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## HUNDRED LIVES LOST

### Cloudburst the Cause of Terrible Disaster on the Denver and Rio Grande Ry.

### Ill Fated Train the Fastest Sent Out of Denver by the Rio Grande.

Pueblo, Colo., Aug. 9.—Train No. 11, the Missouri Pacific flyer, crashed through a bridge over Dry creek, near Eden, on the Denver and Rio Grande railroad. It is estimated that of the 125 passengers on board the ill fated train more than 100 lost their lives either under the waters of the rating torrent or beneath the wreckage. Many of the bodies were carried down Fountain creek by the wall of water, which had force enough to carry several coaches nearly four miles away from the point where they went through the bridge. A cloudburst had filled the creek and water was flowing over the bridge when the train started across. The bridge went down under the weight of the train and the baggage car, snoker and chair car were precipitated into the torrent. The engine got almost across, but fell back into the water.

The body of Engineer Hinman was found 200 feet down the river. The express car was found four miles away with the safe open and its contents gone. The chair car was nearby, half filled with sand, in which were buried the bodies of many passengers. The snoker was washed still further down stream and was not located until several hours after the accident. So far thirty bodies have been recovered from the scene of the disaster and thousands of persons are patrolling the banks of the Fountain river in search of the victims.

## SOCIALISM THE RESULT.

### President Donnelly Discusses Effects of Stock Yards Strike.

Chicago, Aug. 9.—President Michael Donnelly of the National Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen's union said during the strike:

"The packinghouse strike is the greatest educator of socialism the West has ever experienced. From being unconscious socialists the workers are realizing that they are in reality a part of the great socialist movement. The harsh treatment meted out to the strikers by the packers and the inhuman conditions under which they are willing to have men and women live and work in their slaughter houses has brought organized labor to the conclusion that the proletariat class has no hesitation in consigning the masses to a fate worse than that of the slaves. Mr. Edward Tilden's advocacy of child labor in the yards has also added fuel to the flame of socialism."

"From this class distinction and recognition will arise the great socialist third party to achieve reforms by the ballot instead of the strike."

## HAY ON RIGHTS OF NEUTRALS

### DOES NOT RECOGNIZE COAL AND RAW COTTON AS CONTRABAND OF WAR.

Washington, Aug. 9.—"The recognition in principle of the treatment of coal and other fuel and raw cotton as absolutely contraband of war might ultimately lead to a total inhibition of the sale by neutrals to the people of belligerent states if all the articles which could be finally converted to military uses. Such an extension of the principle by treating coal and other fuel and raw cotton as absolute contraband of war, simply because they are shipped by a neutral to a non-blockaded port of a belligerent, would not appear to be in accord with the reasonable and lawful rights of a neutral commerce."

## WILL NOT INTERFERE.

### Republican Committee to Keep Out of Wisconsin Fight.

New York, Aug. 9.—A swarm of applicants for positions was a feature of the opening of the Republican headquarters here.

Several conferences were held between the members of the national committee and the members of the congressional campaign committee regarding work in which both committees are mutually interested.

Mr. Cortelyou announced that no meeting of the national committee would be held until next Monday, owing to the fact that Committeeman Brooker of Connecticut could not come to New York until that time.

Chairman Cortelyou has announced that the national committee will not interfere in the factional fight in Wisconsin, but would leave the matter entirely in the hands of the courts, where it is at present.

## SITUATION DISCUSSED

### Important Military Conference is Attended by Czar and His Advisers.

### Kuropatkin's Aide-de-Camp Present with Dispatches from the Front.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 9.—An important conference on the situation was held at the Peterhof palace during the day. The ministers of war and marine, the Grand Duke Alexis, the high admiral, General Motte, one of General Kuropatkin's aides-de-camp, who had just arrived from the front with personal dispatches for the emperor, and others were present.

The report that the Japanese are landing troops in Louisiana bay, about nine miles northwest of Port Arthur, evokes no surprise at the war office. The officials there are astonished that the Japanese had neglected to do so at the outset of the siege of Port Arthur. This enables the besiegers to surround the outer defenses and feel out the weakest point and drive home an attack where least expected.

## MORE FIGHTING REPORTED

### HEAVY ATTACK MADE ON THE RUSSIAN FORCES NORTH OF HAICHENG.

Berlin, Aug. 9.—The Tagblatt prints the following dispatch:

Liaoyang, Aug. 7.—The Western Russian forces north of Haicheng suffered a heavy attack today. Many wounded Russians are here, and it is believed that the Russian forces are retreating.

## GREAT DAMAGE RESULTS.

### Severe Rain and Wind Storm Sweeps Over Colorado.

Denver, Aug. 9.—Specials from points in Southern Colorado tell of the heavy rain and wind storm that has swept over that portion of the state in years. Floods caused considerable damage to property of all descriptions and seriously interfered with the running of trains. Nearly all lines leading into the southern part of the state experienced washouts.

From Colorado Springs as far south as the New Mexico line and west to Salida the storm held sway. Only meager details of the damage done have reached here because of the semi-demoralized condition of telephone and telegraph wires. On the Continental divide near Buena Vista snow fell and the weather turned cold.

Two rock slides are reported to have occurred between Durango and Silverton, on the Rio Grande road.

## ITALIAN THROWS A BOMB.

### Injures Himself and a Score of His Countrymen.

New York, Aug. 9.—Vincenzo Donetti, an Italian, threw a bomb into a crowd of him, injuring a score of them and himself as well. He is believed to be a member of the "Black Hand" society, which for some time has terrorized residents of the Italian districts here and extorted money from them by threats and acts of violence.

Donetti was himself more severely injured by the bomb than any of the others, one leg being badly torn from the hip to the ankle, but he managed to escape at the time and was arrested later at his home.

## GRAND ARMY ENCAMPMENT.

### Preparations for Gathering at Boston About Complete.

Boston, Aug. 9.—Preparations for the annual encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, which opens here next Monday, are now practically complete. The first day will be given up to receptions and a parade by the naval brigades and marines. The great parade takes place on Tuesday. Spectators stand seating more than 500,000 persons are being constructed along Boston common and at other points.

The business sessions of the encampment will be opened on Wednesday. General Fitzhugh Lee announces that he will be unable through press of business to come to Boston with the other Confederate veterans who will make the journey.

## GREAT INTEREST SHOWN.

### Meeting of Executive Committee Attracts Many Democrats.

New York, Aug. 9.—Evidence of Democratic interest in the national campaign were made manifest in the large number that gathered at the Hoffman House during the day, where the executive committee of the national committee held its first meeting. Chairman Sheehan of the executive committee was an early arrival and had many conferences before the meeting was held. Senator Gorman was invited to be present at the first meeting, but declined.

The meeting was for the purpose of deciding upon headquarters and making preliminary arrangements for the campaign.

## REACHES VLADIVOSTOK.

### British Steamer Calchas Captured by Russians.

Vladivostok, Aug. 9.—The British steamer Calchas, from Tacoma for Japanese ports, which was arrested by the Vladivostok squadron thirty miles north of Tokio bay during the recent cruise off the Pacific coast of Japan, arrived here during the day in charge of a prize crew. She was a week overdue, having been detained by fog.

The Calchas is the last vessel captured by Admiral Jessen's cruisers. The papers of the Calchas showed she was carrying 270 tons of flour, 9 tons of cotton, 215 cogs and 125 parts of machinery, all consigned to Yokohama. The remaining 1,500 tons of the Calchas' cargo was consigned to Hongkong.

## BURIED THE RUSSIAN DEAD.

### Japs Found Over Five Hundred on the Fields of Battle.

Tokio, Aug. 9.—General Kuroki reports that he buried the bodies of 512 Russians on the battlefields of Yushikawa and Yangsuling. In these actions he reports the capture of 268 Russians, eight of whom were officers. One hundred and fifteen of the prisoners were wounded.

No Change in the Situation.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 9.—Lieutenant General Sakharoff reports that up to noon Sunday there had been no change in the Manchurian army's sphere of operations.

## CONTINUES TO SPREAD.

### Fire Raging in the Arsenal at Toulon, France.

Toulon, France, Aug. 9.—The fire which broke out at the arsenal here at midnight is still spreading in spite of the desperate efforts of the firemen, troops and sailors, who are encouraged by the presence of generals, admirals and other high officers. Two slips, in one of which is a torpedo gunboat, are in flames and are momentarily expected to collapse.

Several soldiers have been injured, one of them fatally.

## MINNEAPOLIS POLICEMAN SHOT.

### Wounded in the Right Shoulder by a Revolver Bullet.

Minneapolis, Aug. 9.—While following a Nicollet avenue masher, believed to be a well known crook, Patrolman Michael Lawrence was dangerously wounded in the right shoulder by a revolver bullet. His assailant has not been captured by the police, although he was recognized by Lawrence and his description has been sent through the Twin Cities.

## PROMISE FINANCIAL SUPPORT.

### Chicago Labor Unions Endorse Packinghouse Strike.

Chicago, Aug. 9.—The strike of the butcher workers in the packinghouses has been endorsed by the labor unions of the city and the moral and financial support of their 300,000 members is pledged to the strikers.

Each member of the central body will be assessed a small sum and several thousand dollars will be turned over to the striking union every week to help support the strikers and their families during the struggle.

## WARSHIP FOR SANTO DOMINGO.

### Sent at the Suggestion of the American Minister There.

Washington, Aug. 9.—Complying with the request of the state department Admiral Sigbee, at San Juan, has been directed to dispatch a war vessel to Monte Cristi, Santo Domingo. This was done at the suggestion of Mr. Dawson, the American minister to Santo Domingo, and the inference is that trouble is impending in that country.

## REAR ADMIRAL SIGBEE.

### Commander-in-Chief of the Caribbean Squadron.

Washington, Aug. 9.—Rear Admiral Sigbee, commander-in-chief of the Caribbean squadron, has called the navy department that the gunboats Newark and Newport left San Juan Aug. 6 for Culebra, via Pajarito. In the event that a warship is needed in Venezuelan waters these vessels will be within easy distance.

## PRESIDENT APPROVES REPORT.

### Washington, Aug. 9.—The president has approved a report of the civil service commission recommending that Postmaster McMichael of Philadelphia be reprimanded as the result of the investigation of the charges filed by Robert B. Jenks, secretary of the Civil Service Reform association of Philadelphia, alleging political discrimination in Postmaster McMichael's selection of employees.

## STRASBURG, ALSACE-LORRAINE.

### The damage by the fire which raged in the lower quarter of the city during the morning and which destroyed a large orphan asylum and the Magdalen church amounts to \$1,500,000.

## PATIENCE EXHAUSTED

### Turkish Minister Bluntly Informed of the Fact by Our Secretary of State.

Washington, Aug. 9.—Secretary Hay bluntly told Cheikh Bey, the Turkish minister here, that the patience of the American government is well nigh exhausted. The minister is expected to communicate this information to his home government speedily.

Cheikh Bey had no instructions from the porte when he called at the state department during the day. He had seen the newspaper reports of the intention of the state department to second Minister Leishman's efforts diplomatically at Constantinople by the presence of a fleet of American warships in Turkish waters and he doubted the reports. Secretary Hay soon satisfied him on that point and the minister returned to his legation to frame a dispatch for the information of the Turkish foreign office.

## WANTED OFFICIAL INFORMATION REGARDING THE DISPATCH OF WARSHIPS TO TURKEY.

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## MAY HASTEN ITS REPLY

### PORTE PERTURBED BY DISPATCH OF AMERICAN WARSHIPS TO TURKISH WATERS.

Constantinople, Aug. 9.—The announcement of the dispatch of the American European squadron for Smyrna has perturbed the porte and will doubtless hasten the solution of the questions at issue between the United States and Turkey in a manner satisfactory to the former. The porte promised American Minister Leishman that a reply favorable to the American demand for the same favored treatment in the matter of schools, hospitals and charitable institutions as is accorded to other powers would be given Aug. 2. The giving of the answer was then postponed to Aug. 4, but up to the present time no answer has been received. The porte recognized the demand in principle, but thus far has hesitated to execute the necessary measures for that end and the American minister has now made a pointed demand of the porte for a speedy and definite settlement.

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## RETIREATING NORTHWARD.

### Russians Continue to Retire Before Kuroki's Forces.

General Kuroki's Headquarters in the Field, via Fusan, Aug. 9.—The Russian forces in front of General Kuroki's army are reported retreating northward. A part of them has encamped at Anping, twelve miles from Liaoyang. Guns were heard during the morning on the Japanese right, meaning that possibly the Japanese are following the Russian retirement.

In connection with the death of Lieutenant General Count Keller, killed by shrapnel on July 29 while watching the battle at Yangse pass from a battery position above Moawan, the Chinese living there say that the Russians removed two coffins from that place with great ceremony.

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