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## INQUEST ON BODY OF LOOMIS STRIKERS CRACK A SKULL KNOX VISITS THE PRESIDENT CALL FOR LIVE STOCK

Omaha Packing Plants Send Out Notice of Capacity to Kill.

MANAGERS SAY THEY ART IG DAILY Expect Men from Counts Place of Strike

DSSES STRIKERS LAUGH AT CLAIM Men Are Standing Firm an Trust Their Leader

WORK PROCEEDS AT THE BIG PLANTS

All of the Local Packing Houses Accomplish Something in the Way of Slaughtering and Loading During the Day.

Monday was another quiet day in strike circles. All of the houses received a few recruits from out of town during the aftwork. Notwithstanding that all was quiet, the strikers did not for one moment cease their vigilance and a number of men headed for the plants were induced not to enter. The very best of order still preare being obeyed by the unemployed.

There was a little wave of excitement at the Live Stock exchange yeaterday afterbulletin board stating that the packers can | the Grand hotel, Broadway, New York, for now take care of 1,500 head of cattle a day | 1250, which Loomis desired to be jent to and 5,000 head of hogs. This notice was his wife, a gold ring with the name "Milsigned by all of the four packing plants dred" inside, etc. here. Commission men were delighted at the notice and many at once advised their shippers by wire and telephone to let shipments come forward.

In speaking of this notice packers declared that they now have enough men to slaughter 1,500 cattle and 6,000 hogs a day. More men are expecteed from out in the country today and Wednesday.

"The harvest," said one of the packers, "is keeping a good deal of the country help at home, but men are coming in every day. To be sure, these men from the country know nothing about packing house work, but they will learn rapidly."

Cudahy Plant Active. In addition to asking the live stock com-

mission men to hurry in shipments, Cudahy purchased 440 head of cattle on the Kansas City market yesterday to be slaughtered here. Yesterday Cudahy slaughtered 200 cattle and 400 hogs. Besides this twen-Last evening Mr. Cudahy said that he it's rights. was very well pleased with the day's work. back any of the old men who apply for suspended.

About 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon Mr. TAX ON TOBACCO IS CUT IN HALF Cudahy received a telegram from Chicago slaughtering right along. Cattle were be- duction to Help Manufacturers: mg killed at the yards there yesterday at the rate of 1,26 head a day. This telegram went on to state that in the opinion of the packers in Chicago the strike is

At the Armour Plant, The killing of hogs will commence at the Armour plant today. Monday cattle were killed at the rate of thirty head an hour. In addition to the cattle Armour killed 160 at 6 pence. head of sheep. Mr. Howe asserts that he GOVERNMENT FEARS QUESTION now has 326 men working, not counting any of the men in the mechanical department. Wants Nothing Said About Action of "We have more men now," said General Manager Howe," than at any time since retary for foreign affairs, in the House of the commencement of the strike. I look Commons today asked General Laurie, confor additional men today from out in the servative and unionlyt, to postpone a quesstate. In my opinion there is not going to tion which he proposed to ask anent the be much difficulty in securing men from doings of the Russian volunteer neet this time on. Of course, men skilled with the knife will be rather scarce for a few Thursday, as the government's information days, but the people may rest assured that was still incomplete. packers will get men enough to operate their plants and avoid a scarcity of meat was of the utmost importance and was enand other packing house products."

just as if nothing had happened. Loading Cars Regularly. At all of the packing houses cars are being loaded and shipped out twice a day. shipment goes shortly after noon and the second at 6 p. m. So far packers have not experienced any difficulty in loading oars with the exception that the bulk of the work for a few days had to be performed by green hands and office men. As rapidly as help arrives men employed in the office are permitted to discard their long butcher frocks and go back to their desks. Some of the office men are badly stove up from toting beef, but they say that they will be all

right in a few days. On account of the light receipts of live stock at the yards General Manager Ken- J. J. Hill and Colonel Clough Will yon has just put his force of 300 men on half time. One-balf of the force will work one day and lay off the next, and so or this arrangement all of the men will kept on the pay roll and will have the month.

Mr. Kenyon said that he did not expect this condition of affairs to last very long. again just as soon as the receipts will restraining the Northern Securities comwarrant it," said Mr. Kenyon.

Strikers Are Confident. The strikers still appear to have the utmost confidence in ultimately winning the fight. A checking up of the lists by the stewards falls to show where any put into the merger company. skilled men have gone back to work. "All reports," said one of the labor leaders last night, "that our men here are weakening is false. We are standing firmly together and the best of feeling prevails among the men. All are goodnatured and perform any duties assigned to them willingly, Just at present we are keeping a close watch on the plants to prevent men from getting in to go to No violence or threats are used. All we do is to make a plain statement day or of facts to the strike breakers, and urge them to give up their idea of going to SUITS TO PREVENT REPAIRS When the strike breakers agree to this we see that they are given trans- Action to Enjoin Railroads from Re-

portation out of the city." Mr. Vall declares that there is no change in the situation here; that the men are standing together and that reports from Chicago regarding the amount of work performed there and at Kansas City are greatly exaggerated. "The report that Donnelly is beaten is merely laughed at We are growing stronger every day," declares Mr. Vali.

Special Police Force. Up to last night Chairman Masson the pelice board had sworn in twenty-

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Jury Finds that Man is Dead, but Does Not Fix Cause of Demise.

KINGSBRIDGE, Devonshire, July 18 .-The inquest today on the body of F. Kent Leomis, which was found Saturday morning at Warren Point, about fifteen miles ake the Devonshire village of Thurlestone, on the shore of Bigbury bay, Into a state of unwonted excitement. The court, over which the county coroner, Dr. Sidney Hacker, presided, was somewhat late in assembling, in consequence of the delay in carrying out the official medical examination of the remains. This was conducted by two local doctors, whose testimony was to the effect that there was a contused wound below and behind the right ear, indicated by the extravasation of blood in the scarp and a rupture of the covering of the brain. There was also a general bruise, involving the scaip and the integument of the brain on the left side above the ear. Both injuries, in the doctors' opinion, were caused before death.

The American consul at Plymouth, Joseph G. Stephens, attended the proceedinges.

After the jury had viewed the body the first witness, Thomas Snowden, a laborer. ernoon, but none of the strikers applied for | who discovered the remains in the breakers, testified to the recovery of the corpse, as cabled to the Associated Press Saturday. A policeman, who searched the body, told of the recovery of a gold watch, which valls and the orders regarding drinking English gold and silver coins, also a pocketbook containing \$60 in American notes, a receipt for a subscription to the Blennerhasset club, a railroad pass issued in the

The jury found that the deceased was Frederick Kent Loomis and that he was found dead in Bigbury bay, there being no is still a strong probability of peace. evidence to show how he met his death.

CONCORDAT IS NOW DOOMED Pope Regards Agreement with France

Certain to Be Dissolved. ROME, July 18 -From the highest source it is learned that the vatican's view of the situation between the Holy See and France is as follows:

The pope regards the dissolution of the concordat by France as absolutely certain. The pretext is that the Holy See before the visit of President Loubet to Rome, called on Bishop Gray of Laval to resign. He refused and was summoned to Rome to answer the gravest charges. The bishop appealed to the French government, which claimed that the Holy See was infringing the concordat, but as the bishop had not ty-four refrigerator cars were shipped out. been punished Foreign Minister Delcasse Eleven of these cars contained fresh beef. acknowledged that the vatican was within

The pontiff is firmly decided to proceed We expect more men in today from out- with the case of the bishop, who, if he is side points," he said, "and we will take not in Rome on the 28th instant, will be

the effect that the packers there were House of Commons Announces a Reof the packers in Chicago the strike is broken. A telegram to one of the packers here read: "Donnelly is beaten."

of the exchequer, announced a reduction of we obey the union when it says "molest the additional taxation of unstripped to-person or property and abide strictly here read: "Donnelly is beaten."

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MICHAEL DONNELLY. held previously to April 29, with the object of preventing hardship to manufacturers with large stocks in bond. The duty on other unstripped tobacco remains in a critical condition. It is said the others

Russian Steamer in Red Sea. steamer St. Petersburg in the Red sea until

Earl Percy further said that the question gaging the earnest attention of the govern-Swift and the Omaha are securing a few ment.

men every day and are working along BRITAIN SPEAKS ON THIBET

> Russia Informed that England Will Not Take Land at Present. LONDON, July 18 .- War Secretary Broderick stated in the House of Commons today that with a view of preventing a misunderstanding the government informed Russia at the beginning of June of its policy in regard to Thibet, and that so long as no other power attempted to intervene in the affairs of Thibet Great Britain would not attempt either to annex Thibet ministration.

CONSIDER HARRIMAN VICTORY Not Talk After Conference.

NEW YORK, July 18.-President James something coming to them at the end of J. Hill of the Northern Securities company and Colonel W. P. Clough, chief counsel, held a consultation today on the recent decision of Judge Bradford of the "We will put our whole force to work United States district court in Trenton, pany from distributing its assets pro rata until the trial of the Harriman suit to compel the holding company to give back to the Harriman interest the identical Northern Pacific railway stock which they Colonel Clough was asked after the con ference if President Hill had decided to

> and he said: The decision on the petition of an injunction does not decide the merits of the question. They are to be determined later. We are not prepared to make public yet exactly what steps will be taken in view of the injunction. Suffice it to say now that the interest of the stockholders of the Northern Securities company will be the Northern Securities company will be fully protected by the move we have in mind, which may be made known in a

appeal from Judge Bradford's decision,

constructing Pile Bridges Actous the Kaw River.

KANRAS CITY, July 18 .- Suits were filed in Kansas City, Kan., today by the county attorney of Wyandotta county enjoining the Rock Island and the Kansas City Southern railway companies from reconstructing their temporary pile bridges across the Kaw river. These actions were equested by the Kaw Valley Commercial club as an important step toward removing the obstructions from the Kaw river within the city limits,

Nonunion Man Beaten and Left on Tracks

for Dead. PREPARING FOR TEST OF STRENGTH

from Plymouth, threw the picturesque little | Both Sides at Chicago Expect that Present Week Will Determine Fight-Strikers Start Packing Plant.

> CHICAGO, July 18 .- One more effort will be made to setle the stock yards strike tion in the letter of acceptance. by arbitration. Tomorrow President Donnelly of the striking unions will send to the packers another letter asking for a tion, called yesterday in Pennsylvania conference. In this letter Mr. Donnelly asking for an appointment for its commitwill go over the history of the strike and strike.

The one point to which allusion is to be packers to terms.

Joseph Morton of the Stationary Fire- excluded. men's union called on the packers this Former Secretary of War Elihu Root is noon, when a notice was posted on the name of F. Kent Loomis, a receipt from afternoon and notified them that unless an over-night guest of President Roosevelt there is a speedy settlement of the strike at Sagamore Hill. He arrived in Oyster his men will be compelled to quit work. Bay late this afternoon and was driven While no definite answer was given Mr. directly to the president's home. Morton by the packers, he was received in such a friendly manner that he left the conference with the belief that there that he came to confer with Mr. Roosevelt

Slugged By Strikers. Slugged into insensibility by a dozen men and left for dead on the tracks of the Ashland avenue trolley line at West Fortyseventh street, Anton Bartusiakovis, an employe at the Swift packing plant, is dying at the county hospital. His injuries, in the opinion of Inspector Hunt, were inflicted by strike sympathizers and the wheels of a trolley car.

The men, according to a witness who has talked to the police, set upon Bartusiakovis as he was going home from work. When they could not make him join the striktracks.

. The motorman of a car approaching not had crushed Bartusickovis' shoulder. The miles up the Ohio, to the public landing injured man was taken to the county hos- of this city. pital. He has not regained consciousness. Mrs. W. Clifford, attracted to her window by the sound of men fighting, saw the at-

Of the men injured riot near the stock yards, two are still will recover.

Strikers to Start Plant. A flank movement by the strikers developed today in the announcement by President Donnelly that in conjunction with Mr. Sterling, vice president of the Butcher Workmen's union, John F. Loersch, secretary of the Packing Trades council, and Philip Murphy, "champion butcher of the world," recently employed by Swift & Company, he will start a small packing house where the union butchers may secure supto purchase meat without contributing to the profits of the big packers. Cattle and hogs have already been bought, President Donnelly asserted, the plant has been se-

cured and operations are scheduled to begin tomorrow. A special meeting of the packing house teameters union will be held Wednesday night to decide whether or not the drivers will quit work. The teamsters today protested against several of the companies endeavoring to have the teamsters haul supplies for "strike breakers."

The operating forces of the big plants approximated about half the normal strength today, according to reports given out. All did a great deal of killing, it was claimed. Armour and company with or to establish a protectorate over that 2,000 men employed, slaughtering cattle at country for the control of its internal ad- the rate of 140 an hour and Nelson Morris & Company with 1,800 men at work slaughtering 120. Swift and Company were said to have 160 men in their plants, killing 100 cattle and 150 hogs an hour. All the other companies were asserted to have been in

operation. Test of Strength. Both sides are preparing for the test of strength which will come this week in the strike of the packing house employes. the new men taken on in the last five days the packers expect to add many thousands in the next five. Workers who have been hired, it is claimed, are now to the way to the different plants from all corners of the country. Office employes and heads of departments who have had experience in the killing rooms have been called in to help and teach the recruits.

The packers already are equipping their plants in western centers with full crews of men. Within a week the glants at Kansas City, Omaha and East St. Louis will be turning out trainloads of supplies, according to a positive declaration made by one of the packers. Armour & Co., Morris & Co., Swift and

Company and Schwarzschild & Suizberger today renewed killing operations on a much larger scale than during the first week of Threw Bricks at Negroes, Representatives of the packers said at

the stock yards today that they expected to be able to man the plants without much more beconvenience and that the difficulty was not in the procuring of men, but in their inability to provide adequate protection for them while going to and from work. The packers profess not to be appre-

hensive of a sympathetic strike. The strikers were in a confident mood today and appeared to place little oredence in the reports of progress by the packers in filling vacancies. On the contrary, the strikers declared that many of the union men amployed have deserted. A crowd of men concealed behind a fence threw bricks and stones at a Lake Shore train which had on board fifty negroes

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New Senator from Pennsylvania Will Take Part to Campaign This Fall.

OYSTER BAY, L. I., July 18 .- P. C. Knox of Pennsylvania, former attorney general and one of the closest friends and advisers RAILROADS ARE TAXED TO THE UTMOST of President Roesevelt, was a visitor to Sagamore Hill today. Mr. Knox will take an active part in the campaign and will deliver at least two important speeches.

The president is working daily on both his notification speech and his letter of acceptance. He will deliver no political speeches during the campaign, contenting himself with a statement of his position and of the results achieved in his administra-

The president received today a telegram

from the anthracite coal miners' conven

tee to lay before him the petition regardwill ask the packers if in their judgment ing the Colorado lubor troubles. Secretary it will not be better to concede the one Loeb, for the president, has telegraphed point in contention than to continue the the committee that Mr. Roosevelt will be glad to see them tomorrow afteraooa. President Roosevelt received by appoint made is the refusal of the packers to dis- ment today a call from a committee reprecharge the men they have employed since senting the International Federation of the commencement of the strike and give Musicians, the members desiring to file their places to the men who walked out. with him a protest against the admission at closing time today. At closing the crowd The communication to the packers will to the United States from foreign countries also suggest that it is the belief of the of musicians who come here under contract. strikers that they are, as old employes. They represented to the president that by deserving of this consideration. If this the admission to this country of musicians offer of the union is rejected by the pack- who come here under contract a serious dreds will stay up all night to be early in era, Mr. Donnelly declared tonight, the hardship is worked against all resident allied trades at the stock yards, number- professional musicians, and they urge that had stopped at 6 o'clock, some of the ing in all about 12,000 men, will be called the contract labor law ought to be so conout tomorrow in an effort to bring the strued by the authorities as to exclude musicians precisely as contract laborers are

Mr. Root declined to make any commen upon the object of his visit, but it is known regarding the speech the president will deliver next week at the time of his notification. While Mr. Root is here the president will confer with him on the politica situation in New York state.

## BATTLE FOR EXALTED OFFICES

Elks' Convention Not Lacking for Animation Nor for Entertainment and Fireworks.

CINCINNATI, O., July 18.-The registration for the meeting of the Grand ers they broke his skull, fractured his Lodge and the reunion of the Elks reached carried 1,000 passengers and the second jaw, kicked him about the face, head and over 15,000 tonight, while all the railroads section fully as many more. Both secbody and then threw him upon the car were bringing in special trains and expecting their greatest influx tomorrow The grand opening tonight consisted in SHIPPERS WIN A VICTORY long afterward saw the body in time to elaborate fireworks on both sides of the stop the car, but not before the wheels Ohlo river from Coney Island, twelve Successful in Their Fight with Rail-

The boathouses of the various clubs were equipped as battleships along the shores, and the wharf boats were artack and declares she can identify several ranged in similar form, presenting a magof Bartusiakovis' assailants. President nincent naval display in action as the over the railroads in relation to the uni-Donnelly today sent out a new circular fireworks were operated. This great exurging the men against violence, as foihibition closed with a mammoth filuminbeen generally promulgated, officials of thur. ated picture of Grand Exalted Ruler Fanning at the Cincinnati public land-

session at 10 a. m. tomorrow, The election of officers will end the animated contration candidates.

AWAIT END OF CONFERENCE

Many Democratic Leaders Will Then Visit Candidate Parker at Esopus,

ESOPUS, N. Y., July 18.-After a night of heavy electrical storms and rain, Esopus awoke today to greet the first rainy plies at prices which will enable strikers day of six weeks. The storm broke about midnight and reached its height at o'clock. Lightning flashes followed each other at intervals of a few seconds and the thunder was almost continuous. In the village fear was expressed that lightning might strike the buildings at Rosemont, but the fear was not realized.

Judge Parker arose early. John W. Kerr of Indianapolis, who has been his guest since Saturday left the judge's house early and embarked on the steamer Mary Powell New York.

On account of the conference of the were expected to arrive here. After the New York conference many here. Former Senator Henry G. Davis, the

tomorrow. Among the telegrams received by Judge Parker today was one from Champ Clark, permanent chairman of the St. Louis con

vention, who sent his congratulations. NEW POWER CANAL AT BUFFALO Power to Be Derived from the Niagar Below the Falls at Devil's

Hole,

BUFFALO, July 18 .- A new power canal office at Lockport a map of the proposed canal, the route of which is from Lasalle, river, to the Devil's Hole, below the falls, where there is a sheer drop of 300 feet. The power house will be located at Devil's Hole. President Worth stated today that the financial end of the enterprise had been arranged through New York, whose names he would not divulge. company is operating under a charter procured in 1891. It is stated that the plant will produce 150,000 horse power.

SCHOOL WEEK AT CHAUTAUQUA State and Parochial Schools Are Discussed by Protestant and Catholic Speakers.

CHAUTAUQUA, N. Y., July 18.-This 1 school week at Chautauqua, the most absorbing topic being the discussion of "State versus Parochial Schools." Principal Henry W. Thurston of Chicago Normal school spoke for the Protestants today. Father A. P. Doyle, editor of the Catholic World, will tomorrow present the case from a point of view of the Cathelios. Dr. D. P. Bowle of Boston university will speak on the same subject on Wednesday. Dr. R. G. Boon, editor of Education, make several addresses during the week along the sume lines,

REGISTER BY THOUSANDS NEBRASKA WEATHER FORECAST

Rush of Landseekers Assuming Unprecedented Proportions.

One Line Reports that it Has Eleven Thousand Passengers Enroute to Add to Crash Already

on Ground,

YANKTON, S. D., July 18.-(Special Telegram.)-The gigantic land rush at Yankton developes into almost a stampede. Thirtythree thousand had registered up to the closing time tonight. Today's record was 5,065, and that will be exceeded tomorrow. The fever for land seems to have taken ossession of thousands who heretofore had not thought of coming here to register. The crush in the city and on the trains is simply indescribable. Railroad officials say they have more than they can possibly haul to Yankton. One railroad has 11,000 people on the road.

Lines of people were still two blocks long was not so large as the number in the city last night, but the Northwestern in three sections brought 2,000 people, and the rush omorrow will be a record breaker. Hunline and at least fifty men have procured this evening. There is no sleep for notaries tonight, as the entire time will be necessary to make the papers for the avalanche of people arriving tonight. The force of clerks was increased by five men from the Thief River Falls sale of land and by several Yankton men. The amount of work that individual clerks are doing is enormous. Clerk Billings at the capitol registered 784 and Clerk Bingley at the Broad. way had 1,019. After closing many besought the government officials to allow them to register, but pleas are necessarily unavailable, as the line must be drawn somewhere. A new force of clerks is engaged in a classification of the registrations, owing to the short space of time between the registration and drawing the classification must be made now. The next five days will be

Yankton. Many are coming just to see the greatest rush ever known in the northwest. The travel to Bonesteel through Omaha last night was a record breaker. The first section of the train on the Northwestern tions were crowded to their capacity.

road Companies Over Question of Uniform Bills of Lading.

CHICAGO, July 18.-Shippers, according to the Record-Herald, have won a victory signature feature of the new bill, which was the bone of contention between the The Grand Lodge opens with a public transportation companies and the shippers. This agreement ends what promised to be a long and bitter struggle between the tests that are going on tonight for grand shippers and the railroads over the new exalted ruler, grand exalted secretary and bill of lading that is to become effective other officers. O'Brien of Baltimore for September 1. The railroad companies desire grand exalted ruler and Robinson of to establish a bill of lading that would Dubuque for grand exalted secretary are have some semblance to a contract binding still favorites as the so-called administ the shipper to turn his traffic over to the railroad and abide by rates. The effect was practically to guarantee the roads against

Several conferences have been held in this city between shippers and railroad officials and the meetings ended without any agreement. The shippers then threatened to carry the fight before the Interstate Commerce commission.

DEPOT CROWDED WITH TRUNKS Walking Delegate Says Express Drivers' Strike May Extend if Wages Are Not Raised.

NEW YORK, July 18 -- As a result of from Kingston, on which he traveled to tempt to send out wagons today. Up to proceeding. the present time none of the other transfer companies have been affected, but CHOLERA DRIVING OUT EUROPEANS leaders in New York today no visitors Walking Delegate Thomas Brandon of the Railroad Express Drivers' Union, No. 645, Rayages of Dread Disease Sending said tonight that in all probability the prominent democrats are expected to come strike would extend to the other comvice presidential candidate, is expected for increased pay were not met by the of cholers. They say that on some days the present contingency. New York Transfer company.

ADVERTISING FOR BUTCHERS Manager of the Hammond Company Offers Attractive Wages and Arranges to Open Abbatofra.

WORCESTER, Mass., July 18.-E. E. Ayer, manager of the Hammond company here, has posted a notice for butchers to work in western houses, wages to be \$3.50 to \$4 a day for sheep butchers and \$4 to \$5 enterprise involving an expenditure of for beef butchers. He also is arranging to \$10,000,000 was put under way today when open King's slaughter house and Bartlett's the Niagara County Irrigation & Water house, both near the city, to kill cattle. Ar-Supply company filed at the county clerk's mour will kill 100 sheep a day at White, Peevy & Dexter's sheep house here, beginning tomorrow morning. Beef is quoted at where it takes in the water of Niagara \$12, lambs at \$18 and pork at \$14 per 100

> HEAT IS DEADLY AT CHICAGO Dock Worker is Prostrated, Falls Into River and Dies Later in Day.

CHICAGO, July 18.-Today brought no relief from the blistering heat. Indications were that before sundown the high record of yesterday, 94 degrees, might be exceeded. The first victim today was that of a dock worker, who became crazed by the heat and suddenly plunged headlong into the river at Clark street bridge. He died soon after being rescued.

Militia at World's Fair. BTILLOUIS, July 18—There are several military organizations encamped on the World's fair grounds this week, and the daily programs will contain numerous military features. Today the First regiment, Illinois National Guard, of Chicago; Company F. Seventieth Virginia National Guard; the Gate City Guards and the City Light Guards of Columbus, Ga., and Company M. Second regiment, New York National Guard, furnished the entertainment. The Texas provisional regiment and Swift's Mission brigade of Allegheny, Pa., will, with the above named organizations, take part in the remainder of the week's pro-

Fair Tuesday and Wednesday,

Temperature at Omaha Yesterday: Hour. Deg. Hour. 5 a. m..... 76 1 p. n 6 a. m..... 74 2 p. n 1 p. m...... 2 p. m..... 7 a. m..... 76 8 a. m.... 77 3 p. m...... 4 p. m..... 5 p. m..... 6 p. m.... 9 a. m..... 80 10 n, m..... 84 11 n. m..... 86 12 m..... 88 7 p. m..... 91 8 p. m..... 85

9 p. m .....

KELLER'S POSITION STRONG Indications that Fighting on His Front Will Be of Severe

Nature.

(Copyright by New York Herald Co., 1904.) LIAO YANG, July 18 .- (New York Herald Cablegram-Special Telegram to The Boe.) -I have returned from the farthest outpost in this country and am at last at Liao Yang, where I have interviewed General Count Keller, whose position and force are very strong. Two trustworthy officers have assured me that the Japanese kill the wounded Cossacks, and correspondence and photographs confirm the statement. This is a picturesque, but bloody mountain warfare. Sometimes the Japanese are ambushed and killed, being entrapped in the

mountains, The Japanese are always appearing in new places. When beaten they throw away all their clothes to facilitate their escape baskets of food and will go into the line and beg for life when overtaken. I was struck by the contrast between the many refined officers, members of aristocratic families, and their primitive quarters in the mountains.

The Japanese are said to terrorize the Chinese into giving information about the Russians, who nevertheless treat the Chinese about as well. An English military man here told me

English soldiers would never show such restraint. On July 9 three of the four Japanese divisions compelled General Stakelberg to retreat from Liao Chow, where the Japanese are now entrenched. The severest fighting expected for some months will be around Liao Yang FRANCIS M'CULLAGH.

JAPANESE ARE TAKING A REST the most wildly exciting that ever come to Forward Movement Seems to Be Suspended at All Points.

ST, PETERSBURG, July 18.-The War office has not yet received an official report of the Russian attack on the Japanese positions at Mo Tien pass, but it is not regarded as improbable that such an attack has been made, as General Keller is very active. If it turns out to be true, however, the War office declares it is impossible that the attacking forces could have consisted of two divisions, as reported, and more likely the force was com-

posed of two regiments. According to the general staff's latest reoorts, the Japanese seem to have suspended their advance from all points, but they may only be temporarily resting their forces, although it is considered possible that they may have decided to await the result of the operations against Port Ar-

New Chwang is still in possession of the

Russians. A dispatch from General Sakharoff today confirms the dispatches of the Associated Press to the effect that the Kai Chau fight made to hold the position.

The admiralty has no news of either the

Port Arthur or the Vladivostok squadron. The emperor, accompanied by the beir presumptive, Grand Duke Michael, today went to Novgorod to bid farewell to the first army corps.

ARE NOT ABLE TO WHIP THE JAPS Twenty Thousand Russians Make

Attack, but Are Repulsed. LONDON, July 19 .- The Morning Post's correspondent at General Kuroki's headquarters, telegraphing under date of July 17, says a Russian force, apparently about 20,000 strong, attacked the front, left and right of the Japanese position on the western slope of Mo Tien pass at 2 o'clock toany under cover of a dense fog.

The sudden onslaught drove in the Japa nese posts, but as soon as reinforcements arrived the Japanese gallantly advanced to the strike of the drivers of the New York | the attack and after severe fighting drove Transfer company, the baggage rooms of off the Russians and reoccupied the posithe Pennsylvania, Erie, Jersey Central, tion. The Russians retired their retreat Baltimore & Ohio, Lehigh Valley and being well covered. The fighting lasted Ontario & Western railroads are crowded until 8 o'clock in the afternoon, and when with trunks. The company made to at- I left the scene desultory firing was still

People to the Mountains.

BAKII, Russia, July 18.-Refugees from panies in a day or two if their demands Teheran tell terrible stories of the ravages the mortality reached 900. The Europeans are abandoning their property and are fleeling to a camp in the mountains. There as merchantment," said an official of the is a pitiful condition of affairs at the Foreign office to the correspondent of the quarantine station, which is almost without Associated Press today. Under the treaty food. The government has ordered the of Paris there is no question of the right preventing the introduction of the disease.

KELLAR'S LOSS OVER ONE THOUSAND Official Report of the Repulses Suf

fered at Mo Tien Pass. ST. PETERSBURG, July 18.-General Kouropatkin reports that Lieutenant General Count Kellar lost over 1,000 in killed or wounded in the attack on Mo Tien pass on July 17.

TAKE ADVANTAGE OF STRIKE Meat Dealers in Buffalo Advance Prices from Ten to Thirty Cents Per Hundred.

BUFFALO, July 18 .- Wholesale dealers teday advanced the price of meat from 10 to 30 cents per 100 pounds. Retailers have announced a corresponding advance. The largest advances were on the higher grades. amounting to 4 or 5 cents, while low grade meats are 1 cent per pound higher.

Stanley County Republican Ticket. PIERRE, S. D., July 18.-(Special.)-The Stanjey county republicans in their convention for the selection of a county ticket nominated: Sheriff, Ira Miliar, Midland; auditor, Will S. Rickert, Leslie; treasurer. deeds. Ed Morgan, Fort Pierre; attorney, John F. Hughes, Fort Pierre; county judge, A. Gunderson, Port Pierre; superintendent of schools, Mrs. M. L. Weed. Fort Pierre; assessor, J. W. Coulter, Leslie. While Stanley county has in past years been generally democratic, the republicans claim with the new votes this year,

Strong Objection is Made to the Seigure of Mails by the Russian Government.

FIRM AND PROMPT POSITION IS TAKEN

Russians Took All the Mail of Prince Heinrich and Carried it Away.

WARSHIP ONLY CAN SEARCH MAIL MATTER

Ship Does Not Possess Right to Carry Away Matter in Bulk. SMOLENSK DETAINS A BRITISH SHIP

Little Danger of America Becoming Involved in New Dispute, as Few Ships Take Red Sea Route,

BERLIN, July 18.-The German government has taken a prompt and firm stand in regard to the seizure of the mails of the North German Lloyd steamer Prins Heinrich, which arrived at Aden July 16, from Hamburg and Southampton for Yokohama, by the Russian volunteer fleet steamer Smolensk, July 15, having entered a protest against the carrying off of the mails, and asking for a disavowal of the Smolensk action and the return of the captured mail sacks. The German government, the Foreign office says, recognizes the right to search mails when on board the vessel itself, but claims the Smolensk had no right to take off mails in bulk from the vessel. The further argument is advanced that the right of search can only be exercised by a warship, whereas the Smolensk traversed the Dardanelles only recently flying the Russian commercial flag, not assuming the character of a warship. The German government has not taken a positive stand on this last verdict, but leaves the question for future discussion and settlement. No answer has yet been received from Russia. The recent publication by the Russ of St. Petershurg of a statement that Great Britain is about to transfer Wei Hai Wei to Germany in exchange for a free hand in the Yang Tse valley is scouted at the Foreign office, where it is classed as a revival of an old story and as having no founda-

Russia May Disavow Act. Diplomatic circles believe Russia will peedily disavow the seizure, since a refusal to do so will certainly raise the question of the status of the Smolensk. Discussions of the incident among the foreign diplomats show there is a belief that the raising of the question will be extremely awkward for Russia, since the Smolensk passed the Dardanelles as a merchantman and assumed the role of a warship in the Red sea. In determining its status only two alternatives are permissible—it is either a warrior or a pirate-and Russia having every reason to prevent Germany from pressing for a decision on this point, will, it is believed, gracefully dsavow the rash

act of the Smolensk The newspapers strike a sharper note today in discussing the seizure of mails from the Prinz Heinrich and raise a unanimous demand for a speedy apology. The was only a series of skirmishes with the Tageblatt refers to the trial which the Russian rear guard. No attempt is being Prussian authorities began on July 12 at Koenigsberg at the instance of the Russian government against seven social democrats accused of smugging anarchistic literature into Russia, and says: "It is not a bad jest of history that this infringement of international law should strike that power which unmistakably reveals tiself at Koenigsberg as a too subservient tool of Russian reaction and police arbitrariness.

> Russia May Got Fingers Burned. LONDON, July 19.-The Daily Express this morning prints the following dispatch, dated July 18, from its correspondent at Malta:

> "The British Mediterranean fleet left here today for Alexandria. It is believed that the destination of the fleet may have to do with the presence of the Russian volunteer fleet steamers in the Red sea. The British steamer Terrible is said to have sailed from Suez today for the purpose of looking after the interests of British merchantmen.

ARE WARSHIPS MERCHASTMENT Russia Advances Novel Plea to Excuse

Use of Dardanelles. ST. PETERSBURG, July 18 .- 5:05 p. m .-Russia does not foresee international complications on account of the passage of the volunteer fleet steamers through the Dardanelles and their subsequent conversion into war cruisers. The framers of the treaty of Paris in seeking to close the Black sea to the ingress and egress of Russian warships evidently did not expect

"The St. Petersburg and Smolensk did not pass the Dardanelles as warships, but closing of the frontier for the purpose of of ships to go out as merchantmen. With their subsequent conversion into warships Turkey has nothing to do. The treaty is silent on the subject.

The precedents allowing unarmed Russian warships to pass the Dardanelles without protest from the parties to the treaty

of Paris are considered valuable now. While the diplomatists have not questioned the right of Russia to seize contraband of war, the actual confiscation of mails presents a different question, and Germany, both at Berlin and in St. Peters. burg, is investigating the circumstances in order to ascertain whether the commander of the St. Petersburg in this case exceeded

his orders. The admiralty has received reports of the seizure of the Peninsula and Oriental company's Malacca in the Red sea by the Russian volunteer fleet steamer St. Petersburg and the stopping of the North German Lloyd steamer Prins Heinrich by the Smolensk, but nothing in regard to the stopping of the British steamer Wafpara by the St. Petersburg. The Malacca had

war munitions on board. STEAMERS ARE HELD UP IN RED SEA

Captain of Russian Floot Sends Warn. ing to British Consuls. LONDON, July 19 .- The Daily Mail's Aden correspondent says that the British steamers Woodcock and Dalmatis were held up George S. Poste, Ash Creek; register of by the Russians in the Red sea and detained for three hours. The correspondent says the captain of the Russian fleet steamer St. Petersburg has notified the British residents at Aden to wire the British consuls at Sues and Port Said that he would selze any British steamers bound for the far east if the contents of their to be able to carry it by a large majority packages was not clearly shown on their manifests according to international law.