

SILVER ENCAMPMENT.

The Grand Army Celebrates Its Twenty-fifth Anniversary.

AN OCCASION OF MAGNIFICENCE AND GRANDEUR.

Forty Thousand Veterans From all Sections of the Country Tramp Sturdily Through the Streets of Detroit Under the Leadership of Commander-in-Chief Veazy.—The City Beautifully Decorated.—Diamond Badge Presented to General Veazy.

Special to the Record-Union.

DETROIT, Aug. 4.—This has been a proud day in the history of the Grand Army of the Republic. It has witnessed the grandest parade in the history of the organization, and has made the twenty-fifth, or silver, encampment an occasion of magnificence and grandeur, surpassing the fondest dreams cherished by its humble founder, Dr. Stephenson of Illinois, twenty-five years ago.

In the magnificence of the pageantry and beauty of the decorations to-day's parade was without precedent in the years gone. For six hours, under a bright sun, 40,000 veterans tramped sturdily over the line of march, and such was the inspiration of the moment that even the feeblest of the maimed and crippled comrades found themselves adequate to the ordeal of the march.

The firing of a salute from the United States steamship Michigan in the harbor announced to the veterans at 10:30 that the command had been given by the Commander-in-Chief.

When General Veazy appeared before the reviewing stand at the west corner of people clustered about Camp U. S. Martins cheered themselves hoarse. The General reined up his charger and passed when General Alger and the Duke of Pass, his escort, passed by him, and drew before the reviewing stand, fronting it with arms at a charge. General Veazy looked on with a gratified smile, and he allowed his horse, with slow steps, to move before them. As he passed the reviewing stand he turned to the right and met Foremost was General Miles of the army, who had been leaning over the railing, with his gloved hands knitted above his sword.

General Veazy reached the end post, and the patriotic veterans unfurled their flag and struck up a lively air, and the crowd cheered more and more. General Veazy then rode to the stand, and dismounting, entered his box in front. The Detroit Post passed by, and the parade continued toward the reviewing stand.

Beside the staff of the Commander-in-Chief, there were on the reviewing staff Secretary of War Proctor, Secretary of the Navy Tracy, Chief of Engineers Corbridge, Secretary of the Interior Bussey, two or three Governors and half a dozen Past Commanders-in-Chief.

Promptly at the hour indicated, the posts assembled for the parade. Four magnificent arches erected by the citizens in different parts of the city marked the line of march. The most beautiful of them was the magnificent tower and war arch at the intersection of Woodward and Jefferson streets. It was a veritable work of art. Slowly and majestically the procession started from Woodward and Adams avenues, with Commander-in-Chief Veazy and his staff in the lead until the reviewing stand was reached.

On Illinois, the home of Lincoln, the home of Grant, the home of Logan, was conferred the honor of the right of the line.

The survivors of Post No. 1 were a conspicuous little group in the Illinois delegation, and their appearance was the signal for cheers. Department Commander Clark led the command, and 2,000 representatives of the various posts were in line. Among the prominent men were General Post, General Pavey, State Auditor, Colonel Sexton, Postmaster at Chicago, and Colonel Cochrane. The umbrella corps, 300 strong, was a feature of the Illinois division. In one corner a square of blue umbrellas represented each State in the Union, the red, white and blue umbrellas in the columns served to represent the stripes of the flag.

As each division passed beneath the triumphal arches the little girls showered the veterans with flowers.

The enthusiasm which greeted the second or Wisconsin division, 700 strong, was unbounded. In front, and borne high in the air on the top of a flagstaff, was perched a Wisconsin stuffed eagle, which became part of Wisconsin's history a quarter of a century ago. In the line with the Wisconsin boys were General Fairbank, and General Wisert, candidate for Commander-in-Chief, Department Commander Upland was in command.

The Pennsylvania division came next, 1,500 strong, marching in good order.

The Ohio delegation was a vast army of itself, no less than 13,000 veterans being in line.

New York, 2,500 strong, came next, and was the recipient of enthusiastic greeting. Then came a score of battle-flags, torn and stained through the years, and the Connecticut division followed, and after it came Massachusetts, 2,500 strong.

New Jersey was represented by forty veterans, and 100 was the number from Maine.

California showed up twenty-five strong, notwithstanding the distance they had to come. At their head were their Past Commanders, marched W. R. Smedberg, whom the delegation is booming in such an enthusiastic manner for Commander-in-Chief. The Post was escorted by Department Commander William H. L. Barnes, Adjutant-General L. C. Massey and Quartermaster-General R. H. Warfield.

Then followed New Hampshire, Vermont and Rhode Island with small delegations.

The Departments of the Potomac, with 500 men, and Virginia, 300 strong, followed.

With Nebraska's 500 veterans, Department Commander Teeter, commanding, was seen Governor Thayer on foot.

Michigan, with its 15,000 veterans, received an ovation to-day. The division was commanded by Department Commander Eaton.

Iowa followed the representatives of the Wolverine State, 3,000 strong, marching to the tune of "Yankee Doodle."

The 2,800 veterans from Indiana were greeted with cheers.

The Department of Colorado and Wyoming was headed by a zouave dragoon corps. The Department had about 100 men.

Four hundred veterans of Kansas, led by Department Commander Timothy McCarthy, represented the grasshopper State, and escorted the division.

The Grand Army of the Republic pin bearing the figure of this distinctive little insect was but meagerly represented.

Oregon came 600 comrades from Kentucky, marshaled by Department Commander Hells.

West Virginia contributed 200 men to the grand parade, and Department Commander Duval led the division. Past

A BITTER FIGHT.

The Sugar Trust Declares War on the Spreckels Refineries.

SUGAR LOWER THAN EVER BEFORE QUOTED.

A Courier From the Scene of Sunday's Riot at Lake Charles, La., Reports a Terrible State of Affairs—Fourteen Men Killed and Many Seriously Injured—The Desperados, Not Content With Their Deadly Work, are Massacring Women and Children, and Every One They Come Across.

Special to the Record-Union.

NEW YORK, Aug. 4.—A bitter fight was begun to-day by the Sugar Trust Company against Claus Spreckels, who has been a thorn in the side of the sugar refiners on this coast for many years.

About ten days ago the President of the Sugar Trust was called away from the city by the fatal illness of his father, F. C. Havenmeyer. While he was away the Sugar Trust maintained the price for granulated sugar, and Claus Spreckels announced a reduction of one-sixteenth of a cent per pound, cutting seriously into the trade of the Sugar Trust. Yesterday President Havenmeyer returned, and at once ordered Sugar Trust prices reduced one-sixteenth of a cent below the cut made by Spreckels. The latter to-day made another cut, bringing his price one-sixteenth of a cent below the price of the Sugar Trust.

The reduction was made to bring the price for granulated sugar down to four cents per pound in Philadelphia, on which two per cent is allowed off, making the net cash price 3.92 cents, the lowest on record. It was stated that the trust is 4.46 cents per pound.

In August, 1880, after the formation of the trust sugar was quoted at 8 1/2 cents per pound.

The curious feature of the fight is that in the raw sugar market, both parties are urgent buyers, and the sugar trust to-day bought raw sugar at 3.5-3.6 cents. This brings the profit of refining down to a very low point.

CHILE REVOLUTION.

Balmaceda's Troops Being Mobilized Around Santiago.

LITTLE MILITARY ACTIVITY ON THE PART OF THE INSURGENTS.

The British Parliament to be Prologued To-day—The Queen of the Belgians Out of Danger—The Dominion Government Has Decided to Surrender the American Schooners Seized for Violation of the Fisheries Treaty—Small-Pox is Epidemic at Acapulco.

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LONDON, Aug. 4.—Official advices from Santiago de Chile state that the rebels, who are in possession of the northern provinces in which are situated the enormous nitrate deposits which have added so greatly to the wealth of Chile, are working the deposits and selling the nitrates.

The Balmaceda cruiser Almirante Lynch has cruised along the northern coast, and reports that she saw little signs of military activity on the part of the insurgents.

On Sunday last the authorities issued orders for the mobilization of forces. Within eight hours 12,000 loyalist troops and 10,000 cavalry and artillery, with their guns, were within easy distance of the city.

CRUISER PRESIDENTE PINTO. GENOA, Aug. 4.—The Chilean cruiser Presidente Pinto has arrived here. The vessel has taken measures to prevent the Pinto slipping arms and munitions here.

ADMIRAL MCCANN REVIEWS THE SITUATION. NEW YORK, Aug. 4.—Admiral McCann thinks Balmaceda's war cruises on their arrival in Chilean waters will change the condition of affairs. The end of the war one way or the other would be a boon to the country, as peace as the cause of peace and order, the Admiral says. The official class is led by Balmaceda. The mass of the people, the peons, follow their superiors in the social system according to the province in which they live. The people, as we understand the word, have precise little to do in Chile but to do what the Government says the country which have appeared in the New York papers have oftentimes been greatly exaggerated. Of course the Latin people of South America conduct affairs differently from the Anglo-Saxon race. There is not much sentiment displayed to represent any particular possession, but a faction or party which has possession of the Government has locked up those who shout "Viva el Congreso" in the streets of Valparaiso and Santiago, and the Congress party has suppressed the adherents of the Government in Tarapaca.

FACTIOUS REPRESENTATIVES FIGHT. NEW YORK, Aug. 4.—A Herald cable from Lima says that the Government has been taken in diplomatic circles here by a fierce personal encounter between the Chilean representatives of the Chilean Government and a military party and a military party and a military party and a military party.

THE SACRED COLLEGE. ITALY WANTS THE NEXT CONCLAVE HELD IN ROME. ROME, Aug. 4.—Where shall the next conclave be held is the question now being discussed in Governmental circles. Church dignitaries are interested observers. This question, it is believed, will be the pivot of the policy of the Italian Government and of the Vatican. There is good authority for the statement that the Italian Government has sent explicit instructions to its representatives abroad to prevent the conclave from being held in Rome. The representatives of the Government wish to prevent the Cardinals to hold the conclave elsewhere than at Rome. The reason is manifest. Should any change take place the Government would itself be confronted with an entirely new situation. This would be unknown, and the Italian Government fears the unknown. The representatives of the Government, morally and diplomatically, ecclesiastically and politically—as it is called—wish to prevent the Italian Government from being so confronted.

SOLIZED SCHOONERS TO BE SURRENDERED. OTTAWA (Ont.), Aug. 4.—The Dominion Government has decided to surrender seven American fishing schooners recently seized by the Canadian cruiser Dream for fishing within the three-mile limit, in violation of the treaty of 1818. Commander Gordon reports that an offense was undoubtedly committed, and as a fog prevailed at the time, which rendered it possible that the law was infringed unwittingly, the Government decided upon the above course.

Smallpox Epidemic at Acapulco. ST. LOUIS, Aug. 4.—A dispatch to the Associated Press from the City of Mexico says smallpox is epidemic in Acapulco.

Very Cruz has been literally flooded by rain, and the American Consul there is sick with yellow fever.

Sier Filisando, the new Venezuelan Consul, has arrived. Antonio De Castano has left for the United States, where he will represent Mexico in the Geological Congress.

Protection Demanded for Missionaries. PARIS, Aug. 4.—M. Ribot, Minister of Foreign Affairs, had a conference to-day with the Secretary of the Chinese Legation concerning the protection of Missionaries in China. The Secretary declared that the Peking Government had taken all measures necessary to secure order. Ribot intimated that if measures adopted by the Chinese Government had no better effect in the future than in the past the European powers would arrange for a joint intervention to protect the lives and property of their citizens in China.

Row in the Ottawa Senate. OTTAWA, Aug. 4.—There was a big row in the Senate to-day, when the Bala des Chateaux railway bill came up. Counsel representing the estate of Mr. McFarlane, a contractor on the road, charged that out

WIFE MURDER.

Mrs. Gunther Died Recently under Suspicious Circumstances. A Chemical Analysis Disclosed Strong Traces of Arsenic. The Dead Woman, whose Maiden Name was Hotta Winkler, was Gunther's Third Wife. She had been raised in his family. After his second wife died she bore him two children. Last winter she sued him for seduction and breach of promise. The jury awarded her \$5,000. To avoid paying this Gunther married her.

Postal Matters.

NEW YORK, Aug. 4.—The Postmaster at Los Angeles having died yesterday, a strong indorsement was received at the Postoffice Department to-day by telegraph in favor of the appointment of Deputy Postmaster Saunders to the vacant place. Congressmen-elect Bowers will wait a day or two to hear from before making any recommendation for Postmaster. The promotion of Saunders is looked upon favorably at the department, he having had considerable experience in the postal service. A new postoffice has been established at Llanada, San Benito County, Cal., and the name of the postoffice at Little Stony, Bolinas County, has been changed to Stonyford. A Coupling Wedding. NEW YORK, Aug. 4.—Dr. Harry Crookshank, Director-General of the Egyptian prisons, will marry Miss Emma Walraven Comfort, the only child of Major Samuel Comfort of the Standard Oil Company. Crookshank brings with him a marvelous necklace of wedding presents from the Khedive, composed of amethysts, corals and other stones taken from the tomb of an Egyptian Princess, his wife, and a necklace of a necklace worn by Queen Aah-Horep, 1700 years before Christ. Newspaper Editors Indicted. NEW YORK, Aug. 4.—The Grand Jury this afternoon handed up a batch of indictments against the editors and publishers of the New York City morning newspapers, except the Tribune, charging them with misdemeanor for publishing an account of the execution of the murderers recently killed at Sing Sing. The Tribune is the only paper found to have complied with the indictment. The men will be summoned to give bail. Joined the Alliance. KANSAS CITY, Aug. 4.—A Star Topeka (Kan.) special says a letter from Harrison Kelly, ex-Congressman from this district, in which he renounces the Republican party and declares in future that he will be found fighting with Pfeffer, Polk and Simpson, has created much interest here. Kelly says he has turned to the new party as the medium through which to accomplish the reforms demanded by the people. San Diego a Port of Call. WASHINGTON, Aug. 4.—Orders have been issued at the Postoffice Department that advertisements for bids for service on the Pacific Coast will be amended so as to make San Diego a port of call on routes from San Francisco to Panama and San Francisco to Valparaiso. This is in response to a vigorous effort made by the Chamber of Commerce and Congressmen-elect Bowers and others. Strike Situation at Omaha. OMAHA, Aug. 4.—There is no change to-day in the strike situation of the men who are out on holding meetings. The Mayor to-day issued a proclamation commanding all persons to desist from congregating about business establishments, a restriction of the eight-hour law by any show of violence or force. Ex-Congressman Scott III. ERIE (Pa.), Aug. 4.—Ex-Congressman William L. Scott is seriously ill at his Peach-street residence. Dr. Brandes, his physician is very reticent on the subject. It is said that he is suffering from his old stomach trouble, a recurrence of the great malady which last summer so nearly proved fatal. Transportation Company. CHICAGO, Aug. 4.—The meeting of the Directors of the Pan-American Transportation Company still continues. The adoption of a constitution and by-laws for an exhibit at the Chicago fair was the subject of discussion. It is said to be not probable that a second effort will be made to secure a national charter from Congress. The Seizure of the Schooner Marvin. WASHINGTON, Aug. 4.—A telegram has been received at the Navy Department from Commander Cotton of the United States steamer Thetis, now patrolling the coast of Mexico, that he has seized and verified the press accounts of the seizure of the schooner Marvin in Behring Sea. Returned to Work. KANSAS CITY, Aug. 4.—The engineers on the "L" road discharged a week ago last Sunday are on their engines to-day, Sunday. The latest account he heard was of a wounded man who left the scene at 4 o'clock yesterday. He stated that fourteen men were killed and two missing. It was a free-for-all fight between the "Red Bones" and the "Whites." Sanders stated that many different reports were being circulated, and nothing more authentic could be learned. The latest reports place the number of wounded at sixteen. The "Red Bones" have gone to the scene. It is also rumored the physicians were waylaid and murdered. Another account of the riot comes from West Lake, La., to the effect that the trouble was caused by the breaking out of an old feud between a band of robbers, known as the Ash member of the G. A. R., and the cattlemen of that section. Following is a partial list of those killed: Dyson, Marion Markle, Lee Perkins, Owen Schwab of the "Red Bone" gang, and Jesse Ward and Swan of the "cattlemen." The latest reports are to the effect that everything is quiet. The coroner is making an investigation. Twenty-one are known to have been more or less seriously hurt. Sunday afternoon thirty "red bones" came to camp after the bodies of the dead and dispersed the officers who were at the scene, and who are organizing a strong force to storm the strongholds of the desperados. More trouble is feared. WOMEN AND CHILDREN MASSACRED. HOUSTON (Tex.), Aug. 4.—A later report of the fight, sent last night and to-day, says that during the afternoon of the 29th it was reported in a store down the road, that the "Red Ribbons" desperados were massacring women and children and everyone they came across. Learning this, reinforcements went up far above the line of the Calieen, Vernon and Shreveport road. In going up, T. T. Swan, an old and respected citizen of Calieen, was murdered from ambush. Excitement is running high, and more trouble is expected at any time. Robbed the Mails. CHICAGO, Aug. 4.—Henry E. Barlow, a letter-carrier, was arrested to-night for robbing the mail. He confessed to having systematically stolen money from letters carried on his route. The amount Barlow has stolen cannot be estimated. It is thought it will reach into the thousands. Barlow was born a letter-carrier nine years ago. He is a member of the G. A. R., and has a wife and five children. Charged With Poisoning His Wife. DAYTON (Ohio), Aug. 4.—Henry Gunther, a prosperous gardener, was arrested to-night, charged with the murder of his

BREAK FOR LIBERTY.

Six Prisoners Escape From the House of Correction.

AUGUST PRETZEN SHOT ON THE HIGHWAY NEAR MODESTO.

The Body of an Unknown Man Found Floating in the Feather River With His Throat Cut—Large Numbers of People Flocking to the Pine Nut Gold District in Nevada—Training Races at the Bay District Track.

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SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 4.—Yesterday morning six prisoners escaped from the House of Correction. Their names are: Charles White, Richard Cody, George Ward, George Worns, Thomas Murphy and Frank Reagan.

The prisoners were about to be marched out, as usual, to work on the county roads.

Superintendent Fragley was at the gate and ordered the prisoners brought out. The morning was very foggy, and a man could hardly be seen at 100 yards.

Suddenly as the prisoners were being taken off the shadow of a man running in the mist the shadow of a man running up the hill, south of the prison, was seen saw leaning against the inside of the south fence a long board. Then he knew there had been a "break," and that the board had been used as a ladder.

The guards were ordered out at once, and in the afternoon Frank Reagan was captured. He said that he and his companions took the guard house on the main floor. The escapes, with the exception of Worns, were "long-timers," and were robbers or burglars.

Worns was subsequently arrested by Officer Callahan on Davis street.

ATTEMPTED MURDER. August Pretzen Shot on the Highway Near Fresno. FRESNO, Aug. 4.—Yesterday morning at 3 o'clock August Pretzen was brought from one of the neighboring colonies bleeding profusely from a deep and dangerous-looking gunshot wound in the throat. On probing it was found that the ball had entered the right side under the chin, passing through and lodging in the muscles of the back of the neck. The bullet could not be found. The wound is an exceedingly dangerous one and may prove fatal.

When he had recovered from the shock Pretzen said he was driving along the avenue in one of the colonies, about eight miles from here, at this time with his back road to him, presented a pistol to his head and fired.

The shooting was done at such close quarters that Pretzen's face was badly powder-burned. On being shot Pretzen fell out of his cart, the horse running to the house of his brother, two miles away. On the return of the horse and finding the cart covered with blood, the brother set out and found Pretzen at the side of the road, where he had dragged himself, and at once applied the necessary aid. There is considerable mystery about the whole matter, which the officers are trying to clear up.

BAY DISTRICT RACES. A Small Audience Attends the Second Day of the Meeting. SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 4.—To-day the second of the meetings of the Pacific Trotting-horse Breeders' Association was much pleasanter than Saturday, and had it not been for the high wind which prevailed, having blown right against the horses in the stretch, the day would have been almost perfection. Notwithstanding this fact, the attendance was much smaller than that of Saturday, in fact, smaller than that which any county town would have turned out to witness contests between such poor horses. By the time the first bell had sounded there were not a thousand people at the track. The track was in first-class condition, considerable labor having been expended on it since Saturday.

First race, two-year-olds, trotting; purse \$200; Starlight won in two straight heats, by a margin of 1/2 mile, 2:31.

Second race, 2 1/2 class, paying \$1,000, Dr. Swift won, Alarma second, Best time, 2:24 1/2.

Railroad Employes Wages Unpaid. PORTLAND, Aug. 4.—The employes of the Oregon Pacific Railroad have not been paid for six months, and now threaten that if they cannot secure the money due them they will quit work and tie up the road. The road is more than paying expenses, and the employes expect to obtain an order from the court appointing a receiver, who should apply the earnings of the road to the payment of wages.

Utah Election Returns. SALT LAKE, Aug. 4.—Full returns of the election yesterday show that the Liberals have twelve members of the Legislature, one-third of the whole, a large gain over any previous Legislature. The Liberals elected three members of the Council, and six of the House in this city by a plurality of 30. The Liberals elected the County Collector, two Legislators and County Superintendent by pluralities of 900.

John E. Dixon's Death. SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 4.—Police Surgeon Williams to-day made an autopsy on the remains of John E. Dixon, the stock broker, who was found dead on the beach. He found that death was due to submersion, and that the wounds on the body had been inflicted after death. The theory of murder has been abandoned by the police, who declare that Dixon committed suicide.

An Unknown's Body Found. YUBA CITY, Aug. 4.—The body of an unknown man was found floating in the Feather River at the mouth of the Yuba this afternoon with his throat cut. He had been in the water probably two weeks. The coroner's jury brought in a verdict of death from unknown hands.

Flouring Mills Burned. BAKER CITY (Or.), Aug. 4.—Early this morning Duncan & Bros. flouring mills were totally destroyed by fire. The loss is \$27,000; insurance, \$17,000. The fire is thought to have been of incendiary origin.

Pine Nut Gold District. CARSON (Nev.), Aug. 4.—Stag loads of passengers are leaving Carson every other day for the Pine Nut gold district, seats in the stage being engaged in advance. Fifty miners are on the grounds. The excitement is increasing.

Fine Dwelling Burned. LOS ANGELES, Aug. 4.—A fine dwelling belonging to Mrs. Dorea Jones, in course of construction, was totally destroyed by fire to-night. Loss, \$30,000.

GERMANY WILL EXHIBIT.

Berlin, Aug. 4.—The Foreign Committee of the Chicago Columbian Exhibition, accompanied by Phelps, United States Minister, to-day visited the Secretary of the Imperial Home Office and the representative of the Chancellor. The Secretary expressed his confidence that Germany would be represented at the World's Fair in a manner worthy of the occasion. The committee was subsequently received by Chancellor von Caprivi. France and the Vatican. BERLIN, Aug. 4.—The National Gazette has a dispatch from Rome saying that France and the Vatican entered into a new agreement. July 17, which France undertakes to help the Vatican in its financial embarrassment, and the Vatican binds itself to support the republicans in the event of a revolution. The parties also agreed, it is said, to promote a republican propaganda in Italy. Dillon and O'Brien. LONDON, Aug. 4.—Messrs. Dillon and O'Brien appeared in the Commons to-day for the first time in many months, their absence having been due to their imprisonment. They were the recipients of hearty congratulations from all the Irish representatives. O'Brien's Bankruptcy Case. DUBLIN, Aug. 4.—In the Bankruptcy Court to-day an order was issued granting William O'Brien a further extension of three days in which to show cause why a decree in bankruptcy against him should not be issued. The Queen Out of Danger. BRUSSELS, Aug. 4.—The alarm occasioned by the sudden attack of illness the Queen suffered yesterday is abating. A bulletin issued this morning shows that majesty will soon recover from her indisposition. Parliament to be Prologued To-day. LONDON, Aug. 4.—Parliament will be prologued to-morrow. The Queen's speech contains congratulations on the successful legislation of the session. Lord Salisbury will start for Chatelet, at Dieppe, on Thursday next. Haytian Refugees. COLON, Aug. 4.—Forty-one Haytian refugees arrived here from Port-au-Prince, where they had taken refuge at the various Consulates. They report everything quiet in the Capital. Henry Irving's Throat. LONDON, Aug. 4.—Henry Irving, who has been suffering from an affection of the throat, impairing his voice, has been operated upon, and is now rapidly recovering. Garrison Destroyed by Lightning. BERLIN, Aug. 4.—Lightning struck the garrison storehouse at Rathenow this morning, completely destroying it and its contents. Loss, \$375,000. Emperor William. BERLIN, Aug. 4.—Emperor William, on board the imperial yacht Hohenzollern, has arrived at Bergen, Norway, on his way to Germany. CUSTOMS DUTIES. Two Cases Decided by the Board of General Appraisers. NEW YORK, Aug. 4.—The Board of General Appraisers to-day rendered an important decision on the construction of paragraph 835 of the new tariff act, which recently became subject to controversy between the wool-growers of Ohio and carpet manufacturers of New England. The opinion is that the sorting classes referred to in paragraph 833 apply to all wools, including wool of the third class. Sorting is an effect of the new tariff, which increases in value imported wool by the rejection of part of the original fleeces. The phrase "shall be twice duty" to which it (wool or hair) would be otherwise subjected, "means that the duty on sorted wool when separated otherwise than as to color and increased in value shall be twice duty, and that the fleeces in an unsorted condition shall be liable. Any sorting or manipulation of wool made to evade the lawful duties is a fraud on the law and subjects the merchandise to the penal duties imposed." The board reverses the Collector's decision in both of the cases under consideration. LOST HIS FORTUNE. A Venturesome Wall-Street Speculator Falls. NEW YORK, Aug. 4.—The failure of A. P. Stockwell was announced on the consolidated exchange to-day. He had been allowed until 11 o'clock to make contracts for 200 shares of stock, but could not do it. The decline of Stockwell, at one time noted as a most daring and venturesome speculator, excited much sympathy among the people around Wall street. Twenty years ago he came here from Cleveland, O., with a capital estimated at \$1,000,000. He was at the head of the financial house of the Western Manufacturing Company, a position he acquired through his marriage to the daughter of the well-known inventor. For a long time he cut a big swath in Wall street affairs. He became President of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company and Panama Railroad Company. Then reverses came, misfortunes followed each other in quick succession until his fortune was swallowed up. Killed His Wife and Child and Suicided. SEVERANCE (Kans.), Aug. 4.—Samuel Freeman this evening murdered his wife and two-year-old son, and then committed suicide. Freeman was a farmer, and after attending to his usual evening duties he returned to his home. His wife upbraided him for his conduct. He immediately drew a revolver and shot her through the head, killing her instantly. Then he turned on his child and suicided. The cause of the tragedy is supposed to have been Freeman's jealousy of his wife, who was much younger than himself. Pacific Cable Telegraph Company. NEW YORK, Aug. 4.—At a meeting of the stockholders of the Pacific Telegraph Cable Company this afternoon the following were elected directors for the ensuing year: John W. Mackay, William C. Vanhorne, George Stephens, Charles R. Hosmer, Richard D. Gray, Albert B. Chandler, Edward B. Platt, George G. Ward and William H. Baker. The election of officers will be held on the first Tuesday in September. Grain Destroyed by Hailstorms. MINNEAPOLIS, Aug. 4.—Specials received from North Dakota and Minnesota say such damage was done to growing crops by hailstorms. The wheat crop in portions of Minnesota is entirely destroyed. Near Devil's Lake in one place there is 2,000 acres of wheat ruined.

WORLD'S FAIR.

M. Eiffel Wishes to Erect a Tower at Chicago.

Chicago, Aug. 4.—President Baker of the World's Columbian Exposition to-day received a cablegram to-day from M. Eiffel, architect of the Eiffel tower, saying that he would like to make a proposition of building a tower on the World's Fair grounds. Baker replied that the management would be glad to receive such a proposition. Another cablegram was received from Commissioner Shufeldt, now in Turkey, who said the Sultan had decided to make a gift of a tower to the Exposition, and a large amount of money would be appropriated. GERMANY WILL EXHIBIT. United States Minister, to-day accompanied the Foreign Committee of the Chicago Columbian Exposition to-day from Herr von Boetticher, Secretary of the Imperial Home Office and representative of the Chancellor. Herr von Boetticher, Secretary of the Imperial Home Office, was also in the party. The committee described the plan and scope of the exhibition, and the conversation that followed was of a friendly character. It was a confidence that Germany would be represented at the World's Fair in a manner worthy of the occasion, and that the friendly relations existing between Germany and the United States would be further strengthened by such an exhibit. Butter-sanders stated that many different reports were being circulated, and nothing more authentic could be learned. The latest reports place the number of wounded at sixteen. The "Red Bones" have gone to the scene. It is also rumored the physicians were waylaid and murdered. Another account of the riot comes from West Lake, La., to the effect that the trouble was caused by the breaking out of an old feud between a band of robbers, known as the Ash member of the G. A. R., and the cattlemen of that section. Following is a partial list of those killed: Dyson, Marion Markle, Lee Perkins, Owen Schwab of the "Red Bone" gang, and Jesse Ward and Swan of the "cattlemen." The latest reports are to the effect that everything is quiet. The coroner is making an investigation. Twenty-one are known to have been more or less seriously hurt. Sunday afternoon thirty "red bones" came to camp after the bodies of the dead and dispersed the officers who were at the scene, and who are organizing a strong force to storm the strongholds of the desperados. More trouble is feared. WOMEN AND CHILDREN MASSACRED. HOUSTON (Tex.), Aug. 4.—A later report of the fight, sent last night and to-day, says that during the afternoon of the 29th it was reported in a store down the road, that the "Red Ribbons" desperados were massacring women and children and everyone they came across. Learning this, reinforcements went up far above the line of the Calieen, Vernon and Shreveport road. In going up, T. T. Swan, an old and respected citizen of Calieen, was murdered from ambush. Excitement is running high, and more trouble is expected at any time. Robbed the Mails. CHICAGO, Aug. 4.—Henry E. Barlow, a letter-carrier, was arrested to-night for robbing the mail. He confessed to having systematically stolen money from letters carried on his route. The amount Barlow has stolen cannot be estimated. It is thought it will reach into the thousands. Barlow was born a letter-carrier nine years ago. He is a member of the G. A. R., and has a wife and five children. Charged With Poisoning His Wife. DAYTON (Ohio), Aug. 4.—Henry Gunther, a prosperous gardener, was arrested to-night, charged with the murder of his