

THE DAY'S DOINGS.

SUMMARY OF LATE NEWS BY WIRE.

CUTS A BARK IN TWO

OCEAN LINER RUNS INTO THE EMBLETON.

Eleven Members of the Bark's Company, Including the Captain, Are Missing—Seven of the Crew Were Rescued—Other Items.

London: A dense fog hung over the Irish Channel Sunday morning and the Cunard line steamer Campania, enroute from New York for Liverpool, struck the Liverpool bark Embleton, bound for New Zealand, amidstships, cutting her in twain. The Embleton sank immediately. Seven of the crew were rescued, but it is believed the other eleven members of the ship's company, including the captain, were drowned. The Campania had her bows stove in, but arrived safely at Liverpool. The Campania was little injured, but had a narrow escape from a serious disaster.

When the Campania was about thirty miles northeast of Tuskar light a phantom ship rose suddenly, without warning, directly across her bows. Thirty seconds later the phantom had become a solid sailing vessel, into which the liner crashed, her steel foremast going through the Embleton like the keen cut of a sword, and dividing her just about the main mast. The forward half sunk immediately. The stern swung viciously around, and the mast and yards for a moment tore at the Campania. A lump of wreckage came down on her decks. Then the stern of the bark also disappeared, and the surface of the sea was literally littered with splintered timbers, boxes, barrels, the whole upper works and lighter cargo, the deck house and such things. Then there was nothing.

FAVOR TAR AND FEATHERS.

Police of Mansfield, Ohio, Rescue a Preacher from a Mob.

Mansfield, Ohio: Cyrus B. Fockler, a preacher of the Christian Catholic Church, of which Alexander B. Dowie of Chicago is the head, was roughly handled by a mob here Sunday evening. Fockler had presided over a congregation here, but he left town some time since because of charges in connection with his attempts of "divine healing." Sunday he returned. A mob gathered about him at his hotel and the police were called upon for assistance. The mob took Fockler from the police, carried him to the city gas house, stripped him of his clothing and was preparing to apply a coat of tar and feathers. A large force of police appeared and finally, after a struggle, Fockler was rescued, nearly dead from fright. He was taken to the police station and later was spirited out of the city.

CHINAMEN IN DANGER.

Troops May Go to Rock Springs, Wyo., to Protect Celestials.

Cheyenne, Wyo.: A number of outrages have been committed by foreigners upon the Chinese residents of Rock Springs, a coal mining town 200 miles west of here, on the Union Pacific Railroad, during the past few days. The state authorities, fearing a general movement against Chinatown, where more than 500 Chinamen reside, have ordered several companies of troops to be in readiness to move to the scene. Probably two companies of infantry will go to Rock Springs, when martial law will be proclaimed. The feeling among the foreign laborers at Rock Springs against the Chinese is at fever heat, but the state authorities will do everything possible to protect the Chinese in the event of bloodshed.

MORE TROUBLE IN ST. LOUIS

Two Street Cars Blown from Track—Woman Hit by a Bullet.

St. Louis: Two explosions which damaged transit company cars and one disturbance, in which a woman was wounded by a stray bullet, occurred Sunday. A car of the Northwestern division was blown up on South Seventh Street. One foot of the rail was destroyed by the explosion. Another car of the Broadway line was blown up in South Broadway, and the front trucks were demolished. Mrs. Annie Kollmeier was struck by a bullet in a bombardment of a Chouteau Avenue car, sustaining a slight flesh wound.

WM. VANDERBILT FINED.

Runs Automobile Too Fast Through a Massachusetts Park.

Hilton, Mass.: Wm. K. Vanderbilt, the young millionaire, who on Sunday made a flying trip from Newport to Boston in an automobile, was arrested by a park policeman for violating the Blue Hill Park reservation laws concerning the speed of vehicles. Vanderbilt was taken to the station and after an hour's delay was released on \$25 bail. In court Monday morning Lawyer McKnight appeared for Vanderbilt and pleaded not guilty. A fine of \$15 was imposed which was paid by the counsel.

Mother of Mrs. John Hay.

Cleveland, Ohio: Mrs. Julia Stone mother of Mrs. John Hay, wife of the secretary of state, is dead of heart failure.

Fitzsimmons-Ruhlin Fight.

New York: Billy Madden, representing Gus Ruhlin, and Percy Williams, acting for Bob Fitzsimmons, affixed their signatures to the Twentieth Century Athletic Club's contract to fight on August 10 at Madison Square Garden.

Liscum's Body Buried.

Washington: The war department received a cablegram from Gen. MacArthur dated Manila, July 18, saying that Col. Liscum's body was buried at Tong Ku on the 17th inst.

EASY FOR BECKHAM.

Renominated for Governor by Kentucky Democrats.

Lexington, Ky.: Gov. Beckham was nominated by the Democratic state convention for governor of Kentucky by acclamation. After the names of Judge Beck and Judge Tarvin were placed in nomination the roll call began. When Harlan County was reached Beckham had the 547 votes needed to nominate. Then Beck's and Tarvin's names were withdrawn and the latter moved that the nomination of Beckham be unanimous. The motion carried and Beckham was escorted to the platform, where he made his speech of acceptance.

The platform adopted declares for fair elections and recommends that the Goebel election law be amended, and until amended satisfactorily to all the Republicans shall have a representative on both the state and county election commissions. The Kansas City platform was reaffirmed on national issues, and a long declaration made on the events in Kentucky during the past year. The administration of Beckham was endorsed.

ANDRE AGAIN HEARD FROM.

Canadian Indians Tell of the Finding of Bodies and Wreckage.

Fort William, Ont.: Indians hunting on the east coast of Hudson Bay have brought word from Hudson Bay Company's post, on the west coast of James Bay, that they found a vast amount of wreckage, the bodies of two men, and a man in the last stages of death struggles. The Indians reported that they could not understand the language he spoke, but that it was not English. He died while they were there, and they returned to the trading post without bringing any evidence of the strange occurrence.

It is believed by the officials of the Hudson Bay Company that the Indians witnessed the ending of Andre's attempt to reach the north pole by balloon, but from their description of the wreckage, the officials are firmly convinced that it was the remnants of Andre's airship. A party guided by the same Indians has been sent out to bring evidence to establish the identity of the party.

DID NOT LEAD BOER FORCES

Captain Carl Reichmann, U. S. A., Denies Story.

Leavenworth, Kas.: Capt. Carl Reichmann, United States military attaché with the Boer army, denies that he took part as a Boer leader in any of the battles in South Africa. It was reported in the month of May that Reichmann was in command of a Boer force in a battle in which the English were defeated. The first word of direct denial was received in a letter to Adolph Lange of this city, written by Capt. Reichmann at Pretoria May 15. He says:

"I have been an observer in several fights and they were very interesting. Was also at the battle at Sannas Post, of which you probably heard that I was the leader on the side of the Boers. That report was a silly canard. I was only a plain but much shot at observer."

OVER 150 MASSACRED.

A General Slaughter is Reported from Tai Yuan.

London: To add to the gloom occasioned by the extremely serious import of the Chinese news, showing the daily developing strength of the anti-foreign movement in South China, comes from Shanghai a report that sixty missionaries and 100 native converts have been massacred at Tai Yuan. Though the report has not yet been corroborated, it tends to confirm the belief that the central and southern vice royalties would hold aloof from the Boxer rising never had any foundation.

VOLCANIC DISASTER.

Two Hundred Persons Are Killed and Injured in Japan.

Yokohama: Mt. Amseua, near Bandaisan, which was the scene of a volcanic disaster in 1888, broke into an eruption last week. Two hundred persons were killed and injured. Several villages have been engulfed by streams of lava. Great damages have been done in adjacent districts.

Moral Degenerate Hanged.

Hartford, Conn.: Charles B. Cross, the 18-year-old boy murderer, was executed at the state prison, Wethersfield. Cross killed Mrs. Sarah King, 60 years of age, his benefactor, near Stamford. He was addicted to the cigarette habit, his parents and grandparents were epileptic or weak-minded, but no effort was made to save him from the gallows as a moral degenerate and not responsible.

Killed at Political Convention.

Nashville, Tenn.: A fatal shooting affray at Cokeville terminated for the day of the deliberations of the Democratic senatorial convention of the Tenth district. Lil Cleek and W. C. Crawford, delegates of the convention, quarreled and Cleek, it is alleged, was advancing on Crawford with a knife when the latter opened fire with a revolver, killing Cleek.

Camps for Six Thousand.

San Francisco: Instructions have been forwarded from Washington requiring the immediate preparation of camps requisite for the comfort of 6,000 men. Recruits are arriving every day from all parts of the country, and being furnished with clothing and outfits as rapidly as possible.

Japs Send Reinforcements.

London: A special dispatch from Shanghai, dated the 19th inst., says: The disembarkation of 15,000 Japanese troops is proceeding at Taku.

\$90,000 Blaze at Pomeroy, Wash.

Pomeroy, Wash.: The most disastrous fire in the history of this town caused losses which aggregate more than \$90,000. The fire originated from a gasoline cigar lamp in a saloon. Among the buildings burned was the court house.

Murderer Shot to Death.

Bentonville, Ark.: George Fisher, who shot and killed Sheriff Garrett of Southwest City, Mo., on July 16, was located in a corn field by a sheriff's posse on the 20th, and resisting arrest was shot to death.

CHAFFEE TO LEAD.

Given Supreme Command of American Troops in China.

Washington: The commission of Brig. Gen. A. R. Chaffee as major general in command of the Chinese expeditionary force was made out at the war department last week and sent to the white house for the president's signature. A cable to Chaffee, telling him of his appointment, was sent to Nagasaki, Japan, where it will meet Chaffee on his arrival there.

W. W. Rockhill, director of the bureau of American republics, has been appointed a special commissioner to go to China to investigate and report upon the situation. Rockhill will ascertain the extent of the responsibility of the Chinese government, if any, for the existing disturbances, and otherwise furnish the administration with information upon which the case of the United States against China for indemnity and reparation will be based.

TO AID CIGARMAKERS.

American Federation Levies Assessment on 750,000 Members.

Denver, Colo.: The amalgamation of the American Federation of Labor and the Western Federation of Labor was the subject of discussion at a recent meeting of the executive committee of the American Federation. The agreement will be put to a vote by the Western Federation and passed upon by the American Federation convention at Louisville in December. The executive council of the American Federation appropriated \$1,000 and levied an assessment of 2 cents a member on all unions for the benefit of the locked out cigar makers of New York city. The assessment affects 750,000 members.

OREGON SAFE IN PORT.

Warship Will Return to Taku as Soon as Repairs Are Made.

Washington: Secretary Long received a dispatch from Capt. Wilde stating the Oregon and Nashville had arrived safely at Kure, Japan, and suggesting the patching of the Oregon, which would take but a short time, and her return for duty at Taku. To make permanent repairs would require sixty days or more.

The secretary replied as follows: "There is universal rejoicing over the safety of the Oregon. She is the Constitution of this generation. If the safety of the Oregon, permits, patch her and go to Taku. I commend your preference for service there."

CURTIS TO GET PLACE.

Former Iowa Congressman Tendered Heath's Position.

Chicago: It is understood here that former Congressman Curtis of Iowa, has been offered the position of first assistant postmaster general, made vacant by the resignation of Perry S. Heath. It is not known what reply, if any, has been made by Mr. Curtis to the proffer of President McKinley. Fourth Assistant Postmaster General Bristow of Kansas is also spoken of as Mr. Heath's successor, but until Mr. Heath severs his official connection with the department his successor will not be indicated.

RULES FOR NEELY.

New York Judge Holds He Cannot Be Extradited.

New York: Judge Lacombe in the United States Court rendered a decision in the case of Charles F. W. Neely, charged with having defrauded the postoffice department in Cuba, in which he declared the mere presentation of an indictment cannot be held sufficient for Neely's extradition, and that further testimony will be heard when the case comes up this week.

Safe Cracker Blown Up.

Naylor, Ga.: A terrific explosion wrecked Depew's store. Fragments of a man's body were found in the ruins, and it is believed a safe blower was killed while attempting to blow the safe.

Heavy Loss at Navy Yard.

Boston: The long wooden building known as the hosthouse in the Charleston yard, was completely burned, together with its contents, entailing a loss of fully \$150,000.

MARKET QUOTATIONS.

St. Louis—Cattle, common to prime, \$3.75@4.50; hogs, \$3.12@3.20; sheep, \$2.25@3.25; wheat, 60c; corn, 35@35.5c; oats, 22@23c; butter, dairy 15@18, creamery, 19@22.

Chicago—Cattle, common to prime, \$3.00 to \$5.70; hogs, shipping grades, \$3.00 to \$5.40; sheep, fair to choice, \$3.00 to \$4.75; wheat, No. 2 red, 76c to 77c; corn, No. 2, 40c to 42c; oats, No. 2, 23c to 24c; rye, No. 2, 52c to 54c; butter, choice creamery, 17c to 19c; eggs, fresh, 9c to 11c; new potatoes, 30c to 35c per bushel.

Indianapolis—Cattle, shipping, \$3.00 to \$5.50; hogs, choice light, \$5.00 to \$5.38; sheep, common to prime, \$3.00 to \$4.50; wheat, No. 2, 77c to 78c; corn, No. 2 white, 44c to 45c; oats, No. 2 white, 27c to 28c.

St. Louis—Cattle, \$3.25 to \$5.65; hogs, \$3.00 to \$5.35; sheep, \$3.00 to \$4.50; wheat, No. 2, 73c to 74c; corn, No. 2 yellow, 40c to 41c; oats, No. 2, 24c to 25c; rye, No. 2, 54c to 55c.

Cincinnati—Cattle, \$3.00 to \$5.25; hogs, \$3.00 to \$5.45; sheep, \$2.50 to \$4.25; wheat, No. 2, 80c to 81c; corn, No. 2 mixed, 45c to 47c; oats, No. 2 mixed, 26c to 27c; rye, No. 2, 61c to 62c.

Detroit—Cattle, \$2.50 to \$5.75; hogs, \$3.00 to \$5.50; sheep, \$3.00 to \$4.75; wheat, No. 2, 80c to 81c; corn, No. 2 yellow, 46c to 47c; oats, No. 2 white, 27c to 28c; rye, 60c to 61c.

Toledo—Wheat, No. 2 mixed, 80c to 81c; corn, No. 2 mixed, 41c to 42c; oats, No. 2 mixed, 24c to 25c; rye, No. 2, 56c to 57c; clover seed, prime, \$5.00 to \$5.40. Milwaukee—Wheat, No. 2 northern, 75c to 76c; corn, No. 3, 42c to 43c; oats, No. 2 white, 27c to 28c; rye, No. 1, 59c to 60c; barley, No. 2, 44c to 45c; pork, mess, \$12.00 to \$12.15.

Buffalo—Cattle, choice shipping steers, \$3.00 to \$5.70; hogs, fair to prime, \$3.00 to \$5.50; sheep, fair to choice, \$3.25 to \$4.25; lambs, common to extra, \$3.50 to \$7.00.

New York—Cattle, \$3.25 to \$5.70; hogs, \$3.00 to \$5.85; sheep, \$3.00 to \$5.15; wheat, No. 2 red, 80c to 82c; corn, No. 2, 47c to 48c; oats, No. 2 white, 30c to 31c; butter, creamery, 16c to 19c; eggs, western, 14c to 16c.

STATE OF NEBRASKA

NEWS OF THE WEEK IN A CONDENSED FORM.

Judge Slabaugh of Papillion Renders a Decision Finding Mrs. Figg Is Not Insane in the Eyes of the Law—Other Items.

Mrs. Louis Figg is not insane. Such was the decision rendered by Judge Slabaugh in a habeas corpus case at Papillion after hearing the evidence and argument. Considerable time was consumed in hearing expert testimony, which was evenly divided as to the woman's sanity. When Mrs. Figg was placed on the stand she refused to be sworn, saying the bible said "swear not." After some persuasive talk the court induced her to hold up her right hand and take the oath, and the case proceeded much the same as in the trial before the insane board, particulars of which appeared in the daily press.

Judge Slabaugh made a long talk when he rendered his decision. He said he thought there was no question but what this woman had gone too far on the subject of religion, and that in the eyes of man she was insane, but in the eyes of the law she was not. He gave some very good advice for her to follow in the future, and when he stated that she was not insane the accused broke into tears. There was a decided revulsion of feeling regarding the accused after the arguments had been made. There was a large crowd in the court room, some of the spectators being women.

MIDDLE-OF-THE-ROADERS.

Nominations for a Full State Ticket Made at Grand Island.

The middle-of-the-road Populist state convention was held at Grand Island on the 20th inst. with 532 delegates in attendance. J. A. Boyce of Otoe County, acted as temporary chairman and made a forceful speech. E. L. Moriarity of Omaha was chosen as secretary. On recommendation of the committee on organization Jerome Shamp of Lancaster County, was chosen permanent chairman and A. C. Leavenworth of Omaha, was elected secretary.

Following the introduction of the permanent organization, speeches were made by Mr. Shamp, Lucien Stebbens of Saunders, and Congressman Howard of Alabama. Mayor Fick of Custer County was nominated for governor by acclamation. The other nominations were as follows: Lieutenant governor, H. G. Reiter, Buffalo County; secretary of state, W. C. Starkey, Pawnee County; auditor, Samuel Lichty, Richardson County; attorney general, F. Stevens, Clay County; land commissioner, James Salmon, Douglas County; treasurer, A. Tipton, Otoe County; state superintendent of education, Mrs. T. J. Kelly, Buffalo County; presidential electors, Jerome Hamp, Lancaster County; A. Pery, Douglas County; James Brooks, Stanton County; Dewitt Eager, Seward County; James Stockman, Custer County; G. W. Raworth, Douglas County; W. O. Wolman, Clay County; D. F. Pearson, Nemaha County.

The platform indorses the Cincinnati and Omaha platforms, demands the discontinuance of fusion; an unredemable dollar, good for all debts, issued direct to the people; free coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1; initiative and referendum; election of president, vice president, United States senators and federal judges by direct vote of the people; government ownership, etc.

Burglary at Lyons.

Some time during the night some person or persons broke into the Lyons creamery building and stole ten tubs of high grade butter, weighing 600 pounds, valued at \$100. It is thought by those in charge of the creamery the theft was done by parties who have been camping near town with a covered rig for several days. The description of this outfit has been sent to neighboring towns with the expectation that they will be overhauled before getting away.

Public Ownership Favored.

A meeting of the Tekamah citizens was held to consider the question of an electric light plant, whether the city should put in and operate its own plant or grant a franchise to a private corporation. It was the sentiment of all citizens that the city put in its own plant and operate the same in connection with the city water plant. A committee was appointed to look into the financial part of the proposition.

Wife Demands Accounting.

Guy C. Barnum, a wealthy land owner of Columbus, leased his land to his son, George, and later adjudged insane. He went to California and married a young woman who now demands an accounting by the lease. George is alleging insanity and refusing to account to either. George's wife sides with the old man, saying he is eccentric, but not insane.

Nebraska's Big Corn Crop.

The Elkhorn railway gives out an estimate of 300,000,000 bushels of corn for the Nebraska crop this year as the result of the rains. The same road also furnishes these figures for the last four years: Yield in 1899, 224,378,000 bushels; in 1898 it was 158,754,000; in 1897, 241,268,000, and in 1896, the banner year, 298,000,000.

Tramp Jeweler Makes a Raid.

A tramp working jeweler applied to Jeweler Kerkow of West Point for work and was given temporary employment. The following day he abstracted tools, old gold and jewelry to the value of \$200 and made off with them. He has not been captured, though officers are on his trail.

Lightning Kills Farm Hand.

Information has been received at St. Paul that a young man working for Hans Hansen, in the western part of the county, was instantly killed by lightning during a recent storm.

Boy Drowned in Lake.

John Kuffman, aged 13 years, was drowned in the lake at Gothenburg. He is an epileptic, and while bathing a line was taken with a paroxysm and fell into the lake.

Two Freight Cars Wrecked.

The wrecking crew was called into requisition at Greenwood to clean up the sidetrack which was strawn with the remnants of two freight cars, the result of a tail-end collision between a freight and passenger train. No one was injured.

Saloon Brawl May End Fatally.

William R. Tripp, an old soldier and well-known citizen of Beatrice, was dangerously, if not fatally, injured in a saloon in an altercation with Dick Despain, a teamster for the Field Implement and Coal Company.

LANG FINDS MORE TROUBLE

Peace at Institute for Feeble Minded Is Again Broken.

Affairs at the institute for feeble minded youth, which have lain dormant since the raid of the governor's forces last month, livened up a little on the 20th inst. It appeared, according to the statement of Dr. Lang, that when Donahue, the former engineer, was given his walking papers that he left the machinery in pretty bad shape generally, and since his departure Dr. Lang states that the tools, wrenches, etc., which the state formerly had a full supply, have been missing. Dr. Lang was informed, so he states, by one of the employees that a workman by the name of Richards who was employed on one of the new buildings now being erected had a box of tools, wrenches, etc., belonging to the state concealed in his tool chest. Shortly after Dr. Lang discovered this the workman started for town with his belongings and had proceeded quite a distance before Lang learned of his departure. Ordering his fast driving horse, Dr. Lang, accompanied by an employe named Peterson, at once started in pursuit and overtook Richards on East Court Street in Beatrice. Lang stopped Richards and demanded that he turn over whatever state property he had in his possession to him instantly. Richards was a little inclined to show fight, but finally yielded to the persuasions of the doctor and agreed to turn over the tools to Lang and said they had been given him by Engineer Donahue when he severed his connection with the institute to bring with him to Lincoln for Donahue.

NEBRASKA G. A. R. REUNION

Preparations Being Made for Meeting at Lincoln in August.

The reunion committee of the Grand Army has begun active preparations for the next annual reunion of the Nebraska department, which will be held on the old state fair grounds near Lincoln for one week, beginning Monday, Aug. 31. Accommodations and entertainment will be provided not only for members of the G. A. R., but for soldiers who fought in the Spanish-American war, who will be given a good representation on the programme. Monday morning the camp will be formally opened to the public under the direction of the G. A. R. and local reunion committees, and speeches of welcome will be delivered by Mayor Winnett, Gov. Forster and members of the local committee. On this day Department Commander Reese will assume charge of the camp and will preside at all meetings on the following day. The afternoon meeting on Monday will be held under the auspices of the women of the G. A. R. On Tuesday there will be two general meetings and numerous campfires. On Wednesday the W. R. C. will have charge of the camp and will conduct all meetings. Thursday will be known as Grand Army and Spanish-American war day and Friday as Emancipation day. The reunion will close Saturday evening.

OMAHA MAN ELECTROCUTED

Tempts Certain Death by Taking Hold of a Live Wire.

Impelled by a spirit of bravado and idle curiosity, Charles L. Johnson, a laboring man residing in Omaha, tempted certain death by grasping hold of a live electric wire and was killed instantly. His death came a few moments after an imperious warning had been uttered by a man who knew the dangerous condition of the treacherous, harmless looking wire, and was attributable in no small degree to his own foolhardiness.

Depot Burned by Lightning.

The Thayer depot was struck by lightning and burned to the ground during the heavy storm. W. W. McCants, the agent, who lives in the depot, lost all his household goods. His family was in the depot at the time it was struck, but were not hurt.

Blair in the Dark.

As a result of disagreement as to price between the city council and the Blair electric light plant, the city of Blair is in darkness so far as street lights are concerned.

Fear He Has Been Killed.

Charles Lehmann left his home in Omaha July 14 and has not returned since. Mrs. Lehmann has reported the matter to the police. She doubts if she will ever see him alive.

Nebraska Shows Notes.

Threshing is in progress in some parts of the state. State Senator Giffert of Cuming County is at Cape Nome, Alaska.

Work has Commenced on the new Methodist Church at Leigh.

An old settlers' reunion and picnic will be held in Fairmount, Wednesday, August 15.

Twenty-six head of fat cattle disappeared from the railroad stock yards at Bradshaw and no trace of them has been discovered.

The tennis players of North Platte are arranging for a tournament to be held during the street fair in September. Attractive prizes will be hung up and the entries will be open to all.

Robert Hill, employed at the Home Restaurant at Columbus, met with a painful accident. He was filling the chamber of a gasoline lamp when a sudden gust of wind blew the flame from the generator and ignited the gasoline. The can which he held exploded and the blazing fluid was thrown over his face and arms. He was severely burned.

During a thunderstorm lightning killed two cows for Joseph Forsythe, living north of Pierce, and knocked his herder, a young boy named Albright, off the horse and splintered the saddle. The boy and pony escaped without injury. William Fuesz also lost two horses by lightning and C. W. Mings one.

The Kimball County Stock Association is a thing of the past. The secretary says that the members seemed to have lost interest in the association and did not attend its meetings, and it was therefore deemed best to wind up the business of the organization. The association has been paying a bounty of \$5 for every gray wolf killed in the county or upon the range of any member of the association, and this practice will of course be discontinued.

One field of winter wheat near Bellwood threshed out a trailer over forty bushels to the acre.

William Lyons, son of J. M. Lyons, the Trenton stockman, met with a painful accident. He was bringing some cattle from the pasture about one-half mile west of town. When crossing the bridge his horse became uncontrollable and jumped over, falling about thirty feet.

Prof. J. A. Beattie, who will quit the State Normal school about August 1, will go to Weston, Ore., where he has been elected principal of the eastern Oregon Normal school.

CONGER HEARD FROM.

CHINESE MINISTER RECEIVES CIPHER MESSAGE.

Dispatch Reports the Legations Under Continued Fire from Chinese Troops, and Says Only Quick Relief Can Prevent a General Massacre.

"In British legation, under continued shot and shell from Chinese troops. Quick relief only can prevent general massacre." This dispatch in cipher was received by the State Department in Washington through Chinese Minister Wu, Friday morning. It was dated July 11, Chinese calendar, and showed that Minister Conger was alive in Peking on July 18.

The following is the statement issued by the State Department with regard to Conger's cablegram: "On the 11th of this month the Secretary of State communicated a brief message asking tidings of Minister Conger in the name of the State Department. Mr. Wu undertook to get this into Minister Conger's hands, if he was alive. He has succeeded in doing this. Friday morning the Secretary of State received this telegram from the consul general at Shanghai: 'Your telegram was forwarded as requested. I send you the reply of the Tsung-li-Yamen as follows: 'Your telegram of the 15th day of this month (11th of July) received, and the Secretary of State's telegram has been handed to Minister Conger. Herewith Minister Conger's reply to the Secretary of State, which please forward.'"

The following is Mr. Conger's reply: "In British legation under continued shot and shell from Chinese troops. Quick relief only can prevent general massacres." This reply was in the State Department's hands and its contents were of course unknown to Minister Wu, who took it there. It was regarded by the State Department as genuine, as forgery seemed under the circumstances impossible.

TIEN-TSIN IS TAKEN.

Chinese Routed After Three Days of Desperate Fighting.

The powers are preparing to pour troops into China. From every capital comes the news that hosts are forming for a war of revenge. Now the attention of the nations is diverted from Peking to Tientsin, which, according to reports, the allied forces had succeeded in