

## FIERCE FIGHT IN URUGUAY:

### FEDERAL TROOPS AND REBELS COME TOGETHER

Government Forces Reported to Have Lost Six Hundred Killed and More Wounded' the Revolutionists Less.

NEW YORK.—Dispatches from Bage, a Brazilian town near the Uruguayan frontier report, says a Herald dispatch from Buenos Ayres, that a courier sent by Bavaria has arrived there with a report of the battle at Tupamoa, Uruguay. The fighting began on Wednesday of last week and continued the following day.

The government forces had six killed and eight hundred wounded, while the revolutionists suffered one hundred killed and six hundred wounded. The revolutionists captured a big quantity of war supplies.

Another dispatch from Bage says the rear of the revolutionary force under Mariano Saraita, brother of the leader of the revolution is the government troops under General Bounavente. The revolutionists occupy an excellent position.

### Japs Claim A Victory

TOKIO.—It is unofficially reported that the Chik Wan Shan, Chit An Shan and So Cho Shan forts southeast of that part of the Port Arthur defense, were captured on Sunday after an all day fight, beginning with an artillery duel. So Cho Shan, it is added was first captured and the other forts fell soon afterwards. The Russians retreated west, leaving forty dead. The number of wounded has not been ascertained. The composition of the Japanese force has not been ascertained beyond the fact that it is said to have consisted of all branches of the service. The Japanese lost three officers and a hundred men killed or wounded and captured two guns and a quantity of ammunition. The officials here do not confirm the report.

TIENTSIN.—It is reported that the Russians were defeated about sixteen miles east of Hai Cheng yesterday, and it is added that owing to the Russians at Ta Tehe Kiao are hurriedly retreating north, fearing to be cut off.

As reported from Hai Cheng yesterday fighting occurred June 26 and 27 at Dain Hill about twenty-five miles southwest of Ta Tehe Kiao, resulting in a Russian defeat.

### Many Lives Reported Lost

PITTSBURG.—Several lives are reported lost, several thousands' worth of property damaged and washed away, the result of a cloud burst over Robb valley, drained by Robinson run, near Tangor, two miles from McDonalds Bridges and houses were carried down stream and at Orakdale it is reported a whole family perished. From the scene of the Down to Cornegle, the path of the waters' fury is plainly discernible by the debris and devastation.

All telegraph wires are down and the Panhandle railroad tracks at Walker's Mills were flooded necessitating the transfer of passengers east and west bound around the break.

### Given A Public Whipping

LEXINGTON, Ky.—In accordance with Police Judge John Riley's whipping post decision, recently delivered, John West, a fourteen-year-old colored boy, was given fifty lashes in the public square today. His coat was removed and the lad was whipped with a buggy whip in the presence of over a thousand citizens. Injuring private property was the charge against him. This is the second lad to be publicly whipped. The colored people seemed restive while the punishment was being given and there was threats of a legal test of the decision.

### Sneak Thieves Make A Haul

LINCOLN, Neb.—Chief Game Warden George L. Carter and his wife were minus considerable property yesterday. Late Monday afternoon a sneak thief unlocked the door of the home at 57 North Twenty-seventh street when no one was present and ransacked the place. A watch and chain, a ring and some small pieces of jewelry and several of Mrs. Carter's gowns, including broadcloth garments, and a new hat in a band box, all valued at \$150, were carried off. A man was seen leaving the place and a description of him has been obtained.

## STRIFE FOR LANDS

### BIG HOMESTEADS IN NEBRASKA IN BIG DEMAND.

### KINKAID LAW IN EFFECT

### CLAIMANTS BY THE SCORE FOR THE 640 ACRES

Broken Bow Scene of Some Disorder and Sheriff makes Request for Troops, But Filings in Main Orderly.

from State Journal.

LINCOLN, NEB.—Nine millions of acres of government land in Nebraska were thrown open to homestead entry Tuesday under the provisions of the Kinkaid law, by which homesteaders may file upon 640 acres. At the United States land offices in Nebraska many persons, a large percentage of women included, had gathered to secure choice sections. These crowds ranged from fifty at North Platte to 2,000 at Broken Bow 2,000,000, acres being subject to entry at the latter named place.

Considerable strife was indulged in by prospective entrants for first place in the lines and at Broken Bow the authorities were at one time afraid they would be unable to handle the crowds. Sheriff Richardson telegraphed Governor Mickey a request that the militia company at Broken Bow be ordered out to pre-empt order. The governor, after a telephone interview with United States Land Agent Reese, however, declined to order out the militia, but gave orders that the company be held in readiness for service. A number of deputy sheriffs were worn in who prevented serious trouble. Among the crowds at Broken Bow were a great number of cowboys, whom, it is alleged, were on hand to file on sections now under fence by cattle barons.

Railroads carried a great number of persons to the land offices at O'Neill, Alliance, Sidney and North Platte. At North Platte nearly a thousand were in line. A recent withdrawal of land in the North Platte district for irrigation purposes lessened the crowd at that place. A greater part of the land subject to entry is fit only for grazing purposes and is sought by small ranchers.

### Death in Storm

BEATRICE, Neb.—Two members of the family of Robert J. Harris near Homlesville, were killed during a tornado between 4 and 5 o'clock this afternoon and six others were more or less seriously injured. The storm devastated a strip of country south of Homlesville, over which it passed, causing damage to buildings, roughly estimated at \$150,000 to \$250,000 while stock was killed in some instances and trees were scattered precipitously for some distance along the banks of the Blue river. Surgeons from Beatrice and Blue Springs were called to give medical aid to the injured.

### Kansas Has too Much Rain.

KANSAS CITY, Mo.—While the Kaw river here and west of Kansas City continues to fall the Neosho and other streams in southern Kansas are rising, flooding the lowlands and doing more or less damage. Coming so close upon the recent floods, great hardships is being experienced. In some parts of Kansas rain has fallen steadily for several days. At Emporia a special prayer meeting was held by the Second Congregational church to pray for cessation of the rain.

### Mill Will Run Non-Union.

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo.—The reduction mill at Colorado City owned by the Portland Gold Mining company, closed down this afternoon for two weeks. The necessity of making repairs and a shortage of ore, occasioned by the recent closing down of the mine at Victor by the military authorities, are given as the reason for the action. There is no doubt that the mill will not be unionized when it resumes operations, since the mill and smelter men's union is affiliated with the western federation of miners, against which the Portland directors declared themselves ten days ago. If this action is taken the non-unionizing of all four of the Colorado City reduction plants will be completed.

## MOB HEADED BY VICTIM

### CHILD ACTS AS THE EXECUTIONER OF A NEGRO

Man Charged With Assault Hanged to Public Square at Emporia, Miss. Noose Placed Around His Neck Horse Led from Under.

MEMPHIS, Tenn.—A special to the Commercial-Appeal from Emporia, Miss., says:

Starling Dunham, a negro wanted on the charge of criminally assaulting the fourteen-year-old daughter of John Wilson, a white man near Belle Fontaine, two weeks ago, and attempting to criminally assault the three young ladies named Denn near this city, all during the course of the same day, was hanged in the public square here today by a mob. The noose was placed about the negro's neck by the little Wilson girl, who positively identified him as her assailant. The negro was then placed upon the back of a horse, and at a signal from the leader of the mob the little Wilson girl led the horse from under him.

Over 3,000 persons white and black witnessed the hanging.

The lynching was as orderly as a legal execution. After being assured that the negro was dead the mob cut down the body and turned it over to relatives for burial.

Dunham was captured Friday near Vienna Ala., after a running chase during which he was twice wounded. He was brought here last night by the sheriff of this (Wilson) county. A large mob met the train at the railroad station and an effort was made to get the negro but the officers spirited him away and carried him to jail at Wallball six miles from here where the party was again met by a mob of determined men who said their intention was to burn Dunham. The officers in charge of the negro succeeded in prevailing upon the mob to give this intention up, but only after promising to deliver the negro to the mob this morning for execution.

### Dowie Brings A Convert

NEW YORK.—John Alexander Dowie self-styled Elijah III, and all-round prophet arrived here yesterday on the steamer Lucania after an attempt at world conversion which for the most part was wholly futile. With him came Mrs. Dowie and R. J. Gladstone Dowie the "un-kissed son" and a party of more than fifty Zionites.

It was noticed that the prophets' unpleasant experiences while abroad have not in any way reduced his appearance of well-fed rotundity. So far as could be learned the un-kissed Gladstone has not been tempted while abroad from the path of osculatory abstinance. The party only made a flying trip to Paris.

The party was accompanied by a million-dollar convert Ruth Hofer, a beautiful swiss. She is a blonde, and in appearance anything but a Zionite. She is of medium height, with large blue eyes, a glorious head of hair and a superb figure. Miss Hofer was kept to the fore by "Elijah" who, when he was asked how he had ever induced her to adopt his belief, said that converts were no novelties, not even converts worth \$1,000,000, which he claimed the young woman possesses.

### Decoyed to Sea.

LONDON.—The Central News has received the following dispatch from its Tokio correspondent, dated June 26, evening:

"A detailed account of the naval battle at Port Arthur has just been published here.

"The Russian battleships Peresviet, Poltava and Sevastopol and the cruisers Bayan, Askold and Novik attempted to emerge from the harbor at dawn on June 23, led by steamers used for clearing the mines. At 11 a. m. the battleships Czarevitch, Retvizan and Pobeda joined the others.

"All the ships then advanced, endeavoring to dispose of the mines laid by the Japanese, but they were hindered by two Japanese torpedo boat destroyers which had been guarding the mouth of the harbor. At 3 p. m. the Japanese torpedo boats exchanged shots with seven Russian destroyers, which were covering the clearing operations. One of the Russian destroyers was set on fire and retired inside the harbor.

## FIGHT CONFIRMED

### VICEROY ALEXIEFF REPORTS ON NAVAL ENGAGEMENT

### DOES NOT KNOW RESULT

### SAYS RUSSIAN FLEET WENT OUT AND ATTACKED ENEMY.

Stories of Land Encounter Between Advance Guard Coming Into Liao Yang—Battles Are Not Decisive.

ST. PETERSBURG.—Under date of June 26, Viceroy Alexieff telegraphed the emperor as follows:

"Our Port Arthur squadron, commanded by Rear Admiral Withoff, consisting of six battle ships, five cruisers and ten torpedo boats, put to sea at 8 o'clock on the morning of June 23. According to reports received from the Liao Tse Shan promontory, the ships went out without accident.

"When our vessels reached open water the enemy's fleet consisting of nine large ships, of which three were battleships and twenty-two torpedo boats, was sighted on the horizon.

"Our squadron attacked the enemy. Up to the present I have received no news of the result of the fighting."

LIAO YANG.—Reports of fighting between the advance guard regiments are continually coming in. The battles are indecisive, but they show the Japanese are moving forward regularly on each front. This is corroborated by official dispatches. Members of the Red Cross, together with non-combatants who are desirous of witnessing the fighting, are leaving southward daily.

CHI FO.—Steamers passing thirty miles to the westward of Liao Tse Shan last night did not hear any firing. This leads to the supposition that the reports of guns heard here was a naval battle southeast of Port Arthur. Chinese arriving report that the Japanese army is within seven miles of Kalping and that the Russians have fallen back to Yanchaitien, just north of Kalping, where gunboat will not be so effective. They also report that the Russians are entrenching themselves at the ancient city of New Chwang, north of the port of New Chwang.

### Past the Thousand Mark

NEW YORK.—That upwards of 1,000 persons perished in the burning of the excursion steamer General Slocum is now practically certain. According to an exhaustive report made by Police Inspector Schmittberger on the number of dead, missing, injured and unidentified, it appears that 933 bodies have been recovered and that ninety-three persons absolutely known to have been aboard the vessel are still unaccounted for, bringing the total mortality of the disaster up to 1,031. Those injured numbered 179 and of the throng of fully 1,500 who embarked on the excursion of St. Mark's church, but 236 escaped without injury.

### Suits Against Scalpers

ST. LOUIS.—Eighteen suits were filed today in the circuit court by railroad companies against ticket brokers to restrain them from dealing in world's fair special rate tickets. The complainants are the Missouri Pacific, the Iron Mountain and the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy.

### Sheriffs Posse Unharmed

LOUISVILLE, Ky.—A dispatch today from Jackson, Ky., says the posse headed by Sheriff Ed Callahan which has been on the trail of the man who is supposed to have shot and killed Mack White from ambush, followed their man during the night, but lost him at Oakdale. Sheriff Callahan thinks the fugitive secured a horse there. The report that two of the sheriff's posse have been shot in a battle is erroneous.

Judge Callahan, of Jackson, today issued warrants for the arrest of James and Cass Salyers on the charge of murdering White. The bloodhounds on the sent with the posse ran into the Salyers' home, and jumped upon the bed, and this prompted the posse to ask for the warrants. Both Salyers have disappeared and are said to have left on horseback.

## NEBRASKA NOTES

Mrs. George Bullock died at her home, near Hooper. She had been ill only a few days.

Mrs. Charles Balduff of Fremont died this week, aged 59 years. She was a member of two lodges.

Mrs. Kate Heimer died at her home in Falls City. She was 22 years of age and leaves a husband and three small children.

Blair is to have a big street carnival, commencing July 4. Contracts have been made for an abundance of amusements.

The H. H. Smith farm of 160 acres, near Beatrice, was sold for \$12,000, being \$75 per acre. W. S. McHugh of Chester purchased the place.

Another case of smallpox has been reported at the Soldiers' Home at Grand Island. Mr. Jay, the assistant engineer being the one affected. The members of the home are being vaccinated.

Miss Theres Hempel of Plattsmouth has returned from a trip to Lookout mountain, near Chattanooga, Tenn., where she attended a meeting of the superior lodge of the Degree of Honor.

The police have been notified at Beatrice that all gambling must cease in that city. A stranger, who lost about \$40 in a poker game, made complaint and the mayor is now determined to resort to strenuous measures.

The Woodmen of the World at Fremont unveiled the monument of the late Henry D. Dodendorf. A large crowd was present, many members of the order from surrounding towns participating in the ceremonies.

At the annual school meeting in Papillion the old board was reelected and a levy of 25 mills was voted to meet the expenses of the current year. Prof. Slobhower Osceola has been elected to the position of principal of the Papillion school and with his family has moved there.

James Blair, living near Powell, Jefferson county, was killed by being thrown from his buggy, his horse running away. He was over 70 years of age and had resided in that county about thirty-five years, living on the same farm where he first settled.

The infant child of George Gillespie of Alliance was fatally injured by being thrown out of a buggy in a runaway. The mother was driving to a neighbors' house when the accident occurred.

In Chadron four generations are now represented at the residence of Samuel T. Mote, county commissioner, in that city, the three younger being Mrs. E. F. Church, Mrs. Walter Coppock and son, of Marshalltown, Ia.

Theodore Smart, a Burlington telegraph operator, committed suicide at the fair grounds at Wymore by shooting himself. He had been in poor health for some time. He was about 35 years of age and single. The coroner held an inquest.

The Dodge County Sunday School convention will be held at Hooper. The meetings will be held at the Methodist Episcopal church and a large gathering is expected. Miss Mamie Haines of Lincoln will be one of the interesting talkers of the convention.

Congressman Burton L. French, Idaho's only representative in congress, was married recently at Norfolk to Miss Winifred Hartley. They left immediately for Moscow, Idaho, where they will reside. Mr. French is the youngest congressman in the United States.

At a meeting of the Richardson county Sunday School convention which was held at Falls City the following officers were elected for the coming year: President, V. G. Lyford, Falls City; vice president, J. G. McBride, Stella; secretary Dr. E. R. Mathers, Falls City; treasurer, Miss Lum Verdon. The next convention will be held at Humboldt.

Alfalfa is being cut in great quantities all over the county near Chadron. The call for help is great. It seems impossible to keep the Board of Equalization together long enough for the people to do their kicking. There is so much work to do and everyone so prosperous it seems easier to work than complain. The year 1904 bids fair to yield the best crops of all kinds ever raised in the country.