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THE FLOWERY KINGDOM.

China's Action in Regard to the Recent Riots Condemned.

LEADERS IN THE MOVEMENT GO UNPUNISHED.

Death of Mrs. Theresa Fair—Twenty-Eight Round Prize Fight in Tuolumne County—The Board of Prison Directors Approve of Warden Hale's Action in Punishing the Convicts Who Entered Into a Conspiracy to Escape.

Special to the RECORD-UNION.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 13.—The steamer China arrived this morning from Hongkong and Yokohama, twelve days, eleven hours and fifty minutes from the latter port. It was thought that she would attempt to break the record made by the Vancouver line of steamships, but she did not do so.

Advices from China to August 20th say: Sir John Walsam, the British Minister, has protested strongly against the dilatory manner in which the Chinese Government dealt with the recent riots, and has put three questions to the Government, asking: First, why an edict on the subject of riots was not dispatched through the empire by telegraph; second, why the Wuhu magistrate who tried to stop the riots was degraded, while his superiors, who did nothing, were not punished, and third, why the punishment of the guilty at Wusuch was delayed.

The Chinese Government sent the questions to his Excellency, Li Hung Chang, to be answered. Chang replied: First, it is not the custom of China to send edicts by wire; second, the magistrate was degraded for other reasons, and third, the rioters have been punished, two being executed.

The *North China News*, commenting editorially on the answers, says: The first is merely a subterfuge. The case was too serious to admit of the delay caused by the use of messengers. As for the second reply, it was stated at the time that the magistrate was degraded as a concession to the natives, who had denounced him for doing his duty in the affair. The reply is a palpable evasion, and only shows that China can not be depended on by the foreign powers. As for the execution of the two culprits, this is unsatisfactory, as coming far short of the requirements of the Chinese law in cases of murder among themselves. The murderers of foreigners must not be punished more lightly than murders of Chinese. Lord Salisbury added to his three questions the demand that Hunan, which is the hotbed of anti-foreign sentiment in China, be opened to trade, coupled with a threat that if China could not control her own people, the foreign powers would take the matter in hand. To this the Viceroy replied that China is perfectly able to control her own people. The conclusion is that if able she must be unwilling.

The *News* adds: Meanwhile the powers do not intend to be satisfied with these replies and what has been done by the Chinese Government so far in the way of punishment and reparation. They have sent China what is virtually their ultimatum, and will not take any inadequate reply. England's action is understood to be backed by the other powers and it is thought force will be used if China is not conciliatory.

Over twenty thousand people assembled at Lung Chow, in the province of Hunan, recently to prevent the workmen from putting up telegraph lines. Ten thousand poles were burned, and the men driven over the boundary. A society has been formed to keep the telegraph out, and the mob is still on watch. Great apprehension is felt by the inhabitants in the border districts of Hussehi.

At Newchang Dr. Greig, a missionary doctor, has been assassinated by soldiers. The matter has been placed in the hands of Mr. Ayrton, British Consul. It is thought that this is a local affair, not connected with the secret societies.

The reports from Foo Chow of the killing of three missionaries proves to be false.

The German Roman Catholic Bishop of Shantung has returned from Peking to Tientsin, and said that his excellency, Li Hung Chang, told him that the late riots are only forerunners of more serious trouble, and hinted that he hoped the bishop would be moderate in the demands on his return to Shantung. The Italian corvette Voltumo has been under orders to leave for Italy, but was stopped and ordered to remain indefinitely by the Italian Minister at Peking, who fears trouble.

Mr. Pelphick, the American Vice-Consul at Tientsin, has been made assistant manager in the extension of the Tientsin Railroad. Viceroy Chang Chihtung has recently opened iron mines in Hupeh, and claims that he can manufacture all the iron needed on the road by next July. Li Hung Chang accepted the offer in part, and has ordered 250,000 tons of foreign iron to use meanwhile.

Gold mines have been discovered in the Cheng-chin District of Kuang-tung. Adventurers flocked to them in crowds and did much damage to graves and fields in digging. Finally the magistrate prohibited mining there, and quiet was restored.

There seems to be no foundation for the report that the son of Hsiich, Minister to England, has been arrested as a member of a secret society. Young Hsiich lives at Wusich, the scene of the recent riots, but is a quiet student, and was in no way connected with them.

There are serious troubles in Sintang between the Dyaks and Malays. Three thousand Dyaks are in arms against the Malay Rajah over taxes. Fighting has already taken place, several being killed on each side. The country is suffering from famine, which is believed to be the root of the trouble. A number of soldiers have been sent to the disaffected districts.

There was a serious landslide in the bank of the Yangtsee, opposite Chin Kiang. The people, warned by premonitory trembling, fled in their night clothes. Hardly had they escaped when a large tract of ground slid into the river, carrying about a hundred houses and shops with it. No lives were lost.

JAPAN.

The following Japan advices are received: On August 16th, an American vessel, name unknown as yet, was wrecked in Kau-No Wa Bay. She had a crew of seventeen and the Captain's wife. All but two were drowned.

A meeting of the committee appointed to make arrangements for Japan's exhibit at the World's Fair at Chicago was held August 14th. The meeting was attended by prominent personages.

The last division of the Nippon Railway Company's road has been opened, making the total length operated 445 miles.

Six hundred stonecutters went on a strike in Tokio against a reduction of wages. Their demands were temporarily acceded to.

An examination of the wreck of the steamship Tachachiho Maru has resulted in a commission finding Captain Walker guilty of neglect of duty, and suspending his certificate six months. Chief Officer Howard was also to blame, and was suspended for three months.

The Borina Islands have been visited by a severe storm, lasting twenty-four hours, doing great damage. The sugar-cane crop, the principal product, was reduced to 60 per cent. by the storm. Many houses were blown down.

By the recent floods in the Tokushima prefecture 354 houses were destroyed, and over six hundred persons injured. Two persons were drowned and thirty-one vessels destroyed.

CERES TRAIN-ROBBERS.

Dalton and Dean Discharged for Want of Evidence.

MODESTO, Sept. 13.—At 2 P. M. yesterday Dalton and Dean were brought before Justice Towns to plead and have the time set for a preliminary examination on a charge of attempted train-robbery at Ceres. They were represented by J. W. Breckenridge of Merced and L. J. Maddux of Modesto. Mr. Breckenridge addressed the court at some length. District-Attorney Fulkerth followed him, and in addressing the court stated that he had investigated the case thoroughly and had found that the detectives went back on everything they said. He said he didn't believe either Dalton or Dean was near the scene of the attempted robbery. Therefore, he made the motion that they be discharged, which motion the court granted.

Immediately on the liberation of Dalton a warrant for his arrest was placed in the hands of A. W. McGinnes, Deputy Sheriff of this county. The cause is the withdrawal of one of the bondsmen at Visalia in the Alila case. Dalton, when placed under arrest, remarked: "They have succeeded."

THE PRISON DIRECTORS.

They Approve the Action of Warden Hale in Punishing Prisoners.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 13.—The Board of State Prison Directors met yesterday at San Quentin. They were in open session for a little more than half an hour, and in secret session for four hours. The following resolution was passed by the board in relation to the action taken by Warden Hale in punishing the convicts who entered into the conspiracy to break prison:

Resolved, That this board, after due investigation of evidence adduced, showing a conspiracy to escape on the part of C. H. Thorne, Abraham Turcott, C. C. Sullivan, Charles Manning, H. W. Hanlon, John W. Wood, alias Delaney, and George Ross, that the action of the Warden in placing the said convicts in solitary confinement is hereby approved and that he is further directed to inflict such additional punishment as may be permitted by the rules and regulations of the prison if in his discretion the same may be deemed necessary and expedient.

CALLED TO HER MAKER.

Death of Mrs. Theresa Fair, the Divorced Wife of Ex-Senator Fair.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 13.—Mrs. Theresa Fair, the divorced wife of ex-Senator James G. Fair, died to-night of fatty degeneration of the heart, caused by inflammation of the kidneys. She had been ill several days. Senator and Mrs. Fair were married December 30, 1861, at Carson, Nev. In 1883 Mrs. Fair brought suit for divorce, charging her husband with adultery. No defense was made, and the divorce was granted, Mrs. Fair receiving four and a quarter millions in securities, besides valuable real estate in this city. She leaves four children—James G., Charles L., Theresa A. and Virginia. The eldest daughter, Theresa, was last year married to Hermann Oelrich of New York.

Expedition to Lower California.

YUMA (Ariz.), Sept. 13.—An expedition in charge of Col. C. K. Allen left here last night down the Colorado River, bound for Hardy's Colorado sulphur mountain and the Cocopah volcano region. A member of the Mexican Senate, Santiago Gonzales, lately received from his Government a concession of an immense tract of land in Lower California, running west from the Colorado River and the Gulf of California, including the celebrated sulphur mountain and Cocopah volcanic country. The purpose of the expedition is to make an accurate survey of the grant. Portions of the country to be visited have never been before seen by a white man.

The Chicago Mystery.

LOS GATOS, Sept. 13.—A dispatch from St. Louis printed this morning, says: The name of Dr. Rumford, who is now in this city, was found in the scrap-book belonging to Miss Ava. Dr. Rumford says he first heard of Miss Ava through a letter from his friend, Dr. Fitzporter, who lived near him in St. Louis. Fitzporter wrote about two weeks ago that Ava had called and been given Rumford's card and address. It is rumored here that Fitzporter has figured in newspapers before in connection with Diss de Bar.

Killed by a Street-Car Dummy.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 13.—George Kerlin, buyer for the hardware firm of Van Winkle & Co., this afternoon tried to jump on board a steam dummy on the Geary-street Extension while it was in rapid motion. W. W. Emery, his companion, succeeded in getting on safely, but Kerlin failed and fell under the wheels. The wheels passed over his back and shoulders, horribly mangling them and causing instant death. Kerlin was the main support of his aged father and mother.

Prize Fight in Tuolumne County.

MODESTO, Sept. 13.—A prize fight took place in Tuolumne County, four miles from LaGrange, this morning between Hank Englehart of Modesto and A. C. Smith of LaGrange. They fought twenty-eight rounds, when a draw was declared. Smith weighed 184 pounds and Englehart 162 pounds. The purse was $100 and the gate receipts.

Gored to Death by a Bull.

CORNELIUS (Or.), Sept. 13.—William Chalmers, a pioneer stock-raiser of this county, was instantly killed this afternoon by a vicious bull. The animal gored him in the stomach, the horn going almost entirely through his body. Chalmers was 75 years old, and leaves a wife and a large family of grown children.

Funeral of Officer Grant.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 13.—The funeral of Officer Alexander Grant, who was murdered last Thursday night by M. B. Curtis ("Sam'l of Posen"), took place to-day under the auspices of the Knights Templar. There was an immense crowd both at the building where the services were held and at the grave.

Two Men Drowned.

PORT COSTA, Sept. 13.—Friday Manuel Vargas bought a sailboat. Yesterday he and four friends went out for a pleasant sail in Carquinez Straits, and when opposite Dillon's Point the boat was capsized. Vargas and Manuel Silva were drowned. The other men swam ashore. The bodies were not recovered.

Good Game of Ball at Napa.

NAPA, Sept. 13.—The game to-day between Napa and Vallejo was one of the most interesting of the season. The main feature of the contest was the heavy hitting of Napa, the home team winning by a score of 9 to 3.

A Lady Suicides.

SPOKANE, Sept. 13.—Bessie Black, a domestic employed in the family of Dr. Hughes, committed suicide yesterday afternoon by shooting herself through the heart. No motive is known for the deed.

DYING OF STARVATION.

Truth Becoming Known About the Situation in Russia.

TERRIBLE DISTRESS PREVAILING AMONG THE POOR CLASSES.

The Passenger Steamer Arizona Narrowly Escapes Being Wrecked in the Atlantic, Having Been in Collision With an Unknown Sailing Vessel—Earthquakes of Frequent Occurrence Continue to be Felt in Salvador.

Special to the RECORD-UNION.

ST. PETERSBURG, Sept. 13.—Day by day the truth about the famine is becoming known, despite the efforts made by the Government to prevent the press from publishing the worst facts. The situation is more terrible than has been anticipated. No language is too strong to tell the distress that prevails in some provinces. A well-known clergyman, who has been traveling in Kazan, gives this account of what he has personally seen:

"I cannot describe all I have seen, but will give you some examples. A few days ago I visited the village of Maredey. Within the first half hour I met sixteen poor creatures at the last extremity of woe. Most of them had not tasted a morsel of bread for over a week. With distorted features and glaring eyes they gazed at me, many of them only just able to stretch out their hands for the food I offered them. A few only had strength enough to eat it. They generally die before help comes. The longer I remained in the village the more misery I discovered.

"Outside of houses in front of the church and in other places there were numbers of pale, emaciated, sickly-looking people, hunger-stricken groups, such as are seen only where famine reigns. Some of them are quite apathetic. They seemed utterly indifferent to all that was going on around them. They were evidently resigned to their fate. Others raved in their despair, moving about gesticulating wildly and crying, 'Bread, bread; do not let us starve.' Everything eatable has long since disappeared. The mortality has increased in such alarming proportions that in one locality out of 150 families, forty-seven have died of hunger. Some strong words about famine do appear now and then in the newspapers. One journal declares that the peasants in the valley of Volga are in a state of utmost destitution. They have neither clothes nor food, and are wandering about in rags on the verge of starvation."

CLANG OF ARMS.

The Great Armies of Europe Being Reviewed.

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—The *Tribune's* cablegram from London says: The Continent has through the week resounded with the clang of arms. Austria has had her military maneuvers; Holland has reminded the world, not unnecessarily, that there is such a thing in existence as a Dutch army, and Belgium has massed some troops of cavalry in the field. England, not to be outdone, has mobilized as many as 12,000 men near Aldershot. All this is a farce; but there is something grimly serious in the maneuvering of the French army. This has been called out on a colossal scale; a sort of rehearsal of what might take place any day—next month or next year—should the trumpet-call sound the inevitable war with Germany. Twenty-one years and a few months ago there was a similar muster, General Le Boeuf having assured the doubting Emperor that there was not lacking a button on the gaiters to impede its march to Berlin. But all whom it may concern know that the French army to-day is very different from that which, in 1870, marched out to Berlin and got no farther than Sedan.

It appears after all that there was something more than froth in the cup that France has drunk to Russia. The Czar will, in a short time hence, find in it not less than 500,000,000 francs. This is the loan he wanted to raise through the ordinary channel, the Rothschilds, but the great Jewish financiers, putting patriotism above percentage, declined to serve the monarch who was responsible for the atrocious persecution of the Jews with which Europe at that moment was ringing. Then came the voyage of the French fleet to Cronstadt; the personal reception of the republic's ships and sailors by the Czar, and all France was ablaze with enthusiasm and affection for its newly developed friend, who might some day help to regain Alsace and Lorraine. The Russian Finance Minister struck while the iron was hot and arranged with a group of Paris bankers for the issue of o loan on the most favorable terms.

ELECTRIC MINING APPLIANCES.

Edison's Inventions Revolutionizing Mining Work.

MONTREAL, Sept. 13.—Great interest has been manifested here in the new Edison electric mining appliances exhibited in the Electrical Exposition. The most striking is the electric percussion drill, which will bore at the rate of three inches per minute in the hardest granite. It requires but little power to operate, and can be worked any distance from the dynamo to a limit of three miles. The drill is very simple in construction, having no moving parts except the plunger, and nothing that will be affected by moisture. This device, it is said by experts, will completely revolutionize mining work.

The next in importance is the diamond prospective core drill, designed for locating mineral deposits. It will bore 150 feet into the earth, bringing out a specimen of the mineral for the purpose of determining its value. Some have likened this drill to the mythical "divining rod," which was supposed to indicate the location of minerals. The Edison drill certainly resembles such an invaluable instrument.

Aside from these are exhibited electric coal drills, electric hoists, electric fans, and electric pumps, showing that Edison has turned his attention in earnest to mining work, and many are expecting marvelous results from this branch of electricity in the near future.

COLLISION AT SEA.

The Steamer Arizona Struck by an Unknown Ship.

QUEENSTOWN, Sept. 13.—The Guoin line steamer Arizona, Captain Brooks, from New York September 5th for Liverpool, arrived here to-day in a battered condition. Certain passengers report that at an early hour on Sunday, September 6th, while the vessel was in a fog, but steaming rapidly, an unknown sailing vessel, believed to be a large coasting schooner, struck, stem on, the Arizona's port quarter.

The passengers, who were in bed at the time of the accident, were awakened by the shock and noise, and all rushed on deck. It was seen that thirty feet of rails and a lifeboat had been smashed; that the deck was damaged, and several of the plates had been bent.

Owing to the ominous evidences of the collision it was first believed that the consequences of the accident were more serious than proved to be case. The passengers were much alarmed, and life-belts were prepared, but their fears were soon allayed.

The Arizona for a long time searched in vain for the unfortunate sailing vessel. Part of the bowsprit was left on the Arizona's deck. From the wreckage seen it is feared that she foundered.

Earthquake in Salvador.

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—The *Herald* has these cable dispatches:

SAN SALVADOR, Sept. 13.—The waters in Slapango, Cojutepeque or Ilabasco Lake, as it is variously known, keeps rising. The workmen sent by the Government to open the outlet to the ocean are still hard at work.

Earthquake shocks continue to be felt in irregular intervals. The earthquake of the 8th was experienced all over the country. The material losses are estimated at $500,000.

French Maneuvers.

PARIS, Sept. 13.—The French maneuvers are still in progress. The army bivouacked on Saturday night and began a sham attack on the position of a skeleton enemy at 2 o'clock in the morning. The fight lasted four hours, the enemy's defenses being carried off by a great dash.

Eighteen Persons Drowned.

DUBLIN, Sept. 13.—The sinking of a steam launch in Lough Foyle by the steamer Albatross resulted in the drowning of sixteen persons.

SILVA'S REVENGE.

He Was Not Invited to Attend Joseph Roderigues' Party.

He Gets Drunk, Then, and Raps Roderigues Over the Head With a Slung-Shot.

Joseph Roderigues, a Portuguese barber, who lives with his family on Fourth street, between N and O, gave a party to a number of friends last night.

He invited about a dozen of his most intimate acquaintances. Among those whom he did not invite was Joaquin Silva, brother of a Second-street dive-keeper by that name. Silva has the reputation of being very ugly when in liquor; and being in that condition last night, determined to "get even" with the barber for neglecting him.

CAME ANYHOW.

The festivities at the Roderigues' were at their zenith about 1 o'clock this morning, when suddenly Silva put in an appearance. He had two friends with him, and he informed the merry-makers that he and his friends wanted to be entertained.

Roderigues did not take kindly to this intrusion, and, according to all reports, asked the trio in a quiet manner to leave the place. He said that if he had wanted them he would have invited them.

TOOK HIM OUT.

Silva's companions, were not so intoxicated as he was, and they explained to Roderigues that they supposed Silva had been invited. They then persuaded Silva to leave the place, and he consented. Roderigues accompanied the intruders to the front gate and was about to return to the house when Silva suddenly turned and dealt the barber a heavy blow on the head with a slung-shot.

Roderigues dropped as if shot and the blood streamed in torrents from a deep wound in his head.

In a moment all was excitement about the place. Police whistles were blowing, women were screaming and there was a general uproar. Police Officers McLaughlin and Maley and Special Eldred heard the whistles and hurried to the scene. They placed Silva under arrest and had Roderigues conveyed to the Receiving Hospital.

RODERIGUES' INJURIES.

City Physician Nichols attended to the wounded man at the hospital. He found that while the wound was a very serious one, yet the skull was not fractured. The blow was so heavy though, that there was some concussion of the brain. Roderigues' left arm and portions of the left side of his body were partially paralyzed from the effects af the blow.

Silva was charged with assault to murder. He denies that he used a slung-shot, and claims that he struck Roderigues with a light cane.

TROUBLE BREWING.

Ex-Policeman Green and Tom Boyle at Loggerheads.

George Green, the ex-policeman and pugilist, and Tom Boyle have not loved each other for some time, and at an early hour yesterday morning had a collision.

Green is alleged to have remarked on various occasions that he could whip Boyle, and Saturday night the latter went into "Googy" Welch's L-street deadfall, where Green was presiding over a wheel of fortune.

Boyle said something about Green being "no good," and that he was just where he belonged—"turning a wheel for niggers."

Green talked back, but declined Boyle's invitation for a fight. Boyle then left, but several hours later—in the early hours of the Sabbath—they met again at the corner of Second and K streets. The wrangle was renewed, and Boyle wanted the ex-policeman to adjourn to an alley near by where they could fight it out. But Green did not wait that long. He suddenly, and before Boyle knew what he was he was about, struck the latter a heavy blow on the jaw, knocking him down. Green then took to his heels and fled. Boyle was on his feet again in a moment, and, whipping out a revolver, was about to shoot at the fleeing pugilist, when a bystander knocked the weapon out of his hand. Green escaped. There were no arrests. Boyle is now hunting for Green, and there promises to be another engagement.

Sensational Developments Promised.

TACOMA (Wash.), Sept. 13.—Officials of the Fidelity Trust Company assert tonight that there is nothing new regarding the disappearance of Cashier Albertson. Sensational developments are promised to-morrow afternoon at the preliminary hearing of R. B. Albertson of Seattle, who was arrested Thursday by Detective Sullivan.

Nothing can be learned about the sensational article printed in a San Francisco paper, it which it is claimed that Cashier Albertson stole nearly a million dollars' worth of securities, but afterwards returned them on a promise that he would not be prosecuted.

Two Women Terribly Burned.

OREGON CITY (Or.), Sept. 13.—Mrs. Thomas Brown and an adopted daughter, Minnie, were terribly burned yesterday by the explosion of a coal-oil lamp. After the explosion they ran into the street screaming with their clothes all ablaze. Before assistance arrived Minnie's clothes were burned off her, and she will probably die. Mrs. Brown may recover.

PENSION CLAIMS.

Over Nine Hundred Thousand Awaiting Settlement.

THE BUREAU DOING ITS BEST TO SPEEDILY ADJUST THEM.

Twenty-Six Passengers Injured in a Wreck on the Union Pacific Near Beaverbrooks, Colorado—Fatal Stabbing Affray in a Court room in Arkansas—Bold Robbery by Four Desperadoes in Missouri.

Special to the RECORD-UNION.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 13.—Replying to a query of General Enoch, Congressman-elect from Ohio, as to why there was not a uniformity in the answers to his calls for a status of pension claims, Commissioner Raum has written General Enoch a lengthy letter pertaining to the settlement of claims in the Pension Bureau. In the letter Commissioner Raum states that he is doing all he can to secure prompt adjudication on all claims. On the first of July there were 523,787 claimants who had never been pensioned, and 395,689 claims for increase, making a total of 929,426 pending claims. The bureau is doing its best, but it is practically impossible to bring all these cases to immediate settlement. The new claims are, to a great extent, given precedence over claims for increase.

In addition to letters of inquiry, etc., from members, the office last year received over 1,270,660 communications from claimants, their friends and attorneys, inquiring regarding their claims. These communications poured in at the rate of more than 3,800 per day. The receipt of every one of them was acknowledged, but it is physically impossible at once to give the status of the cases to which they relate. Some are reached more rapidly than others, which accounts for the fact that definite replies to some letters are received in a shorter space of time than others.

Members of Congress alone sent nearly 155,000 communications regarding the pension claims last year. To answer these it would not be justice to the claimants and their friends other than Congressmen. All are taken up in their turn.

The letter concludes: "Where a member of Congress is cognizant of the fact that an old soldier is in such condition physically or financially as to render it imperative that his claims have immediate attention, and that fact is brought to my notice, I do not hestitate to have the case called up, examined, and the status given, and in such cases I would be glad to respond to your letters."

CALIFORNIA FRUITS.

Saturday's Sales in the Various Eastern Markets.

CHICAGO, Sept. 12.—The Porter Brothers Company sold to-day at auction for account of California Fruit Union: Bartlett pears, $1 70@2 35; Buerre Clairgeaus, $1 35; peaches, 75c@$1 15; Tokays, $1@2 70; Doubles, $3 20; Muscats, 95c@$2 65; Cornichons, $1 25; figs, 45c.

CHICAGO, Sept. 13.—The Earl Fruit Company sold at auction California fruit at the following prices: Bartlett pears, $2@2 50; Buerre Hardy pears, Gros prunes, $1 50; Silver prunes, $1 25; Muscat grapes, half crates, $1 20@1 45; Tokays, $1 80; Orange Cling peaches, 90c@$1.

AT MINNEAPOLIS.

MINNEAPOLIS, Sept. 12.—The Porter Brothers Company, agents for the California Fruit Union, realized for pears $1 50@1 75; peaches, $1@1 25; grapes, 75c@$1 25; plums, 75c@$1.

MINNEAPOLIS, Sept. 13.—The Earl Fruit Company sold at auction California fruit at the following prices: Bartlett pears, $1 95@2 05; Tokay grapes, half crates, $1 05@1 70; McKevitt Cling peaches, 90c@$1; Susquehanna peaches, $1; Strawberry peaches, $1; Golden Cling peaches, $1.

AT NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—The Earl Fruit Company sold through E. L. Goodsell, at auction, California fruit at the following prices: Bartlett pears, $1 35@4; Seckle pears, $1 40; Susquehanna peaches, 80c@$1 05; Orange Cling peaches, $1 05@1 30; Strawberry peaches, 85c; Late Crawford peaches, 70c@$1 25; nectarines, $1 30@1 50; McKevitt Cling peaches, $1 15@1 20; Lemon Cling peaches, $1 20; Gros prunes, $1 80@2 40; Hungarian prunes, $1@2 40; Muscat grapes, half crates, $1 30@1 35; Muscats, full crates, $2 40; Tokay grapes, half crates, $1 10@1 80; full crates, $2 20.

AT OMAHA.

OMAHA, Sept. 12.—The Porter Brothers Company, agents for the California Fruit Union, realized for peaches 35@75c; pears, $1@1 50.

CLEARING-HOUSE STATISTICS.

Business Transacted in the Principal Cities During the Past Week.

BOSTON, Sept. 13.—Clearings: New York, $626,988,000, a decrease of 14.1 per cent.; Boston, $81,242,000, a decrease of 5.9; Chicago, $88,958,000, an increase of 6.6; Philadelphia, $55,325,000, a decrease of 19.9; St. Louis, $24,557,000, an increase of 0.6; San Francisco, $15,255,000, an increase of 12.3; Baltimore, $14,491,000, an increase of 9.12; Cincinnati, $11,747,000, a decrease of 4.9; Pittsburg, $11,312,000, a decrease of 25.4; Kansas City, $10,081,000, an increase of 11.5; Minneapolis, $9,244,000, an increase of 49.3; Milwaukee, $6,950,000, a decrease of 9.3; Omaha, $8,906,000, a decrease of 21.9; Denver, $7,521,000, a decrease of 15.5; St. Paul, $3,879,000, an increase of 0.6; Galveston, $7,521,000, an increase of 9.6; Portland, Or., $1,983,000, a decrease of 4.3; Salt Lake, $1,873,000, a decrease of 13.0; Tacoma, $809,600, no comparison; Seattle, $764,000, a decrease of 43.5; Los Angeles, $643,000, an increase of 17.3. Total for the leading cities of the United States and Canada for the week, $1,067,708,587, a decrease of 97 per cent., as compared with a corresponding week last year.

TENNESSEE LEGISLATURE.

Much Important Business Transacted at the Extra Session.

NASHVILLE (Tenn.), Sept. 13.—The extra session of the Legislature expires by limitation next Saturday. While the sessions have been at times bordering on the sensational, much important business has been transacted. The more important bills passed so far have been one appropriating $25,000 per year for the maintenance of an efficient military force for the purpose of aiding the civil authorities in upholding the law, and one for a revision of the election laws.

A bill reapportioning the State into Senatorial and Representative districts has been perfected and passed in the Democratic caucus.

KEYSTONE BANK FAILURE.

Secretary Foster Petitioned to Continue the Investigation.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 13.—Acting Secretary Spaulding has received a letter containing resolutions adopted by the Citizens' Committee of Fifty of Philadelphia, requesting that Secretary Foster do all in his power toward providing means for a continuance of the investigation into the affairs of the Keystone Bank. It is probable that if the Citizens' Committee raises the money to pay for a continuation of the services of experts, it will be continued, but the Secretary cannot guarantee that any money thus expended will be refunded by Congress, although he might recommend that a special appropriation for such refunding be made.

PASSENGER TRAIN WRECKED.

Twenty-Six People Injured, Five Probably Fatally.

DENVER, Sept. 13.—A passenger train of the Union Pacific was wrecked about 11 o'clock this morning near Beaverbrooks Station, and twenty-six passengers injured, five probably fatally. The train was late and was running rapidly around a sharp curve. The express-car left the track and rolled down a fifteen-foot embankment, pulling with it the mail and two passenger coaches. The train was loaded with passengers, many of whom were Knights of Pythias returning from a State convention at Aspen.

The most seriously injured are: Mrs. Mrs. Gutchmacher, Blackhawk, Col.; Rubfelgerner, Blackhawk; Geo. B. Tarr, conductor; Burnett, Nevadaville, Col.; Walter, injured fatally. The less seriously injured are: E. L. Warren, George Ault, W. Browning, W. H. Warbock, R. C. Videl, J. S. Lallie, W. C. Dusseldorf, Ernest Howard, E. M. Dunmore, Frank Brodie, E. Hogle, C. C. Davis, Mrs. Sterns, a child eight years old; Henry Howey, John Windell, M. Forry, Owen Jones, Gulter.

The cause of the wreck is not known exactly, but as the road was a narrow-gauge, and the coaches very top heavy, it is thought that the train was running too rapidly for safety.

When the wrecking-train left Golden, Robert Pruin, an employe of the road, attempted to board the engine. His revolver fell from his pocket, the hammer struck a stone and the weapon was discharged, the ball taking effect in the man's neck, making a wound which will result fatally.

EASTERN BASEBALL.

Results of Yesterday's American and Western Association Games.

CHICAGO, Sept. 13.—The American and Western Associations ball games yesterday resulted as follows:

At Denver—Denver 3, Sioux City 7.

Kansas City—Kansas City 13, Omaha 6; second game—Kansas City 18, Omaha 12.

ST. LOUIS, Sept. 13.—St. Louis 14, Baltimore 6.

COLUMBUS, Sept. 13.—Columbus 5, Washington 2; second game—Columbus 1, Washington 2.

MILWAUKEE, Sept. 13.—Milwaukee 7, Athletic 8; second game—Milwaukee 7, Athletic 3.

Fatal Stabbing in a Courtroom.

PARAGOULD (Ark.), Sept. 13.—Silas Potter was fatally stabbed by Jim Honey in the courtroom to-day. Both men are prominent planters. They had trouble over cattle of Honey, which broke into Potter's field. Honey finally challenged Potter to fight a duel. Potter swore out a peace warrant against Honey. During the progress of the trial Honey suddenly sprang at Potter with an open knife, and fatally stabbed him. The murderer was arrested. There is talk of lynching, but the authorities and prisoner's friends are on the alert, and will protect the prisoner.

Bold Robbery in Kansas.

KANSAS CITY (Mo.), Sept. 13.—Four men with drawn revolvers entered the saloon of Alfred Crandall this morning and held up ten loungers and relieved them of their valuables, and then ordered the proprietor to turn over his cash. Crandall made a show of resistance, and while three of the robbers held the loafers at bay, the fourth attacked Crandall and knocked him down. He then robbed the cash drawer and stole the proprietor's watch and diamond pin. The bandits made their escape.

Pleasure Yacht Run Down and Sunk.

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—A pleasure yacht containing four persons was run down and sunk in Arthur Kills last night by a steam lighter. Only two of those on board the yacht were rescued. The others, Harry Fairchild and Walter Dood, were swept away by the tide and drowned. Albert and Henry Stewart, the survivors, are strangely reticent about the affair.

Texas Train Robbers.

SAN ANTONIO (Tex.), Sept. 13.—The pursuit of the five men who recently robbed the Southern Pacific train at Samuels has ended, as far as the citizens' posse and State rangers are concerned. All evidence in their possession has been turned over to the postal authorities, who will continue the attempts to capture the men.

Young Wiley Has Not Been Lynched.

PRATT (Kas.), Sept. 13.—The report that James Wiley, the 15-year-old boy who murdered his stepbrother yesterday, has been captured and lynched, is untrue. Wiley gave himself up and was lodged safely in jail.

Montana Democrats.

GREAT FALLS (Mont.) Sept. 13.—J. E. Collins, Chairman of the Democratic Central Committee, has issued a call for a meeting at Helena on September 21st for the purpose of organizing a State Association of Democratic clubs.

APROPOS OF THE FLY.

Its Metamorphosis and an Explanation of Its Sudden Disappearance.

How many people are there whom the harmless but annoying little house fly does not only worry but sometimes drive to distraction, and yet how few there are whose entomological knowledge is of sufficient breadth to allow of their tracing it from its first existence to a full-grown fly.

Does not the question often arise as to its mysterious and sudden disappearance, asks Rex in the Philadelphia *Press*. Summer after summer they present themselves for personal annoyance, in great abundance, and strangely enough appear always in fully developed proportions; yet with the same yearly regularity they as mysteriously disappear, leaving no trace of their existence behind.

Let us follow one of these little dipterous insects through its metamorphosis.

During the month of August the fly lays its eggs in clusters or bunches in decaying animal or vegetable matter of almost any kind, such as manure or other filth. The eggs remain unhatched usually for a period of six months, after which their hatching will depend upon the degree of heat to which they are subjected.

A day or two of moderate heat will bring the eggs to life in larva form—a maggot without head, tail or legs. These crawl to some dry place to pupate. In less than two weeks, with neither food no sustenance, the puparium will grow from its tiny shape to the size of a small pea, when the perfect fly emerges.

Their lives are of short duration, for they only thrive through warm seasons of the year, when they are more plentiful, and as the colder weather returns they die.

Fragile in their composition, which contains nearly 80 per cent. of moisture, they greatly diminish in size when dead and dry, and their matter, in consequence most brittle, easily crumbles, turns to dust and blows away.

PARIS, Sept. 13.—An official report on the recent Martinique hurricane makes the total loss of life 340.

CHILEAN AFFAIRS.

Police Authorities Prosecuting a Search for Balmaceda.

HE IS BELIEVED TO BE HIDING IN SOME MONASTERY.

The German Minister Criticised for His Conduct in Permitting the Removal of Balmaceda's Minister of War From the German Legation to Prison—The Property of Persons Known to Have Been Active Supporters of Balmaceda to be Confiscated.

Special to the RECORD-UNION.

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—The *Herald* has the following cable:

VALPARAISO (via Galveston), Sept. 12.—The police authorities are still prosecuting a vigorous search throughout Santiago for Balmaceda. It is now generally believed that he is hiding in some monastery. Several of these institutions have already been visited by the police, but so far no trace of him has been discovered.

There is no truth in the report about the Indian uprising. The story evidently had its origin in the pillaging of Coronel by miners.

The German Minister to Chile has made a public denial here of the cable to the New York *Herald* in which it was told how he ordered the Admiral of a German warship to surrender political refugees, but that the Admiral had declined to do so, cabling the German Emperor for approval of his action, and how the Emperor had cabled back sustaining the Admiral. The truth of the cabled statement is reaffirmed, and proofs to the contrary challenged.

The German Minister might try to explain another extraordinary proceeding on his part while he is about it. His recent conduct in permitting the removal of Balmaceda's Minister of War, Valaquez, from the German legation to prison is generally condemned, and has provoked much adverse criticism from even the warmest partisans of the Junta's cause. President Jorg Montt himself, upon learning the particulars of this strange case, ordered Senor Valaquez to the legation, and declared that his removal and imprisonment were violation of the sanctity of the legation. Senor Montt's magnanimous conduct is in marked contrast to the action of the German Minister.

The British warship Melpomene has been ordered to China, and the Champion to Esquimault, on Vancouver Island. The Champion, on her way north, will call at Coquimbo to take on board Colonel Carvallo and Intendente Sanchez, two of Balmaceda's officials, and will land them at Calloa.

Senor Ordonez, the Spanish Minister, has tendered the thanks of himself, his country and the Spanish residents of Chile to Admiral Brown of the United States flagship San Francisco for offers of protection to the Minister and his countrymen during the recent troubles.

The foreign Ministers are much chagrined at the promptitude displayed by Minister Egan in scoring a point in behalf of the United States in recognizing the Junta's authority ahead of other nations.

The ambulance service has tendered a testimonial to Passed Assistant Surgeon John Medger, of the United States steamship San Francisco; Assistant Surgeon Edward R. Stitt of Baltimore and two junior surgeons of the same vessels, for valuable aid in behalf of the injured in the recent conflicts.

The railroad connection between this city and Santiago has been temporarily suspended. While a freight train last night was crossing one of the bridges, the structure collapsed. The locomotive, tender, and most of the freight cars were thrown into a ravine below. The accident happened so suddenly that the engineer and fireman were unable to make any attempt to escape, and they went down with the wreck. A relief party was organized in the hope of saving their lives. When it reached the wreckage the engineer and firemen were found pinned down under a mass of debris. After considerable trouble they were taken out, and it was found that they were alive, but seriously injured.

Two severe earthquake shocks occurred here this morning. The firsttwas at 7:40 o'clock, and created general alarm. It was of a few seconds duration. Before the people recovered from their fright a second shock took place. They were thought to be the forerunners of more serious shocks, but happily no others occurred. There was no damage done to property, and no one was injured.

It is stated on reliable authority that all men known to have been active supporters of Balmaceda, as well as those guilty of peculation, will lose their property by confiscation. The Supreme Court has already organized, and all these cases will be submitted to it.

The family of Senor Augustine Edwards, who has accepted the offer of the office of Minister of War in the Cabinet of the Provisional Government, arrived here to-day, and were