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CHINA'S COAST GUARDED.

HER WARSHIPS AIMING TO PREVENT THE LANDING OF JAPANESE TROOPS.

A BATTLE IMMINENT IN COREA—THE CHINESE VICEROY ANXIOUS TO AVOID A NAVAL ENGAGEMENT—THE JAPANESE WAR LOAN FULLY SUBSCRIBED.

London, Aug. 20.—A dispatch to the Central News from Shanghai says that Chinese gunboats and warships are cruising in the Gulf of Pe-Chi-Li with the object of preventing the Japanese from landing troops in China. The Chinese vessels have hiding-places in the numerous bays and arms of the gulf, whence they are able to observe the movements of the enemy without being seen. A number of Japanese war-vessels are convoying troop ships in the Yellow Sea, but their destination is not known.

Li Hung Chang's army, 50,000 strong, and a large force of Japanese troops are nearing each other and a battle is imminent.

The Japanese have agreed to refrain from molesting Chinese merchant vessels not carrying articles contraband of war. Admiral Ting, commander of the Chinese fleet, is desirous of engaging in open search for foreign warships in Chinese waters, but he is unable to carry out his wishes, as the Viceroy's orders are that an engagement with the Japanese squadron must be avoided.

The Yokohama correspondent of the Central News says that Japan's 4 per cent war loan has been fully subscribed. The Central News correspondent in Tien-Tsin denies the report that China will arrange to place a loan in England. The Central News correspondent in Shanghai learns that China has completed arrangements with an agent in England for large supplies of firearms and ammunition.

London, August 21.—"The Times" prints this Tien-Tsin dispatch:

"The British Minister had a long interview on Saturday with Li Hung Chang. He will proceed in company with the Russian Minister to Che-Foo, where Admiral Fremantle will meet him."

A WARSHIP SEIZED AT GLASGOW.

SHE WAS FITTED OUT TO FIGHT FOR JAPAN OR CHINA.

Glasgow, Aug. 20.—In obedience to orders from the Foreign Office, the customs officials have seized the warship Islam, which has been receiving her outfit for either Japan or China. The warrant under which the seizure was made was issued under the Foreign Enlistment act, the same as in the case of the torpedo-boat seized at Elswick on Saturday.

VIEWS OF THE NEW JAPANESE MINISTER.

THE CHINESE NAVY'S POOR DISCIPLINE—JAPAN'S OBJECT THE PRESERVATION OF THE PEACE OF THE EAST.

San Francisco, Aug. 20.—S. Kurino, the new Japanese Minister to the United States, who arrived here yesterday on the way to his new post, was asked to-day regarding the war. He said:

In regard to the Chinese forces, the north fleet is good, and probably some of the scattering fleet is fairly competent to make a fight; but as far as training is concerned, I consider the Japanese far superior. Our general facilities for fighting are also far better. The Chinese Government has no direct control over its Navy. It is scattered, and the naval control is local. The south squadron has no discipline. The north squadron has some little training and discipline, but the whole Navy is untried.

The intention of the Japanese Government is the peace of the East. Japan is fighting to preserve the peace of the East. The balance of power is as much a factor in Oriental politics as it is in European affairs, and the autonomy of Corea is insisted on by Japan to preserve that balance of power. We are not giving any advantage to Russia, and that is why England is now neutral. Had Japan and Russia acted together, this would not have been the case. I do not think that France or Russia will be brought into this controversy, but that it will be fought by Japan and China alone.

In regard to the need of Japan for supplies of different kinds from America, it is hard at present to tell just what form it will take. At present Japan has an abundance of ammunition and supplies; but if the war were to last a long time undoubtedly we must draw upon other countries.

THE COREAN MINISTER GOING HOME.

HE EXPECTS TO RETURN TO WASHINGTON IN A FEW MONTHS.

Washington, Aug. 20.—Ye Sung Soo, the Corean Minister at Washington, will sail for home on the steamer China, leaving San Francisco on August 28 accompanied by Jarng Bong When, the Secretary of Legation. They are simply taking advantage of a leave of absence which has been granted them by the King of Corea, and expect to return to America in a few months. The Legation will not be abandaned, Ye Huen Gik, the Counsellor, remaining as Chargé d'Affaire, with Pak Yong Kin and Surh Beung Kin as attachés.

Minister Ye Sung Soo's presence in Corea may be of considerable importance at this time, on account of his familiarity with the attitude of the United States toward Corea's embarrassing situation, and because his advice to the King may be valuable in negotiations with China and Japan in case of an early termination of hostilities between those two countries.

Ye Sung Soo was recognized as Minister from Corea only two months ago, when he was promoted from Secretary of Legation, and presented his credentials to President Cleveland. During President Harrison's administration Corea was represented at Washington by a Chargé d'Affaires.

PRINCE KOMATSU'S VISIT.

HE WILL LEAVE THE CITY TO-MORROW—HOPES OF A JAPANESE FRIEND OF THE PRINCE.

His Imperial Highness, Prince Yorihito Komatsu, who is a first cousin of the Mikado of Japan, and is at the Windsor Hotel, was confined to his room all day yesterday, because of his troublesome ear. He saw only his doctor, his secretary and one or two personal friends, who had come long distances to pay their respects. The Prince's ear is better, and he announced yesterday that he should leave New-York to-morrow, accompanied by his suite.

One of the Prince's callers yesterday was a Japanese student at the Annapolis Naval Academy. He was dressed in full American uniform. Another caller was T. Kosugi, a personal friend of His Highness. Mr. Kosugi is living at Bethlehem, Penn., where he works in the iron works. He has become conversant with the manufacture of armor steel. After a thorough apprenticeship at Bethlehem he will go home to Japan and enter the Government's service in the Japanese arsenals and ordnance foundries. He speaks good English. In talking of the Japanese-Chinese war, Mr. Kosugi said:

"Japan is far better equipped for the present struggle than is generally supposed. Her troops are well armed, and, what is of far greater importance, our arsenals and ordnance foundries are in good running order, and turning out thousands of guns. Our army is equipped with the Murata rifle, pronounced a most excellent arm by experts. It is made in two styles—repeating and single-shot.

"I notice every few days," said Mr. Kosugi, "that the newspapers say China is buying arms, while little is said about similar purchases by Japan. The reason is that Japan has a large number of arms ready for instant service, and has had them ready for months. Whatever arms she needs she can make. People who expect to see China whip Japan because of China's vast population, do not realize the situation. China can be struck at several strategic points, and crippled. Japan can do this. China cannot arm or use her millions of men. If put into the army they would starve. The struggle for bare existence is severe enough in China without China's attempting to equip a big army. Besides, several large provinces like Canton, Northern Thibet and parts of Manchuria are hostile to the ruling dynasty. Japan will be victorious in the war."

CHINESE AND JAPANESE MAILS.

The steamship China arrived at San Francisco Saturday with mails from China and Japan of the following dates: Hong Kong, July 24; Shanghai, July 28; Yokohama, August 7. They are due to arrive in New-York the morning of Thursday. The next mail for China and Japan will close at the General Postoffice at 6:30 p. m. to-morrow, for dispatch by the steamship China from San Francisco.

FIVE OF THE CREW MISSING.

Olympic, Wash., Aug. 20.—A dispatch from Oceosta says that on Saturday morning, while making a landing through the surf at Joe Creek, fifteen miles north of Gray's Harbor, a whaleboat with crew of nine men, in command of Lieutenant Freeman H. Crosby, of the United States coast survey steamer McArthur, was capsized, and five men are missing, namely Lieutenant Crosby, John Freyer, Jens Gudmunsen, William Nehm and Alexander Smith.

IT LOOKS LIKE A MURDER

THE BODY OF A MAN FOUND ON ROCKAWAY POINT.

TWO BULLET HOLES IN HIS HEAD—FEW CLEWS TO HIS IDENTITY—THEORIES OF THE CORONER.

Coroner Smith, of Hempstead, and the Long Island authorities have another mystery on their hands. Late on Sunday afternoon, while Meyer and Fisher, baymen, who have huts on the extreme point of Rockaway Beach, were coming in from a fishing trip they saw the body of a man floating in the water. It was being washed up and down on the beach by the incoming and outgoing waves. The two fishermen dragged the body out of the reach of the waves, and covered it with a piece of canvas. Then they walked five miles to the Rockaway Park telegraph office and informed Coroner Smith at Hempstead.

Yesterday morning he went down to the Point, and after viewing the body sent for an undertaker. When the body was lifted into the undertaker's wagon, it was discovered that the man had two bullet holes in his head. A bullet had passed through the eye and out through the back of his head. The man had a thirty-two calibre revolver in his right hand hip pocket when found. There was nothing in the man's clothing to indicate his identity, with the exception of a bunch of five keys, a pocket knife and a small pair of scissors. On his shirt and collar in indelible ink were the letters "R. E. R." On the collar was also the figure "8." The man was dressed in a neat suit of black basket cloth, of fine material. He had on a white shirt, and a white butterfly necktie, a pair of congress gaiters and black stockings.

The body was badly decomposed. The man appeared to be about thirty-five years old, about five feet eight inches in height and weighed about 150 pounds. Coroner Smith and the undertaker, Fitzpatrick, of Far Rockaway, think that the body has been in the water at least three weeks, and came into the Point with the tide.

Coroner Smith advanced a theory that the man might have had two revolvers and shot himself with one of them. He might have committed suicide on board of an ocean steamer and fallen overboard as he fired the fatal shot, or he might have been murdered on board of the steamer and thrown overboard. The revolver was a fine one of nickel plate, and was badly rusted. This fact Coroner Smith said convinced him that the man had been in the water for some time, as nickel would not rust readily. All the chambers of the revolver were charged.

The keys that were found in the man's pocket were of a peculiar shape. Two of them are hardly a half an inch long, and are either keys to a strong box or a watchman's signal box. The other keys are ordinary door keys. The knife was a corn lancet, with a white bone handle. The scissors were of the small pocket kind. Dr. Caldwell, of Far Rockaway, will perform the autopsy to-day, and make his report to the coroner when the inquest takes place on Friday afternoon next at 3 o'clock.

If it were not for the man having his revolver in his hip pocket Coroner Smith would say that the man committed suicide, but as the revolver was found in the pocket and none of the chambers empty, he believes that the man was murdered. He will make a thorough investigation and try to find out who the man was or whether he met foul play or not. It is a singular thing about the case that none of the thousands of people who were at Rockaway Beach on Sunday or the police heard anything about the case until yesterday noon. The place where the body was found is almost a wilderness. There are no houses within five miles of the point with the exception of a few fishermen's huts.

SHE'S A YALE MAN'S SISTER NOW.

"MRS. ROBBINS," WHO SWINDLED HARVARD MEN IN THIS CITY, ARRESTED IN HARTFORD FOR SIMILAR OFFENCES.

Hartford, Conn., Aug. 20.—The confidence woman who has been operating in Springfield, Worcester and other cities, obtaining money from Yale graduates by representing herself to be the relative of a classmate, and who was arrested here last night, was in the Police Court to-day. On Saturday she obtained money from Major John C. Parsons, Yale, '52, and Nelson Hollister, father of Arthur Hollister, a Yale graduate. Last night she obtained $20 from Dr. W. T. Bacon, representing herself to be the sister of his classmate, William H. Ferry. She identified Ferry's photograph. To Dr. Bacon she gave the name of Mrs. Wallace. She was found at the Hotel Heublein, registered as Mrs. Robbins. She returned the money she got of Major Parsons and Dr. Bacon.

In court Mrs. Robbins was charged with obtaining money under false pretences from Nelson Hollister and Dr. Bacon. She said her husband's name was E. H. Robbins. On her person were found the cards of some of her victims, with the amount secured and the name she assumed in each case. They included A. W. Gates Fairbanks, of Boston, $20; Edwin Barrows, of Providence, Yale, '56, $10; Caleb Lamson, Yale, '40, $10; Edgar Stickney Buffum, of Salem, Yale, '77, $10. The case is unfinished.

From the description of the woman arrested at Hartford, and from the names under which she has been working as the sister of various Yale men, there seems little doubt that she is the same clever creature who swindled a lot of well-known Harvard graduates in this city last May. At Hartford she gave the name of her husband as E. H. Robbins. She masqueraded in this city also under the name of Robbins. As a matter of fact, that is the middle name of her husband, and she has just reversed the two last initials, for his name is Edward Robbins Howe. He was well born, and was graduated from Harvard in 1864 in the same class with ex-Secretary R. T. Lincoln and other well-known men. He was a civil engineer for some years, and then married this woman, who called herself Kate Clayton, and was a smooth-tongued adventuress. Together they "starred" the Western States, and swindled Grand Army posts, the woman telling a beguiling story of how she had put on trousers, gone to the war as a drummer-boy and been wounded nigh unto death.

After some years the precious pair started in to swindle Harvard men. Mr. Howe's knowledge of his classmates helping them much. They operated in Louisville and Chicago, and on December 7 last Howe was arrested by the president of the Harvard Club in Chicago, and was locked up in the Cook County jail for months. He could get no bail till suddenly last May he received a draft from this city. It was from his wife, who had fleeced Harvard men here to the extent of several hundred dollars. The publication in The Tribune last May of her operations with Harvard men here and her past record made the city too hot for her. Now she is apparently up to her same old tricks, trying them on Yale men this time, hardly taking the trouble to change her name.

A FATAL ERROR BY THE SURGEON.

HE PUNCTURED THE MAN'S LUNGS BY MISTAKE WITH HIS KNIFE—DEATH ON THE OPERATING TABLE.

Coroner's Physician Weston yesterday performed an autopsy on James Coyne, the Columbia College janitor, who died while undergoing an operation for the removal of a portion of a rib at St. Luke's Hospital on Saturday. Coyne had been placed on the table, and the operation was advancing well, apparently, when he suddenly collapsed. He was under the influence of ether, and it was at first thought his death resulted from its effects.

Dr. B. F. Curtis, who had charge of the operation, was positive that such was not the case. The autopsy revealed that the surgeon had punctured the membrane surrounding the lungs. Air had rushed into the cavity and the lungs collapsed. Dr. Weston said the case was "plainly accidental and did not signify carelessness or unskillfulness on the part of the operator." The operation, he said, was extremely difficult and dangerous, owing to the proximity of vital organs.

HE BROKE HIS NECK WHILE DIVING

FATAL MISHAP TO A SWIMMER—THOMAS CRAMER THE VICTIM.

Thomas Cramer, a manufacturer of upholsterers' goods, who lives at No. 363 Lenox-ave., is lying at the point of death in the Manhattan Hospital, with a broken neck. Mr. Cramer was bathing Sunday at Audubon Beach, One-hundred-and-fifty-first-st. and the Hudson River. He dived from a raft anchored close to the shore, but failed to come to the surface. Then his friends became alarmed and dived after him. He was brought up unconscious and bleeding from several cuts on his head and face. He was removed to the Manhattan Hospital, where it was found that he was suffering from a fracture of the skull and several severe scalp wounds, and that his neck was broken. The surgeon at the hospital said that his death was only a question of a few hours.

Edward Mooney, the young man, who, on Saturday, while diving in the swimming pool at Eighteenth-st. and the East River struck the bottom and fractured his spine, was in a dangerous condition last night at Bellevue Hospital, and the physicians believe he will die in a day or two.

TEN THOUSAND WORKERS OUT.

BEGINNING OF THE GREAT TEXTILE STRIKE AT NEW-BEDFORD.

THREE MILLS ACCEDE TEMPORARILY TO THE STRIKERS' DEMANDS—THREE-QUARTERS OF THE FALL RIVER MILLS MAY BE CLOSED TO-DAY.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.]

New-Bedford, Mass., Aug. 20.—The greatest strike ever ordered in this city went into operation to-day. The gates of all the mills were opened and things were ready to go on as usual, but when the time came only a few of the operators went to work. In some of the mills a number of female operatives presented themselves, most of whom did not belong to unions. When the noon hour came the managers of all the mills concluded it was useless to try to run any longer and ordered the engines stopped, thus leaving about 10,000 hands in idleness. The streets have been filled this afternoon. The crowd in general has been quiet and orderly, however. The different unions have held meetings to-day and report their members united.

Early this afternoon William D. Howland ordered the offensive notices which had been posted in his three mills, the Howland, the Rotch Spinning Company's and the New-Bedford Manufacturing Company's, taken down, and informed the unions and other manufacturers of his decision. Consequently the help in these mills will return to work on Wednesday, if not before. Mr. Howland says he has simply waived the cutdown until he finds out what he can do. He will have conferences with the manufacturers and operatives, and will then decide upon his future course. He says further:

I agree that something must be done to reduce the cost of goods, but I am of a different mind from most manufacturers. I look for better times in the near future. If curtailment is the remedy, let us curtail. But if reducing wages is going to bring everything to a standstill, it is pretty evident that isn't the proper course.

His decision will restore work to 1,700 operatives, most of whom have families. These mills have orders ahead; they manufacture principally fine yarns. The action of Mr. Howland is looked upon by some as the beginning of the end of the strike, but Andrew G. Peirce, treasurer of the Wamsutta Mills corporation, which owns six mills, said this afternoon when asked what effect it would have on the situation:

I don't know anything about William D. Howland. The mills of the city will lock up to-night for an indefinite period, I think, and that is about all there is to say on the subject.

The merchants at the North and South ends are gloomy indeed. Their books now carry large sums on credit, and with a long strike in prospect they cannot see where their pay is to come from. Many dealers started in this morning under the motto "strictly cash" and are living up to it. It is said that the wholesalers will adopt the same basis toward the retail dealers. If all these intentions are carried out, failures, want and suffering are in prospect.

Fall River, Mass., Aug. 20 (Special).—Hardly one-fourth of the looms in this city have been in operation to-day, and to-night it looks as if Fall River and New-Bedford are to share, and share alike, in a strike of spinners in the cotton mills of the two cities. Until 5 o'clock this afternoon it was confidently expected that the labor whirlwind which has been swooping over the country would, at least, pass over Fall River, the home of the United States textile labor disturbances. After meetings of spinners' and carders' representatives held to-night, however, it looks as if Fall River must again enter the struggle with conditions that ought to have been forever obliterated in November, 1892.

New-Bedford manufacturers who know little of strikes and their causes conceded this afternoon that they must give in to the spinners, and at noon they posted notices agreeing to a compromise price. This notice had hardly been made public before the manufacturers and operatives here were stirred in anger, and at 5 o'clock this afternoon the Sanford spinning and Kerr thread mills, the finest yarn mills in this part of the State, posted notices of reductions to take place next Wednesday. At the two meetings of operatives or their representatives these actions were on a par with shaking red rags to overheated cattle, and strike talk was the only talk heard.

At a late hour to-night, therefore, it appears that to-morrow there will be more than a dozen corporations unable to produce, and before night there will be others in the same predicament. In this city the number of idle operatives will exceed 10,000. The weavers' association is doing its best to induce union and non-union weavers to leave their looms, and by Wednesday it is probable that they will be successful to the extent of keeping 6,000 of the 7,500 weavers away on a four weeks' vacation.

A Catholic clergyman with the courage of his convictions has advised his people from the pulpit to keep at work in these times, but his words have stirred up a bitter feeling, and it looks as if manufacturers must fall back into the old ruts of coercion again if their mills are to be kept in operation.

FEWER FEMALE SEALS THAN USUAL.

THE HERD SAID TO BE DIMINISHING YEAR BY YEAR.

Port Townsend, Wash., Aug. 20.—A letter received here from one of the officers of the Behring Sea fleet states that a recent visit to the seal islands by one of the officers of the fleet disclosed the fact that there are not as many females there as last year, and the seals are evidently diminishing year by year. So certain are the authorities on this point that they will kill a larger number of male seals this year than usual. It is expected that the sealers will kill a large number of females, leaving many young ones to starve.

WARRANTS FOR EZETA RECEIVED.

THE BENNINGTON STILL OUTSIDE THE THREE-MILE LIMIT.

San Francisco, Aug. 20 (Special).—The warrants in the Ezeta case were received to-day by Consul Calderon and the attorneys of the Salvadorean Government. This ended the connection of Consuls Roma and Grigoyen with the affair. As soon as the warrants came, word was sent to Mare Island for Lieutenant Story to go out to the Bennington in the tug Sea King. Two days' supplies were put on board, which would lead to the inference that the Bennington will not come in until Wednesday. The warrants, it is understood, are in Spanish. The attorneys will require another day to look up the law bearing on the case. It is reported, but cannot be confirmed, that Ezeta learned several days ago everything which had been done in the case, as a letter was smuggled to him in a batch of newspapers.

"Uncle Sam" will have a tidy sum to pay for keeping the Bennington outside this port. Besides the coal burned, there is a charge of $175 a day for the tug which has been used six days. In addition are extra supplies which would not have been needed had the vessel been at Mare Island. Whether Salvador will be asked to stand this expense is uncertain.

TARSNEY'S ASSAILANTS GO FREE.

Colorado Springs, Col., Aug. 20.—This afternoon the cases of the men accused of tarring and feathering Adjutant-General Tarsney were called in Justice McCoach's court at Colorado City, but the prosecutors failed to put in an appearance and the cases were dismissed.

BROUGHT A SHIPWRECKED CREW TO PORT

Philadelphia, Aug. 20 (Special).—The Norwegian steamship Gurley, Captain Taawig, which arrived here to-day from Port Antonio, Jamaica, with a cargo of bananas, had on board ten shipwrecked sailors belonging to the Norwegian steamship George Sealey, which was wrecked July 11 on a coral reef in the Caribbean Sea, within sight of Roncador, where the famous old Kearsarge struck. The George Sealey left New-York July 1 and Newport News July 4, bound for Bluefields, Nicaragua, with a general cargo. Chief Engineer Andersen said to-day that they remained on the wreck for fourteen days after the vessel struck, and then put off in their own boat for Old Providence, which place they reached in two hours. Here they remained for two weeks, when they were taken on board the Columbian schooner Willie, Captain Wilson, and landed at Port Antonio, Jamaica. The Consul at Port Antonio took them in charge and sent them home. Captain Aamandsen remained by the wreck. The lost steamship was a brand new craft of 1,000 tons register, and was built in Bergen, where she was owned by F. Holdst.

KILLED IN A PARK RUNAWAY

MISS EMMA SCHAFFNER THOWN FROM HER CARRIAGE WITH FATAL FORCE.

HER COMPANION, MRS. BEATRICE GRAHAM, BADLY HURT—THE HORSE WAS A VICIOUS ONE AND HAD RUN AWAY FIVE TIMES BEFORE.

Miss Emma Schaffner, twenty-two years old, of No. 70 West Fiftieth-st., accompanied by Mrs. Beatrice Graham, who lives with her husband and four-year-old daughter next door, were returning along the East Drive in Central Park shortly before 7 o'clock last evening, when the horse started to run away near the Hamilton statue at Eighty-second-st. At the branch drive near Seventy-ninth-st., the horse suddenly turned and dashed the light wagon against a tree, smashing the carriage and freeing himself. Miss Schaffner and her companion were thrown out with great violence. Each received a compound fracture of the thigh and internal injuries.

Park Policeman John Cogan, who saw the accident and at once ran to the assistance of the injured women, summoned an ambulance and had them sent to Presbyterian Hospital. Miss Schaffner died from her injuries at 8:40 o'clock. Mrs. Graham's condition is not considered serious at present, although she was badly bruised and shaken up, but the physicians fear that there may develop complications as the result of internal injuries, the extent of which have not been determined.

After throwing the women to the street the horse ran on and was stopped by Park Policeman Murphy at the Marble Arch.

Miss Emma Schaffner was the daugther of Mrs. Ernestine Schaffner, who, with Mrs. Foster, is called the "Tombs Angel." Mrs. Schaffner has another daughter and a son. The daughter that met such a shocking death last night was totally deaf, and consequently went little into society. Her great enjoyment was driving. She was an expert horsewoman, and was a constant visitor to Central Park, driving or riding horseback. The horse that ran away belonged to Mrs. Schaffner. It had run away five times before, and only a short time ago threw Mrs. Schaffner out and caused injuries which confined her to her room for a month.

Mrs. Schaffner, knowing the vicious character of the animal her daughter had out driving became alarmed at the absence of the two women, and at about 8:30 o'clock sent to the stables where the horse is kept and caused inquiries to be made as to the reason why the two had not returned. The stablemen telephoned at once to the Park Arsenal and then learned that there had been an accident. The particulars were not given, but soon a policeman arrived at the house from the Arsenal and broke the sad news to the sister of the young girl. Mrs. Schaffner had already gone to the hospital. Miss Schaffner was completely broken down by the hard news.

Mrs. Schaffner reached the hospital just as her daughter was dying, and the hospital physicians refused to permit the mother of the dying girl to witness the sufferings of her last moments. She was unconscious toward the last.

The wrecked vehicle was picked up in the Park and removed to the Arsenal. The horse was taken to the stable. A terrier dog was with the two women when the accident occurred, but was uninjured and returned to the Schaffner home later.

THE TROLLEY'S FATAL WORK.

THIS TIME IT KILLS A LITTLE BOY IN THE ANNEXED DISTRICT.

George T. Landgrin, seven years old, of No. 630 East One-hundred-and-thirty-eighth-st., was runover and fatally injured by a trolley car at One-hundred-and-thirty-eighth-st. and Willis-ave. yesterday afternoon. His left leg was completely severed from the body at the thigh and his right leg was almost cut off. The boy was taken in an ambulance to the Harlem Hospital, where he died early in the evening. The motorman, Patrick Smith, of No. 126 Woodworth-st., West Farms, and the conductor, Patrick Healey, were arrested. In the Harlem Police Court the conductor was discharged and Smith was held without bail to await the result of the boy's injuries.

The little boy was playing upon the sidewalk on the southwest corner of Willis-ave. and One-hundred-and-thirty-eighth-st., with several companions. One of the boys ran after Landgrin, who started across the street. Trolley car No. 21, of the Port Morris line, was travelling at a rapid rate eastward, and reached Willis-ave. just as the little boy started across the street. The youngster did not notice the car until too late. The front dashboard struck him on the side and knocked him down. The motorman applied the brakes as quickly as possible, but before the car came to a standstill it had dragged the little fellow about ten feet and the front wheels had passed over both his legs.

THE WORK OF AN INCENDIARY, THE YSAY.

PLANT OF THE MACKITE FIREPROOF CONSTRUCTION COMPANY AT BAYONNE ALMOST TOTALLY DESTROYED.

Fire destroyed the extensive plant of the Mackite Fireproof Construction Company, at Bayonne, early yesterday morning. The police and firemen of Bayonne think the fire was the work of incendiaries. An investigation is being made, but the police have no clew on which to work. In addition to other suspicious circumstances about the fire, one of the hydrants, that nearest the fire, and the one to which the first companies went to attach their hose, was found to be disabled, although it is known to have been in good condition a few days ago. Two weeks ago two fires near the Eighth-st. station of the New-Jersey Central Railroad were attributed to firebugs, and only last week an attempt was made to burn the grandstand of the New-Jersey Athletic Club's field.

The burned buildings were on the point of land jutting into the Kill von Kull where the Kill and Newark Bay join. When the flames were discovered they had gained considerable headway, and were burning fiercely. They started in the main building, a structure 450 feet long and 50 feet wide. It was used as a storehouse. There were three others, each 150 by 60 feet. All were built of brick, but with plenty of wood in them. When the firemen arrived they tried to get streams on the fire, but found the hydrants out of order. This caused delay, and they could save nothing except the engine-room and one small building.

The loss will amount to about $50,000. In addition to this there was glass-polishing machinery in one of the buildings which was worth about $11,000. The insurance will cover the loss on the buildings. There was no fire where the flames started half an hour before the blaze was seen, as the watchman passed the spot on his last round. This first gave rise to the incendiary theory. Bayonne has been bothered by firebugs recently.

MAYOR WILSON'S VICTORY.

HE FORCES HIS APPOINTMENTS, WITH ONE EXCEPTION, THROUGH THE ALBANY COMMON COUNCIL.

Albany, Aug. 20 (Special).—The Common Council to-night adopted Mayor Wilson's slate, thus breaking a deadlock which has existed since May 7. Mayor Wilson was elected by a combination of Republicans and independent Democrats, who organized the Honest Election party last spring to overthrow the ring. One of the leading Democrats in the movement was Charles H. Armatage, who was deposed as president of the Common Council last fall because he would not do the bidding of the Herrick machine Democrats.

When Mayor Wilson made up his slate of city officers he named Mr. Armatage for superintendent of the almshouse and Horace Andrews, another Democrat, for city engineer. Mr. Andrews is the present incumbent. Five of the Republican Aldermen decided to vote for none but Republicans, and with the aid of the Herrick Democrats rejected the slate three times.

To-night Mayor Wilson returned the names to the Common Council minus the name of Mr. Andrews. One of the Republicans, Mr. Rosche, of the Second Ward, entering the agreement, to-night voted for confirmation, and the slate went through. Mr. Rosche said he had been petitioned by 2,000 Republicans to vote for the Mayor's nominations, and had only complied with their wishes. The officers chosen besides Mr. Armatage were: City chamberlain, William H. Haskell; street commissioner, Charles H. Gaus; city marshal, George W. Kerkland; city physician, Lansing B. Waine.

NICARAGUAN ARROGANCE.

TRAINED GUNS ON AN AMERICAN STEAMER.

THE CAPTAIN OF THE SAN JOSE FORCED TO SURRENDER HIS MATE TO THE AUTHORITIES OF A LITTLE COAST TOWN.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.]

San Francisco, Aug. 20.—The Pacific Mail steamer San José, which arrived to-day, brings a curious story of Nicaraguan arrogance. While at Corinto on the down trip the steamer was delayed two days, the guns of the fort were trained on her and under threats of being blown out of the water the captain was forced to give up Mate Robinson. This high-handed action was due to an accident. When the vessel was entering the harbor Robinson ordered a bumboatman off the deck, as the rules permitted no one to go aboard. The fellow refused to budge, and hit the mate in the eye. The latter seized a piece of grindstone and hurled it at the fellow just as he disappeared over the rail. The stone missed him and struck a woman in the boat, laying her scalp open to the bone. On shore the authorities became wildly excited when they heard of the incident and when Captain Pursell refused to give up the mate the Governor ordered that the vessel should not leave port with the mate. The guns of the fort were trained on the steamer, so the captain had to yield.

Robinson went ashore and was kept at the American Consulate. On his trial he was acquitted, and when the steamer returned from Panama he resumed his position.

JOSIAH QUINCY OUT OF IT.

HE RESIGNS THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF THE MASSACHUSETTS DEMOCRATIC STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE.

Boston, Aug. 20.—Josiah Quincy's resignation of the chairmanship of the Democratic State Central Committee was announced to-day.

DINERS CAUGHT IN A FLOOD.

BOSTON EXPERIENCES A RAINFALL OF 1.65 INCHES IN FIFTY-TWO MINUTES.

Boston, Aug. 20.—The heaviest rainfall in the briefest time ever recorded by the Weather Bureau in this city occurred this afternoon, when in fifty-two minutes the rainfall was 1.65 inches. Aside from the excessive rain, the shower was not abnormal, the wind being light and the lightning not particularly severe. The heavy floods caused by the storm poured into the café in the basement of Fellner's restaurant, at Water and Devonshire sts. The many guests at dinner were obliged to finish their meals perched high on the stools. The floor was flooded to the depth of from eight to twelve inches. Deliverance came in the shape of barefooted waiters, who carried out the imprisoned guests on their backs. The restaurant of the same name in Exchange Place received an equal drenching. The basements of all the buildings in Dock Square and from there down through the market section to the wharves present a sorry appearance. The water swept over the sidewalks in floods, the sewers being entirely inadequate to carry it off on account of the pervailing high tide. In some places the goods were for the most part saved, but a conservative estimate places the loss of every firm using a basement for storage at from $200 to $250. The basements in Devonshire-st. are flooded to a great extent. The total money loss to merchants and others by the overflow is estimated at $10,000.

Middletown, Conn., Aug. 20.—A severe electrical storm struck Higganum about noon to-day accompanied by high wind and hail. Lightning struck the chimney and unroofing the L. Mr. Treadwell, his daughter, her husband and two children were shocked, and an infant child in the bedroom overhead was buried beneath falling plaster, but escaped uninjured. Hezekiah Scoville's house was also struck, and a 200-pound stone on top of the chimney, together with the chimney, fell into the house. Several workmen in Scoville's factory received severe shocks. It was the worst storm for five years. The damage done to other houses down the river was severe, and crops were destroyed by hail.

THREATENED TO THROW SOVEREIGN OUT.

THE GENERAL MASTER WORKMAN NARROWLY ESCAPES PERSONAL VIOLENCE AT A MEETING OF HIS ORDER.

Philadelphia, Aug. 20.—General Master Workman Sovereign, of the Knights of Labor, came to this city yesterday, and, in company with Secretary Hayes and Messrs. Maguire and Martin, members of the General Executive Board, unsucessfully attempted to participate in a special meeting of District Assembly No. 1. Sovereign and the other general officers narrowly escaped rough usage at the hands of the delegates. About thirty-five Knights were present when H. C. Traphagen, who had been deposed from the office of Master Workman, tried to call the meeting to order for the purpose of electing a delegate to the annual convention, and also to consider the admission into the assembly of three local delegates. The members refusing to participate in the ceremonies, General Master Workman Sovereign attempted to assume charge, but was greeted with jeers. This so incensed the head of the order that he called for Janitor Fitzgerald, and demanded of him the District Assembly charter. The custodian of the parchment informed Mr. Sovereign that he had no authority there, and further said if the General Master Workman and his official colleagues created any disturbance he (Fitzgerald) would throw them all into the street. Mr. Sovereign did not accept the fistic challenge, but called from a window for a policeman, and asked him to clear the hall.

"If any one is to be removed from this hall," spoke up Janitor Fitzgerald, "here are the people I want removed," and the janitor pointed his finger successively at Messrs. Sovereign, Hayes, Martin and Maguire.

The bluecoat, seeing no sign that the quiet of the Sabbath was being disturbed, left the hall, Fitzgerald remaining master of the situation.

When Mr. Sovereign again tried to speak the commotion was so great that disorder prevailed. One of the members, who is said to have been illegally suspended, rushed up to Mr. Sovereign, and, shaking his fist in a threatening manner, denounced him as being a tool of Secretary Hayes.

The disturbance proceeded no further, because at this point Mr. Sovereign and his friends left the hall. Mr. Sovereign announced that a meeting would be held to-night at the Knights' headquarters, where it is expected that the dissatisfaction will be straightened out. The primary cause of the trouble is said to have been an attempt to elect ex-Master Workman Traphagen as the delegate from District Assembly No. 1 to the November convention. Traphagen was to go in the interest of General Master Workman Sovereign, whom the majority of delegates oppose.

TELEGRAPHIC NOTES.

St. Louis, Aug. 20.—At the second day's session of the Grand Lodge B'nai B'rith, Abraham Samuel Dorf, of Baltimore, was elected grand master; J. Pearl, of New-York, first grand master, and Leonard Leisersohn, of New-York, grand secretary.

Watertown, N. Y., Aug. 20.—Thomas S. Clarkson, a wealthy quarry owner and prominent business man of Potsdam, died yesterday from injuries received last week, when a pump fell on him at the sandstone works, crushing one of his legs so that amputation was necessary.

Birmingham, Ala., Aug. 20.—During a thunderstorm near Clayton, Ala., lightning struck the residence of James Houston, instantly killing three children. Mrs. Houston was severely injured by the shock.

Jonesboro, Mo., Aug. 20.—A freight train on the Wabash Railroad struck a horse two miles west of here last night, resulting in the ditching of the engine and nineteen cars, and the killing of the engineer, C. Felton, of Moberly, and two tramps, who were stealing a ride on the train.

Haverhill, Mass., Aug. 20.—Frank Hunt, of this city, one of the three men suspected of complicity in the murder of Edward Crosby at Merrimac on Friday night, was arrested here early this morning. All three are now in custody.

Indianapolis, Aug. 20 (Special).—The official board of the First Baptist Church, the largest in the State, has decided to call the Rev. Dr. J. L. Jackson, of Grand Rapids, to its vacant pulpit. The salary offered him is $4,000, which is $1,000 more than he is receiving now.

Sherburne, Minn., Aug. 20.—A large crowd of people assembled here yesterday to witness a balloon ascension and parachute leap by T. Ward. As the balloon was about to ascend Lee Palmer, of Jackson, seized a rope and was carried up about 150 feet, when he fell and was killed.

Chicago, Aug. 20.—William Burke, who had been section foreman for the Terminal Company, the Chicago and North Pacific road; Philip Roth, one of his hands, and Joseph Corley, a lad of fifteen years, who was the innocent tool, were arrested last night for attempting to wreck a Chicago Great Western train near Maywood July 6. Burke and Roth had both gone out during the recent strike.

Point Pleasant, Aug. 20 (Special).—The forty life-saving stations on the New-Jersey coast will be manned with six surfmen each on August 22.

AN ANOMALOUS SITUATION.

TRYING TO PLACE THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE HOUSE'S SURRENDER.

THE RANK AND FILE BLAME WILSON AND CRISP, AND THE LATTER BLAME GORMAN—OTHERS BLAME CARLISLE AND CLEVELAND—THE BUNCO GAME SEEMS TO HAVE BEEN SUCCESSFULLY WORKED BY SOME ONE.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.]

Washington, Aug. 20.—It is apparent that the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Democratic members of the Committee on Ways and Means and the Cuckoo Senators ought to hold a conference with President Cleveland and his Secretary of the Treasury and agree, or at least try to agree, upon a statement that will either relieve them from all responsibility on account of the existing and ridiculous muddle of tariff legislation, or, if that be found impracticable, to distribute the burden of shame and censure equally among themselves. Speaker Crisp and Chairman Wilson, together with the colleagues of the latter, appear to think that they have been the victims not only of a bunco game played by the chairman of the "Steering Committee" of the Senate, who, they affirm, promised that the "popgun" Free Sugar bill should be promptly passed by that body, but also of the weak-kneed Secretary of the Treasury, whose letter of August 15 to the Finance Committee of the Senate destroyed the last chance for the passage of the aforesaid bill.

At the same time they are generously disposed to acquit President Cleve