

STARTLING STORY, IF TRUE.

Attempt to Blow Up the City of Peking.

An Enlisted Man Said to Have Been Caught in the Act.

President Dole and the Hawaiian Citizens Welcomed the Soldiers on the Transports Which Left for Manila on the Fourth-Queen Dowager Kapiolani Remembered Kindness Shown to Her Husband.

HONOLULU, June 8.—The Hawaiian "Star" of June 3d publishes the following story regarding an attempt to blow up the United States steamship City of Peking while that vessel was in port here. If the report which is in circulation is true, Honolulu came near being the scene of as frightful a disaster as that of the Maine and in much the same way. The story is that nothing more nor less than an attempt to blow up the Peking magazine was frustrated just in time on the high seas by a man, it is said, was caught just in the act of arranging a fuse connecting with the magazine. The magazine contains 400 tons of powder and had been guarded closely. The dastard, it is said, is now under the closest guard and when the Peking gets out on the high seas will be hanged at the yardarm. The greatest secrecy concerning the matter is being maintained for fear it would mar the spirit of the present occasion. The alleged culprit is said to be half-Spaniard.

WELCOMED AT HONOLULU.

Transports Departed for Manila and Should be Nearly There.

VICTORIA (B. C.), June 18.—Advices to-day per steamer Miowera from Honolulu June 10th, say: The United States transports City of Peking, City of Sydney and the Australian arrived here together on the 11th inst. The voyage down was pleasant, and the vessels traveled abreast most of the way, although it was necessary for both the Peking and Australia to slow up and wait for the City of Sydney. Eight mild cases of measles broke out on the Australia. The deck men were separated from the other passengers on the ship, by being quartered on the hurricane deck. The surgeons had the cases well in hand when the vessel arrived. As soon as the three vessels were sighted all Honolulu turned out to welcome the soldiers. The decks were lined with people and the vessels yelled themselves hoarse. Such a scene of enthusiasm had never been witnessed in Honolulu. When the vessel docked it was late, so the order was given to allow no one ashore, but the next morning about one-half of the men were permitted to go ashore. During the day they were given the freedom of the city, a committee of citizens furnishing free cars and other conveniences. The men visited Waikiki and other points of interest and had a pleasant time generally. At noon President Dole and his cabinet received the officers of the expedition. During the reception the stairs and grounds of the executive building were thronged with people. The Second Battalion of the California Regiment arrived a few moments before the reception began. During Friday, June 12, the soldiers were entertained on the grounds of the executive building. President Dole was on hand to welcome them. The visiting troops were introduced to the President by members of the National Guard and citizens generally. The most freedom prevailed, the affair being very informal. To each man the Chief Executive gave a word of welcome to Honolulu. An outdoor luncheon was served by the ladies of this city.

HONOLULU, June 9.—The United States transports left for Manila on the 4th. The Charleston began to draw anchor about 7 o'clock. She steamed outside and waited for the fleet consisting of the Peking, Australia and City of Sydney, which got away about 10 o'clock, with the Charleston in the rear. While the vessels were in port they took in the neighborhood of 1,600 tons of coal. Of the 2,500 men among the various vessels but two deserters were recorded and they are from an Oregon regiment. Two men were left behind, one being discharged for disability, the other is in a local hospital.

SHE DID NOT FORGET.

Kapiolani Presented the Charleston with a Fine Flag.

HONOLULU, June 9.—(Via Victoria, B. C., June 18.)—On the 2d inst. Queen Dowager Kapiolani presented the United States steamer Charleston with a large American flag as a token of her appreciation for the kindness of the officers of the warship immediately preceding and following the death of her late husband in California in 1841.

In November, 1890, King Kalakaua visited San Francisco as a guest of Admiral Brown of the company, several thousand shares of the capital stock of the Coos Bay, Roseburg and Eastern Oregon Railroad and Navigation Company, together with mortgages on certain town lots in what is known as the "Broad" addition to the town of Marshfield, Or.

ter in mind, however, and at last she had an opportunity to show her recognition of the services of the ship.

Three Kamehameha School students, all native Hawaiians, tried to enlist with Colonel Summers of the Oregon regiment on the trip to Manila.

They were so worked up over the war and so immensely enthusiastic in their American sentiment that the four men, regular members of the Hawaiian army, joined the United States forces here. They went on board the Peking, and were enlisted at once.

It is given out officially that the Bennington will not leave port until the arrival of the Mohican. The Bennington will go to Mare Island to be cleaned and then will be sent to Manila as a fleet convoy.

While the United States troops were in this city over 7,000 letters were written by them. The postage amounting to \$441, was paid by the Hawaiian Government. Most of the writing was done in the legislative halls. The stationery was furnished free of charge.

The cable bill has passed the third reading in the House and now requires only the action of the President to make it a law. It grants an exclusive franchise between the Hawaiian Islands and Japan with the right to touch at other islands in the North Pacific north of the tenth degree of north latitude.

The franchise is conditioned upon the company's securing within eighteen months a franchise for a cable between the United States and these islands from the American Congress and the approval of the Secretary of State within six months thereafter. There are also conditions as to the time within which the cable is to be completed and in working order, as well as the maximum rates to be charged for transmitting messages.

The bill names the Pacific Cable Company of New York as the corporation to which the franchise is to be given. The only amendment in the House was one ordering the Hawaiian end of the cable to land on the Hawaiian Islands and not necessarily at Honolulu, as provided in the original bill.

The American ship A. J. Fuller, Captain Nichols, sailed for New York on the 17th inst. She carries a cargo valued at more than \$200,000. She will call at Delaware Breakwater for orders. The danger of Spanish cruisers in the Atlantic daunts neither her Captain or owners.

SOME PLAIN TALK.

Hawaii Tells Spain She is Going to Help the United States.

VICTORIA (B. C.), June 18.—The following was received to-day per steamer Miowera from Honolulu: HONOLULU, June 9.—Following is the full text of the correspondence between the Spanish Vice Consul at this port and the Hawaiian Government regarding the entertainment of American troops at this port:

HONOLULU, June 1.—H. E. Cooper, Minister of Foreign Affairs.—Sir: In my capacity as Vice Consul for Spain I have the honor to-day to enter formal protest with the Hawaiian Government against the constant violations of neutrality in this harbor, while actual war exists between Spain and the United States of America. Requesting you to acknowledge receipt of this communication, I have the honor to be, sir, H. RENJES, Vice Consul for Spain.

The reply of the Government, which is now in Mr. Renjes' hands, is as follows:

Department of Foreign Affairs, Honolulu, June 6, 1898.—Sir: In reply to your note of the 1st inst., I have the honor to say that owing to the intimate relations now existing between this country and the United States, this Government has not proclaimed a policy of neutrality, having reference to the present conflict between the United States and Spain; but on the contrary has tendered to the United States privileges and assistance, for which reason your protest can receive no further consideration than to acknowledge its receipt, and have the honor to be, sir, your obedient servant, HENRY E. COOPER, Minister of Foreign Affairs.

To H. Renjes, Esq., Vice Consul for Spain, Honolulu.

GUANTANAMO BOMBARDED.

Great Destruction Wrought in the Town by the Shells.

MOLE ST. NICHOLAS, June 18.—6:30 p. m. (Copyright, 1898, by the Associated Press).—News from Guantanamo Bay, up to this morning, shows that naval operations there continue active, and with the advantage on the side of the Americans. Yesterday at 3:30 o'clock the Americans resumed the bombardment of Guantanamo town, and in the course of one and one-half hours threw into it seventy-five shells, a great majority of which appeared to have been effective. Six of these shells were 13-inch, eight were 8-inch, and the remainder were 6-inch. The men in the tops could see many of the shells strike in the very midst of the town, while others fell among the shipping and commercial buildings near the water's edge.

Smoke arose in dense columns from the places where the shells fell, and it is believed that the damage, both by the impact of the missiles and consequent conflagration, was very great. On Thursday evening the ships had thrown four 13-inch and nine 8-inch shells into the town. This bombardment began at 4 o'clock and ended at 9 o'clock. Much smoke and confusion was discerned in Guantanamo during its progress. Crowds of people and troops of soldiers were seen moving about, and the vessels in port hurriedly changed their anchorage.

On Wednesday night the Texas penetrated into the bay of Santiago, passed Morro Castle and poured a well directed fire both upon that stronghold and the Castle Sopa.

This battle began about 11 o'clock and ended about midnight. There was very little response from the Spaniards, and such as there was did hardly any damage. Nobody was killed in any of these actions on the American ships.

The Spanish officers who were captured on Wednesday at Guantanamo Bay are reported to be on board the Marblehead.

THE SPRECKELS SUE.

They Want Three-Quarters of a Million From R. A. Graham.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 18.—Suit has been instituted by the John D. Spreckels & Bros. Company against R. A. Graham for \$250,000, on account of promissory notes. This demand is in addition to the action recently begun by the Spreckels Company against Graham for \$200,000, on account of transactions in coal at the Beaver Hill coal mines, making a total of \$450,000. Securities for the debt held by the Spreckels Company comprise several thousand shares of the capital stock of the Coos Bay, Roseburg and Eastern Oregon Railroad and Navigation Company, together with mortgages on certain town lots in what is known as the "Broad" addition to the town of Marshfield, Or.

TILLO WINS THE SUBURBAN.

The Great Ornament Was Not Placed.

Sloan Saw It Was Useless and Gave Up the Race.

Clayton Guided the Winner With Excellent Judgment and Semper Ego Came in Second Through a Good Field of Competitors—Plink Coat Wins the St. Louis Derby by a Length—Fine Athletic Sports at Chicago.

NEW YORK, June 18.—Tillo first and the great Ornament nowhere, was the record of the Suburban of 1898. The favorite was badly beaten, chiefly because the horses were kept a full hour at the post.

When the bugle called the contenders to the post there was but little unoccupied space in the grandstand, on the roof or lawn. It was almost half past 4 o'clock when the eleven candidates were in the hands of Starter Fitzgerald and Ormsby, but the latter straightened out on the back stretch. After several false starts finally all came down together, and they were off on their journey exactly one hour after they had reached the starting point. Tillo was quickest on his feet, and for an instant his muzzle showed in front, but the wily Clayton took him back to fifth position. Royal Stag came next, followed by Havoc, Ogen, Don De Oro, Ornament and the others. They did not settle down to work until they had passed the grandstand, and it could easily be seen that the jockeys all had waiting orders. As the horses straightened out, the latter seemed to be overpowered by the weight he was carrying. Ben Holliday, too, was in the rear, while the rest had long been hanging out signals of distress. The sole exception was Semper Ego, who was doing well in the rear, but seemed to be pocketed.

As they neared the three-quarter pole Hamilton urged Ogen, and as they flashed past the mark he was a length to the good. Imp shoved her head in front of Royal Stag, while Clayton moved Tillo into fourth place. Ornament was actually in last place and Sloan was driving for all he was worth. It was one of the most exciting races there seemed to be no chance for him to win. Foot by foot Ornament cut down the lead of the others, and when he had worked his way up to eighth place Sloan evidently saw it was useless and gave up a very badly ridden race. It was but a short drive around the turn and then their noses were in the stretch, with Ogen a length in front. Clayton on Tillo had moved up into second place, crowding past Imp, who was about ready to stop. As they straightened out for home little Mathester on Semper Ego began to thread his way through the maze of flying horses and almost before the others knew it he was overhauling them rapidly. There was but a furlong to go, and Ogen began to waver. In a few strides Tillo had the front rank, and it could be seen plainly that it was all over. Don De Oro was a bone fourth and the others were beaten off. Results: Five furlongs, Harry Reed won, Isador second, Momentum third. Time—1:02.

One mile, Rinaldo won, Nobby second, General Maceo third. Time—1:42 3-5.

Future course, Kingdom won, Armament second, Miller third. Time—1:09.

Suburban, value \$10,000, mile and a quarter, Tillo, 119 (Clayton), 15 to 1, won; Semper Ego, 106 (Maher), 30 to 1, second; Ogen, 108 (Hamilton), 7 to 1, third. Time—1:55.

Don De Oro, Ben Holliday, Imp, Peep o' Day, Ornament, Tragedian, Havoc and Royal Stag also ran.

Four and a half furlongs, Half Time won, Satriel second, Tendency third. Time—0:57 1/4.

About two miles, steepchase, selling, Trillion won, Royal Scalet second, Sir Lawrence third. Time—4:20.

RACES AT DENVER. DENVER, June 16.—Results at Overland Park: Pacing, Miss Logan won, Urban second, Reward S. third. Best time—2:17 1/4.

Seven furlongs, Lillie Lamar won, Lorena II. second, Uncle Dan, Jr., third. Time—1:30 1/4.

Four and half furlongs, Jim Gore won, Rattler second, Omahwood third. Time—0:55.

One mile, Pat Morrissey won, Charlotte M. second, Lucky Star third. Time—1:42 1/2.

Four and one half furlongs, Lady Clifton won, July Jip second, Faucher third. Time—0:59.

Five and one half furlongs, Torsion won, Oscarona second, Rose d'Or third. Time—1:03.

RESULTS AT CHICAGO. CHICAGO, June 18.—Harlem results: Six furlongs, Tenole won, The Fair second, Lady Juliet third. Time—1:15 1/4.

Seven-sixteenths of a mile, Lemon won, Golden C. second, Greenwich third. Time—0:44.

One mile and seventy yards, Nathanson won, Dorothy III. second, Jack O'Hearts third. Time—1:48 1/2.

One mile and three-sixteenths, Weenatcha won, Maddalo second, Bob Millican third. Time—2:04.

Six furlongs, Richard J. won, Hugh Penny second, Bellicoso third. Time—1:14 1/2.

One mile and an eighth, Warrenton won, Midian second, Pingree third. Time—1:57.

ST. LOUIS DERBY.

ST. LOUIS, June 18.—The rich St. Louis Derby was run at the Fair grounds this afternoon, and 20,000 enthusiastic spectators saw Plink Coat ridden by Jockey W. Martin, win the day by a length in 2:37. The weather was perfect, but the track was a trifle slow. Plaudit ran second, and Bannockburn third. Five good ones faced the gate. Plaudit, with Littlefield up,

was a favorite at 6 to 5 and even money, while Plink Coat opened at 2 to 1. Bannockburn was next in favor. To the second break and a good start Bannockburn was the first to show, and set the pace. He got into the stretch, closely followed by Plink Coat, while the latter got away from the others and won by a length from Plaudit. Plaudit defeated Bannockburn handily for the place, and Jackanapes ran a creditable race. Results: Handicap, mile and seventy yards, Cavalry won, Fervent second, Parole d'Or third. Time—1:49 1/2.

St. Louis derby, value \$12,000, for three-year-olds, one mile and a half, Plink Coat, 107 (W. Martin), 11 to 5, won; Plaudit, 127 (Littlefield), even, second; Bannockburn, 107 (Thorp), 7 to 2, third. Time—2:37. Jackanapes and Equitation also ran.

One mile, Ed Farrell won, Libation second, Tom Kingsley third. Time—1:43 1/2.

One mile, selling, Guide Rock won, Laureate second, Domsie third. Time—1:43 1/2.

One mile and three-sixteenths, selling, Alton won, Zerst second, Tago third. Time—2:05 1/2.

One mile, Gold Band won, Night-gown second, Zarina third. Time—1:43 1/2.

CINCINNATI RACES. CINCINNATI, June 18.—Weather fine; track fast. Results: Seven furlongs, Jolly Son won, Marini second, Shink third. Time—1:28 1/2.

Five furlongs, Frank Bell won, Hardee Pardee second, Jolly Roger third. Time—1:02.

Mile and seventy yards, Azucena won, Bannished second, Imp, Eddie Burke third. Time—1:44 1/4.

ATHLETICS AT CHICAGO.

Two World's Records Broken and One Was Equalled. CHICAGO, June 18.—The "Mercury Foot" team of the New York Athletic Club swept nearly everything before it in the dual games between the Chicago Athletic Club at Park side by a score of 13 to 4. Two world's records were broken, and one was equalled.

The feature of the afternoon was the victory of Lang over Rush and Mayberry in the 220-yard event.

Mile walk, E. F. Peterson, N. Y. A. C., won; H. W. Ladd, N. Y. A. C., second. Time—6:55 4-5.

Running broad jump—J. P. Remington, N. Y. A. C., won, distance 22 feet 5 inches; H. Holland, C. A. A., second, distance 22 feet 4 1/2 inches.

Mile bicycle race—C. C. Schwartz, N. Y. A. C., won; Ray Dawson, N. Y. A. C., second. Time—2:26 4-5.

120-yard hurdle—A. C. Kraenzlein, C. A. A., won; O'Day, C. A. A., second. Time—0:15 1-5.

Mile run, J. F. Oregon, N. Y. C. A., won; A. Grant, N. Y. A. C., second. Time—4:34 3-5.

Clapp broke the world's record for the pole vault, clearing the bar at 11 feet 10 1/2 inches.

100-yard run—J. H. Rush, C. A. C., won from J. Maybury, C. A. A., by one second. Time—1:10 1-5.

440-yard run, L. Long, N. Y. A. C., third; Wefers, N. Y. A. C., fourth. Time—9-4 5 seconds, equals world's record.

Half-mile run—J. G. Cregan, N. Y. A. C., won by one yard from John Bray, N. Y. A. C. Time—2:00 1-5.

440-yard run, C. C. Burk, N. Y. A. C., won; C. K. Lunder, C. A. A., second. Time—0:54.

Pole vault—R. G. Clapp, N. Y. A. C., won, distance 11 feet; F. Martin, C. A. A., second, distance 10 feet 9 inches.

220-yard run—Won by Long of New York, J. H. Rush, Chicago, second; Maybury third. Time—2:00 1-5.

Running high jump—I. K. Baxter, New York, won, 6 feet 1 1/2 inches; Carroll, New York, 6 feet, second; Hamilton, H. Holland, Chicago, third, 5 feet.

Mile relay—Won by Bark, New York. Time—16:30.

Sixteen-pound shot-put—Won by Sheldon, New York, distance 44 feet 9 1/2 inches; McCracken, New York, second; Hennemen, Chicago, third.

220-yard hurdle—Won by Krasnlein, Chicago; O'Day, Chicago, second; Rogers, Chicago, third. Time—0:25 2-5.

Throwing 16-pound hammer—Won by John Flannagan, New York, distance 148 feet 1 1/2 inches; McCracken, New York, second; Henneman third. Time—2:18 1-5.

LINTON BEATS TAYLOR.

Good Races at the Manhattan Beach Bicycle Track. NEW YORK, June 18.—For the third time in racing career, Tom Linton of Wales and Linton Taylor of France met this afternoon at the Manhattan Beach bicycle track, and this time Linton was the victor. Taylor won the first two matches, the distance being thirty-one miles, which took place in Paris. To-day the distance was thirty miles, and Linton won by about 800 yards in 55 minutes 23 seconds, which is 13 4-5 seconds behind the world's record made by McDuffie at Boston yesterday. About 6,000 people witnessed the race.

One-third-mile handicap, professional, Linton (30 yards), won; R. F. Ireland (45), second; H. F. Terrill, San Francisco (15), third. Time—0:39 3-5.

Professional match race, mile heats, first heat paced—Jaap Eden, Holland, won; Major Taylor second. Time—2:18 1-5.

Second heat, un-paced—Won by Taylor, Eden second. Time—3:09 3-5.

Third heat, paced—Won by Taylor. Time—2:38 4-5.

Thirty-mile championship between Edward Taylor of France and Tom Linton of Wales—Won by Linton. Time—55:23.

ANOTHER DROP IN WHEAT.

Holders of July Thrown Into a Panic.

News From Paris and Antwerp Made it Worse.

Postmaster General Smith Puts Some New Postal Regulations Into Effect—Speaker Reed Back at His Post—Hanna Delegates Bolt—A Fishing Trust Formed, to be Controlled by English Capital.

CHICAGO, June 18.—The holders of July wheat were thrown into something of a panic at the start by the news from Liverpool, where speculators are strong, and somewhat higher at the start, but finally broke on the demoralized feeling in July. September sold down to 67 1/2 cents, while December declined to 68 1/2 cents. The rally in July caused some improvement in these longer futures, and they got additional help from the liberal buying by shorts, who took advantage of the break to buy in and secure profits, and under this there was a good rally.

Liverpool was weak, and when the day's declines were announced from Paris and Antwerp the prices here had started to rise. While most of the rain was reported in the Northwest, the weather in the South and Southwest, where wheat is in its ripening stage, the conditions are all that could be desired. The declines at Paris were 5 1/2 cents a bushel for June, and 3 1/2 cents a bushel for September and December. Antwerp was down the equivalent of 5 1/2 cents for American red, and 2 1/2 cents a bushel for California. July fell off with a loss of 3 1/2 cents, and September 1 1/2 cents.

POSTAL REGULATIONS.

Postmaster General Smith Puts Some New Ones Into Operation. WASHINGTON, June 18.—Postmaster General Smith has put in operation several changes in the postal regulations. It has been stated that the postal card was to be discontinued, but the regulation regarding the new mailing cards recently authorized by Congress shows this to be a mistake. Hereafter, while the postal card will continue to be sold, it will be lawful to use cards with a 1-cent stamp affixed for the same purpose. These cards must be approximately of the same size, shape and color as the postal card. When this mailing card is sent to foreign countries the ordinary letter postage must be affixed. Another change in the regulations prohibits the return or forwarding of second, third and fourth-class matter unless additional postage has been affixed. It is obvious, however, that valuable are contained in such packages the sender shall be notified if possible. On second-class matter 1 cent for four ounces must be paid before it will be returned or forwarded.

The sale of Trans-Mississippi Exposition stamps has been begun at the Washington Postoffice throughout the country until the 31st of December next.

A NOVEL CASE.

Title to Land Exposed by Receding Waters of a Lake Involved. WASHINGTON, June 18.—A case presenting novel and interesting features has been argued before Commissioner Herrmann of the General Land Office. It involves the ownership of lands surrounding Lake Malheur, in Oregon, and hinges upon the question of whether the owners of the land down to the water's edge in 1877 can now hold lands left dry by the receding waters of the lake.

The French-Glenn Livestock Company is the appellant, and claims, under the surveys of 1877 and the laws of Oregon, possession of land to the water's edge of the lake. Since that year there has been a subsidence of the water, and this company now claims the vacant land as a riparian right. A large number of settlers have filed entries for this land in the local offices of the department, and now in question is as to the title of the land exposed by evaporation between 1877 and 1895.

SPEAKER REED BACK.

The Day Consumed in Eulogies of Senator Harris of Tennessee. WASHINGTON, June 18.—To-day's session of the House was devoted chiefly to eulogies upon the life and character of Senator Harris of Tennessee.

Speaker Reed, who has been for several days unwell from cold and slight fever, appeared to-day in the House. Consideration of the conference report upon the District of Columbia appropriation bill was resumed.

Consideration of the report was not completed at 2 o'clock pursuant to special orders, the session was given up to eulogies upon the late Senator Isham G. Harris.

Prior to hearing eulogies some consideration was given to a conference report upon the District of Columbia appropriation bill.

Speeches were delivered by Messrs. McMillan of Tennessee, Bland of Missouri, Richardson of Tennessee, Myers of Louisiana, McRae of Arkansas, Benton of Missouri, Rhea of Kentucky, Sims of Tennessee, De Armond of Missouri, King of Utah, Carmack of Tennessee, Swan of Virginia, Clark of New Hampshire.

The usual resolutions were adopted, and at 4:30 o'clock the House adjourned.

HANNA DELEGATES BOLT.

McKisno's Supporters Prevent Their Organizing Convention. CLEVELAND (O.), June 18.—The Cuyahoga County Republican conven-

tion, which was called to-day, proved to be one of the most exciting political gatherings ever held in this city. The fight for the control of the convention has been on for several weeks and the followers of Mayor McKisson and Senator Hanna both claimed a victory.

The convention was called to order by Hon. S. T. Everett, who is one of Senator Hanna's strongest supporters and Chairman of the Committee of Fifteen, which had charge of the management of the party since last fall. Little or no attention was paid to Mr. Everett and with the aid of the police the McKissonites forced the Hanna men from the stage and themselves. The Hanna delegates bolted and held a rump convention. There was a general fight before the Hanna men left the hall and one arrest was made. The regular candidates for the county ticket were nominated at the caucus Thursday night and the fight to-day was over the selection of delegates to the State convention and the Committee of Fifteen.

A FISHING TRUST.

Fishing and Canning Trade to be Controlled by English Capital. CHICAGO, June 18.—W. Vernon Booth of the A. Booth Packing Company, affirms a report to the effect that the fishery interests of the great lakes region and the allied cannery trade will be combined in a gigantic corporation sustained by English capitalists.

The association will embrace nearly all of the fisheries of the United States. The A. Booth Packing Company of this city, recognized as the largest individual house of the kind in the country, and a number of local fish companies will be merged into the new corporation. June 30th is the date set for the formal transfer of individual properties to the hands of the principals.

The names of the men who are backing the monopoly in London are not revealed, but it is stated that they are men of high standing in the financial world. In all there are twenty-four concerns in the country which will be in the corporation. Mr. Booth declines to give out the amount of the capital stock, but he says that the A. Booth Packing Company, which is one of the twenty-four concerns, the stock will be in the millions. The Booth Company alone employs 5,000 men. The other companies are engaged around the Great Lakes and Canadian fishing regions.

CITY OFFICIALS FIGHT. Mayor and City Marshal of Brunswick, Mo., Kill Each Other. ST. LOUIS, June 18.—A special to the "Post-Dispatch" from Brunswick, Mo., says: Details of last night's tragedy, in which Mayor J. H. Heisel shot and killed Richard Ashby, the City Marshal, who in turn fatally wounded the Mayor, are coming to the attention of Mr. Heisel. Marshal Ashby had a revolver in his hand.

W. J. Heisel, brother of the Mayor, was standing in a saloon, when the Marshal and his son, Joseph Ashby, entered. Both grabbed Heisel and began beating him, Joseph claiming that Heisel had ordered and beaten one of his sisters. Marshal Ashby had a revolver in his hand.

W. J. Heisel finally broke loose from the Marshal and ran out of the saloon. Mayor Heisel, who was present, and the Marshal then began firing at each other. At the coroner's inquest to-day the evidence showed that Heisel fired the first shot, but it was testified that Ashby fired the last just as he fell dying. Heisel with assistance walked to his room in the same block, but is not expected to recover.

THREE CHINESE GIRLS.

Sent to Jail in Omaha for Refusing to Obey the Court. OMAHA (Nebr.), June 18.—Judge Scott this morning sent three Chinese girls to jail because they would not obey his orders. Several days ago habas corpus proceedings were brought to secure the release of three sisters from alleged slavery. The parties plaintiff are Lincoln Chinese, and a missionary named Wyckoff. The Chinese defendant are the proprietors of the Chinese village at the exposition.

Judge Scott refused to hear counsel in the matter, roasted the officials of the city, county and nation, and ordered the girls into the custody of Mrs. Wyckoff, the missionary. The girls refused to go. They are very young, the oldest being but 16. The court ordered them confined in jail. Able attorneys are at work trying to secure their release.

Fire in Grand Rapids.

Detroit, June 18.—A special to the "News" from Grand Rapids says: "Fire this morning in the manufacturing district destroyed the plant of the Grand Rapids Desk Company and the Hake Manufacturing Company. The loss of the desk factory will be \$50,000, and of the Hake Manufacturing Company, \$20,000, and \$10,000 insurance. Three hundred men are thrown out of work as a result of the fire.

Life Imprisonment.

DES MOINES (Ia.), June 18.—The jury in the Berge Smith murder trial to-day returned a verdict of guilty imposing a sentence of life imprisonment in the penitentiary at Fort Madison. This was the second trial of the case. On the first trial the same sentence was imposed. The defendant murdered her husband, James Berge, by administering morphine and "rough on rats."