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LATEST FOREIGN NEWS.

SPEEDY SOLUTION OF THE AFGHAN FRONTIER QUESTION PROBABLE.

A Double Anniversary Celebrated—Terrible Mortality in Congo—Reconquest of the Soudan—International Law Congress—Anarchists' Threats—Cholera Reports.

[Associated Press.]

LONDON, Aug. 19.—The Standard in its news columns this morning says that Russia has received a report from the engineers on the Afghan frontier in regard to the modified proposals relating to the Zulfikar dispute. The same report will arrive in London in a few days, and it is hoped it will lead to a speedy solution of the Afghan frontier question. The Standard says editorially that the above statement comes from the highest authority, but even if the receipt of the dispatch from Russia ends the dispute, measures for the defense of the Indian frontier must still go on unretarded.

CHOLERA REPORTS.

[Associated Press.]

MARSEILLES, Aug. 18.—Twenty-seven deaths from cholera were reported in Marseilles to-day. Since the 10th instant 130 patients have been admitted to the Pharo Hospital, 55 have died, and 10 have been dismissed; 65 now remain in the hospital.

Twelve deaths from cholera occurred in Salon to-day and one death in Aubagne.

Returns show that in the whole of Spain yesterday there were 4,830 new cases of cholera and 1,718 deaths.

TOULON, Aug. 18.—There has been a fatal case of cholera in this city.

ANARCHIST THREATS—OLIVIER PAIN.

[Associated Press.]

PARIS, Aug. 18.—In consequence of anarchist threats against the British embassy here, policemen have been guarding the embassy all day, and the doors were kept closed until evening.

It had been proposed to hold a demonstration in front of the British embassy today, but the leaders of the movement, overawed by the precautions taken by the police, refrained from assembling.

Threats are made to hold a demonstration of sympathy with Olivier Pain to-morrow.

BOMBAY, Aug. 18.—A man, apparently a Catholic priest, who recently arrived here from Cochin China, was arrested on suspicion of being a Russian spy. It is now believed that he is Olivier Pain, although he denies it. Before his arrest he had visited the principal towns in southern and western India.

CAIRO, Aug. 18.—A journalist in the Soudan was recently captured and taken before the British commander on suspicion of being Olivier Pain, but was released when his identity had been established. This is believed to be the only basis for the story of the Paris Intransigeant. It has been intimated in the British camp that the capture of Pain for the sake of the papers in his possession would be rewarded, but it is said that Pain has never been seen.

CREMATION RECOMMENDED.

[Associated Press.]

PARIS, Aug. 18.—The prefect of police concurs with the decision of the municipal authorities, favoring the cremation of diseased bodies from the hospitals, on the ground not only of economy, but that such a course will relieve the crowded cemeteries.

INTERNATIONAL LAW CONGRESS.

[Associated Press.]

HAMBURG, Aug. 18.—The International Law Congress has adopted a resolution declaring illegal the insertion of a clause in a bill of lading intended to avoid shipowners' responsibility for seaworthiness, or for the negligence of employes.

DOUBLE ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION.

[Associated Press.]

BERLIN, Aug. 18.—To-day was the anniversary of the birthday of Emperor Francis Joseph of Austro-Hungary, and the anniversary of the battle of Gravelotte. In honor of the day Emperor William unveiled at Potsdam a statue of the father of Frederick the Great. Empress Augusta, Crown Prince Frederick William, and most of the members of the royal family attended the ceremony. The emperor made an address to the garrison, consisting of 5,000 soldiers drawn up and around the monument. He remained on foot an hour and appeared to be in excellent health. He received an ovation from the enormous crowd present. The emperor gave a banquet this evening in honor of Emperor Francis Joseph. Emperor William wore an Austrian uniform. Most of the foreign ministers and many other notabilities were present. Berlin and Potsdam were profusely decorated in honor of the day.

TERRIBLE MORTALITY IN CONGO.

[United Press.]

LONDON, Aug. 18.—A member of the International Congo Society, in an interview to-day, confirmed the reports printed in the New York Herald of terrible mortality among Europeans in the Congo region. The official states that the death rate in the lower Congo is 50 per cent.

RECONQUEST OF THE SOUDAN.

[Associated Press.]

VIENNA, Aug. 18.—A dispatch from Cairo to the Political Correspondence says that the Egyptian war minister is compiling a proclamation to the Arabs, urging the necessity for the reconquest of the Soudan for Egypt.

Hoadly's Nomination Cut and Dried.

[United Press.]

COLUMBUS, OHIO, Aug. 18.—Delegates to the Democratic state convention arrive on each train, and the hotels are fast filling up. The preliminary work of organization will begin early to-morrow morning in order that everything may be in readiness for the convention, which is to be held in the Opera House on Thursday. The indications point to an unusually harmonious convention. It is thought, however, that there may be a slight contest over the selection to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Judge O'Key. Old state politicians say that all differences will be quickly buried, and that the party will be a unit in indorsing the administration of President Cleveland. Judge Thurman is quoted as having flatly declined to enter the race, and friends of Mr. Converse say he has no desire for a place on the ticket. "This," in the language of one of the old timers in Ohio politics, "means George Hoadly first, last, and all the time." Indeed, a fair canvass of the field to-night indicates beyond a doubt that Hoadly's renomination is already cut and dried.

A Jealous Husband's Bloody Deed.

[Associated Press.]

CHICAGO, Aug. 18.—James Woodland, a colored laborer, cut his wife's throat from ear to ear this morning, and, thinking that she was not dying quick enough, took a brick and beat her over the head with it. Her screams brought in her neighbors, and she was rescued in time to enable a physician to stitch up her gaping wounds. She is not expected to live. Woodland was arrested. The act was prompted by jealousy.

G. A. R. Encampment at Coney Island.

[Associated Press.]

NEW YORK, Aug. 18.—The date of the Grand Army encampment at Coney Island is fixed for Sept. 9 and 10. Announcement is made that the commander-in-chief and his staff, Gov. Abbett, of New Jersey, and staff, Gov. Hill and staff, and other prominent individuals will attend. It is anticipated that 15,000 or 20,000 Grand Army men will be present. The immediate railroads, steamboats, and hotels have agreed to give half their receipts during the encampment to the widows and orphans' fund of the G. A. R.

Capital City Bicyclers Abroad.

[Associated Press.]

COTTAGE CITY, MASS., Aug. 18.—The Capital City Bicycle Club, of Washington, D. C., arrived this afternoon and was met by a committee of gentlemen including several Washington's who are passing the summer here. Addresses of welcome were made by E. B. Hay and others. The visitors will remain here several days.

Teemer Challenges Gaudaur.

[Associated Press.]

PITTSBURG, Aug. 18.—John Teemer, the oarsman, has challenged Jacob Gaudaur, of St. Louis, to row a three-mile race for a purse of $2,000. Teemer to give Gaudaur one length start

REGATTA AT FORT MONROE.

Arrangements Completed for the Contests Which Begin To-Day.

FORT MONROE, VA., Aug. 18.—The regatta committee met to-night and appointed judges, timekeeper, and referee. A three-mile professional race has been arranged for Thursday between Breen, of Boston; Gallanaugh, of Philadelphia, and Ellis Ward, of Philadelphia, for a purse of $200. The programme is as follows:

First day—First race—Senior four-oared shells, for the Clyde cup, now held by the Columbias, and gold medals.

Second race—Junior gigs, for the Hygeia cup and gold medals.

Third race—Senior double shells, gold medals.

Fourth race—Junior singles, gold medals.

Second day—First race—Senior gigs, gold medals.

Second race—Junior four-oared shells.

Third race—Senior singles.

Fourth race—Eight-oared shells, medals, and a silk banner.

A large number of Washington and Georgetown people left last night on the steamer Leary to witness the regatta and enjoy the pleasures afforded visitors to Old Point Comfort.

A telegram yesterday from the managers of the regatta informed Mr. Coon, president of the Columbias, that the two eight-oared crews which had entered against the Columbia eight had sent notice that they could not participate in the race. Therefore, in order that the race might not be omitted from the programme, Mr. Coon sent by the steamer Leary last night a second eight from the Columbias to contest with their champion eight, which was already at Old Point.

In addition to the entries announced, Wade, of the Columbias, has entered in the junior singles of the first day, and Kearney, of the Potomacs, in the senior singles of the second day.

VIRGINIA POLITICS.

Three Republican Newspapers to be Established—Manipulating the Mails, &c.

[Special Dispatch to NATIONAL REPUBLICAN.]

RICHMOND, Aug. 18.—Three Republican newspapers are to be established in this state at once, two in the ninth congressional district and one in the sixth. The material for this purpose is already in place. Complaints of the non-delivery of Republican newspapers through the mails are already coming in, and it is not improbable that the methods employed in 1879 to suppress the circulation of anti-bourbon matter may be resorted to, but a strict watch will be kept, and prompt reports made to the authorities. It is a matter of great interest to the Republicans of the state that our railway systems are now in Republican or non-partisan hands. At the last election all of their influence was thrown to the bourbons, and many hundreds of employes and others were furnished free passes to go to the polls, and they voted the bourbon ticket. They are now free to vote as they choose, and many of them are Republicans. So far in the present campaign the bourbons have done nothing but through the press, and that only to defend their past very bad record.

BLOODY BATTLE IN PERU.

The Rebels Rout the Government Forces—Col. Bustemente Commits Suicide.

[Associated Press.]

LIMA (via Galveston), Aug. 18.—On the 15th instant the government troops occupying Canta, consisting of 350 infantry and 150 cavalry, were surprised by the rebel forces numbering from 1,800 to 2,000 men and said to be under the command of Gen Caceres or Col. Morales Bermudez. The battle lasted five hours. When the government troops had exhausted their ammunition and their mitrailleuse had been disabled, a bayonet charge was attempted but without success and they retreated in confusion. Lieut. Col. Bustomente, seeing that all was lost, shot himself. The losses on both sides were very considerable. Two hundred fugitives of the government forces have arrived at Lima and the environs.

Compromise With Whisky Men.

[Associated Press.]

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 18.—In regard to the recent seizure of a large quantity of whisky shipped to this city from Peoria, Ill., which was alleged to have been put into fraudulently constructed barrels with an intention of defrauding the government, it is learned that an order was received in this city from Washington ordering the release of all the whisky consigned by Messrs. Woolner Bros., and also that the assignments of the Manhattan Distillery Company had been released by a compromise, whereby the distillery company are to pay the tax on one gallon of whisky in each eighty-three barrels out of over one hundred shipped by them, with the understanding that they would file a claim in the United States courts to recover the extra tax so paid.

The shipments of the Great Western Distillery Company and Zoll, Swalbacher & Co. are still detained, pending an investigation by the revenue officials.

It is understood that there are upwards of 4,000 barrels of whisky which will be affected by the action of the government, and it is thought the entire matter will be compromised and then taken into the courts.

Canon Farar to Visit Washington.

[United Press.]

NEW YORK, Aug. 18.—Canon Farar, whose eulogy of Gen. Grant, delivered in Westminster Abbey, attracted wide attention, will visit America next month. He expects to be at Quebec, September 11; at Chicago on the 25; Baltimore, 29; Philadelphia, October 5; Washington, 10, and will then spend two weeks in New York and New England. He will lecture in the several places, and preach once in Boston and once in New York.

A Dakota Duel.

[United Press.]

BISMARCK, DAK., Aug. 18.—Two cowboys, Jack Walters and Jim Bondell, quarreled in the Dog Den mountains recently over the disposition of a horse their whom they captured the day before. Walters insisted that he be lynched, and Bondell protested. To settle it the cowboys stood off thirty paces and fired simultaneously. Both were killed. The horse thief tried to escape, but was caught by a ranchman who had witnessed the duel from his place.

Ex-Senator Slater's Card.

[Associated Press.]

PORTLAND, OREG., Aug. 18.—Ex-Senator J. H. Slater in a card to-day denies that he wrote the letter to President Cleveland concerning certain federal offices which called out the President's now famous reply. His card concludes: "I indorse and commend the letter of President Cleveland to whomsoever it may have been written, and am glad it has been made public."

Chief Nana Killed—Geronimo Captured.

[United Press.]

FORT BOWIE, ARIZ., Aug. 18.—Scout Leslie has just come in, and reports that the command of Maj. Davis met a party of Indians on the 7th, killed Chief Nana and seventy others, and captured eighteen squaws, Chief Geronimo, and one buck. Geronimo is badly wounded.

TELEGRAPHIC BRIEFS.

—Yesterday's exercises at Chautauqua closed with the annual campfire.

—It is feared fatal Texas fever is spreading among cattle near Bloomington, Ill.

—The Grant memorial fund contributions at New York yesterday aggregated $1,233.77.

—The national lawn tennis tournament opened at Newport, R. I., yesterday, before a good audience.

—Two more of Limbano Sanchez's men have been captured in Cuba and his party is now reduced to five men.

—Hon. Julius Converse, ex-governor of Vermont, died at Dixville Notch, N. H., Sunday night, aged 86 years.

—John O'Brien was chosen chairman of the New York Democratic state committee in place of Hon. Daniel Manning, resigned, for the balance of the term.

—George W. Bickford, of Memphis, MO., who had just been granted a divorce from his wife, eloped with a 13-year-old girl whom he married, first forging the name of the girl's parents to the written consent of marriage.

—Monday night J. C. Farling's residence at Tekonsha, Mich., caught fire from a defective chimney. The father and mother and two children were terribly burned. One child has died, and it is thought the parents will die.

THE SPORTING WORLD.

A CLEAN COAT OF WHITEWASH GIVEN THE NORFOLKS YESTERDAY.

Scores of Games in Other Cities—Freeland Defeats Miss Woodford and Pontiac in the Great Race at Monmouth Park—To-Day's Racing.

Yesterday the Nationals batted and fielded in their best style, and in consequence gave the Norfolks a crushing defeat. The attendance was very fine, and the crowd seemed to thoroughly appreciate the good playing of the home team. Barr was in great form and held the visitors down to two hits, one of which was a scratch. The Nationals, on the contrary, had on their batting clothes, and hit Henry's fine pitching with great freedom. Fulmer made a home run in the seventh inning on one of the longest hits ever made on the grounds, knocking the ball over the left field fence. Powell, Hoover, Knowles, and White all did fine batting. "Old Reliable" Phil Baker for once was decidedly off in his fielding, and amused the crowd by giving palpable evidence of being "rattled." Fulmer played a splendid game behind the bat, supporting Barr perfectly. Good work in the field was done by Powell, Knowles, Derby, and Jacoby.

To-day the two clubs meet again, when the Norfolks will present the noted left-handed pitcher, Hughes, whose difficult delivery proved too much for the Virginias Monday. Cook and O'Day will constitute the home battery. The score of yesterday's game follows:

NATIONALS.

	A.B.	R.	1B.	P.O.	A.	E.
Baker, 1b	5	1	1	10	0	3
Fulmer, c	5	2	2	19	0	0
Hoover, c. f	5	1	2	0	0	0
Powell, r. f	5	1	3	3	0	0
Burch, l. f	5	2	0	1	0	0
Barr, p	5	0	1	0	9	0
White, s. s	5	2	1	2	1	1
Knowles, 2b	4	0	2	1	3	0
Gladmon, 3b	4	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	43	9	12	27	13	4

NORFOLKS.

	A.B.	R.	1B.	P.O.	A.	E.
Jacoby, 2b	4	0	0	3	2	1
Derby, c	4	0	0	11	2	0
Carl, s. s	4	0	0	1	2	1
Powell, 1b	4	0	0	7	0	1
Moore, l. f	4	0	1	0	0	0
Henry, p	4	0	1	0	10	4
Shindle, 3b	4	0	0	1	0	0
Fischer, r. f	3	0	0	0	0	0
Galligan, c. f	3	0	0	1	0	0
Totals	34	0	2	24	16	7

INNINGS.

National	0	2	0	1	2	0	4	0	x—9
Norfolk	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0—0

Runs earned—Nationals, 6. Two-base hits—Hoover and Henry. Three-base hits—White. Home run—Fulmer. Left on bases—Nationals, 8; Norfolks, 5. Struck out—By Barr, 9; by Henry, 9. Bases on balls—Norfolk, 2; Nationals, 4. On errors—Norfolks, 1; Nationals, 2. Time—1 hour and 50 minutes. Umpire—Holland.

GAMES ELSEWHERE.

At Detroit—

Buffalo	0	0	1	3	1	0	0	1	x	—6
Detroit	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	—4

Base hits—Buffalo, 5; Detroit, 10. Errors—Buffalo, 4; Detroit, 8.

At New York—

New York	2	1	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	—7
Philadelphia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	—3

Base hits—New York, 13; Philadelphia, 7. Errors—New York, 6; Philadelphia, 5.

At Brooklyn—

Brooklyn	0	1	0	4	0	0	3	0	0	—8
Baltimore	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—1

Base hits—Brooklyn, 14; Baltimore, 7. Errors—Brooklyn, 3; Baltimore, 6.

At Pittsburg—

Pittsburg	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—1
St. Louis	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	x	—3

Base hits—Pittsburg, 8; St. Louis, 9. Errors—Pittsburg, 1; St. Louis, 5.

At Philadelphia—

Athletic	3	0	2	4	5	2	2	1	2	—21
Metropolitan	3	0	3	2	0	0	1	0	1	—10

Base hits—Athletic, 21; Metropolitan, 13. Errors—Athletic, 10; Metropolitan, 10.

At Louisville—

Louisville	0	0	1	1	0	2	2	3	0	—9
Cincinnati	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—1

Base hits—Louisville, 14; Cincinnati, 10. Errors—Louisville, 7; Cincinnati, 7.

At Chicago—

Chicago	0	0	2	7	0	0	0	0	x	—9
St. Louis	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	—1

Base hits—Chicago, 10; St. Louis, 6. Errors—Chicago, 9; St. Louis, 5.

At Providence—

Boston	0	5	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	—7
Providence	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	—2

Base hits—Boston, 9; Providence, 5. Errors—Boston, 9; Providence, 13.

THE TURF.

Racing to-day is confined to Saratoga and Brighton Beach. It is an "extra" day at the former point, and the card is rather light. The entries and selling are given below, together with forecasts of the probable winners at both Saratoga and Brighton Beach.

At Saratoga:

First race—Six furlongs, for 3-year-olds, with selling allowances—Rock and Rye, 110 pounds; Red Girl, 107; Velvet, 105; Montezuma, 102; Belle of Louisville, 98.

Second race—One and one-eighth miles, for all ages—Nettie, 117 pounds; Monogram, 117; Farewell, 115; Guydette, 97.

Third race—Six furlongs, for all ages—Finality, 118 pounds; Gleaner, 115; Lycurgus, 111; Sam Powers, 106; Greenfield, 99; Leonardo, 96; Curtilema, 95; Florence E, 94.

Fourth race—One and one-sixteenth miles, with beaten allowances—Clay Pate, 107 pounds; Jim Douglas, 105; Loftin, 103; Huron, 103; Red Girl, 100; Alta, 100; Una B, 100; Emma Manly, 98.

Fifth race—One mile, with selling allowances—Charley Marks, 105 pounds; Giroila, 103; Thady, 98; Wildrig, 96; Blanton, 89; Belle Pate, 86; Leonard, 85; Wellington, 85.

Pools on these races sold at Saratoga yesterday as follows:

First race—Red Girl, $30; Velvet, $20; Belle of Louisville, $33; Rock and Rye, $21; Montezuma, $4.

Second race—Monogram, $100; Farewell, $25; Nettie, $10; Guydette, $3.

Third race—Gleaner, $100; Sam Powers, $10; Finality, $7; Lycurgus, $6; Florence E, $4; the others, $3 each.

Fourth race—Alta, $80; Jim Douglas, $50; Emma Manly, $35; Loftin, $30; Clay Pate, $17; Una B, $15; Huron, $12; Red Girl, $8.

Fifth race—Giroila, $25; Wildrig, $22; Chas. Marks, $20; Belle Pate, $10; Blanton, $6; the others $2 each.

THE NATIONAL REPUBLICAN's selections for to-day's races are as follows:

At Saratoga:

First race—Rock and Rye first, Belle of Louisville second.

Second race—Monogram first, Farewell second.

Third race—Gleaner first, Greenfield second.

Fourth race—Emma Manly first, Alta second.

Fifth race—Charley Marks first, Blanton second.

At Brighton:

First race—Cathcart first, Ervo second.

Second race—Montauk first, Wave o' Light second.

Third race—King Fan first, Dutch Roller second.

Fourth race—Highlight first, Miller second.

Fifth race—Winston first, Strabismus second.

Sixth race—Ecuador first, Bonaretta second.

SARATOGA RACES.

SARATOGA, N. Y., Aug. 18.—The racing was continued here to-day. The weather is finer.

The first race was for the Tennessee Stakes, for 2-year-olds; distance, three-fourths of a mile. The race was won by Kirkman, with Bluestone second and Falence third. Time, 2:17.

The second race was a free handicap sweepstakes of one and one-half miles. Valet won, with Col. Sprague second and Favor third. Time, 2:39. Mutuels paid $145.

The third race was for the Congress Hall Stakes, heats of three-fourths of a mile. The first heat was by Pearl Jennings, with Kosciusko second and Jim Renwick third. Time, 1:16.

The second heat was won by Rapido, with Pearl Jennings second, and Kosciusko third. Time, 1:15. The third heat was also by Rapido. Time, 1:17¾.

The fourth race, free for all ages, three-quarters of a mile, was won by Strathspey, with Telie Doe second, and Editor third. Time, 1:16¾.

The fifth race was a steeplechase handicap, for all ages, distance about two and a quarter miles. Capt. Curry won, with Repeater second, and Tarquin third. Time, 4:29.

MONMOUTH PARK RACES.

LONG BRANCH, Aug. 18.—First race—Free handicap sweepstakes, three-quarters of a mile. Avalon won, Sons M second, Juletta colt third. Time, 1:15¾. Mutuels paid $86.

Second race—Moet & Chandon Champagne Stakes, for 2-year-olds, three-quarters of a mile. Florence Fonso won, Kalula second, Laura Garrison third. Time, 1:16¾.

Third race—The Choice Stakes, for 3-year-olds, of $100 each, with $2,500 added, one and one-half miles. Richmond won, Wanda second, Longview third. Time, 2:40.

Fourth race—Free handicap sweepstakes, one and one-fourth miles. Sam Brown won, Elgin second, Barnes third. Time, 2:11¾.

Fifth race—Sweepstakes, for all ages, of $1,000 each, play or pay, with $2,000 added, one and one-fourth miles. Freeland led at the fall of the flag, but Pontiac went to the front at once and was soon leading by two lengths, Freeland second. Coming round the bend Pontiac fell back a little, but quickly recovered and led all down the backstretch by a length, Miss Woodford lapping Freeland. In this order the horses entered the stretch, where Pontiac fell away and the others closed and a magnificent race ensued up the stretch. Freeland won by a head, Miss Woodford leading Pontiac twelve lengths. Time, 2:09. Mutuels paid $11.20.

Sixth race—Purse $500, for 3-year olds and upwards, the winner to be sold at auction, seven furlongs. Little Minch won, Queen Esther second, Torpedo third. Time, 1:28¾.

Seventh race—Handicap hurdle race, one mile and a half, over six hurdles. Talleyrand won, Wallenac second, Bolly third. Time, 2:59½.

ST. LOUIS TRUNK TRAGEDY.

"Dr." Maxwell Identified as Brooks—A Letter and a Card—The Defense.

[Associated Press.]

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 18.—A letter is published here to-day, dated "Sunny Bank Hyde, Cheshire, England, July 13, 1885," and signed "Samuel N. Brooks," in which the writer says that his son, H. M. Brooks, left home last January on a business trip to Ireland, and that no word has been received from him since. It had been learned, however, that he had the curate of an adjoining parish for a companion, and that they indulged in various extravagances, and that Brooks's name had got mixed up with the "St. Louis trunk tragedy," and also got mixed up with that of Dr. Maxwell. The letter shows great distress on the part of the writer, who makes an urgent appeal for information in regard to the person concerned in the murder. Part of this letter was shown to Maxwell and he recognized the signature as that of his father, and desired possession of the letter. He said he would write to his father and tell him that he (Maxwell) was innocent of the murder of Preller, and that he had a perfectly good defense. In the course of conversation Maxwell, or as he is now pretty definitely identified Brooks, said that Preller was troubled with insomnia, and that he had prescribed chloroform for him on several occasions, and with benefit. Preller, however, had heart disease, he said, and intimated that he had either taken or was given an overdose on this occasion, with a fatal result. This will be Brooks's defense when his case comes to trial.

Maxwell published a card this afternoon denying that he has given any reporter any outline or idea of his defense, as published here this morning and referred to in a previous dispatch. He furthermore denies having acknowledged that his name is Brooks, and says no matter what is published he will not talk about his case or give any one any idea what his defense will be. The letter previously referred to, signed Samuel N. Brooks, is genuine, however. It was received here by John D. Vincel, a high officer.

Irish League Alive and Strong.

[United Press.]

CHICAGO, Aug. 18.—Patrick Eagan, on leaving for his home in Nebraska, to-day, took occasion to reply to the New York Daily News's article which declares that "the Irish National League in this country is now virtually dead." He said: "The representatives of the league from all parts of the union ought to know better than the New York Daily News. They say it is not dead, and the great convention which will be held in this city next January will demonstrate that it is both alive and strong."

In regard to his alleged manifesto, Mr. Egan denies the existence of a genuine manifesto. He simply wrote a brief letter correcting misrepresentations of the press and stating why he preferred Blaine. In doing so he exercised merely the privilege which belongs to every other citizen—that of speaking for himself and correcting erroneous statements made concerning him. Mr. Egan cites a number of instances to disprove the charge that the league was used for political purposes in Blaine's interests. Vice President Doherty, he is happy to see, has been honored by the present administration and appointed to an office.

Distribution of Standard Dollars.

[Associated Press.]

SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH, Aug. 18.—The Tribune, of this city, says: "Bankers and mining men here complain of the last order of the treasury regulating the distribution of standard dollars. Heretofore any man could get silver dollars delivered to any point without freight charges by applying to any mint in the United States. By this last order all that is changed. If a banker here wants 1,000 or 10,000 silver dollars and sends to San Francisco he has to deposit the amount with which to purchase them with the assistant treasurer of the United States depository upon which the certificate of deposit is issued, which must be forwarded to the treasurer of the United States, who will on its arrival order the dollars to be forwarded from any point he may elect at current rates. The interest here on $1,000 is worth 33⅓ cents a day, and by the length of time now required to get money here through these roundabout channels the man who needs money finds it cheaper to pay express charges and receive it at once. The discrimination is made clear by the fact that this only applies to standard dollars. A person can get all the subsidiary coin he may please to order direct from the mint. The new rule is great annoyance to bankers and business men."

The Spread of Smallpox.

[Associated Press.]

MONTREAL, QUE., Aug. 18.—At a meeting of boot and shoe manufacturers this afternoon the spread of smallpox was discussed, and a resolution passed that every man in their employ must be vaccinated, as well as every member of his family, and he would have to produce a certificate to that effect or be discharged, and any person applying for employment be required to produce a similar certificate. The speakers strongly condemned the reckless inactivity of the health department. Twenty-two houses were placarded to-day, twelve being for new cases. Most of the large manufacturing establishments are taking careful precautions to prevent the spread of the disease among their employes. A relief fund has been started.

MONTREAL, Aug. 18.—Sir Francis Hicks died to-night of smallpox. He was at one time minister of finance.

Absconding Agent Captured.

[Associated Press.]

DUBUQUE, IOWA, Aug. 18.—H. A. Tretz, the absconding agent of the American Express Company and the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul railroad at New Albin, Iowa, has been captured. Tretz robbed his employers and fled on the 14th of June. He struck out for British America, and since he left has traveled over 4,000 miles. He went to Winnipeg and thence went on the Saskatchewan river. He bought a team of ponies, and drove across the country to Dawson, Dak., where he was caught while working in a wheat field.

Hoadly Losing Ground.

[United Press.]

CLEVELAND, OHIO, Aug. 18.—Latest advices from Columbus, where the state Democratic convention convenes to-morrow, are to the effect that Hoadly is losing ground hourly, and that Durbin Ward is rapidly coming to the front as a gubernatorial candidate. Meanwhile Thurman's friends are confident that the old Roman will capture the nomination. Democrats in this vicinity are discouraged over the turn affairs have taken, as they believe Hoadly is the only Democrat who can defeat Foraker.

Utica Canal—Seymour's Plan.

[Associated Press.]

BUFFALO, N. Y., Aug. 18.—The delegates appointed by the Buffalo merchant's exchange, the mayor, and the Republican League to attend the Utica canal convention met this morning to discuss a plan of action to be pursued at Utica. No formal expression was taken; but the unanimous sentiment was in favor of enlargement according to the Seymour plan. The sentiment of the majority seemed to be in favor of national aid with state control.

Yellow Fever at San Francisco.

[Associated Press.]

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 18.—This city was startled this afternoon by news that the Norwegian bark Jorsalfarer, bound from Acapulco to British Columbia, had put into this port with Panama yellow fever on board. The captain reports that one sailor died of the fever on the trip up and that several others are down with the disease. The vessel put into this port for medical assistance. She has been quarantined, and officers are now investigating the disease.

Guilty of Criminal Negligence.

[Associated Press.]

WILKES-BARRE, PA., Aug. 18.—The coroner's inquest, touching the death of the twelve miners who were suffocated by gas on Tuesday last, in the West End colliery at Mocanaqua, was concluded this afternoon. The verdict of the jury was that Christian Conrad, the mine boss, was guilty of criminal negligence in allowing the men to enter the mine when the fan was not working.

THE WABASH STRIKE.

Widespread Effects of the Strike—Traffic Will Probably Be Blocked.

[United Press.]

SPRINGFIELD, ILL., Aug. 18.—In accordance with the official order promulgated by the executive board of the Knights of Labor and signed by Frederick Turner, secretary, nearly every member belonging to that organization on the Wabash system between Moberly and Fort Wayne quit work to-day at noon. It is reported here that the men on the southwestern system and in all Wabash territory east of Fort Wayne will strike at noon to-morrow. The engineers will not participate in the strike at present.

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 18.—It is now certain that the employes of the southwestern system have decided to go out if necessary to aid the movement. The organization is very strong in Texas, and it is feared they can block the traffic there.

[Associated Press.]

ST. LOUIS, MO., Aug. 18.—A meeting of the executive board of the Knights of Labor and of the committees representing the locked-out men on the Wabash road and the Knights of Labor employed on the Gould southwest system was held this morning. A series of resolutions was adopted denouncing the action of the Wabash officials for attempting to break up the Knights of Labor, and for causing the arrest of members of the organization by United States marshals like common felons. Congressman Wm. Warner, of Kansas City, Mo., and Gen. M. Palmer, of Springfield, Ill., were requested by resolution to defend the imprisoned Knights, to prosecute the Wabash railroad for conspiracy, and to move for the impeachment of Judges Treat, Brewer, and Krexel.

T. J. Russell, of the Gould system committee, says that the Wabash order issued yesterday was preliminary to a general order, but declined to say when the general would be issued to give an idea of its extent. The committee are awaiting information from branch organizations of the Knights of Labor throughout the west before resorting to extreme measures. It is probable that an order calling out the men on the Gould roads will be issued shortly.

Dispatches from Council Bluffs, Iowa; Audrews, Ind.; Decatur, Ill., and, in fact, from all shop points on the Wabash road, excepting Stanberry, Mo., received by officials and by the press here, are to the effect that the men remained at work today, and that no demonstration was anywhere made. So far, the strike in its relations to the Wabash road at least is regarded as a complete fizzle.

CHICAGO, Aug. 18.—It is claimed that the strike ordered by the Knights of Labor on the Wabash road will have very little effect on the working of the road here. The engineers, firemen, and brakemen belong to unions of their own, and it is thought that the order will not affect more than ten men in the shops and yards here.

WARRIOR'S MINE.

[United Press.]

BIRMINGHAM, ALA., Aug. 18.—The latest news from the Warrior's mine strike makes the situation very serious. The strikers have had twenty-three of the new miners arrested on a charge of carrying concealed weapons. They will be brought here this evening for a hearing. The strikers, who number 200, declare that they will resist by violence, if necessary, anybody working in the mines but themselves until a satisfactory adjustment of their differences. The company say they will start to-morrow with new men.

DISGRACEFUL RIOTS.

[Associated Press.]

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 18.—A special to the Press from Pottsville says: The 400 miners at Trenton colliery, Berks county, operated by Sentz, Lilly & Co., yesterday went on a strike for higher wages and against various reductions. The operators immediately hoisted the mules and closed the colliery and ordered work indefinitely suspended. Last night disgraceful fights and riots occurred among the striking men, and more trouble is anticipated. Two men were seriously beaten and others roughly handled. The injured had wished to surrender at once, but were not permitted to make their wish known to the operators' agent.

A BOSTON SCANDAL.

Rev. Dr. Downs Arrested, Charged With Adultery.

[Associated Press.]

BOSTON, MASS., Aug. 18.—Late last night Rev. W. W. Downs, pastor of the Bowdoin Square Baptist Church, and Mrs. Fred. J. Tabor, No. 7 Derne street, were arrested on a charge preferred by the woman's husband. The prisoners obtained bail about midnight. To-day they appeared in the municipal court, and their counsel had a long conference with Judge Adams as to the propriety of issuing a warrant, which resulted in a postponement of action until to-morrow. Friends of Mr. Downs claim that the move is simply part of a plot to ruin him. Mr. Tabor to-day instituted divorce proceedings against his wife on the ground of adultery. Some months ago Mr. Downs was brought prominently before the public by the troubles disturbing his church. At that time a number of deacons and older members of the society, disliking the minister's attempts to renovate the old church—such was the reason made public—asked him to resign. He declined very forcibly, and in a subsequent contest with his opponents the minister came off victorious. The deacons, the Sunday school superintendent, and many others left the church. New deacons and teachers were chosen—nearly all very young men—and with this young blood in charge the church continued its work. Mr. Downs claims that this prosecution is a continuation of the effort to drive him from the church and he declares his innocence of any wrongdoing. It is claimed on the part of the defense that Mr. Tabor was actuated by unreasonable jealousy concerning his wife and Mr. Downs, and that he once confessed to the latter that there was no foundation for his suspicions. Rev. Mr. Downs has a wife and several children.

Chief Poundmaker Found Guilty.

[United Press.]

WINNIPEG, MAN., Aug. 18.—The trial of Chief Poundmaker for complicity in the rebellion was concluded to-day. He was sentenced to three years' imprisonment. When asked why sentence should not be passed upon him, he replied that he had been a good Indian all summer and saved much bloodshed, and if he had wished he might yet have been on the prairies. He said he would rather be hanged at once than imprisoned.

Col. Vilas Is Not Sick.

[Associated Press.]

MILWAUKEE, WIS., Aug. 18.—No confirmation of the rumors indicating Postmaster General Vilas to be seriously ill is to be had here. Intimate friends of Col. Vilas declare these reports to be groundless, and believe the story to have started from the fact that Col. Vilas has kept himself closely within doors since his arrival at Madison, and has been visited by his intimate friend Dr. Fox.

Knights of Pythias.

[Associated Press.]

READING, PA., Aug. 18.—The Grand Lodge Knights of Pyth