

## GREAT DAY AT ASTORIA YESTERDAY

The Beginning of the Annual Regatta at That Place.

## CROWNING OF THE REGATTA QUEEN

Will Not Take Place Until Today—The Opening Spoiled By Showers—The Rowing Race the Principal Event of the Day.

ASTORIA, Aug. 19.—Immense crowds of visitors and anxious Astorians were disappointed this morning, as the time for the opening ceremonies of the regatta arrived with a drizzling rain. Necessarily the main parade and crowning of the queen was postponed.

Admiral Day's flagship took its position off the grandstand, hoisted the signal and the sports commenced. There were Indian canoe races, high dives, punt races and tub races. Gaily bedecked yachts and launches covered the bay and followed the judges' boats, closely observing the different events.

The event of the morning was the rowing races between the Alameda and the San Francisco South End clubs. The boats came up to the line in fine shape, the crews well matched and well trained, anxious to settle old scores. In starting the Alamedas lost their rudder. The boats turned and the Alamedas agreed to row without a rudder. There was good water, raising slightly, when the second start was made, at 11:50. The South Ends had a little the best of the start, and in the first quarter of a mile pulled a little over two lengths ahead. Both crews had a beautiful stroke, and nearing the first stake buoy the Alamedas gained perceptibly on the South Ends, turning the stake buoy two and a half lengths ahead.

On the home stretch the Alamedas came in with a beautiful stroke, crossing the line first, and closely followed by the South Ends; time 10:54. The crowds on shore and on the boats cheered loudly, while whistles tooted and flags waved.

The weather has cleared, and the land and water events will proceed according to program. A big day is expected tomorrow, as the program will have to be increased by additions on account of omissions today.

## TROOPS WILL BE MUSTERED OUT

Corbin Will Send From 75,000 to 100,000 Volunteers Home as Fast as Possible.

NEW YORK, Aug. 19.—A special dispatch to the Tribune from Washington says:

Adjutant-General Corbin said in an interview that he was going to muster out between 75,000 and 100,000 volunteers as soon as practicable. The selection of the regiments will not be made arbitrarily, but having in mind, first of all, the reports of the regular army officers now with the volunteers. The highest consideration will be given the wishes of governors, as well as of the regiments themselves. The interests of the national government demand the disbandment of troops secured under the second call in certain instances, and in other cases regiments raised under the first call, which have had service and which have been materially reduced in efficiency through sickness, will be the first to go. It will not be feasible to issue a gen-

eral order or to prepare a complete list covering all the forces to be mustered out for some time to come. On the contrary, as soon as an agreement is reached regarding any particular regiment, it will be immediately sent to the state camp, and as soon as the property can be turned over to the government and its accounts settled, the individual records of its officers and men will be completed and they will be discharged from service under the United States.

## TARS WERE EXPECTED HOME

Fleets of Sampson and Schley Due at New York—Enthusiastic Reception to Be Accorded Them.

NEW YORK, Aug. 19.—Rear Admirals Sampson and Schley and the six vessels of the North Atlantic squadron that are coming to this port are expected to arrive some time this afternoon. This is according to naval officers' reckoning, but there is a possibility that the squadron will not be here until late in the evening or perhaps tomorrow morning. If it arrives off Sandy Hook this afternoon it will be met by a flotilla of excursion craft and escorted up the bay to the man-of-war anchorage off Tompkinsville. As the warships pass in at Sandy Hook the guns at Fort Hancock will belch forth a salute. At Forts Wadsworth and Hamilton more salutes will be fired, so that the arrival of the squadron will be announced to the citizens of New York, who are waiting to do honor to the returning sailors.

The officers and men on the warships are unaware of a reception preparing for them, and Rear Admiral Sampson will be informed by a message sent down in a dispatch-boat as soon as he arrives. The tars will then have to bestir themselves in preparation for the parade which is to take place tomorrow. The parade, if the warships arrive on time, is to start at 10 o'clock from the anchorage off Tompkinsville. The warships will steam slowly up the Hudson river to Grant's tomb, where a national salute of twenty-one guns will be fired. They will make a wide circle and slowly steam back to the man-of-war anchorage. The excursion steamers, it is expected, will wait for the warships to pass by and then follow in their wake, making a long and picturesque procession. Every vessel will be gay with bunting, and it is expected that there will be more Stars and Stripes afloat in the harbor than were ever seen at one time before. As the vessels pass Castle William a salute will be fired. This salute will be equivalent to an announcement that the parade has started.

The vessels in line will be the New York, Brooklyn, Texas, Massachusetts, Oregon, Indiana, Iowa, St. Paul and Nahant.

## DEATH CAUSED BY A CLOUDBURST

Five Children Lose Their Lives in Pennsylvania.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Aug. 19.—A cloudburst over a saw mill run this morning, caused a tidal wave in the stream and endangered the lives of a dozen persons. Five children are missing and are supposed to have been drowned. They are: Irene Loftus, Regis Loftus, Genevieve Shanghnessy, Margaret Shanghnessy and Nellie Sanle.

The water in the run began to rise this morning, and at 9 o'clock a great volume of water came down. The missing children, with some other persons, were standing upon the porch of a tenement house in the rear of the stream, near West Caason. This porch overhung the run, when a great wave, 20 feet high, came down, and the porch was carried away and the people went with it. The adults managed to scramble out, but the children disappeared in the floating debris. Parties of men are searching for the bodies of the children. There was a heavy and continuous downpour of rain throughout Western Pennsylvania from midnight until 8 o'clock this morning, and considerable damage was done by washouts and overflowing small streams.

## THE CLATSOP EXCURSION.

Those Attending the Regatta Visit Clatsop. Eight Thousand People on the Beach.

ASTORIA, Ga., Aug. 21.—Five thousand people went from here today on the Seaside excursion, and the town is practically deserted save for a few strollers. Four trains carried the crowd over to the beach. The first one left at 7:45, the second at 8:50, the third, the through Portland train, at 11:45 and the fourth at 1:15. Each of these trains was made up of from 10 to 15 coaches and observation cars and all were crowded to their limit with the exception of the last one, which only carried over a small number. The Portland train carried over 1000 people, all through passengers, and was packed to the platforms. The Manila Guards and the First regiment band went over on the 8:50 train. Strange to say, hardly 50 persons all told got off at way stations, all going through to Seaside. Between the visitors and the residents of the beach, probably 8000 people were scattered between the depot and the Seaside house. This is as many if not more people that have ever been at the beach at one time, and the scene resembled the far-famed gay Coney island. As soon as the excursionists reached the beach they made for the most part, a straight line for the sands by the sad sea waves. As far up and down the beach as the eye could reach, the sands were thickly dotted with human beings of every size, shape, color and age imaginable.

## A REAR-END COLLISION

Frightful Accident on a Massachusetts Railroad—Seven People Killed and Twenty-six Wounded.

SHARON, Mass., Aug. 21.—A frightful rear-end collision occurred in the Sharon station of the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad, at 7:30 o'clock tonight, when an express train, which was running as the second section of a long train, crashed into the first section, composed of local cars. As a result, seven persons were killed and twenty-six seriously injured. The injured were nearly all removed to Boston on a special train, which was met by ambulances and surgeons. The rear car of the local train was completely demolished, and a portion of the second car, while the engine of the express train was crippled. The two trains which were in the collision were usually combined into one long heavy train; it was divided, the first section running as a local accommodation, while the second, which started from Mansfield 15 minutes later than the first, ran as an express. The local train due at Sharon at 7:02 was thirteen minutes late. It left Mansfield on time, making two stops, and had lost the thirteen minutes between Mansfield and Sharon. It was due in Canton Junction, the next station beyond Sharon, two minutes ahead of the express train, which should have passed it there. Sharon is situated on a curve, and both the outward and inward tracks are protected by electric block signals.

## COSTLY BLAZE AT BAKER CITY

Four Costly Buildings Completely Destroyed and Another Damaged.

BAKER CITY, Or., Aug. 20.—Early this morning a disastrous fire occurred here. The McCord building, occupied by A. C. Shinn as a hardware store; Rust's opera house and two frame buildings were destroyed, and Rust's cold storage building was badly damaged. The loss is about \$20,000.

The flames were first discovered in Shinn's hardware store, at 2:15 o'clock. In a few minutes the building was a roaring mass of flames. Explosions of powder and cartridges kept the firemen away from the burning structure, and it was totally destroyed.

The flames had meantime spread to two frame buildings and Rust's opera house, all of which were reduced to ashes. Rust's cold storage plant, a brick structure, was badly damaged. The Brewery was saved by hard work.

## TROUBLE FEARED IN PORTO RICO

Attempts Being Made to Stir Up Strife Among the Porto Ricans—Coming of the Commission Awaited.

NEW YORK, Aug. 22.—A dispatch to the Herald from San Juan says: Order prevails, although some evil-disposed persons are trying to stir up racial and religious differences among the ignorant population. The sooner the commission arrives to settle matters and dispel doubts the better for the future. The streets are filled with furniture-laden carts returning from the suburbs. At the palace and other government buildings the work of packing the archives is going on. Telegraphic communication was opened yesterday with all parts of the island. It is still impossible for large ships to enter the harbor and there have been no importations. Some scarcity of food supplies exists. The mines in the harbor have been raised so as to allow ships to enter.

## A DISPATCH FROM SHAFER

Over Twenty Thousand Spaniards Surrendered at Santiago.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 22.—A dispatch received by Adjutant-General Corbin tonight from General Shafter indicates that, with the fall of Santiago, 23,726 Spaniards surrendered. Of this number a few less than 3000 were guerrillas and volunteers, making the total to be returned to Spain about 21,000. General Shafter recommends that all the captured Mauser rifles and the ammunition for the same be shipped to some arsenal in the North, with as little delay as possible, in order to prevent rust. There are several million rounds of this ammunition, he reports, and probably 10,000 to 12,000 stands of these arms. A large number of those turned over by the Spaniards were Remingtons, and other inferior weapon. General Shafter reports that there is no sickness among the incoming regiments.

## SPAIN'S INSTRUCTIONS TO ITS COMMISSIONERS

Rules for Cuban and Porto Rican Commissioners.

## INSURGENTS TROUBLESOME

Germany May Take a Hand in the Philippine Matter—Captain-General of the Canaries Removed.

LONDON, Aug. 22.—The Times correspondent in Madrid says: "A committee, consisting of Duke Almodovar de Rio, the foreign minister; Senor Romero Giron, minister of the colonies; Lieutenant-General Correa, minister of war; and Captain Annon, minister of marine, is preparing instructions for the Cuban and Porto Rican commissioners, which will be dispatched August 31, so as to arrive within the time fixed by the protocol. "In these instructions attention will be called to the distinction between cession of territory and cessation of sovereignty. In the latter case, it seems to be maintained here that buildings and public works will here remain the property of the sovereign power until they are paid for by the government. "Certain members of the cabinet are of the opinion that the commission will have first of all to determine some local and administrative modus vivendi during the transitional period until the evacuation is completed. "Meanwhile, the government will probably call the attention of the cabinet at Washington to the fact that while the insurgent leaders profess to accept the armistice, their subordinates continue to carry on hostilities against outlying Spanish garrisons. "While the government thus devotes its attention for a moment chiefly to the questions of detail relating to the Antilles, much anxiety is felt with regard to the Philippine question, which is likely to create much more serious difficulties. On this subject very little guidance is afforded by the studiously vague terms employed in the protocol. These words have been carefully examined with the aid of all available dictionaries, not only by Spanish ministers but also by the diplomatic representatives of several foreign powers, and all seemed agreed that in drafting this part of the protocol, President McKinley's aim was simply to keep a free hand for himself until he should have time to collect information and decide what policy the United States should adopt in the Far East. "All possible questions regarding the future of the archipelago are thus left open, and both government and public opinion seems in doubt as to what line shall be taken by Spain in the forthcoming negotiation. "The ministers still declare that official dispatches respecting the capitulation of Manila have not been received; therefore, the Augustin incident is explained. "Mail advices explain the transfer of administrative authority from General Augustin to the governor of Vizecaya island."

## WRECKAGE AND DEAD BODIES

Ghostly Evidences of a Disaster Sighted by the Steamer Corinthian.

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## MILITARY OCCUPATION PROCLAIMED

General Merritt Proclaimed Government of Manila.

## SPANISH TREASURY SHORT

Only Eight Hundred Dollars Left—The Firmness of Our Commander Saved Manila From Pillage.

LONDON, Aug. 22.—The Manila correspondent of the Daily Telegram, in a dispatch dated Sunday, says:

General Merritt has proclaimed a government of military occupation. The news of the armistice arrived on the 15th. It is feared that the Americans may restore the Philippines to Spain and thus inaugurate a fresh period of tyranny, extortion and rebellion. The Americans found \$800 in the Spanish treasury.

Foreign opinion is loud in praise of the action of the American commander in excluding armed rebels from the city. It is believed his firmness saved Manila from pillage. A week ago there appeared to be a possibility of a collision with the rebels, but there is no danger now. Everything is extremely quiet at present.

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