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BEFORE the days of republican trusts, when farmers got as much or more for their wheat than they do now, and when crackers were made by hand, and baked by fire, and not by steam, they could be bought at the factory here for five cents a pound at retail, and every house keeper in town could always have them, fresh and crisp. Of all the late employees of the recently trust closed factory, whose ties induce or compel them to remain here, it seems strange that some don't combine their labor and start a small establishment of their own. Should they do so, there is little good reason to doubt their success. Only a small amount of capital would be required, and industrious, reliable and skilful men could raise that amount without much trouble. The old Jamieson water crackers were the best ever made, and were used all through Virginia and the South, and shipped abroad, and there are still left many Alexandrians who know how to make them, and in the old way, too.

THE CUBANS, to relieve whom of the alleged tyranny of Spain, this country went to war, now complain that the U. S. authorities at Havana have raised the tariff on linen goods, which they have to use in their country, fifty per cent., in order to give an advantage to American cotton goods. All the wars the republicans have prosecuted, from that of 1861-5 down to the Chinese, have been waged for the pecuniary profit of the North; in respect of the latter, even Mr. McKinley saying, it must be for "reparation," and, already, contracts are being made in the North for stoves and overcoats for the American army in China.

A STATE election will be held in North Carolina next month. Under the laws both of that State and the United States, federal officers have nothing to do with that election. But in an empire, the will of the rulers, and neither the statute book nor the Constitution, is the law of the land, so that the officials of the U. S. government there, are availing themselves of their positions, to interfere with the registration and election proceedings in utter disregard and in open defiance of the State officers. If Mr. McKinley be re-elected, *he* will be the State.

PRESIDENT MCKINLEY is a better fighter out of, than in the army. When in it the only thing he did that is remembered was his heroic feat, as quartermaster, in ladling hot coffee to tired soldiers, but out of it, in the course of three years, he has involved the country in three costly wars, the end of which is not yet, the Spanish, the Philippine and the Chinese; and now that he has the captain of the rough-riders to help him, his military prowess will doubtless expand to the width of the globe and extend from pole to pole.

MANY PEOPLE in Virginia seem to be very much interested in the affairs of the Cubans, the Filipinos, and the Chinese, with which they have nothing to do; but about their own affairs, in which even their health is involved, their cooking, they are, at least, apparently, so little concerned, that they give it no consideration whatever, and eat what is set before them without a murmur of discontent, though it be dried up, tough, unpalatable and indigestible.

Governor Roosevelt, the republican candidate for Vice President, is stumping the West in favor, not of "imperialism," but of "expansion." Expansion in every thing, if carried too far, must result in a burst, with all its dire evils, and even Mr. Roosevelt's ambition, which, though based upon a small and weak foundation, seems unconfined, must naturally and legitimately have such an ending, and then, there will be none so poor as to do him reverence.

AS ANTICIPATED, Representative Rixey, of Culpeper county, was renominated by the congressional convention of his party today, without opposition, and there is no doubt that he will be re-elected without any that will give him much trouble. Mr. Rixey has made as efficient a representative as could have been expected in a republican Congress, and has won the confidence and respect of all his colleagues, on both sides of the House.

FROM WASHINGTON.

[Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.]

Washington, July 18.

Postmaster General Smith said this morning that a successor to First Assistant Postmaster General Heath has not yet been decided upon. The declination of Curtis Guild, of Boston, leaves Gen. Smith without a choice. It is the general opinion that he will take an outside man for the place and not appoint any one now in the department.

Minister Wu called at the State Department early this morning. Before entering the Secretary's office he declared that he had no news either from Pekin or Tientsin, or any other part of China. "I am looking for information," he said. He appeared to be more encouraged over the situation as a result of yesterday's dispatches.

It was officially stated at the White House this morning that there would be no meeting of the Cabinet today. Unless present plans miscarry the President will return to Canton tomorrow evening.

W. W. Rockhill, at present head of the Bureau of South American Republics, says that there is no intention of sending him to China either on a special mission or otherwise, and that until definite news comes as to what has befallen Conger it is too early to talk about his successor especially as it would, under present circumstances, be impossible for any diplomatic representative to reach Pekin even if sent. When asked from his long experience with the Chinese how much faith he placed in the dispatches coming from the officials and declaring that the legations at Pekin were safe at succeeding dates, Mr. Rockhill said that he placed no credence in them at all. I have no doubt," he said, "that the minister here honestly believes in the correctness of his information. But there is nothing to show that the people from whom he received these dispatches know anything more about the real situation at Pekin than we do. It is my belief that all the foreigners in Pekin have been killed, and that the purpose of the Chinese officials in sending out news to the contrary is to secure delay. There is, of course, a possibility, though a remote one, that some members of the legations may have escaped, some of the women for instance. Sir Robert Hart and the Catholic bishop in Pekin, as well as others of the foreigners would undoubtedly use all the influence they possessed to this end. Sir Robert Hart, especially, might have been able to accomplish something. He has been there for forty years and many of the Chinese officials owe their positions to him. I do not base much hope on this, however, for I fail to see that there could be much chance of escape from the legation compound, a mile and a half in circumference, surrounded as it were by a horde of 30,000 or 40,000 Boxers. Even if the legations are still standing as reported (and you will notice that nothing is said as to the safety of their inhabitants), in view of the situation at Tien-tsin, I do not see that their position is very much improved. But if the Chinese have been unable to take the legations by assault they will simply camp outside, starve out the defenders, and then complete the massacre. This was the Chinese plan in subduing the Mohammedan rebellion in the Yoshigari province. The Chinese troops moved on from place to place, laid siege to the towns, planted their own crops and when starvation compelled the surrender of the besieged they would promptly put them to the sword and the victorious troops moved on to repeat the same performance at the next place.

"As to the advantage to be gained by the Chinese by delaying accurate news of the present situation in Pekin, they may have the hope that the agreement between the powers will not last. There are many things that might happen in time, and it is my belief that the Chinese are playing their cards in the hope that one of these things may happen and thus they may be saved from a part at least of the wrath of the civilized world."

The following undated dispatch from Lieut. Col. Coolidge, of the Ninth Infantry, from Taku via Chefoo, giving a list of casualties at Tientsin on July 13 was received at the War Department this morning: "Casualties in attack on Tientsin July 13. Killed:—Col. E. H. Liscum and seventeen enlisted men. Wounded:—C. R. Noyes, not serious; Major James Regan, serious, but not dangerous; Capt. E. V. Bookmiller, serious, but not dangerous; Lieut. L. R. Lawton, not serious; Lieut. F. R. Lang, slight; 72 enlisted men. Missing:—Enlisted men, two."

Admiral Remey's dispatch sheds little light on the situation around Tientsin but the little news it contains is cheering. His news of course must be gathered 60 miles from the scene of action and is subject to such inaccuracy as distance lends but it is believed by naval officials that he is careful, and it is probable that the officers mentioned are, as he says, not wounded. They also believe that later the losses of the Americans in the Tientsin fight may prove to have been exagerated in the first reports. It also indicates that communication between Taku or Tong-ku, the latter being the real base, is open and that the Boxers and disaffected Chinese are not in force in that section. Of the two new men reported wounded Capt. Charles G. Long entered the marine corps service July 1, 1891, having been appointed from Massachusetts. Second Lieut. Frank R. Lang, of the 9th Infantry, is a native of Maine, from which State he was appointed 2nd Lieut. in the 9th Infantry.

Secretary Hay says that the only reason that actuated the cabinet yesterday in deciding that there should not be a called session of Congress was that their review of the entire case convinced them that there was nothing either in the present diplomatic, military, naval or financial situation that the President could not handle without the assistance of Congress. Even if it was discovered beyond doubt that Minister Conger had been murdered, it would not necessarily require the calling of an extra session. He said the policy of the U. S. government from now on would be the same as had been. Some of the powers formally and others informally had coincided in the position taken therein by the United States so that they were all working in harmony. It was the intention of the U. S. government to rely upon its own information and upon its own officers sent to China for the purpose of representing this country. Including his statement Secretay Hay said that 11,114 men under orders to go to China or already there complete the number that the United States will send with the exception of 1,000 marines, which will be sent when recruited. No more men will be dispatched to China unless conditions should change and Admiral Remey suggest the sending of additional troops.

Quite a number of the delegates to the democratic congressional convention in Alexandria today passed through here on their way to that city. They all seemed to think the democrats in their respective neighborhoods were in good condition, and as one of them said, would all be "Charlies at the cat hole." They agreed that Mr. Rixey had made a good representative, as congressmen now go, and would be renominated without any opposition, and be reelected without any that would give him any trouble or put him to any expense.

Gen. Shafter has wired the War Department from San Francisco of the departure to Taku yesterday of the first battalion of the 15th Infantry on the transport Sumner. This constitutes the first reinforcement to be sent from the United States to China.

Gov. Gen. Wood, of Cuba this morning called upon the Secretary of War. He said he had not expressed to the Secretary any desire for service in China and did not expect to go to that country. "Like all army officers, if there is to be a war in China, I would like to be in action, he said, but I have not yet made any express application." He said that the sending home of three regiments from Cuba reduced the force to 5,000 or 6,000 men, which are not exactly necessary to the good order of the island, would have an excellent moral effect. A constitutional convention is to be held some time before October 31, and should this and the accompanying election pass off quietly then a further reduction in troops would be possible. General Wood said he considered the Cubans generally as very orderly and content to await results to be brought about by American domination. It was hard to tell exactly what form of government the Cubans preferred until after the constitutional convention. The general said he expected to return to Cuba in three or four days.

A North Carolina democrat now here says the attempts of the U. S. officials to interfere with the registration officers in his State has had the effect of stimulating all the democrats there to increased efforts to carry the State election next month, and had induced all the old time orators among them, General Mat Ransom, for instance, to come out of retirement and go upon the stump to tell the white people there that there must be no more reconstruction times there, and no more negro tax collectors and other State officers to be impudent and offensive in the discharge of their official duties, and that it is expected the republican and populist fusion there will be defeated by a majority of from thirty to forty thousand.

At the brokers' offices here today wheat and corn held their own and stocks were strong.

It is said here by well informed democrats that the republican campaign fund has already been drawn upon to subsidize certain so called independent newspapers, and that they have already commenced to incline to republicanism, and that that inclination will increase as long as the flow of money in that direction shall continue.

A Washingtonian who had read a communication in yesterday's Gazette about the Jim Crow cars, said today that for its own sake the Alexandria electric car company should put such cars on its line. Most all its patrons, he said, would be gratified thereby, and no body would be harmed. He said the negroes of this city and those who come here frequently are the most impudent in the country, and what, too, has struck him frequently, is the fact that though there may be an empty seat by one of their own race, they will force themselves into one next to a white man or woman.

At 2.30 o'clock the weather bureau issued the following special bulletin: The warm wave which covers the Middle Atlantic States will be partially broken to night by local rains and more moderate temperatures are indicated for the next two or three days.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

The Navy Department has decided to enlist 1,000 more men for the Marine Corps to bring it up to its limit—6,000.

The thermometer reached 100.3° in Baltimore at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon, the city being the hottest in the United States.

Spanish Consuls in Cuba have protested against a death sentence for Jose Garcia for alleged murder of Cuban prisoners in the revolution.

A new recruit of the Marine Corps at Annapolis, Md., attempted suicide yesterday having his mind unbalanced by thinking of going to China.

The fight between Fitzsimmons and Ruhlin has been set for August 10, in the Madison Square Garden, New York. The battle is limited to twenty-five rounds.

In Baltimore yesterday corn, which lost a couple of points on Monday, suffered a further decrease of about one one cent a bushel, closing at 44 to 44½, which was better than the lowest for the day—42⅞ to 43. Wheat closed one-eighth firmer than on the previous day, at 75⅝.

The National Wall Paper Company, which has been known for more than six years as the National Wall Paper Trust, having failed to control the independent manufacturers, has practically been driven out of business by the outside competition, and in the near future will be dissolved.

THE CHINESE TROUBLES.

As stated in the Gazette of that day, President McKinley arrived in Washington yesterday evening and discussed with the Cabinet the situation. It was decided not to call an extra session of Congress at present, but that the Secretary of War should avail himself of all the funds voted his department for other purposes to transport and equip the forces for China. All the American troops now being dispatched to China will go prepared for a winter campaign, the expedition carrying stoves, arctic shoes, blanket hoods and heavy overcoats.

Wu Ting Fang, Chinese Minister at Washington, has received another dispatch from Sheng, director of posts in China, saying that the foreign legations were safe July 9. The same dispatch was made public in London. It is pointed out there that the Chinese used the old style calendar and that the real date is July 5. It is peculiar that the authority given for the dispatch is the same as that given for the massacre of foreigners two days ago.

Reports from London say that China has declared war against Russia. Hostilities are beginning, the end of which it is impossible to see. The Boxers, or rather regular Chinese troops, for these are doing the real fighting, have seized a Russian transport boat laden with munitions of war near Aigun, on the River Amur. They fired on or killed almost the entire Russian escort. They next made a sudden attack upon Blagoveschensk, Siberia, bombarding the town. The garrison held out bravely, but was overwhelmed and nearly all perished, and the town was burned.

THE PEACH SEASON.—The peach season opens this year with every indication of success. In the next few days the markets and wharves will be crowded with this delicious fruit. For the past month peaches have been arriving from Georgia and other southern points, but the quantity is meager and brought extremely high prices. But the quantity, quality and price of the fruit have changed, and yesterday fine large peaches sold at the rate of three for five cents. The commission merchants are receiving large consignments of the Georgia peach daily, and, judging from the present conditions, the outlook to them seems bright. All look for a large crop, with good prices and ready sales. The bay steamers are bringing good-size cargoes of the fruit from the Eastern Shore and Delaware, but the bulk will not arrive until the last of the month, when the season will be on in full blast.—[Baltimore American.

VIRGINIA NEWS.

Gov. Tyler left Richmond last night for his farm at Radford, where he will spend two weeks or more with his family.

A detachment of fifty-nine marines, some of them veterans, are under orders, and will leave the Norfolk Navy Yard shortly for China.

Congressman James Hay was today renominated for Congress by the democratic convention of the 7th district, which met at Harrisonburg.

Miss Sarah Ann Brown, the oldest person in Winchester, died yesterday after a brief illness. She was ninety-three years of age and was a life-long Hicksite Quakeress.

Col. Bolivar Christian, at one time a prominent lawyer in the Staunton section, died there yesterday. He was born in Greenville, April 26, 1825. He was in the state legislature before and during the war.

Mr. W. H. Pleasants, a well-known insurance agent of Richmond, died at his country home, at Bon Air, yesterday. Deceased was about 74 years of age and was well known in Richmond, where he had lived all his life.

The grand jury of the Hustings Court of Richmond has indicted about 130 persons for failing to pay their license taxes. The list includes the names of lawyers, doctors, saloon-keepers, merchants, and other business people.

The Richmond Locomotive and Machine Works have just received an order for ten consolidation locomotives from the Intercolonial Railway of Canada. This is a most flattering testimony to the superiority of Richmond engines, following, as it does, the shipment of thirty-six engines to the Canadian Pacific Railway.

A warrant was issued in Warrenton yesterday by Magistrate Green, on complaint of Robert Mitchell, for the arrest of John W. Mountjoy, who is charged with assaulting Mitchell on July 2. Both are well-known farmers of Fauquier. It is alleged that Mitchell used abusive language to Mountjoy's wife and daughters and this caused the difficulty.

The law passed by the last General Assembly, imposing a tax of 15 cents per ton on all fertilizers sold in Virginia, has proven highly successful as a revenue measure. The law went into operation on the first day of last January. Up to the 23d day of June the taxes paid on fertilizers amounted to $18,959.10. The total amount sold was 123 394 tons.

The State board of agriculture met at Hygeia Hotel, Old Point, yesterday. The morning session was devoted to an address by Chief Chemist Magruder on "Analysis of the Soil." A resolution appropriating $3,000 for the establishment of farmers' institutes in various sections of the State was passed. The matter of establishing test farms was discussed, but no action was taken.

The twelfth annual convention of the Virginia Press Association opened yesterday afternoon at the Hygeia Hotel, Old Point, with a large proportion of the membership present and a number of ladies in attendance. President W. McDonald Lee, of Irvington, presided. The various committees were appointed and made their reports at the night session. Several new members were admitted.

The Sunday School Convention of the Baltimore conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church South met for its thirty third annual session at the Methodist Church, in Staunton, today. The convention has had for its officers for several years Hon. M. L. Walton, Woodstock, as president, and Mr. W. M. Millan, of Washington, D. C., as secretary. It is said that these officers will be re-elected this year.

The Prohibition and Evangelical Association, of Loudoun county, will hold their 23rd annual temperance and gospel meeting, on the old grounds, Dillon's woods, about 300 yards from Purcell depot, Tuesday, July 31, 1900, and continuing until Sunday 4 p. m., August 5.

ANXIOUS TO FIGHT IN CHINA.—A dispatch from Richmond says the possibility of the United States having to send a large army to China is attracting much attention on the part of the local military. Those who have enlisted with the Virginia volunteers are ready to go anywhere whenever called upon. This State has now in her service about 2,200 soldiers. A few more companies are ready to be mustered in. The infantry companies in existence are located as follows: Staunton, Charlottesville Alexandria, Roanoke, two; Martinsville, Lynchburg, Richmond, six; Franklin, Portsmouth, Norfolk, three; Hampton, and Newport News.

Company C, in Richmond, will be mustered in tonight. Other companies soon to be mustered in are as follows: Danville, Emporia, Portsmouth, and Newport News.

There are batteries of artillery at Richmond, Norfolk, and Portsmouth, and two divisions of naval reserves at Norfolk. The only troop of cavalry is the one in Surry county.

Should Virginia be called upon for troops many companies will be quickly organized and will volunteer their services, as was the case during the Spanish-American war.

TIPS.—Helen Gould and party departed from the Mammoth Hot Springs, Wyo., for the East yesterday, after having spent 12 days in wonderland.

Before leaving she remembered those of the drivers who had accompanied her through the mountain fastnesses by presenting each of them with a $50 bill, and to the transportation manager she gave $250 for arranging a special scenery trip, which was carried out to the letter. These, with several other smaller rewards, aggregated $1,000.

She declined to permit any of the kodak artists to take her picture.

She was presented with many valuable relics found in the park by unknown but admiring friends, which were accepted in the spirit offered.

Miss Gould was somewhat disappointed in that she was not permitted to hunt within the park, which was to have been an essential part of the trip, but she enjoyed the fishing immensely, having taken several fine trout, which were served at the hotels, the fish forming the main feature of an elaborate menu.

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TO-DAY'S TELEGRAPHIC NEWS

From China

Washington July 18.—The State Department has received a dispatch from United States Consul Fowler, at Chefoo, saying that the Governor wires that his courier left Pekin on the ninth. The legations were still holding out.

The U. S. Minister at Seoul, Korea, telegraphs the Department of State that the boxers and Chinese soldiers are in force a few day's journey from the Korean frontier. Pieng-Yang is much alarmed. Many natives are leaving the city. Foreigners remain safely. The government of Korea is anxious to preserve order.

Pieng-Yang which is mentioned in the dispatch from Seoul, Korea, is the capital of the province of the same name bordering Manchuia, China. The significance of the dispatch appears to be that the boxers and Chinese are keeping Russia's 20,000 force in Manchuria busily occupied by demonstrations against the Russian railroad and telegraph lines, which have been frequently interrupted during the last month. It is scarcely believed that the boxer disturbance has spread to Korea.

Shanghai July 18.—In view of the threatening attitude of the Chinese, the powers are increasing the number of warships in this vicinity. There are now nine warships between Shanghai and Woo Sung. Eight more are off the native city. Two British cruisers are now en route for here.

The Chinese have strengthened the Woo Sung forts and stored huge quantities of ammunition in them.

The British cruiser Terrible and four other crusiers have cleared for action off the Sian Hai Kwan forts.

St. Petersburg, July 18.—A Tientsin dispatch says that Prince Tuan has organized an anti-foreign army of 950,000 Chinese. The army has been divided into four corps. The first corps will operate against Mukden, north of Pekin, and occupy the road between Shan-Hai-Kwan and the Chinese capital. The second corps will concentrate at Tien-tsin; the third will stay at Pekin excepting a body of 40,000, which will be sent to Wei-Hai-Wei. The fourth corps will center at Nanking. Gen. Gribski reports from Blagovestchensk that the Chinese along the Amur river have thrown up entrenchments about 13 miles long and have mounted 40 guns.

It is reported from Nanking that a great Chinese military movement is imminent because of the presence of Japanese troops in China, Rebellion and riot are rife in south China and the viceroy of Nanking intimates that he will not answer for events. Foreigners at Chao-Sin, Ning-Po and Chuh-Chau are fleeing to Shanghai. The houses of Europeans at Ning-Po have been burned and missionaries horribly maltreated. The panic is spreading to Chuan Chou and In-Chau.

Athens, July 18.—A joint request has been received from Austria and England that Greece send one warship and a battalion of marines to China. Similar requests have been sent to the small states of Europe and it is stated that probably the United States would similarly request the small American countries with a view to every christian nation taking part in the war against China. The Greek cabinet will hold the cruiser Admiral Miaulis in readiness to go to China.

Berlin, July 18.—The foreign office asserts that there have been no negotiations among the powers respecting the number of troops to be sent to China. Each power will send as many as possible.

London, July 18.—The most important feature of today's China dispatches is the indication of a further spread of the boxer movement. The disorder is said to be spreading near Hankow in Central China. Shanghai expects to be attacked soon and in view of this expectation, more warships are being sent there. The anti-foreign uprising has also spread into Shansi-Si province where a massacre of foreigners and native Christians occurred on July 9.

Great things are expected of Li Hung Chang's trip north towards a rapid redressing of the wrongs and suppression of the boxers. On the other hand, continental opinion of Li's ability to aid the foreigners is not so high and it is suspected that he is consulting his own advantage merely. A Paris dispatch says that it is believed there that Li Hung Chang will go no farther north than Shanghai, where this astute Chinamen will confer with the viceroys of the Yangtse provinces for the purpose of saving China from the vengeance of the various nations. The communication by Minister Wu to the American State Department of a message declaring, on high Chinese authority, that the legations at Pekin were safe July 9th, together with private advices to the same effect, has again thrown doubt on the stories of the Pekin massacre, now twice accepted as a fact. It is impossible to rely on the statements of Chinese officials in this regard and nothing can be known of Pekin, prehaps, until either a minister gets a message through or until the army of relief arrives at Pekin and reports.

Shanghai, July 18.—It is reported that the Chinese fleet are concentrating in the China sea and that hostilities are expected in these waters.

St. Petersburg, July 18.—A dispatch from Chefoo says that the Russians, while reconnoitering along the Pei Ho river, had a skirmish with the Chinese and lost one officer and two men killed and one man wounded.

London, July 18.—A Chefoo dispatch reports that the naval casualties at Tientsin in the recent fighting were one officer and five men killed, and one man dangerously wounded.

Shanghai, July 18.—The European cable is threatened by the Chinese rebels.

A party of 19,000 Japanese soldiers have landed and are marching to Pekin by the old road.

Shanghai, July 18.—Grave fears are entertained regarding the fate of a number of missionaries and others from which nothing can be learned.

London, July 18.—A dispatch from Vienna to a news agency here says that Russia is preparing for a great military operation through Manchuria to Pekin.

Shanghai, July 18.—It reported that the Chinese General Nieh has been killed while vainly endeavoring to rally his troops at Tientsin.

Tokio, July, 18.—A Japanese will be the superior officer in command of the allied army in China. Gen. Yumagato or Gen. Modgu will probably be chosen.

The law holds both maker and circulator of a counterfeit equally guilty. The dealer who sells you a dangerous counterfeit of De Witt's Witch Hazel Salve risks your life to make a little larger profit. You cannot trust him. DeWitt's is the only genuine and original Witch Hazel Salve, a well known cure for piles and all skin diseases. See that your dealer gives you DeWitt's Salve.

Foreign News.

Malta, July 18.—The steamer Borneo from Calcutta to London, has been sent to quarantine here with cholera on board. Five deaths have occured on the vessel.

Pretoria, July 18.—The Boers made an unsuccessful attack on the left flank of General Pole Carew's position yesterday. An attack on the British positions south of Pretoria also failed. At Rooikrantz today General Rundle engaged the Boers who were strongly reenforced at Dusk.

London, July 18.—At a social function the other day the Prince of Wales stopped a waiter, thinking it was Minister Choate, and engaged him in conversation. The resemblance between the American minister and the waiter was marked. Society is laughing. Mr. Choate does not appreciate the mistake.

Effects of the Heat.

New York, July 18.—The intense heat of yesterday, last night, and today, has had a fatal effect here. Five deaths due to heat and 50 cases of prostration were reported yesterday. Last night and this morning seven deaths and a score of heat prostrations were reported.

Baltimore, July 18.—In the shipsmith shops of Richard H Dougherty, fifty-eight iron workers, out of a total of sixty, were overcome by the heat yesterday afternoon, owing to the shop fans breaking down. The temperature in the shops reached the 135 mark. The extraordinary evidence of the intensity of the heat was that nearly all the men had large white blisters on their skin as a result of their experience. There were many other prostrations throughout the city, but no fatalities.

Giant Gold Brick to be Coined.

New York, July 18.—The Bank of Montreal yesterday received the largest gold brick that has been seen in Wall street within the year. It would delight the heart of the up-State gentlemen who come to the city now and then for the purpose of laying in a supply of such articles, because the Bank of Montreal's gold brick will stand any test. It is pure gold all the way through and is without a flaw. Its value is $135,275, and its weight 7,892 ounces. It is the result of 62 days' washing. The gold brick is cone shaped and is technically known as the "gold king," because of its size and peculiar shape. It is product of the Cariboo Hydraulic Mines, in British Colombia. It will be sent to the assay office and will then go to the Philadelphia mint to be coined into gold eagles. It was shipped to this city in a stout oaken box, which was lined inside with sheet iron. It was under the guard of an armed man all the time during transportation.

The Markets.

Chicago, July 18.—The market closed as follows: Wheat—Aug 76. Sept 77.

Georgetown, July 18.—Wheat 70a78.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

The Baltimore agents of the North German Lloyds announced yesterday that the German steamers Meier, Dresden, Rhein, Frankfort and Wittekind had been chartered by the German government to carry troops to China.

The U. S. Government has made offers at San Fransisco, for the chartering of the following steamers for transports in the China service; Zealandia, Ohio, Senator, City of Para, City of Sydney, City of Peking, Colona, China, City of Pueblo, and Australia.

A sad accident occurred at the Pennsylvania railroad depot at Johnstown Pa., at 3 o'clock this morning. Four thousand picnickers were boarding a special train bound for Altoona. A fast freight westbound ran up into throng killing two and injuring three. A number of others were trampled on and more or less injured in the frantic efforts of the crowd to get out of the danger. A number of women fainted, others became hysterical, adding to the confusion and excitement. Many abandoned the outing, returning to their homes.

MR. BRYAN.

At Lincoln, Neb., yesterday W. J. Bryan outlined what will be his leading theme in the campaign. Mr. Bryan believes the question of imperialism over-shadows all else in importance, and on that issue all men opposed to republican policies can unite. He gave out the following statement:

"Several gold-standard opponents of imperialism have already announced their intention to support the democratic ticket, although the anti-imperialist league has not acted officially. In such a matter each individual is governed by his own views as to the relative importance of the issues.

"The democratic platform declares the question of imperialism to be the paramount issue. If any opponent of imperialism refused to support the democratic ticket because of the silver plank it must be because he considers the money question more important than the Philippine question; that is he prefers a gold-standard empire to a bimetallic republic.

"When the test comes I believe that those who adhere to the doctrine that governments derive their just powers, not from superior force, but from the consent of the governed, will support our ticket, even though they do not indorse the silver plank. A large majority of the democrats believe that a restoration of bimetallism would prove a blessing. But the anti-imperialist who disputes this will admit that any evil that might arise from bimetalism could be corrected more easily than the evils which would follow from the deliberate indorsement of militarism and imperialism."

FAIR AMERICAN STOLE JEWELS.—Caroline E. Keyes, claiming to be from Minnesota, but believed to be from San Francisco, pleaded guilty in London yesterday on a charge of stealing jewels worth $110 from rooms in the hotel where she was staying.

Her explanation was that she had been drinking brandy and while under the influence of liquor took the property. When she realized the enormity of her act the next morning she tried to replace the stolen property, but was unable to gain access to the rooms she had robbed.

She also said she had come to London to attend the Christian Endeavor Convention. She was remanded for trial.

It has been demonstrated by experience that consumption can be prevented by the early use of One Minute Cough Cure. This is the favorite remedy for coughs, colds, croup, asthma, grippe and all throat and lung troubles. Cures quickly.

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Dr. Hobbs' Sparagus Pills cure all kidney ills. Sample free. Add. Sterling Remedy Co., Chicago or N. Y.

THE LAWYERS.

The twelfth annual convention of the Virginia State Bar Association opened yesterday at the Chamberlin Hotel, Old Point, with the largest attendance ever seen at the Bar Association meetings.

John A. Coke, of Richmond, called the association to order, and Judge William A. Anderson, of Lexington, delivered his annual address, which was entitled "Virginia Constitution.' The committees for the convention were appointed;

Eugene C. Massie, of Richmond, secretary and treasurer, rendered an encouraging report, which was followed by the reports of the executive committee and committees on admission, legislation and law reform, judiciary, legal education and admission to the bar library and legal literature, grievances, international arbitration.

A number of new members were admitted.

At the night session an interesting paper was read by J. Allen Watts, whose subject was "The Burden of a Government Upon the Citizens." General discussion on the subject of the paper followed. The special committee on John Marshall day redered its report. After disposing of unfinished business the convention adjourned until today, when Charles M. Blackford opened with a paper entitled "The Trial of Jefferson Davis."

SCARED TO DEATH BY A THIEF.—Laura Rickerick, 23 years old, the cashier of the Prudential Life Insurance Company's office in Jersey City, N. J., went into the Hudson County National Bank yesterday to make a deposit. She carried in her hand a satchel, in which was $1,000 in cash and checks. Just as she stepped inside the doorway she felt her arm pinched, and her grasp on the bag was relaxed. At that moment the satchel was snatched from her hand. Turning quickly, she saw a man running down the street, and she raised a loud cry of "Stop thief!"

In answer to the cries a crowd of fully 200 persons joined in the pursuit. The thief jumped over a number of fences, and finally rushed into the flat house at No. 101 Sussex street. In the doorway of No. 103 sat Mrs. Henrietta Fuhling, 61 years old, an invalid. When she saw the thief running she throught he was making for her, and, giving a scream, she fell back in the chair, dead. The man escaped.

MR. WINANS' NEWPORT GARDENS.—Ross R. Winans has added to his handsome estate at Castle Hill, a mass of palms, ferns and other plants which will stand the various climates of Newport all the year round. The collection is second to none in number in this country, and the pretty sight shows an outlay of something like $10,000, and the work which Mr. Winans has in mind is not completed as yet. In a few years hence this garden will have developed into such a proportion as Mr. Winans' hopes to see realized from a large expenditure of money and hard work on the part of his corps of gardeners.—Newport Cor. New York Times.

AGAIN WANTS A DIVORCE.—In Richmond yesterday, H. Stewart Ford entered a second suit for divorce against Mrs. Loretta Small Ford, daughter of Rev. Sam Small. When the first suit was brought he alleged irregularity of life on the part of Mrs. Ford, but a compromise was reached, and the understanding was that Mrs. Ford was to live under the guardian care of her father in Washington. Mr. Ford now states in his bill that he has a letter from Mr. Small, saying that his daughter will not stay under his control, and Ford again asks for absolute divorce. He alleges that her life is immoral.

VIRGINIA PHARMACISTS.—The Virginia Pharmacists convened in annual session at Ocean View last night. The opening session was purely routine. An address by Dr. Albert R. L. Dohme, of Baltimore, on the subject of the advantages of standardized drugs was read to the druggists. Today's session will be the most interesting of the convention. An address on wireless telegraphy by Albert Atkinson, of Baltimore, will be a feature, and it will be followed by a discussion of trade abuses by Simon N. James, of Louisville, president of the National Druggists' Association.

ADVERTISEMENTS THAT MEAN BUSINESS.—The experienced newspaper advertiser has discovered that the people want a plain statement of what he has to sell. They have as much interest in reading such a statement as the merchant has in making it. Trick "ads" and grotesque illustrations are not needed to catch public attention.

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"We have sold many different cough remedies, but none has given better satisfaction than Chamberlain's," says Mr. Charles Holzhauer, Druggist, Newark, N. J. "It is perfectly safe and can be relied upon in all cases of coughs, colds or hoarseness." Sold by all druggists.

After many intricate experiments scientists have discovered methods for obtaining all the natural digestants. These have been combined in the proportion found in the human body and united with substances that build up the digestive organs, making a compound called Kodol Dyspepsia Cure. It digests what you eat and allows all dyspeptics to eat plenty of nourishing food while the stomach troubles are being radically cured by the medicinal agents it contains. It is pleasant to take and will give quick relief.

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Guaranteed tobacco habit cure, makes weak men strong, blood pure. 50c. $1. All druggists.

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