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General Keller, With Two Divisions, Fails In Desperate Assault.

RUSSIANS ATTACK AT DAWN.

Attempt to Surprise Japs at Motien Pass Under Cover of Heavy Fog. Enemy, Beaten, Pursued a Considerable Distance.

Tokyo, July 19.—At 3 o'clock Sunday morning, a heavy fog veiling their movements, two divisions of Russians, commanded by Lieutenant General Keller, made an assault on the Japanese positions at Motien pass. General Kuroki adds that the Russians assailed all the Japanese positions at Motien pass and in its vicinity despatched. The Japanese resisted stubbornly, repulsed the Russians and pursued them for a considerable distance westward. The Japanese torpedo destroyer Hatori captured a junk conveying mail from Port Arthur to Chefoo. Letters dealing with military and naval conditions at Port Arthur have been seized. Much valuable information was contained in the letters. Those which did not deal with military topics have been forwarded to St. Petersburg with the request that they be delivered to those to whom they were addressed.

EARL PERCY ASKS DELAY.

British Government Not Ready to Discuss Russian Fleet's Doings.

London, July 19.—Earl Percy, under secretary for foreign affairs in the house of commons, asked General Lauric, Conservative and Unionist, to postpone a question which he proposed to ask about the doings of the Russian volunteer fleet steamer St. Petersburg in the Red sea until Thursday. Earl Percy said the question, which, among other things, asked if it was in conformity with international law for a vessel to be transformed on the high seas from a merchant ship to a warship, or whether a ship holding a commission as a warship should be commissioned as such in a port of the nation to which it belongs, was of the utmost importance and was engaging the earnest attention of the government. As, however, the government's information was still incomplete on various

points he, the under secretary, was not prepared to answer at present.

With reference to the seizure of the Peninsular and Oriental company's steamer Malacca, from Antwerp for Japan, in the Red sea by the Russian volunteer fleet steamer St. Petersburg, the owners say that only goods of a contraband nature on board, so far as they are aware, were consigned to the British naval dock yard at Hongkong.

RUSSIAN EXPLANATIONS.

War Office Minimizes Keller's Defeat at Motien Pass.

St. Petersburg, July 19.—The war office has not yet received an official report of the Russian attack on the Japanese position at Motien pass, but it is not regarded as improbable that such an attack has been made, as General Keller is very active. If it turns out to be true, however, the war office declares it is impossible that the attacking force could have consisted of two divisions, as reported, and most likely the force was composed of two regiments.

According to the general staff's latest reports the Japanese seem to have contemplated an advance from all points, and may only be temporarily resting their forces, although it is considered possible that they may have decided to await the result of the operations against Port Arthur.

Newchwang is still in possession of the Russians.

A dispatch from General Sacharoff confirms the dispatches to the effect that the Kalchow fight was only a series of skirmishes with the Russian rearguard, no attempt being made to hold the position.

The admiralty has no news of either the Port Arthur or the Vladivostok squadron.

Another British Steamer Held Up.

Aden, Arabia, July 19.—The British steamer Persia was forcibly detained for an hour in the Red sea by the Russian volunteer fleet steamer Smolensk, which transferred to the Persia a portion of the Japanese mails seized on the North German Lloyd steamer Prinz Heinrich July 15. The Smolensk confiscated two bags of the Prinz Heinrich's mails destined for Nagasaki.

Emperor Goes to Novgorod.

St. Petersburg, July 19.—The emperor, accompanied by the heir presumptive, Grand Duke Michael, has gone to Novgorod to bid farewell to the First army corps. Later in the week his majesty will go to Narva and Yamburg. On his way home he will bid farewell to the Novochebassk regiment at Okhta, of which force one-third are Jews.

MEAT STRIKE CRISIS

Both Sides Preparing For a Test of Strength.

PACKERS HIRING NEW MEN.

To Those Already Taken on They Expect to Add Many Thousands During This Week—Office Employees Helping to Teach Recruits.

Chicago, July 19.—Both sides are preparing for the test of strength which will come this week in the strike of the packing house employees. To the new men taken on in the last five days the packers expect to add many thousands in the next five. Workers who have been hired, it is claimed, are now on the way to the different plants from all corners of the country. Office employees and heads of departments who have had experience in the killing rooms have been called in to help and teach the recruits.

The packers already are equipping their plants in western centers with full crews of men. Within a week the



MICHAEL J. DONNELLY. (The leader of the strikers.)

plants at Kansas City, Omaha and East St. Paul will be turning out train loads of supplies, according to a positive declaration made by one of the packers.

Armour & Co., Morris & Co., Swift & Co. and Schwarzschild & Sulzberger have renewed killing operations on a much larger scale than during the first week of the strike.

Representatives of the packers said at the stockyards that they expected to be able to man the plants without any more inconvenience and that the difficulty was not in the procuring of men, but in their ability to provide adequate protection for them while going to and from work.

The packers profess not to be apprehensive of a sympathetic strike and say that co-operating and similar work is provided for now. Referring to the threatened strike by firemen, a representative of Armour & Co. said the plants were equipped with automatic stokers, which largely reduced the work of the tenders.

The probably fatal injury of a man said to be a watchman at Swift & Co.'s plant, who was struck by a trolley car at West Forty-seventh street and Ashland avenue, is believed by the police to be an outgrowth of the strike, and they are investigating a report that strike sympathizers tried to kill him. It is a theory of the police that after slugging the man his assailants placed his body on the track.

Of the men injured in Sunday night's riot near the stockyards two are still in a critical condition. It is said the others will recover.

New York Abattoirs Idle.

New York, July 19.—The abattoirs and packing houses on the east side, about First avenue and Forty-fifth street, are practically idle. The strike of the Amalgamated Association of Beef Cutters and Butchers' Workmen of America has tied up almost completely all save the independent firms. A few wagons were carting meat to restaurants, hotels and steamships to fulfill contracts. The firms of Nauss Bros. and Richard Weber & Co., large retailers who do their own killing, were busy, but they are independent of those against whom the strike is made. They were doing considerable killing on the floors of the United Dressed Beef company, but the slaughtering was independent of that company.

Shipments From Kansas City.

Kansas City, July 19.—Packers here begin to ship liberally. At all the five leading plants it was asserted that a big addition to their forces had been made over Sunday and that the output had been increased. The receipts at the yards have reached almost the normal stage, 9,000 cattle, 8,000 hogs and 2,000 sheep coming in. The strikers say they continue to make accessions to their ranks. Apparently both sides have settled down to a stubborn contest.

Another Advance in Prices at Boston.

Boston, July 19.—Another advance has gone into effect here on almost all grades of beef in consequence of the continued strike of the Chicago meat cutters.

BIG DAM BURSTS.

Flood Does Enormous Damage at Scottsdale, Pa.

Scottsdale, Pa., July 19.—With the roar of Niagara, the new reservoir of the Citizens' Water company burst and more than 200,000,000 gallons of water rushed down the valley, sweeping all before it and inundating crops and wrecking buildings in its path.

When it was discovered that the dam was in danger of breaking messengers were hastily sent through the valley to warn the people of their peril. Hundreds of lives were thus saved, for a few hours later the whole valley was under water.

The damage to the machinery and reservoir alone will amount to at least \$50,000. When the torrent swept down upon the valley buildings were torn from their foundations and carried on the crest of the great wave like so many wash tubs.

Crops valued at thousands of dollars were wiped out. Bridges were carried away. In the gorge just below the dam huge trees were torn up by the roots and stones weighing tons were overturned by the flood.

The new pump and engine installed Saturday below the face of the dam to pump the leakage back into the reservoir were wrenched from their foundations, propelled twenty yards from their original positions and buried under the mass of wreckage from the wall.

Big Storm at Cortland, N. Y.

Syracuse, N. Y., July 19.—A special to the Post Standard from Cortland says the most severe electrical storm in the history of the town has occurred in that section. Lightning struck in many places about the city, but only one small fire resulted. Numerous blazes were seen in the surrounding country. Telegraph and telephone wires were interrupted. Crops were washed out and beaten down by the unprecedented downpour. Four feet of water were reported running over the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western tracks at Rhodgett's mills, and a washout was feared.

Several Watertown Houses Struck.

Watertown, July 19.—A fierce electrical storm passed over northern New York in the night. Several houses in this city were struck, and numerous hay barns in rural districts were destroyed. Many cattle were killed. The out of town telephone service is practically crippled, sixteen toll lines being put out of commission.

Six Hundred Powder Kegs Explode.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., July 19.—Lightning struck two of the Enterprise Powder company mills at Grassdale, near here, exploding 600 kegs of powder. The mills were destroyed and those adjoining damaged, while every house in town was more or less damaged. No one was seriously injured.

Church Damaged by Lightning.

Glens Falls, N. Y., July 19.—During a severe storm lightning struck the steeple of the Presbyterian church at Fort Edward, setting the building on fire. The steeple was entirely destroyed and the main portion of the building was badly damaged.

Lightning Strikes Six Barns.

Little Falls, N. Y., July 19.—Six farm barns were struck by lightning and destroyed by fire in Herkimer county. Some contained cattle and horses, which were burned. The total loss is estimated at \$20,000.

Northern New York Trolley Merger.

Syracuse, N. Y., July 19.—It is understood here in connection with the purchase of the Syracuse Rapid Transit and the Utica and Mohawk Valley trolley lines by H. E. Andrews of Cleveland, O., that he will organize a corporation to hold and unite the various properties. The New York Central or men interested in its management, it is said, furnished the greater part of the money for the purchase and will control the company to be formed. Syracuseans interested in trolley roads say that the West Shore will be electrified from Canastota to Syracuse, permitting the Utica and Mohawk Valley cars to enter this city over that line.

Fourth Class Postmasters.

Washington, July 19.—The following fourth class postmasters have been appointed: New York—Accord, George W. Garrison. Pennsylvania—Pittcock, Edward Milligan.

New Naval Colliers.

Washington, July 19.—While not officially announced, the understanding at the navy department is that the two colliers authorized by the last congress will be built at the navy yards at New York and Mare Island.

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FOUL PLAY INDICATED

Wounds on Loomis' Body Were Inflicted Before Death.

INQUEST AT KINGSBRIDGE.

Corpse Washed Ashore on Devonshire Coast Positively Identified as That of Missing Brother of American Assistant Secretary of State.

Kingsbridge, Devonshire, July 19.—The inquest on the body of F. Kent Loomis, which was found Saturday morning at Warren point, about fifteen miles from Plymouth, threw the picturesque little Devonshire village of Thudestone, on the shores of Bighury bay, into a state of unquieted excitement. The court, over which the county coroner, Dr. Sidney Hacker, presided, was somewhat late in assembling, in consequence of the delay in carrying out the official medical examination of the remains.

This was conducted by two local doctors, whose testimony was to the effect that there was a contused wound below and behind the right ear, indicated by the extravasation of blood in the scalp and a rupture of the covering of the brain. There was also a general bruise, involving the scalp and the integument of the brain on the left side above the ear. Both injuries, in the doctors' opinion, were caused before death.

The American consul at Plymouth, Joseph G. Stephens, attended the proceedings.

After the jury had viewed the body, the first witness, Thomas Snowden, a laborer, who discovered the remains in the breakers, testified to the recovery of the corpse, as previously cabled.

A policeman who searched the body told of the recovery of a gold watch, which had stopped at 6 o'clock, some English gold and silver coins, also a pocketbook containing \$60 in American notes, a receipt for a subscription to the Blennerhassett club, a railroad pass issued in the name of F. Kent Loomis, a receipt from the Grand Hotel, Broadway, New York, for \$250 which Loomis desired to be sent to his wife, a gold ring, with the name "Mildred" inside, etc.

Consul Stephens testified that he had seen the body and from information supplied to him officially he unmistakably identified it as that of Loomis, who was acting as a special messenger for the American government, carrying important dispatches from the government at Washington to the embassy at Paris.

ST. LOUIS TWO DAYS LATE.

Passengers Not Excited When Starboard Engine Was Disabled.

New York, July 19.—The steamship St. Louis of the American line has reached her dock, nearly two days behind time. The accident that caused the vessel to make so slow a passage had already been reported by the steamships Umbria and Etruria, which received the news in midocean by wireless telegraphy and reported it upon making land.

The St. Louis left Southampton on July 9. Three days later the after high and low pressure cylinders of her starboard engine became disabled through the breaking of a nut. Chief Engineer Spoot at once had the engines stopped, while the high and low after starboard cylinders were cut out. There was no excitement among the passengers and the steamship proceeded under her port engine after a delay of three hours.

Paterson Italians at War.

New York, July 19.—One man is dead several others have bullet and knife wounds of a more or less serious nature, and twelve Italians are under arrest as a result of a row in a saloon at Paterson, N. J. From what the police have learned, it appears that the Italians had been carousing all night and finally two of them engaged in an altercation and the fight became general. Nearly every man was armed, either with a stiletto or a revolver. None of the dozen men arrested could tell what caused the trouble.

Midvale Wreck Inquest.

New York, July 19.—An inquiry into the cause of the accident on the Greenwood Lake division of the Erie railroad near the Midvale station, in which sixteen persons were killed and fifty injured, has been begun by Coroner Blauvelt at Paterson, N. J. The inquest is being held on the body of Henry Kanzer, who lost his life in the accident.

Mob Shoots Negro.

Evansville, Ind., July 19.—At Stephensport, Ky., Frank Blaise, a white man, was stabbed in the throat by an unknown negro. A mob gathered, and when the negro tried to escape he was shot to death. Feeling is strong against the negroes and many of them are being driven out of town. Blaise will die.

Shipwrecked Mariners in Port.

New York, July 19.—Captain Brewis and twenty-three men of the crew of the British steamship Aldborough, which went ashore at Fortune Island July 6 and became a total loss, have been brought here on the steamship Altai from the West Indies.

DAVIS IN NEW YORK.

He Will Visit His Fellow Candidate at Esopus.

New York, July 19.—Henry G. Davis of West Virginia, candidate for vice president on the Democratic ticket, has arrived in this city. The ex-senator was not inclined to talk.

"Is there to be a conference of Democratic leaders here which you will attend, Mr. Davis?" was asked at the Fifth Avenue hotel.

"I cannot say," declared Mr. Davis. "I understand some of the gentlemen interested will be here, but just what the conference will amount to I cannot say."

"Is Senator Gorman a candidate for chairman of the national committee?" "I cannot speak for Senator Gorman. He will doubtless make his ideas known when he cares to," was the reply.

"Will the senator attend the conference tomorrow?"

"I don't know," said Mr. Davis. "All I know is that the senator will be here, and what he does when he gets here I cannot predict."

Mr. Davis will remain here for a day or two and then visit Judge Parker at Esopus.

Quiet Day at Esopus.

Esopus, N. Y., July 19.—A night of heavy thunderstorms and rain was succeeded by a rainy day. Judge Parker was up early. John W. Kern of Indianapolis, who has been his guest since Saturday, left the house early and embarked on the steamer Mary Powell from Kingston for New York. On account of the conference of Democratic leaders in New York no visitors were expected here.

Taggart Starts East.

Indianapolis, July 19.—Thomas Taggart, member of the national Democratic committee, has left French Lick Springs for New York city, in response to a telegram received by him from John W. Kern, asking him to come at once. Mr. Kern had spent the previous night at Esopus with Judge Parker.

BALTIMORE'S FIRE LOSSES.

Insurance Companies Have Paid Out \$30,000,000.

Baltimore, Md., July 19.—The general loss committee, composed of expert insurance men, which was organized shortly after the great fire of February 7, has made its final formal report through Chairman Paul Turner. The report states that 3,778 separate claims were handled by the committee and that the amount of insurance paid on these claims was \$29,074,358.51.

There are still eleven claims unsettled, and in addition there were probably about 1,000 or 1,200 smaller claims, which were settled direct by the companies. The amount involved in these small claims will not exceed \$1,500,000, so that the total insurance paid to those who lost in the fire will be about \$30,500,000.

Odell Appoints a Judge.

Albany, N. Y., July 19.—Governor Odell has appointed John Painter as a judge of the city court of New York.

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