

Message to Tien Tsin That All Are Safe.
Washington, August 1.—The war department has received two cablegrams from Col. Daggett. The first read:
"The Foo, (Undated.)—Corbin, Washington.—Tien Tsin, 27th.—Message just received from Conger says since 16th, by agreement, no firing. Have provisions several weeks, little ammunition; all safe, well."
The second read:
"The Foo, Corbin, Washington: Tien Tsin, July 30.—Flintshire arrived 27th. Two hundred and fifty-seven Ninth infantry sick, ten doctors, one hundred hospital corps men, twenty signal men needed. Unavoidable delay unloading transports. Foreign troops arriving."
The official confirmation of the news that Minister Conger is safe and well, coupled with the statement that he has provisions for several weeks, and that the firing on the legation has ceased, was welcome intelligence, though not unexpected, in view of recent news. The information from Colonel Daggett was promptly telegraphed to President McKinley at Canton. The last message which came from Minister Conger was that which was obtained through the intermediation of Mr. Wu, and was supposed to be dated the 18th instant, before which time nothing had come since June 12, almost two months. It is expected now that all the energies of the government, as well as those of other nations, will be concentrated for an advance on Peking. Several of the reports which have come from China seem to indicate that this will occur very soon, some of the dispatches placing the date as early as yesterday. The officials here, however, do not look for so early an advance. It is the allied commanders adhere to their original estimate of eighty thousand men as necessary for the campaign, as the latest reports received here do not show half that number on the ground. Still other reports indicating the possibility of the advance being made by the British and American officers have come, and our officers commanding in China have a free hand in any military movements.

Obstructed the Tracks.
Newell, Aug. 6.—Chris Jensen, the fifteen-year-old son of O. C. Jensen, has been arrested for placing obstructions upon the Illinois Central railroad tracks. Before Justice Lawson he waived examination and was placed under \$100 bonds to appear at the next term of court on August 17. He furnished bail. There were probably others implicated in the job, and the railroad company has a detective here looking into it.

City Marshal John S. Spurr of Sanborn arrested a pickpocket who was wanted at Sutherland for burglarizing a hotel. A gold watch and other jewelry stolen from the hotel were found on his person. He was bound over in the sum of \$500, but, being unable to furnish bonds, went to jail. Marshal Spurr secured \$25 reward.

Dispatch from Goldfield says: The mystery attending the disappearance of Tenney Peterson, which caused quite a commotion in this vicinity last week, has been cleared up and the girl was found alive and well at the home of a friend in Ruthven. She had made up her mind that her home life was such that she could not endure it longer, and planned a way of escaping what to her was unjust treatment. Her story is that on the day of her disappearance her father came home somewhat under the influence of liquor and for fear of being abused she ran away. She had some help in her flight, but who the parties are who assisted her is not definitely known at this time.

A well formed plan to burn all the barns in Fort Dodge seems to be in progress of execution. The work of the fire department is well known to all. The fire department is well known to all. The fire department is well known to all.

Mr. Raymond Windsor has been until recently captured by the committee on agriculture for the state meeting. The committee on agriculture for the state meeting. The committee on agriculture for the state meeting.

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Two desperadoes surprise family at supper and secure valuables.
Cresco, August 7.—A bold robbery was committed at the farm house of N. C. Peckham, about four miles north of Cresco. As the party, consisting of Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Peckham, Mr. Peckham's father and the hired man, were eating supper two masked men entered the house, cut the telephone wires and drew revolvers, threatening to shoot if resistance was made. The hired man showed fight and was promptly clubbed over the head, knocked down and tied. The other members of the family were also bound, including Mrs. Peckham, and were forced to give up what money was in the house, taking a silver watch, a gold watch and other valuables.

Triumph of White Supremacy in North Carolina.
Raleigh, N. C., August 3.—After one of the most bitterly contested campaigns ever known in the old North state, the democrats and white supremacists triumphed by a majority of about 30,000. Spencer B. Adams, fusion nominee for governor, was defeated by Charles B. Aycock, the democratic nominee, and all other state officers were elected. The legislature is democratic in both branches. The negroes are to be disfranchised and the state is to be run by a combination majority of republicans and populists to straight democratic, insuring the defeat of Marion Butler for re-election as United States senator. The negroes as a general thing are to be disfranchised. The election was for state officers and members of the legislature and county officers and for an amendment to the state constitution looking to a practical elimination of the negro from politics as its adoption disfranchised the bulk of the negro vote.

Death of Sultan Rabah Likely to Bring Peace in the Tehad Region.
Paris, August 7.—The more grave happenings of the Tehad region had public attention from the celebration in a fitting manner of the success of the French arms in Africa. The killing of Rabah and the dispersing of his army is a feat which means the final supremacy of France in the Lake Tehad region, she is deeply interested. This suit has been a stumbling block to the success of France in that territory for some years. It was he who defeated the Bretonnet mission and who killed another French explorer. He had had a successful military career. The son of a slave and his mother a French girl, he learned from the latter the art of warfare and finally succeeded him in the position of ruler of that section. He was a natural born fighter and was feared by all the tribes in that locality. His death probably means peace.

Transport Meade Sails for China.
San Francisco, August 3.—The transport Meade sailed for Japan, China, with 1,000 soldiers and troops sailing were companies J. K. and M. comprising the third battalion of the Fifteenth infantry; troops B, G, I and H, Third cavalry, and Company E of the battalion of engineers from West Point. The band of the Third cavalry accompanied the expedition. Besides the soldiers and their equipment, the Meade carries \$1,700,000 in currency for the payment of the war expenses in China.

Breast Lining Nerve.
Milan, August 7.—Bresci, the assassin of King Humbert, has abandoned the idea of a calm which he had assumed since the murder was committed and has been giving way to fits of passion. This has necessitated placing him in a straightjacket for ten hours.

Democracy Wins in Alabama.
Birmingham, Ala., August 7.—A general election for state and county officers was held in Alabama yesterday and a large majority was returned for the democratic ticket, headed by William J. Samford of Lee county. The election was regarded as a test of opinion on the mooted question of holding a constitutional convention, which is favored by the democrats, and the present majorities are taken to indicate that the people are favorable to holding a convention which will eliminate the negro from politics.

More than one-third of all manufactured goods are in France made by women.
The only woman rabbi on record is Miss Rachel Frank, who had conferred on her this distinction by a Jewish church in San Francisco.

Where shall we live after we are married? said Memory to Gratitudine. "In a man?" "No," was the reply. "In a dog." "I hate to change."

The difference between the tallest and shortest races in the world is one foot four and one-half inches and the average height is five feet five and one-half inches.

Colonel Lynch Says They Can Continue the Fighting.
Paris, August 4.—The arrival here of Colonel Lynch, of the Irish brigade, followed yesterday by the arrival of two of his brother officers, revives somewhat the drooping interest in the Boer war. Colonel Lynch, who sails shortly for the United States and will probably take part in the presidential campaign on the democratic side, said:
"Generals Botha and De Wet can hold out for an indefinite period, as the men they have with them are the flower of the Boer army. It is now in the field amount to 12,000, estimated that all the Boer forces (General Botha's) are to avoid serious engagements and to keep threatening the British at various points. The great mobility of the Boers aids this plan. General De Wet has a penchant for acting on the lines of communication. The Boers driven their flocks and herds northward to avoid the British, and the main part of the food supply is secured. A great quantity of gold bullion is still in the Boer treasury, probably £3,500,000 sterling (£17,032,200). The manufacture of ammunition has been transferred to Barberton. There is no lack of cannon and ammunition. Only one Long Tom and a few other guns have been captured. My two fellow officers have seen President Kruger since I left South Africa. He is using a railway carriage at Machadodorp as headquarters. He never leaves it and is determined not to be caught, but to fight to the end. It is said that considerable sums have been offered for General Botha, Delarey and De Wet if they should give up, but they answered that they will fight while they have 500 men left."

Heavy Engagement Reported Sunday at Peking.
Washington, August 7.—The following programs have been received at the war department:
"The Foo, August 6.—The British force reports unofficial engagements at Peking Sunday morning, from 3 o'clock to 10:30. The allied loss in killed and wounded was twelve hundred, chiefly Russians and Japanese. Chinese retreated to the west."
"The Foo, August 6.—Official report believed to be reliable that about sixteen thousand allies were heavily engaged with the Chinese at Peking at daylight, August 5."
"Peking is the first station six miles north-west of Tien Tsin, enroute to Peking. Chinese commandants the Yon-tow, which is at Che Foo. At the war department it is said that no reason to doubt the engagement, which was not unexpected, has taken place. Correspondents at Tien Tsin are unable to get anything through, though dispatches from Shanghai avers that the allied forces are making progress toward Peking because of the difference of opinion among the generals. The American, British and Japanese commanders favor one plan, this dispatch affirms, and the Russians, French and Germans favor another plan. Premier Liang has advised, seeks to inspire his army by proclamations ordering every foot of the road from Tien Tsin to Peking to be disputed. All Chinese troops evidently have been paid in full and the troops with money and supplies are going to Peking from the southern provinces. It is deemed quite probable by the military men in London that the Chinese will make a fierce fight at Peking on a much greater scale than during the defense of Tien Tsin."

Life of Shah Attempted.
Paris, August 3.—An attempt was made on the life of the shah of Persia yesterday morning, but luckily resulted in no harm to his majesty. The man broke through the line of policemen as the shah was leaving his apartments, and tried to mount the royal carriage step. He was arrested. The would-be assassin held a revolver in his hand, but was disarmed by the police before he could fire. At the police station the man expressed regret that he had been unable to carry out his intentions. He said: "This is an affair between me and my conscience." The would-be assassin declines to give his name or nationality. The police believe he is an Italian. He is about twenty-six years old. The shah received a letter this morning dated from Italy signed with an Italian name but posted in Paris, announcing that he would be assassinated today.

Li Hung Chang Cuts Their Heads Off.
London, August 3.—A letter from Hong Kong, dated July 2, represents that Li Hung Chang was preserving order at Canton by a virtual reign of terror, rendering him well-hated by the disorderly elements. He had ruthlessly prevented anything in the nature of a public meeting, and thus effectively prevented any one of the various parties, all of them animated by hatred of foreigners, coming together to plan a rising. During one week he had executed by strangling or beheading, seventy persons, and it is asserted that during his viceroyalty no less than 2,000 were executed. All suspects, innocent and guilty alike, were thrown into prison indiscriminately, which, in a majority of cases, was tantamount to execution.

Yellow Fever Disappearing.
Tampa, Fla., August 7.—No new cases of yellow fever have been reported since the first outbreak, and there is little or no illness in the city. The situation is as favorable as possible. One of the suspected cases is about to be discharged from treatment.

Constantinople, August 7.—Lloyd Griscom, United States charge d'affaires, has renewed his demand upon the Ottoman government for compensation for losses of American citizens during the Armenian massacres. He insisted upon a prompt decision.

Hams are generally sent to Singapore, India, packed in bran or oats, then sewed in canvas and afterward packed in salt, this process preserving the flavor far better than any other method, besides keeping the ham moist.

Mr. Gump (to teacher)—"No, I don't want you to teach my son any grammar. Not a bit of it." Teacher—"But—but this is unusual, sir. May I inquire your reasons?" Mr. Gump—"I intend that he shall be a writer of popular songs."

The flustered bride usually has all sorts of presence except presence of mind.

Notes from the Capital
Des Moines, August 7, 1900.
The work on the Auditorium has been recommenced. The completion will be rushed so as to make ready for the numerous fall conventions.
Morris Shein has commenced suit against the Des Moines Insurance company for damaging his character by accusing him of burning his building and stock for the purpose of defrauding. His suit is for \$10,000. Shein was tried in Ringgold county.

The inspection of factories by State Labor Commissioner Wennerstrum was begun last week. In company with his deputy, Arthur E. Holder, Mr. Wennerstrum made the rounds of a number of factories in Des Moines. Thus far no instances have come to light in which there is any serious infraction of the requirements for the welfare of employes. Mr. Wennerstrum some time ago prepared blanks containing an exhaustive list of questions to be asked in each factory. It is the intention of the labor commissioner to make a very careful examination into conditions in factories in all the leading cities of the state. The legislature has placed at his disposal for the purpose only \$500, but it will be the policy to stretch this out as far as possible. Mr. Wennerstrum will assist him by doing a part of the inspecting. It is the intention to begin on cities outside of Des Moines as soon as possible.

Free text books in the schools of the West Des Moines district have had a trial of a year. Superintendent Sheakley and members of the board are more than pleased with the experience. The system is a success, both from an economical and educational standpoint. Just at present the district is receiving several thousand volumes to be used in the parts of the district recently annexed. The texts to be the same as were in use last year in the big West Side district. The work of sending them to the schools is progressing rapidly. Superintendent Sheakley has kept track of the cost of books, the enrollment and the number issued to pupils, and from his statistics has compiled some interesting figures relative to the cost of the system. He reports that the cost of the system for the year ended last year was \$7,082.27. We expect the cost for this year to be about a year old and represents the first cost of all the books in use, has demonstrated to us the practicability of the plan and ought to recommend the system to every other district in the state.

Prices of all kinds of iron and steel used in building operations have been going down during the past two or three weeks. Indications are now that if the present market continues looked for breaks in the lumber market occur, a great deal of building projected for Des Moines this year but which was dropped for the time being on account of the unfavorable prices will be carried to completion during the fall and winter months. Architects and builders attribute the break in prices to an unexpected falling off in the demand. One architect embodied the expression of a number of his associates and contractors when he said: "Last year the building boom which spread over the entire country created a demand for steel and lumber that manufacturers had not experienced since 1893 and the boom came so suddenly and unexpectedly that most of the material was out of first hands or under contract before the manufacturers could cater to the demand. Prices advanced and the prospect of having to carry stocks over the winter months increased, they have dropped their prices to unload with every indication that prices, except in northern lumber, will be within reach of prospective investors in a short time."

Table for China.
Washington, August 2.—The 450 miles of cable originally intended for inter-island communication in the Philippines will be shipped to China, where the United States will operate in connection with other powers in establishing an international cable system connecting the base of Chinese operations either with Shanghai, Port Arthur, Yokohama, or some other point through which more speedy communication can be had with the outside world.

Pensioners Still Increase.
Washington, August 3.—The report of the commissioner of pensions, H. Clay Evans, will show a total of 993,528 pensioners on the rolls. During the year 40,645 original pensioners were granted and 4,699 names were restored to the rolls. Of the 43,344 names were dropped from the rolls during the year, including 35,809 by reason of death, 909 by remarriages of pensioners and 6,616 for other causes. The number dropped by reason of death during the fiscal year just closed is about 14,200 less than was estimated.

Letter published in Moscow from Evens Andriksen, the geographer and traveler, mentions an excursion into Tibet in a direction never before attempted by a European. He reached Lake Lobnor, on the shore of which he discovered the remains of an ancient city. The ruins, which are described as magnificent, were intersected by broad roads.

No, Maude, dear, people who are regarded as the salt of the earth are not to be found in the cellars.
Some women live on excitement and some live on getting up excitement for others.

AN EXTENSIVE ADDITION
Being Made to the Indiana Mineral Springs (Indiana) Hotel
AT AN OUTLAY OF \$30,000.

Growth of Enterprise Representing Expenditure of \$250,000—Successful Management of H. L. Kramer.
Ten years ago the ground where the magnificent hotel property of the Indiana Mineral Springs Company is located at Indiana Mineral Springs, Indiana was wholly unimproved and almost a wilderness. Now, owing to the discovery of the valuable medicinal qualities of the springs and the healing virtue of the soil itself, together with the enterprise of Major H. L. Kramer, there is located there one of the finest sanitariums in the United States. The natural picturesque surroundings have been made more attractive and the hotel is a model of comfort and elegance.

For the greater accommodation of guests who come in constantly increasing numbers from every section of the United States, arrangements have now been made for the enlargement of the hotel buildings. The contract was let yesterday by Major Kramer for additions that will cause an outlay of over \$30,000. The improvements will consist of a new bath house and an addition to the hotel. The addition will be two stories in height and will occupy a ground space 80x150 feet. It provides forty additional guest chambers. The entire addition will be handsomely and elegantly furnished. The bath house, when completed, will be the finest in the United States.

Besides the bath house and the guest chambers there will be on the first floor a dining hall, a music room, a billiard hall, physician's offices and a barber shop. In connection with the bath house there will be ladies and gentlemen's dressing rooms and cooling rooms. The dressing and cooling rooms will be elaborately decorated and the floors will be laid in white tile. In both cooling rooms will be built large ornamental fire places which will be used for heating purposes in addition to the regular steam heating. The work will be entirely completed in 90 days.

The improvement and the entire arrangements of the hotel and grounds are made, keeping in view the artistic effect of the whole, and when the improvements arranged for are completed the hotel and surroundings will be much more attractive than before.

Major Kramer states that a still further addition to the hotel is contemplated, and that plans are now being prepared for an additional structure to contain 150 rooms for guests.

Already a quarter of a million dollars has been expended on the Indiana Mineral Springs enterprise and under the present management greater growth and development in the future is assured.—Attica Daily Ledger.

To correctly stand touch the nose, the chest and the toes to the wall.

THE BOXERS OF CHINA
are attempting to solve a gigantic problem, but they are going about it in the wrong way and will never succeed. Some people, in this country, seem to think that they have as great a puzzle on their hands in selecting a location for a home. They will certainly go about it in the wrong way unless they inspect the beautiful farming country on the line of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway in Marinette county, Wisconsin, where the crops are of the best, work plenty, fine markets, excellent climate, pure soft water; land sold cheap and on long time. Why rent a farm where you can buy one for less than you pay for rent? Address C. E. Rollins, Land Agent, 161 La Salle St., Chicago, Ill.

Lots of men get rich by helping others make fortunes for themselves.

Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is the senior partner of the firm F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, Ohio and State of Ohio, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every copy of said circular which is not cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Cure.

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1898.
C. W. GLEASON, Notary Public.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Send for testimonials, free. Sold by DRUGGISTS & CO., Toledo, O. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

It has been computed that about seventy babies are born each minute.

Save Money, Time and Labor
By using Maple City Self Washing Soap. Your grocer sells it.

Several zinc mines have been discovered in east Tennessee.
When the hair is thin and gray, PARKER'S HAIR DRESSING is the best cure for cures. 15c a bottle.
Misery is like a marriageable young lady; it loves company.

Dyeing is as simple as washing when you use PUTNAM FADELESS DYES.
It is better to be taken by surprise than to be taken by the police.
A good story bears repeating. Use Russ' Bleaching Blue, don't be deceived by fraudulent imitations. Sold by all grocers.

Self-interest is more likely to warp a man's judgment than anything else.
Pine's Cure for Consumption is an infallible medicine for coughs and colds.—N. W. SANDILL, Ocean Grove, N. J., Feb. 17, 1900.
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The only kind of goods used in summer are falsehoods.
If you want a beautiful complexion, a bright eye, a good appetite, an active liver, bowels regular as clockwork, and vigorous, healthy body, use Morley's Liver and Kidney Cordial, the great System Renovator. It cures all diseases to which women are subject, such as weakness, debility, melancholy, nervous prostration, etc. Sold by agents in every town.
United States trade with Zanzibar is increasing rapidly.
If you want to hear a hard-luck story, just ask a man for money he owes you.
If you want "good digestion to wait upon your appetite" you should always chew a bar of Adams' Peppin Tutti Fruiti.
Statistics show that women marry later in life than they used to!