

## NEGOTIATING FOR PEACE.

### Chinese Minister at London Says Conference Has Begun.

## CANTON IN GREAT DANGER.

### Capture of Hui Chou by Reformer Sun Yat Sen's Rebels Hides III for the City. Russians Take Mukden After Stubborn Resistance.

London, Oct. 18.—The Chinese minister here, Sir Chi Lo Feng Lu, asserts that peace negotiations have actually begun at Peking between the Chinese plenipotentiaries and the representatives of the powers in the foreign office buildings, which he adds have been given over to the Chinese for that purpose.

Hong Kong, Oct. 17.—Advices from Canton say it is reported there that Sun Yat Sen, the reformer, captured Hui Chou last Monday. The Cantonese assert that if Hui Chou, which resisted the insurgents in the Tai Ping rebellion, falls thus, the rebels will be able to take Canton within a week.

Admiral Ho, with the bulk of his forces, left San Chou this morning in pursuit of the rebels, leaving 250 troops to protect San Chou and sending 200 to garrison the mandarin station at Nao Tau, the western arm of Deep Bay.

## CAPTURE OF MUKDEN.

### Details are Received of the Manchurian Campaign of the Russians.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 18.—Detailed reports to the war office of the occupation of Mukden, Manchuria, show that the Russians met with strong opposition at Schacho, where the Chinese, with 30 battalions, 20 field guns and Krupp and Maxim, occupied the railway embankment and heights.

The fighting continued from 9 o'clock in the morning until 4 in the afternoon. The Chinese cavalry enveloped the Russian right flank and endeavored to take it in the rear. They were repulsed, but returned repeatedly to the attack. Finally, after artillery preparations, the whole Russian column was thrown against the Chinese, who, by evening, were in full retreat. This result was only reached when General Fleischer's column, which had been resting from the fatigue of a long march, was called into action.

Next day the Chinese made a less stubborn stand in a strong position on the mountain chain in front of Liao Jan. The position was captured at noon, but the Russians were unable to pursue the Chinese, on account of the extreme fatigue and the difficult nature of the country.

Another Russian column met with strong resistance and only arrived at Liao Jan at 5 in the afternoon.

The Russians in the course of the two days' operations lost 50 killed and wounded. They captured several guns.

## MESSAGE FROM EMPEROR.

### Minister Wu Calls at the White House With a Dispatch for the President.

Washington, Oct. 18.—Minister Wu called upon the president yesterday. On leaving the white house the minister said that he had conveyed to the president a message from the emperor of China thanking President McKinley for the consideration shown by the United States during the Chinese trouble. The minister also brought a dispatch from Shanghai from the southern viceroys stating that the imperial party had reached Tung Kuan, only a few miles from Shan Fu, the new capital, on the 14th inst.

## Kansas Raises Cattle Quarantine.

Topeka, Oct. 18.—Governor Stanley issued a proclamation yesterday raising the quarantine which was established March 1, 1900, to prohibit the shipments of uninspected cattle to Kansas from Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Tennessee, Kentucky, Indiana, Michigan, Illinois, Iowa and Nebraska.

## Hohenlohe Ready to Quit.

Berlin, Oct. 18.—Persistent reports, said to be based on semi-official sanction, are current to the effect that Prince Hohenlohe's resignation of the imperial chancellors'hip is pending. Count von Blunow, the minister of foreign affairs, arrived at Hamburg yesterday and was immediately received by Emperor William.

## Request Immediate Action.

Washington, Oct. 18.—M. Thiebaut, charge d'affaires of the French embassy, yesterday presented a memorandum to the state department from the French government asking that peace negotiations with China begin immediately in accordance with the favorable action of the powers on the recent French note.

## Kaiser Visits Dowager Empress.

Berlin, Oct. 18.—The condition of Dowager Empress Frederick is unchanged. Emperor William has had telephonic communication established between Friedrichsberg and the Homburg chateau, where his mother is lying, and yesterday he paid her a long visit.

## Kruger Postpones His Trip.

Lourenzo Marquez, Oct. 18.—Mr. Kruger has postponed his departure for Europe until Oct. 20. He will land at Marseilles.

## TOURING EMPIRE STATE.

### Bryan Makes Speeches to All Classes in the Up-Country Districts.

Albany, N. Y., Oct. 18.—William J. Bryan ran around two sides of a triangle yesterday, from Hudson to Albany inclusive, and probably spoke to as cosmopolitan a lot of people as he has addressed during the campaign. At Hudson he spoke to a gathering of business people of all classes, at Troy to the capacity of an opera house and with an overflow meeting of collar factory and laundry employes, at Mechanicville to railroad people, at Cohoes to the mass of the employees of the cotton and woolen mills and at Albany to two immense meetings, one in the opera house and one outside, composed of the best element of the city.

## WM. L. WILSON IS DEAD.

### Ex-Postmaster General Passes Away at Lexington, Va., After an Illness of Eight Days.

Lexington, Va., Oct. 18.—Hon. William L. Wilson, president of the Washington and Lee university, and ex-postmaster general, died suddenly yesterday from congestion of the lungs. He had been failing ever since his return from Arizona. His son, Dr. Arthur Wilson of Lynchburg, visited him Sunday and left Monday. Then came the sudden change. Mr. Wilson was confined to the house from Tuesday a week ago, but was thought to be improved when his son left him. He was conscious until the last. By his bedside his wife, his daughters, Misses and Bettie Wilson, and one son, Wm. H. Wilson.

Mr. Wilson's funeral will occur at Charlestown, W. Va., Friday morning. All duties were suspended today in the university. The remains are now lying in state at the president's house.

## Doviettes Causing Trouble.

Mansfield, O., Oct. 18.—The Doviettes are determined to thwart the efforts to keep them out of this city and the result will be serious. About three have been deported every day since Sunday. Three are known to be hiding here now and have been holding secret services. Elder Edward Williams of Benton Harbor, Mich., who was sent out of town Wednesday, rode in yesterday on a bicycle and gave the police a lively chase before they captured him. They sent him away on a train, but he said he would return every day, as he had been ordered to do so.

## Des Moines Welcomes Parvin.

Des Moines, Oct. 18.—The principal feature of yesterday's convention of the grand chapter of Royal Arch Masons was the welcoming honor accorded to Theodore Parvin of Cedar Rapids. Parvin is the pastor of Iowa Masonry and a convocation of any of the chapters of the order without his attendance and co-operation would mark that meeting as a failure. He is now 85 years of age and all his long life has been a member of the Masonic order.

## Farmers Win the Case.

Blair, Neb., Oct. 18.—In the district court here Judge Baxter ended the case of the Grain Growers' Mutual Hail association against John D. Eakin, a Washington county farmer, by directing the jury to return a verdict for the defendant. This case is one of much interest to farmers of the state. It grew out of an assessment levied by the insurance company and resisted by the farmers who were involved.

## Murdered in His Field.

West Point, Ia., Oct. 18.—Eberhardt Pette, an aged farmer living all alone near here, was found shot dead in his field. His pockets had been rifled and his house plundered. John Smutzer has been arrested for the crime.

## Air Ship That Flies.

Friedrichshafen, Oct. 18.—The air ship, after a short flight toward Immenstadt, remained poised in the air for 45 minutes at a height of 600 metres, and then safely descended to the lake.

## TELEGRAMS TERSELY TOLD.

The Clover Leaf has given notice of its withdrawal from the freight pool of roads east of St. Louis.

Sir Thomas Lipton's challenge for the America's cup was accepted by the New York Yacht club Wednesday.

John Hughes, postmaster at Cambria, Pa., shot and killed a burglar who broke into the office Wednesday.

The National Spiritualists' association is in annual session at Cleveland, with delegates present representing 31 states.

Chief of Police H. H. Harrison, who was in charge of the force that attempted to defend the Akron city hall during the recent riot, has resigned.

The Colby mine at Bessemer, Mich., has been shut down and 300 men thrown out of employment. The Dunn and Tolb mines, near Crystal Falls, have also closed.

The Illinois Central depot at Boogie, S. D., burned Wednesday, involving a loss of \$2,000. The arrival of the regular Chicago passenger train was delayed by the fire badly warping the track.

Professor J. G. Godfrey, a prominent citizen of Columbia, Tenn., was shot and instantly killed Wednesday by John Thomas, another well known citizen. A business disagreement was the cause of the tragedy.

## END OF THE COAL STRIKE.

### Operators In Conference Accept Scranton Proposition.

## VICTORY FOR THE MINERS.

### Individual Operators and Coal Carrying Roads Agree to Abolish Sliding Scale and to Grant Ten Per Cent Advance in Wages, Effective Until April 1.

Philadelphia, Oct. 18.—The great strike of the anthracite mine workers of Pennsylvania, which began Sept. 17, practically ended yesterday, when the Philadelphia and Reading Iron and Coal company and the Lehigh Valley Coal company agreed to abolish the sliding scale in their respective regions and to grant an advance in wages of 10 per cent net, the advance to remain in operation until April 1, 1901, or thereafter. The decision was arrived at after a conference between representatives of the individual coal operators and the large coal carrying roads. The conference began Tuesday. Yesterday's action was the culmination of the recent meeting of the individual operators at Scranton, following the mine workers' convention in the same city. Nearly all the collieries in the coal region had previously posted notices granting an advance of 10 per cent. The mine workers, considering this, demanded that the sliding scale in the Lehigh and Schuylkill regions be abolished, the increase be guaranteed until April 1, and other differences submitted to arbitration. The individual operators agreed to everything. It is conceded that the result of the conference is a complete victory for the men. All the demands of their convention are conceded too, and as one of the individual operators put it, the operators go a little further in maintaining the advance after April 1. This same operator said:

"It is all up to the miners. We have agreed to everything, nothing remains but for them to return to work as soon as the notices are posted by the managers. These notices will conform to the Reading's notice. I look for a resumption of operations by Monday at the latest. The conference was entirely harmonious and every phase of the strike situation was gone over."

Just how soon the order notifying the men that the strike is over will be issued, can only be conjectured. It is believed here that no order to return will be issued until a notice similar to that of the Reading and Lehigh companies is posted at all the mines.

## Miners Celebrate Victory.

Shenandoah, Pa., Oct. 18.—The one topic of conversation here since an Associated Press dispatch announced the result of the conference at Philadelphia, is the great victory of the miners. The advance of 10 per cent means an increased disbursement of \$20,000 monthly in Shenandoah. Last night about 150 breaker boys, with miner's lamps on their heads and carrying banners bearing inscriptions, paraded the streets, shouting and cheering for President Mitchell.

## Dolphin Succeeds Powell.

St. Louis, Oct. 18.—The Order of Railway Telegraphers has held an election to fill the vacancies caused by the removals made during the present convention. M. M. Dolphin of Kansas City, formerly first vice president, has been unanimously elected president, vice W. V. Powell, removed.

## Pittsburg Wins a Game.

Pittsburg, Oct. 18.—Pittsburg played ball in old-time form and defeated Brooklyn by a score of 10 to 0.

## FORGE AN IMPERIAL EDICT.

### Belief That Order for Punishment of Princes Was False.

Peking, Oct. 15.—It is regarded as certain that the alleged imperial edict ordering the punishment of high officials was forged and was concocted with the object of preventing the advance of the allies on Pao Ting Fu. Both Prince Chung and Li Hung Chang deny its authenticity.

Count von Waldsee is expected to arrive here Oct. 17.

Small marauding bands have become troublesome in the vicinity of the summer palace, and a punitive expedition is being organized to proceed against them.

## JOHN SHERMAN ILL.

### Condition of the Venerable Statesman Takes a Turn for the Worse and is Scarcely the End.

Washington, Oct. 18.—Former cabinet officer and senator John Sherman is dangerously ill at his residence on K street in this city. The attack has taken the form of a general collapse, in part due to the general debility incident to old age and to the effect of the serious illness which he suffered while on a trip to the West Indies two years ago. He never had fully recovered from that illness. Mrs. Sherman's death during the summer at the old homestead at Mansfield, O., where the family was staying during the summer also had its effect on the venerable statesman, who deeply mourned her loss. For the past week he has been gradually growing worse and relatives in various parts of the country were notified of the change. There is said to be no immediate danger, and it is possible he may rally if no further unfavorable symptoms occur. The ex-secretary is in his 78th year and has been a hard worker all his life.

## Ames Gets Paris Prize.

Ames, Ia., Oct. 18.—The agricultural department of the Iowa state college at Ames has been notified by the United States department of agriculture that the butter sent by the college creamery was awarded a gold medal at the Paris exposition. This is a great honor, as only six medals were awarded and this department was open to exhibits from all parts of the world.

## Woman in the Case.

Sisseton, S. D., Oct. 18.—Charles Lamars, a farmer, at one time a saloon keeper at Wauhay, shot and probably fatally wounded George Canfield, a farmer, near Sisseton. Lamars was arrested. A sister of the wounded man is at the bottom of the trouble. The only witness, Charles Canfield, refuses to give any facts. Lamars claims self-defense.

## Figgs Ignores the Suit.

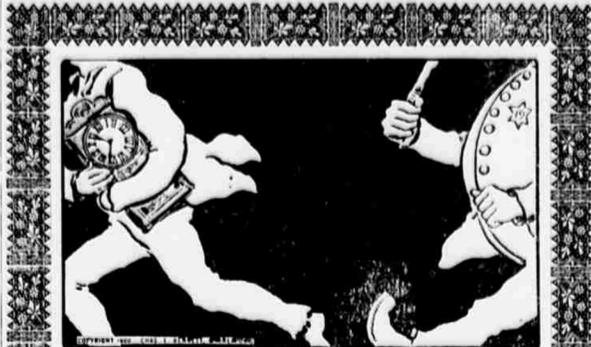
Papillion, Neb., Oct. 18.—Louis Figgs, head of the Figgites, did not appear in court yesterday and judgment for damages of \$500 was entered against him in favor of John Woods, who charged him with alienating the affections of his wife.

## Talk of a Lynching.

York, Pa., Oct. 18.—Nora Hollinger and Mamie Stoner, young girls, while on their way home from York Haven to Falls, this county, were overtaken and brutally assaulted by two negroes last night. The screams of the girls brought help. The negroes fled to this city, where they were captured and are now in the county jail. There is talk of lynching.

## Miss Gast Still Riding for Records.

New York, Oct. 18.—Miss Margaret Gast is still riding for records and is winding up her 25th century. It is now practically settled that she will not stop under the 3,000 mark.



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