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EMPEROR WILLIAM was, on the 2d, appointed to an honorary admiralship in the British navy.

The Royal Grants bill passed through the committee stage in the British House of Commons on the 2d.

The Valkyrie beat the Yavana and Iro in the regatta of the London Yacht Club on the 21st.

St. John Thompson, Dominion Minister of Justice, on the 31st, signed the warrant for the extradition of Martin Burke, the alleged murderer of Dr. Croain.

The culm bank at the Lake Miller colliery at Shamokin, Pa., exploded, on the 21st, thousands of tons of dirt and rock being thrown high in the air. No loss of life resulted.

The people of Canada are greatly excited over the seizure of the steamer Black Diamond, in Behring sea, and have called upon England in plain terms to protect their interests.

ABRAHAM FIKERSON, aged twenty-six, accused of four murders, setting fire to the Reading (Pa.) Lumber Company's property, causing \$30,000 damage, hanged himself in jail on the 1st.

The steam yacht Wanda, with Messrs. Cleveland, Fairchild, Lamont and others aboard, arrived at Vineyard Haven, Mass., on the 21st, on route to Vineyard Sound, and returned on the 22d.

The conferment of an honorary British admiralship, which has recently been bestowed on the Emperor of Germany, is the first instance of the kind since Frederick the Great received the distinction.

EMPEROR WILLIAM has conferred upon the Queen the honorary command of the First Dragoon regiment of Guards of Berlin, and upon the Duke of Cambridge the honorary Colonelcy of a regiment of infantry.

GOVERNOR BRAVER of Pennsylvania, on the 31st, received through the German Consul at New York, \$10,000 from the people of Berlin and \$1,200 from the mayor and council of Manheim, for the Johnsonville sufferers.

H. S. NEWCOMB, Vice-Counsel of the United States at St. Paul, Minn., has been sent to the State Department some information about a comparatively new country in Africa, little known to explorers. It is called Mossamedes, and belongs to Portugal.

Dr. W. A. HAMMOND, of Washington, is experimenting with Dr. Brown-Sequard's extract of the testis, in a collection of organic matter, which is injected into the veins. Dr. Hammond says the old men on whom he is testing the remedy seem to be growing younger.

CHARLES KIRCHOFF, Jr., of New York, was, on the 1st, appointed a special agent of the Census office to collect statistics of the iron and steel industry in Pennsylvania, a special agent to collect statistics of iron ores, and H. C. Carroll, of New Jersey, a special agent to collect church statistics.

On the 1st, the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Company reduced the working time of about half the force at their Mount Clare (Md.) shops from ten to eight hours a day. Skilled workmen at Mount Clare earned \$10.80 a week. The reduced working time will leave their earnings at about \$8.40 a week.

The Journeymen Plumbers and Steam Fitters' Laborers' unions of the United States and Canada, in session at Brooklyn, N. Y., on the 21st, decided to connect with the Knights of Labor and establish an independent organization. This takes thirty thousand members from the Knights of Labor.

On the 1st Acting Secretary Batcheller of the Treasury disapproved of the opinion of Solicitor Hepburn in the matter of Chinese employes on the steamer Albatross of the United States Steamer Alert and other vessels, and held that, under the Chinese Exclusion act, they are debarred from admittance to this country.

The property of the Standard Live Stock Insurance Company of Reading, Pa., was sold at auction, on the 21st, by order of the court, but only some office furniture could be found. The company had nearly a million dollars of insurance on its books when it failed.

GOVERNMENT receipts during July aggregated \$51,888,290, or half a million more than in July last year. Customs receipts in round numbers amounted to \$19,000,000, against \$19,500,000 in July, 1888; and internal revenue receipts for the past month were \$10,888,738, or a million and a quarter more than in July a year ago.

PROBABLY the largest receipt ever given in this country for an amount of money passed from J. N. Huston, treasurer of the United States, to J. H. Hyatt, ex-United States Treasurer, at the Treasury Department on the 1st. The amount on the face of the receipt was \$71,432,323.45, and it is for this sum that Mr. Hyatt was responsible.

POSTMASTER-GENERAL WANAMAKER, on the 1st, directed that an additional allowance of \$75,000 be granted Postmaster Tan Cott of New York City. The total allowance is \$1,043,000. An additional force of clerks to the number of 102 is also allowed him, which with his present force will make an aggregate working force of 1,288 employees.

QUEEN NATALIE, the divorced wife of King Minda of Servia, has chartered a steamer, in which she purposes to visit Belgrade. She is only awaiting the sanction of the Servian Regency, who profess to foresee serious political complications as a result of such a visit to her son's capital, and on this account hesitate to give their consent.

POSTMASTER-GENERAL WANAMAKER, on the 2d, issued an order amending the postal laws and regulations so as to extend the age of limit of appointment of letter-carriers in non-civil-service post-offices from thirty-five to forty years. This limitation does not apply to persons honorably discharged from the military or naval service of the country who are otherwise fully qualified.

THERE is considerable dissatisfaction among the Southern Congressmen over the failure of Secretary Proctor to appoint an ex-Congressman as a member of the commission to supervise the publication of the records of the rebellion. It was generally understood when the bill was passed that such an appointment would be made and that General Cadmus H. Wilcox would be selected.

A TERRIBLE battle was fought near Tokki, Egypt, on the 31st, between the allied forces under General Grenfell and the invading Arabian dervishes, in which the latter lost 1,500 killed and wounded and 1,000 prisoners, and were completely routed. The Anglo-Egyptian losses were seventeen killed and 131 wounded.

CURRENT TOPICS.

THE NEWS IN BRIEF.

PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

Wm. Ross, the ascending troller of the Bank of San Francisco, has been arrested by Victoria, B. C., and part of the \$100,000 that he embezzled was recovered.

The will of the late Charlesagne Tower, of Philadelphia, leaves the entire estate for the widow and five children, the widow to receive \$1,000 per month from the income, and each of the children \$500 per month. The executors are debarred from selling any of the testator's lands, and all rents and royalties are to be invested as part of the estate. The estate is valued at about \$2,000,000.

The French training frigate Couronne, while off Hyeres, in the South of France, on the 21st, burst one of her machine-guns, killing eight of her men and injuring seventeen others. The accident occurred in the course of practice firing.

The Sabora and Mision (Cal.) stage was stopped by the highwaymen near Cooperstown, N. J., broke on the 21st, and the passengers, the robbers blew open the Wells, Fargo & Co.'s safe, but found nothing of much value therein.

The dam at Van Sickle's mill-pond, at Milton, N. J., broke on the 21st, and the escaping water drove hundreds of people from their homes. Household goods and other property were carried away.

The North Dakota Constitutional convention put in the time, on the 21st, debating over reports of the committee on elective franchise and the committee on judiciary. No final result was reached.

The Washington Territory Constitutional convention, on the 21st, adopted a preamble reciting that "We, the people of the State of Washington, thanking the Supreme Being for the universe for His goodness in giving this constitution," thus recognizing God in their magna charta.

LETTERS from Democratic editors in seventy-six of the eighty-eight counties in the State of Ohio, as to the attitude of the delegates to the State convention on the candidate for Governor, indicate that ex-Congressman James E. Campbell is in the lead.

The total debt, on the 1st, less cash in the treasury amounted to \$1,077,643,922; the net cash in the treasury was \$5,877,000, against \$71,841,012 a month ago.

The South Dakota Constitutional convention, on the 21st, decided to reject the committee, which had just returned from Bismarck. The report embraces all the details of division of assets and liabilities.

The B. & O. (Pa.) iron company, on the 1st, announced an increase in the wages of its puddlers from \$2.25 to \$3.50 per day, and a proportionate increase in the pay of the men at work on de-phosphorizing iron.

There was an increase in the public debt during July of \$1,017,311, due to unusually heavy disbursements.

EVARETE CAZE, President of Nicaragua, died on the 1st.

All the available rolling stock in England was pressed into service to carry the crowds flocking to Portsmouth to witness the great naval review in honor of Emperor William, and yet many thousands of disappointed ones were compelled to remain at home.

J. FURVIS BRUCE, a well-known bicyclist, was drowned while bathing at Westboro, Mass., on the 4th. Bruce lived several years in his adopted city, and was a member of the famous Ripley Rod Club. He had taken part in many races, and had written on cycling subjects for the papers.

ROBERT McLEOD, aged eighteen, was caught in the elevator in Hansen's drug store, in Sioux City, Ia., on the 21st, and almost crushed to death. McLeod was a college student, working during vacation for money to complete his education.

DOUBTS have arisen in St. Petersburg concerning the Carz's visit to Berlin, and though the greatest secrecy is observed in the matter, it is now pretty certain that his Imperial Majesty will not go to the German capital.

LATE NEWS ITEMS.

A DESTRUCTIVE cyclone passed to the south of Clearwater, Kas., on the 5th, demolishing two houses, and killing William Goode, an occupant of one of them, killing many horses and cattle, and damaging crops. The track of the cyclone was six miles long and a quarter of a mile wide.

KING KALAKAUA of the Sandwich Islands has given up his contemplated trip abroad.

The Laughlin Nail-Mill, at Wheeling, W. Va., started, on the 5th, to make steel nails of the lighter gauge, equalizing the number per pound with wire nails. After working two hours the nails generally struck, claiming the reduced gauge made a reduction in the earnings of a machine of twenty to thirty per cent.

PROF. C. STANLEY, of Bates College, at Lewiston, Me., died of heart disease, on the 5th, aged fifty-four. He preached for the first time, and made no complaint of illness until ten minutes before his death.

At a meeting of the executive officers of the Maryland Jockey Club, at Baltimore, Md., on the 5th, it was decided not to hold a fall meeting at Pimlico this year.

On the 5th City Councilor Kruger was arrested at Berlin on suspicion of complicity in the corruption recently unearthed in the German navy, for which several naval officers are now in prison.

On the 5th the Shah of Persia conferred upon President Carnot the highest Persian order, and also presented him with his portrait in diamonds.

COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF WARNER of the G. A. R. proposes to discipline the department commanders who issued orders to subordinate posts to stay away from the Milwaukee Encampment in violation of his orders issued to department commanders over a month ago to use their efforts to make the encampment a success.

EMPEROR WILLIAM has requested Prince Bismarck to resign his office, for which he has been troubled, as he is anxious that Count Herbert should remain with him.

The cotton prospects throughout Egypt are excellent.

The Coast Review, an insurance journal of San Francisco, estimates the total loss by the Spokane Falls (W. T.) fire at \$6,000,000, and the total insurance at \$1,000,000. The losses are widely distributed, the single amounts ranging from \$2,500 to \$80,000.

The schooner Vidette which was seized by the Canadian customs officials on the 21st, is not an American vessel as reported, having been sold some time ago to parties in St. Pierre, Miguelon.

The naval war college of the torpedo station at Newport, R. I., was formally opened on the 21st. The officers comprising the class reported in full uniform. The course of instruction is the same as in former years.

MISSOURI STATE NEWS.

He was Not Allowed to Drown. Peter Mann, a German, about fifty years of age, attempted suicide by jumping into the river at St. Louis. Charles Rogers succeeded in pulling him out. Mann was taken to the dispensary and from there to the City Hospital. He refused to give any information about himself.

Settlement of St. Louis by Laclede. One hundred and twenty-five years ago Pierre Laclede Lignout and his sons-in-law, Auguste Lignout and his son, St. Louis. A movement has been begun to celebrate the event with a magnificent fireworks display at their old residence on the corner of Second and Walnut streets. The celebration if given will commence September 16 and will last two days. There will be speeches, parades, civic and military, and pyrotechnic and electrical displays.

A Boating-House Wrecked. At Kansas City the east wall of the three-story brick building at No. 27 West Ninth street, occupied by Mrs. E. Norton as a boarding-house, fell outward, carrying with it the adjacent row of houses, which were filled with lodgers, who awoke to find themselves being hurled to the ground and buried in debris of bricks, plaster and household furniture. No one was killed and only four persons were injured, and they but slightly. The accident was caused by an adjacent excavation, which weakened the foundation.

New Court House for Kansas City. The proposition for the issuing of \$200,000 bonds for the purpose of erecting a new court house and constructing new streets in Kansas City has been voted upon and carried.

State Treasurer's Transactions. State Treasurer Solanta's monthly report of the transactions of the treasury for the month of July shows the following condition of the finances: Balance on hand July 1, 1889, \$1,764,685.13; receipts for July, \$73,387.43; disbursements, \$822,720.47; on hand August 1, \$1,415,352.13.

A Packet Line from Kansas City to St. Louis. A packet company to operate a line between Kansas City and St. Louis is now being formed in the former city. A paper has been drawn up and the signatures of about a dozen business firms and corporations obtained, and they have taken stock to the amount of about \$7,000. The canvass is yet incomplete.

A Narrow Escape. J. P. Walden, a drummer for Clay & Heynen, of Sedalia, while driving along the Missouri river near Glasgow, lost a valuable horse and buggy. The horse became frightened and ran over by the stump at the river brink. The horse and buggy were thrown into the river and disappeared. Mr. Walden barely escaped with his life.

The State Department's Income. The transactions of the State Department for the month of July were larger than for any previous month of this year, and indicated steadily increasing business, not only in the department, but throughout the State. There was received as tax on corporations \$9,850, St. Louis notaries \$175, county notaries \$75, miscellaneous \$11,074. The income for the department for the month of July last year was \$6,195.

The Habeas Corpus Invoked. Moses M. Clay, who has served a portion of a nine-year sentence in the penitentiary for swindling Mathias Splitzig, the old Wyandotte Indian, out of \$30,000, has been granted a writ of habeas corpus by Judge Black in chambers at Kansas City, and released on \$2,000 bail. Clay's case is pending before the Supreme Court on a writ of error.

Militia Officers Commissioned. Governor Francis has commissioned Charles E. Knox as Captain, H. G. Hawley as Major, and John W. Donnell as Second Lieutenant of Company F, Third Regiment, N. G. M.

Suicide by Paris Green. Kate Johnson, sixty-six years old, a widow, was found dead on the porch in the rear of where she lived, in St. Louis. When closely examined a small quantity of Paris green was found on the dead woman's dress, and in some more of the poison was found in a bucket that was near the dead body. It is supposed that she committed suicide.

At a recent meeting of the board of managers of the Missouri School for the Blind in St. Louis, the following instructing pupils were elected: Dr. J. J. G. Gilman, superintendent; Prof. M. A. Gilman, principal of the musical department; M. W. Bynum, principal of the department of literature, and Miss Eugene Kichelick, and Miss Minnie, resigned. The income assistant in this department; J. E. Lewis, principal of the mechanical department. The old corps of assistants were re-appointed.

Death in a Dog-Cart. Archie Hoeker, the fifteen-year-old son of Nicholas Hoeker, a prominent groceryman of Indianapolis, fatally cut himself with a pocket-knife. He was cutting a piece of pine, when the knife slipped, cutting the femoral artery in the right thigh. The boy was in a dog-cart at the time. He started to get down for a doctor, but after driving several blocks he fainted, falling forward in the cart, and his faithful horse brought him the rest of the way. The horse stopped near the post-office, and a bystander, noticing the boy's condition, went to his relief. Medical skill proved unsuccessful, and the boy died within two hours.

Anderson's Death Warrant. The death warrant for William Anderson, who is to hang the 9th inst., for the murder of his wife Adelia with a baseball bat, has been handed to Sheriff C. C. Smith, at the jail at St. Louis. Anderson, surrounded by a heavy black border, and with a black piece of silk ribbon forming a bow at the top, Anderson is reconciled to his approaching fate and asks that no one interfere further in his behalf.

Armed, But Wouldn't Swear. Rev. Stephen Ford, the leader of the Schweinfarth sect at Kansas City, freed from religious scruples, refused to swear to his tax assessment, appeared before the city assessor and made affirmation to the permission, saying that he had received permission from Schweinfarth to do so.

Mangled by an L. Road Train. Russell D. Armstrong, formerly editor of the Kansas City (Kas.) Gazette, and a prominent citizen, fell under an "L" road train, which he attempted to board. Both legs were crushed so that amputation was necessary. Mr. Armstrong can not survive.

STATE SCHOOL MONEY.

Forty-fourth Annual Apportionment of State School Money, Showing the School Census of Each County and the Amount Available on the Basis of \$0.97 Per Capita.

The forty-fourth annual apportionment of school money has been announced by Hon. Wm. E. Coleman, State Superintendent of Public Schools, and it is found that the total enumeration of school children in this State is \$65,075, and the amount to be distributed is \$63,323.19. Following is the apportionment on the basis of 97 per capita.

Table with columns: COUNTY, Enumeration, Apportionment. Lists counties from Adams to St. Louis City with corresponding figures.

FIRE-SWEEP.

The Entire Business Portion of Spokane Falls, W. T., Swept by Fire—The Loss Various Estimated at \$7,000,000 to \$10,000,000. Several Persons Said to Have Perished in the Flames—The Northern Pacific a Heavy Loser.

SPOKANE FALLS, W. T., Aug. 6.—The entire business portion of the city, with the exception of one mill, was destroyed by fire last night. The loss will reach \$7,000,000. The blaze started in a building house on Railway avenue at five o'clock last evening and burned until this morning. A large number of frame buildings and several grain elevators were near the burning house, and soon after the fire broke out they were ablaze.

A strong wind was blowing toward the city at the time and the blaze was soon beyond the control of the firemen, the fire leaped from street to street and nothing could be done but let the flames have their own way until they reached the river and then endeavor to prevent the fire from reaching the town on the opposite side. The flames swept through the city and on business block after another was consumed, every thing being burned to the water's edge. The fire department was stationed on the other side of the stream and prevented flying timbers for setting fire to the buildings there. Only a few dwellings were destroyed, as the residence portion of the city was not visited by the fire.

Every business house in the city, including eight banks, all the hotels but one—all magnificent structures—except the Crescent block, and every newspaper save the Review, were burned out. The burned district includes all that part of the city from the Northern Pacific railway to the river and from Lincoln to Washington streets. Several persons are reported to have perished, and several more were injured by leaping from windows.

Charlie Davis, of Chicago, a guest at the Arlington house, was awakened by flames bursting through the door of his room on the third floor. He jumped from the window and was shockingly mangled and died in a few minutes.

A woman, whose name is unknown, leaped from the second story of the Pacific Hotel and was killed.

The fire spread so rapidly that it is believed many were shut off from escape before they were even aware of their danger. A dozen large buildings were blown up with great power by order of the mayor, but even this proved futile. The Northern Pacific railway is probably the heaviest loser, the magnificent new freight warehouse being destroyed. Their loss, including freight cars, will be between \$2,000,000 and \$3,000,000. All provisions and supplies were burned and there will necessarily be much suffering for several days. Appeals for help have been sent out, and Portland, Seattle, Tacoma and several neighboring towns have already responded.

Later.

SPOKANE FALLS, W. T., Aug. 6.—It is estimated that the loss caused by the fire will be between \$20,000,000 and \$40,000,000. Several persons, it is said, perished in the flames.

A BLAZING BREWERY.

Lackman's Brewery at Cincinnati Suffers a Loss of \$200,000 by the Destruction of the Ice Houses, Wagon Sheds and Machinery.

CINCINNATI, Aug. 5.—Lackman's brewery in West South street, near Butler, was discovered on fire at 2:30 this morning. Eight companies promptly responded to the alarm, but did not arrive before the whole of the ice houses and wagon sheds were in a blaze. Water was poured into the buildings in great quantities, but with little effect on the flames. They spread rapidly, and it was not twenty minutes after the first signs of the fire were discovered until the whole building was enveloped. The loss is estimated at \$200,000 to the stables, in which there were several horses, but the animals were taken out without any trouble. The stairway of the malt house was burned, but the fire in this department was extinguished with no great loss.

Lackman will probably lose \$200,000. The ice machinery alone is said to have cost \$20,000. There is no insurance on the wagon sheds and contents. A \$25,000 policy in the Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection and Insurance Company was carried on the ice machinery and a \$30,000 policy on the loss sheds in the Washington Insurance company. The origin of the fire is supposed to have been the roof being ignited from the amokestack.

SCHOOL LAW VIOLATIONS.

Action of the State Board of Education in Relation to Excesses Returned by the School Census—Violators of the School Law to be Prosecuted.

For some time past Hon. Wm. E. Coleman, State Superintendent of Public Schools, has been convinced that some of the school districts have been making erroneous returns of the school census to his office, and his investigation proved that his suspicions were correctly founded. The most glaring errors were discovered in the reports sent in from the Columbia (Boone County) district and that of Washington, Franklin County.

The apportionment of the State school money is based on these returns, and a person of school age being entitled to so much per capita. The investigations started by Mr. Coleman some time ago, with the discoveries he made, resulted in a meeting of the State Board of Education a few days ago.

Superintendent Coleman, Secretary of State Lesener, Auditor Seibert and Attorney-General Wood attended it, Governor Francis, who was in New York, being the only member absent.

On motion of Attorney-General Wood, the following was adopted:

WHEREAS, It appearing from the statement of the county clerk and school commissioner of Boone County, and also from the statement of the Board of Education of the city of Columbia, in said county, that the enumeration of children within school age, recently returned by said Board of Education for the independent school district of Columbia, contains the names of 360 children who were at the time of making such enumeration, non-residents of the said district; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the superintendent of public schools in making the apportionment of the school funds, strike 360 names from the enumeration returned by the school district of Columbia, reducing the enumeration of said district from 1887 to 1851.

There are several other similar cases which will be disposed of as summarily by the board.

Before the board adjourned, C. V. Buckley was appointed attorney to prosecute violations of the school law in the territory embraced in the Thirtieth Congressional district.

SCHOOL LAW VIOLATIONS.

A Little Ducky Boy was recently brought before the police court of Richmond, Va., charged with some trifling offense. He asked to have his case postponed for one day, so that he might bring as a witness another ducky boy who would exonerate him. The next morning his friend was in court, but, to the surprise of every body, his testimony was entirely against the accused boy, and resulted in a conviction. When the prisoner was asked to explain this fact he remarked, philosophically: "Oh, he done been seeing since I saw him."—N. Y. Tribune.

THE OTHER SIDE.

Postmaster-General Wanamaker's Reply to President Norman Green of the Western Union Telegraph Company in Relation to the Proposed Reduction in Government Telegraph Tolls—The "Purely Imaginary" Benefits Enjoined by the Company Given a Decidedly Feasible Compromise.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 6.—Postmaster-General Wanamaker has addressed a long letter to Norman Green, president of the Western Union Telegraph Company, in reply to the latter's protest against the proposed reduction in Government telegraph rates. The Postmaster-General insists that President Green's unqualified statement that the privileges and benefits derived by the Western Union company under the act of 1861 are purely imaginary, and that the company has never taken a stone or a stick of timber, or appropriated a foot of land belonging to the Government under this law and supplementary acts, are not sustained by the facts. The telegraph companies, he says, not only accepted the acts, expecting that substantial benefits would ensue, but in the case of the Western Union Telegraph company, at least, great and conspicuous benefits have already accrued. Under these laws the company has claimed the right to use without compensation of any kind as right of way, the highways of the country on its routes. More than this, it has broadened its claim to the extent that the streets of cities and towns are also post-roads, and, therefore, open and free to its occupancy and use, and in this claim the company has been aided by the courts. "This," he says, "under the benefits of this act, instead of not occupying a foot of public land, as you assert, you are, in fact, occupying many thousands of acres of public land, and are privileged to occupy all the highways of the United States. You have thus been able to occupy and use the streets in the large cities of Philadelphia and New York, regardless of the views of the local authorities, and almost regardless of public opinion. Even the elevated roads in New York City have been claimed as post-roads and the claim sustained. The State of New York may regulate the use, but is not allowed to deprive you of these great privileges secured to telegraph companies and maintained to them alone by the Congressional act of 1861. If you are not satisfied with the rate of New York, you may regulate the rate of the United States. I am sure that, on reflection, you will hardly claim that such great benefits as these are 'purely imaginary.' It will, on the other hand, be a former reference to the privileges and benefits given to you by the Government, the value of which, in my judgment, is beyond calculation. Conferring such great privileges upon you, the Government, in my belief, expected, and is entitled to receive, not simply your exceptionally low rates to others, but even a lower special rate."

Mr. Wanamaker says that a Western Union official has admitted that some of the benefits expected by their new rate for a mill a word, each newspaper, and in one association the rate is even lower than that. He does not criticize the press rates, if it is not too low. He says that the telegraph companies if it were lower. He asks President Green if it is not true that the patronage from the enterprising press is the most profitable of all the business done by telegraph companies under the act of 1861, the Government, he thinks, ought to be put upon as favorable a basis with respect to rates as his most favored customers.

Mr. Wanamaker closes his letter by saying that he has consented to a request for a conference on the subject before any official order fixing the rates should be issued, he is yet quite willing to entertain any reasonable proposition based upon the known facts.

Postmaster Paul's Resignation Accepted. WASHINGTON, Aug. 6.—The Postmaster-General sent the following letter to Postmaster Paul last Saturday:

WASHINGTON, Aug. 3, 1889.

Dear Sir: I have received your resignation as postmaster at Milwaukee, Wis., which has been received. Before its receipt the Civil Service Commission had submitted a report on a examination of the position upon which I should have taken action before this but for your request for delay in order that you might submit a statement in your own behalf. After the examination by the Civil Service Commission on a post-office inspector was examined your office, and his report was also submitted to me. Upon those reports you were appointed to the position, but as you had not yet accepted the position, you were not to be considered as having accepted it. I will accept it if you desire to resign the position and qualification of a successor should be ascertained as soon as possible. Very respectfully,

JOHN WANAMAKER.

Postmaster-General.

The Dervishes Dispersed. CAIRO, Aug. 6.—General Grenfell telegraphs that he has made a reconnaissance and found that Saturday's battle completely dispersed the dervish army. Out of the force of three thousand men which Wad-el-Nijmi took into battle only a few remain. These are being pursued by Egyptian cavalry, and a column under Colonel Wodehouse has gone to Abu Madiel to head off the retreating dervishes. Every emir in the dervish army was killed except one. The bodies of several hundred dervishes and a large number of wounded, making one thousand in all, have been brought into Tokki. Refugees are arriving at that town.