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THE NEWS OF THE WEEK

From All Parts of the New World and the Old.

OF INTEREST TO OUR READERS

Comprehensive Review of the Important Happenings of the Past Week Collected From the Telegraph Columns.

Extreme hot weather continues in the East.

Prince Tuan is preparing to escape from Peking.

The Klondike gold yield this year is \$29,000,000.

Several persons were killed by a storm in New York.

Governor Roosevelt will speak in Oregon in September.

Seattle inaugurates a move for an international fair in 1904.

There is a great demand for timber and farm lands in Oregon.

Hot weather killed 39 persons in New York and Philadelphia.

Bryan has decided to make a general campaign tour of the country.

Sealing schooner Minnie, of Victoria, was wrecked in Northern waters.

King Victor took the constitutional oath before the Italian parliament.

General Randall is given authority to send destitute persons out from Nome.

The ring leaders in the Pretoria plot to capture Lord Roberts have been arrested.

General MacArthur sends news of the surrender of a Filipino command of 173.

Jefferson is anxious to meet Fitzsimmons and Sharkey in the last week of August.

In the French naval maneuvers a torpedo boat destroyer was sunk and 42 lives lost.

Many American soldiers were prostrated by the heat in the advance on Yang Tzu.

Chinese clerics want the United States to prevent the landing of troops at Shanghai.

Fifteen persons were killed by railroad train striking an omnibus in Pennsylvania.

Congressman Overstreet says the Republicans must work hard to control the next house.

Encouraging developments are reported from the Sumpter district of Eastern Oregon.

Six persons were killed in an Italian railroad wreck. The king and queen went to the scene.

An advance guard of the international column has pushed on from Yang Tzu to occupy Tsai Tzu.

A London newspaper correspondent writes a bitter complaint of the conduct of affairs in South Africa.

The French press and people are not pleased with the appointment of Von Waldersee as commander-in-chief.

Democrats opened their national campaign.

Fire in a Butte, Mont., mine caused \$100,000 damage.

There will be no yellow peril, so far as Japan is concerned.

Wisconsin Republicans nominated Robert M. La Follette for governor.

The postoffice at Colfax Wash., was burglarized and \$40 in stamps secured.

A telegraph line from Valdes to Cape Nome, Alaska, is under construction.

Lieutenant-Colonel Hoar's garrison at Elani's river has surrendered to the Boers.

Bryan and Stevenson were formally notified of their nomination at Indianapolis.

General Miles says the situation in China is serious. He says the movement of troops is difficult.

Heavy rains in the Yellowstone National Park completely extinguished the forest fires which had burned for some time.

River improvement will precede and a naval station accompany the location of a government drydock on the Columbia river, Or.

One man was killed and four seriously injured in a collision on the Spokane Falls and Northern, near Spokane, Wash.

General MacArthur's official report of the sickness in his army on July 31 is as follows: Sick in hospitals, 3,757; sick in quarters, 1,081.

The third battalion of the Fifth infantry, stationed at Fort Sheridan, Ill., has been ordered to China to join General Chaffee's command.

The Columbia Southern railway is extending its telegraph line through Harney county, Oregon, which is thought to be a good indication that the railroad will shortly follow.

The wife of Dr. A. McDonald Westwater, of Liasoyang, Manchuria, committed suicide at Arma in consequence of mental depression caused by her exciting experiences at New Chwang just before her departure from China.

Petroleum fields of some importance are being opened in Japan.

Belgium is one of the few countries in which the death penalty, though still part of the criminal code, is never enforced, in deference to public opinion.

Three women, the wives of famous husbands, have been accorded the honor of burial in Westminster Abbey. They are Lady Palmerston, Lady Augusta Stanley, wife of Dean Stanley, and Mrs. Gladstone.

Representatives of nearly every large publishing house in America met in New York and took steps for the formation of a national publishers' association.

In her first good trial the new Russian cruiser Varyag, built by the Cramps, proved herself the fastest warship of her class afloat, attaining a speed of 24 knots an hour.

The king of Corea has let a contract for \$1,000,000 to a San Francisco man for moving the cemetery 15 miles because astrologers told him the dead queen's spirit was unable to rest.

LATER NEWS.

Theodore Roosevelt will not visit the Pacific coast.

General Nathan is in touch with Dewar's rear guard.

Shanghai has word that the Peking legations were desperately attacked August 8.

In a collision near Colorado Springs, Colo., two passengers were killed and five injured.

President Kruger has applied for a temporary asylum in the American consulate at Lourenco Marques.

C. P. Huntington, president of the Southern Pacific railroad, died in the Adirondacks, N. Y., of heart disease.

The army of the Philippines elected General F. V. Greene president, General O. Sumner as second vice-president.

The clothing factory of K. B. Olson & Co., Chicago, was destroyed by fire, with a loss of buildings and goods of \$25,000.

Contractors are making close examination of the route for the Klamath Falls railway, preparatory to signing the contract.

Steamer Deutschland made the run from New York to Plymouth, England, in 5 days, 11 hours and 45 minutes, breaking the record.

Bob Fitzsimmons and Tom Sharkey have been matched to fight August 25 before the Coney Island Club for a purse of \$25,000. Charley White is to be referee.

Twelve heat prostrations, with one that will prove fatal, is the record of one day at St. Joseph, Mo., which is the hottest of the season. Thermometers registered 101 degrees.

The question of making the permanent repairs on the Oregon at home instead of in Japan has been discussed by some of the authorities of the navy department and may result in her being brought back to the Pacific coast.

The official report of the Colombian government commander in the recent battle at Panama says the rebel forces were 600 and those of the government 120. The commander intimates that the rebels were dangerous and pernicious.

The detective bureau of New York City, in looking for Antonio Pece, a banker with offices in that city. He has mysteriously disappeared. Scores of excited Italian depositors have thronged Pece's office, and it is reported to the police that the banker has gone to Italy, taking with him \$16,525.

Dr. Steinitz, the chess champion, died in New York.

A site has been chosen for the new Fort Hall Indian school.

The Russian minister will not leave Peking before his comrades.

The besieged foreigners in Peking have food to last them only a week.

Bryan's speech of acceptance will be reproduced by phonograph.

Twelve persons were killed and 40 injured in a train wreck in Italy.

The empress intends to leave Peking before the foreign troops arrive.

Appropriations by the last session of congress were \$710,150,862.

The army of Afghanistan is preparing to cross into Russian territory.

The annual convention of the Typographical Union opened in Milwaukee.

Several congressmen were arrested for packing salmon after close of season.

By mistake British and Russian artillery shelled the Americans at Yang Tzu.

Judge Lacombe, of New York, refused to sign a writ of extradition for Neely.

About 20 farmers near Salem realized 50 cents per bushel for wheat by pooling the same.

Export of gold from New York is expected to relax the financial tension at European capitals.

The state department replied to the edict appointing Li Hung Chang a peace commissioner.

Two government pack trains leave Vancouver to take a transport at Seattle for service in China.

The report that the Canadian government has abandoned the royalty on the Yukon gold output is not correct. An export duty is under consideration.

Parajits, well-known Cuban landit, was shot and killed at Palma Sorito, 20 miles from Santiago, by a corporal of the rural guard. This outlaw had been terrorizing the country for several years. He has committed numerous murders.

A pitched battle occurred near Graham, N. M., between a posse, under Deputy Sheriff W. K. Foster, and two bandits who robbed a store in Graham in broad daylight. One of the robbers was killed. The other was wounded, but he escaped.

C. N. McMahon, a young society man, of Woodward avenue, Detroit, was robbed of \$500 in greenbacks while coming out of the California theater, San Francisco, after the performance by a pickpocket, who secured the roll of bills and escaped.

An Atlanta jury decided that a wife is responsible for the burial expenses of her husband.

Cheap lands in Nebraska have been taken up so rapidly that few desirable acres remain.

An addition of two miles will shortly be made to the five avenues on the Gettysburg battlefield.

The Kansas City produce exchange has adopted a plan for selling eggs by weights instead of by the dozen.

The Chittenden hotel at Columbus, O., was sold to three Cleveland capitalists for a consideration of \$250,000.

General Streuberg says 100 additional medical officers, graduates of reputable colleges, are needed for duty in the Philippines and China.

Miss Lillie Ray, daughter of Daniel A. Ray, recently made United States marshal of Hawaii, has been appointed deputy marshal to her father.

Census figures, it is believed, will be a disappointment for the Western states, where there has been little immigration during the last 10 years.

CRASHED INTO AN OMNIBUS

Serious Wreck in a Pennsylvania Town.

FIFTEEN KILLED OUTRIGHT

Several More Were Seriously Injured—Accident Occurred at a Grade-Crossing With No Watchman.

Slatington, Pa., August 14.—Fifteen persons were instantly killed and 11 others, several of whom will die, were seriously injured tonight in a grade crossing, about three miles from this city, a passenger train on the Lehigh Valley & New England railroad crashing into an omnibus containing 25 persons. All the dead and injured were in the omnibus. Five three of the occupants escaped injury.

The omnibus passengers were returning to Slatington from a funeral. The dead and injured were nearly all relatives of Sophia Schofer, whose obsequies they had attended. The accident occurred at 6 o'clock at a sharp curve. The train was a special, and was running at a lively rate of speed. The omnibus came along at a good rate of speed, the occupants unconscious of any impending danger. As the bus swung around the curve the engine came in sight. It was too late to stop either the omnibus or the train, and, as the driver of the former whirled up the four horses to cross the track ahead of the train, the latter crashed into it in the middle. The occupants were thrown in all directions, bruised and bleeding. The 15 dead were killed outright. Physicians and a special train were sent from here and the injured were taken to South Bethlehem.

No watchman is employed to warn teams or pedestrians of any approaching train, and those living in the vicinity state it is impossible to hear an approaching train. The horses drawing the bus escaped unhurt.

DID DOUBLE CRIME.

Murdered His Friend and Robbed the Express.

Columbus, O., August 14.—Charles R. H. Ferrell, former employe of the Adams Express Company, was arrested this afternoon in this city, and confessed to the killing of Messenger Lane, and the robbery of the way safe of the Adams Express Company, on the Pennsylvania coast-bound train Friday night. One thousand dollars of the money by stole was recovered.

Ferrell was to have been married Thursday next to Miss Lillian Costlow, daughter of an engineer on the Pennsylvania line. He had been discharged from the employ of the Adams Express Company and confessed that the motive of the robbery was to get money for the approaching wedding. The money recovered he had given to Miss Costlow to keep for him, saying he had saved it from his earnings. Ferrell is but 23 years of age. He was at the home of his affianced wife in her company when he secured recognition of the officers, and the robbers entered and threatened the firemen with death. They were placed under arrest. It was only with great difficulty that the company's tug succeeded in driving the barges toward the quays, where all the manifestos, some 50, were arrested.

Strikes at Marietta.

Marietta, August 15.—The strike of the firemen of the Trans-Atlantic Steamship Company, which began this morning, seriously retarded the arrangements for the departure of the transports, only one, the Polyseus, was getting away. The strikers of the others left the vessels. This afternoon the strikers tried to prevent the Polyseus leaving the harbor, by blocking the entrance with a number of barges. The strikers entered by the scuttles and threatened the firemen with death. They were placed under arrest. It was only with great difficulty that the company's tug succeeded in driving the barges toward the quays, where all the manifestos, some 50, were arrested.

Philippine Surrender.

Washington, August 14.—The war department received today the following dispatch concerning cheerful news from General MacArthur:

"Manila, August 14.—Adjutant-General, Washington: Colonel Grass, August 11 in the vicinity of Tang, surrendered command to Colonel Freeman, Twenty-fourth United States Infantry, consisting of one major, six captains, six lieutenants, 169 men, 100 rifles and 300 cartridges.

"MACARTHUR."

Two Fatally Shot by Robbers.

St. Joseph, Mo., August 14.—Joseph Phelps and Frank Craig, both wealthy stockmen, were fatally shot, near their homes, three miles from Nodaway, Mo., early this morning by two men who attempted a hold-up. The stockmen had visited the St. Joseph market with cattle, and the robbers were expected to secure a large sum of money, which had already been deposited in a bank here.

Still Fighting in Colombia.

Kingston, Jamaica, August 15.—There was heavy fighting last week south of Carthagena, Colombia. The rebels lost heavily, and retreated. Writers describe the suffering of the people as very great. One says that a dreadful mauling bubonic plague has developed at Panama. So many were killed in the last battle at Panama that some of the bodies had to be buried.

Suicide of an Indian Family.

Burns, Or., August 14.—A few days ago, Sawada, a Pute Indian of this county, committed suicide by hanging with arsenic. Last week a child, a 14-year-old girl, on account of bad health, ended her life in the same way. Her mother, upon finding the child dead, procured some arsenic, and, eating them, she ended her life. It is unusual for Indians to commit suicide.

Germany Will Land Troops to Protect Her Interests in the Yangtze Valley.

Newark Goes to Cavite.

Washington, August 15.—Acting Secretary Hackett, of the navy department, today received a dispatch from Admiral Kempff, stating the cruiser Newark, his flagship, has sailed from Sagami Bay, Cavite. The Newark has been for some time past in Chinese waters, and was in the vicinity of the operations at the time the Taku forts were taken. It is presumed here the trip to the naval station at Cavite is for the purpose of making some necessary repairs.

Forest Fire in Michigan.

Bay City, Mich., August 14.—Fires are sweeping over the northern country. From Hule to Home City, on the Detroit & Mackinac railroad, is one stretch of flames. Whittemore is surrounded by fire and Prescott is in danger. At both places mills have been shut down and men are fighting the fire. The property loss will be large.

New York, August 15.—Edward Duryea, the millionaire starch manufacturer, died suddenly at his residence at Glen Cove, L. I., tonight. His wealth is estimated at \$3,000,000.

FOUR KILLED BY A STORM.

Two Others Probably Fatally Injured—Wind and Lightning.

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IN THE TRANSVAAL COUNTRY

Mission of American Consul Hollis There.

KRUGER ASKED FOR REFUGE

Dear President Wanted to Remain in Lourenco Marques Office Until He Could Leave South Africa.

London, August 16.—President Kruger addressed a formal application to the United States to grant him a sanctuary in case the necessity for it arose. This occurred, according to Secretary Helms, the day Lord Roberts entered Pretoria.

The details of the event have been related to a reporter of the press by F. W. Unger, who has just returned from the Transvaal, and who secured the information from Frederick Meis and others. After quoting the secretary as saying President Kruger would never leave the mountains, on account of his age, but would retreat down the line, finally escaping to Portuguese territory, Mr. Unger says that the day the British entered Pretoria, President Kruger sent for W. Stanley Hollis, the American consul at Lourenco Marques, and Mr. Hollis was taken to Machodoss in a special car. President Kruger asked him if his government would grant him (President Kruger) an asylum in the Lourenco Marques office until he (Mr. Kruger) made other arrangements for his departure. President Kruger expressed fears concerning his treatment by the Portuguese government, and wished to guard a way of escape. Mr. Hollis asked for time to consult with his government, and President Kruger assured that he would receive a week's notice before putting the plan into execution.

San Francisco Strike.

The Millmen's Union Wants an Eight-Hour Day.

San Francisco, August 16.—The Millmen's Union, backed by the Building Trades Council, today began its earnest fight for an eight-hour day. A strike has been ordered and the strength of the movement will soon be known. The lumber and planing mill owners have not yet decided whether the mill will try to continue operations with nonunion men or shall close down until an adjustment is effected. In four San Francisco mills and in all of the Oakland mills the union men were paid off Saturday night after their refusal to return this morning under the old schedule and were ordered to remove their tools from the works.

"Unless some understanding is reached before the end of the week," said Andrew Wilkie, proprietor of the Mechanic's mill, "I believe building will practically cease in San Francisco for the time being, and the 15,000 men in the building trades will be thrown out of employment."

No advance in wages is asked, but the same pay is wanted for eight hours as is now given for nine. The mill men say they cannot grant the rise and meet Eastern competition.

A Fatal