

THE DAILY BEE.

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NEWS FROM COUNCIL BLUFFS

People Beginning to Get Nervous Over the Numerous Fugitives.

JEFFRIES' STRANGE NOCTURNAL VISITORS Claimed to be Policemen When the Doctor Halted Them, but When He Talked Police They Fleed Precipitately.

The frequency with which burglars have been doing little odd jobs of a professional nature during the past week has not the nerve of the average citizen vibrating at a rapid rate, and he thinks every hitching post is a man who means to climb in his window before morning. The police telephone is kept jingling nearly all night with reports of how a man was seen prowling around somebody's back door or was heard whistling in his pal in somebody else's front yard. In each and every case the services of an officer are requested immediately, and if the man or woman at the other end of the wire had his or her way about it there would have to be at least twice as many policemen in the city as there are now.

Dr. Thomas Jeffries and Rev. H. P. Dudley enjoy adjoining houses on Fletcher avenue. Just off of Oyster street a stranger called on Mr. Dudley day before yesterday and announced that he was a member of the Methodist church in some town out in Nebraska. As it happened to be a man well acquainted with the town and the church in question, and he commenced to make inquiries about some of the people he knew in the town, the man's memory seemed to grow foggy all of a sudden, and he did not prolong his call beyond what was absolutely necessary. Mr. Dudley called for a burglar who was recommitting during the night when he heard the loud sound of voices in the Jeffries' parlor. The doctor and his suspicions were confirmed during the night when he heard the loud sound of voices in the Jeffries' parlor. The doctor and his suspicions were confirmed during the night when he heard the loud sound of voices in the Jeffries' parlor.

Removal Sale. Has rented the entire building south of his already large store, and will put mechanics to work in a few days to cut arches through the partition walls, throwing the two big stores into one. He has been compelled to reduce his stock in order to make room for the workmen he has cut the bottom of the building in grocery, hardware, tinware and willow-ware departments. He has employed an extra force of clerks, so you won't have had to wait this sale.

Where a child can buy as cheap as a man. Try a glass of Sulpho-Saline or Soterian mineral waters from the famous Excelsior spring at George's Hot Springs, Wis., under O. H. Brown's drug stores. John Linder, general agent.

Century War Book, Famous Paintings, Peristyle to Plaisance, Sights and Scenes and all follows bound by Morehouse & Co.

On and after August 1 we will sell groceries for cash only. J. Zoller & Co., 109 Broadway.

Was a Misunderstanding Somewhere. Justice Fox is not using his faith in justice of this world, and is giving a big boost on his way to entire skepticism by the little thing that took place yesterday. The case of Doskey, the bicycle thief, was to come up for a hearing, but Ambrose Burke pointed out the mistake in the case.

Black Goods. 50c all wool cashmere, 47 1/2c yard. 46-inch all wool serge, worth 69c, sale price 50c yard. 60c all wool cashmere, full 46-inch wide, sale price 48c yard. 60c and 75c Japs and China silks, 45c a yard.

Act of a Cowardly Brute. Theodore Lyons, a burly ruffian, weighing over 200 pounds, was arrested Tuesday night and incarcerated in the city jail on the charge of being drunk and disturbing the peace, preferred by his mother-in-law, Mrs. William Gardner of High street. Lyons, whose residence adjoins Mrs. Gardner's, came home on the evening in question and, being disappointed at not finding his spouse there, proceeded to make things lively. He commenced by seizing a niece of Mrs. Gardner, by the name of Killy, by the throat and choking her. Mrs. Gardner, having fears that Lyons would do the girl great injury, attempted to break his hold, but she was overpowered and fell to the floor.

Trains for Lake Manawa. Leave Broadway: 10 a. m. 2 p. m. 5 p. m. And every 22 minutes thereafter until 11:55 p. m. Parties wishing to spend the day at Lake Manawa take the 10 a. m. train.

Beef bolts neatly bound by Morehouse & Co., Council Bluffs.

Hammocks cheap, Davis the druggist, and Hammocks used Domestic soap.

INDIANS IN A PITIFUL FLIGHT. Pawnee Bill's Sioux Camp Home on Antwerp in Bad Shape.

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 1.—A pitiable sight was witnessed upon the arrival of the Red Star liner Illinois, Captain Fergus, from Antwerp, when twelve Indians, comprising part of Pawnee Bill's Wild West show, stepped ashore. They bore but little resemblance to the Indians who sailed from this port on April 25 for the World's fair at Antwerp. Gaunt looking, hollow-eyed and some on crutches, they excited the pity of the crowds of spectators that usually witness the arrival of an emigrant steamer. Their show at Antwerp had been a failure, and the climate had wrecked the constitution of the Indians. There were eight men, four squaws and one baby. They left immediately for their reservation in South Dakota. They are all members of the Sioux tribe. During the voyage one of the squaws named Waking Woman died and was buried at sea on July 27.

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LUMBER DISTRICT SCORCHED

Million and a Half Dollars' Worth of Boards Burned Up.

FIREMEN HAVE SOME NARROW ESCAPES Sudden Change in the Wind Catches Them on the Hot Side of the Fire—Several Persons Injured and One Man Drowned.

CHICAGO, Aug. 1.—The lumber district of Chicago was tonight visited by one of the most disastrous fires in its history, and the loss will probably foot up between \$1,200,000 and \$1,500,000, although it will be twenty-fold if the damage done to the city can be estimated with accuracy. The following concerns were entirely cleaned out by the flames:

S. K. Martin Lumber company, Brown & Richards Lumber company; Wells & French, lumber; Shoemaker & Higbee Lumber company; John Spey Lumber company; Edward Hines Lumber company; Conway & Co., cedar posts; W. C. Palmer, cedar posts; Whitcomb & Co., post company; Siemens & Halske, manufacturers of telegraph cables.

The burned district is about six squares from east to west and about three from north to south. The greatest portion of the district bounded by Blue Island avenue, Lincoln street, the river and Ashland avenue are now nothing but smoking embers.

The fire was discovered by a watchman, who saw a blaze on the outside of the fence on the east side of Lincoln street, near a slingshed belonging to S. K. Martin & Co. He turned in an alarm, but before the first engines arrived the slingshed was a mass of flames which had communicated to the surrounding lumber piles. The Martin yards are 2,500 feet long by 300 feet wide and the flames originated in the right spot for the strong north wind which was blowing at the time to carry them through the entire length and breadth of the yards.

The wind drove the flames so fast that the call after call for additional help was made until over fifty engines and three fire boats were at work. It is not likely that the fire would have been so much had not the wind died away after the fire had been burning an hour.

The course of the flames was southeast and the first forty-five minutes and they literally licked up everything in their path. Piles of lumber, lath, shingles and cedar posts were swallowed up and in a twinkling rapidly and for a time it seemed as though the finest lumber district in the city, which reaches a mile to the southward, would be consumed.

The wind, however, suddenly changed at 9:30 o'clock and began to blow from the south and with much less violence than before. The flames were driven north again and burned to a line level with its starting point. The sudden change in the direction of the flames caught several engines compelled to run for themselves. No engines were abandoned, but three of them had closing calls, but no mention was made at work in one of the slips when the direction of the fire changed and the long tongues of flame which were blowing from the east side of the street, and the long tongues of flame which were blowing from the east side of the street, and the long tongues of flame which were blowing from the east side of the street.

Two of the men, however, were killed. One of them, a large "blamed" hose, which they were holding, got away from them and struck a man, who fell to the ground. Upon a pile of burning cedar posts a few feet away. Their injuries are not fatal.

Phelan, a fireman, inhaled hot air and died. Another boy, who showed into river by crowd and drowned.

In addition to the firemen injured, the following casualties occurred: One man was killed on a lumber pile, struck broken and died. Unknown man, struck on the head by a flying cap from a fire engine, died. Unidentified man, who was killed upon a pile of burning cedar posts a few feet away. Their injuries are not fatal.

Belmont's Horses Take a Run. BELLEVILLE, Aug. 1.—While Prince Belmont was taking a drive at Vauxhall on Monday the horses became unmanageable and plunged into the bob by the roadside, dragging the carriage with them. Assistance was at hand and the horses were quickly reined in, but with great difficulty. The prince was neither hurt nor excited.

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WAR OFFICIALLY DECLARED

Japanese Official Has Something to Say on the Country's Action.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 1.—An official of the Japanese legation today expressed himself as much pleased that his government had made an official statement of the difficulties which immediately preceded hostilities between China and Japan. It would show to the world, he believed, that Japan had not acted except on great provocation during this time of self-defense and to prevent the Chinese from gaining any points of advantage. The declaration by Japan that the threatened Chinese advances would be regarded as a mere bluff, and that the government cannot be held responsible for indemnity for the deaths by drowning of the soldiers on the transport Kow Shung, because the latter was flying the British flag.

AFRAID FOR THE MISSIONARIES. Bishop Wilson Says the Chinese Attribute All Troubles to Foreigners.

BALTIMORE, Aug. 1.—Bishop Alpheus W. Wilson of the Southern Methodist Episcopal church, who has traveled extensively in China and Japan and spent many years in close connection with the mission work in those countries, says: "There is much reason to fear for the safety of the missionaries, both men and women, now stationed in China and Corea. The natives are always ready to visit the responsibility of trouble on foreigners, no matter how remote they may be from the cause of the trouble. While this presents a danger to the missionaries it is to be feared it is likely that the war in the long run will help the cause of the missions by stimulating the government to greater concessions in their behalf."

JAPANESE LAND FORCES REPULSED. Reported Battle in Corea in Which the Chinese Suffer Slightly.

SHANGHAI, Aug. 1.—It is reported that the Japanese forces attacked the Chinese position at Yashan on Friday and Saturday last. The Japanese, it is said, were repulsed with heavy loss. The Chinese loss was trivial.

LONDON, Aug. 1.—The Chinese legation today received a dispatch from Tien Tsin dated the 29th inst. in which it was stated that the Japanese had made in the message of a second naval battle having taken place between China and Japan, and that the Chinese had a slight advantage in the matter of their armaments on land.

Found the Missing Gold. PARIS, Aug. 1.—What is supposed to be the missing gold which contained the \$50,000 in gold consigned to Lazard Freres & Co. by the steamship Le Touraine, from New York, was found today empty in the car in which all the cases of gold traveled under seal. It is believed that the gold was stolen during the voyage, from the steamship or at the railroad station in this city.

Later the missing gold was found in some sacks, hidden in a heap of coal near the station at Havre. There is still no trace of the thieves.

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HOPE TO GET TOGETHER

One of the Senate Conferees Says They Are Liable to Agree.

MORE TALK OF TARIFF COMPROMISE

Mysterious Hints of Influences at Work That Will Bring a Speedy Agreement of the Senate and House Conferees—Nothing Definite.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 1.—Active negotiations are proceeding both inside the tariff conference and in influential quarters outside the conference to bring a complete and speedy agreement about on the tariff bill, and the prediction is made that the end is near at hand. On the three great items of sugar, coal and iron, it is denied with emphasis on the house side that the senate sugar schedule and the senate rate on iron would prove and that the house would be compensated by a reciprocity clause on coal. It is stated by those leaders informed of the facts that the sugar schedule will not be fixed by the senate, nor the free sugar of the house bill, but a middle ground.

Friends of the administration say that there is a good prospect that the president's insistence on free raw materials—free iron ore and free coal—will receive substantial recognition, and deny as impossible all reports that any agreement would be on the basis of accepting the senate rate on coal and iron. There is good reason to believe that Chairman Wilson and the friends of the administration will not yield to such a compromise.

The democratic conferees were together again for two hours today, and at the close of the meeting, the house members expressed the strong confidence of a speedy settlement that they had after the meeting yesterday. Chairman Wilson and Mr. Montross went at once to Speaker Crisp's private office and conferred with him for half an hour. Chairman Holman of the democratic caucus committee conferred with the speaker. The Hon. John H. Brown said afterward that the tariff situation had changed so materially for the better that the house caucus would not be held for the present. The speaker is believed to have given every effort to get together.

The senate conferees can be induced to say but very little on the situation. One of them is quoted as saying that there were more indications of reaching an understanding than there had heretofore been. They said that the senate propositions have been submitted to the conference, providing in some instances for a modification and in others merely a change of form, but declaring that no amendments have yet been proposed that can be agreed on.

It was stated by one of the democratic conferees tonight that the senate proposals of reaching an agreement on the tariff bill about the end of the week, with a probability that the bill will finally agree to be reached on Monday. The agreement, when it comes, will be compromise, as both house and senate feel that the concession will have to be made.

Hawaiian Royalists Preparing Plans. WASHINGTON, Aug. 1.—The Hawaiian royalist commissioners who reached the city last night kept to their rooms at the Arlington most of the day arranging for their plan of work while here. When an Associated press representative asked Mr. Wideman the purpose of their visit to Washington he said: "I cannot tell you the purpose of our mission until we see Secretary Gresham, and also possibly the president. We expect to see Secretary Gresham tomorrow and shall go direct to the State department, and not seek the assistance of any intermediary. Just the same as you would expect to see Secretary Gresham tomorrow, we expect to see the president. The president has received the plea for the restoration of the queen, and why should we, who represent the queen, have the privilege of calling on the secretary?"

Mr. Wideman said further that the commission had not come to Washington to ask for the restoration of the queen, nor for the purpose of asking compensation for her because of her detention. In fact, he (Wideman) had not heard of this report until he reached Washington.

Sugar Investigating Committee Report. WASHINGTON, Aug. 1.—The senate sugar trust investigating committee was in session today considering the final reports to be made by the committee. Two reports will probably be made. It is understood the part of the report of the committee on the sugar trust is one of the points on which the democrats and republicans agree. On this point the testimony will be cited and the facts as they appear commented upon in a manner which will not, it is said, relieve the West Virginia senator from blame.

Pure Food Bill Favorably Reported. WASHINGTON, Aug. 1.—Mr. Hatch's pure food bill will be favorably reported to the house, the agricultural committee having so voted today. Under the authority of congress to restore the quality of the food products to prohibit the introduction into the United States from abroad of the transportation between the states of adulterated food or drugs under a heavy penalty of fine and imprisonment.

Cash in the Treasury. WASHINGTON, Aug. 1.—The cash balance today was \$119,965,382, of which \$54,975,697 was gold reserve. Engagements today for export amount to \$1,359,000.

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