DANGEROUS COMPETITOR

NEW YORK YACHTSMEN AFRAID OF LIPTON'S NEW SHAMROCK.

The Best Boat Great Britain Has Sent Over to Race for the Cup—Good Spin Yesterday.

NEW YORK, Aug. 27.—Shamrock II was given a good spin today, both inside and outside the Hook. She was tried in windward work and broad and close reaching. In fact the challenger was given everything except a spinnaker run in a breeze that sometimes piped up to 12 knots, and at no time was under eight knots. The good opinion of her speed, merits and ability to carry lofty canvas was emphasized. Many yachting experts who saw her performance call her a wonderful boat. All say she is the most dangerous vessel that has ever come over the waters hunting for the America's cup. She had life in her every movement. She gathers way with remarkable rapidity, is quick in stays, points high, stands up under a tremendous spread of canvas, and is a decided improvement over the other Shamrock.

The only new sail tried today was her large club topsail. It was a revelation to those who saw it. It appears much larger than the topsails on Columbia and Constitution. It extends further out over the gaff and runs up higher above the topmast. It is said that the distance from the boot of the mast to the top of the topsail club is over 190 feet. The sail sheets out very well, and there is less looseness along the head than on either of the American boats.

Sir Thomas Lipton was on board during the entire trial, and seemed much pleased with her showing.

"This is the 20th spin which the boat has had," said he, "including her races on the other side. She is improving all the time, and I am more pleased with her today than ever before. If she does not carry back the cup, the American boat that beats her may well inspire pride in your people."

A notable feature of the day was the constant saluting which the challenger received from ocean steamers down to smallest launches.

TACOMAS OPEN TODAY.

Story of a Fist Fight Between McCloskey and Thielman.

The Tacoma baseball nine arrived late last evening, ready for their series with Portland, which opens this afternoon. Manager McCloskey's Tigers are in fairly good shape now for bumping the pennant leaders. Zearfoss will be seen behind the bat again, although he is as yet unable to run the bases. McCloskey is looking for a new pitcher that will be able to keep Jimmy St. Vrain company, but he has been unable to find a man that can fill the bill. St. Vrain has been pitching a great game, and his team mate, Carter, was in the game Saturday to win against Seattle, 3-2. Tacoma will go in the game to win this week. The average of the Tigers has climbed up until it rests safely over 500. The Tacomas would not be averse to fattening this mark a little at the Portlands' expense, and thus evening up a bit all the nines of the league.

The nines will line up today as follows:

Tacoma.	Position.	Portland.
St. Vrain	P	Salisbury
Zearfoss	C	Vigneux
McCloskey	1 B	Mahaffey
Stulz	2 B	Anderson
McCarthy	S S	Deisel
McIntyre	3 B	Tinker
Murdock	L F	Muller
Flannery	C F	Brown
Lynch	R F	Weed

McCloskey and Thielman Clashed.

The story comes from Tacoma that Manager McCloskey and Pitcher Jake Thielman, of his nine, came to blows last Saturday evening. As a result Thielman had to be taken to a hospital, where he was found to be badly battered up, but not seriously injured. Thielman and McCloskey have been at swords' points all season and the ill feeling between them has grown in bitterness until Saturday night, when, as a result of disparaging remarks made by Thielman, McCloskey started on a hunt for him and finally found him. He landed on Thielman with a swing that put the young man completely out of the doings. Despite the crowd gathered about, McCloskey kicked him and might have done more serious injury but for the interference of St. Vrain, McCarthy and others who were standing around.

McCloskey's bitterness against Thielman dates back several months to a time when Jake is said to have given away the team signals to Spokane in order to allow his brother Dobey to fatten a sickly batting average. In that particular game Spokane secured 16 hits off Carter, and the players on the Tacoma team resented the manner in which it is said to have been done. During the past week in one of the Seattle games Thielman refused to pitch when asked to do so by McCloskey, and when he finally did consent he put up an exhibition which insured his speedy removal from the box. Consequently feeling between the pitcher and manager has been exceedingly bitter, Thielman declaring that McCloskey would not give him a chance. Saturday remarks were passed around which resulted in the attack made by McCloskey.

Both Were Fined by Lucas.

President W. H. Lucas heard of the affair in Portland and went to Tacoma at once. He gave the matter a thorough investigation and deeply deplores the occurrence as an injury to the whole league. McCloskey is a man of exemplary habits and was apparently goaded into a rage Saturday night by Thielman's actions. President Lucas has decided to impose a heavy fine upon both men. Lucas feels that Thielman should have been released months ago instead of being held on the team until ill feeling culminated in a disgraceful street row. In addition to the fines imposed upon these two men, President Lucas has also passed out a bunch of heavy fines upon players who have been conducting themselves during the past two weeks in a manner which he does not approve of.

McCloskey and Thielman, according to reports, have made up again. Accordingly Jakey will continue on the Tiger payroll and will hereafter take his regular trick in the pitchers' box, where McCloskey feels that Thielman can yet show some of the best of them up before the season is over.

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

Brooklyn Won Two Games and Takes Second Place.

BROOKLYN, Aug. 27.—Brooklyn won two games today, and passed the Philadelphias into second place. Boston made a warm bid for the first game, which required 12 innings to decide. Kitson had the visitors at his mercy in the second game, and shut them out. He practically won the game. Attendance, 5500. The score:

First game—

	R	H	E		R	H	E
Boston	3	11	1	Brooklyn	4	8	1

Batteries—Dineen and Moran; Hughes and Farrell. Umpire—Emslie.

Second game—

	R	H	E		R	H	E
Boston	0	6	1	Brooklyn	3	8	1

Batteries—Pittinger and Kittredge; Kitson and Farrell. Umpire—Emslie.

New York Beat Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 27.—New York took two closely played games from Philadelphia today. In the first game the home team was unable to hit Hickman to any extent. In the second contest the home team held the advantage until the ninth inning, when the New Yorks won out on five bunched hits. Attendance, 3600. The score:

First game—

	R	H	E		R	H	E
New York	5	10	1	Philadelphia	3	5	2

Batteries—Hickman and Warner; Orth and Jacklitsch. Umpire—Dwyer.

Second game—

	R	H	E		R	H	E
New York	5	11	3	Philadelphia	4	4	1

Batteries—Taylor, Smith and Warner; Duggleby and McFarland. Umpire—Dwyer.

Chicago Beat Cincinnati.

CHICAGO, Aug. 27.—Chicago won after Cincinnati's new pitcher had held them down to three scattered singles in the previous eight innings. Attendance, 10,000. The score:

	R	H	E		R	H	E
Chicago	3	6	3	Cincinnati	2	7	1

Batteries—Taylor and Kling; Sudhoff and Bergen. Umpire—Brown.

Pittsburg Beat St. Louis.

PITTSBURG, Aug. 27.—Burkett, the first man up, made a three-bagger, and scored on Donovan's out. After that St. Louis was not in it. Attendance, 2800. The score:

	R	H	E		R	H	E
Pittsburg	7	11	1	St. Louis	1	5	1

Batteries—Tannehill and Yeager; Harper and Ryan. Umpire—O'Day.

National League Standing.

	Won.	Lost.	P. C.
Pittsburg	60	38	.612
Brooklyn	60	46	.566
Philadelphia	59	47	.557
St. Louis	57	52	.523
Boston	50	55	.476
New York	42	57	.424
Cincinnati	42	58	.420
Chicago	42	66	.389

AMERICAN LEAGUE.

Washington Easily Shut Out Cleveland.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 27.—Patten, with perfect support, easily shut out Cleveland today. The visitors made all their hits in the first three innings. Attendance, 2000. The score:

	R	H	E		R	H	E
Washington	5	10	0	Cleveland	0	5	3

Batteries—Patten and Clark; Moore and Connor.

Philadelphia Beat Chicago.

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 27.—Bernhardt pitched a steadily effective game for Philadelphia this afternoon, and for Dolan's failure to cover third in the fourth inning, the score would not have been close. Attendance, 1300. The score:

	R	H	E		R	H	E
Chicago	5	8	4	Philadelphia	7	11	1

Batteries—Callahan and Sullivan; Bernhard and Powers.

Boston Beat Detroit.

BOSTON, Aug. 27.—Cy Young won his game today by batting a hot one through Gleason in the 15th inning. Miller pitched a wonderful game, and the infield work of the visitors was brilliant. Attendance, 4379. The score:

	R	H	E		R	H	E
Boston	2	7	5	Detroit	1	11	5

Batteries—Young and Criger; Miller and McAllister.

Baltimore vs. Milwaukee.

BALTIMORE, Aug. 27.—The Baltimore team and the Milwaukee team played an 11-inning game here today, but could not finish, as the game was called on account of darkness. Attendance, 1909. The score:

	R	H	E		R	H	E
Baltimore	5	7	6	Milwaukee	5	11	3

Batteries — Foreman and Robinson, Sparks and Maloney.

American League Standing.

	Won.	Lost.	P. C.
Chicago	64	41	.610
Boston	63	42	.600
Baltimore	56	45	.554
Detroit	55	50	.524
Philadelphia	55	50	.524
Washington	44	56	.440
Cleveland	42	60	.420
Milwaukee	36	70	.340

BILLY SMITH IN PORTLAND.

Mysterious Boxer Has a Match on With Tom Tracey.

"Mysterious" Billy Smith, ex-champion welter-weight of the world, who is matched to fight Tom Tracey on September 5, arrived from Boston last evening. Smith is well known in Portland, having fought Tommy West, Charlie Gleason and "Shadow" Maber here in 1892, when he was first winning his way to pugilistic fame. With West he was given a draw, Gleason he defeated in four rounds, and Maber in 27. In those days Billy was unknown to the Eastern follower of the ringside, and it was in the West that he won his reputation as well as his name, "Mysterious."

Smith tells about it in this way: "You see, I was fighting and licking everybody in the West then, and I gave Boston as my home, although I came from up Maine way. Well, pretty soon they commenced to say in the East, 'Well, who is this here fellow, Billy Smith?' No one knew me in Boston, and so they gave me the name 'Mysterious,' and it's stuck to me ever since."

Smith has met and fought all the good ones in the ring in the neighborhood of 145 pounds. In 1893 he won the championship of the world in his class by defeating Tom Williams, of Australia, in two rounds. He has met Tommy Ryan six times, Joe Walcott seven times, Charlie McKeever four times, Andie Welch five times. He lost to Rube Ferns, the present champion, in 23 rounds on a decision, which was given on a technicality, the referee holding that Smith had violated the agreement by hitting in a clinch. He was hooted by the spectators, as Smith had the better of the fight and had given Ferns a terrific beating.

Smith and Tracey will weigh in at 145 pounds at 3 o'clock, the day of the match. The agreement that they will meet under and which will be signed today will provide for the straight Marquis of Queensbury rules, with hitting allowed with one arm free in clinches, and to protect each other in the break-away. Smith weighs 158, but says he will get down to 145 without trouble.

When he defeated Kid Lavigne in 14 rounds, two years ago, he weighed in at 3 o'clock at 141½, and entered the ring weighing 142. Eleven days afterward he fought George Green at 154. Smith will do road work in the mornings, and will do his afternoon sparring and training at the Mikado.

THE DAY'S RACES.

Audobon Boy Won the Park Brew Stakes at Providence.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Aug. 27.—Scott Hudson, of Lexington, Ky., drove Audobon Boy in the Park Brew $10,000 stake for 2:10 pacers at Narragansett Park this afternoon, and won in three straight heats, and after the race it was announced that the horse had been purchased by James Hanley, of this city. Audobon Boy had to go fast to win the big purse, and he made a new record of 2:06 flat in the second heat, while the third was only half a second slower. The summary:

2:14 class, trotting, purse $1200, three in five—Easter won three straight heats; best time, 2:12¼. Marique, Leola, Sphynx Lassie, Wilque, Laureatta, Hylic Bard, Debut, Handspring, Iva Dee and John Hoop also started.

2:10 class, pace, Park Brew stakes, $10,000—Audobon Boy won three straight heats in 2:06½, 2:06, 2:06½. Sphynx S., Sophia, Daphne Dalks, John T., Divolo, Star Pugh, Tom Calhoune, Fred S., Wedgewood, Jack Harding, Ambulator, Toryta F., Stacker Taylor, Emma M., Pussy Willow and Carmine also started.

2:14 pace, purse $3000—Council Chimes won the second, third and fourth heats; best time, 2:08¼. Captain Sphynx won the first heat in 2:10½. Armorel, Reckless, Louis E. G., Gambit and Cousin Madge also started.

Races at Butte.

BUTTE, Mont., Aug. 27.—Results:

Six furlongs—Onyx won, Antonius second, Government third; time, 1:15.

Five furlongs—Flourish won, Huachuca second, Pirate Maid third; time, 1:01¾.

Four and a half furlongs—Honest John won, Abba L. second, Lady Contrary third; time, 0:54¾.

Mile and a sixteenth—Nobleman won, Sylvan Lass second, Kenova third; time, 1:48.

Six furlongs—Sweet Caporal won, George H. Ketcham second, Lucy White third; time, 1:15.

Seven furlongs—Guilder won, Regalong second, Jim Brownell third; time, 1:31.

Fixe and a half furlongs—Ned Dennis won, Katie Gibbons second, Blanche Sheppard third; time, 1:09.

Races at Saratoga.

SARATOGA, Aug. 27.—Results:

Mile and a sixteenth, selling—Astor won, Asquith second, Cogswell third; time, 1:49 2-5.

Seven furlongs, handicap—Knight of Rhodes won, Bell Arch second, Politician third; time, 1:27 3-5.

The Champlain, 1⅛ miles—Rockton won, Decanter second, Kinnikinick third; time, 1:52 2-5.

Five furlongs—Eddie Busch won, Honolulu second, Schwabe third; time, 1:01 3-5.

Mile and 70 yards—Agnes D. won, Sam Phillips second, Lady Chorister third; time, 1:46 1-5.

Races at Hawthorne.

CHICAGO, Aug. 27.—Hawthorne results:

One mile, maidens—Elmer L. won, Virginia Wilcox second, El Fonso third; time, 1:46¼.

Five and a half furlongs—Throstle won, Hargis second, Santa Theresa third; time, 1:09½.

Mile and 20 yards—Hernande won, Strangest second, Brutal third; time, 1:44.

Five furlongs—Elsie L. won, Jack Ratlin second, McLenox third; time, 1:03¼.

Six furlongs, selling—St. Cuthbert won, King Della second, Admonition third; time, 1:15¾.

Mile and an eighth, selling—Odnor won, Frangible second, Tammany Chief third; time, 1:57½.

Races at Delmar Park.

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 27.—Delmar Park results:

Four and a half furlongs—Lynch won, Jigger second, Lady Clark third; time, 1:56¼.

Six furlongs—Grandma II won, Metoxen second, Brigand Queen third; time, 1:15½.

Four and a half furlongs—Ben Hempstead won, John Storm second, Fugurtha third; time, 0:57½.

One mile—Prior won, Fitz Kanet second, Empyreal third; time, 1:42½.

Six furlongs, selling—Ben Frost won, Ed L. second, Mona B. third; time, 1:14¾.

Mile and a sixteenth, selling—Swordsman won, Barrica second, Orris third; time, 1:49¼.

Races at Kinloch Park.

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 27.—Kinlock Park results:

Mile and 70 yards—Chorus Boy won, Hylo second, Mira Moore third; time, 1:46¾.

Five furlongs—Stella Perkins won, Arigato second, Pretorius third; time, 1:02.

Six furlongs—Hop Scotch won, Hunting second, Boundlee third; time, 1:16.

One mile, purse—Love's Labor won, W. B. Gates second, Dan Paxton third; time, 1:42.

Six furlongs—Little Scout won, Eva's Darling second, Nyax third; time, 1:15½.

American Team of Rifle-Shooters.

NEW YORK, Aug. 27.—The American team of rifle-shooters who will meet the Canadian sharpshooters September 5 at Seagrit, N. J., in the contest for the American Centennial Palma trophy, which which is really the championship of the world, was picked today by Brigadier-General Bird W. Spencer, president of the National Rifle Association of America. Following is the personnel of the team, including two alternates: H. M. Bell, O. W. Cookson, W. M. Farrow, H. H. Telsar and Joseph B. Young, of the D. C. N. G.; John Malcon, W. B. Martin, C. H. Springsted and W. F. Whittemore, N. G. N. J.; G. C. Shaw, U. S. V.

Constitution Was Wrenched.

BRISTOL, R. I., Aug. 27.—Several plates were found to be in bad shape when Constitution was drydocked here today. The yacht got a bad wrench when she grounded in Oyster Bay a few days ago, adding to the injury she sustained by striking an under-water obstruction during the recent New York Yacht Club cruise. It is thought quite possible that much of the yacht's unsatisfactory work may be attributed to the condition of the plates on her keel.

The Six-Day Race.

BOSTON, Aug. 27.—Three teams of well-known bicycle-riders had covered 184 miles 20 laps at the end of the first day of the six-day race which started at the Revere cycle track this afternoon. Six teams are in it to race eight hours a day. They are: Moran and McLean, McDuffie and Pierce, Maya and Bowles, Bleeker and Downey, Turgot and Dubois, Stevens and Alexander.

Cresceus-The Abbot Race Is Off.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Aug. 27.—The match race between Cresceus and The Abbot, scheduled for next Wednesday at Charter Oak Park, Hartford, has been called off because George Ketcham, owner of Cresceus, refuses to abide by the terms of the agreement. Mr. Ketcham said that he feared, in case of the race going against him, he would not be given a return match.

Elkes' Tire Punctured.

BOSTON, Aug. 27.—A punctured tire of Harry Elkes' wheel was the chief factor in his defeat by Will Stinson in their one-hour motor-paced race at Charles River Park tonight. Up to the time of the accident the pace had been very fast, and Stinson made new records from 6 to 14 miles, inclusive. In the hour Stinson rode 38 miles 1049 yards, and Elkes 38 miles 30 yards. Stinson's time for 38 miles was 59:08 2-5.

Crack Cyclists to Go Abroad.

NEW YORK, Aug. 27.—A number of the stars among the motor-pace-following bicyclists of America will go to England and South America for a Winter tour. The team will go first to London, then to Birmingham, Manchester, Leeds, Liverpool and possibly Glasgow, Edinburgh and Dublin. Elkes, Walthour and Stinson have already, it is said, engaged for the trip.

Ryan-Sharkey Match.

NEW YORK, Aug. 27.—A match between Tommy Ryan and Tom Sharkey, it is believed, will be arranged in a few days. Sharkey now has Ryan's proposition under advisement. The Salt Lake Palace Exposition Company is trying to arrange the match.

Ten-Mile World's Record.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Aug. 27.—A world's record was established in the 10-mile professional race at the grand circuit meet held here tonight. Iver Lawson, of Buffalo, won the race in 22:35 2-5, defeating Tom Cooper. The previous record was 22:41 2-5.

Miser Starved to Death.

NEW YORK, Aug. 27.—An old man named Paddy Kearns died yesterday in Tarrytown, literally of starvation and neglect. In the house in which he had live alone for more than 50 years, bank books showing deposits of $7000 were found. The old man is believed to have had a considerable amount of ready money and some jewelry hidden around the house. He came to this country from Ireland in 1849.

PRINCE CHUNG DELAYED

EXPIATORY MISSION SLOW IN REACHING BERLIN.

German Papers Object to the Elaborate Preparations for the Reception of the Envoy.

BERLIN, Aug. 27.—In view of the fact that the expiatory mission of Prince Chung, brother of the Emperor of China, was one of the conditions of peace embodied in the demands of the powers, the interruption of the journey of Prince Chung, who is now in Basle, Switzerland, has created considerable comment. The excuse of sickness is nowhere entertained seriously. Taken in conjunction with the sudden detention in Shanghai of the expiatory mission to Japan, it is believed to indicate fresh complications with reference to the signing of the protocol in Pekin.

The German papers, which comment in a guarded way, suggest that the delay of Prince Chung is due to an intimation from Emperor William as to certain matters of ceremony and etiquette with which Prince Chung is unable or unwilling to comply without permission from the Chinest court. It is said that at least 10 days will elapse before Prince Chung's expiatory mission arrives here. All the elaborate preparations for the reception of the Prince at Arangeri, Potsdam, have been stopped. Several papers express a hope that he will now be given simple hotel accommodations, instead of the palatial quarters that were being prepared.

BOXERS AGAIN DRILLING.

Preparing for More Trouble in Shan Tung Province.

VICTORIA, B. C., Aug. 27.—Chinese papers received by the Empress of China contain accounts of a massacre of Chinese in the Kwan Tien Hien district of Manchuria, the Russians excusing the massacre by the statement that the peasants killed were mistaken for insurgents. Few details are given.

Further troubles in Mongolia and Manchuria are reported, and, according to the North China Daily News, the Russians have placed 20,000 men on the Manchuria-Corean frontier to cope with the rebels.

The Shanghai Mercury publishes a letter from Rev. Frank Harman, of Chou Ping, who has been journeying through North Shan Tung, to the effect that the Boxers are drilling and preparing for a rising in that province. Christians have been openly threatened. A Boxer placard has been found posted at Canton, denouncing foreigners and calling upon the Chinese to rise and refuse to pay the indemnity to the foreigners.

The Chinese papers contain long accounts of the floods caused by the overflowing of the Yangtse Kiang, and stories are told of the drowning of hundreds of villagers, of the breaking of the embankment, the flooding of millions of acres of rice fields, and of great destruction generally by the floods.

The allies have returned to the Chinese Government the warship Haiyang, flagship of Admiral Yih, which was taken during the bombardment of Taku.

A bloody affray is reported from a Chinese village 15 miles from Kiang Si, where Protestant and Catholic converts quarreled and came to blows, with the result that 30 Protestants were killed.

A heavy typhoon raged in the China Seas shortly before the Empress of China sailed, and serious damage was done to many ships, a number of Chinese junks being destroyed, and many villages on the seashore being devastated. Among the steamers which suffered were a number of the larger liners, and the Russian steamer Finance Minister Witte was sunk by a large wave during the typhoon. The Katsuyama Maru returned to Woosung almost a wreck.

No Chinese were brought on the Empress, because of plague at Hong Kong.

Hostile Feeling in China.

LONDON, Aug. 27.—Byron Brenan, the British Consul-General at Shanghai, who has just returned to England, said to a representative of the Associated Press today:

"From the standpoint of foreign interests, the position in China is far worse today than before the international occupation of Pekin. Formerly the Chinese believed that foreign interests were identical. Thanks to recent events they are now better able than ever to play off one power against another, so patently have the interests of the several powers been shown to diverge. There is a very hostile feeling in many parts of Northern China, and local disturbances may be expected."

Mr. Brenan declared that Russia and Germany both have far more influence with the Chinese Government than Great Britain. He believed that the United States will be the greatest sufferer by the closing of Manchuria to foreign trade.

Interest on the Indemnity.

PEKIN, Aug. 27.—The first payment of interest on the indemnity will be due July 1, 1902. Commercial relations, if hereafter considered, will be discussed by representatives of all powers regardless of the amount of trade of each nation, as the consent of each power will be essential to any arrangement that is made.

Chou Fu, the Provincial Treasurer, has published throughout Chi Li Province a circular letter ordering that all religions be tolerated by the Chinese, who will be allowed to accept any religion. The letter says that there must be no intimidation or persecution by any sect, all alike observing the Chinese law except where it conflicts with the requirements of one's religion. No advantage shall be derived in law suits from one's religion, and there shall be no foregn interference except in cases of persecution.

Chinese Ready to Sign.

LONDON, Aug. 28.—"Li Hung Chang has notified the Ministers of the powers that the Chinese plenipotentiaries are now ready to sign the protocol," says a dispatch to the Times from Pekin, dated yesterday, "and has requested them to fix a date for the signing."

Will Consult With Chung.

BASLE, Switzerland, Aug. 27.—The Chinese Minister to Germany, Lu Hai Houan, has arrived here from Berlin to consult with Prince Chung.

BOERS NOT FRIGHTENED.

Kitchener's Proclamation Had Little Effect.

NEW YORK, Aug. 27.—The barometer of South Africa fell when it was known that Steyn, Dewet and Botha had defied Mr. Chamberlain, and had announced their determination to fight in the last ditch, says the London correspondent of the Tribune. The proclamation of Lord Kitchener has not frightened the Boer leaders, for whom a menace of exile has no terrors when they do not believe it can be enforced.

Military men here have not swerved from the conviction that the war will continue until Steyn and Dewet are captured. The Transvaal leaders are bound in honor to keep up warfare as long as their allies south of the Vaal are unwilling to surrender. Proclamations only involve a waste of printers' ink, while Steyn and Dewet remain in the field. This is the judgment of practical men who understand the full force of the point of honor among the Dutch allies. Generals cannot abandon one another when a war has lasted nearly two years without a sign of treachery among them.

Lord Kitchener's comment on the surrender of a British force of 68 men, after one soldier had been killed, is that he is holding an inquiry. This points to the suspicion that the resistance offered by the British force was inadequate. Military men explain the difficulty of keeping jaded men up to their work when they know that to surrender to a superior force is followed by a speedy release after their deprivation of arms and ammunition. Heavy work and incessant marching have rendered the British army stale. The same feeling of weariness is shown in England, where the yeomanry force recruited for special service, is still 11,000 below the full quota, notwithstanding the strenuous exertions to strengthen it and the high pay offered for rough riders.

An article in the current number of the Fortnightly Review on the settlement in South Africa, derives special significance from the fact that the writer, Ivan Muller, knows more about Lord Milner's intentions than anybody else, except Mr. Chamberlain. Lord Milner, it has been said, will land at Cape Town with the constitution for South Africa in his pocket, and the Fortnightly Review's article indicates what is probably the outline of the scheme. Mr. Muller makes it clear that Mr. Chamberlain and Lord Milner have decided that British influence will be paramount in the South African dominion Parliament. He maintains that in any plan of confederation, it is of the highest importance that the Senate should be the center of political power and have control of the Federal funds, and English Senators should outnumber the Dutch by two to one. For the constitution of the Upper Chamber, he favors the American rather than the Canadian and Australian precedents, but in the first instance the Senate would be nominated by the respective Governors or the High Commissioners.

J. X. Merriman Arrested.

CAPE TOWN, Aug. 27.—J. X. Merriman, the Parliamentary leader of the Afrikander Bund, has been arrested on a farm near Stellenbosch. He has given his parole not to leave the farm.

LONDON, Aug. 27.—Mr. Merriman, whose arrest is announced from Cape Town, recently visited England and urged in speeches and in interviews a conciliation policy toward the Boers. In a long letter to a friend, treating of martial law at the Cape, dated at Stellenbosch, August 6, and published here today, Mr. Merriman says:

"Public meetings are forbidden by military force. Quite recently a member of Parliament, living 50 miles from Cape Town, who had a few men to see him, was haled before a military tribunal. At another place a man was reported because he refused to join the town guard. To crown all, our Parliament, where the voice of the people should be heard in a legitimate, responsible fashion, is suspended, contrary to law. The administration of the whole country is carried by means of the illegitimate issue of public money."

Need of Vigor and Persistence.

LONDON, Aug. 28.—An editorial in the Times today on the South African situation reflects the cold fit which has followed the optimistic hopes of Lord Kitchener's proclamation. Commenting upon the meager news from the front, the Times says:

"It is quite clear that if we want an end of the war we must strike hard and often. Proclamations and blockhouses are all very well, and may be useful, but the experience of the Spaniards has shown that the most sonorous proclamation is without little good without plenty of men and horses. Everything depends upon vigor and persistence in pushing the Boers in the field. Are we providing these for the warm season which soon begins?"

Boer Attack Repulsed.

LONDON, Aug. 27.—Lord Kitchener, in a dispatch from Pretoria today says:

"A convoy on its way from Kimberley to Griquatown was attacked near Roolkopje. The attack was driven off by Captain Humby's escort of the Seventy-fourth Imperial Yeomanry, who lost nine men killed and had 23 men wounded. The convoy was brought in safely.

"Rawlinson caught 18 Transvaalers after a 40-minute gallop in the open, east of Edenburgh."

Milner at Cape Town.

CAPE TOWN, Aug. 27.—Lord Milner, the British High Commissioner in South Africa, arrived here today from England. He met with an enthusiastic reception. Replying to an address of welcome he said there was no doubt whatsoever of the unshakable determination of the people and Government of Great Britain to adhere to their South African policy.

MORMONS IN JAPAN.

Better Treated by the Natives Than by the Foreign Missionaries.

YOKOHAMA, Aug. 16, via Victoria, B. C., Aug. 27.—The advent of Mormon missionaries in Japan is exciting much comment. Four of them, headed by Apostle Heber J. Grant, arrived by the Empress last Monday, and have already commenced an active campaign. Peremptorily ejected from a missionary boarding-house as soon as their faith was known, they have thus early had a sample of the lack of catholicity which characterizes Christian workers in the Orient and of the sectarian feeling which vitiates their work. The incident will, however, redound greatly in their favor among the Japanese, whose hospitable and tolerant instincts form perhaps the most conspicuous feature of their character. They constantly quote with approval the story of an ancient Emperor, who, on hearing of the arrival of the emissaries of a foreign religion, asked how many religions there were already in the empire. On being told that there were 40 or so, he said in that case the addition of another was a matter of no consequence. It may safely be foretold that, while the Mormon doctrines will make, like the others which have been brought here, little or no impression upon the mind of Japan, their well-known integrity and business energy will commend them to a large number of the Japanese people. They stand as good a chance as any of the sects.

Last Friday night (August 9) Yokohama was visited by two earthquakes of an unusual character, each being of abnormal length and accompanied by a peculiar motion. No damage was done here, but telegraphic advices from the north, especially from Aomori, the terminus of the main line of railway, show that a serious convulsion there took place. In some localities the railway line was completely thrown out of joint, the depressions varying from eight inches to eight feet, communication being interrupted for several days. Many houses were totally destroyed, and hundreds of them seriously damaged. Strangely enough, no lives were lost, and very few injuries to limb resulted. There can be no doubt that the center of disturbance was in the bed oof the ocean, as has so often been the case with earthquakes in the north of the empire. The seismological bureau reports that from the afternoon of the 9th to the morning of the 10th there were 16 shocks at Aomori, and seven in Tokio. Coincident with these, the volcano of Asama has shown signs of great activity. The southeastern part of the island of Yezo also was much disturbed.

The hot wave which visited the empire for 10 days previous to the 6th inst. was broken by five days of remarkable cold, a thing almost unknown in the experience of Summers in Japan. The weather on the whole is deemed very favorable for the rice crop, and a large harvest is expected.

Miners and Rescuers Entombed.

LONDON, Aug. 28.—Five of the eight miners who were entombed at the Donnibristle colliery, in Perthshire, were being rescued yesterday, when the sides of the mine again collapsed, entombing two of the rescuers. These, with the rescue party of four, who have failed to return, make 11 in all whose fate is still doubtful.

PROMISES OF NEUTRALITY

NICARAGUA AND ECUADOR WILL KEEP OUT OF THE SCRAP

According to Assurances They Have Given the Colombian Government—Movements of Machias.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 27.—Official mail advices received at the Colombian Legation here today tend to show, it is said, that the chances of a war between Colombia and Venezuela grow more distant every day. The mail contained information to the effect that both the Nicaraguan and Ecuadorean Governments have given the Colombian Government the fullest assurances that they will remain strictly neutral with regard to the strained relations between Colombia and Venezuela.

The mail also brought the complete details of defeat of a band of 2450 Colombian revolutionists under General Marti at the town of Anapoyma by the government forces. The insurgents had previously occupied the town of Giradot, on the Magdelena River, which is small but important as being a railroad terminus. It is believed that 10,000 Colombian troops are guarding the border in command of General Gonzales Valencia.

The Ranger sailed today from Acapulco for Panama to watch over American interests there during the troubles.

Situation in the Interior.

NEW YORK, Aug. 27.—N. M. McMillan, who represents a mercantile house in Chicago, was one of the passengers on the Allegheny, which has just arrived here from Colon. He has been in Honda, a city near the border on the Magdalena River, for several weeks.

"The situation in the interior of Colombia is extremely critical," said Mr. McMillan, "It was my intention to go to Bogota, the capital, and stay two weeks, but I feared I might be besieged in that city by the insurrectionists. Although it is extremely difficult to obtain news that is at all reliable, I understand that the mountains about the capital were in the hands of what they term guerrilla bands. I left just in time, for our steamer was the last one sailing which was allowed to navigate on the Magdalena River."

Munitions of War for Rebels.

NEW YORK, Aug. 27.—The Panama Steamship Company's steamer Orizaba sailed today for Colon, carrying a large number of huge packing cases, which those who are well informed, say contain munitions of war for the rebels in the Department of Cauca, on the Pacific Coast of Colombia. On the arrival of the arms at Colon, it is said they will be transhipped by railroad to Panama and sent thence by an English steamer to Buena Ventura, the seaport of Cauca.

Venezuelan-Colombian Play.

PARIS, Aug. 27.—The Matin says:

"The curtain will shortly ring on the Venezuelan-Colombian play. It promises to be interesting. The greater part of the plot has, in fact, been provided by the United States. It is to be hoped that everything will pass off satisfactorily; that Barnum will keep his promise and not claim any author's fees after the show; and that at the final scene there will not be a general fight among the spectators."

Movements of the Machias.

COLON, Colombia, Aug. 27.—Isthmian affairs continue quiet. The United States gunboat Machias probably will go to Bocas del Toro at the end of the week if favorable news of the government is not received from that point. It is expected that the French cruiser Suchet will sail in a few days.

PLAGUE IN CHINA.

Epidemic Prevalent in the Southeastern Provinces.

CHICAGO, Aug. 27.—The last issue of the weekly publication of the Marine Hospital service contains a number of reports concerning the prevalence of plague in the vicinity of Canton, China, most of which are made by missionaries and American physicians called to hospitals in Canton and neighboring cities. The reports agree that the disease is epidemic in only a few places in Canton, but that it is widespread throughout the province of Kwang Lung. One missionary says it is much more general than in years past and that instead of being confined to a few large centers it is heard of in villages as well as in market towns and cities.

Another reports that the plague travels along the great trade routes, and he says that at present "we find the plague from Hong Kong all the way along the West River for 400 miles, and the larger the center the more the plague exists."

The reports generally agree that the disease instead of being transmitted from person to person, apparently is transmitted from place to persons. One of the reports made by an American physician recommends that more attention be given to Chinese methods of treatment, saying that in one case a Chinese physician saved 60 per cent of his cases, while other physicians lost 94 per cent. The report agrees that the natives are exceedingly careless in disposing of the clothes and bodies of the victims.

Twenty-Four-Hour Paced Race.

SALT LAKE, Aug. 27.—John Lawson, the "Terrible Swede"; Billy King, who won the 24-hour race at Los Angeles last Winter, defeating Tom Cooper, Floyd McFarland, Gus Lawson and other well-known riders, and Charles Turville, of Philadelphia, have been matched for a 24-hour motor-paced bicycle race on the Salt Palace saucer track, the race to take place next Monday, Labor day. The men will be allowed to ride behind shields, and must go 300 miles or over to get part of the money. They will start at 8 P. M., and with favorable weather conditions it is believed a new world's record for the time may be made for the track, which already holds many world's records.

Taxing Oil Developers.

AUSTIN, Tex., Aug. 27.—The oil developers of Texas are confronted with a serious predicament in that the Texas Legislature shows a marked disposition to tax them 2 per cent on their gross earnings. A large delegation of oil magnates from Beaumont was before the House Committee today to fight the movement, but with little success. It is asserted by the oil people that this will prove a serious backset to the oil industry.

Electrical Storm at Texarkana.

TEXARKANA, Ark., Aug. 27.—Texarkana was visited today by one of the most severe electrical storms in its history. The lightning hurled huge balls of fire all over the city. Professor Gasby's son was killed, his neck being broken. He was under an umbrella, with a companion, who also was badly hurt. The State Line Methodist Church and Oak-Street Baptist Church, both colored, were badly damaged. One residence was destroyed and others damaged.

Sir Alfred Milner Is Engaged.

Wilberforce Hay's London Cable.

Lord Milner, who has been described as "the man of destiny in South Africa," is engaged to be married.

He has hitherto been a sworn bachelor and has always expressed the belief that marriage, or thought of marriage, was inimical to greatness in a political career.

That he has changed his mind he confesses himself. Before sailing for South Africa Saturday, while somewhat overcome by emotion at the cordiality of his "send-off" he said to a group of friends:

"I proposed marriage to my future wife while being entertained in a houseboat on the Thames off Henley last Sunday, and you may look for the formal announcement of my engagement on my arrival at the Cape. I would tell you all about it now, but I promised not to reveal the name of the lady without the consent of her father. I am awaiting that consent."

Russell's Name Stricken From List.

LONDON, Aug. 27.—The government has stricken the name of Earl Russell from the list of Berkshire magistrates.

The new electric plant at Coquille will be in operation in a week or so. It will also supply Myrtle Point with lights. The plant is located at Johnson's Mill, three miles from Coquille, and seven miles from Myrtle Point.

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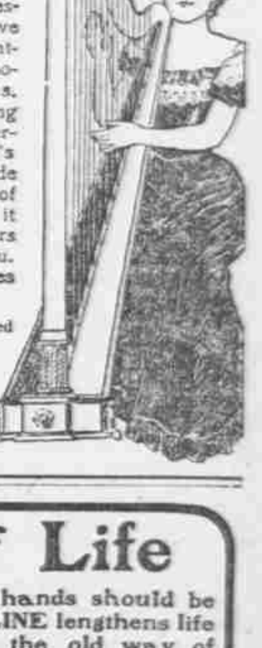

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