## FAMINE'S AWFUL RAVAGES

Cholera Adding to the Terrors of Starving India.

### IN FRIGHTFUL CONDITION

Nearly One Hundred Million Persons Suffering-Relief Only a Drop in the Ocean-Appalling Condition of Affairs in British Districts.

London, May 8.-The report that cholera is strengthening its deadly hold on famine stricken India brings the pitiful condition of that country more than ever to public view. About 92,500,000 persons, for this is the population of the districts affected, are suffering amid pestilence and misery that show no signs of abating. Hundreds of thousands of pounds in good British gold, German marks and American corn have been thrown into the country; but judging from the latest advices all this charity is merely a drop in the ocean. The famine and its attendant complications appear to exceed in virulence any two previous visitations.

The Viceroy, Lord Curzon, and the Government are making ceaseless exertions to meet the terrible emergency, but the stupendous difficulties confronting them prevent the present supplying of relief to more than five millions. In the meantime the native states are dotted with heaps of dead and dying, and the roads are crowded with ghastly bands, seeking to escape from the stricken territories, who, for lack of food and water, mostly succumb in the attempt. One of the most hopeless features of the whole affair is contained in the statement of a special correspondent at Simla, who writes:

"Ten times the total relief could be laid out in a single district without relieving its distress. All we hope for is succession of good years to put the people on their legs again."

The British districts are supposed to be so far escaping the large starvation and mortality that mark the native States. But that their condition is not enviable is evident from the following description sent by a Bombay correspondent of the scene at Ahmedabad, a city in the Presidency of

"In an open space upwards of 200 were seated, old and young, being famine personfied. The smell arising from their filthy rags was sickening, and had attracted myriads of flies. Some, especially the old men, were bony frameworks. A girl, nursing two children, was ghastly to look at, but the little ones, with hollow temples, sunken eyes and cheeks, and the napes of their necks falling in under their skulls, which seemed to overbalance their emaciated bodies, and with wasp like arms and legs, were dreadful still. Many were suffering from disease, and numbers had fever. Those who could work were sent on where tanks were being dug. Others were given a meal and passed on to the Poor House."

This picture is from a less seriously affected part of the country. The sufferings in the remoter districts where the famine is severe, where all the cattle have long since died, where water is precious, and where cholera has now added its dread scourge, can well be imagined.

### PENNSYLVANIA'S NEW ROAD.

Route to New England Shortened-Liners From Montauk Point.

Philadelphia, May 8 .- Second Vice-President Pugh's confirmation of the purchase of the Long Island Railroad by the Pennsylvania is official. President Cassatt, when seen to-day, declined to talk further about the matter. He would not discuss the report that a line of steamers is to be built to cross the ocean in record-breaking time and land at Montauk Point, where, it is said, great wharves and shelter sheds for freight are to be erected. Vice-President Pugh's statement, however, that the Pennsylvania road has long wanted terminal facilities on Long Island would seem to bear out this report.

The advantage to be gained by the Pennsylvania is chiefly in the outlet to New England by way of the New York, New Haven & Hartford. By landing cars at Long Island City and taking them by rail over the new East River Bridge at Hell Gate, an enormous amount of money will be saved.

### Two Killed by Collapse of House.

St. Louis, Mo., May 8.—An old threestory brick building, No. 1,430 North Eighth street, collapsed to-day, instantly killing Melvina Nelson, aged twenty-eight, and Cora Everson, aged fifteen, and burying under tons of debris seven other persons who escaped with trifling injuries. All of the survivors were pinned in by timbers or buried under bricks and mortar. They had to be dug out, but singularly enough none received serious injury.

### Turkish Plotters.

London, May 8 .- More than 200 persons, including both civil and army officials, have been arrested for conspiracy in Turkey. Admiral Hamid Pasha has fled to Alexandria.

### Train Robbers.

Seattle, May 7 .- After robbing five passengers on a Northern Pacific local freight train, near North Yakima, Friday night, six highwaymen compelled their victims to jump off.

OTIS SAILS FOR HOME.

Worked Tirelessly Until the Last-

Warships Fire a Salute. Manila, May 8.—The United States transport Meade sailed for the United States yesterday with Major General Otis and his two aides-de-camp on board. The warships in port fired a Major General's salute as the steamer raised her anchor.

The Governor's launch left the Palace at 11 o'clock, carrying General Otis's and General MacArthur's staffs to the Meade. The Twentieth and Fourteenth Infantry, drawn up ashore in front of the city wall, presented arms, and the bands played "Auld Lang Syne," while a shore battery

During the morning the Supreme Court Judges and many officers called



(Major General Otis.)

at the Palace to bid farewell to General Otis, who kept at work with his accustomed energy until the moment of leaving.

Since the beginning of the insurrection General Otis has kept at his desk from early morning until midnight. He has never been seen on the Luneta, like the other officers, and only two or three times has he been seen in society, and these occasions were semi-official receptions. The General leaves the army admirably organized, provisioned and clothed.

### DECORATED BY THE SHAH.

Cordon of the Lion and the Sun Conferred on Minister Bowen.

Teberan, Persia, May 9.—The Shah has conferred upon Herbert W. Bowen, United States Minister here, the Grand Cordon of the Lion and the

Washington, May 9 .- Before United States Minister Bowen can accept the Shah's decoration, the consent of Congress must be obtained.

### SON UNDER "HEX" SPELL.

Thought Mother a Witch and Murdered Her With a Hammer.

Reading, Pa., May 9 .- David Clay said spirits told him to kill his mother because she was a witch. He murdered her with a hammer near Mount Aetna as she sat at breakfast.

He killed her because he could not find a black kitten with three white feet, which he was to skin alive in or der to break the spell.

### Havana Police to be Re-organized.

Havana, May 8.-The Havana police force will soon be overhauled particularly the secret service branch, which has done virtually nothing. Robberies take place nightly, but the thieves are not arrested; murders are committed, yet the murderers go free. The ordinary police have shown incapacity and abuse of authority. General Wood has issued an order forbidding the police to carry revolvers during the day.

### Fruitless Search for Lost Sailors.

Washington, May 9 .- The revenue cutter Onondaga reurned to Norfolk. Va., last evening from a two days' fruitless search for the missing lifeboat with fifteen men from the steamship Virginia, which was wrecked on Diamond Shoals last week. Commander Hamlet, of the Onondaga, telegraphed the Chief of the Life-Saving Service from Norfolk of the failure of the expedition.

### Germany to Use Our Coal.

Pittsburg, May 9 .- Carl Marckens sailed for Germany on the Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse to-day after having made arrangements to buy, it is said, 60,000 tons of coal a month in this country for use in Germany. Although bought ostensibly for a factory, it is believed to be intended for the use of the Government.

### FOREIGN NEWS.

Lima, Peru, May 9.-The Government has decided that concessions for rubber bands must not be transferred without its consent.

Paris, May 9.-In a collision between two railway trains, between Sevres and Chauville stations, two persons were killed and twenty in-

Paris, May 9,-The elections in the provinces show that the position of parties has changed little, and there is no widespread National victory.

Naples, May 9 .- Archbishop Corrigan, of New York, who is en route to Rome, has arrived here.

London, May 9 .- The Shah's favorite wife, a beautiful Circassian, will accompany him to Europe in male

Paris, May 9.-It is reported that the Sultan of Morocco will ask the great powers to hold an international conference to revise treaties and guarantee Morocco's independence.

His Army Is Fighting Its Way Through the Boers.

SHARP ARTILLERY DUELS

Gen. Hamilton Wins a Victory at Winburg-Gen. Roberts Crosses the Vet River Under Heavy Fire-Boers 50,000 ROLLS Right Flank Turned.

London, May 8 .- The troops which General Roberts led out from their pleasant quarters around Bloemfontein a few days ago have taken a great SPECIALTIES spring forward, which brought them almost at a single bound within striking distance of Winburg. The Boers were forced to evacuate their positions at Brandfort without making a serious effort to hold them. On Saturday evening General Roberts reached the Vet river, a few miles to the southwest of Winburg, on the main road from Bloemfontein. The passage was stoutly contested for some hours, but towards dusk General Hutton and his mounted infantry turned the right flank and forced a way across the river in the face of a heavy fire.

In the meantime, sharp fighting had been going on along practically the whole of the British widely extended front. Colonel Hamilton, who, it will | be remembered, fought his way north from Thaba N'Chu and thrust himself between the two Boer commandoes, which were endeavoring to join forces with the Household Cavalry and Twelfth Lancers and Kitchener's Horse, had a golden opportunity in which they had long waited for charging a body of Boers in the open.

Such chances have been few this campaign, for the Boers who survived the first lesson in the shock of action with British cavalry broke and fled, leaving a number dead and wounded on the ground. Colonel Hamilton was able to push on toward the drift of Little Vet river, which is described by Roberts as a difficult feat. It is clear that this force is acting on an extreme right wing of the British arm. McDonald's brigade, which is also acting on the right, dislodged the Boers from a group of kopjes under cover of the naval guns.

Of equal interest is the news which comes from General Hunter's operations on the extreme left. He crossed day, and, pushing ahead, he found the Boers in strength near Ruidam. The brunt of the fighting fell on Barton's Union Brigade. The Fusiliers carried ridge after ridge over the front four miles, and drove the Boers before them to the north. The Imperial Yeomanry chased the Boers for some miles. While at Warrenton yester D. II day Paget's brigade moved to force the passage of the Vaal. Additional High St. importance centres in these operations because it is hoped that the objective of Hunter's division is none other than Mafeking itself and to the safety of that heroic garrison.

### ALLEGED HORSE THIEF.

Sheriff at Greenwich Catches Man Who Took Rig from Tarrytown.

Greenwich, Conn., May 8 .- Sheriff Fitzroy of this place did some detective work to-day whereby Andrew J. Clark of White Plains was lodged in the town lockup, charged with horse stealing. Clark accosted Sheriff Fitzroy as he was passing the Sheriff's house in a buggy, asking the Sheriff if he was beyond the State line yet. The Sheriff, whose suspicions were aroused, told him he was, and, after parleying with him asked him if he wanted to trade his horse. The stranger agreed, and a trade was made.

Clark accepted an offer to stay at

the Sheriff's house all night. On examining the buggy, Sheriff Fitzroy found the name of a White Plains carriage manufacturer on it.

Clark admitted that he had hired the rig at Thompson's livery stable, at Tarrytown, N. Y. The Sheriff then arrested him. The liverymen were notified, and identified the horse and buggy. The prisoner is held, pending the arrival of requisition papers. the arrival of requisition papers.

### Sympathy for England.

Columbus, O., May 8 .- Services prethe African Methodist Episcopal Church were held at the Columbus Auditorium to-day, and were attended by immense crowds. Bishop Gaines spoke in the morning, Rev. A. A. Whitman, of Georgia, in the afrecient of the columbus of Georgia, in the afrecient of the columbus of Georgia. The columbus of Georgia of Columbus of man, of Georgia, in the afternoon, and Rev. D. P. Seaton, of Virginia, in the evening. At the evening servi a resolution endorsing the position Great Britain in her war with t Boers was unanimously adopted.

### Our Flag in Tutwila.

Auckland, New Zealand, May 9 The American flag has been hoist over the island of Tutwila amid gre native rejoicing, and the chiefs ha made a formal cession of the isla to the United States.

### Filipinos Burn Bulan.

New York, May 9 .- Three the sand insurgents have burned and loc ed Bulan, in South Luzon, and t fifty men of the Forty-seventh Voluteers there have taken to the shi for refuge.

Marlboro on His Way Home. London, May 9 .- The Duke of Ma borough, who has been fighting South Africa, is now on his way home. The Duchess is preparing to go to and west bo Maderia to meet him,

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