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BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

The pressed glass factories throughout the country have resumed, employing over 1,000 men.

Miss Blanche Fearing, the only blind woman lawyer in the United States, if not in the world, and an author of considerable merit, is dead at Eureka Springs after an illness of several months.

The total population of Kansas, as returned by township assessors for March 1, through their county clerks, and tabulated by F. D. Coburn, secretary of the state board of agriculture, is 1,444,708.

The navy department is offered by Chicago citizens the ship's bell from the old brick battleship Illinois to the new Illinois, now approaching completion at Newport News. The offer will be accepted.

An Iowa lumber dealer who recently loaned a Livingston county, Mo., farmer \$250 on 100 acres of walnut timber land, has hunted for three weeks and found only twelve walnut trees in the county.

Geronimo, the noted Indian chief, recently reported to have become insane, is, it is now said, about to marry a youthful girl with a bank account of \$40,000. The old warrior is declared to be in his usual health.

Carl Ledeur and All Blackhawk, Indians from the Crow reservation in Montana, have been at the Chicago stock yards watching the sale of 520 head of range cattle raised by the braves on the reservation.

At Pond Creek, Okla., fire broke out in Berry's barn and before the flames could be stopped the barn and Bozeman's wholesale poultry establishment were burned down. Dempsey's lumber yard was partially damaged.

The American window glass company declared a 3 1/2 per cent dividend on its \$4,000,000 stock. This is the second this year. All the plants will be in operation September 1, which is a most unusually early start.

Colorado seems to have been monopolizing the western summer resort business this year, to the undoing of other western resort managers. It is said that some 20,000 people have been carried into Colorado this season.

"The agrarians and some butchers of Germany are trying to create a popular prejudice against the consumption of American meats and particularly of American lard," says Consul General Guenther at Frankfurt, Germany.

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RUMOR FROM FOO NOT CREDITED.

Washington Has Heard Nothing in Days From Conger, Remy or Chaffee—Fear Expressed as to International Action Meaning of Russian Attitude.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 27.—Russia, Germany and Japan have not declared war upon China, either separately or in concert. This statement is made upon the authority of the highest character.

What those nations may do within the next forty-eight hours, or within the next fortnight, is a question which no one in Washington is prepared to answer.

A brief dispatch from Che Foo, conveying a rumor current there that Russia, Germany and Japan had joined in a declaration of war upon China, aroused some interested comment among Washington officials and among diplomatic representatives of foreign governments resident here. In neither official nor diplomatic circles, however, was the rumor taken seriously. No information of such action has reached either the Department of State or the legations of the governments primarily interested. That fact alone is accepted in official circles as a sufficient refutation of the rumor.

Officials of the State, War and Navy departments were at their desks early today, but up to the hour of closing for the day not a word had been heard from Minister Conger, General Chaffee or Admiral Remy. Since the dispatch from Consul Fowler was received late last Thursday night the Department of State has received no advices from any source in China, except a brief cablegram from Minister Conger inquiring how he should route his messages. The text of the dispatch, which, it was explained, was very brief and purely administrative in character, was not made public. The War department has received no dispatch from General Chaffee, known to have come directly from him, for about a week. Cablegrams signed "Chaffee" have been received, but as they contained only lists of casualties it is assumed they were sent by some subordinate officer in General Chaffee's name. From no official sources has the department learned of the departure of forty Americans from Pekin to Tien Tsin, as reported to a London paper under date of August 19.

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FEAR OF FAMINE AT TIEN TSIN.

Thousands of Village Refugees Flocking to City Captured by Allies.

LONDON, Aug. 27.—The latest news from Pekin indicates that the situation there is unchanged. The imperial city is still invested, but has not yet been occupied. The allies when the last message left, were still refraining from aggressive action pending instructions from their government.

An attack from 30,000 Boxers was expected and to meet this the whole American force and the British artillery, according to a dispatch to the Morning Post from Pekin, dated August 18, was moved to the outer city wall. The Boxers were reported coming from the south.

General Dordard, in his report of the engagement outside Tien Tsin August 19, when the Americans, British and Japanese signally defeated a large force of Boxers, killing over 300, says in a dispatch dated August 25:

"The lines of communication near Tien Tsin are now free from danger. The enemy had been treating the villagers badly. Several decapitated bodies were found near their camp. The villagers are now fighting to Tien Tsin at the rate of about a thousand a day. As there is not more than a month's food supply, there is every prospect of a famine shortly."

The declaration that a famine is imminent in consequence of the inadequacy of provisions for the hordes of refugees at Tien Tsin adds a new element of peril to the situation.

Shanghai advices say the report of the capture of Emperor Kwang Su by the Japanese was erroneous. It was a case of mistaken identity. The Pekin correspondent of the Daily Telegraph, writing August 19, says that the empress dowager fled westward and adds: "She has a bodyguard of 1,500 and of the mountainous character of the country would prevent artillery following, it is believed she will not be pursued."

This correspondent reports everything quiet on the date of his dispatch, but a telegram to the same paper from Tien Tsin, dated August 24, asserts that 1,000 Russians, Germans and Japanese pushed forward from Pekin with the intention, it was assumed, of pursuing the fleeing empress dowager.

At a conference of ministers and generals, held at Taku Friday, it was decided, according to the correspondent of the Daily Telegraph, to refer the fate of the Forbidden city to Europe.

FURNISHES BEEF FOR THE CZAR.
ARMOUR Gets an Order for 6,000,000 Pounds for Soldiers.

CHICAGO, Ill., Aug. 27.—Armour & Co. have received an order from the Russian government for 6,000,000 pounds of "beef on the hoof" to the feed the soldiers of the czar in China. This is the largest order of the kind in the history of the Chicago meat trade. Options are said to have been taken upon every available ship in the carrying trade on the Pacific. It will take 5,000 fatted cattle to fill the order. The cattle will be sent from San Francisco via Hawaii and Japan.

Plan for Uprising in Manila.
WASHINGTON, Aug. 27.—The War department has made public letters found among the papers of General Ricart, recently arrested by the police near Manila. Among them is an unsigned letter in regard to an attack on Manila in January, 1900. It states that the reason for not carrying out the proposed attack was because of the small number of resolute persons stationed at the gates and because General Otis had gone aboard a ship in Manila bay. Another attack was planned, but not carried out because the "enemy" made a careful search of the city.

After Express Robbers.
BURLINGTON, Ia., Aug. 27.—Two detectives left Burlington tonight for some point east, where it is claimed they will arrest men concerned in the \$20,000 express robbery. Absolutely nothing is known of the point that it is stated that there are three in the gang and it will be in the hands of the detectives by noon Monday. The point of arrest is said to be some city between Burlington and Chicago.

A Soldier Dies Bravely.
LONDON, Aug. 27.—A special dispatch from Pretoria, dated August 24, gives description of the execution on Friday of Lieutenant Cordua of the Transvaal artillery, convicted by court martial of breaking his parole in plotting to abduct Lord Roberts and kill British officers. Cordua walked fearlessly to the garden behind the jail. At his own request he was not bound and sat in a chair with folded arms. Ten bullets entered his body.

Warships to Enforce Claim.
TANGER, Morocco, Aug. 27.—A United States war ship has arrived here today to support the claim arising out of the murder last June of Marcos Essagin, a naturalized American citizen, who was the manager of the Fez branch of the French firm of Braunsweig & Co.

Census of Two Cities.
WASHINGTON, Aug. 25.—The population of Rochester, N. Y., was made public today by the census bureau. It is 162,165, against 133,896 in 1890, an increase of 28,339, or 21.31 per cent.

The population of Indianapolis, as just made public by the census bureau, is 169,164, against 105,436 in 1890, an increase of 63,728, or 60.44 per cent.

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Hordes of Vengeful Boxers Routed Near to City of Tien Tsin.

ENEMY SUFFERS A LOSS OF 300

Chinese Telegrams Announce the Capture of Emperor Kwang Su and Prince Tuan, as Well as Information of a Provisional Government.

LONDON, Aug. 25.—Five hundred American troops participated in a signal defeat of Boxers outside of Tien Tsin August 15. The fact is reported from Vienna. Details came from the Reuter agent at Tien Tsin in a dispatch dated August 20. In addition to the Americans the force consisted of 375 British and 200 Japanese, all under the British general, Dordard. The fight took place at a village six miles west of Tien Tsin, where the allied forces found a considerable number of Boxers, whom they engaged, killing over 300 and taking sixty-four wounded prisoners, who were sent to the hospitals of the allies. The village was burned. The Americans had five wounded, the Japanese six and the British none. Hundreds of Boxers, flags, spears and swords were captured.

From Shanghai comes a report, qualified by the assertion that it is from purely Chinese sources, that the empress dowager, after proceeding one day's journey from Pekin, became terrified at the looting by General Tung Fuh Sing's soldiers, and went back to Pekin.

A Chinese telegram from Sian Fu says that Prince Tuan has been captured by a detachment of the allies. Other Chinese messages record the formation of a provisional government in Pekin by the allies, but this appears to be a purely military measure and merely an elaboration of the scheme for dividing the city into sections for police purposes.

Li Hung Chang has received word that the allies entered Pekin easily, because the troops of General Tung Fuh Sing utterly refused to face the allies.

According to the Shanghai correspondent of the Daily Telegraph Earl Li, recognizing the futility of an attempt to drive the foreigners from China, now professes conversion to reform principles.

Shanghai advices announce the receipt here of Chinese official advices asserting that Emperor Kwang Su has been found and rescued by the Japanese.

Messages from Tien Tsin report serious mortality among the American horses, owing to the heat.

Delayed advices to Repter, dated Pekin, August 14, reiterate the statements regarding the treachery of the Chinese on the night before the relief. They had informed the members of the legations that orders had been issued to cease firing. This was followed by a desperate attack. And it was only the welcome sound of the cannon of the relieving force in the foreground that renewed the courage of the foreigners. The correspondent adds:

"The Chinese admit having lost 3,000 in the various attacks upon the legations. Our rations dwindled to one pound a day, consisting of horse flesh and rice." When the American detachment attacked the whole Chinese force concentrated against them, leaving the Sha Ho gate unwatched, whereupon the British entered there without the loss of a man.

Trouble Among Telegraphers.
SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Aug. 25.—The Chronicle says: Trouble is brewing in the Order of Railway Telegraphers. The immediate cause of the trouble is the action of W. V. Powell, George Estee, chairman of division 53. For some time there has been much dissatisfaction among the telegraphers regarding the administration of certain regulations which relate to the insurance benefits of the order. President Powell took a stand which was distasteful to many of the members, and especially those of division 53, and when Estee was called on to execute the orders issued by his superior he hesitated and finally referred the matter back to headquarters. The correspondence that followed did not contribute much toward the settlement of the misunderstanding and a few days ago the edict of suspension was issued.

Lieut. Cordua is Shot.
LONDON, Aug. 25.—A special dispatch from Pretoria says that Lieutenant Cordua was shot yesterday (Friday) afternoon.

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MAY INVALIDATE THE LAW.

Discovery of an Omission in the Maximum Rate Act.

LINCOLN, Neb., Aug. 27.—Edson Rich, one of the attorneys representing the Union Pacific railway company who has been delving into the maximum rate law for the purpose of finding irregularities, was rewarded by the discovery that the penalty clause of the bill and one unimportant section of the bill were not in the engrossed copy, though the missing portions are in the enrolled bill which was signed by the governor. Now the question is, how did the penalty clause get into the enrolled bill, being missing from the engrossed bill?

What effect this discovery will have on the litigation now in the courts over the enforcement of the maximum rate law is not known, but Mr. Rich intimates that he considers the discovery of great importance. His road has been sued for over \$600,000 for violating the law. He says the omission was overlooked by others who have examined into the record relating to the passage of the law. The house journal shows that the penalty clause, and other amendments were adopted, but the clause and the amendments do not appear in the engrossed bill, and as the bill serves as the original copy from which the enrolled bill is made, the omission may play an important part in litigation. As the courts do not accept the engrossed bill in evidence, some profess to believe that the omission is of no importance whatever. However, if the omission is of any moment, it is of vital importance, because the act without the penalty clause would be valueless.

Assaulted on the Train.
OHAHA, Aug. 27.—Edward E. Balch, assistant cashier of the Omaha National bank, was assaulted and robbed in a Pullman sleeper on a Northwestern train while coming from Chicago to Omaha. He was roughly handled, brutally mauled about the head and did not regain consciousness for several hours after the assault. Immediately upon the arrival of the train in Omaha, Mr. Balch was removed to his home, where medical attention was given his wounds. The attending physician does not anticipate any serious consequences from the injuries. The perpetrator of the deed escaped with \$50 in cash and two drafts of \$50 each belonging to Mr. Balch.

The affair is a mysterious one in every particular. Not the slightest clue as to the identity of the robber is at hand and the theories advanced by those who are investigating the case are decidedly vague. The robber did not attempt to hold up all of the passengers in the sleeper. He awoke none of the occupants and accomplished his work with the greatest stealth.

Murder at Wayne.
WAYNE, Neb., Aug. 27.—A man, supposed to be Robert Bigham of Dunbar, Neb., was brutally murdered here by another man who gave his name as Adolph Woulund of Buckland, Mo. Both men had been placed in the city jail, Bigham for being intoxicated and Woulund because he had been put off the train here and seemed to be mentally unbalanced, not knowing where he was going.

The murderer gave his reason for committing the horrible crime, accomplished by crushing the man's face with his heels, that the murdered man was an enemy of his soul and that God had ordered him to do the bloody work. The insanity of the murderer is not questioned. Bigham was on his way to Big Spring, Neb., and has a son-in-law living near Wausa.

Farmer Dies Suddenly.
CLARKS, Neb., Aug. 25.—Reuben Renker, with his family, passed through Clarks on their way to Ames, Neb., where he expected to work in the beet fields. When about two miles out of town he died almost instantly while on the seat of the wagon. The corpse was brought to Clarks and buried. The wife was without means and the citizens of this place raised about \$35 for her and gave her all the assistance possible.

A Big Ballot.
OMAHA, Aug. 27.—While the official ballot that will be used at the election this fall has not yet been printed, it is known that it will be a huge affair. Printers who have made some estimates on the ballot, say that it will require a little over five feet in length. Printed in accordance with the law, the letter used must be one-eighth of an inch in height and a space three-sixteenths of an inch between each name. Thus with the names of the presidential electors, candidates for the legislature and county and precinct officers, the ballot will be the longest ever presented to the electors of this county.

Dead Baby Rescued From Fire.
WAYNE, Neb., Aug. 27.—The residence of H. Hassford was struck by lightning and the house and most of the contents burned. The family was in the cyclone cave and when the house was burning, it was remembered that the corpse of the little baby who died the night before was in danger of cremation. One of the family ran into the burning structure and rescued the little body.

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Former Soldier in Jail.
COLUMBUS, Neb., Aug. 25.—Julius Thandel, who was arrested by Sheriff Byrnes last week on a charge of burglary, was arraigned before a justice. He entered a plea of not guilty and waived examination and was bound over to the district court in the sum of \$500. He was committed to jail in default of bail. He is about 30 years old and was reared in this county. He was a member of Company K, First Nebraska volunteers, and saw service in the Philippines.

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