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AWAITING DETAILS

Evidently Some Hard Fighting at Peking.

JAPANESE REPORT THE ONLY ONE

International Situation at Shanghai Assumes a Dangerous Aspect, Mixed Troops Being Landed.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18.—The Government, now fully satisfied by the accounts that the international troops have entered Peking and that the Legation is saved, is calmly awaiting detailed statements from its own officers. Dispatches were received today from General Barry at Che Foo, and Consul-General Goodnow at Shanghai, repeating the main fact of the capture and relief. General Barry wired: "The Foo—Adjutant-General, Washington—Taku, Aug. 17.—Indiana transport arrived on the 16th. All are well. Will go to the front. Peking taken. Legation safe. BARRY."

SIX NEW CRUISERS

Not Speedy Novelties but Substantial Sea Fighters.

DESCRIPTION OF THE TACOMA TYPE

This Ship Is to Be Built at the Union Iron Works—Her Complete Modern Equipment.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18.—In the course of about two years, the United States Navy will be increased by six new protected cruisers of the smaller type, of which the Tacoma is one. These six ships were named for as many towns of moderate proportions in different parts of the United States, although the size of the cruisers is in no way a reflection upon the towns that have been honored. In preparing the plans for these cruisers, the Navy Department has had an eye to compactness, stability, completeness, and at the same time durability.

VERDICT OF GUILTY

Powers Convicted of Complicity in Goebel Murder.

WILL GO TO PRISON FOR LIFE

The ex-Secretary Dazed by the Decision of the Jury—Closing Argument in the Case.

GEORGETOWN, Ky., Aug. 18.—The verdict of the jury in the case of ex-Secretary of State Caleb Powers, charged with being an accessory before the fact to the murder of William Goebel, was: "We find the defendant guilty and fix his punishment at confinement in the penitentiary for the rest of his natural life." The jury retired at 1:32 P. M. and returned its verdict at 2:25, being out only 53 minutes. Juror Craig stated afterward that the verdict could have been

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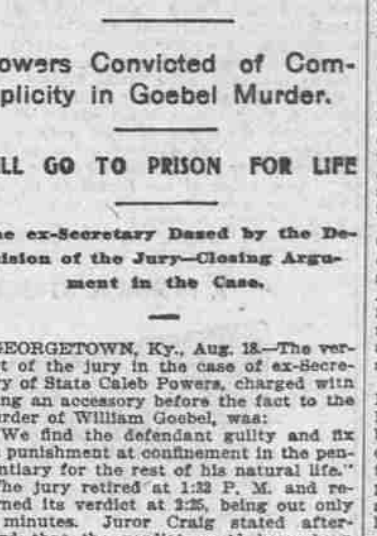
Paris Exposition Award Falls to O. R. & N. Co.

BEST CEREAL EXHIBIT IN WORLD

Display Consists of Over 50 Different Varieties of Wheat—Work of Collecting the Same.

According to cables from the Oregonian received yesterday, the O. R. & N. Co., with headquarters at Portland, was awarded the first prize, or grand gold medal, for the best exhibit of cereals at the Paris Exposition. While it naturally follows that the people of Oregon and Washington will receive the news with great delight and gratification, in reality it is a striking rebuke to their lack of appreciation of one of the many wonderful productions peculiar to the two states. Several of the large individuals who had previously pledged their attention to a proper showing, failed to make good their well-meaning intentions in the matter, and it was only at the eleventh hour that the O. R. & N. Co. stepped forward to fill the gap.

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returned even sooner, but considerable time was taken up reading the instructions. The vote in favor of a life sentence was unanimous. When the jury retired the belief was general that they would not agree, and in this opinion the defendant was firmly convinced. When the verdict was returned, Powers, for the first time during the weary six weeks of the trial, betrayed his feelings. Under all of the trying incidents of the trial he had maintained a changeless expression, the same whether things were going favorably or against him. The verdict of guilty, however, staggered him, apparently. He was sitting near the door of the juryroom, and when the jury knocked upon the door summoning the Sheriff his face took on an anxious look that was noticeable, but did not appear to be particularly apprehensive. When the jury entered the room and took their seats and the clerk called the roll of the jurors, the prisoner did not appear to be more excited than the throng of spectators, who craned their necks to catch the first intimation of the verdict.

IN SANTIAGO'S PROVINCE.

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VICTORIA DE LAS TUNAS, Province of Santiago de Cuba, Aug. 18.—Governor General Wood and party left Puerto Padre yesterday and arrived at Las Tunas last night in the saddle. He made an appointment here for the reconstruction of schools, charitable institutions and the hospital, and roads to Manigua, which have been in complete ruin since 1897, when they were destroyed by the Cubans. The population was then 500; now it is 30, as a result of the war. The populace showed General Wood great gratitude. An officer of the Tenth Cavalry has been placed in charge of the reconstruction. The country is absolutely peaceful, and the bandits have been wiped out. The heavy cedar and lumber interests in the country will likely flourish again after the reconstruction of the roads.

GREATER NEW YORK.

Population Shown by Census to Be 3,437,202.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18.—The population of Greater New York, as indicated by the count, just completed at the Census Office, is 3,437,202. This includes the population of the Boroughs of Manhattan and Bronx, previously announced, and those of Brooklyn, Richmond and Queens. An approximate estimate of the increase since 1890 shows it to have been 37.2 per cent.

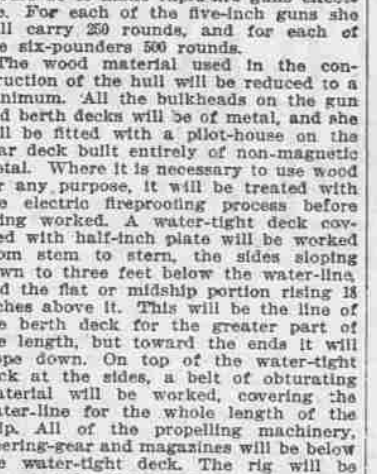
Canadian Pacific Strike.

WINNIPEG, Man., Aug. 18.—The Canadian Pacific Railroad strike is not settled yet, in fact, a member of the general committee stated today that although the allied mechanics had almost come to terms, the boiler-makers and machinists were as far from a settlement today as they were when they went out. It is understood that some disagreement has sprung up in regard to the wage clause in the schedule. The men do not look for a settlement for probably another week.

Summary of Important News.

- China. American troops shared in the assault on Peking. Page 1. The Shanghai middle is beginning to assume a serious aspect. International troops being landed. Page 1. The British Legation Office explains the Shanghai affair. Page 2. Frenchmen accuse England of duplicity at Shanghai. Page 11. Foreign. Lord Roberts will be recalled from Africa in order to appoint a Commander-in-Chief of the British Army. Page 2. President Loubet awarded the prize at the exposition. Page 11. Another attempt was made to assassinate the Shah of Persia. Page 2. Two persons were killed in an accident at the Paris Exposition. Page 2. Political. Minister Conner may take the stump for McKinley. Page 2. Democrats are urged to organize city and precinct clubs. Page 2. Domestic. Caleb Powers was convicted of complicity in the Goebel murder and sentenced to life imprisonment. Page 1. Foreign assassinations have come to this country to assassinate McKinley, are under arrest in New York. Page 2. The Typographical Union refused to enter the political arena. Page 11. Pacific Coast. Army will aid destitute miners at Cape Moma, feeding those that cannot be gotten home. Page 4. Contract has been let for the construction of the Klamath Falls Dam. Page 4. Oregon Hopgrowers' Association offers to contract to buy hops at 11 cents. Page 4. Cruiser Tacoma, soon to be built at San Francisco, is described. Page 1. Commercial and Marine. Export of gold from New York attended by rising price for stocks. Page 15. Exports of gold from New York last week were \$3,341,800. Page 15. Demands may require Bank of England to take additional steps to attract gold to London. Page 15. Shipments of lumber from Washington for the year just ended amount, approximately, to \$7,500,000. Page 15. First round salmon pack for this season is about 100,000 cases, compared with 128,000 for 1899. Page 15. British ship Frankland clears for Europe with 113,850 bushels of wheat, valued at \$25,000. Page 15. Steamer Argill, formerly British, given an American register. Page 15. Unregistered crops in Idaho suffering from drought. Page 15. Local. Young man shoots out the eye of a lad with an air gun. Page 10. Five-year-old girl on the East Side is scalded to death with boiling water. Page 11. Fund for the ransom of young Venville more than half raised. Page 20.

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