

THE SCOT COUNTY NEWSBOY.

THE gold reserve increased, on the 17th, nearly \$400,000, standing at the close of business in the treasury, at \$97,430,351.

On the Galena (Ill.) track, on the 16th, Alie clipped a quarter of a second from the world's record, going a mile in 2:08 1/2.

The American Tin Plate Co. at Elwood, Ind., has decided on a cut of 20 to 25 per cent. in the hot mills, to take effect October 1.

Messrs. Chamberlain and Bridgeman, of the Peary auxiliary Arctic expedition, left Halifax, N. S., on the 21st, by rail for Boston.

FRANK P. SARGENT was re-elected grand master by acclamation by the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen, at Harrisburg, Pa., on the 10th.

The encyclical addressed to the American bishops, which it was recently announced the pope was about to issue, will appear in November.

PRESIDENT PRINHO of Brazil has officially denied that there is any truth in the report that Admiral da Gama and a number of other officers had been shot in the fortress at Santa Cruz.

EDWIN GOULD has organized the Continental Match Co. and will enter into competition with the Diamond Match Co. with its \$20,000,000 of liberally watered stock and 10 per cent. dividends.

The big tin plate mills of the Aetna Standard Co. at Wheeling, W. Va., employing several hundred hands, announce that they will shut down indefinitely, pending a settlement of the wage scale.

On the 17th the navy department ordered the United States steamships Machias and Detroit to China to reinforce the Asiatic squadron. The vessels will reach their destination early in December.

H. B. MARTIN, of Indianapolis, Ind., a member of the board of the Knights of Labor, has been indicted by the Lackawanna county (Pa.) grand jury on a charge of libel preferred by ex-General Master Workman Powderly.

The united Italian societies of the city of New York turned out in parade, on the 20th, to commemorate the entrance of the Italian army into Rome on September 20, 1870. Over thirty societies, comprising 1,000 men, were in line.

On the 20th the Nicaraguan minister at Washington received official notification that martial law at Bluefields had been superseded by a decree issued by the governor, Dr. Madriz, re-establishing the constitutional law of Nicaragua.

The Spanish government is negotiating for a commercial arrangement with the United States. The Spanish minister at Washington, Senor Murugra, has been instructed by his government that the leading principle of the new arrangement must be strict reciprocity.

ADVICES received at Amsterdam, on the 18th, state that an engagement had occurred between the Dutch forces on Lombok island and the rebels. The Dutch troops eventually won the victory, capturing three forts fronting on Lombok island. Many of the natives were killed.

MISS MARY DESHA, sister-in-law of Col. Breckinridge, now residing in Washington, in a letter to the venerable Mrs. F. W. Hunt, president of the Woman's Anti-Breckinridge association, of Lexington, Ky., thanks her for her part in the defeat of "the man who had disgraced the Ashland district."

OWING to suspension of mining work at all the copper properties in Keweenaw county, Mich., it is proposed to drop the county organization and lapse into innocuous desuetude. Keweenaw was once the most populous county in the Upper Peninsula and contained the largest towns on Lake Superior.

COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF LAWLER of the A. R. is arranging to open headquarters in Rockford, Ill., at once. He will spend the best part of the coming year visiting the different departments and striving to increase the membership of the organization. His first trip will probably be to the departments of the east.

The Japanese followed up their advantage over the Chinese at Ping Yang by a great naval victory at the mouth of the River Yalu, on the 19th, in which several of the best Chinese warships were sunk, and many disabled. One transport, loaded with troops, is said to have gone to the bottom with all on board.

THE London Times says: "The new treaty between Great Britain and Japan fixes the duty on all articles imported into Japan exceeding an annual value of \$500,000 at a slightly increased rate, while Japan retains the right to fix her own tariff on articles of lesser annual value. The treaty will be in force for twelve years."

On the 19th, Judge Gibbons, of Chicago, sustained the demurrer to the amended plea of the Whisky trust to the information in quo warrants, and directed the attorney general to prepare a judgment of ouster against the trust. The judge granted the request of the defendants for an appeal to the supreme court of the state.

THE Central Ohio Electric Railway extension and operation of a complete electric railway system between Pittsburg and Chicago, with branches connecting with towns and cities along the route; for the supplying of light, heat and power for public and private use, and for the construction of telephone and telegraph lines.

WILLIAM BOWLER, who carries the mail between Telluride, Col., and the Silver Pick mine, was knocked down, on the 18th, by two men he met on the road and robbed of \$250. He was taken in a lot of miners' clothes the day he returned, and was returning with the money and the mail. The men were thought to be miners formerly immediately.

A Summary of Important Events.

PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

FOUR masked men attempted to hold up train No. 5, the Utah and Colorado express, on the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe road, near Gorin, Mo., at 3 o'clock on the morning of the 18th.

Forty-seven thousand five hundred Chinese prisoners were marched through Ping Yang, on the 18th, and hundreds of other prisoners were coming in every hour. None of these men were wounded. Transports had been ordered to Ping Yang inlet to convey the prisoners to Japan.

THE Chinese who were taken prisoners at Ping Yang are being fairly well treated. They will be sent to Japan in batches of 1,000 each.

LEVI P. MORROW, ex-vice-president, was nominated on the first ballot for governor of New York by the republican state convention at Syracuse on the 18th.

THE fifth annual convention of the National Letter Carriers' association met in Cleveland, O., on the 18th. The appearance of Mrs. S. S. Cox, widow of the late Congressman "Sunset" Cox, was greeted with applause, and she was escorted to the stage amid deafening cheers.

THE Nivison & Wilcox bottle factory, at Elwood, Ind., resumed operations, on the 17th, with 200 hands at a reduction of 13 per cent. in wages. The plant will run at full capacity in all departments.

MR. E. A. TAYLOR, of Salt Lake City, republican member of the Utah commission, was at the interior department, on the 18th, in connection with the forthcoming annual report of the commission.

GOV. FLOWER, of New York authorized the announcement, on the 18th, that he is not a candidate for renomination, and will not allow his name to be put forward to the coming democratic convention.

CHARLES P. PHILLIPS, a Wall-street banker, was arrested, on the 18th, on a warrant from Philadelphia charging him with having embezzled and appropriated to his own use a large sum of money in Philadelphia seven years ago, when Phillips was president of the Columbia savings bank there.

THE third member of a dangerous gang of counterfeiters who have been flooding southern Oregon and northern California with spurious coin, was arrested, on the 19th, at Scott Valley, Cal., by Detective Harris. There were three members of the gang, and they dealt in quarters, halves and dollars.

THE cavalry troop at Fort Bowie, Ariz., which has been ordered to Fort Logan, near Denver, will march the entire distance, 730 miles. About forty days will be allowed for the march, which will be the longest made by cavalrymen since the opening of railroads.

ON the 19th Supervising Architect O'Rourke of the treasury department tendered his resignation to Secretary Carlisle, as requested by the latter. It was promptly accepted.

THE Ohio democratic state convention adopted a platform declaring opposition to a fraud, favoring the coinage of silver at a ratio of 16 to 1, denouncing Gov. McKinley's administration and "McKinleyism," declared in favor of the election of United States senators by the people, favoring liberal pensions and denouncing the A. P. A. No candidate for senator was nominated.

LOUISIANA sugar planters have applied for a mandamus to compel Secretary of the Treasury Carlisle to continue inspection as under the bounty law.

PERRY COOK, the notorious crook, who was captured near Lincoln, Okla., on the 17th, with several stolen horses in his possession, was lynched, on the 19th, by a committee of farmers, at the eighth annual convention of the United Typothetae met in Philadelphia on the 18th. One hundred delegates were in attendance.

BLAKELY DURANT, familiarly known as "Old Shady," died at Grand Forks, N. D., on the 19th. He was the body servant of Gen. Sherman during the rebellion and was frequently mentioned in the latter's memoirs. He was the "Old Shady" of the familiar war melody.

MAJ. PHIPPS, in charge of experiments with dynamite guns, has reported to the government that the dynamite gun is a success.

FRANK PARSONS, a farmer, living two miles from Nottingham Center, O., almost chopped his wife to pieces on the 19th, and then cut his own throat with a razor. The woman died in a few minutes, and the man cannot live.

MATHIAS BROWNER, Jr., and Hippen Drake, wood-sawyers of Valparaiso, Ind., have received \$800,000 each as a settlement for claims against a \$14,000,000 estate.

MANY casualties are reported in a fight between 100 police and 5,000 miners near Matherwell, Scotland, on the 19th.

A LARGE number of women clerks have been dismissed from the treasury department lately. It is said to mark a new policy in treasury appointments in the future.

EDWARD T. BARRETT, justice of the New York court of appeals, who defeated Isaac H. Maynard last fall, was married, on the 19th, at the home of the bride's mother in New York city, to Miss Annie Platt. The bride is a daughter of the late Banker William H. Platt.

DR. NETTLESHIP, the oculist, has recently made another examination, at Harvard, of Mr. Gladstone's eyes, and expressed himself as well satisfied with the condition of the ex-prime minister and gave ground for hopes that no further operation will be necessary.

THE question of the establishment of a direct steamship service between Canada and Cape Colony is being carefully considered, and it is believed that before many weeks some definite scheme will have been prepared for submission to parliament.

THE treasure captured by the Japanese at Ping Yang amounted to \$1,000,000.

THE Dutch budget shows a deficit of 8,000,000 florins. A loan will be issued immediately.

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Centralia has an opera house assured. Annie Baxter is the name of a Joplin street.

Salisbury's water-works will cost \$15,000.

A new bank has been organized at Russellville.

The Colored Baptist association met at Salisbury.

Calloway county has an apple tree fifty years old.

Salisbury voted for water-works by a large majority.

There is an epidemic of horse stealing near Hannibal.

Champ Clark will make ninety-three speeches during his district tour.

"Aunt" Die Walker, colored, of Trenton, is 113 years old.

Large numbers of immigrants are settling in Taney county.

The Sedalia base-ball club is torn with internal dissensions.

Mrs. Cousins, of Gorin, Scotland county, attempted suicide.

William Patrick and Miss Bertha Lewis were married at Sedalia.

Sidney L. Brock and Miss Jennie Wardell were married at Macon.

Marshall feels confident of getting the Odd Fellows' orphan asylum.

Charles E. Breeding and Miss Annie Lower were married at Hannibal.

A Knights of Pythias lodge is to be organized at Hume, Bates county.

The cry of overcrowded schools is heard in nearly every town in the state.

The Fifth district W. C. T. U. held its second annual convention at Maitland.

Corn in Carroll county grows so high that farmers must stand on barrels to reach it.

Mexico has a home talent dramatic company which amuses the neighboring towns.

The Moberly Bachelors' Specialty company will reorganize for the coming season.

Little Hattie Shorty, of Saline county, was thrown out of a buggy and instantly killed.

A wolf attacked and seriously injured Henry Loux's little daughter, near Mayville.

Gov. Stone has appointed Arthur Brant commissioner of public schools of Boone county.

Joseph Baldwin, an old Missouri school teacher, is one of the faculty of Texas university.

Louisa Carrington, of Fulton county, thought she was hoodooed and was sent to the asylum.

Miss Linda Sullenger, of Mexico, and Mr. E. H. Bruce, of Fort Smith, Ark., were married recently.

CAPT. MAHAN'S VIEWS.

The Commander of the Cruiser Chicago interviewed the Battle of the River Yalu Between the Japanese and Chinese. The Miscellaneous of the Position of the Latter Pointed Out and Commented On.

LONDON, Sept. 24.—The United States cruiser Chicago sailed yesterday afternoon for Havre where she will be docked. She will return to Gravesend in ten days to take coal. Shortly before the Chicago sailed a representative of the United Press went on board of her and obtained an interview with Capt. Mahan, her commander, on the recent naval battle between the Japanese and Chinese fleets. Capt. Mahan said:

"The great thing with a fleet of war vessels with a lot of transports in charge is to prevent surprises or embarrassment. In this case there was a surprise, and this fact, to my mind, supplies a prominent lesson. It is necessary that the conveying fleet should be decisively superior to that of the enemy, but the Chinese fleet was much embarrassed by the presence of their transports. I am inclined to think that the Chinese admiral formed in fleet so close in shore because he was obliged to do so. If he had gone out to meet the Japanese fleet, which was the proper course, he would have uncovered the mouth of the river into which the transports had gone. Consequently he drew up close in shore, by which movement he was tactically embarrassed in maneuvering. If his fleet had been much larger than the Japanese he might have advanced at the same time leaving a sufficient number of vessels to head off a rush which the Japanese might have made."

"The whole affair illustrates the difficulty attending an attacking movement across the water unless you have control of the water absolutely. Whether the Chinese succeeded in their object it does not appear, but the question is whether it was worth such a risk for the sake of landing troops. It certainly was bad management to fight so close in shore, for two of the Chinese vessels had not the room to turn and so went ashore. That is one reason why the Japanese did not try to pass through the Chinese line, for they would have got into shallow water and become entangled in the vessels. It was a big engagement for modern vessels, but I see nothing yet to lead me to suppose that the engagement will point to the reconstruction or remodeling of war vessels. The details so far are very meager. I don't know anything about the manner of attack, but doubtless before long the Japanese will give full information. I don't even know what was the formation of the Chinese fleet in resisting the attack. All that is clear is that the Japanese were on the offensive and the Chinese on the defensive. I only wish I had more time to write what I have to say. What interests me most, is to know the manner in which the battle was fought. Upon this point we have got nothing. But the great lesson is in the risk of attempting to carry a great force across water. As a general rule such an attempt is unsafe. Nevertheless, the mere existence of a hostile fleet does not constitute such a detriment upon the resolute man who knows that the object of his attempt is sufficient to justify the risk. It remains to be seen whether the object the Chinese accomplished was sufficiently important to justify the risk she took."

To a naval man the most interesting thing will be to know in what order the Japanese fleet approached the Chinese, whether it was concentrated upon part of the Chinese line or spread over the whole line. I have no time to say more, as I have too much ship work to carefully study the matter."

THIS IS RELIABLE.

Admiral Carpenter's Version of the Naval Fight at the Mouth of the Yalu.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 23.—The secretary of the navy has received two cablegrams from Admiral Carpenter, commanding the Asiatic station, both dated Pien-Tsin, September 21. The first says:

"Chinese routed, Ping Yang, 15th. Sixteen thousand killed or wounded. Victory lost feather and jacket under edict prior to recent defeat."

The second one, which is regarded as very important as it is the first official dispatch from a naval source, is as follows:

"Naval engagement, Yalu, 17th. Chinese lost: Chaotung, Cheng Yuen and Chih Yuen sunk; Yang Wei on shore partly burned; Chih Yuen vanished during fight, probably sunk. Reported Japanese loss, three."

The cablegrams were unsigned, and as Admiral Carpenter is the only officer in the east authorized to send unsigned messages, no doubt is entertained that he sent them cordially. Confidence is also expressed in the navy department that he has fully verified his statements as to the Chinese losses, probably by personal observation, as his flagship, Monocacy, is the only vessel of the fleet on the Chinese coast, the others being in Korean or Japanese ports.

The naval intelligence bureau expresses the conviction that no Chinese armored vessels have been lost, as all the ships mentioned in the dispatch are small unarmored cruisers.

At Gray Gables.

BUZZARD'S BAY, Mass., Sept. 24.—Secretary of the Treasury John G. Carlisle arrived here