

MINISTER TO CHINA DENBY.

He is Said to Be in Serious Danger of Being Recalled.

DISSATISFACTION AT HIS COURSE IN AN IMPORTANT MATTER.

Belief at the State Department That He is Not Carrying Out Instructions Regarding the Ku Cheng Massacre—May Have Taken Umbrage From Suggestions From This Government as to the Policy Which He Should Pursue.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 23.—Not a line has been received at the State Department for more than a week from Charles Denby, United States Minister at Peking, and there is good reason to believe that he is procrastinating with regard to the instructions sent him concerning the investigations into the Ku Cheng massacre.

It is in justice to Mr. Denby it should be said that the department does not blame him for not having secured what was desired, because the matter of destination or compliance with the department's wishes rests with the Tsung Li Yamen, but he has been found wanting in not keeping the Washington dispatches furnished of current events, presumably neglecting to carry out his instructions to press matters.

It is the belief at the department that Mr. Denby has taken umbrage because the suggestions from this government as to the policy to be pursued by him do not agree with his own ideas, and for that reason is not doing all that he has been directed to do.

The news contained in press dispatches from Shanghai that Liu Ping Ching, the degraded Chinese official, had been appointed Imperial High Commissioner to investigate the outrages on the English missionaries has not been confirmed officially by any dispatch received at the State Department.

AN OLD STORY.

The rumor concerning Perry's refusal to salute the French flag is an old story, says Acting Secretary McCleod of the Navy Department to-day, when shown the published dispatches that Commander Thos. Perry of the Castine had declined to salute the French flag at Tananarive, where he had gone in connection with the case of Consul Waller.

LONDON, Aug. 23.—A dispatch to the Central News Agency from Paris says that the French Government has issued a statement concerning the negotiations between France and Madagascar.

TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

Results of the Games Played at Newport, R. I., Yesterday. NEWPORT, Aug. 23.—In spite of a threatening aspect early in the morning, the weather was again excellent for tennis to-day.

WELCOME SHOWERS.

Rainfall Which Will do a Great Amount of Good. DES MOINES, Aug. 23.—The best rain of the season has fallen all over Iowa in the

U. P. TRAIN ROBBERS.

Officers Hot on the Trail of Two of the Supposed Bandits.

FINDING THEY WERE FOLLOWED, THE MEN TAKE TO THE HILLS.

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BANDITS SURRENDERED.

OMAHA, Aug. 23.—Two men who answer the description of the robbers who held up the Union Pacific train at Butternut Hill were reported this afternoon walking across the country about six miles southeast of Callaway, and the Sheriff and a posse of four men were in pursuit.

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OMAHA, Aug. 23.—The town of Sillein, in Hungary, has been for some time identified with the Chicago Gas Company, inasmuch as the town has not yet been controlled. No details are yet obtainable.

OPPOSED TO GREENBACKS.

NEW YORK, Aug. 23.—E. C. Benedict, well known in Wall street and for years identified with the Chicago Gas Company, is out with a statement in which he maintains that unless the Democratic party comes out flatly against greenback currency he will vote in favor of the party that does.

SERIOUS FIRE IN INDIANA.

SHELBYVILLE, Aug. 23.—A fire tonight destroyed Conroy, Brierly & Co.'s State warehouse factory near by was also burned. Loss, \$50,000; partly insured. Three hundred persons are thrown out of employment.

STRIKE PRACTICALLY OVER.

BOSTON, Aug. 23.—Secretary Felt of the Garment Workers' Union stated this afternoon that the strike of the garment workers in this city was practically over; that the strikers had accepted the terms of the strikers' signed contracts and furnished bonds.

REVIEW OF TRADE.

THE VOLUME SHRINKS, AS IS NATURAL IN AUGUST. Exports of Wheat and Flour Not Up to the Average of the Same Date Last Year.

NEW YORK, Aug. 23.—R. F. Dun & Co. in their weekly review of trade to-morrow will say: The volume of business shrank as natural in August, and the shrinkage seems larger than usual.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 23.—In response to the urgent request of Acting Secretary of State Adee that Ambassador Eustis send a representative to visit Ex-Consul Waller in prison near Marsailles, the State Department to-day received a cable from Mr. Eustis stating that he will visit the prisoner.

BRITISH PARLIAMENT.

LONDON, Aug. 23.—In the House of Commons to-day Robert J. Hanbury, Financial Secretary to the Postoffice Department, stated, in reply to a question by J. Henniker Heaton, that it was the intention of the government to follow up the efforts of their predecessors in office toward the establishment of a parcel post service between the United States and Great Britain.

CLYSLIST MEETING.

CLOSE OF THE NATIONAL CIRCUIT RACES AT MOUNT CLEMENS, MICH. MOUNT CLEMENS, Mich., Aug. 23.—The National Circuit bicycle races were brought to a close here to-day. It was one of the most successful meetings that has ever been held in Michigan.

GURNEY HOTEL, COL. ENGINEER.

ARRESTED AT ANTONITO, COLORADO, REACHED THE MEXICAN BORDER. DENVER, Aug. 23.—Word was received by the police authorities late to-night of the arrest in Antonito, Col., this evening of Elmer Loescher, the missing engineer of the Gurney Hotel, who disappeared from view immediately after the explosion Monday morning.

PIRATES INFEST CHINESE WATERS.

MARSHALLS, Aug. 23.—The French steamer Chevalon, which has arrived here from Chinese waters, reports that Tonking is infested with pirates, who constantly harass the French troops.

AFTER FILLMORE'S LIFE.

A Crank Who Wanted to End the Superintendent's Existence.

BUT WAS PREVENTED FROM CARRYING OUT HIS THREAT.

Made His Way to the Floor Where the Office is Located, But Was Met by Detective Gard, Who Promptly Husted Him Out of the Building—The Crank Under Police Surveillance, and Will Be Placed Under Arrest Unless He Departs From the Bay City.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 23.—The evident effort of a crank to cast out his threat of killing General Superintendent Fillmore of the Southern Pacific Company created a sensation in the office at Montgomery and Market streets at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

Andrew J. Collins, formerly a laborer in the employ of the company at Tucson, Ariz., entered the building at the hour stated, and stepping into the elevator, went to the fourth floor, where Superintendent Fillmore's office is located.

At the door of the elevator he met an old acquaintance in Detective George Gard, who accosted him with some suspicion and asked to ascertain his business in the building.

Collins attempted to go into Superintendent Fillmore's office, but Gard restrained him. The detective succeeded in dragging Collins to the third floor. Here assistance was secured, and Collins was promptly hustled out of the building.

"I'll kill him yet!" shouted Collins, excitedly.

Detective Gard accompanied Collins up Market street and told him to cease visiting the railroad building or suffer arrest.

Collins is a crank who for some time past has been threatening to kill Messrs. Huntington, Crocker and Fillmore unless they acceded to his demands.

He worked for the company at Los Angeles as a train hand, and about two years ago lost a portion of his foot in an accident.

The company paid his hospital expenses, gave him \$1,000 and passed him to Tucson, where he was given steady employment until several weeks ago, when he, in company with fifteen others, was discharged.

Collins has labored under the impression that the company owed him a "job for life," and he demanded it as his right. He went to Los Angeles and sought Mr. Huntington, to whom he repeated his demand with many threats.

He appeared here last Tuesday, and since that time has been visiting the railroad building daily. Detective Gard has watched him closely, but did not really believe the fellow was serious in his threats until to-day.

Superintendent Fillmore says he never heard of Collins, but he had been informed that that individual was seeking his life. "I paid no attention to the matter," remarked he, "there are so many cranks of that character who come here every day that I do not notice them."

Collins is under police surveillance, and if he does not get out of town before many days he will be arrested on a charge of threats against life.

HAWAIIAN CABLE.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 23.—Colonel Z. S. Spaulding, who has obtained an exclusive concession from the Hawaiian Government for a telegraph cable from the United States to Honolulu, had a conference with the Trustees of the Chamber of Commerce yesterday. He explained his project in full, and the Trustees pledged themselves to give it all the aid in their power.

Colonel Spaulding explained that he desired to obtain from the United States Government a subsidy of \$200,000 a year for twenty years, which, with that already secured, would aggregate \$3,000,000 a year. He estimated that the cable complete, with stations, plant, land lines, cable ships and running expenses would require \$4,000,000 capital. To raise this amount, the Colonel said it was his intention as soon as he had secured the Government subsidy, to form a company, which would sell at least \$250,000 worth of stock in San Francisco, as much in Honolulu and the rest required in the East and Europe. He calculated that at any rate he would have to expend a sum of \$400,000, of which \$300,000 would be supplied by subsidy and \$100,000 from the business receipts. The proposed company would have to possess at least \$1,000,000 capital in order to properly finance the project.

STRUCK A ROCK.

A BRIG WRECKED IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD OF PORT CLARENCE. VICTORIA (B. C.), Aug. 23.—Captain Locke of the wrecked sealing schooner Brenda, who arrived here from Alaska to-day, reports the loss of a San Francisco brig in the vicinity of Port Clarence. He was given the news at Ounakalga by the Captain of a bark bound for Port Townsend worth over \$170,000 worth of furs.

The wreck took place some time about the end of July, but the name of the vessel could not be recalled by Captain Locke. She struck a rock, and in the absence of proper assistance sank after several fruitless attempts to save her were made. The crew is supposed to be on their way to San Francisco.

ACCIDENT IN A MINE.

A WORKMAN INSTANTLY KILLED IN BUTTE COUNTY. OROVILLE, Aug. 23.—Last night at the Magalia shaft George Crandall and George Tyler were at work on a ladder, when a timber became loosened and fell, striking Crandall on the head and Tyler on the arm. The latter, although badly hurt, maintained his footing, but Crandall fell sixty feet to the bottom of the shaft and was instantly killed. He leaves a wife and four children.

At 10 o'clock this morning in Oroville a scaffolding fell on which four bricklayers were at work. William Houlahan was out and bruised on his back and head, while Allen Crane was severely injured internally.

WILL BE APPEALED.

A LITIGANT NOT SATISFIED WITH A JUDGE'S DECISION. VISALIA, Aug. 23.—Judge Webb of Fresno presided in the Superior Court this morning in the case of Tulare County vs. E. A. May, Treasurer, John Broder, John Fewell, C. G. Wilcox, Thomas E. Clark and Wm. Dewitt being heard. This is the case instituted by the Supervisors to enjoin the County Treasurer from drawing warrants for salaries for certain deputy county officials. Demurrors of defendants was heard and sustained on

CREAMERY NEAR SANTA CRUZ BURNED.

SANTA CRUZ, Aug. 23.—The William Kerr ranch, creamery and cheese factory, about a mile and a half from this city, burned to the ground at noon to-day. The men were at dinner, and noticed the roof on fire, and hastened to the dairy house and hurriedly it in flames. Fearing an explosion from the boilers, none entered, and nothing was saved. The entire contents of the building were destroyed, together with the books and papers and a large amount of cheese. The loss is about \$4,000; insurance, \$2,000.

DURRANT MURDER CASE.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 23.—No additional jurors were secured in the Durrant trial this morning and an adjournment was taken until Monday morning. Another sensational development is pending in this case. It is alleged that the prosecution will peremptorily challenge Nathan Crocker, one of the nine selected jurors, on the ground that he may possibly be connected in a business way with General Dickinson, one of the counsel for the defense.

BITTER FEELING AGAINST CHINESE.

ANDERSON, Aug. 23.—Last night a party of white laborers visited the Alexander fruit ranch, which had been leased to Chinamen, and drove the Mongolians from the place. After the Chinese left the packing house was set on fire, and over five tons of dried fruit with all the appliances of the plant were destroyed. The feeling against Chinese in this section is very bitter.

PURCHASING AGENT TO BE APPOINTED.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 23.—President Commodore S. J. Westlake, Commissioned by the Board of Public Works, has appointed a purchasing agent of the board, a new position. Purchases have been made by the heads of the five departments, and the new office is expected to prove a great saving in the total expenses of the board.

MRS. WORTHINGTON'S SENTENCE.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 23.—Louisa Worthington was to-day sentenced to twenty days in the San Quentin for the murder of Harry Hadley. This is the second time she has been sentenced. The defendant alleged insanity for shooting her lover, and said that she was urged to do so by her husband.

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