

NO TIME TO FIGHT.

The Present Occasion Too Serious for Any Conflict of Authority or State Rights Squabble.

The Federal Government Supreme in Quarantine Matters.

AS THE COUNTRY IS AFFECTED.

Dr. Hamilton to be Given Charge of the Canadian Frontier.

TO KEEP OUT CHOLERA GERMS THERE.

FROM A STAFF CORRESPONDENT.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 3.—The officials of the administration today continued unwilling to say anything, even in the most unbecoming manner, to meet Dr. Jenkins' theory and assertions of state rights. He says it will be time enough to come to a trial of strength when the health officer at New York takes some step that is at variance with the order of the President.

It is by some admitted that it was an oversight, however, that the difference between the power of the State and of the Federal Government was not more clearly defined, as it was quite certain that some nincompoop of a health officer somewhere would try to advertise the grandeur of his little brief authority, even at the expense of life and the health of thousands.

It is thought that Dr. Jenkins and the Attorney General of New York, now that they have had their deliverance, will settle down to the task of the last thing they will attempt to do will be to make a practical assertion of the superiority of their authority over that of the President of the United States by admitting cholera-laden vessels, or any vessels whatever, contrary to the spirit of the order of the President.

A Conflict Criminal at Present.

"When the last infraction of the spirit of the order issued from the Treasury Department Thursday is committed by Dr. Jenkins or any other New York State official, or any official of any of the States, the people of the country will quickly find out who is the superior power in this country," said a high legal authority of the administration today.

"I do not think it would be wise to go into any extension or any explanation of the order of Thursday. It would have been unwise to have assumed in the faintest manner that there could happen any occurrence so foolish as a discussion of authority where every citizen possessed of an atom of sense would be thought anxious to work with every other citizen to prevent cholera from being kept from gaining a foothold if possible.

"Of course, a Collector of Customs has the power to prevent any vessel from entering the port where he is stationed if there is good reason for doing so. I do not think it would be well for a Collector of a Port to see upon his own responsibility a Collector, but in case a disposition is shown by any of the authorities of the State to violate the order of the Federal Government in this matter, the Government can quickly assert its absolute right to supplement and control the quarantine, that the foolish act of any official in this matter would be a health throughout the length and breadth of the land.

Rights of the General Government.

"The State may make and enforce such laws as are deemed necessary for the safety and health of the people in all matters of foreign commerce, or in case of foreign invasion of any kind, the general Government has the right and the power, aside from any of the States, to make and enforce laws and regulations, not to go counter to the laws and regulations of the State, but to go to whatever length beyond and above the laws of the State, for the protection of the people of all of the States. The Federal power may not be less than the State, but it may be infinitely more, to that extent which is prudent and sensible.

"Suppose a State should refuse to enact any laws or regulations at all to prevent the entrance of a vessel from a foreign port, surely the 44 States of the whole Federation must not be left wholly at the mercy of such a chance. Even the contract that Congress may not have enacted specific laws to reach such a case, or the passage of an act placing the quarantine absolutely under the control of the Federal Government, might afford only under laws and decisions and precedents almost numberless, the President may take the matter in his hands and issue a proclamation that will be binding on all.

No Mistake About the Premises.

"I do not regret that the President did not use firmer and farther-reaching language in his brief order of Thursday, but there can be no mistake about his power in the premises, as the States are not allowed only to discover if they attempt to do less than is contemplated in the order. I fancy that no such attempt will be made, and especially in view of the fact that cholera is now arriving with cholera cases on board and with reports of deaths from cholera during their voyage. I have every assurance that the order will be obeyed, and that as though it had been absolute and with an assumption of sole authority."

One of the most important incidents of the day in connection with the treatment of the cholera question was the arrival of Dr. Hamilton, late Surgeon General of the Marine Hospital Service, but now engaged in the prevention of cholera in the medical colleges at Chicago. Dr. Hamilton comes at the request of the Secretary of the Treasury and will be assigned to assist in the quarantine of the Canadian frontier.

He is still a surgeon in the Marine Hospital Service and at the command of the Government. Dr. Wyman, who is now supervising Surgeon General of the service, has proved himself to be very energetic, but his head has been somewhat swayed by the suddenly increased importance of his position, and besides that, he is not as thorough an organizer as Dr. Hamilton, who has passed through a number of invasions by one plague or another, and has shown exceptional qualities for commanding the efficiency of the quarantine. He has never failed where he was given the opportunity to stamp out a contagious disease before it gained a dangerous foothold.

He will visit with him, Dr. Hamilton had a conference with Dr. Wyman and the Secretary of the Treasury today, and explained to him the situation in the main with what has been done, and ready to do anything that is required of him to assist at the prevention of the spread of the contagion. He is confident that he should have special oversight of the Canadian border, which is considered one of the most dangerous points, but he will be at all times ready to give his attention to the arrangements of the quarantine in other parts of the country.

In the event of disagreeable contingency of cholera, it is probable that Dr. Hamilton will be asked to have special supervision of the internal quarantine for the prevention of the spread of the disease throughout the cities of the country. Among those who are aware of the skill of Dr. Hamilton there is general congratulation today that the administration has

been so wise as to call into regulation the services of this experienced man.

Settlement of a Vexed Question.

Though the Board of Finance of the World's Columbian Exposition at Chicago had not announced to the public that it had decided upon a design for the souvenir half dollar, word has been received here to that effect from Director General Davis, and there is much satisfaction expressed on account of the disposal of the vexing matter. On the one side will be a portrait of Columbus, which is a facsimile of that which was used for the side of the memorial medal issued by the Government of Spain on the occasion of the celebration of the quadri-centennial of the departure of Columbus on his voyage of discovery. The decision was reached on the strength of a pictorial reproduction of this medal, "Illustration Hispanica Y Americana," of the issue of July 30.

When the Government of Spain secured a copy of the picture is not known here, but it is supposed it is from that portrait of Columbus that is supposed to be the most authentic. It represents Columbus as an elderly and dignified man with flowing locks, and it is altogether a pleasing figure, whether it be anything like the man or not. The portrait was sent from the office of the Director of the Mint, and the suggestion was made at the same time that an appropriate design for the reverse side of the coin should be the portrait of the late Hemispheric. The suggestions of the Director of the Mint seem to have been accepted, and therefore the danger of a war between the two nations is happily averted.

HEADQUARTERS ARE CLOSED.

CHAIRMAN CARTER SHUTS UP SHOP OVER LABOR DAY.

Good Words From Many Quarters Being Hoop to Republicans—Carlisle Tries to Jo Jo Along His Friends at the Hartley Bureau.

NEW YORK, Sept. 3.—[Special.]—Chairman Carter, of the National Republican Committee, left town this afternoon for Long Branch. He is doubtful if he returns before Tuesday. He announced that headquarters would not be open on Labor Day. Mr. Carter, General Clarkson and Treasurer Bliss, like their Democratic opponents at Mr. Hartley's bureau, have had a rushing week. Ex-Senator Thomas W. Palmer, President of the World's Fair Commission, John P. Saborn, and Henry Howard made up a committee to visit Chicago, and pleased Mr. Carter with their views.

Mr. Palmer said: "The Republicans of Michigan are enthusiastic, and can be depended upon to elect a Republican in Presidential contests, although under the new law by which electors are elected, by Congressional districts, the Democrats will have a chance to elect a Republican in Michigan, and I think that the better to concede them a chance at four, which is the utmost limit of their possibilities."

Representative William M. Moore, of Memphis, told Mr. Carter that he might hope for Republican success in Tennessee, through the aid of Governor Buchanan's candidacy.

Chairman Carter's day was chiefly taken up consulting with a number of Irish-American Republicans.

It was announced at headquarters that Secretary of the C. P. is preparing his views on the Republican situation.

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HAMBURG A HOSPITAL.

Though the Cholera is Very Slowly Decreasing in Violence.

A FEW MORE CITIES ATTACKED.

England Still in Good Shape, Only One or Two Cases Being Left.

PIERCE MOBS PREVENT AN AUTOPSY.

BERLIN, Sept. 3.—The intelligence in regard to the condition of affairs in Hamburg shows that the decrease in the violence of the epidemic there is slowly becoming noticeable, although in the center of the city the ambulances are at present busier than ever.

Public charity and medical societies' committees are engaged in the work of palliating widespread distress caused by the ravages of the disease. Special measures are being adopted to provide for numerous children who have been made orphans through the epidemic. The interments of bodies are not being made in a more expeditious manner than formerly. Yesterday the remains of 890 victims were deposited in the earth, and arrangements were made for the burial of 450 bodies to-day.

The cholera statistics for yesterday, issued by the Imperial Board of Health, show that there were 619 new cases of cholera in Hamburg, while the deaths numbered 114.

Cholera Still Bad at Evor.

These figures show a decline of only two cases from the number reported Thursday, while the total number of cases is exactly the same. The board's report also shows that six cases of disease and two deaths occurred in a new district of Stale, near the mouth of the Elbe, 22 miles from Hamburg, five cases and five deaths in Harburg on the south branch of the Elbe, six miles south of Hamburg, and two cases and one death in Gross Stretitz, a town of Prussian Silesia.

There are no fresh cases of Asiatic cholera in this city, although 24 cases pronounced by the Imperial Board of Health as extreme diarrhoea have been reported. At the Moabit Hospital, Charlottenburg, two deaths from cholera are reported and one case, that of a nurse, who contracted the disease while attending patients. Consul General Edwards has sent to the State Department at Washington a dispatch that cholera was officially declared to exist in 40 places in North Germany. The city of Hamburg shows an increase in the number of cases and a decrease in the death rate. Consul Johnson, at Hamburg, called to the attention of the board that the steamer Malabar sailed yesterday.

A Better Outlook in Hungary.

Accounts obtained from Buda-Pesth say the health of Hungary is so good now that the authorities are officially proceeding with the military manoeuvres, which have been set down to be held at Funkirchen from the 17th to the 20th inst.

The Chamber of Commerce of Bremen has issued a notice declaring that Bremen and the Lower Weser ports are free from infection, and warning the citizens against undue alarm from groundless reports of the disease. Professor Koch, who recently arrived in Bremen to-night to inspect the sanitary condition of the city.

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CANADA WAKES UP.

Its Cities Trying to Induce the Government to Stop Immigration—Immigrants Invaded the West—Inspection at Pembina—Washington Officials Ask for Information.

QUEBEC, Sept. 3.—The delegates of the International Conference of Quarantine Inspection, as a result of its visit to the Grosse Ile quarantine station, have concluded that on account of the deficiencies existing at that station, nothing short of the total exclusion of immigrants and their effects is to be nothing more than a recommendation. The delegates will furnish efficient protection against the introduction of cholera or other contagious diseases through this port.

The Federal Board of Health and the Mayor and the Provincial Government are being urged to stop the idea of placing the old immigrant sheds on the Louise embankment at their disposal for a cholera hospital, as the establishment of a hospital there would be in the way of immigration. This is taken to indicate that the Government has not yet decided upon prohibiting immigration into Canada.

A dispatch from Grand Forks, N. D., says Governor Burke received the following telegram from the board of health at Pembina: "Have just wired the Honorable Secretary of the Treasury as follows: 'Immigrants direct from European countries, presumably Germany, are daily arriving at Seattle, Wash., via Montreal and the Canadian Pacific Railroad, without certificates of inspection.'"

A dispatch from Washington says: Surgeon General Wyman, of the Marine Hospital Service, yesterday telegraphed to the Provincial Secretary of Canada at Quebec, asking him what steps had been taken to prevent the introduction of cholera into Canada. This morning Dr. Wyman received a telegram from the Secretary, in which he says that he has recommended that all vessels arriving from infected ports be detained at quarantine for eight days and for 20 days after business is resumed in the port. He also recommended the Federal Government to extend the prohibition of the importation of rats to all European and Asiatic ports, and that all vessels arriving from a latitude from the Provincial Government and a proclamation putting in force special clauses regarding epidemics ready to be issued when required. Continuing, he says:

FOREIGN MAILS FUMIGATED.

A Strong Odor of Sulphur From All Letters Received From Abroad.

NEW YORK, Sept. 3.—[Special.]—Postmaster Van Cott says that he has had assurance from Health Officer Jenkins that all the foreign mails arriving on transatlantic steamships will be thoroughly fumigated under his direction. The New York postoffice has received the mails of only two ocean steamers since the arrival of the Moravia with cholera. These mails were brought over by the Lahn and the Teutonic, and were delivered to the postoffice yesterday morning. There were 25 sacks of letters and 612 sacks of newspapers. The mails were put aboard the tender George R. Starr, where they were fumigated, and then they were taken to the general postoffice and an odor of sulphur filled the whole place.

All the foreign mails received are put up for fumigation, and the odor of sulphur one might meet a clearing house there. All letters which come from an infected place are fumigated in London before they are put up for America. The mails are being fumigated in London before they are put up for America. The mails are being fumigated in London before they are put up for America.

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SUICIDE OR MURDER.

An Impenetrable Mystery Lurks in a Beaver Falls Tragedy.

A WOMAN IS FOUND STRANGLED.

Mrs. Hawkins, a Wealthy Woman of Washington, Pa., is a Suicide.

NEWS FROM SEVERAL NEARBY TOWNS.

(SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.)

BEAVER FALLS, Sept. 3.—This morning Mrs. James Stotts, of this place, called her sister, Miss Ella McCague, who has been making her home with her, to breakfast, and falling to receive an answer, went to her room and found Miss McCague lying dead on the bed with her head down and a piece of muslin tied around her throat.

The woman, who is 32 years of age, came here from Butler county last spring, and occupied her time by dressmaking. She had no lovers; her life was, apparently, a happy one, and no letter or word can be found to throw any light on the tragedy.

The manner in which the muslin was knotted leads to a suspicion of foul play. She retired last night in the best of spirits, although complaining of not feeling very well. The coroner will hold an inquest.

A WEALTHY WOMAN'S SUICIDE.

She Stands on Milk Buckets, Objects a Halter and Kicks Away Her Support.

WASHINGTON, Pa., Sept. 3.—[Special.]—Mrs. Hawkins, relict of the late Henry Hawkins, committed suicide at her home, near Beavertown, on the National road, yesterday. During the day a son went to the milk house and was horrified to find his mother in the neighborhood of a number of milk buckets, and she had kicked him from under her.

She was extremely wealthy, and had lived in the neighborhood for a number of years, being highly respected. Her friends are at a loss to know what caused her suicide.

IMPRESSED BY BURGLARS.

Two Young Men Locked in a Room While the Postoffice Safe is Cracked.

AKRON, Sept. 3.—[Special.]—An artistic job of safe cracking was done at Barberstown, six miles from this city, early this morning. Burglars blew open a safe in the postoffice and secured \$75 in stamps, \$23 in money and \$20 in checks on the Second National Bank of Akron.

Two young men who occupied a room upstairs, heard the noise, but were unable to get out the door. They heard the explosion of the safe, and saw the window at the robbers, but with no visible effect.

Wife's \$25,000 Conspiracy Suits.

YOUNGSTOWN, Sept. 3.—[Special.]—A sensational case was commenced in court today by Mrs. Apolline Hartzel against Henry Hartzell, Catharine Hartzell, Simon Hartzell, Mary Hartzell and Annie Waugh, all wealthy people in the western part of the county. Mrs. Hartzell alleges that the defendants conspired to entice her husband away from her, and that she cannot now be found, by malicious reports. She says that she was compelled to leave the church, and that she induced her husband to place his property in the hands of Henry Hartzell, though it was all paid for. She asks for a judgment for \$25,000.

Murdered at a Dance.

LIMA, O., Sept. 3.—[Special.]—Last night, while a low dance was in progress at McBeth's Lake, "Reddy" Stevenson fired at Edward Koenigsberg. The latter turned to escape when Stevenson fired again, the revolver bullet penetrating the small of the back of the man, who died in a few minutes. He was shot while dancing with William Osman on the hand. The murderer escaped in the crowd and was not captured until he was arrested at Beavertown, Pa., where he was held for some time. The murderer pleads self-defense.

Diphtheria Closes a School.

KITANNING, Sept. 3.—[Special.]—At a meeting of the Board of School Directors of this borough, held this afternoon, it was decided to postpone the opening of the public schools until Monday, September 12, on account of the prevalence of diphtheria here, and in three cases the patients are very low.

A Fatal Fall From a Swing.

WASHINGTON, Pa., Sept. 3.—[Special.]—Several days ago a 3-year-old girl lost her balance while on a swing and was hurled violently to the ground, 15 feet, coming in contact with a peg. She lingered in great pain until yesterday morning, when she died from the effects of the fall.

MARS AND THE MOON.

Mars and the moon came apparently nearer each other about 12:30 o'clock this morning than they have for several years, and closer than they will be for several years to come. Both cross a certain point in the heavens, which is termed the node, but they reach the node at or near the same time but once in seven years, while the moon "gets there" once per month. Last night the occultation occurred. The two bodies came almost close enough to shake hands. The slight could be witnessed by all close observers situated within the limits of 65 degrees north latitude and one degree south latitude. The phenomenon was of about one hour's duration. Observers in different parts of the territory embraced between the imaginary lines above mentioned saw the occurrence in apparently different ways, due to the difference in the apparent position of the bodies. It takes the planet Mars several months to pass through the limits at the node in which it can be entirely or partially eclipsed by the moon. Still, at such times, they are 39,700,000 miles apart. The nearest approach of Mars to the moon last night was 25 minutes from the south limb of the latter.

POISONING AT SNOWDEN.

Suspicious Death of a Man in That Little Mining Town.

Last evening Coroner McDowell received from the Pittsburgh and Chicago Gas Coal Company