

## FIGHT WITH THIEVES AT BRIDGEMAN

**Battle Occurs at Oregon Town During Which Deputy Sheriff Is Shot, Perhaps Fatally Hurt.**

**Posse Comes Upon Robbers, Who Open Fire Upon Pursuers, and Then Make Escape**

## TWO MEN AGAINST ELEVEN

**Officials of Wheeler and Wasco Counties Have Offered \$400 Reward for the Capture of Each of Thieves.**

Antelope, Ore., Aug. 6.—News has just been received here from Bridgeman, Ore., of a battle with horse thieves this morning, in which Under Sheriff James Steele was shot in the mouth and mortally wounded. The thieves are supposed to be an ex-convict named Lovejoy and a young fellow named Gibbons. They stole the horses last week. Wednesday a telephone message was received from Bridgeman stating that thieves were in the neighborhood, and Deputy Steele and a posse of 10 men started in pursuit. Early this morning the posse came in touch with the outlaws, who immediately opened fire on them with their revolvers. A battle was commenced which lasted until the wounding of Deputy Steele, when the thieves availed themselves of the confusion and escaped. As soon as news was received of the battle Sheriff J. W. Ambrose, of Grant county, with two deputy sheriffs from Wheeler county and two ranchmen, started in pursuit of the robbers, one of whom is thought to have been wounded during the battle. The county authorities of Wheeler and Wasco counties have offered a reward of \$400 for the apprehension of each man. Lovejoy, who is supposed to be one of the thieves, was discharged from the Walla Walla penitentiary about two months ago, where he served a term of five years for horse stealing. Gibbons, who is thought to be the other man, is a ranch hand who has been in this part of the country for about a year.

## THE MEANEST WOMAN.

**Offers 25 Cents to Man Who Returned \$1500 to Her.**

New York, Aug. 6.—Edwin E. Brophy, a conductor on the Sea Gate and Manhattan Beach line, Coney Island, has returned to his owner a pouch containing \$1500. The owner, a well-dressed woman, attempted to reward his honesty by offering him a silver quarter.

Brophy, who is a graduate of Geneva normal school, is ambitious to become a physician and for three years by working as a conductor summers, at odd jobs during the winter, has succeeded in paying his tuition and expenses at the Baltimore University of Medicine. He has one more year to study before getting his degree. Shortly after the passengers had left Brophy's car at the Sea Gate terminal, Brophy picked up the purse in which he found 15 neatly folded one-hundred dollar bills. When the superintendent of the company boarded his car Brophy at once told him of his find.

Before the car had started back a smartly dressed woman boarded the car, crying that she had lost her money. When she described the pouch and its contents, Brophy at once turned it over to her.

Profuse in her thanks, she opened a well-filled pocketbook and picking out a quarter, offered it to Brophy. At Brophy's refusal to take it she became indignant and laid the coin on a seat as she left the car.

## Making Trouble for Castro.

New York, Aug. 6.—In consequence of the aggressive policy displayed by President Castro of Venezuela against France, M. Delcasse, the French minister of foreign affairs, has taken steps to prevent the unification of the Venezuelan debt which has been arranged

with the Banque de Paris Et Pays Bas, says a Herald dispatch from Willemstadt, Island of Curacao. Germany and Great Britain are in accord with the French view of the question and have refused any financial assistance. The situation is critical.

## Big Factory Attacked.

New York, Aug. 6.—The sheriff's office has received an attachment for \$25,000 against the United Button Company, a Delaware corporation, with offices in this city and three factories in Massachusetts, in favor of Theodore M. Poe on a note of the company which went to protest a few days ago. The company was incorporated in June, 1902, with a capital stock of \$3,000,000 and is a combination of three of the largest ivory manufacturers of the United States.

## REMARKABLE RECOVERY.

**Young Man With Severed Spinal Cord Getting Well.**

Philadelphia, Aug. 6.—Clara Nicholas, a young waitress whose spinal cord was pierced by a bullet fired by a jealous sweetheart as she was leaving her place of employment in January, 1901, and who it was believed, would be a helpless cripple as the result of her injury, has shown such wonderful improvement recently that it is thought she will be in a short time recovered completely.

After her injury, Miss Nicholas was taken to the hospital where it was found that her spinal cord had been pierced by the bullet. She remained unconscious for nearly a week and the attending physicians expected her to die.

An operation was decided upon and the spinal cord was severed, the shattered bones were removed and the cord was sewed together with gold threads. For nearly two years Miss Nicholas lay helpless on a cot in the hospital, paralyzed from the waist down and unable to move, but recently she has recovered feeling in her lower limbs and is now able to stand alone and walk about the hospital with the aid of a device made expressly for her.

## CRASHES INTO WORK ENGINES.

**Special in Collision, Killing Northern Pacific Traveling Engineer.**

Butte, Mont., Aug. 6.—A special to the Miner from Bozeman says: "The special train of Superintendent Boyle, of the Montana division of the Northern Pacific railway, crashed into two work engines in the east end of the Bozeman yards at 9:15 this evening. William Thomas Macgugal, traveling engineer for the Northern Pacific, was killed and his body is now beneath the wreckage of the engine of the special. The engineer of the special and his fireman were both fatally scalded and their deaths are thought to be a matter of but a few hours.

The Boyle special was taking President Elliott's special car from Bozeman to Livingston to be ready for Elliott when he shall have completed his tour of Yellowstone park.

## ALLEGES HE WAS COERCED.

**Cripple Creek Sheriff Will Try to Regain His Office.**

Cripple Creek, Aug. 6.—Former Sheriff Robertson departed today for Denver, after having made a formal demand on Under Sheriff Harrison for possession of the sheriff's office, which he asserts, he was forced to resign under duress. He says he will attempt to regain his former position through the courts. While here, Robertson was compelled under threat of arrest to report twice daily at the sheriff's office.

## GOTCH DEFENDS TITLE.

**Defeats McLeod in Championship Wrestling Match.**

Vancouver, B. C., Aug. 6.—Frank A. Gotch, of Humbolt, Ia., the catch-as-catch-can champion wrestler of America, successfully defended his title tonight against Dan S. McLeod, the ex-champion. McLeod won the first fall in 31 minutes and 44 seconds. Gotch won the second and third in 23:20 and 28:33, respectively.

## Too Much for Champion.

Toledo, O., Aug. 6.—Maxwell Wiley, champion lightweight wrestler of the world, failed to throw John Billiter tonight in an hour's wrestling. Wiley agreed to throw Billiter three times in an hour.

## ST. PETERSBURG EXPECTS DESPERATE AND DECISIVE BATTLE NEAR LIAO YANG

**Kuropatkin Has Force of Fully 200,000 Men and Russians Are Confident of Favorable Outcome.**

**Japs Have Had Time to Strengthen Their Lines and Will Soon, It Is Expected, Make Grand Assault Upon Russian Positions—No News From Port Arthur Taken to Mean That Nothing New Has Transpired.**

St. Petersburg, Aug. 7.—Kuropatkin's report of small shifting movements by the Japanese, with a single unimportant skirmish, bringing the military situation up to August 4, is just what had been expected by the authorities here. It is believed, however, that the lull in the fighting has lasted about as long as possible, and that the forces around Liao Yang are on the eve of a desperate and decisive engagement. The pause of the past few days is believed to have been long enough to enable the Japanese to assume their formation, bring up supplies and make ready for a grand assault upon the powerful positions guarding Liao Yang, and the battle of the war is hourly expected. Liao Yang is closely tied up with the fortunes of the whole war. The loss of such a position, with its vast accumulations of stores, would immediately and perhaps irreparably endanger the main Russian position in Manchuria.

Military authorities do not entertain the slightest doubt of Kuropatkin's ability to repulse any attempt to capture and cut off Liao Yang. The defense there has an immense advantage, operating within a small radius of 20 miles, thus enabling Kuropatkin to reinforce promptly any weak points. The army at his disposal is estimated at 150 battalions, besides the cavalry and the artillery—altogether not far short of 200,000 men. Only one-third of this force was engaged in the fighting of July 30 and 31 and August 1. The pick of Kuropatkin's troops, newly arrived European regiments, are stationed at Anping and Anshanshan, where the hardest onset is expected to be made. Some of these regiments

were raised 200 years ago and have great war records.

The Associated Press is assured that the general staff and the admiralty have not received any communication from Port Arthur, and the latter argue, in view of this fact, that there has been no change of sufficient importance to prompt General Stoessel or Admiral Witthof to send special dispatches.

The persistent report from Chefoo that the Japanese have captured two commanding positions near Port Arthur does not receive general credence here, it being considered that the battleship Retvizan's big guns would be able to shell the besiegers' battery without danger to the ship, and that the Japanese guns are too far away to be effective.

The general staff stated at 1:30 this morning that it expected to receive no more news from the front.

No confirmation is obtainable here of the report cabled to a news agency in London that the Russian battleship Slava was accidentally torpedoed at Cronstadt today.

## FRENCH CONSUL ARRESTED.

**Japanese Jail Him for Making Too Vigorous Protest.**

Paris, Aug. 6.—The Matin's correspondent at New Chwang says that the French consular agent there was arrested August 3 by the Japanese in consequence of his vigorous protest against the detention of two sailors who claimed French protection. The agent notified the American consul, who, however, was unable to intervene, but sent the information of the agent's arrest to the French consul at Tientsin.

## GAVE HIS LIFE FOR ANOTHER.

**Chicago House Painter Rescues Brave Police Officer.**

Chicago, Aug. 6.—Henry Koch, a house painter, lost his life to save the life of Policeman Daniel O'Brien, who has also risked his life to save imperiled men. After seven laborers had been overcome by gas in an excavation at Eighteenth street and Armour avenue, Policeman O'Brien went into the pit and fastened ropes about their bodies. All were lifted to the surface but when the last man had been taken out the policeman lay unconscious in the hole.

It was then that Koch went in and attached a rope to the policeman's body. O'Brien was rescued but Koch fell unconscious, and though Patrick King and Henry Thompson, firemen, bravely went into the hole and brought up his body, he was beyond resuscitation. The condition of Policeman O'Brien is serious and he may die. O'Brien, the two firemen and three of the laborers are in a hospital.

## TO FACE SERIOUS CHARGE.

**Los Angeles Man Arrested for Fraudulent Use of Mails.**

Los Angeles, Aug. 6.—Charles W. Brooks, one of the proprietors of Van Nuy's Broadway hotel, was arrested today on a federal warrant from St. Louis. The warrant was issued on an indictment charging Brooks with fraudulent use of the mails. This is the second time Brooks has been arrested within the past few months. The first arrest was made several weeks ago and was on a similar charge.

## DELHI TAKES BIG EVENT.

**Finishes First in Race in Which The Picket Is Third.**

Saratoga, Aug. 6.—Delhi, undoubtedly one of the best 3-year-olds in training, won the great Republic \$5000 stake

race run here today. Delhi had little difficulty in winning. He jumped out in the front at the start and cut out a hot pace the full distance. The Picket finished strong in third place, a length behind Mercury, who finished second by a length. Time, 2:05 4-5.

## MEET BEGINS TOMORROW.

**More Than 500 Horses Will Run at the Portland Races.**

Portland, Aug. 6.—Entries for the opening day's card of the Multnomah Fair Association are out and everything is in readiness for the 30-day meet, which commences at Irvington Monday. Two trainloads of horses will reach here Sunday afternoon and by the time they are all stabled over 500 horses will be at the track. The association has spent \$15,000 this summer in improvements, and the racing plant today is the best in the northwest.

## Seattle Season Ends.

Seattle, Aug. 6.—Today witnessed the close of the summer race meeting at The Meadows. Nearly all the stables will go from here to Portland, where an 18-day meeting begins Monday. The meeting was the most successful in the history of the local track.

## Condition of Stock Market.

New York, Aug. 6.—The stock market has been largely dominated this week by the brilliant reports of the cotton crop but this effect has materially moderated by the fears of disaster to the wheat crop awakened by the week's reports of damage to spring wheat. Railroads report improving prospects for traffic and better business sentiment. Some revival is perceptible in the iron trade. Strikes and disputes in various quarters of the labor world give grounds for anxiety, and the shutting down of car and harvest works give a bad impression. The plethora of money continues but exports of gold to London and the remit-

tance to Cuba of an installment of loan subscription promises some reduction in bank reserves.

## THE WALLS COLLAPSED.

**Eight Men Hurt, Two Fatally, in Accident at New York.**

New York, Aug. 6.—Eight men have been badly injured, two fatally, in East New York in the collapse of a wall of a two-story brick building. Six of the men were buried under tons of beams, masonry and flooring. All would have perished had not policemen and firemen assisted the workmen in the work of rescue. A physician risked his own life to administer restoratives to those hurt, crawling on his hands and knees under the wreckage.

The building was only partly finished. The rain is supposed to have weakened the masonry. A policeman who was standing nearby saw the south wall begin to crumble near the base. Suddenly there was a lurch and he called out a warning just as the wall fell inward, carrying the floors with it. The crash was heard for many blocks and sounded like a big explosion.

## PREVENTED WRECK; LOST LIFE.

**Farmer Boy Killed While Flagging Endangered Passenger Train.**

Chicago, Aug. 6.—James Jensen, a farmer boy aged 18 years, was killed through his efforts to save a Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul passenger train from destruction near Corlies, Ill. While the youth and his brother were crossing the track with a steam thrasher, the machine became stalled. When the Milwaukee-Chicago passenger train came on James ran up the track waving his straw hat and so determined was he that he stood on the track, in the glare of the headlight, until he was born down by the locomotive and crushed to death. The engineer saw him in time to slacken speed, and though the locomotive crashed into the thrasher, the train escaped a wreck.

## ATTEMPT ON PRESIDENT'S LIFE.

**Torpedo Exploded Under Carriage, but No One Is Injured.**

Montevideo, Aug. 6.—An attempt was made upon the life of President Batale y Ordonez today.

While driving with his family along one of the principal streets of the city, a burning torpedo was exploded at the side of the carriage. The explosion tore up the pavement, but no one was injured.

## Foreign Experts to View Maneuvers.

San Francisco, Aug. 6.—A number of foreign military experts, it is said, will likely be present at the joint maneuvers of the United States troops and state militia at Camp Atascadero, in San Luis Obispo county, beginning August 13. Among them will be Count Hubert de Montagu, of France, and Colonel H. C. Foster, of the British army. An automobile constructed for military purposes and the first of its kind will be put to an exhaustive test during the maneuvers. It is to be used by the signal corps for rapid transportation across country, to make repairs and to serve as a traveling telegraph office.

## Interest in Newsboys' Day.

St. Louis, World's Fair Grounds, Aug. 6.—The hundreds of newsboys' organizations and the thousands of newspapers over the country are exhibiting a more than ordinary interest in the celebration of Newsboys' day, August 16. It will mark an epoch in their development by being the birthday of a National Newsboys' Association.

The features of the day will be the ceremonies in festival hall and concerts by newsboys' bands. The ceremonies include an address of welcome by President Francis and a response by John Guenckle, president of the Toledo Newsboys' Association.

## Rigid Interpretation.

Oregon City Enterprise: Max Pracht, a special agent in the employ of the government, has canceled the application of a settler for the location and purchase of a timber land claim in the coast region. No sooner had the applicant made a filing on the land than he began to harvest a crop of chittam bark from the trees that abounded on his claim. On the presumption that the land was filed upon purely for the chittam bark crop, the inspector canceled the application of the settler.

## FORGET THE STRIKE FOR THE OUTING

**Union Men and Their Families Spend Day at a Picnic and Peace Reigns at the Stockyards.**

**Hold a Parade Several Miles in Length in Which 25,000 Persons Participate**

## ALL PROPOSALS DEFERRED

**Matter of Calling Out Ice Wagon Drivers Is Postponed on Account of the Outing Held by the Strikers.**

Chicago, Aug. 6.—The stockyards strikers forgot their animosities and troubles today long enough to join in a peaceable demonstration, the first since the strike was called nearly four weeks ago. In a street parade several miles in length, fully 25,000 strikers and their families encircled the stockyards district, marching to the music from a dozen bands. The demonstration ended with a picnic at Oswald's grove, where addresses were made by prominent labor leaders. While these events were in progress there was peace and quiet around the big packing plants at the stockyards.

Even the question of extending the strike by involving the teamsters was held in abeyance. The committee of the allied trades unions appointed to take up the question of ordering of the truck and coal teamsters met early in the day, but adjourned, owing to the merry-making. The question of shutting off the ice supply at the yards will also wait until Monday because of the picnic, the conference which was to have taken place between President Donnelly of the striking butchers' union and the officers of the ice wagon drivers' union being postponed. While the strikers were at the sport, the packers kept up their work of killing and shipping. The usual number of non-union men were received at the different plants and put to work.

The run on the Drovers' Trust & Savings bank came to an end today. Several small depositors withdrew their money from the bank in the morning, but by noon the run was over.

## BANDIT DIVULGES CACHES WHERE LOOT WAS HIDDEN.

**Fifty Thousand Dollars in Securities, Cash and Diamonds Recovered by Officer.**

Misoula, Aug. 6.—Fifty thousand dollars' worth of securities, cash and diamonds, which had formed part of the loot of the Bearmouth train robbers, were recovered this evening. John Christie, arrested in Hope, N. D., today guided Special Agent McFetridge to the place where the cache was made, eight miles below the scene of the robbery, and on the same side of the river. The securities filled a four sack. They had been thrown into the willows 20 feet from the river bank. Three miles farther up the hill Christie led the officers to the spot where \$170 in silver and bills had been cached under a stone. One hundred and five small diamonds were found where the package containing them had been torn in two by the robbers and spilled in the sand.

Tonight Christie was taken to Phillipsburg, where he will remain until his trial in September.

## SENATOR VEST VERY LOW.

**Believed He Can Not Survive More Than Few Hours.**

Sweet Springs, Mo., Aug. 6.—Senator Vest is gradually sinking. The belief prevails that he will not survive more than a few hours.

## Today's Weather.

Portland, Aug. 6.—Western Oregon and western Washington, Sunday, fair. Eastern Oregon, eastern Washington and Idaho, cloudy with thunder showers.