

EVENTS OF THE DAY

Epitome of the Telegraphic News of the World.

VERSE TICKS FROM THE WIRES

An interesting collection of items from the two hemispheres...

The Russians lost 500 killed at Peit Sang.

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 Hoare's garrison at Eland'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, 8,765; sick in quarters, 1,081.

The third battalion of the Fifth infantry, stationed at Fort Sheridan, Illinois, 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 Liaooyang, Manchuria, committed suicide at Arma in consequence of mental depression caused by her exciting experiences at New Chwang just before her departure from China.

When bids were opened at army headquarters at Chicago for the transportation of troops from Fort Sheridan to San Francisco, the Chicago & Northwestern was found to be the lowest bidder at \$7 per capita for the route from Ogden to Ogden. From Ogden to the coast the troops are carried by the Southern Pacific. This is the lowest bid ever made for the transportation of troops.

St. Louis strikers blow up a car with dynamite.

Harriemith surrendered to the British August 4.

Russian troops looted, tortured and murdered at Tien Tsin.

Towne declines the Populist nomination for vice-president.

Li Hung Chang says the Chinese must fight if the allies advance.

Americans want General MacArthur to lead the international forces.

Chinese reported to have 170,000 troops between Tien Tsin and Pekin.

Insurgents are troublesome in the vicinity of Cagayan, Island of Mindanao.

Fire in the heart of the city of Bluefields, Nicaragua, did damage to the amount of \$175,000.

Three people were killed and 11 injured in a collision on the Monon road, near Lafayette, Ind.

Conger cables that the situation of the ministers is precarious. Imperial troops are firing on the legations.

Battery O, with its 7-inch siege guns, the largest in the army, and 175 men, have left Fort Riley, Kan., for China.

Memorial services for Humbert in a Catholic church at Washington augur better relations between the papacy and the Italian government.

It is stated positively that President Kruger is willing and anxious to surrender, providing a satisfactory promise is given as to his ultimate destination.

A. H. Zeigler, of Santa Cruz, Cal., formerly a justice of the peace in Idaho, killed his wife by cutting her throat, and attempted suicide by hacking his own throat.

Fire at Spencer, Tioga county, N. Y., destroyed the saw mill, grist mill and the lumber yards of A. Zeigler, the Grove hotel, the town electric light plant, the Lehigh Valley railroad station, and other property, entailing a loss of \$150,000.

If you never begin a task you will never finish it.

According to Mr. Wilson, secretary of agriculture, the skins of superfluous dogs in Nebraska are tanned and made into gloves. This might give a valuable hint to many large cities where great numbers of stray dogs are killed annually. Hundreds of thousands of dollars' worth of canine pelts are imported annually for this purpose, dog-skin being one of the best materials for gloves.

LATER NEWS.

Dr. Stelnitz, 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 Pekin before his comrades.

The besieged foreigners in Pekin 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 Pekin before the foreign troops arrive.

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

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

The annual convention of the Typographical Union opened in Milwaukee.

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

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

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

About 20 farmers near Salem realized 65 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.

Parejity, well-known Cuban bandit, 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.

Extreme hot weather continues in the East.

Prince Tuan is preparing to escape from Pekin.

The Klondike gold yield this year is \$25,000,000.

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 ringleaders in the Pretoria plot to capture Lord Roberts have been arrested.

General MacArthur sends news of the surrender of a Filipino command of 172.

Jeffries 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 Tann.

Chinese viceroys 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 Tann to occupy Tsai Tann.

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.

If there enters your soul a sense of peace which makes you forget all that is behind you, all that is mournful and confused in your past, that is God.

Some time ago the Princeton, N. J., university presented to the British museum 250 specimens of North American birds' eggs—many of them of rare species. Now the British museum reciprocates by presenting to the Princeton university 2,000 mounted birds, including brilliant specimens from India, Australia and the Malay islands.

GOOD SALMON CATCH

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Detailed Estimate of the Individual Catches and Comparison with Those of Last Year.

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The Hot Wave.

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Floods in New South Wales.

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SEVERAL SERIOUSLY INJURED

Accident Occurred at Grade-Crossing Where No Watchman is Employed.

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. But 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 Schoeber, whose obsequies they had attended. The accident occurred at 5 o'clock on 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 whipped up the four horses to cross the track ahead of the train, the latter crashed into its 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, a 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 east-bound train Friday night. One thousand dollars of the money he 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 secure 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 22 years of age. He was at the home of his affianced and in her company when placed under arrest. When the officers took him into custody he assumed a nonchalant demeanor, but when he found that he could no longer carry out the deception, he made a full confession. After his statement had been taken by Chief of Police Tyler and he was led to a cell in the police station, he was in a state of nervous collapse, and orders were given that he be watched closely to prevent his doing himself bodily injury. The confession of Ferrell disclosed a premeditated and blood-curdling crime, almost impossible to believe. He said he had become desperate because of his inability to secure employment and a realization of the fact that he must have money to defray the expenses of his approaching marriage. The robbery, including the murder of Express Messenger Lane, had been planned carelessly. Ferrell had no accomplices and no confidants. He knew Lane well. In fact, they were friends, and he relied upon Lane's confidence to help him execute the crime. He knew that considerable money was always carried by the messenger between St. Louis and Columbus, and that he was certain to secure a large sum if he robbed the way safe.

Nine Struck by Lightning.

New York, August 14.—Nine persons who sought shelter under trees in the woods in the Bronx section during a storm this evening, were struck by lightning. They were James Brown, a Hungarian tailor, of this city, his wife and five children, and Bertha Leschowitz and Bertha Silverman. They were taken to Fordham hospital. At a late hour tonight attending physicians said they thought Mrs. Brown, one of her children and Bertha Silverman could not possibly live. The physicians said Bertha Leschowitz would either die or become hopelessly insane. The party was camping out.

Plague Situation at Manila.

Washington, August 14.—Marine hospital service advices from Manila, just received, state that the number of plague cases there is diminishing. No information has been officially communicated here regarding the reported action of the Singapore health officers in quarantining against Manila.

Six Killed in a Trainwreck in Italy.

Rome, August 14.—A train bearing many notable persons, who had been attending the recent ceremonies here, collided with another a few miles outside the city. Six persons were killed outright, and several others fatally injured. The king and queen went immediately to the scene of the accident. The names of the victims have not been ascertained, but it is understood that Grand Duke and Duchess Pierre, of Russia, are safe.

FOUR KILLED BY A STORM.

Two Others Probably Fatally Injured—Wind and Lightning.

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America's Firm Position in This Matter Is Unchanged—A Message From Conger.

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Message From Conger.

A dispatch was received from General Chaffee transmitting a message he had received from Minister Conger. Evidently the message had been delayed long in reaching him, and his own dispatch was dated four days ago. The dispatch was as follows: "Adjutant-General, Washington—Toitsun, 8th—Message received today: 'Pekin, August 4.—We will hold until your arrival. Hope it will be soon. Send such information as you can. CONGER.' CHAFFEE."

Three Men Killed.

New York, August 15.—Three employes in the New York Steam Heating Company were killed this morning by the explosion of a 16-inch pipe elbow. They are: Frank Sherrick, of Jersey City; George Jenkins, Edward Brown, colored, of this city. Jackson and Brown tried to crawl out, but were overcome and suffocated. Sherrick was on the second floor, in the fire room, and was suffocated by the steam. Others seriously injured were sent home. W. J. David, the engineer, was arrested.

More Pay for Operators.

Pittsburg, August 15.—After several conferences with the Baltimore & Ohio railroad officials, the Order of Railway Telegraphers has secured recognition of the order and a readjustment of wages and conditions, which will mean an advance and betterment to the majority of 2,000 or more operators employed on the Baltimore & Ohio system. In some instances, the advance will be between \$5 and \$10 a month.

Illinois' Wheat Crop.

Springfield, Ill., August 15.—The state board of agriculture issued a bulletin today stating that the winter wheat crop of Illinois amounts to 20,677,000 bushels, the largest since 1896. The quality is excellent, and at the price of August 1, 68 cents, its value is \$14,169,000, the best returns since 1894.

Explosion in Shanghai.

Shanghai, August 15.—A native powder magazine exploded last night. The damage is not known. Foreigners are not admitted within the magazine enclosure.

Baltimore Dock Strike.

Baltimore, August 15.—The strike of 2,000 union dockworkers is assuming a ugly aspect, in which minor disturbances are of daily occurrence. A big crowd last night attacked a street car at Locust Point, in which were a number of non-union colored men. One of the negroes drew a pistol and fired five shots into the crowd of men, women and boys who were following them. Three of the shots took effect, wounding Harry Presser, Joseph Pausch and Arthur Bayner.

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