

THOUSANDS DEAD

Outlook in Stricken India but Little Better.

THE CHOLERA RAVAGES ARE FEARFUL

Number Dependent Upon Relief Increasing—Drouth Partially Broken, But Rajapootana, Guzerat and Central India Without Rain.

A London, July 10 dispatch says: The secretary of state for India, Geo. Hamilton, has received the following from the viceroy of India, Lord Curzon of Kedleston: "The rainfall has been fairly general this week in Bombay, Deccan, Berar, Khandeish, the central provinces of the Gangetic plain and the Punjab, but has been much below the average for these tracts except in southern Deccan. Little or no rain has fallen in Rajapootana, Guzerat and central India. "The cholera mortality continues high in Bombay. The May mortality there was appalling. The number of persons receiving relief is 6,013,000. "The governor of Bombay telegraphs to the foreign office as follows: "There are 10,320 deaths from cholera and 6,502 fatalities in the famine district during the last week in June. The total deaths among the numbers on the relief works in the British district were 5,324. The number on the relief list is increasing rapidly in consequence of the drouth. The number of gratuitous relief is increasing throughout the affected districts."

OREGON SAFE AT CHEE FOO

Battle Ship Soon to be Docked at Kure, Japan.

The navy department at Washington has been informed that the Oregon has arrived at Chee Foo, by Captain Rodgers of the Nashville, who made a flying trip from his station at Chee Foo out to the scene of the grounding of the Oregon, thirty-five miles northwest of the port. The Oregon will start for Kure dock, Japan. The dispatch conveys direct information that wire communication is again open with Chee Foo. The Oregon will be in dock about three months.

Suffer Injuries in a Runaway.

An accident of a serious nature occurred at Crete Saturday evening. Mrs. Chemelie and Mrs. Hunovskiy and Miss Soebek were in a buggy on the main street when the horse took flight at a gallop and ran wildly down the street. On suddenly turning a corner the buggy was overturned. It swung out the occupants. Miss Soebek's arm was broken and one of Mrs. Chemelie's fingers was broken. The horse was thrown on its back and the buggy badly demolished.

Will Curtail Production.

In compliance with an agreement signed by representatives of the mills of Fall River, Mass., to curtail productions for four weeks during the summer, several mills have suspended operations. When the curtailment is in full operation, nearly 20,000 employees will be affected. The stoppage of machinery is due to the lack of demand for print cloth.

Woman Commits Suicide.

The wife of John Schmitt, a Russian resident of Nelson, Neb., committed suicide by hanging herself in the barn. The body was discovered about 7:30 p. m. and had apparently been hanging about two hours. She had been in the asylum at Lincoln for some time, having returned home about two months ago. She was about fifty-five years old.

Omaha Man Arrested.

J. Frank Negreen, eighteen years of age, a stamp dealer in Omaha, was arrested before a United States commissioner at New York charged with having used cancelled two-cent stamps for mailing letters and with being a fugitive from justice. It is understood that officers are on their way to take him back to Omaha.

Urgent Appeal for Aid.

In response to an urgent appeal from Rev. Mr. Freese, who is treasurer of the interdenominational missionary relief committee in India, the Christian Herald has cabled a further remittance of \$100,000 from the relief fund, to be expended in the famine districts where, in the committee's judgment, it is most needed.

Keep Roberts Busy.

Small parties of Boers continue to harass Lord Roberts, threatening his lines of transportation and communication. The burghers are unusually active, both in Orange Free State and in the Transvaal. It is said that Mr. Hollis, American consul at Lourenco Marquez, has been recalled because of his being well known as a pro-Boer.

Charged With Selling Liquor.

Lafayette Allen was arrested at Engler the other day charged with selling intoxicating liquors without a license. A search of his premises revealed a quantity of intoxicants.

Wealthy Man a Suicide.

Andrew Harding, a wealthy land owner of Cass and Morgan counties, committed suicide by hanging himself in a barn at the home of his son, John Harding, four miles south of Philadelphia, Cass county, Ill. He was a pioneer of Cass county, seventy-five years old.

Heat Kills Many.

At Chicago the thermometer registered over 90 degrees all day the Fourth and eight deaths and four prostrations have been reported.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

Heat caused nine deaths in Chicago Saturday.

The funeral of Stephen Crane, the actor, took place at New York.

President McKinley thinks stories of Chinese massacres are exaggerated.

The fire at the Standard Oil plant in Bayonne, N. J., is fast burning itself out.

United States army officials have issued formal orders for the dispatch of more troops for China.

Charles Leroy, a prominent citizen of California, committed suicide on a Santa Fe train at Joliet, Ill.

At Wichita, Kan., during a quarrel, Douglas Walker was shot and killed by his brother-in-law, Albert Boyle.

James Shaw and Hershell Cook, farm hands, were struck by lightning while working in the harvest field in Edward Miller's farm, one mile south of Williamsville, Ill., and killed.

Seven bodies of victims of the Hoboken fire were recovered Saturday from the steamship Saale. This makes the total number of bodies recovered 143. Over 153 persons are still missing.

A tornado, accompanied by a cloudburst and hail storm, swept over Kalamazoo, Mich., and a conservative estimate places the damage resulting at \$100,000. The storm lasted half an hour.

William Carney, an unknown farmer living two miles east of Grafton, Neb., lost two fine horses in the last few days and the third one is sick. It is supposed they were poisoned by eating some kind of weed.

Walter J. Travis of the Oakland and Garden City golf clubs, New York, is now the amateur golf champion of the United States. He won this title by defeating Finlay Douglass, who was champion two years ago.

An oil tank southwest of Lima, containing 35,000 barrels of oil, was fired by lightning and will be a total loss. Hundreds of men are banking earth walls around the tank to prevent the spread of the fire when it is shot.

The United States auxiliary cruiser Mayflower, Commander Duncan Kennedy, with the Hon. C. H. Allen, governor of Porto Rico, on board, has arrived at New York from San Juan. Governor Allen is on a brief visit to his home.

The yacht of James Corrigan was capsized in Lake Erie off Cleveland during a squall and the wife and three daughters of James Corrigan, a daughter of John Corrigan, and a grand daughter of James Corrigan were drowned.

The sheet steel combine officials and the Amalgamated association came together at Pittsburg, Pa., and signed a compromise sheet scale. The basis will be the same as last year on a 3-cent card rate. About 15,000 men are affected by the settlement.

A total of 188 entries has been received for the fourteen classes which will comprise the program of the trotting meeting given by the Windsor driving park association at Windsor, Mich. The feature of the meeting is a match race between John R. Gentry and Joe Patchen.

Christiana Jensen of West Point nearly met her death at the hands of her disappointed lover, Will Hart, while intoxicated, called upon Miss Jensen, and upon her refusal to marry him, fired five shots, one of which grazed her temple, causing a slight abrasion. Hart is lodged in the county jail.

Notices have been posted in the plate mills of Moorhead Bros. at Sharpsburg, Pa., announcing that beginning July 9, there will be a 20 per cent reduction in wages throughout the mill. Employees of the mill were told that in order to meet competition and continue in operation the cut was necessary.

The roof over the covered walk of the western entrance to the union station at Pittsburg, Pa., collapsed and injured six persons. The framework for a distance of 125 feet fell on the pavement and completely buried the Ft. Wayne, Pittsburg and Birmingham traction tracks. A number of persons had narrow escapes from being buried under the splintered timbers.

The court-martial convened at Manila for the purpose of hearing the charges against Colonel James S. Pettit of the Thirty-first volunteer infantry, who was accused of violating the sixty-second article of war, in making an arrangement with President Medell of Zamboanga for the capture of Juan Ramos and who was afterward transferred to Medell and killed, has brought in a verdict of acquittal.

Fred Swihart, a farmer living several miles northeast of Humboldt, Neb., had a narrow escape from death the other day. While assisting in the harvest field he attempted to stop a frightened team of mules attached to a binder and was thrown in front of the sickle. His right arm was caught and literally torn to pieces, the bone being cut through in two places above the elbow. He was dragged thirty feet before the team was stopped. It is feared that the victim is also injured internally.

The sad news of the sudden death of Miss Violet Newell, daughter of Senator Newell of Plattsmouth, caused by being thrown from a horse while visiting at Maywood, has been received. The body will be taken home for burial.

Grain Burned.

The other afternoon a locomotive on the Burlington, when about two miles from Fairmont, set fire to about fifteen acres of wheat belonging to B. F. Rice, and also to six acres of oats belonging to M. Shoemaker, destroying both pieces.

WAR PREPARATION

Japanese Officials Hurrying Troops to China.

OVER 60,000 MEN TO BE LANDED

These Formidable Preparations Viewed By Russia, Germany and France in Unfavorable Light—The Empress Dowager Alive—Other News.

A London, July 11, dispatch says: The Chee Foo correspondent of the Express, telegraphing Tuesday, says: "The Japanese force is equipped with thirty-six heavy mortars and 120 field guns, and has pontoon and balloon sections. It is expected either Marshal Nodzo or Marshal Oyama will take command. The plan of campaign contemplates operations extending two or three years.

"A further force of 13,000 men will be landed at Taku a week hence, and 10,000 additional soon afterward. Before the rainy season is well advanced Japan hopes to have 63,000 troops in China.

"These formidable preparations are viewed with great distrust by Russia, Germany and France."

The Shanghai correspondent of the Daily Mail, telegraphing Tuesday, says: "A messenger has arrived here from Emperor Kwang Hsu, dated July 2, by couriers from Pekin, to the viceroy of Nankin, who forwarded it here. It is addressed to the Russian, English and Japanese governments. It deprecates the recent occurrences and solemnly affirms that the foreign governments are mistaken in supposing that the Chinese government is protecting the boxers against the Christians. The emperor further implores their aid in suppressing the rebellion and upholding the existing government.

"In a separate dispatch to the Japanese government Kwang has expressed deep regret for the murder of Legation Chancellor Sugi Yama.

"These dispatches are taken to indicate that the emperor is in seclusion and is ignorant of the seriousness of recent events."

Chinese official sources furnish another surprise today in announcing that the dowager empress, who had been reported, within two weeks, dead, fled, poisoned and hopelessly mad, has resumed the reins of power. The date given is June 30, the same on which the wholesale massacre of foreigners is alleged to have occurred.

RAIN WOULD HELP SOME

Several Localities Need Moisture to Make Corn Grow.

The university of Nebraska weather report says: The daily mean temperature of the week ending July 11 has averaged about one degree above the normal in the western counties and 4 degrees in the eastern. The maximum temperature of the week exceeded 100 degrees at many stations.

The rainfall exceeded an inch in a few central and northern counties, but generally was light. Little or no rain fell in most of the southeastern counties.

The harvest of winter wheat is nearly completed, and threshing has commenced. The yield and quality of the grain are good. Oat harvest has commenced in the southern counties. The recent dry weather has materially shortened the oat crop, especially in central and eastern counties, where the crop will be very light. Spring wheat and potatoes have also been damaged by the dry weather. Corn has generally grown well, and tassels are beginning to show in many parts of the state. However, in the southwestern counties corn has been damaged by drouth, and in the southern counties corn is beginning to feel the need of more rain. Grasshoppers and chinch-bugs are doing considerable damage in western counties.

STRIKE DECLARED ON AGAIN

Street Railway Men of St. Louis Allege Unfairness.

The strike against the St. Louis Transit company, by its former employees, which was declared off on July 2, was ordered renewed at a meeting of the street car railway men's union. When the strike was settled on July 2 there were some mutterings of discontent among the men over the terms of settlement, and since that time the dissatisfaction has grown daily. Charges were made that the company failed to keep their agreement on July 2, and a dozen or more instances were cited in order to prove that there had been a breach of faith.

Aeronaut Will Recover.

Prof. W. R. Winterringer, the aeronaut, who fell 150 feet while making an ascension at Lyons, Neb., the Fourth of July, states that he will be able to fill engagements in the course of a couple of weeks. He is now at his home in Hartington, Neb., taking care of the injuries that he sustained by the fall.

WORK OF PICKPOCKETS

Ashland Man Loses the Sum of Eighty-Five Dollars.

During the speaking at the Auditorium Tuesday in Lincoln, W. A. Saunders of Ashland was relieved of \$85 which he had in a pocketbook in his hip pocket. He does not remember when the money was taken and only knew of its loss when he had occasion to get out a bill. There was only one other case of thieving reported during the day, that of Mr. Carboth of Fairlerton.

SOME HOPE LEFT.

Civil War in Pekin May Save Lives of Foreigners.

A London, July 11th, special says: With the foreigners in Pekin probably safe amid civil war with Prince Ching on their side, with the powers united and their forces constantly increasing, the outlook in China is now rather more hopeful than it has been for a month past. It appears from the cautious statement given out by Tao Tai Sheng in Shanghai that the reason that the heavy guns bearing on the legations at Pekin were not used is that Prince Ching, who is served by 10,000 troops, seized all the artillery ammunition. Sheng likewise intimates that Yung Lu, commander-in-chief of the northern army, is associated with Prince Ching in opposing Prince Tuan's ferocious designs and dictatorial ambition. Sheng, who appears to be the sole Shanghai conduit of Pekin news, cheers the foreign consuls by the confidential communications, but takes excessive precautions to prevent the Chinese from thinking him friendly to the foreigners.

The feeling of unrest in the southern and central provinces continues. The members of the official classes in those provinces strive to remain neutral, with a leaning toward the foreigners, until they shall see whether the moderate or extreme factions will win in Pekin. Prince Ching seems to be standing for the dynasty and the old order against Prince Tuan's inordinate ambition.

JESTER MURDER TRIAL ON

Man Accused of Crime Committed Twenty-Nine Years Ago.

A Newtondon, Mo., July 10 dispatch says: The trial of Alexander Jester, charged with the murder of Gilbert W. Gates, twenty-nine years ago, began here yesterday. A jury has not been secured. Young Gates mysteriously disappeared while traveling from southern Kansas to his home in Illinois. A few weeks after Jester was arrested for his murder, the young man's wagon and other effects being found in Jester's possession. Jester broke jail, however, and nothing more was heard of him until a year ago, when a sister with whom he had quarreled gave him up to the authorities. He was then living in Oklahoma City, under the name of W. A. Hill.

John W. Gates, the millionaire steel magnate, whose brother the dead man was, is not attending the trial, though he has been active in hunting evidence against the aged prisoner.

A PLACE FOR CHARLEY HOYT

Appointed to Negotiate With Crow and Flathead Indians.

A Washington special says: The First National bank of Lincoln, Neb., and the United States National bank of Omaha have been approved as reserve agents for the First National of Elgin, Neb.

Charles G. Hoyt of Beatrice has been appointed by the secretary of the interior a member of the board of commissioners to negotiate with the Crow, Flathead and other Indians at \$8 per day. Mr. Hoyt was a member of the previous commission for similar negotiations.

Henry W. Selay of Nebraska, a clerk in the pension office has been promoted from \$1,200 to \$1,400.

DENY THEY ARE INTRUDERS.

Non-Citizens of Chickasaw Claim the Right to Stay.

Word from Ft. Worth, Tex., says: Non-citizens of the Chickasaw nation deny that they refuse to pay tribal taxes as demanded by the Chickasaw authorities, and have sent Secretary of the Interior Hitchcock a petition to that effect.

These citizens believe they have a lawful right in the provisions of the Atoka agreement and Curtis act to reside in the Chickasaw nation, and should not be considered in any sense intruders. They say there is no necessity for federal troops being sent there to enforce the collection of taxes.

AGREEMENT PUT IN EFFECT

Reciprocity Between the United States and Germany.

The long expected reciprocity arrangement between the United States and Germany has been effected. Secretary Hay and the German ambassador have subscribed to the convention and the president will issue his proclamation putting the new duties in effect in the course of a few days. The arrangement is generally similar in terms to the first arrangement made with France, and abates duties on still wines, argols, paintings and statuary from Germany entering the United States: It does not require the approval of the senate, being drawn under section 4 of the Dingley act.

After Ten Years.

Upon request of the Louisville, Ky., officials Gov. Becham made a requisition on the governor of Illinois for the return of Luther Bailey, who is charged with the murder of Worthington Barrett. Bailey is under arrest at Chicago. He has been a fugitive for ten years.

Two More Bodies Found.

Two bodies were recovered Tuesday from the wreck of the steamer Saale. This makes 148 corpses thus far recovered of victims of the fire which destroyed the North German Lloyd pier at Hoboken and burned the steamers Haase, Bremen and Main, on June 30.

Killed Between Cars.

John Kinsley, a car repairer employed by the South Side Elevated Railroad company, was killed while at work in the elevated yard of the company at 61st street and Calumet avenue, Chicago.

AFFAIRS OF STATE.

Departmental and Executive Actions Condensed.

MOVEMENTS OF THE ARMY AND NAVY.

Transactions and Happenings of More Than Ordinary Interest to the People of America—Actions Which Make History.

Foreigners are without provisions at Pekin and women and children are starving.

The Fourth of July was fittingly observed at Manila. The town was generally decorated with American flags, in contrast with a year ago, when there were none. The school children gathered in the principal theaters of the town and listened to the reading of the Declaration of Independence, the delivery of patriotic addresses and the singing of patriotic songs. In the evening a ball was given in the provost marshal's building, the military commissioners attending.

According to a dispatch dated Thursday, United States Consul McWade has great influence with Li Hung Chang and has persuaded him to issue a proclamation containing detailed instructions to prefects, sub-prefects and magistrates. It orders them to detect, head and otherwise severely punish boxers.

These officials, the proclamation says, will be held responsible for the safety of the missionaries and native Christians. Another proclamation issued by Li Hung Chang directs that persons starting any uprising shall be at once beheaded and that those spreading false rumors shall be severely punished.

Boer General Botha is showing increased activity. His patrols cover wide stretches of country, approach near the outposts and engage in skirmishes, while larger bodies threaten to attack, declining to allow themselves to be caught by the return of blows which the British promptly seek to deliver. Attacks of this sort were made recently at Pinna's post on General Pole Carew and at Springs. Generals Botha and Dewet are seemingly operating in combination. Botha is reported to have divided his force into two parts, one moving west and the other to the south to try to effect a juncture with Dewet.

A dispatch from Chee Foo says: All the thoughts and energies of the naval and military commanders at Taku are now concentrated on the relief of the foreigners in Pekin, who have been shut off from the outside world since June 9. The allied forces now at Taku and Tien Tsin are awaiting reinforcements before moving on Pekin, as it is estimated that 50,000 troops are required.

Official advices received at Washington from Hayti set at rest the rumors that have been current in some quarters recently of disquieting conditions in that island. It appears that the present government of Hayti is busying itself with a settlement of the existing financial crisis and there is no other foundation for the reports of political troubles.

Further advices from Colombia say the rebel general, Canabio, recently captured a government gunboat on the river Sinnu. The officers and crew were made prisoners. It is added that the sum of \$10,000 was found on board. The government forces June 23 attacked the rebels fifty miles from Panama. The former was defeated, losing 100 men killed, one gun and a number of prisoners, rifles and flags. The rebel general Porras has sent an ultimatum to the governor of Panama demanding the surrender of the place. The ultimatum expired June 30, but foreign consuls prevailed upon Porras to extend it until July 4. If the city is not surrendered then an assault upon it is expected.

Advices from Shanghai today say that there is continued fighting at Tien Tsin, while the German consul at Chee Foo telegraphs to Berlin confirming the report of the renewal of hostilities. He says the foreign settlement at Tien Tsin is again surrounded and is being bombarded and that the women and children are to be removed. He adds that the Chinese troops have again advanced against the railroad and that the bridges have been destroyed, but that communication by water with Taku is maintained.

The following cable, dated Manila has been received at the war department: "General Aquino, prominent leader of insurgent forces, surrendered unconditionally to First Lieutenant John J. O'Connell, with Macabebe scouts, on June 29, with sixty-four rifles and ammunition."

General MacArthur also cables the following: "General Ricarte, leader of the threatened uprising in Manila during this year, recently very active, captured July 1 by native police between Pao and Staula. Event important in relation to conditions in Manila."

"MACARTHUR." An Apia, Samoa, dispatch says: There are many evidences of the Germanizing efforts being made by the new government of Samoa, though Governor Solf is proving himself a tactful man and personally is very popular.

The officers at Apia are gradually being filled by Germans, British and Americans being ousted to make room for them, and the matter of substituting German currency and coinage for all other is now being considered. Governor Solf has sent a circular letter to merchants and others asking their views on the subject.

Manifestations of growing intolerance of the resident Chinese have alarmed the merchants and head men of Chinatown, New York, and a proclamation calling upon the Chinese to obey the laws and be cautious was read on the streets, signed by several prominent Chinese.

The matter had been under discussion for several days and mistreatment of Chinatown residents at points along the Bowery on Saturday night precipitated the matter. The head men estimate there are 15,000 Chinese in New York and vicinity, and say not one of them is from the north of China or even of the same tribal races involved in the disturbances.

A Manila, July 9 telegram says: The past week's scouting in Luzon resulted in eleven Americans being killed and sixteen wounded. One hundred and sixty Filipinos were killed during the week and eight Americans who had been prisoners in the hands of the rebels were surrendered and a hundred rifles were turned over to the United States officials.

The enemy ambushed a wagon train between Indang and Nalc. The Third Infantry lost nine men while on an expedition to punish the Ladrones in the delta of the Rio Grande.

In the Antigua province of Panay a running fight of three hours' duration resulted in the killing or wounding of seventy of the enemy. There were no casualties among the Americans.

The insurgents are slowly accepting the amnesty provisions. In some instances the Americans are suspending operations in order to give the rebels an opportunity to take advantage of the decree.

General Paget is moving toward the heart of the country held by Dewet. Lord Roberts telegraphed to the war office under date of Pretoria as follows: "Paget engaged the enemy successfully at Pleisfontein. He drove them out of a very strong position across Leeuwkop to Bronerfontein, where he bivouacked one night. He followed up the enemy and on the afternoon of July 4 was at Blaauwkoop, fifteen miles northwest of Bethlehem. He reports that all of Steyn's government officials except the treasurer-general, who has gone to Verde, are at Bethlehem which has been proclaimed at the capital. Steyn himself is reported to have taken flight to the mountains. Buller reports the line to Heidelberg restored, thus completing railway communications between Pretoria and Natal."

Lorenzo Marquez on Friday learned that the Boers are showing fresh activity. A British force is reported within forty miles of Koomatipoort.

The Times' Lorenzo Marquez correspondent, in a dispatch dated Friday, says: "From a trustworthy source it is learned that ex-President Steyn and Christian Dewet are the only obstacles to the termination of war in South Africa."

W. J. Bryan of Nebraska was unanimously placed in nomination as the democratic candidate for president of the United States on a platform opposing imperialism, militarism and trusts and specially declaring for the free coinage of silver at 16 to 1. The nomination came as the culmination of a demonstration in honor of the party leader, lasting twenty-seven minutes and giving utterance to all the pent-up emotions of the vast multitude. It followed also a fierce struggle throughout the last thirty-six hours concerning the platform declaration on silver and on the relative position which the silver question is to maintain to the gold issues of the day.

The first session, beginning Thursday morning, was entirely fruitless of results and it was not until late in the afternoon when the second session had begun that the platform committee was at last able to report an agreement. Already its main features, embodying the 16 to 1 principle, had become known to the delegates and there was little delay in giving it unanimous approval. This removed the last chance for an open rupture on questions of principle and left the way clear for the supreme event of the day—the nomination of the presidential candidate.

Kansas City, July 6 special says: The democratic ticket was completed by the nomination of Adlai E. Stevenson for vice president. The nomination was made on the first ballot, state after state joining in the wild scramble to record their support of the winning candidate. It was not accompanied by any such frantic demonstration of approval as had marked the proceedings at previous stages, although the result followed a spirited and at times highly dramatic contest between the advocates of Stevenson, Towne, Hill and the other candidates. The distinct triumph of the day in the way of an ovation was that accorded to Senator Hill and in its spontaneity and enthusiasm was one of the most notable features the convention has produced. It was accompanied, too, by a remarkable scene, when Hill earnestly protested to his friends about being placed in nomination, and then, finding his protest in vain, when he strode to the platform, and in tones which left no doubt of their sincerity, besought the convention not to make him the nominee. With Hill out, it was apparent the convention was for Stevenson, and the one ballot settled the fight.

The national committee of the democratic party met in Kansas City, after the adjournment of the convention, and immediately organized. Thomas Bagart of Indiana nominated Senator Jones for re-election and he received the unanimous vote. The matter of selecting the executive committee was left to Chairman Jones.

A dispatch has been received at the state department from Consul General Goodnow at Shanghai, dated July 5, in which he says the situation is serious and the insurrectionary movement is extending.