, Weatherly, Smith, Williams, Saint, Sins, Pearson, Baxter, Young, Faison, Hall. Sanford: Watson, Temple, Meadows, Sloan, Kelly, Teague, Crabtree, Chisholm, Jones. Umpire: S. Vance Scott.

REQUEST GRANTED. King Edward Has Permission Telegraphed to Bury Kruger in the Transvaal.

(By Associated Press.) London, July 15.—At a meeting today of the privy council at which King Edward presided, the request of the relatives of the late Paul Kruger for the interment of the remains at Transvaal was considered and subsequently it was declared that the desired permission has been telegraphed to Clarendon, Switzerland, where Kruger died yesterday.

Monument to Dixie's Author (By Associated Press.) Mount Vernon, O., July 15.—Al G. Fields has been named as head of a commission to collect funds for the erection of a monument in this place to the late Daniel Decatur Emmett, author of the song "Dixie," who died a couple of weeks ago.

FIGHTING IMMINENT, WEATHER GOOD, TROOPS MOVING

A Japanese Column has Appeared on the Mukden Road. There is Much Skirmishing at Tatchekiao and the Meeting of the Two Armies is Imminent.

There is Really no Certain Confirmation of the Great Losses the Japs are Said to Have Suffered in a Repulse at Port Arthur Recently.

(By Associated Press.) Liao Yang, July 15.—Fighting is imminent six miles south of Tatchekiao. Much skirmishing is taking place. Weather is favorable for the movement of troops. No rain has fallen for a week. It is rumored that the Japanese column has appeared on the Mukden road. Several Japanese, wounded at Liao Yang, are well treated and contented. Their sole anxiety is caused by the prospect of wintering at Moscow. Troops are constantly arriving here.

Submarine Boats. Paris, July 15.—St. Petersburg correspondent telegraphs that the American submarine boat "Intest model and of Fulton type" arrived recently at Cronstadt. He adds that an American crew are about to reach Cronstadt to instruct the Russian crew of the boat. Three other American submarine boats which have been ordered through an intermediary will soon reach Cronstadt.

Delayed Report. Mukden, July 15 (Delayed).—In fighting at the right flank of the defenses of Port Arthur July 3 to 6 the Russians drove back the Japanese and occupied the east bank and heights commanding Lunsuntan Pass, the Japanese losses being about two thousand. Those of the Russians were insignificant.

Japanese Reverse Not Confirmed. Pekin, July 15.—The report of the Japanese reverse at Port Arthur is not confirmed here. It is considered in official circles that probably heavy fighting occurred, but the immense loss mentioned is regarded as exaggerated.

Japanese Flag in Korea. New York, July 15.—A Herald dispatch from Seoul says the Japanese hoisted the national flag on Rose Island, Chemulpo harbor. Korea's ensign is still permitted to fly on Korean fortifications, but the emblem was dwarfed by the larger flag of Japan.

Japanese Intrenching. St. Petersburg, July 15.—The Japanese are still entrenching south of Tatchekiao. No further advance has been reported. The general staff has received no confirmation of the report of the occupation of New Chwang by the Japanese. No news has been received here from Port Arthur, or of the Vladivostok squadron. The Emperor's absence may account for the death of news.

Japanese in Russian Rear. Tatchekiao, July 15.—The Japanese have withdrawn from the west side of the railroad and are massing their armies in the Russians' rear. Reconnaissance in force carried out by the Russian cavalry and artillery yesterday and today, as far south as Kachow, failed to disclose the position of the Japanese.

MYSTERIOUS DEATH. A Wealthy New York Manufacturer Found Dead in a Cab—The Woman Escapes.

(By Associated Press.) New York, July 15.—Charles W. H. Carter, a wealthy manufacturer, was found dead last night in certain particulars which bear a resemblance to the recent death of "Caesar" Young. He was in a cab with a young woman near Prospect Park near Brooklyn, when the woman called for help and shortly afterward disappeared. Investigation showed that the man had been dead for some time. The young woman insisted on getting out of the cab against the cabman's protest after she had called his attention to her companion's condition, she walked some distance beside the cab and at a dark corner suddenly vanished. Carter lived in a fine house in Flat Bush. His wife and daughter had left only yesterday for their summer home on Shelter Island.

STOLE A LION. Bob Fitzsimmons Arrested on a Singular Charge.

(By Associated Press.) New York, July 15.—Bob Fitzsimmons, prize fighter, is held in a thousand dollars bail at Coney Island police court today on the charge of grand larceny. Bob caught a lion cub last Saturday night and says the owner, an animal trainer, told him he might keep it. The trainer denies this and demands the animal. Fitzsimmons refused and says under no consideration will he give the lion back. Fitzsimmons readily secured bail and the lion was locked up in the stationhouse here.

MURDER AND SUICIDE. A Well Known Broker Kills His Wife and Daughter and Then Himself.

(By Associated Press.) Albany, July 15.—Edgar Washburn, a well known broker, shot and killed his wife and daughter today at his residence, and then committed suicide.

ATTEMPTED ROBBERY. The Burglars Were Foiled and a Boy Shot in the Back in the Mele.

(By Associated Press.) Philadelphia, Pa., July 15.—One burglar was killed, another surrendered and a third made his escape, and an eleven year old boy was wounded in the back late last night, as the result of an attempt of three men to rob the house of Harry Miller, 644 North Fifty Second street, west Philadelphia. The dead man is Frank Robinson, of New York and the captured burglar is Harry Smith, of this city. Both are well known to the police. Policeman David Roberts ran across Robinson and Smith in the dark and ordered both to halt. Robinson flashed a small electric lantern and flourished a pistol as he and Smith made a dash for the front door. Roberts opened fire and shot Robinson through the head. Smith reached the front porch where several citizens shot at him. He threw up his hands and begged them not to shoot him. In the fusillade Raymond McCorkle, the boy who was in the crowd outside was shot in the back. His injury is not considered serious. The police were called and a man in the gang who was on watch.

CHAMBERLAIN PRESIDENT. The British Statesman Elected President of the Liberal-Unionist Council.

(By Associated Press.) London, July 15.—Joseph Chamberlain was elected President and Lord Lansdowne and Lord Selborne Vice-President of the newly re-constructed liberal unionist council at a meeting in London today which was attended by 1,700 to 1,800 delegates from all parts of the Kingdom. A resolution was passed in favor of a complete reform of the British fiscal system, approving the premiers demand for increased powers to deal with hostile tariffs and "Dumping," and expressing sympathy with the proposals for preferential arrangements between the colonies and the mother land. The resolution was adopted with practical unanimity. Mr. Chamberlain presided over and delivered a speech at an immense meeting at Albert Hall last night under the auspices of the Liberal Unionist Council. After discussing at length the fiscal question Mr. Chamberlain referred to the Irish question and said that the council was impressed upon the government the necessity of reform in Irish electoral representation. The leader of the Nationalist party in the House of Commons controlled some eighty votes which were swung from side to side without regard to the merits of the case under discussion and which he avowed object of making the British government impossible and coercing the British Parliament to give him what he wanted. "He will fall where greater than he failed before him," said Mr. Chamberlain, who then asked why should parliament play into the hands of John Redmond, by giving him a seat, to which he was not justly entitled.

MURDERERS ARRESTED. The Police Get the Two Men to Pennsylvania and the Crowd is Angry.

(By Associated Press.) Lancaster, Pa., July 15.—John O'Brien and Jos. Furman, alias Day, who it is alleged murdered the aged John Redmond, near the residence of a thousand or more people had gathered at the Pennsylvania railroad station and there was a remarkable popular outburst when the prisoners were taken from the train. The crowd made a rush for the murderers. A squad of policemen with drawn revolvers formed a line and clubbed their way to a waiting trolley car, the crowd attacked the car, pulling the trolley pole from the overhead wire. Excitement was at a high pitch and it was only by driving back the angry crowd at pistol point that finally the car was got under way. A gang of men and boys ran after it a plan of rapid growth. For more than a quarter of a century I have passed among you day by day. We met one another upon the streets and we were going about our several duties. We chatted together at the clubs, and met one another in social intercourse at our respective houses. We sorrowed together when dear friends passed away. Together we helped one another in occasions of need. We rejoiced together when some great good came to the life or lives of some of our friends. "During those years we formed relations of friendship with one another. As an illustration of it, we find that the effort of our own way of life to St. Louis through the heat to say something kindly of one of their friends of that kind, and the Ulster county band associated together for so many years, and I know very well that they have not told the whole truth at St. Louis. There is something about these friends whom I have known so well these years that makes it impossible for them to tell the exact truth about a friend and I know well that in talking to the several delegations there they failed to recollect aught but those things which pictured their neighbor as they liked and liked to view him. I need not say that I am very grateful to those men. I did not ask them to go, but I appreciated the fact that they went, I knew that they would be a force there, as I have learned they proved to be and I know very well if a little effort had been made that band could have very largely increased from among friends and neighbors who would have been only too glad to go. "I am not going to attempt to make a speech, but I want to welcome you to Rosemount. Never will I forget, while I live, the happy days when we met day by day, and showed each other by the hand and discussed the various situations presented. "I am grateful to all of you who have come here, and I want to take this opportunity to shake all of my old neighbors by the hand and to say to each one of you, God speed."

STOLE AND RAN. The Postmaster and the Woman Both Discovered in Canada and Brought Back.

(By Associated Press.) Washington, July 15.—Horace S. Ferree, recently Postmaster at Jennings, La., is the man taken into custody several days ago at Montreal by Post-office Inspector Anderson, and whose identity was concealed under the name of James Brainerd. Ferree accompanied by his wife and a crowd of men fled from Louisiana, is due to arrive at New Orleans today in charge of Inspector Anderson and will proceed immediately to Lake Charles, La., where he will be arrested and taken before a United States commissioner on a warrant charging him with larceny. The amount he is alleged to have taken aggregate \$1,500. Ferree surrendered \$650 which he had deposited in a Montreal bank and agreed to return to Louisiana without extradition papers.

NEGRO SOLDIER SHOT. A Riot With White Men Near Stearns, Kentucky, in Which a Negro Soldier and His Brother Were Shot.

(By Associated Press.) Knoxville, Tenn., July 15.—The United States recruiting station in this city has received a message from Stearns, Ky., to the effect that Wilbert Moody, colored, an enlisted man, has been fatally shot and his brother killed in a fight with white citizens near Stearns. No details are known here. Moody was on a sixty day furlough. The war department wired to do nothing until the shooting is fully investigated.

TROUBLE IN WOMAN'S BOARD. The Office of Secretary is Abolished and a Temporary Secretary Elected.

(By Associated Press.) St. Louis, July 15.—By a vote of 8 to 5 the Board of Lady Managers of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition, which convened today in the Woman's building, declared the office of the secretary vacant. Miss Lavinia Egan, of Louisiana, who was ousted from office by this action and who is also a member of the board, protested against the declaring of her office vacant, and asked that the reason for the action be submitted in writing. The board elected Miss Ella Lou Carter, of Jefferson City, Mo., temporary secretary.

PROSPECTIVE HEIR. An Heir to the Russian Throne is Expected at the Royal Palace.

(By Associated Press.) St. Petersburg, July 14.—The Emperor is expected to arrive here tomorrow or Saturday from the South of Russia whether he went to bid farewell to the troops departing for the far East. All preparations have been made at the Peterhoff for the reception of an heir to the throne about July 24. Mrs. S. S. Smith and her sister, Miss Minnie Biddell left this morning for the summer. Mrs. Smith goes to Littleton and Miss Biddell to Macon, N. C.

AN INJUNCTION IS SECURED BY HARRIMAN FOLKS

Hill Gets a Black Eye From the Edict of a United States Judge This Morning in the Question of the Division of the Securities Stock.

Harriman and Pierce Contend That They Should Have the Same Stock Back That They Put in, Giving Them Control of Their Own Road.

(By Associated Press.) Trenton, N. J., July 15.—Judge Bradford today granted preliminary injunction in a suit brought by Edward F. Harriman, Winslow F. Pierce and others to restrain the proposed pro-rata distribution of the assets of the Northern Securities Company. This defeat for Hill interests is an opinion fifty typewritten pages in length. The litigation turned largely on the question of the Northern Securities stock which Harriman and Pierce put into the combination amounting to seventy-nine million. The contention of the Securities Company was that the stock became the absolute property of the company and that it is perfectly legal to carry out the pro-rata plan of distribution upon which the company had agreed. Harriman contended that as the United States Supreme Court had declared the corporation illegal the title of the stock had not passed from Harriman and Pierce, and consequently they were entitled to have returned to them the particular stock which they had put into the combination and which involved the control of the Northern Pacific Company.

MR. A. D. NEAL MARRIED. His Bride Was Miss McDermott of Providence—Home This Morning. Mr. A. D. Neal, of this city, and Miss Kathleen McDermott, of Providence, R. I., were married June 28 at the bride's home, No. 44 Stratford street, Providence. The marriage service was performed by Rev. Mr. McDonough. This announcement will prove a surprise to Mr. Neal's many friends here or at least to all except a very few. There had been no announcement of the marriage and only his family knew that he had gone away to be married. The marriage was a very quiet affair. The only attendants were the bride's brother, Mr. John McDermott, and her cousin, Miss Catherine Finan. After the marriage Mr. and Mrs. Neal spent 10 days at Newport. It was here that Mr. Neal met his bride's sister, Mrs. W. W. Neal, from Newport, they came to Norfolk and spent several days at the pleasure resorts in that vicinity. They arrived home this morning at 10 o'clock by way of the Seaboard. Today they are being given a reception at the home of Mr. W. W. Neal. Mr. Neal's father, at 909 West Trade street, will begin housekeeping at once at 907 West Trade. Mr. Neal is well known in the city. He runs a cigar store on South Tryon street, and has quite a good business. He is a justly popular young man, and there are many who congratulate him on his good fortune and to extend best wishes for the future. His wife is cordially welcomed to the city.

JUDGE PARKER TO NEIGHBORS. The Judge Thanks His Esopus Friends Who Went to St. Louis For Him.

(By Associated Press.) Esopus, N. Y., July 14.—In response to a call of his neighbor to congratulate him, Judge Parker said: "Senator Lincoln, and gentlemen of that gallant band of twenty-six that went over to St. Louis the other day, old friends, and neighbors. There are never any friends like the old friends. Friendship is not a plant of rapid growth. For more than a quarter of a century I have passed among you day by day. We met one another upon the streets and we were going about our several duties. We chatted together at the clubs, and met one another in social intercourse at our respective houses. We sorrowed together when dear friends passed away. Together we helped one another in occasions of need. We rejoiced together when some great good came to the life or lives of some of our friends. "During those years we formed relations of friendship with one another. As an illustration of it, we find that the effort of our own way of life to St. Louis through the heat to say something kindly of one of their friends of that kind, and the Ulster county band associated together for so many years, and I know very well that they have not told the whole truth at St. Louis. There is something about these friends whom I have known so well these years that makes it impossible for them to tell the exact truth about a friend and I know well that in talking to the several delegations there they failed to recollect aught but those things which pictured their neighbor as they liked and liked to view him. I need not say that I am very grateful to those men. I did not ask them to go, but I appreciated the fact that they went, I knew that they would be a force there, as I have learned they proved to be and I know very well if a little effort had been made that band could have very largely increased from among friends and neighbors who would have been only too glad to go. "I am not going to attempt to make a speech, but I want to welcome you to Rosemount. Never will I forget, while I live, the happy days when we met day by day, and showed each other by the hand and discussed the various situations presented. "I am grateful to all of you who have come here, and I want to take this opportunity to shake all of my old neighbors by the hand and to say to each one of you, God speed."

TO PURCHASE SWAMP LANDS. A Proposition Submitted—Insurance Commissioner Young Brands an Insurance Company as Fraudulent.

(Special The News.) Raleigh, July 15.—Adjutant-General Roster issues an order to Paymaster Walker Taylor, of Wilmington, for issuance at once of checks for semi-annual appointments of \$75 each for brigade and regimental headquarters, \$125 each for companies, \$50 each for bands constituting North Carolina State Guards. Inspector T. H. Bain is ordered to muster in Reidsville company as Company G, Third Regiment. Col. W. C. Rodman, W. M. Bond and J. W. Roper have submitted to the State Board of Education a proposition for purchase of all swamp lands owned by the board, proceeds of land sales to go to public school fund. Insurance commissioner Young has issued an open letter branding the Phoenix Underwriters of New York as a fraudulent concern and warning people not to insure with them. They say the State is being flooded with circulars offering to take insurance on almost any terms. Jury Tied Up. Raleigh, N. C., July 15.—The jury in the case of Geo. T. Huff on trial for a criminal assault on Mrs. Chas. Jones, has had the case two hours and seems to be tied up. It is said to be about evenly tied between simple assault and assault to commit rape. The grand jury submits a report today insisting that the Raleigh Grade School buildings should be equipped with fire escapes. It criticizes sharply the condition of the jail. The judge says he will issue orders for the changes recommended.

INSPECTOR HERE. He Will Look Into the Complaints From Mint Hill Section and Remedy Them.

Rural Route Inspector S. H. Dawson, of Maryland, has just completed an inspection of the proposed new routes running out from Davidson and today has gone to Matthews to inspect the proposed new routes in that section. There has been some complaint from the Mint Hill section regarding late mails, and in order to remedy this Postmaster R. W. Smith recommended the reversed route No. 19, which will be operated in a reverse direction, so that those who received mails at a somewhat late hour in the day before the change will receive the mails much sooner now, while those on the other end of the routes will suffer no inconvenience, as a stop-over of several hours on the part of the carrier has been done away with by the reversing of the route and all of the patrons are benefited. Also in order to get the mails out from Matthews at an earlier hour, the carrier who leaves now at 10:15 will leave at 8:15 a. m. Postmaster Smith is endeavoring to arrange the rural routes as far as possible so as to give the patrons satisfaction, and where change can be readily made, thereby getting better facilities, the postmaster is ready to consider such changes.

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MILES WRITES TO JUDGE PARKER. Miles Writes to Judge Parker.

(By Associated Press.) Esopus, N. Y., July 15.—Judge Parker today received a letter from General Miles in which he congratulated the Judge on the nomination and said he believed the Judge would be elected. He said the administration of a wise and patriotic Democrat was needed to restore the observance of law and that Judge Parker would render the country a service of immeasurable value. Among other letters received was one from Congressman Lamb, of Virginia.

PICNIC AT PAW CREEK. There Will be a Picnic at Paw Creek Next Friday 22nd. It is an Annual Affair and Always Proves a Most Pleasant Occasion. Paw Creek is six miles from Charlotte on the Seaboard and a large number of Charlotte people usually attend the picnic.

Everybody is invited to be present and enjoy themselves. There will be a basket dinner. It is a fine place for a picnic and they always have large nice crowds. There will be no speaking whatever. It is only a pleasure occasion. Mr. Kidd's High Average. Mr. Chas. Kidd, of this city, has returned from Asheville, where he went to stand the examination of the State board of pharmacists. Mr. Kidd carried off the honor of highest place among the list of applicants. Mr. Kidd's average was 86, which was the best made at the examination.

THE BREESE TRIAL DRAGS ITS WAY SLOWLY ALONG

The Witnesses Examined Today Testify That the Notes on Which Breese Raised Money Were Signed by Parties Who Were Worth Nothing.

A Woman on the Stand Grows Excited. District Attorney Holton Produces Letters to the Various Banks. Judge Keller's Fairness.

In the Breese trial today there was nothing sensational brought out further than the testimony of witnesses whose evidence was mostly for the government, and in many cases was apparently quite damaging to the defendant. The witnesses examined today testified to various notes that were placed in evidence, showing that they had signed these notes at the request of J. E. Dickerson or others, the notes being then officially endorsed by First National Bank, Major William E. Breese, president. The district attorney's examinations were conducted with a view to showing that the notes produced in court today were signed by parties who had no property to make their endorsement good. E. J. Evans, one of the witnesses, testified that he had signed notes when he was in the employ of J. E. Dickerson & Co., and the district attorney then produced the notes, some of which had been mailed to various banks of the country with the request that they be discounted and the amounts of the notes placed to the credit of the First National Bank of Asheville. The witness Evans testified that he was only 17 years of age when he signed the notes, and that he was worth only about \$700 at the time. E. C. Jones, another witness, testified to having signed a large number of notes for the accommodation of J. E. Dickerson & Co., and these were likewise produced in court today, with the view to showing that they had been used by Major Breese, who sent them to other banks to be discounted. Mrs. W. F. Elliott, of this city, testified to the signature of her husband to several notes, also saying that he was worth nothing in the way of property when the notes were signed. The witness became quite excited during the brief examination, and informed the court that this was the first time she had appeared in court and that she had to admit that she was much excited. District Attorney Holton introduced many letters written by the defendant Breese to various banks of the country asking them to discount notes, and giving a brief statement as to the solvency of the makers of the notes and the value of their signatures. These letters were read in connection with the offering of the notes in question by the prosecution. The court has now been in session four days, and it may require several days longer to complete the taking of evidence in the case. Judge Keller is highly spoken of by the attorneys who are attending the trial, on account of his fairness and evident attempt to give both sides their just due. While there are many objections raised to questions asked by the counsel on both sides by their opponents, Judge Keller, when he overrules or sustains an objection, does so in a manner calculated to foster only the best of impressions as to his purposes. The sensational development in the trial yesterday afternoon was the testimony of Postmaster Rollins, of Asheville, who said that he considered two notes, having his name attached, as having been forged and his name signed by the defendant Breese, in Breese's own handwriting. The counsel for the defendant do not, however, take a gloomy view of the situation by any means, and at the right time they will try to show that the various transactions, which are now the subject of so much comment, are altogether regular and legitimate.

Picnic at Paw Creek. There will be a picnic at Paw Creek next Friday 22nd. It is an annual affair and always proves a most pleasant occasion. Paw Creek is six miles from Charlotte on the Seaboard and a large number of Charlotte people usually attend the picnic. Everybody is invited to be present and enjoy themselves. There will be a basket dinner. It is a fine place for a picnic and they always have large nice crowds. There will be no speaking whatever. It is only a pleasure occasion. Mr. Kidd's High Average. Mr. Chas. Kidd, of this city, has returned from Asheville, where he went to stand the examination of the State board of pharmacists. Mr. Kidd carried off the honor of highest place among the list of applicants. Mr. Kidd's average was 86, which was the best made at the examination.