

APPEAL IS REJECTED

President and Cabinet Will Not Heed Li's Request.

CHINESE MILLIONS WITHOUT A HEAD.

No Recognized Ruler in the Empire With Adequate Authority to Conduct Negotiations—Minister Conger's Message.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 22.—The cabinet session yesterday practically opened no consideration of the momentous questions growing out of the capture of Peking and the war in China.

The meeting was devoted entirely to the Chinese situation. Secretaries Hay and Root, who have been most active in directing affairs, were absent from the city, so that the attendance comparatively was small.



MINISTER CONGER.

to reject the appeal, and a reply of this character will be sent to Minister Wu to be forwarded to Li Hung Chang.

With the recognized ruler in flight no one seems to know who, if anybody, is directing its affairs.

The cabinet had before it a message from Minister Conger, received Monday

EX-SENATOR INGALLS DEAD.

Famous Politician and Orator Passes Away in New Mexico.

LAS VEGAS, N. M., Aug. 17.—Former United States Senator John J. Ingalls is dead at East Las Vegas.

Senator Ingalls' illness dated from March, 1896, when, at Washington, his throat began troubling him.

Ex-Senator John James Ingalls was one of the foremost figures in American politics while he served in the upper house from 1873 to 1891.

Until 1873, when he was elected to the senate, Mr. Ingalls was not prominent politically, but on his going to Washington at once launched himself into the political arena so irresistibly that his power was undisputed for years afterward.

MR. BRYAN INDOERSED.

Anti-Imperialists Reject Proposition For a Third Ticket.

INDIANAPOLIS, Aug. 17.—The liberty congress of the American League of Anti-Imperialists yesterday emphatically indorsed the candidacy of William J. Bryan for president.

After the adoption of the resolution indorsing Bryan the representatives of the third party movement met in the assembly room of the Commercial club and selected Thomas M. Osborne of New York as permanent chairman and Everett V. Ahlbert of New York for permanent secretary.

Youtsey's Case Delayed. GEORGETOWN, Ky., Aug. 22.—It is practically certain that the case of Henry E. Youtsey, charged with being the principal in the murder of Goebel, will not be tried until the October term of the circuit court.

Municipal Scheme For Manila. MANILA, Aug. 22.—The Philippine commissioners, when installed on Sept. 1, will consider a bill for municipal organizations.

Banker Flower Dead. NEW YORK, Aug. 21.—Notification has been received here of the death at Prouts Neck, Me., of John D. Flower, head of the banking house of Flower & Co.

Heavy Rains in India. LONDON, Aug. 21.—The vicerey of India, Lord Curzon, of Kellistone, telegraphs that the heavy, general rainfall has continued in most of the affected tracts.

Chicago's Population. WASHINGTON, Aug. 21.—The population of the city of Chicago, according to the official count of the return of the twelfth census, is as follows: 1,890,575; 1890, 1,069,850.

Havoc in a Storm. SHEBOYGAN, Wis., Aug. 21.—A terrific windstorm struck this city yesterday, coming suddenly from the north.

New York Markets. FLOUR—State and western inactive, but steadily held; Minnesota patents, \$3.90 1/2.

Queen Wilhelmina Engaged. BERLIN, Aug. 22.—The Lokal Anzeiger announces the engagement of Queen Wilhelmina to Prince Frederick Adolf of Mecklenburg-Schwerin.

TAKING OF PEKING.

How the Chinese Imperial City Fell.

SAD PLIGHT OF THE LEGATIONERS.

Four Thousand Shells Fell During the Siege—Emaciated Foreigners Could Have Endured but Little Longer.

PEKING, Aug. 14, via Chefoo, Aug. 22.—The American and Russian flags were planted on the east wall of Peking at 11 o'clock yesterday morning.

The emaciated tenants could have lasted but little longer. They had only three days' rations.

The Japanese began the battle before daylight, and they are still fighting about the north wall, where a part of the Chi-



GENERAL CHAFFEE.

nese are defending the imperial city. The Japanese casualties have not yet been ascertained.

The plan was to make a general attack today, and the troops were arriving at camp five miles east all night.

The generals, however, alarmed at the sounds of a heavy attack on the legations, pushed forward independently.

Beginning at 2 o'clock yesterday morning the Japanese diverted the brunt of the resistance to the northern city, their artillery engaging the Chinese heavily there.

SACRED CITY ENTERED. Armed Native Christians Aided in the Capture of Peking.

LONDON, Aug. 22.—In the news that reached London this morning direct from China there is nothing to confirm the report that the dowager empress has been run to earth.

Friday, Aug. 17. Fire at the Berwind colliery, Dubois, Pa., caused damage of \$200,000.

Thursday, Aug. 16. Floods in Japan have drowned 200 people.

Wednesday, Aug. 15. The president and Mrs. McKinley left Canton for Washington.

Tuesday, Aug. 14. The Panama revolution was reported to have ended by July 29.

Monday, Aug. 13. The West India fruit steamer Bermuda sank at her dock in Philadelphia.

Sunday, Aug. 12. The French government is reported to be looking for English ships to bring 1,000,000 tons of coal from Norfolk to French ports.

CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

Notable Events of the Week Briefly and tersely told.

Five hundred returning Christian Endeavorers sailed for New York from Southampton on the Aller.

The population of Minneapolis was given out by the census bureau as 202,118; of St. Paul as 163,632.

An snuffcase factory was made at Carthage, Spain, to drown 150 children in a floating bathhouse.

The son of Sir Edwin Arnold was ordered extradited to England from San Francisco to answer charges.

A fund of \$300 has been raised in Portland, Or., to ransom Arthur Venville, an American prisoner, from Filipinos.

M. D. Whitman defeated W. A. Larned in the championship tennis match at Newport, thus retaining the trophy.

A large tract of land in the northern Adirondack region has been bought by New Yorkers, possibly the Rockefeller.

Tuesday, Aug. 21. Governor General Wood of Cuba rode 120 miles in 20 hours across the island.

A severe earthquake was reported from Dawson City, Skagway and Alaskan points.

A Minnesota farmer near Arlington killed his wife and three children, burned his barn and fled.

The president has decided to give out his letter of acceptance from Canton about a month hence.

Cuban customs receipts for the first half of 1900 were over \$8,000,000, far more than in 1899 for the same period.

Three masked burglars entered the house of R. L. Fosberg at Pittsfield, Mass., killing the latter's daughter and wounding his son.

The Canadian authorities have agreed to act in harmony with the United States in keeping out undesirable immigrants destined for this country.

Monday, Aug. 20. The surrender of the main body of the Colombian revolutionary army was announced.

The official count of the twelfth census makes the population of Greater New York 3,473,202.

South Water street merchants report that more than 62,000 frogs were sold Saturday in Chicago.

The American tennis championship was retained in this country by the defeat of R. L. Fosberg at Pittsfield, N. Y.

Caleb Powers, ex-secretary of state in Kentucky, was found guilty of complicity in the murder of William Goebel and was sentenced to life imprisonment.

Heat and typhoid fever are making ravages in Baltimore. The fever epidemic is largely due to bad drinking water, which in turn is the result of the dry, hot weather.

Saturday, Aug. 18. Old Home week was celebrated in Concord, N. H.

One man was killed and three injured in a Chicago fire.

Incendiarists tried to burn and loot the village of Smithfield, Ill.

Seven cases of smallpox have developed in Erie, Pa., all of a light nature.

Japan has placed heavy orders in San Francisco for salmon to feed its army.

Three men were drowned from the yacht St. Francois in the St. Lawrence river near Trois-Rivières.

Poison was found in the stomach of Edward P. Herrick, the aged Chicago merchant who died suddenly last week.

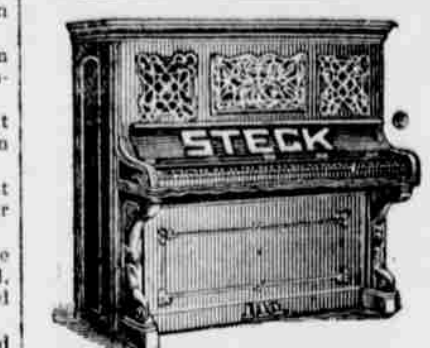
A Chicago wallpaper man committed suicide in order that his wife and children might receive his \$2,000 insurance.

Whisky Medicines.—The temperance press is emphasizing the danger to the home in the use of "medicines" which are loaded with whisky or alcohol.

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THE MARKETS.

BLOOMSBURG MARKETS. CORRECTED WEEKLY. RETAIL PRICES.

Table listing market prices for various goods: Butter per lb. \$.34, Eggs per dozen .14, Lard per lb. .11, Ham per pound .13, Pork, whole, per pound .06, Beef, quarter, per pound .07, Wheat per bushel .90, Oats .40, Rye .40, Wheat flour per bbl. 4.00 to 4.40, Hay per ton .40, Potatoes per bushel, new .40, Turnips .25, Onions .30, Sweet potatoes per peck .40, Tallow per lb. .15, Shoulder " .11, Side meat " .09, Vinegar, per qt. .05, Dried apples per lb. .05, Dried cherries, pitted. .12, Raspberries .12, Cow Hides per lb. .31, Steer " .05, Calf Skin .20, Sheep pelts .75, Shelled corn per bus. .60, Bran, .100, Chop .100, Middlings " .10, Chickens per lb new .13, Turkeys " " old .10, Geese " .14, Ducks " .08, COAL. No. 6, delivered .260, " 4 and 5 " .3-5, " 6 at yard .2-5, " 4 and 5 at yard .3-60

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night and dated Peking, via Chefoo, Aug. 20. After the meeting the state department made public portions of the dispatch, as follows:

"Saved. Relief arrived today. Entered city with little trouble.

"Do not yet know where imperial family is. Except deaths already reported all Americans alive and well.

"Desperate effort made last night to exterminate us. Mitchell, American sailor, and a Russian and a Japanese wounded; German killed.

"Advise Woodward, Chicago; Conger, Des Moines; Sims, Council Bluffs; Conger, Pasadena; Porter, Paris."

It had been hoped that Minister Conger's advice as well as those from General Chaffee would be ample by this time in order to afford the Washington officials full opportunity to deal with the perplexing questions raised by the Chinese disturbances.