

TRACY ATTEMPTS TO BOARD TRAIN

Rumored That Posse Took a Shot at Him—Got Away as Usual.

(Journal Special Service.)

SEATTLE, July 14, 12 m.—Tracy is reported to have caught a freight train on the steep grade near Buckley this morning and thus doubled back to Palmer.

A rumor is being circulated here that on leaving the train at Palmer shots were exchanged with the posse on guard at that place, but so far as can be learned at present they were without effect on either side.

The scattered position of the posse makes it extremely hard to follow up reports of sighting the outlaw, though Tracy's attempt to board a freight train to carry him over the Cascades is true. The convict has been trying to cross the mountains for several days, and the posse is scattered along the track in the vicinity of the steep grade, where it was hoped he would next show up. However, the usual bad luck must have attended the efforts of the posse this morning in not taking advantage of his attempt to get farther away.

It was said by those who saw him that Tracy was in nowise lame, thus disproving the story that he had been wounded in the leg.

There has been absolutely no evidence during the last three or four days to

show that Merrill is with Tracy, and the stories sent out to that effect are the results of very vivid imaginations.

Seen Yesterday.

(Journal Special Service.)

ENUMCLAW, Wash., July 14.—The first trace of the convict Tracy since he left the Plotot ranch, near Auburn, was found at 5 o'clock last evening, when Clarence Burke, a 10-year-old boy, saw the desperado one and one-half miles east of here.

Tracy was sitting on the edge of a gravel pit when the boy came along the road on a bicycle. He hailed the lad and enquired the way to Buckley, which information was given and the boy hurried on into town, where he told his story.

Sheriff Hartman, of Pierce County, at once 'phoned the news to ex-Sheriff Woolery, who brought up the dogs as fast as possible. At about dark they struck the convict's trail, and followed it for three-quarters of a mile, where it was lost in a swamp.

By this time it was so dark that further progress was impossible, and after guards had been posted the chase was given up till this morning.

ed, the committee is to frame a bill which it is to present to Congress. Resolutions were also passed endorsing the Groun bill, which taxes colored oleomargarine 10 cents per pound, and defines and fixes the status of renovated butter, and thanking those who assisted in its passage.

After the business session, the delegates gave themselves up to the scientific game of baseball. Nines were selected, and after much good-natured wrangling as to who made home runs, bases and strikes, the game was given up and the delegates devoted their time to the ladies and the beach.

Another Fire Horse Dead.

Hypo, a time-tried equine veteran of the fire department, has departed this strenuous life by the rheumatic route. In speaking of his demise Colonel Welder, of the fire department, bewails the fact that his loss still further cripples the department by throwing the chemical force out of commission for the time being.

ILLINOIS WINS THE BANNER

(Journal Special Service.)
ASHLAND, July 14.—Large crowds are attending the Chautauqua here. Rev. Robert McIntyre, D. D., and Miss Jessie Ackerman delivered addresses at the religious services today. Illinois was awarded the banner for the largest state attendance.

CHAFFEE IS TRANSFERRED

General Davis Will Take Charge in the Philippines.

(Scripps-McRae News Association.)
WASHINGTON, July 14.—The President today in a general order relieved General Chaffee of the command of the Division of the Philippines, his relief to take effect on September 30, and placed General George Davis in command of all the forces in the Philippines. General Chaffee will be placed in command of the Department of the East.

MINISTER WU IS NOT AFRAID

Of Losing His Head When He Returns to China.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
WASHINGTON, July 14.—Wu Fing Fang received this morning official confirmation of the report of his recall. He will return with all convenient haste to China, and when he has arrived there he will write a history of his life, which will be published in America. He does not expect to have his head cut off on his arrival in China, but chooses to regard the change in his positions as a promotion.

SERIOUSLY WOUNDED

Frank Hellen Drops His Revolver and Is Shot.

Frank Hellen, one of the proprietors of the Portland Club, is occupying a room at the St. Vincent's hospital, where he was taken this morning at 8 o'clock, suffering from the gunshot wounds received last night at 11 o'clock at his place of business, on Alder street, near Fifth.

He was in conversation with a friend, and was occupying a chair. Suddenly leaning backward in the chair, a 4-caliber revolver, which was in his hip pocket, slipped from his position, falling to the floor, striking in such manner as to discharge it. The bullet entered the body at the right hip, near the spine, passing upward, through the right kidney, liver and lung, lodging between the shoulder blade and spine.

At first it was not intended to take Mr. Hellen to the hospital, but his condition this morning was such that the physician deemed it necessary for the patient to be where he could receive better attention than would be possible at his room, and accordingly an ambulance was summoned and his removal accomplished without apparently any evil effect upon the patient.

Dr. Rocky stated this forenoon that the condition of Mr. Hellen was very serious, and he must remain undisturbed for an indefinite time. Some hemorrhage was in evidence, but the exact condition cannot be stated for a few hours. The patient is one of the most widely known men in his line of business in the city, and his great number of friends will learn with regret that so much misfortune in this line should befall him, as only a short time ago he was the victim of a similar accident, and received a serious wound in the wrist.

PLAGUE IN HONG KONG

(Journal Special Service.)
HONG KONG, July 14.—Mr. Gristleton, the health officer of the port of Hong Kong, has reported that nine cases of plague and one of cholera have broken out in that city.

MOTHER OF PLAYERS

(Scripps-McRae News Association.)
BOSTON, July 14.—Mrs. Elizabeth Daly, the mother of Dan Daly, Lancy, Daly Ward and Margaret Daly Vokes, prominent theatrical people, is dead at Revere.

CHICAGO STRIKE

As Far From Settlement as Ever—Railroads Still Obstinate.

(Scripps-McRae News Association.)
CHICAGO, July 14.—The freight handlers' strike is no nearer settlement today than it was on Saturday. Representatives of the strikers made another effort to lay another proposition before the railroad managers today, but again failed to find them.

TRACY'S DEEDS

Claimed to Bias Jury Against Alleged Murderer.

(Journal Special Service.)
SALEM, July 14.—In the Circuit Court this morning, the case of the State vs. J. F. Markley, the Champoug merchant who is being held on a murder charge, came up on motion of the defense to postpone the trial to the October term. The attorneys for Markley desired more time to prepare his defense and to allow the feeling of indignation caused by the murders of Tracy and Merrill to die out, urging that an unbiased jury could not be secured now in the present state of public feeling. They also charged a conspiracy on the part of the residents of Champoug against Markley, and wanted time to expose this. The attorneys for the state opposed the motion vigorously, but the court allowed the motion and set the case for trial for the October term. Markley, who is a prominent merchant of the northern end of Marion County, remains in jail here.

THE TOWER OF SAINT MARKS

Fell With a Great Crash Into Venice Streets.

(Scripps-McRae News Association.)
VENICE, July 14.—The detached bell tower of St. Mark's Church, which was about 320 feet high, collapsed this morning, and fell with a great crash into the Piazza. It is not believed there was any loss of life. The cathedral proper and the Doge's palace escaped injury, but the falling tower struck the royal palace, damaging a corner. The accident is considered the greatest art loss the kingdom has ever suffered. The tower was built in the 10th century.

ABUSES OF WATER FRONT

Will Be Corrected by Newly Aroused Authorities.

Since the appointment of Harbor Master Bigler by Mayor Williams there has been "something doing" around the docks. The keepers of sailor boarding-houses have been notified to stop their time-honored practice of grabbing newly arrived sailors as soon as they arrive in port. Harbor Master Bigler and Mayor Williams were in consultation on the matter this morning and it was determined to check the many abuses which prevail along the water front.

Another thing which is to be undertaken is a sanitary inspection of the arriving ships. Aroused by a recent article in The Journal, Health Officer Biersdorf has started on the war path. In company with the harbor master he will in future see to it that all ships lying at Portland docks are kept in such a condition that they will not be a menace to the public health.

PAUNCEFOTE'S BODY

(Scripps-McRae News Association.)
SOUTHAMPTON, July 14.—The United States cruiser Brooklyn, with the remains of Lord Pauncefote aboard, arrived here today.

WHEAT MARKET.

(Scripps-McRae News Association.)
SAN FRANCISCO, July 14.—Wheat, 11.17 1/2.
CHICAGO, July 14.—Wheat, 75 1/2.

JEANIE IS SAFE

(Scripps-McRae News Association.)
VICTORIA, B. C., July 14.—The steamer Jeanie is safe at Nome, according to the officers of the Melville Dollar, which reached Ladysmith, B. C., from Nome today.

BODIES STILL IN THE MINE

Cambria Miners Say the Extent of Disaster Is Unknown.

(Scripps-McRae News Association.)
JOHNSTOWN, Pa., July 14.—Mining was partially resumed this morning in the rolling mill and mine of the Cambria Steel Company. No more bodies have been brought out or have been discovered, and the mine has apparently been explored fully. Nevertheless, some miners claim that many more bodies will be found therein.

CORN TAKES A BIG TUMBLE

Goes Down Over Five Cents in a Short Time.

(Scripps-McRae News Association.)
CHICAGO, July 14.—July corn took a heavy fall this morning, going from 95 to 89 1/2. The cause of the tumble is big receipts and estimates. Gates made tacit offers to settle with the shorts today, but his terms were not accepted.

S. P. STRIKERS QUIET

(Scripps-McRae News Association.)
ROUSTON, July 14.—Quiet returns among the Southern Pacific strikers. The company is getting men from other parts of the state to take their places. Trouble is feared when an attempt is made to install them.

AN EPIDEMIC OF SUICIDE

(Scripps-McRae News Association.)
PARIS, July 14.—La Patrie today says that 12 ruined gamblers have committed suicide at Monte Carlo within the past few days.

STREET FIGHT

In Which Broken Jaw and Knockdown Figured.

O. E. Tate is unfortunate. Donald Anderson, a teamster, thought that Tate was the one who interfered between the former's wife and another woman who were trying each other out in a little neighborhood row.

Meeting the man on Second and Jefferson streets, Anderson is alleged to have knocked Tate down and in the melee fractured Tate's jaw.

On discovering his mistake Anderson apologized and upon paying the doctor bills the matter was "squared" up.

GUARD ENCAMPMENT

The following officers left for Albany today to prepare the grounds and have everything in readiness for the troops of the O. N. G.: Major F. S. Bennett, quartermaster, Captain R. F. Greenleaf, engineer; Captain T. T. Strain, A. D. C.; Major D. J. Moore, Commissary Substantance.

General O. F. Beebe and staff will leave for Albany Wednesday evening. They will be followed Thursday morning by a special train conveying the Third Regiment, Light Battery A, of Lebanon, and the Signal Corps of Corvallis. The Fourth Regiment will reach camp on the afternoon of the 17th.

EDWARD GAINING

(Scripps-McRae News Association.)
LONDON, July 14.—Today's official bulletin says the King continues to progress satisfactorily, and that it will now be but a short time till his health is again normal. He is looking forward to his coronation in August with much eagerness.

ENGLAND'S NEW PREMIER

Balfour Succeeds Salisbury—Finance Minister Also Resigns.

(Scripps-McRae News Association.)
LONDON, July 14.—The Hon. Arthur J. Balfour is the new Premier of Great Britain. The news was officially given out last night that Lord Salisbury had laid down the reins of office on July 11, and that within 24 hours King Edward had, with the advice and approval of the Hon. Joseph Chamberlain, appointed Mr. Balfour to succeed the statesman who has guided the destinies of Britain for so many years.

It was expected in political and commercial circles that Lord Salisbury's retirement would be coincident with the coronation of King Edward, but it was scarcely looked for prior to that event. Consequently about the only surprise expressed as the news spread through London concerned the date, rather than the fact of the resignation. The real interest was not so much in reference to Lord Salisbury's withdrawal as it was in the appointment of his successor.

The only reason for Lord Salisbury's resignation is said to be his advanced age. His relations with the colonial secretary, Mr. Chamberlain and with the other mem-

bers of the cabinet, have been most cordial and only the desire to pass the evening of his days in quiet has led to the retirement of the famous Cecil into private life.

BALFOUR CHEERED.
The Conservatives met at the foreign office today. Balfour, the newly appointed Premier, was cheered heartily. He made a short speech and stated that he fully depended on the cordial support of his followers.

Hicks-Beach Resigns.

(Scripps-McRae News Association.)
LONDON, July 14.—No little surprise was caused in Parliamentary circles by the resignation of Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, which occurred today. Although it is stated that his retirement is due to entirely personal reasons, it is well known that Lord Salisbury alone was able to tide the ill feeling which prevailed between the Chancellor and Chamberlain, and it is now thought that since his restraining hand has been withdrawn this enmity between two of the strongest men in the government camp may cause much trouble.

SCHOOL REPORT

County Superintendent of Schools Robinson is at present busily engaged preparing his annual report on attendance to the state department. The work of checking up the many school clerk's annual reports was commenced this morning and will be finished in about a week or 10 days. Mr. Robinson says that so far as he can tell at this time the work of the schools has been most satisfactory during the past year. The attendance has been good and in many of the schools the attractiveness of the grounds has been increased by the planting of trees, shrubs and flowers in profusion.

CHAFFEE BLAMES

Waller and Day for Their Massacre in Philippines.

(Scripps-McRae News Association.)
WASHINGTON, July 14.—The findings in the court-martial cases of Major Waller and Lieutenant Day, and General Chaffee's comments thereon were made public today. Chaffee finds the evidence as to the execution of the natives by Major Waller's orders as opposed to the finding of the court-martial, which acquitted the officers. He says the execution of natives by Major Waller's orders was opposed to all the laws of war, but he partially excuses the act on the ground of Waller's men's condition at the time of its commission.

NEW BELT LINE

It is expected that tomorrow the Coos Bay Belt Line Railroad Company will file its articles of incorporation, for \$1,000,000. The incorporators are Californians residing at Eureka, who are the same ones, it is believed that President Hammond of the Astoria & Columbia River Railroad, is opposing. It has leaked out that Mr. Hammond is now on his way East, and this is probably in connection with the new corporation.

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FOOD INSPECTORS ARE DEPARTING

After a trip to Corvallis, Albany and Salem today the delegates to the National Food and Dairy Commissioners' convention will leave tonight to their homes via Seattle and Salt Lake City.

Yesterday afternoon was spent by them on the farm of Richard Scott, where they enjoyed themselves sampling Mr. Scott's fruit and praising his farm.

On Saturday the delegates were at Seaside, and while there held a brief business session, at which they adopted a resolution recommending to the committee on a pure food law to take as a basis a congressional bill presented by John Hamilton, of Pennsylvania. Copies of this act are to be sent to the members of the association for suggestions. When the suggestions have been received,

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