

RUSSIA AWAITS EVENTS

Possibility of an Heir to the Throne Sets Gossip Agog

St. Petersburg, July 22.—All Russia is anxiously awaiting news from the Peterhof, where the atork is expected to alight within the next few days. People outside of this country cannot comprehend the eagerness of the Russians for an heir to the throne. The birth of another child to the Czar and Czarina will have a deep political significance that cannot fail to have a direct bearing upon Russia's future policy. If a son is born, he will in course of time become Emperor of Russia and will be reared under the political influence of the present Czar, thus practically insuring a continuation of the policy of Nicholas II.

If the expected heir proves to be a daughter the position of Nicholas II, which is already weakened by the course of events in Manchuria, will be rendered precarious. While the government of Russia is an absolute hereditary monarchy, and while the will of the Czar is law, yet he cannot transfer his throne to his daughter. There are certain rules of government which the sovereign of the present reigning house have acknowledged to be binding. One of these is the law of succession to the throne, which, according to a decree of the Emperor Paul, of the year 1797, is that of regular descent, by right of primogeniture, with preference of male heirs. Under this inexorable rule none of the Czar's four children will ever occupy his throne, for they are all daughters. The eldest daughter of the Czar is Olga, born Nov. 15, 1895. His second child was Tatiana, born June 11, 1897; his third was Marie, born June 26, 1898, and the fourth was Anastasia, born June 18, 1901.

One powerful reason for wishing a son born to the Czar is to have a peaceful succession. If Nicholas II.

should die before a son is born to him, his successor would be his brother, the Grand Duke Michael, born in 1878. But Michael is regarded as an invalid, and it is feared that if Michael passes away without an heir the empire may be rent by strife between his four uncles for the throne.

Since the outbreak of hostilities with Japan the rivalries of the reactionary element and its opponents have kept things in a constant turmoil. This situation almost intolerable as it is to the Czar, exists only because he has no male heir. The reactionary party in his cabinet are able to flaunt his misfortune in his face, because it is well known that in the event of his death the crown will pass to his brother Michael, who is directly under the influence of the Dowager Empress. She is a woman in the prime of life, born to command, and one of the most bitter opponents of the liberal ideas of her son, the present Czar.

Consequently all the hopes of Nicholas center in the event about to take place at the Peterhof, which he prays fervently will add a son to his household and give to Russia a direct heir to the throne. Should a son be born the Dowager Empress' power would be reduced to nothing in a moment. The Czar will then be a Czar in fact as in name, and the ministers who now openly defy him, oppose his will, and refuse to execute his policy will be brought to his feet. The birth of another daughter, however, will bring him only the keenest disappointment and make his situation so unbearable that his abdication of the throne would be no surprise.

Welcome for Scholes.

New York, July 22.—A right royal welcome awaits Louis Scholes on his arrival from Henley, where he won the famous prize, the Diamond Sculls, in record breaking time, and from the finest scullers in England. James Pilkington, president of the National Rowing association, and a large party of sporting men went down the bay this morning to meet the steamship Arabia, on which Scholes is a passenger. A big contingent is here also from Toronto to greet the young Irish-Canadian, including his father and brother, both of them famous oarsmen in their time; Darnan, his coach, and the old-time champion, "Ned" Hanlon. When Scholes reaches his native soil he will find a big celebration under way in his honor, and the Toronto men will conduct him in triumph to his native city.

Swallow and Carrol Notified.

Indianapolis, Ind., July 22.—In Tomlinson hall this afternoon, before an audience that taxed the capacity of the floor and galleries, Silas C. Swallow, of Pennsylvania, and George W. Carrol of Texas, were formally notified of their nomination as Prohibition candidates for the presidency and vice-presidency respectively. Oliver W. Stewart, chairman of the national committee, presided over the meeting and A. G. Wolfenbarger, of Lincoln, Neb., delivered the notification address. The two nominees delivered speeches of acceptance in which they dwelt upon the aims and hopes of the party and predicted the best showing in the party's history at the polls next fall.

Ambassador Storer Coming Home.

Berlin, July 22.—Bellamy Storer, the American ambassador at Vienna, sailed for New York today on the Hamburg-American liner Deutschland. Mr. Storer has been suffering from intermittent fever, and his visit to the United States at this time is taken chiefly with the idea that the sea voyage and a few weeks of rest will bring about his complete recovery.

McFadden to Fight Langford.

Manchester, N. H., July 22.—The Pastime Athletic club of this city has arranged a good card for its boxing show tonight. The star event will be furnished by George McFadden and Sam Langford, who are scheduled to meet in a fifteen round bout at catch weights.

Thin People.

Thin, scrawny, fleshless people are usually nervous, irritable, bilious and dyspeptic. Every change of weather affects them, if they happen to eat or drink anything containing disease germs, it develops at once, and they are the first subjects of any contagious disease coming into the neighborhood. Their life is a continual worry in their efforts to avoid exposure to damp and malarious atmosphere. People can gain from one to three pounds of solid, healthy flesh per week by the use of Dr. Gunn's Blood and Nerve Tonic. It puts their system in condition to resist sickness. This Tonic is in tablet form, to be taken right after meals. Sold by all druggists for 75c per box or three boxes for \$2. It turns the food you eat into strong rich blood, this prevents and cures disease. People tell us who have used the Tonic that it cures them, then keeps them from getting sick afterward. Fore sale by Dr. S. C. Stone, druggist.

GOTHAM NEWS ITEMS

Doings of the Great Metropolis in Business and Politics

New York, July 22.—The New York newspapers showed the most remarkable lack of enterprise during the recent Democratic national convention. Considering the fact that Judge Parker, the most promising of the numerous presidential candidates before the convention was a New Yorker and that the large number of Democrats in this city might be supposed to have the greatest interest in the outcome of the national convention of the Democratic party, the apathy and lack of enterprise which the local newspapers displayed was particularly remarkable. It is an actual fact that not one of the local papers issued any convention special extras after their regular issues and no bulletins were displayed on the bulletin boards of any of the downtown papers. Even on the eventful Saturday, when the Parker telegram placed the convention in one of the most peculiar positions ever known to exist in a political convention, not one of the New York papers had enterprise enough to issue an extra or put up a bulletin on its bulletin board. Westerners, accustomed to energetic and enterprising journalism strongly commented on the sleepy methods of our Metropolitan press.

The recent departure of the gigantic new liner Baltic on its first return trip demonstrated an interesting feature. The steamer was compelled to start out with a light load, about five or six thousand tons less than its capacity, to be able to get out of the harbor. With a full load the Baltic draws about 36 feet of water, from four to five feet more than the depth of the water at the bar. Even at 30 feet it is a risky thing for the enormous steamship to cross the bar. If more steamers of such enormous capacity and depth are to be built, it will be necessary to increase the depth of water in the channel and, particularly, at the bar. The work is slowly progressing, but it is believed that it will be about four years before the water will be deep enough to enable steamers of the size and capacity of the Baltic to pass in and out with full loads.

The factional fight in the Democratic party in this city and state has by no means been settled by the result of the national convention in St. Louis. The unanimity which binds the various factions together for the support of the Democratic presidential candidate is only skin deep and is confined purely to the support of the national ticket. There is every reason to believe, that the factional fight will continue in state matters and will be waged with unprecedented bitterness in the coming Democratic state convention. There are several candidates for the governorship in the field, among them Mayor McClellan, Comptroller Grout, and Martin W. Littleton, president of the borough of Brooklyn. The situation is unusually complicated and interesting. Littleton is said to be backed by Hill and that alone is sufficient to arouse the opposition of Tammany hall against him, even were it not for the fact that Tammany has its own candidate in the person of Mayor McClellan. Tammany hall is determined and declares it will not have Littleton. They demand that McClellan be nominated and it is rumored that they make his nomination an absolute condition of their support of the Parker ticket. Grout is neither favored by Hill nor by Murphy, but has a backer in McCarren and, if the rumor is correct, in August Belmont, who is said to have promised Grout his support. District Attorney Jerome has also been mentioned as a possible candidate, but his friends are not particularly demonstrative. In some circles it is believed quite possible that, in case of a deadlock between the various factions Jerome may carry off the prize, as he would undoubtedly be the most acceptable candidate.

The enthusiasm of the Parkerites, which immediately follows the sensation of his famous telegram, has had a chance to cool off since then and the Parker enthusiasts are no longer willing to back up their confidences in Parker's success at the polls at the coming November election with the same recklessness as immediately after the adjournment of the convention. During the first few days of the excitement Parker men on Wall street offered to bet as high as seven

or eight on Parker against ten on Roosevelt. Since then a reaction has set in and now it is extremely hard for any Roosevelt enthusiast to get any bet for less than two to one.

District Attorney Jerome has scored another point in his persistent fight against the gamblers and it will not be his fault if he does not, finally, succeed in bringing the dangerous clique to justice. The Appellate division of the supreme court has given a decision which sustains the action of Justice McMahon in the court of general sessions, in sentencing Jesse M. Lowfohn, the copper magnate to ten days imprisonment for contempt of court, in refusing to answer questions relative to Richard Canfield's gambling place. This decision upholds the bill passed by the last legislature making testimony in gambling cases compulsory. It is stated, however, that Lewiston's lawyer will carry the case to the court of appeals, to test the constitutionality of the bill. This means another delay in the proceedings and, perhaps, the upsetting of Mr. Jerome's plans, as some able attorneys are of the opinion that the bill is not constitutional.

Herbert D. Hale, a young architect of Boston and a grandson of Edward Everett Hale, is the designer of the plans which have been accepted for the United Engineering building, one of the two institutions toward which Andrew Carnegie has given a million and a half dollars. The work will be superintended by Mr. Hale, with Mr. Henry G. Morse, of New York, as his assistant. Mr. Hale has been awarded the prize of \$400 offered to the successful competitor. The successful competitors for the Engineer's club building are Whitfield and Kink of this city.

Those who predicted that there would be a marked decrease in the ocean travel to Europe this summer and a large increase in the arrivals from Europe on account of the St. Louis exposition have evidently made a serious mistake in their calculations. The fact is that the number of American tourists from Europe this year is exceptionally large, while the steamers from Europe by no means carry as many visitors bound for St. Louis as was expected. Considering the fact that the St. Louis exposition is very little talked of in the east and not much more in other parts of the country and seems to create but little in-

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terest in this country makes it appear less surprising that the European countries show so little enthusiasm over the St. Louis fair. Many reasons have been given for this lack of interest and the principal one seems to be that the management of the exposition made the great mistake of not advertising the fair in the proper way. The management seemed to be under the impression that an undertaking like a world's fair did not require advertising, but could depend upon its merits. That was a serious mistake and it is quite probable that somebody will have to pay for that mistake.

Because he had killed a cat, which had disturbed the slumber and temper of several hundred persons occupying flats in a row of apartment houses on Abington Square, Patrick McCrane, the janitor of one of these apartment houses was held for trial in the court of Cornell sessions on the charge of cruelty to animals by Magistrate Cornell in the Jefferson Market court. The grateful tenants furnished the \$300 bail required to secure the release of the janitor.

Reduced Rates to St. Louis Exposition

The Southern Pacific Company will sell round trip tickets at greatly reduced rates to St. Louis and Chicago on account of the St. Louis exposition on the following dates June 16, 17, 18; July 1, 2, 3; August 8, 9, 10, September 5, 6, 7; October 3, 4, 5.

Going trip must be completed within 10 days from date of sale, and passengers will be permitted to start on any day that will enable them to reach their destination within the ten-day limit. Return limit 90 days, but not later than December 31, 1904.

For full information as to rates and routes call on agent of S. P. Co., at Salem.

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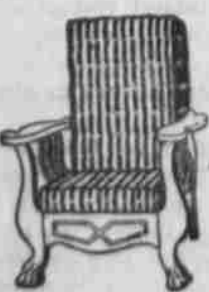
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