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EVENTS OF THE DAY

An Interesting Collection of Items From the Two Hemispheres Presented in a Condensed Form.

A detachment of company I, who were guarding the Brown hoisting works, near Cleveland, O., fired upon a mob of strikers and wounded one of them. Excitement runs high, and more trouble is feared.

A special from Madrid says a great fire rages at Rueda de Medina, a town of about 4,000 inhabitants, twenty-five miles southwest of Valladolid. Hundreds of buildings are said to have been destroyed. The inhabitants are reported as being in a state of panic.

The syndicate of foreign bankers which came into existence to check the drain on the United States treasury reserve exerted by Europe has been signally successful in its efforts in that direction, but the withdrawals of gold for shipment to Canada continues.

James Fulton Shepard, a one-legged boy of Alameda, Cal., saved a 12-year-old lad named Durant from drowning in the tidal canal. Shepard rescued Durant as he was sinking for the last time. The boy had swallowed a quantity of water, and it required an hour's hard work to bring him to.

Another rebellion is reported from China. Two powerful bandit societies are in revolt. Several villages have been captured. Helpless inhabitants have been fouly murdered and their homes destroyed. Foreign missions have been attacked, and two French priests narrowly escaped with their lives.

Governor McIntyre, of Colorado, has received a letter purporting to be from William Smeiduth, for the murder of whom Columbus B. Sykes is serving a life sentence. What was supposed to be Smeiduth's remains were found on his ranch, near Dallas, Colo., March 13, 1894. The chief of police of San Francisco has been requested to find the man claiming to be Smeiduth, who writes that he is staying at the What Cheer house on Sacramento street, San Francisco.

Nothing in years has caused such a flurry in commercial circles as the collapse of Moore Bros. in their efforts to maintain control of the Diamond Match Company and the New York Biscuit Company. A striking feature of the failure is the fact that the Chicago stock exchange for the first time in its history adjourned indefinitely without doing a dollar's worth of business. The following notice was posted: "The Chicago stock exchange has adjourned, subject to the action of the governing committee. Wilkins, secretary."

Storms in West Virginia have created great havoc and railway traffic has been suspended.

The members of a camping party near Oakland, Cal., were forced to climb trees, while a madened bull destroyed their camp.

E. L. Harrison, who was formerly traveling auditor for the Northern Pacific railroad, committed suicide in Tacoma, by shooting himself in the mouth, the bullet from his revolver penetrating to the brain and killing him almost instantly.

A freight train on the Vandavia railroad ran through a bridge near Crawfordville, Ind., killing Conductor McKenzie and Fireman John Herber and seriously injuring Roadmaster J. S. Brothers and Engineer Bowman. The wreck was caused by washouts.

Rev. Geo. P. Knapp, who was arrested in Bitlis, Eastern Turkey, on the charge of conspiring against the Turkish government, and who was once liberated, but refused to leave the country before his innocence was established, has again been arrested and will be tried on a charge of inciting riot.

E. L. Moody, a logger, made a cowardly attempt to murder Mrs. H. J. Bunn in a hotel kept by the woman's husband at Elma, Wash. Moody stabbed his victim in the wrist and in the right breast with a knife, and then fled, leaving Mrs. Bunn seriously if not fatally wounded. Moody is still at large.

A Havana dispatch says the police have captured a collection of maps of the island, highly colored, showing the supposed insurgent headquarters in Cubitas, the rebel flag and picturing various chiefs of the insurrection. The maps bear the imprint of a Barcelona firm. The Havana stationer, Don Fernandez, in whose possession they were found, was arrested.

The two daring navigators who left New York June 28, in a sailboat but eighteen feet long, to cross the Atlantic, are all right. They were sighted on July 19 in latitude 53, longitude 31.55, by the American liner Indiana and asked to be reported. They appeared to be in the best of spirits and required no assistance whatever from the Indiana, although provisions and water were offered them.

While an attorney was looking over the papers of the late Eugene Wilhelm at his home near Nebraska City, Neb., an express order was found for \$1,500, which had been issued in 1853 at Placerville, Cal., sent by Wilhelm to his wife, Martha Wilhelm, and payable to her order. Why the order was never cashed, Mrs. Wilhelm, who is an old woman, is unable to explain. The head of the company in New York has been notified that the order has been placed in the bank at Nebraska City for collection.

Victoria to Retire.
The rumor that Queen Victoria intends to retire in favor of the Prince of Wales is again current in London. It is added that court circles are greatly troubled regarding the condition of the queen's health. Such reports have frequently appeared recently, only to be semi-officially contradicted later, but it seems that there may be some actual foundation for the statements made. It is added that her majesty has decided to spend her time in future at Balmoral or Osborne, and will give the Prince and Princess of Wales the use of Buckingham palace and Windsor castle.

Is Deaf, Dumb and Blind.
An interesting experiment in education will be commenced at the deaf, dumb and blind institution at Berkeley, Cal., on the opening of the school year in August. Grace C. Sperow, aged 10 years, who was born stone blind from childhood and is now almost deaf and dumb, is to be made a special student and educated at the expense of the state. This child will be given a nine years' course and will receive instruction from a special teacher employed for that purpose. This will be the first attempt to educate a deaf, dumb and blind person and in consequence great interest centers about the case.

Scholar in Texas.
August Shrader, the so-called divine healer, put in an appearance in Dallas, Tex., where he treated 2,000 persons in four days. Some reported they had been cured. He left suddenly, leaving the following note: "I am called from here, and obey my Father's will."

Successful Filibusters.
Passengers from Havana, arrived in Key West by the steamer Mascott report a rumor of the successful landing of a filibustering expedition in the vicinity of Cienfuegos. The expedition is believed to be under the command of Captain Cabrera.

Oregon's School Census.
The state school census, which has just been completed by Superintendent Irwin, at Salem, shows that there are in Oregon at present 129,623 children of school age.

Republican State Convention.
The Republican state committee of Washington decided to hold the state convention at Tacoma on August 26. The convention will be attended by 436 delegates.

Judge Carpenter Dead.
Word comes from Holland by cable that Judge George M. Carpenter, of the United States district court for the district of Rhode Island, died of paralysis of the heart.

Epidemic of Suicides.
Driven to despair by different causes, six people attempted to end their own lives by suicide, in Chicago in one day.

Devastated by the Storm.
The most destructive storm in the history of Sunday Creek valley occurred at Gloucester, a mining town twelve miles north of Athens, O., resulting in the almost total destruction of one of the principal thoroughfares of the town. The fury of the wind is almost indescribable. Buildings were toppled over, trees torn from their roots, and the town is a scene of desolation. Nearly every building in the town is damaged. To add to the horror, Sunday creek is a sweeping, raging torrent. Several houses have been washed away, and word was received that the list of dead will reach fifteen.

Mine Burned by Strikers.
The mine of the old Pittsburg Coal Company, at Hymean, Sullivan county, Ind., has been burned. A committee from the miners' organization visited the mine and sought to induce the miners to quit work. The watchman was captured, carried some distance and the works burned. The loss is \$25,000.

Italian Warship Destroyed.
The Italian armored warship Rola, of about 5,800 tons displacement, was struck by lightning near Rome. The flames spread rapidly threatening to reach the magazine. It was found necessary to sink the ship by discharging torpedoes.

Both Are Dead.
Robert Stark and Abe Tinkey, the former a merchant, the latter postmaster at Sequim, Wash., attempted to acquire a cheap jag on wood alcohol. The effect was such that within a few hours after drinking the fiery decoction both men died.

Its Glory Has Departed.
The great auditorium in which the Republicans and Populists held their national conventions in St. Louis, will be turned into a Madison square garden for horse shows, bicycle meets and other great indoor sporting enterprises the coming fall and winter.

Heavy Damage in South Dakota.
Dispatches from Melitte and other points in South Dakota state that a hail storm devastated a stretch of country sixty miles long and five or six miles wide. The damage amounts to hundreds of thousands of dollars.

A Terrific Explosion.
A special from Vienna says an explosion in a powder magazine at Fuenkirchen resulted in the death of five persons, injuring eighty others and wrecking the town hall.

Not Paid to Do Campaign Duty.
Postmaster-General Wilson has issued an order to the railway mail clerks directing them not to take an active interest in the political campaign such as would be involved in attending political conventions as delegates or making political speeches. The postmaster-general's circular expressly states that he does not desire to control their opinions on political matters, but they must refrain from taking an active part in political matters.

NEW LINE PROPOSED

To Run Between Yokohama and Portland.

CAPITAL OF TWO MILLION YEN

The Company, After Permission Has Been Granted, May Amalgamate With Oriental Steamship Co.

Tacoma, Aug. 4.—News has been received here of the establishment of another steamship company at Tokio, to be called the Daito Kisen Kaisha, with a capital of 2,000,000 yen. The Japanese Weekly Gazette says the new company proposes to open up a regular service of steamers between Yokohama and Portland with the object of effecting connection with Oregon railroads. According to the present plan, three steamers of 5,000 tons each are to be employed on the new line. The signatures of the projectors are being taken preparatory to applying to the authorities for a charter. It is said the proposed steamship company, after official permission has been granted, may amalgamate with the Toyo Kisen Kaisha (Oriental Steamship Company), whose formation has been received with great popularity by the public in Japan.

ONLY A FLESH WOUND.

But a Narrow Escape, However, for A. Y. Ross.

Astoria, Or., Aug. 4.—About 8 o'clock this morning Jack Kenney, proprietor of a dancehall, shot A. Y. Ross, one of the owners of the Astoria laundry.

Ross and his wife left the restaurant after breakfast and started for the laundry near by, and in passing a crowd of men, among whom was Kenney, they were subjected to vile language, and were followed by Kenney into the laundry. Ross requested him to leave the place, but this only provoked the man to viler language in the hearing of the women employees. Ross then came from behind the counter and pushed him into the street, whereupon Kenney pulled a "gun" and Ross picked up a brick and threw it, striking Kenney on the arm. Kenney then fired, the ball cutting into Ross' shoulder near the jugular vein, inflicting only a flesh wound, however.

Kenney was arrested and placed under \$1,000 bonds, and this evening was committed to jail to await a preliminary trial, being unable to furnish bonds.

STRUCK WITH AN AX.

A Nebraska Farmer's Method of Forcibly a Retraction.

Elkhorn, Neb., Aug. 4.—As a result of the recent school election here, William Clark was probably fatally injured by being struck with an ax in the hands of George Frost. Both are wealthy farmers. Clark was en route from Elkhorn, and as he was passing Frost's place, he was hailed by the latter and commanded to retract a statement he made at the school meeting, or abide the consequences. Clark refused and was struck on the right side of the head with the ax. The blow knocked Clark out of the buggy and one of the wheels ran over his body. He says Frost struck him while he was lying on the ground, but finally desisted upon the tearful solicitation of one of his sons. Besides a bad wound near his right eye, Clark is injured internally. Frost is a school director and Clark accused him of falsifying the school records. A warrant was placed in an officer's hands, but Frost eluded him.

SCARED THE BRITONS.

England's Naval Bulwark Is Not Impregnable.

London, Aug. 4.—The result of the naval maneuvers just concluded have given a shock to Englishmen, who imagined that Great Britain's naval bulwark was impregnable. The idea of the maneuvers was that the foreign fleet was trying to reach Loughswilly, and that a British fleet, which was much stronger and faster, had to prevent it. The foreign fleet met off Torbay and the British fleet was spread from Land's End to Lap cape, close by, but the foreign fleet did not try to pass up the Irish sea. It went around the west coast of Ireland and succeeded in reaching Loughswilly unmolested. This was a complete reversal of what was generally expected, and is held to prove that the landing of an invading force in Great Britain is quite possible, even though a greatly superior naval force will be trying to bar the way.

A Ten Per Cent Reduction.

Bellefonte, Pa., Aug. 4.—An order has been issued at the Valentine Company's works that, commencing August 1, a ten per cent reduction of wages would be effective. Over 500 men are affected by the reduction.

A Fight and a Drowning.

New York, Aug. 4.—James Murphy, 35 years old, and Stephen Garvey, aged 50, fought tonight at pier 25, North river. During the struggle, both men tumbled into the river and were drowned.

San Francisco's New Postoffice.

San Francisco, Aug. 3.—Work on San Francisco's new postoffice is soon to commence. The tenants now occupying buildings on the site, at Mission and Seventh streets, have been notified by the government to vacate within twenty days. The site cost over \$1,000,000, and the postoffice building will cost about \$2,000,000 more when completed.

The annual "cattle crop" of New South Wales is about 400,000.

ELECTION IN ALABAMA.

The State Carried by the Usual Democratic Majority.

Montgomery, Ala., Aug. 5.—The size of the Democratic majority seems all that remains in doubt, with regard to the result of today's election. Because of the slow counting under the new ballot law, returns are necessarily slow in coming in, but there is no doubt of a complete Democratic victory. Incomplete returns from about half the counties so far received indicate Democratic gains in all but Mobile and Macon. In the former, the Democrats appear to have lost some 500 votes by stay-at-homes, but the county is still in the Democratic column by 500 majority. In Macon county, which gave Oates a majority of 800 in 1894, the result is close and doubtful.

The Populists, on the other hand, have carried Tuscaloosa county by 1,000 majority. It gave Kolb 200 majority two years ago. Marshall county, which went for Kolb by 600, is close, and probably Democratic. Lee county, which had a Populist majority of 500, is like Marshall. Chambers county, with 400 majority for Kolb in 1894, is in the Democratic column. Tallapoosa county, with 600 majority for Kolb at the last election, is close, and may be Democratic. Fayette, another Populist county, is in the doubtful column, as are also Coosa and DeKalb.

In the counties which Governor Oates carried two years ago, there have been increased majorities in all so far heard from, except two.

NOBODY IN NEED OF WORK

The Astoria Road Contractors Cannot Get Enough Men.

Portland, Or., Aug. 5.—Mr. Hugh Glenn, of the contracting firm of Honeyman, DeHart & Glenn, who is constructing a portion of the Astoria-Goble railroad, is at the St. Charles. He has just returned from Seattle, where he went to employ laborers. He wants 300 more men, principally axmen and station men, but finds it hard to secure them.

"I have advertised for men," he said, "and pay them \$1.50 per day, which is ten cents more than paid by the railroad companies and other contractors for the same class of work; yet it seems impossible to get them."

"It is our purpose to give everything possible to Portland, and we still hope to get men here, and on the Sound, instead of having to go to San Francisco."

The firm yesterday chartered the steamboat Kehani for nine months, to be used in the transportation of supplies and camp equipage. Two other boats are similarly employed.

A HOT FIGHT.

The Cubans Thoroughly Whipped the Spanish Troops.

Havana, Aug. 5.—A hot engagement is reported to have occurred between Guayamas and Melones, in the district of Manzanillo, in the province of Santiago de Cuba, in which the loss suffered by the Spanish troops was exceedingly heavy. The official report gives the number of Spaniards as 100 pitted against 1,000 insurgents.

The official report further states that Lieutenant Gonzales and Pintados, of the Spanish forces, were killed, together with fifty privates.

Colonel Marco has had a fight with the band of Sanguilly on the plantation of Condesa, province of Matanzas. The insurgents lost eleven killed and took many side arms. The troops had two officers and nine soldiers wounded. The insurgents have burned the plantation of San Joaquin, at Abanose, in Matanzas, causing a damage estimated at \$400,000. The insurgent bands are concentrating near the southern portion of the drocha, and it is reported that they intend to attack it before long.

WRECK ON THE SANTA FE

The Engineer Killed and Eight Passengers Injured.

Topeka, Kan., Aug. 5.—Santa Fe passenger train No. 1, which was due in this city at 4:27 this afternoon, collided with east-bound local passenger No. 18, near Bean Lake, Mo., shortly before noon today. Fred Heady, of Topeka, engineer on train No. 1, was killed. Eight were injured.

No. 1 was ordered to wait at Bean Lake for the Kansas City local, but, instead, proceeded to Bosworth. The collision occurred about half way between the two places. The dead and injured were brought to Topeka tonight. The injuries of Joseph Hickey, of San Jose, Cal., are not so serious as at first thought. His collar-bone is fractured. Express Messenger Bulway cannot live. The collision threw both locomotives from the track, and they rolled off into the ditch. The smoking car, in which all the passengers injured were riding, was telescoped by the express car.

Des Moines River Overflowed.

Des Moines, Aug. 5.—Due to recent heavy rains, rivers here have risen from four to seven feet. The Des Moines is going over its banks, destroying many fields. Parts of the Keokuk & Western railroad bridge over the Raccoon in this city went out last night. Today's rains north are expected to increase the flood.

Textile Mills Closed.

Philadelphia, Aug. 5.—Rhodes & Bros.' big textile mills, on Chester creek, closed today until further notice. Over 600 hands are affected. The cause assigned is depression in the textile trade.

Print Works Start Up.

Providence, Aug. 5.—Allen's print works, at the north end of the city, started up today, after a three weeks' shut-down. The concern employs 800 men.

THE TRAINS COLLIDED

Came Together at a Diagonal Railroad Crossing.

THE RESULTS WERE SICKENING

An Express Catches an Excursion Train Broadside, Literally Cleaving It in Twain.

Atlantic City, N. J., Aug. 3.—A railroad accident, horrible in its details and sickening in its results, occurred this evening, just outside of this city, and as a result about 100 persons are either killed or injured.

The Reading railroad express, which left Philadelphia at 5:40 o'clock this evening for Atlantic City, crashed into a Pennsylvania railroad excursion train at the second signal tower, about four miles out from here.

The Pennsylvania train was returning to Bridgeton with a party of excursionists from that place, Millville and neighboring towns. It was loaded with passengers, and a rough estimate of the killed and injured at a late hour places the number at 100. It is hoped that this is an exaggeration, but the number is undoubtedly more than fifty.

At the second signal tower, the tracks of the two roads diagonally cross. The Reading train was given the signal to stop, but the brakes either failed to work or the speed of the express was too great to be checked in time. It caught the excursion train broadside and ploughed through, literally cleaving it in twain. The engine of the Reading train was shattered to pieces. Every car on the excursion train was jammed to its fullest capacity.

As soon as the news reached Atlantic City, the utmost consternation prevailed, but the authorities were equal to the emergency. Relief trains were dispatched to the scene, loaded with cots and bearing staffs of surgeons. As quick as the bodies were recovered, they were carried into the local hospitals and undertaker's shops.

A general fire alarm was sounded, and the department promptly responded, and aided in the heartrending work of digging for the victims. Fear grew into despair and horror as the vigorous work of the relief gangs revealed the awful extent of the disaster.

The first Reading relief train bore into this city twenty-seven mangled corpses, men, women and children. The next train, not an hour later, carried fifteen of the maimed and wounded, and two of these died soon after reaching the city.

As train after train plied to the scene of the wreck, and came back with its ghastly burdens, the Sanitarium, which does duty as the city hospital, quickly found its capacity overtaxed. Meanwhile others of the dead and injured were being carried to the private hospital at Ocean and Pacific avenues.

Edward Farr, engineer on the Reading train, was killed outright, as was another railroad man who rode on the engine with him. This man, whose name has not yet been learned, saw the collision coming and leaped from the cab an instant before the crash came. Almost at the same instant the engine cut its way through and caught him directly in its path. His body and that of Farr were found under a heap of debris, but the engineer lay in what remained of the cab, and his right hand still clasped the throttle. He had been faithful unto death, and met it at his post.

The fireman on that train leaped a few seconds before and escaped with trifling injuries.

Samuel Thornton, baggage-master on the Reading train, is among the dead.

James M. Bateman, a Bridgeton undertaker, is known to be killed. He was in the third car, and his hat was found lying among the mass of broken timbers.

Richard Trenchard, a Bridgeton machinist, and his wife are both dead.

Conductor Kelly, of the Pennsylvania train, had both arms and legs broken, and was internally injured.

Albert J. Mosebach, of No. 18 North Eighth street, Philadelphia, was on the Reading train. He escaped unhurt.

The excursion train was made up of fifteen cars, the foremost of which was a baggage car. This and the next two coaches caught the full force of the crash, and were utterly demolished. What remained of the third car was tumbled into a ditch at the roadside. The responsibility for the accident cannot now be fixed.

William Thurlow, telegraph operator in the tower-house, was arrested tonight and held, pending an inquiry.

Europeans Massacred.

Paris, Aug. 3.—Advices from Madagascar, report that a caravan of two Frenchmen and three Englishmen have been massacred by the Favalos, near Ambolipiana.

Crop Failure in South Russia.

London, Aug. 3.—An Odessa dispatch to the Times announces that official reports are to the effect that the harvest has been a failure throughout the most fertile grain-producing districts in the south of Russia.

Oil Tank Exploded.

New York, Aug. 3.—Two men were fatally injured and three others severely burned by the explosion of a tank at the Standard Oil Company's works, at Cravens Point, Jersey City, today. The fatally injured are: Richard Cunningham, and John Goldsmith. The works were set on fire by the explosion, but the flames were extinguished before much damage was done.

The world's navies are estimated as employing 6,000,000 men.

Guarded by Militia.

Cleveland, O., Aug. 4.—The labor situation in this city is again critical. One hundred and fifty nonunion men went to work at the Brown hoisting works this morning, guarded by four companies of militia and a large force of police. A big crowd of union men were present, but no outbreak occurred. The police and soldiers kept the strikers moving. A sympathetic strike, threatened ever since the strike at the Brown company's works began, eleven weeks ago, was inaugurated this morning. Eighty-seven men employed by the Van Wagner & Williams Company, hardware manufacturers, laid down their tools and walked out.

Sold at Auction.

Seattle, Aug. 5.—All of the lands of the Northern Pacific railroad in the state of Washington, comprising 11,902 sections of patented and an indefinite quantity of unpatented land, were sold today at public auction by Special Master Alfred L. Carey. The sale was under decree of the United States circuit court of the eastern district of Wisconsin. The property was bought in by Edwin W. Winter for the Northern Pacific Railway Company, of which he is president, for \$1,705,200.

Oakland Building Collapsed.

Oakland, Cal., Aug. 5.—A two-story building on Seventh and Clay streets collapsed last night, and nine people occupying the house had narrow escapes from death. The underpinning of the house gave way shortly before midnight, and the building fell two feet with a crash. The building is still standing, but the first wind probably will topple it over. It was built forty years ago, and is one of the landmarks of the city.

Three Were Drowned.

La Crosse, Wis., Aug. 5.—While boating last evening Henry Hendrickson, Anna Amrud and Lizzie Old, stadt, three La Crosse young people, were drowned in the Mississippi river just below the city.

Murdered Three People.

Providence, N. Y., Aug. 5.—Near Clay, eight miles west of here, Tom Brown, a farmer, 30 years old, butchered his wife, mother-in-law and baby last night. Brown comes of a feeble-minded family.

Building His Own Church.

San Francisco, Aug. 4.—Rev. Henry Victor Morgan, pastor of the First Christian church society of Alameda, is building a meeting house with the assistance of several members of his congregation. In laborer's garb, with his coat off, his sleeves rolled up and a straw hat on the back of his head the Rev. Morgan may be seen daily plying the saw and hammer in the construction of a house of worship.

"I have always been handy with tools and I am not afraid to work," said the Rev. Mr. Morgan. "I took it upon myself to superintend the construction of our little meeting house. I am being assisted by some members of my congregation. This structure will be used for a church only temporarily. Inside of a year we expect to build a church edifice and then this structure will be moved back and attached to the rear and used as a Sunday-school room. I think I am doing good work for the Lord in this way. I am anxious we should have a home."

Andree Delayed.

Stockholm, Aug. 4.—News has been received from Spitzbergen that Professor S. A. Andree's balloon has been filled and that he was ready to start July 25. The Virgo, with Professor Andree, his two companions and his apparatus on board, sailed from Stromsloe June 15. Since June 20, the expedition had been established in Pike's house, in the northern half of West Spitzbergen, opposite Dane's island. The stores and equipments had already been disembarked and the position considered very favorable. As the explorer had planned that his preparations would all be completed and his balloon filled by the first week in July, it seems probable that some unexpected obstacle was met in completing the preparations.

Spain May Buy Warships in Glasgow.

Madrid, Aug. 4.—The shipbuilders at Genoa, with whom the Spanish government has been negotiating for the purchase of two ironclads, have finally declined to sell to Spain the cruiser Garibaldi, on the ground that Argentina has a prior right. Admiral Beranger, the minister of marine, will in consequence send a commission of naval officers to Glasgow to negotiate for the purchase of two ironclads.

Carried Off a Wife.

Clinton, Mo., Aug. 4.—Several months ago Jim Carey came from Iowa and made his home with his uncle, W. S. Carey, near Clinton. During the latter's absence yesterday Mrs. Carey eloped with her husband's nephew, taking her baby along. A warrant has been issued, but it is thought they have fled to Iowa.

Los Angeles Chinese Shot.

Los Angeles, Aug. 4.—Wong Chee, one of the most prominent and influential Chinese in the city, was shot and seriously wounded by one of his countrymen this evening. Three Chinamen have been arrested and Wong Chew Gow, one of the number, is believed to be the man who did the shooting.

A Reward for Informers.

Havana, Aug. 4.—The official gazette publishes a decree offering a reward of \$24,000 to any one enabling the Spanish cruisers to effect the seizure of filibustering steamers and offering a further reward of \$9,000 to any person enabling the Spanish cruisers to capture filibustering sailing vessels of over 205 tons.

At least \$750,000,000 worth of British property is always on the sea.