LI WILL TALK PEACE CHINA MUST TOE THE MARK SOLE HOPE HANGS ON ALLIES

Chinese Emperor Appoints Viceroy to Negotiate with Powers.

CHINA DESIRES AMICABLE SETTLEMENT

State Department Receives Official Notice to That Effect.

CONGER SENDS NOTE THROUGH CHAFFEE

Expresses Ability to "Hold On" Until Relief Force Arrives.

CESSATION OF HOSTILITIES

Ministers Must Be Released from Pekin Before Any New Arrangements Will Be Considered by United States.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 12.-Indications of the desire of China for a peaceful settlement of her present difficulties have been displayed for several days. Official notice of that desire was presented to the department of state today. It was in the form of an edict promulgated by the emperor, Kwang Hsu, appointing Earl Li Hung Chang envoy plenipotentiary to negotiate with the powers for "an immediate cessation of hostilities" pending a solution of the questions which have grown out of the anti-foreign uprising in the empire. Earl Li is to act directly for the emperor and a fair inference is that whatever the terms of the settlement they reach with the powers will be approved. by the imperial government,

During the day only one dispatch that was made public reached any of the government departments from China. A belated message from Minister Conger was transmitted to the War department by General Chaffee. It expressed simply his ability to "hold on" until General Chaffee should come to his relief. All the power of this government will be exerted to get that relief to him and the other imprisoned legationers at the earliest possible

moment. Minister Wu was an early caller at the Department of State. Shortly after 9 o'clock he made an engagement with Acting Secretary of State Adee to meet him at the department at 10:30. Promptly at that hour the minister's automobile stopped at the west entrance to the department and Minister Wu alighted and harried to Secretary Adee's office. He presented to Mr. Adec a copy of the imperial edict which he had received last night. It had been transmitted to him in the Chinese foreign office cipher and its translation and preparation for submission to the Department of State had occupied much of the night.

Root Receives Edict.

Minister Wu remained with Secretary Adee for three-quarters of an hour discussing the propers of the edict and the probable resignation to it of this government. Shortly bee seignister Wu left the department Secretary of War Root mer the two diplomats, but remained only long enough to receive and discuss it briefly with the Chinese

Minister Wu thought the edict presented a means of peaceful adjustment of the present trouble and that the request of the Chinese government for a cessation of hostilities pending peace negotiations was entirely reasonable.

Immediately upon the conclusion of the conference the text of the edict, together with the details of the call of Minister Wu, was communicated to President Mc Kinley at Canton. The president's reply has not yet been received. Later in the day Acting Secretary Adee made public the text of the edict in the following state-

The Department of State makes public the following imperial edict, appointing Vicercy Li Hung Chang as envoy plenipatentiary to propose a cessation of hostile demonstrations and negotiate with the powers, a copy of which was delivered by Mr. Wu to the acting secretary of state this (Sunday) morning at 10:30 o'clock;

"An imperial edict forwarded by the privy council at Pekin, under date of the 14th day of the seventh moon (August 8). to Governor Yuan at Tsi Nan, Shan Tung, who transmitted it on the 17th day of the same moon (August 11) to the taotai at Shanghai, by whom it was transmitted to Minister Wu, who received it on the placing of obstacles in the way of such night of the same day (August 11).

Text of Imperial Act. "The imperial act, as transmitted by

the privy council, is as follows: 'In the present conflict between the Chinese and foreigners there has been some misunderstanding on the part of some foreign nations and also a want of proper management on the part of some of the local authorities. A clash of arms is followed by calamitons results and caused a rupture of friendly relations which will ultimately do no good to the world. We hereby appoint Li Hung Chang as our enyoy plenipotentlary, with instructions to propose at once by telegraph to the gov ernments of the several powers concerned for the immediate cessation of hostile demensirations pending negetiations, which he is hereby authorized to conduct for our part, for the settlement of whatever questions may have to be dealt with. The questions are to be severally considered in a satisfactory manner and the result of the negotiations reperied to us for our sanction. Respect this.

"The above is respectfully copied for transmission to your excellency, to be communicated to the secretary of state for his excellency's information.

While it is conceded by the Washington officials that the conference of plenary authority upon Earl Li to negotiate with the powers for a settlement of existing troubles is a step in the right direction, it by no means is assured that the United States government will consent offhand to open negotiations with the distinguished The demands of this government upon China have been made plainly and without equivocation. They cannot be misunderstood. Assuming that the Chinese government is acting in good faith, demands are reasonable and can be

complied with readily. Conditions Offered to China.

As transmitted to the imperial goverument by the secretary of state, through Minister Wu, the demands, in brief, were: That the Chinese government give assurance that the foreign ministers are alive and if so, in what condition; that the ministers be put in free communication with their governments, firing upon the legations cease and all dangers to their lives and liberty be removed; that the imperial

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nited States Transmits Reply to Edict Authorizing Li Hung Chang as Pence Envoy.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 12 - Tonight Secretary Adee, by direction of President McKiney, presented to Minister Wu for trans musion to his government the reply of the COULD NOT TRUST TO CHINESE ESCORT United States to the imperial edict appointing Li Hung Chang covey to negotiate with the powers for a cessation of hostilities. The text of the reply will not be made public before tomorrow. In effect, however, it is a reiteration of the demands previously made by the United States upon China, cupled with a vigorous lutimation that no negotiations will be entered into until the Chinese government shall have complied sooner we can be got out of this the betwith those demands.

tion to effect the reactie of the legationers selves." This is a message received has brwieged in Pekin, takes advantage of its evening from Sir Robert Hart, dated Pekin reply to the edict to reiterate the demands August 5, and sent in cipher to the Chinese viously made upon China. These de- maritimes customs in London. spective governments and for the restora- will get out sooner or later." tion of order in China form the keynote | Sheng, director general of railroads and and proceeded to the reviewing ground, of the memorandum forwarded to the im- telegraphs, according to a Shanghai dis- where they inspected the Chinese expeperial government by the president today, patch to the Standard, expresses grave The iteration and relieration of the de- fears for the safety of the members of the fear to the Chinese government that no troops return to the capital. egotiations will be entered on until a will be, it is said, no obstacle in the way Tsun. A dispatch to a news agency from of the settlement of questions arising,

We Has Nothing to Say.

Mr. Wu declined tonight to make any in Europe and Japan to be submitted to the the enemy's damning ineffective. governments at which they are stationed, "It is believed that some 500 have been also to the European diplomatists resident added to the expedition by the increase here for their information.

appointment of Li Hung Chang as a plenpotentiary to arrange peace with the pow- consents to Japan sending troops there to ers. He sincerely hopes that it will be ac- provide for emergencies. cepted by them, as the results attained in

'hinese government and he has the implicit in St. Petersburg describes the sending of confidence of all Chinamen. In many ways be is eminently qualified to act as an injust and honorable in all his dealings."

MUST REMOVE ALL OBSTACLES

China Must Prove Good Faith by Allowing Allies to Furnish Escort to Ministers.

in Paris. Yu Keng, a message to the French government complaining of the "tardiness of the foreign ministers in Pekin in replying to the offer of the Chinese government to conduct them under scort." The message proceeded to say that the tsung li yamen declined to be responsible for any casualties which might ollow these delays and insisted that the European governments order their repreentatives to leave Pekin.

To this communication M. Delcasse, minster of foreign affairs, sent the following eply:

"No order to depart from Pekin will e given to our minister so long as the route is unsafe. If a casualty occurs the esponsibility will be entirely with the hinese government. Its strict duty is to protect foreign ministers even more han its own.

"If it be true that the Chinese governnent has great difficulty in defending them and in defending itself against rebels it should order its troops to stand aside be fore the allied forces. This would render free the road from Tien Tsin to the apital and would accomplish the work protection which is encumbered.

The Chinese government should understand that the only means of proving the incerity of its designs and of limiting its responsibilities is a cessation in the

TROOPS KEPT ON THE MOVE Soldiers Being Transferred from Various Stations at Home and Abrond.

NEW YORK, Aug. 12 -- Battery C, Sevath United States artillery, which has been ordered to China, arrived in this city oday from Fort Adams, R. L. and to- and 110 wounded. morrow will start for San Francisco. The battery, which is in command of Lieutenant Johnson, consists of 165 men and ninety five horses and six field guns. The trans port Sesigwick, from Porto Rico, landed nearly 500 men today in Brooklyn.

Aboard the Sedgwick were four companies of the Eleventh United States in fantry, in command of Major A. L. Mevers and a squadron of the Fifth United States cavalry, under Colonel W. A. Rafferty, The cavalrymen were shipped to Fort Meyer. Va., in the afternoon and Companies A. I and C of the Eleventh infantry were conveyed to Governor's island. There they will perform garrison duty at department headquarters, relieving two batteries of the Fifth United States artillery, which will return to Forts Hamilton and Wadsworth Company D of the Eleventh will be shipped

omorrow to Fort Ethan Allen, Vt. The United States army transport Crook arrived this evening from Hayana, having on board four companies of the First ar tillery. Ameng the passengers on board the Crook are Major Baker, chief quartermaster of the division of Cuba, and Major Qualy, judge advocate of the Cuban department.

Raptist Property Destroyed.

HONG KONG, Aug. 12.-The United States consul general here, Mr. R. Wildman, has received a telegram from the American Baptist mission at Watow, province of Kwang Tung, saying that three more chapels have been demolished and that there has been much looting of mission property.

The dispatch also says an attempt was made on the life of the preacher there and that the officials are taking no action in the matter. The trouble was attributed, to the "Vegetarian society," probably an off- von Waldersee, according to the Berliner shoot of the notorious "Triads," though Tageblatt, will go on a special mission to some believe the Vegetarians are connected Rome before sailing for China to assume with the Boxers.

Pekin is Safest Place for Ministers Until Relief Force Comes.

Sir Robert Hart's Disputch Indicates That China is Keeping Up Pretense of Concern for Safety of Envoys.

LONDON, Aug. 13.-3:30 a. m.- The ter, for it is inconvenient for the Chi This government, inspired by a determina- nese government and unsafe for our

mands first were made by the president on | Commenting on it the Post says: "It June 23, and subsequently were reiterated would seem to indicate that the Chinese substantially by Acting Secretary Adee by government is anxious for the safety of direction of the president. The demands the fereigners, or at any rate anxious to for the protection of the ministers, for free gef them safely out of Pekin, while Sir of foreign affairs, General Andre, minister ommunication between them and their re- Robert Hart evidently expects that they

pands must, it is thought, make it perfectly legations when the defeated Chinese The Austrian naval commander reports square-toed compliance to them be made, to Vienna that the allies decided to rest Should the demands be acceded to, there for three days after the taking of Tang

Tien Tsin says: Country Good for Marching.

Junks and stones block the river betatement bearing on the reply, not even youd the advanced post of the allies for a eing willing to say whether or not it had considerable distance, but the dryness con been received by him. Copies have been tinues and the country is in good marchsent to the United States representatives ing order, subsidiary dykes having made

Mr. Wu is very much elated over the brigade." Korea, according to a Seoul dispatch,

General Grodekoff reports to the Rushis opinion would be satisfactory to all con- sian war office the occupation of Santchu and the passes across the Chingau moun-"I think Earl Li's designation a capital tains. Orders have been issued for the one," he said. "Aside from the emperor and formation of two additional Siberian army empress he is the highest official of the corps. A semi-official telegram published

termediary between his own government. The reception of the message from the and the representatives of the powers who Italian minister in Pekin effectually dismay be appointed to act with him. He has done excellent work for the Chinese and Tien Tsin. The Daily Mail publishes an inthey have great confidence in his discretion terview with the Chinese minister in Lonand wisdom. Earl Li has traveled over a don, Sir Chih Chen Lo Feng Luh, and quotes the affections which a soldier leaves withlarge part of the world, has met a large him as urging the ministers to leave Pekin. out hesitation when the service of his part of its foremost people. I hope the ap- "Some people say," remarked Sir Chib Chen, dintment will be acceptable to the powers "that the Europeans are still besieged. It symbol of your country in your very midst, and I know the results of the negotiations is not so. When you are besieged you are of your country attentive to your sufferings onducted by him will be satisfactory alike not allowed communication with the outside and watchful of the dangers from which i to Chinese and foreigners, for he will be world, but here you are receiving messages, wish you may soon be relieved. cipher messages, from Sir Cloude MacDon-

Poorly Veiled Threat.

Commenting upon the various propositions made by China to the powers, the Daily News well expresses the predominating British opinion, as follows:

"What the Chinese authorities say in effect PARIS, Aug. 12.-10:30 p. m .- The tsung is this: "Stop your advance on Pekin and we Lord Roberts Reports That Kitchener li yamen forwarded through the Chinese will give your ministers a safe conduct to them to leave Pekin we cannot answer for the consequences."

"To this abominable and not very thickly reiled threat there can be only one answer, and M. Delcasse has given it in very cogent under absolutely convincing guaranties of safety. In the speedy advance of the allies lies the only hope of saving the ministers." In the same vein the Daily Telegraph

SAVE: "American statesmen take up what seems the only logical attitude when they tell Mr Conger that they have never for a moment entertained the idea of his placing himself at the mercy of a Chinese official pledge. Cheng Ying Huang, the Cantonese who was stand another slege. Mr. James G. Stowe the special ambassador of China at Queen United States consul general at Capetown Victoria's jubilee and who is now in ban- has left Johannesburg for that city. He re shment at Ili, has been ordered, according ceived an enthusiastic send-off, to a Shanghai dispatch, to commit suicide an imperial edict having been issued to this effect.

FRENCH LOST SIXTEEN MEN

Delayed Message from M. Pinchor Pekin Recites Details of

delayed dispatch which he referred to in the first message received from him, published here last Thursday, as "My cipher No. 1, dated August 3." It is as follows:

"From June 20 to July 17 Chinese troops besieged and fired upon and bombarded us. Four legations have been burned and that of France three-quarters destroyed. We still hold out, thanks to the heroic defense of the Franco-Austrian contingent. Our loss is sixteen. The general loss is sixty more

"All the missions in Pekin have been is standing, but the condition is uncertain. Despite anguish and privations the personbombardment ceased July 17. Offensive shots continue without victims.

to negotiate with us for departure, but we cannot leave without some protection other than that of the government.

According to dispatches received today rom Vice Admiral Courrejels of the French taval command, native Christians and misonaries on the line to Han Kow, 500 kilemetres from Pekin, are in great danger, the point being entirely outside the aphere of the allied operations. He has also received had news regarding New Chwang being captured August 4, which, as he is advised has since been evacuated.

According to his advices from the French lony in Pekin eight marines, one cadet and one customs employe have been killed. He says a Danish company has laid a cable from Che Foo to Taku.

The Patric publishes the following: The procureur general of the congregaion of the Lazarist mission, Mgr. Bettembourg, informs us that he had just been advised by M. Delcasse that according to a Shanghai, received yesterday, 7,000 Chinese have been massacred at Pao Ting, east of Pekin. No other details are at hand.

If such startling news has been received by the Foreign office it has been kept secret, as the usual news channels have not been made acquainted with anything of the

Waldersce Will Go to Rome BERLIN, Aug. 12.-Field Marshal Count the command of the international forces. York

BOERS PAY BRYAN'S EXPENSES DEADLY CROSSING ACCIDENT

Correspondent at Pretoria Says Kruger is Putting Up Handsomely for the tampaign.

Copyright, 1900, by Press Publishing Co.) LONDON, Aug. 12 .- (New York World Cablegram-Special Telegram.)-John Stuart, errespondent of the Morning Post, telegraphs from Pretoria: "The Boers state Of Eleven Others Seriously Injured that Kruger is contributing to Bryan's election expenses between £500,000 and £750, 000. It is also stated that Webster Davis received £25,000 toward the expenses of the American campaign."

PARTING CHARGE TO TROOPS President Loubet Presents Expedi-

tionary Corps with Flags and Delivers Address.

MARSEILLES, Aug 12.-President Loubet, accompanied by M. Delcasse, minister of war, and M. Delenersan, minister of ma rine, arrived here this morning at 9 o'clock ditionary corps. There was much enthusiasm, with cries of "Vive Loubet!" "Vive la republique!" and "Vive l'armes!"

The cheering was continuous. After the eview Loubet, taking his position on the reviewing stand to present the flag to the orps, said: "In the name of the republic I deliver to

ou the flags of the expeditionary corps. They are confided to your loyalty and patriotism, which I guarantee. "Honor and Fatherland' is your motto. Soon you will nscribe on their folds the name of a camonign rendered necessary by the violation of our rights, the disregard of our legit imate interests and the brutal assault made upon those who represent in China ivilization and progress.

"Officers, noncommissioned officers and soldiers, let these flags be to you a sacred They recall the lofty mission of gift France, a mission confided to your courage to exact from a country, where the essential laws of civilized countries have die. been odiously violated, the chastisement of the guffty and to impose some vivid indemnities for the past with necessary guaranties for the future. They tell you that the heritage of honor, the care of which your elders confided to you cannot grow less at your hand and in this international army, which is formed for the defense of civilization, those bearing the French uniform must not yield in disci-

"They will also recall to you your famflies, your children and firesides, and all country claims him. They will be the

"We will await with impatience, but not with alarm, the return which will permit us to share with you and your comrades of the fleet under Admiral Pottier our sat isfaction and gratitude."

ARE STILL CANSING DEWET and Methuen Are Keeping

LONDON, Aug. 12.- The War office today eccived the following message from Lord

Roberts: "PLETORIA, Aug. 11 .- The enemy is forces. Early this morning he was trying to cross the railway at Wovedeen station, where he was engaged by Smith-Dorrien. "Methuen on August 9 fought a rear guard iction near Buffalshook. He captured six

wagons and two guns." In spite of the fact that General DeWe s in full flight South African dispatches announce an efflux of civilians from Mafekins and that Lord Edward Cecil is preparing t

VETERANS WILL ORGANIZE

ociety of the Army of the Philip pines Will Be Founded at Reunion to Be Held at Denver.

DENVER, Colo., Aug. 12.-Veterans of the Philippine war and their friends began arriving today to attend the reunion which PARIS, Aug. 12.—The French Foreign begins tomorrow. The first meeting will office received this from M. Pinchon, French occur at 2 p. m., when the organization minister at Pekin, which is evidently the of the Society of the Army of the Philippines will be effected. In the evening public meeting will be held at which speeches will be made by Governor Thomas, Senators Teller and Wolcott, General Merriam, General Francis W. Greene, General Owen Sumner, General W. S. Mctealf and other prominent men. Letters of regret were received today from W. J. Bryan. Governor Roosevelt and Secretary of War Root, who had been invited to attend.

Death Rate in Hawaii. HONOLULU, Aug. 4.-The health reports burned, save the Pet Tang mission, which for the months of June and July an alarming increase in death rate, especially among nel of the legations is in good health. The Hawaiisns and Japanese on the island of Cahu, which has the only works, Chinese barricades and intermittent plete records. In June the number of deaths per thousand was forty-five; in July 49.68. "The government is attempting indirectly The increase for the past few years, as the Watkins road, via Alexandria, until the shown by tables just compiled, has aroused a good deal of discussion. In 1896 the July deaths numbered farty-eight. Since then the flaures have jumped to 59.75, and this year 114. Consumption heads the list of dis eases, causing death in almost every month and there is agitation for strict measures ! quarantine patients. The Board of Health is discussing a quarantine against consumption, as many people come here from other places to enjoy the mild climate, and it is believed they are a source of danger to the

The United States court in Hawaii was formally inaugurated today by Judge N. M Estee.

Victor Meets Scunte and Deputies ROME, Aug. 12.-Today King Victor Emnucl III received 600 members of the Senate and Chamber of Deputies, who dedispatch from the French consul general at majesty thanked them in his own name and that of Queen Helena for the part they had taken in the funeral of King Humbert and in his own elevation to the throne.

Movements of Ocean Vessels Aug. 12. At New York—Arrived—Steamers Staten-dam, from Ratterdam and Moulogne, Bul-garia, from Hamburg, Cymr 2, from Liver-pool and Queenstewh; Asto a, from Glas-gow and Moville.

Queenstown-Arrived-Ivernia, from ton, for Liverpeol, and proceeded. led-Lucania, from Liverpool, for New Moville-Arrived-Tunisian, from Moneal, for Liverpool. At London-Salled-Minnehaha, for New

Passenger Train Crashes Into Crowded Omnibus in Pennsylvania.

ELEVEN PERSONS INSTANTLY KILLED

Several Are Expected to Die-Victims Had No Warning of

Impending Danger.

SLATINGTON, Pa., Aug. 12.-Fifteen persons were instantly killed and eleven others, several of whom will die, were seriously njured tonight in a grade crossing accident hree miles east of this city by a passen ger train on the Lehigh & New England rallroad crashing into an omnibus containing twenty-five persons. All the dead and injured persons were in the omnibus and only three escaped. The dead:

ELI REMALEY, aged 70, of Slatington, MRS. ELI REMALEY, his wife, aged 65. MRS. JAMES KERN, their daughter, aged

SAMUEL MUMMY, aged 60, of Walnut-MRS. SAMUEL MUMMY, his wife, aged 58.

latington MRS. WILLIAM KANE, aged 51, of Walutport.

Walnutport. MRS. STEPHEN REINHARD, aged 60, of

Slarington. MRS. SUSAN CHOEN, 67 years old. MRS. ALFRED RHORIG, Walnutport. MRS. ROBERT SEIBERT, Walnutport. DAVID KERN, 5 years old, son of Mrs.

The injured are: Miss Dizler of Walnutport; will die. Three-year-old son of Mrs. Kern; will die. Harry Minnich, aged 10, of Slatington; will die

Mrs. William Reach, hurt internally; may Louis Kuntz, seriously; may die.

Miss Carrie Nagle of Walnutport, internal injuries; may die. George Minnich, probably die. Bryan Walp, Walnutport; may die. Miss Lizzie Jones, Wainutport: will die Miss Alice Nagle; will recover.

One unidentified; may die. The accident occurred about 5 o'clock. The omnibus, driven by a man named Peters, was returning to Slatington from a funeral the occupants bad attended at Cher rysville. The coach belonged to Henry Bittner of Slatington and the dead and injured were nearly all relatives of Sophia Schooffer at whose obsequies they had been present The train was a special and consisted of an engine and one car. At the point at which the collision occurred is a sharp curve in the road and the omnibus came along at r good rate of speed, the occupants unconscious of any impending danger.

As the bus swung around the curve the engine and care came in sight. It was too day before the storm. Thirteen fatal cases cause of his inability to secure employlate to stop before the omnibus and the train came together. As the driver of the former whipped up the four horses to cross record for August 12. crashed into its middle. The occupants were thrown in all directions, bruised and bleedthrown in all directions, bruised and bleed ing. The fifteen dead were killed outright. United Italian Societies at New York fidants. He knew Lane well. In fact they hysicians and a special from here and the injured were taken to South Bethlehem.

No watchman is employed to warn teams those living in the vicinity say it is im- Carnegie half by the united Italian societerms. The ministers cannot leave except fleeing in front of Kitchener's and Methuen's possible to hear an approaching train. A ties of New York. The hall was crowded cure a large sum if he robbed peculiar feature of the accident was that the horses drawing the coach escaped un-

TRAIN GOES THROUGH TRESTLE Mirneulous Escape of Passengers in Wreck on Southern Pacific

in Louisiana.

LAKE CHARLES, La., Aug. 12.-The Southern Pacific company suffered a com plete wreck of passenger train No. 9 this afternoon at 5 o'clock. The train was going at full speed over the trestle over the La Casine bayou, when the tender jumped the track and broke loose from the engine. The engine went on and the nine coaches were thrawn in every direction. Only one Pullman car stayed on the track. The cars were nearly all thrown into the mud and water of the La Casine bayou. The trestle was completely demolished. The railroad men on the train declare it was the most complete smashup they ever eaw. On board the train were about 150 people and the fact that only one boy was killed is beyond explanation. Fred Chattin was the boy's name. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs.-D. L. Chattin, who were also on the train. Mrs. Chattin, who nullified their predictions. held a baby in her arms was seriously hurt

on the head. The boy that was killed was asleep by ar open window when the smashup occurred and he was thrown partly out of the window. the car falling on him and breaking his neck. The baby had his hand slightly hurt and Lucius Bryan, a mail clerk, was badly bruised. A relief train consisting of two coaches and a caboose went out at 6:20 p m. with doctors and interested citizens. This train returned at 11 o'clock with the body of native Fred Chattin and his mother, together with other passengers.

The small loss of life and hodily injury l the greatest marvel of the disaster. Passenger trains will likely be operated over wreck is cleard up.

Collision Near Rome. ROME, Aug. 13 A train bearing many notable persons who had been attending the recent coromonies 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 yet been ascertained but it is understood that Grand Duke and Grand Duchess Pierre of Russia are safe

France Loses Gunboat

PARIS, Aug. 12.—During maneuvers of he French fleet off Cape St. Vincent last light a collision occurred between the first class battleship Brennus, flying the flag of Vice Admiral Fournier, commander of the fleet, and the torpedo boat destroyer Frames. sired to acknowledge their devotion to The Framee sank immediately. The accident the throne and the present monarch. His was due to the fact that the Framee turned to the right, when ordered to the left.

Details thus far received are very meager, but only a small portion of the crew consisting of four officers and fifty-eight men, were saved. It is believed that no dense for. The Minute was dr fewer than fifty were lost and great anxiety is felt here. The Frames, which is of 513 liminak pass. No lives were is felt here. The Framee, which is of 513 tons displacement, was a recent addition to the Franch navy.

PITTSECEG, Pa. Aug. 12—Jasser Houston master mechanic for Edgemann &
Hallerback contractors on the new goverament dam near Sewickley, was murdered in cold blood today by William Fobbs
and another negro. Master Mechanic Murdered

Temperature at Omaha Yesterday Hour. Deg 1 p. m. arderer of Express Messenger is Quickly 3 p. mererer 4 p. m..... 5 p. m.....

Five Patalities and Much Damage t RIME WELL PLANNED BEFOREHAND Property Result from Lightning's Play.

VIOLENT STORM IN NEW YORK

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NEW YORK, Aug. 12.-In the sterm which passed over this section this afternoon four persons were killed in Queensboro and two others stand very little chance of recovering from the injuries they SACKS AND ENVELOPES FURNISH CLUE received. Thomas Dunn of Flushing, I. I., 16 years old, took refuge from the rain under a big tree. Lightning struck the Falls to Get Rid of Incriminating tree and Dunn was instantly killed.

The barn belonging to Frank Valentine in Flushing was hit by lightning and set on fire. Valentise rushed into the barn to save his cattle. He was struck by a MRS. SOURWINE, a widow, aged 53, of falling rafter and burned and crushed to death. Clarence Weeks, a farm hand employed by Valentine, was in the barn before H. Ferrell, a former employe of the Adams the lightning struck it and has not been Express company, was arrested this after-MISS CARRIE SMITH, aged 22, of Walscen since. Chauncey Lay, 16 years of age, meen in this city and has confessed to
unport.

Was out walking with his father in Corona the killing of Messenger Lane and reb-MRS. TILGHMAM KUNTZ, aged 35, of when the storm came up. The two started bing the safe of the Adams Express comto run for shelter. A broken electric wire pany on the Pennsylvania eastbound train, MRS. JAMES MINNICH, aged 33, of Wal- fell across their path and the boy became which arrived in this city at midnight Frientangled in it and was burned to death day night. One thousand dollars of the

before he could be extricated. Fannie Byrnes, 18 years old, was badly Ferrell was to have been married Thursburned and shocked in alighting from a day next to Miss Lillian Costlow, daughter Brooklyn Heights trolley car during the of Patrick Costlow, an engineer on the and fell upon Miss Byrnes' shoulder. She charged from the employ of the Adams tried to push it from her and was badly Express company about three months ago shocked and burned. Her condition is and had not since been able to secure emlespaired of. In running from the storm in playment. He confessed that the motive Brooklyn Angeline Resa, 20 years of age, of the robbery was to secure money, of stepped on a live electric light wire and which he felt in need on account of his was badly shocked. Her condition, from the approaching marriage. The money reburns and shock, is said to be critical.

At Tenaffy, N. J., one young woman was keep for him, saying that it was money he killed and three others were so severely in- had saved from his earnings jured by a single bolt of lightning that they He was at the home of his affianced will probably die. When the storm came up when placed under arrest, Mrs. Nouth and her two daughters, Lizzie | Ferrell is but 22 years old and has a and Nellie, and a woman friend were sit-splendid physique, being six feet in ting under a grape arbor. A bolt of light- height, with dark hair and an attractive nother was also burned.

danger of death. Rain Relieves New York. NEW YORK, Aug. 12.-The backbone of he hat spell, which for the past week has prevailed in this city, causing many deaths and prestrations, was broken today by a vietrations occurred in the early part of the He said that he had become desperado be-

Hold Memorial Services for

Late King. NEW YORK, Aug. 12.-Memorial services pedestrians of any approaching train and for King Humbert of Italy were held in vania train No. 8 between St. Louis and to its utmest. Chevalier Ciovanui Branchi. the Italian consul general, presided. With him on the speaker's platform were the Duca Garignani, first secretary of the embassy at Washington; Baron Franchetti of the Italian Parliament; G. Bossat of the Italian Department of Agriculture and Commerce; Dr. Egisto Rossi of the Department of Emigration; Chevaller Fugassi, president of the United Italian societies, and some twenty other locally distinguished Italians, The mention of the king's name was aiuted and cheered and before the close of the meeting a message expressing the sym-

> fealty to the new king was sent. Claims No Division of China. SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 12.-Prof. John P. Frier, head of the Department of Oriental Languages in the University of the wounds already inflicted would California, who arrived here yesterday from

China, in an interview, said: "China will not be partitioned. This i something that I have always maintained Not long ago nearly every writer on China forctold its division among the powers, they will soon see that recent events have

"This war has aroused a bad spirit in China. It is not that there has been any fundamental change in the organization is the empire since the Japanese war. That was really not a war at all. A few raw recruits were stood up before the Japanese guns and shot down." Pekin Disputch at Rome.

ROME, Aug. 12.-The Italian Foreign office has received the following dispatch from the Italian minister in Pekin, Marquis Salvago Raggi, dated August 5; "Shots exchanged between the defenders of the legation and the Chinese. One killed and two wounded. We have no news from

Another Company for China. LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Aug. 12.—Company . First infantry, which has been stationed at Fort Logan H. Root since its return from the Cuban war, has received orders to proceed at once to San Francisco. It will leave tomorrow on a special train and is expected to sail for Nagasaki on August 26. Company K of the Twelfth in-

not delay advance to Pekin."

fantry will be sent to this post, Heavy Fighting in Colombia KINGSTON, Jamaica, Aug. bels are ladying and that an arrive date on was feared there at an early date, as writers describe the suffering of the onle as very great. One says that a disoler resembling bubonic plague has defored at Panama. So many were killed the last battle at Panama that some of the bast battle at Panama that some of the bolles had to be burned. A fire at Blue clds July 30 destroyed twenty-one houses that but he British consulate.

Whaling Schooner Lost. SEATTLE, Wash. Aug. 12.—The ste Alliance has arrived from Nome with if the wreck in Bering sea of the Vi

including the British con

Stockmen Fatally Shot.

plust returned from selling mattle at 8. ph. They had deposited the proceeds i

CONDITION OF THE WEATHER LANE'S SLAYER FOUND

Run to Earth.

AS EX-EMPLOYE OF EXPRESS COMPANY

Iakes Full Confession of Cowardly and Treacherous Deed.

Had to Have Money to Provide for His Approaching Marriage.

Evidence in Time to Cover Tracks -Arrested at Home of His Sweetheart.

COLUMBUS, O., Aug. 12.-Charles R. money which he had stolen was recovered. The arm of the trolles car broke Pennsylvania lines. He had been dis-

covered he had taken to Miss Costlow to

ning struck among them and killed Miss face. When the officers took him into cus-Lizzie Nouth, Nellie Nouth was frightfully tody he assumed a nonchalant demeanor, burned about the body and face and her but when he found he could no longer deceive the officials he made a full con-The visitor, whose name has not been fession. After his statement had been learned, was also burned and had her nose taken by Chief of Police Taylor and he cut off by the flash of fire. The three in- was led to a cell in the police station be fured women are said to be in immediate was in a state of nervous collapse and orders were given that he be watched closely to prevent him doing himself bodily injury.

Robbery Included Murder, The confession of Ferrell disclosed premeditated and bloodcurdling crime lent thunderstorm. A large number of pros- that seemed almost impossible of belief. were reported up to tonight. The highest ment and a realization of the fact that he temperature today was 95. This breaks the must have money to defray the expenses of his approaching marriage.

bery had been well planned comwere 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 on Pennsyl-Columbus and that he was certain to gesafe on that train. Having provided himself with a Smith' & Women 28 calibre be went to Urbana Friday morning and waited for it. When the train arrived there Ferrell went at once to the express car and told Lane that he was out of money and asked permission to ride to Columbus with him. Lane consented, never for a moment suspecting the treach

ery of his pretended friend. For a short time after the train left Urbana they chatted pleasantly. Lane cheered, the Italian national anthem was sat in a chair in the rear of the car with his back slightly turned. When Ferrell had finally nerved himself for the crime he pathy of the Italians in America with the drew his revolver and stepped up behind queen and royal family and expressing their Lane unobserved and fired three shots in rapid succession into the messenger's back. Lane rolled off the chair on the floor on his face and Ferrell quickly fired the remaining shots at the prestrate body. Lane was unconscious, but Ferrell fearing that cause death, took Lane's revolver and fired two more bullets from it into the body.

Makes Escape from Train. Ferrell then took the key to the safe from the pocket of the dead messenger and opened the safe and laid Lane's revolver inside, where he could reach it easily in case he was detected and use it to defend himself. After he had taken out all the sacks containing the money packages, morey orders and waybills he placed them in a satchel and waited until the ear arrived at Plain City, where he slipped off the train. He walked about for a few minutes to regain his composure and then inquired for the hotel, which he found after a short time, a belated citizen directing him to the place. He secured a room and retired for the night without registering, a fact of which the landlord took no notice at the time, as he was half asleep.

Once in his room Ferrell proceeded to

go through the packages and take out all the allies since July 20. We hope they will the cash. The remainder he tied up in & bundle. The question of how to get rid of the debris of his plunder and his revolver then confronted him. It was an easy matter to dispose of the latter. Lifting up the mattress of the bed he placed the revolver in a secure place in the springs. It was not so easy to dispose of the bundle of express sacks and envelopes, After thinking the matter over he concluded he could get rid of the bundle best by expressing it to a fletitious address in some distant city, knowing that it would remain there a year at least before it would be opened, if it was not intercepted. Ferrell arose early the next morning and sauntered down to the railroad station and eat there for a time reading a book. Then he expressed the package which he had addressed to C. W. Coylor, Lockport, N. Y., bought a ticket and took the train for Columbus at 6:30. When he arrived in the city he went at once to his boarding house on the north side of the city and hanged his clothes. Ferreli said he was very much disturbed by the talk about the murder and robbery, which he heard upon every hand, but he kept up his nerve. During the day he paid a number of bills that he owed out of the money which he had stolen and bought some clothes and other things which he needed. Saturday nigh he went to see Miss Costlow and arranged to call again Sunday afternoon,

> Detectives Get on Trail. It was at Plain City last Saturday night hat City Detectives O'Neill and Dundon obpined the cine that led to Ferrell's appreenvion. They had been at the hotel at

daylight, while Ferrell was alcoping in as