

JAP CRUISER WAS SUNK

Class of 7700 Tons and Carried 400 Men.

NO PARTICULARS GIVEN

In Two Days' Land Fight Japanese Lost About 1000 Men, Russians Many More.

Rome, Aug. 3.—A Tokio despatch says that the Japanese cruiser Katsuga has been sunk. No particulars are given.

DESPERATE BUT UNSUCCESSFUL.

Japanese Attacks on Fort Arthur So Reported.

London, Aug. 3.—The Chiefos correspondent writes that junks arriving there report that the Japanese made desperate but unsuccessful attacks on Fort Arthur July 29 and another July 28. The Russians lost 5,000 men. The Japanese displayed fanatical bravery. They were mowed down by the hall of shells and blown to pieces by underground mines. The losses among the Mikado's forces is said to have been 20,000 killed and wounded.

HEAVY LOSSES OF MEN.

Two Days' Fight Resulted Disastrously to Both Sides.

Tokio, Aug. 3.—Gen. Kuroki reports that the Japanese losses in the two days' fight at Yanktzing and Kuanlining were six officers killed, sixteen wounded and 950 men killed and wounded.

DIYING OF HUNGER.

Russians at Front Said to Be In a Bad Way.

Rome, Aug. 3.—A Liau Yang despatch asserts that conditions among the Russians at the front are very bad. The troops are dying of hunger.

RUSSIAN LOSSES HEAVIER.

Of the 10,000 Casualties of the Developing Movement.

London, Aug. 3.—The list of casualties incurred by Japanese and Russians during the present enveloping movement in Manchuria shows that since the movement began June 15th with the battle of Vafangou the combined losses of two forces has been over ten thousand killed and wounded.

RUSSIANS RETREAT.

Gen. Kurovskii's Army Has Left Hancheng.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 3.—General Kurovskii reports that the Russian troops have retired from Hancheng along the road to Anshenchan. The retreat was in perfect order despite the heat which caused many sunstrokes.

WOULD NOT FIGHT.

Vladivostok Squadron Sought a Battle Unsuccessfully.

Vladivostok, Aug. 3.—The officers of the Vladivostok squadron report that during their recent cruise they encountered a small Japanese squadron. The latter, however, refused battle and sought under the Hakodete batteries.

GRANITEVILLE.

There will be a social dance at Miles' hall Friday evening from 8 to 2.

MAN BEHEADED.

Killed in Trying to Board a Freight Train.

St. Albans, Aug. 3.—An unknown man, aged about 24, in attempting to board a freight train in the Central Vermont yards yesterday afternoon, was thrown under the train and his head nearly severed from his body.

It is claimed that the man is Eugene Bell who formerly worked for Charles Fortin and N. Skinner.

SETTLEMENT FAR OFF.

One Rutland Marble Dealer is Going to Europe.

Rutland, Aug. 3.—President J. F. Manning of the Columbian Marble Quarry Co. this morning decided to close his plant. He has bought a ticket for Europe and sails with his wife next Tuesday for a two months' European trip.

It was learned this morning that Vermont marble was the cause of a big New York strike declared yesterday.

LEAGUE BASE BALL.

Both Boston and New York Americans Won Yesterday.

Yesterday's American league scores: At Cleveland, Boston 4, Cleveland 1. At Detroit, New York 3, Detroit 1 (10 innings).

At St. Louis, Philadelphia 9, St. Louis 3.

American League Standing.

Table with columns: Team, Won, Lost, Pct. Boston, Chicago, New York, Cleveland, Philadelphia, St. Louis, Detroit, Washington.

MARSHFIELD.

The Coos County Democrat of Littleton, N. H., in a recent issue, published the following notice of the death of Leo Nathan Hill, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Hill:

"Hearts were saddened by the death shortly before noon yesterday, at his residence on Baker Hill of Leo Nathaniel Hill. Death thus claimed as its own a young business man, cut down in the midst of his rapid strides to the fore in his profession, a loving husband to a devoted wife, and a father to two beautiful young children.

Leo Nathan Hill was born in Plainfield Vt., 33 years ago, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Hill, and his parents are still living although his mother is in poor health. As a very young man he came to Lancaster. For some time he was in the then Rowell studio. From here he went to South Berwick, Me., where he took a studio of his own. In the meantime being wedded to Miss Bertha Jones, daughter of the late Wm. T. Jones. He later took a studio at Kennebunk, Me., but in June of 1899 he returned to Lancaster, purchased the studio of D. Eugene Rowell and has since conducted the business, and at the time of his death occupied a position with the best photographers in New England, bar none.

So zealous was he of his business that from time to time he has added studios in many neighboring towns until at his death he was proprietor of six branch studios, extending over a territory that included Littleton, Island Pond and Beecher Falls. It was the attempt to give to each his personal attention that resulted five weeks ago in a physical and mental break down from which he never recovered. He leaves a widow and two small children, a brother, Horace, now living in the west, and a married sister.

The burial services were held Friday at his late residence. At the grave his brothers, Pilot Lodge, No. 52 K. of P., conducted the services.

The coronet band of which he was a member, attended in a body and rendered "Lead Kindly Light" and "Nearer My God to Thee," while making the return march from the grave.

THE BEST HUNTING RIFLES.

Sportsmen everywhere who are on their annual search for the best equipment to take with them on their shooting and hunting trips should bear in mind that the Winchester Repeating Arms Company have for over thirty years been making guns for all kinds of shooting and ammunition for all kinds of guns, and today they are the largest and most successful manufacturers of guns and ammunition in the world.

BURLINGTON WON TODAY

Defeated St. Albans at Burlington, 7 to 3.

LOST YESTERDAY'S GAME

Tail-Enders of League Defeated Queen City With "Rube" Vickers in the Box.

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Plattsburg, N. Y., Aug. 3.—Plattsburg bumped "Rube" Vickers good and hard yesterday, getting eight safe ones and winning 4 to 3. Scanlon allowed but five hits but gave five bases on balls. Burlington kicked vigorously over Essenter's decision.

Two scores were made by the home team in the second with three singles and a sacrifice and two more in the seventh on a hit by pitched ball, a pretty bunt by Cosgrove, a sacrifice by Scanlon and a double by Shelley.

Burlington made two in the fourth when Washburn singled, Hays sacrificed, Hazelton doubled and Deininger hit. Burlington got one more in the seventh on Shulte's error, Simon's sacrifice and Brennan's single.

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Montpelier, Aug. 3.—John H. Senter and other Democrats scored the county republicans severely at the Democratic caucus to elect twelve delegates to the Democratic county convention, held last evening. Mr. Senter charged the delegates to the Republican county convention yesterday with stuffing the ballot box in the first ballot for second assistant judge, which was thrown out because the chairman declared that three more votes had been cast than there were delegates in the convention.

Mr. Senter declared that 11 such votes were cast. Mr. Senter also arraigned O. G. Eaton of Waitsfield and M. D. Wells of Cabot who were nominated yesterday by the Republicans for State senators as rank Prohibitionists and declared if they were elected the present license law would be replaced as several counties in the State have instructed their nominees for senators in Republican county convention to vote for the repeal of the license law.

Mr. Senter urged the election of a delegation to the county convention who would favor a fusion ticket which should be the same as that nominated by the Republicans yesterday with three exceptions that Dr. W. B. Mayo of Northfield should be substituted for O. G. Eaton of Waitsfield as senator, M. S. Hathaway of Calais for assistant judge in place of L. Ransom Wells of Middlesex and G. B. Evans of Waterbury, the present incumbent for county sheriff, in place of Frank H. Tracy.

The following delegates favorable to such fusion ticket were elected: E. A. Sweeney, Henry Frenier, J. O. Livingston, F. P. Carleton, D. T. Donnelly, J. H. Volheim, C. J. Senter, F. M. Bryan, L. N. Wood, H. C. Shurtleff, Charles Kyle and L. B. Brooks. On motion of Mr. Senter the Democratic city committee were authorized to appoint a campaign committee of six, one from each ward to act in conjunction with the city committee during the campaign.

J. O. Livingston addressed the caucus and in his speech characterized the work of the Republicans today as a disgraceful exhibition of bargain and sale. J. H. Volheim, one of the delegates from Vermont to the Democratic national convention at St. Louis, gave an interesting report of some of the doings there.

THE REPUBLICAN COUNTY NOMINEES

Name Ticket For County Officers After Some Unavoidable Delay.

The Republicans of Washington county have seldom had a more lively or interesting county convention than that at Montpelier yesterday. The party is awaking to the fact that it must put its strongest men in nomination for county offices if it wishes to retain its leadership, and the old method of passing them around to one or that one because he was a "good fellow" and it was "his turn" must give way to merit.

This feeling pervaded a large portion of the delegates at Montpelier yesterday, and the memory of two years ago, when only one of the regular Republican nominees was elected, caused them to seek to put in nomination the strongest candidates. That is how it came about that Merton D. Wells of Cabot, who had not been mentioned in connection with the office of senator until Monday, was nominated. The Cabot delegation was not aware that there was a possibility of his nomination until noon, but as soon as they learned the situation on their arrival in Montpelier, they did some tall hustling and inside of two hours he was the nominee of the convention, receiving 100 votes to 44 for his opponent.

The selection of S. Hollister Jackson as the candidate for state's attorney was also an expression of this desire for the selection of the most capable men for the office. The ticket complete as nominated is as follows: For Senators: W. A. Lord of Montpelier, O. G. Eaton of Waitsfield and M. D. Wells of Cabot.

For assistant judges: E. W. Huntley of Duxbury and Lorenzo R. Wells of Middlesex. Mr. Wells defeated Warren C. Nye for the office on the third ballot by a vote of 75 to 67.

For Judge of probate, Hiram Carleton of Montpelier was renominated by acclamation. For state's attorney, S. Hollister Jackson of Barre was nominated, he receiving 77 votes to 68 cast for L. C. Moody of Waterbury. C. C. Graves of Waterbury presented Mr. Moody's name to the convention, assailing the other candidate for the position for his political record of two years ago. J. W. Gordon presented the name of S. Hollister Jackson, and it was seconded by Col. O. D. Clark "for the Montpelier delegation." H. W. Kemp objected to this because, he declared there were two on the Montpelier delegation who had voted against endorsing the Barre candidate and for himself alone he seconded the nomination of L. C. Moody of Waterbury. Henry Holt of the same delegation, said for 18 of the 20 Montpelier

BASE BALL NOTES.

In addition to Pitcher Kana, the Plattsburg management has released First Baseman Flynn and Pitcher McLean.

Owing to the abundance of pitchers that Burlington now has, McLane has been released. Collopy has also been released.

The Barre-Montpelier team went to Rutland from Burlington Monday evening, and "worked out" on the Rutland grounds yesterday afternoon in preparation for the game with Rutland this afternoon.

The Rutland directors voted Monday evening to release Pitcher Conley and to recall the contract sent to Moray, another twirler. This will make Rutland's pitching staff consist of Minnehan, O'Brien and Carrievan and will reduce the salary allowance for pitchers considerably. Conley will pitch his last game for Rutland Friday.

REWARD OFFERED.

A reward of \$10 is offered for evidence which will convict the parties who stole my team Saturday night.

Charles Northrop.

DEATH CAME SUDDENLY

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Francis Merchant, one of Barre's best known citizens, died at the hospital in Waterbury last evening at 8 o'clock from congestion of the brain. During the extreme hot weather of the third week of July, Mr. Merchant became ill and on July 25th he was taken to Waterbury for treatment. He made considerable improvement up to Monday of this week, when congestion of the brain set in and from which he died last evening.

Francis Merchant was born in Aberdeenshire, Scot., 33 years ago. He served as grocer's clerk there until he came to Barre about 18 years ago. Here he went to work for George J. Towne as grocery clerk, and from there to Eastman Bros., and from there to Wheeler & Taft's, which later became Ladd's store. He continued there until two years ago, when he purchased the old stand of B. L. Clark on Elm street, which he conducted very successfully. Soon after the first of July he purchased with his uncle, Mr. Fraser, the goods in the Co-operative store on North Main street and opened up for business here the day after Mr. Merchant was taken ill. The strain and overwork in preparing for this opening were thought to be the cause of his breaking down.

Mr. Merchant had a host of friends in Barre. He was a member of Clan Gordon, O. S. C. of Tribe, J. O. R. M., and of the Burns Club. He is survived by a wife and four children, his father and mother and five sisters, one, Mrs. McDonald, being now in Scotland on a visit.

The body will be brought to Barre this afternoon, but the arrangements for the funeral are not yet completed.

WELL KNOWN HERE.

William H. Wheeler of Des Moines Died at Calais Yesterday.

William H. Wheeler of Des Moines, Iowa, a native of this state who has been visiting in this vicinity for several months, died yesterday of heart failure at Calais. The deceased was well known in this city. Mr. Wheeler went west twenty-five years ago, locating at Des Moines where he engaged in the carriage business. His health caused him to give it up and return to Vermont last spring, but there was no improvement in his physical condition. In his early days Mr. Wheeler was clerk of probate at Montpelier and also clerk in the pension office under Gen. Stephen Thomas. He leaves a widow, who was Miss Ella Perrin of Willamstown, two sons and two daughters.

The funeral will be held at Calais tomorrow at 10 a. m., and the body will be taken to Des Moines for interment. He was a cousin of B. H. Wells of this city, and was a student at the old Barre academy in his younger days.

SURPRISED AT THE PLANTS.

Quincy Men's Eyes Opened on Their Visit Here.

The Quincy, Mass., Ledger, giving an account of the visit of the Quincy men to this city, says: Quincy men as a rule were surprised at the extensiveness of these plants. There were few if any small sheds as in Quincy. On the contrary there are much larger. Barclay Bros. and Jones Bros. were the largest plants visited. They were certainly immense.

PROHIBITION CONVENTION.

The Prohibition party of the county of Washington is hereby notified to meet in mass convention at the old Methodist church in the city of Barre, Saturday, Aug. 6th, at 2 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of nominating candidates for three senators, two assistant judges of the county court, judge of probate, state's attorney, sheriff, high bailiff, to be supported by the freemen of the county at the next biennial election, to elect a county committee and transact any other appropriate business. All persons giving adherence to the prohibition party are members of this convention. Mr. S. M. Harris of Vergennes, chairman of the Prohibition state committee, will be present to address the convention. All interested in temperance are invited to attend as visitors. R. L. Belknap, Ch. Co. Com. Barre, Aug. 1, 1904.

CENTRAL LABOR UNION.

An adjourned meeting of the Central Labor Union of Barre and vicinity will be held in Carpenter's hall, Nichols block, on Friday evening, August 6th, at 7.30 o'clock. D. A. Cook, Pres.

LABOR DAY PICNIC COMMITTEE ATTENTION.

A meeting of the Labor Day picnic committee will be held in the Painters' Hall, Main street, on Wednesday, Aug. 3rd, at 7.30 o'clock.

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Miss Hattie LaBounty returned yesterday from a vacation at Mallett's Bay.

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"UNUSUALLY GOOD TICKET."

Thinks Fusion Would Not Have Much Chance Against It.

A special despatch to the Burlington Free Press from Montpelier says of the Republican county nominees: In the above list of officers the Republicans of Washington county have nominated an unusually strong ticket and it is believed the nomination of S. Hollister Jackson of Barre for state's attorney will do much to weaken a fusion ticket, should such a one be nominated on Thursday when a Democratic county convention and a mass meeting of the high license local option party is to be held in this city. It has been intimated by those high in authority in these parties that the Democratic and fusion ticket nominated on Thursday, if a fusion ticket is nominated, will be identical with the one nominated today by the Republicans with three exceptions: That is the name of Dr. W. B. Mayo of Northfield will be substituted for O. G. Eaton of Waitsfield for senator, M. S. Hathaway, the present incumbent and a Democrat, will go on the ticket for second assistant judge in place of L. Ransom Wells of Middlesex and that of G. B. Evans of Waterbury in place of F. H. Tracy. Although the smaller towns in the county talk much of fusion the cities of Barre and Montpelier are satisfied with the Republican ticket today nominated and although a fusion ticket won out in Washington county two years ago by more than 1,000 votes, it is believed by those best acquainted with the existing conditions that if a fusion ticket is nominated here next Thursday it will go down to defeat next September.

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SENTENCED FOR A YEAR.

Rutland Merchant Thought to Be Dangerous.

Rutland, Aug. 3.—John F. McGuire, a local merchant, was arrested for breach of peace yesterday morning. He was given a year in the house of correction with no alternative sentence. The judge thought he was too dangerous to be at large on account of his viciousness.

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George Gauthier and Ernest Nichols left this afternoon on an extended business trip to Alberta, Manitoba, and San Francisco.

James Counts returned last night from Montreal where he took his brother, Robert Counts of Hardwick, to the hospital for an operation on his eye.

Frank Mooney was arrested last night by Officer Faulkner for intoxication. He pleaded guilty in city court this morning and on default of payment of his fine will spend ten days in jail.

WASHINGTON.

C. B. Bigelow of Watertown, Mass., was at his brother's over night Monday.

F. C. Huntington and family are expected to return home today, Mr. Huntington being somewhat improved in health.

A well attended social was held at the Universalist church parlors by the Y. P. C. U. Saturday evening. Refreshments were served.

Eleanor Smith was in Barre after his son, L. C., who has just begun a vacation of two weeks, a part of which he will spend at the home of his parents here.

A horse driven by the two daughters of Samuel Buell of South Stratford was taken violently ill near the farm house of G. H. Bigelow Monday noon and died the following morning, the cause of death being inflammation of the bowels.