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Russian General Must Now Either Fight or Withdraw Northward-He Is Closely Pressed at Haicheng, Where There Has Been Heavy Fighting, the Rear Guard of the Retreating Russians Being in Grave Peril.

St. Petersburg (By Cable) .- Though public attention has been distracted from the events of the war during the past week, first, because of the fear of international complications, and, second, because of the assassination of Minister of the Interior von Plehve, the situation at the front is regarded River. as critical.

The enveloping movement of the three Japanese armies of General Kuroki, Nodzu and Oku around General Kuropathin's position appears to be almost complete, and the extended line of the Japanese seems to be the only drawback to concerted action.

It is realized here that the Russian general must now either fight or with-draw the whole army northward. Kuropatkin is being closely pressed at Haicheng. At that place General Kuroki's northern column makes it extremely dangerous to remain there, because, while holding the position to give battle against the Japanese, whose advance is always slow and careful, Kuroki might push through General and cut his communications with Liaoyang.

While nothing is definitely known, there are some unofficial indications that matters are rapidly maturing for either a battle or a retreat. For inthe refusal to accept further stance. press telegrams at Haicheng. This might be construed either that prepar-Dress ations are making for a retirement or that the wires are very crowded, in cident to a concentration at Haicheng or Linoyang.

A few days are expected to determine which course General Kuropatkin has elected to pursue.

There is no inclination here to doubt that there may have been pretty sewere fighting at the outer positions Port Arthur, possibly acompanied by a bombardment from the sea, but it is not believed that the Japanese are yet ready to storm the fortress. Rear Admiral Withoft, in command of the naval forces at Port Arthur, is relied on to put to sea if the condition of the While fortress becomes desperate. no definite information is obtainable, the report that the fortress is short of ammunition is considered by the public as the most disquieting feature of the situation there.

indications are that the Baltic squadron is on the eve of an important movement. Nothing regarding this can be ascertained officially, but many of the officers already have said fare well to friends and families, and are bolding themselves ready for instant service. The Emperor had arranged to inspect the squadron, but his plan was given up owing to the assassina-tion of Minister of the Interior von Plehve.

London, (By Cable) - The corres-pondent of the Daily Mail at Niuchwang, in a dispatch dated July 31, says that there has been heavy fighting for two days in the marshes south of Haicheng during the gradual retreat from Tatchekiao of 5000 Rus-sians forming the rear guard, and that the peril of this force increases daily.

SWEPT BY CONFLAGRATION.

Destructive Fire Starts in Lumber Vard at Salisbury, Md.

Salisbury, Md., (Special) .- Salisbury was visited by one of the most Ct.

NEWS IN SHORT ORDER. SEVEN ARE INDICTED The Latest Happenings Condensed for Rapid Federal Grand Jury Acts in Slocum Disaster. The large independent operators of

HEAVY BAIL WILL BE DEMANDED. True Bills Found Against the Captain, the Inspector and a Probationary Officer, the President, Secretary and Treasurer of the

Rear Admiral George A. Con-verse was appointed chief of the Bureau of Navigation, succeeding the late Admiral Taylor. Knickerbocker Co., and Against the Captain of the Grand Republic.

The peace prospects at the stock-yards' strike received a black eye in the arrest of President Golden, of the New York, (Special) .- The Federal to Puritan to pay the miners. Grand Jury indicted Captain Van The managers of the St. Louis Exposition have decided not to pay the Schaick and Federal Steamboat Inexpenses of the foreign jurors to the spector Fleming and former Inspector Lundberg in connection with the dis-Receiver W. G. Taefel, of the New aster of the General Slocum, on June York Savings Bank, was found drowned in a branch of the Licking 15 last, when nearly one thousand

ves were lost. Gildersleeve, a ticket broker, Captain Van Schaick was comwas fined for dealing in nontrans-ferable World's Fair railroad tickets. mander of the General Slocum.

Fleming and Lundberg had passed A dozen persons were injured in the Slocum at the opening of the

arraigned for pleading

PRESIDENT IS NOTIFIED.

of the Roosevelts.

Oyster Bay, L. I., (Special) .-

The formal notification of the ac-

The special train bearing the mem-

bers of the notification committee and the invited guests left Long Island

City at 10.32 A. M. and arrived here at 11.35 A. M. Only three of the members of the committee were ab-

sent. They were James N. Coombs of Florida, Senator Chauncey M. De-

pew of New York, who is in Europe, and Senator Glarence D. Clark of

On arrival at Sagamore Hill the

began. The members of the v, the house guests and the dis-

Balloons to Hurl Explosives.

Farmer Assassinated.

Waders Swept to Their Death.

Winnipeg, Man., (Special) .-- While

four persons were attempting to wade

ganizations.

collision between a motor train and a trolley car near Coney Island. Minister Leishman cabled the State Department, that he had along inter-1 rason. United States District Attorney Burnett said that indictments also iew with the Sultan. One man was killed and several inwere found against Fresident Barnaby Secretary Atkinson and Treasurer Dexter of the Knickerbocker Steam-

jured in a head-on collision near Sharon, Pa. boat Company, and Capt. John Pease, the commodore of the company's Custer Gardner, a white man, was hanged at Munfordville, Ky., for the murder, in November last, of S. D. ficet. General Burnett said that when

Osborn and his son David. The house of John Harper, at New these men and Captain Van Schaick and Inspectors Lundberg and Flem-Haven, O., burned, and Mr. Harper and his wife, both over 80 years old, ing are arraigned for pleading on Monday he will insist upon ball being fixed at \$25,000 in each case.

Reading.

Domestic.

tered into an agreement to raise the

price of soft coal.

Teamsters' Union.

were burned to death. The remains of Rear Admiral Henry . Taylor were buried with military conors at the National Cemetery at

Arlington An Interesting Ceremony at the Country Home State Bank Examiner Bergh, of Wisconsin, took charge of the state bank at Mauston, Wis, and closed its President Roosevelt was notified

The Republican State Convention formally Wednesday afternoon of his of Missouri nominated Cyrus P. Wal-bridge, of St. Louis, for governor, William Hoyt hitched himself to a nomination for the Presidency by the Republican National Convention. The sulky and pulled his wife from Moline, Ill., to the World's Fair in St. Louis. ceremony took place at his country Private Joseph J. Hammot, of the Eighteenth Regiment, U. S. A., stahome, at Sagamore Hill, three miles from this village. In accordance ed at Fort Schuyler, was murwith the wish of the President, the

dered. ceremony was as simple as possible. Ambassadors Bellamy Storer and Charlemayne Tower arrived at New York on the steamer Deutchland. President Roosevelt and his family tion of the Convention was made by a committee representing every State and Territory in the United States. Joseph G. Cannon, Speaker of the House of Representatives, spoke for returned to Washington, where they will remain for a while Former Secretary of War Root has the committee

declined to become a candidate for governor of New York. Michael Davis was arrested in Brownsville, Pa., on the charge of

killing his mother. Heathfield Washburn, grain dealer of Buffalo, committed suicide. The accident bulletin of the Inter-

state Commerce Commission shows a decrease in the casualties on rail-roads since the use of air brakes on freight care

Wyoming. Included among the invited guests Judge Platt, of the United States were men prominent in all walks of life, Among them were personal and Circuit Court in Harford, Ct., signed the decree of foreclosure of the political friends of the President in New York State, lifelong friends and mortgage given the Ship Trust. neighbors on Long Island, including the pastors of the Oyster Bay church-es and the officials of the National and New York State Republican or-George F. Hammond confessed in Spokane, Wash. his part in the hold-ing up of a Northern Pacific passen-

ger train near Bearmouth, Mon. The will of Abner McKinley, filed in Somerset, Pa., leaves the bulk of his estate to his widow and his daugh-ter, Mrs. McKinley Bear,

committeemen were received by President Roosevelt, Mrs. Roose-yelt and National Chairman George M. Marshall Langhorne, of Vir-B. Cortelyou. All of the house guests ginia, was appointed consul to Chungking, China, and Frank S. Hannah of Illinois, to Madeburg, Germany. veranda, and as the occupants of each carriage alighted they were welcomed Salvatore Brandaleone and Giovanby the President and each was preni Giordano, two Italians, were con-victed in New York for counterfeitsented to Mrs. Roosevelt.

At the conclusion of the informal ing. They confessed. reception the ceremony of notifica-tion began. The members of the John Rogers, the sculptor who designed the famous groups of statuary hearing his name, died in New Haven. family. tinguished visitors were assembled

the veranda. When Speaker Cannon rose to de-liver his speech at 12.40 P. M. he was greeted with applause. When he stood in terror of Heiser, and she fled destructive fires she has experienced in a number of years E. S. Adkins yards in Chicago. It was not of Jealous John Anderson, of Pueblo, Col. killed his sweetheart, Mrs. J. J. Appley, and then shot and killed himsponse to the notification. The Lancaster Bank of Lancaster O, closed its doors in cosequence of a run, and a receiver was appointed. The National Association of Rail way Postal Clerks elected delegates that all could hear. At the conclusion of the address, President Roosevelt received conto the national convention to be heid in Boston in September. Senator Davis emphatically denies the report that he is to marry the widow of Dr. John Reynolds, of Shep-herdstown, W. Va. gratulations, and several group photographs were taken on the steps and lawn, with the President in the centre. The record in the case of James B. Howard against the State of Ken-tucky was filed in the United States Supreme Court. resignation of Charles M. marked the termination of the agree-

ONE DEAD: ANOTHER DYING. Three Highwaymen Shoot Mine Superintendent

Altoona, Pa. (Special) .- P. F. Camp-

the Puritan Coal Mining Company, at

Puritan, Cambria county, and Chas.

Hays, a stable boss for the same com-

pany, were held up on a public road

a mile out of Portage at to o'clock A

M., shot in twenty-five places and rob-

bed of \$2865 which they were taking

The three highwaymen, who were

apparently Italians, escaped, but the

them and a number of suspicious

derneath the buggy seat they started

A mile out of Portage at a turn in

the road is a clump of trees. Reach-ing the turn, the three men stepped

from the woods and without a word opened fire. One shoved a revolver

characters were arrested.

for Puritan.

n to the stable.

struck his forehead.

weeks for the money to pay his men.

CHILD SCARED TO DEATH.

Epilepsy.

Russian Minister of Interior Victim of and Stable Boss.

Assassin.

VON PLEHVE MURDERED

bell, superintendent and paymaster of THREW BOMB AT HIS CARRIAGE.

> Assassin, a Young Finn, is in Hospital Dan gerously Wounded by Fragments of His Own Missile-Widesprend Anarchist Plot Suspected and Numerous Arrests Made-St. Petersburg Shaken by Tragedy.

was assassinated at 0.50 o'clock A. M., whole mountain top was scoured for Station to take a train for the palace

Campbell and Hays, in a buggy drove from Puritan to Portage and at his weekly report to the Emperor. 9 o'clock received the money in a bag from the Pennsylvania Railroad the outcome of a widespread plot, the tion the amount of indemnity Russtation master at that place. It came by express on an early train from an Altoona bank. With the money un-

Numerous arrests have already on board the vessel, but all that will been made, including that of the as- be sought will by the establishment sassin, a young man who is believed of a principle of indemnity and to be a Finn named Leglo and who apology. A salute of the British flag is now in a hospital severely and per- must also be conceded and the future haps fatally injured by the explosion protection of neutral shipping assuned.

into Campbell's face and fired, ball struck Campbell in the neck. other two highwaymen were armed with shotguns loaded with buckshot. They also fired on the two men in the buggy, both shots taking effect. The man with the revolver reached under the seat and snatched the bag of money just as the horse ran away. Campbell and Hays were thrown out

nto the road and the horse continued to report to Emperor Nicholas the

assassination of Minister of the In-terior von Plehve, stones were thrown Discharging two more loads of shot t the paymaster and his assistant, the obbers fled in the direction of Llovd-. at him and his carriage windows were ell. Campbell got to his feet and broken. The identity of the minister's walked toward Puritan. Meeting a assailants has not yet been discovered farmer with a spring wagon, he told M. von Plehve's assassin wore a his story and was driven to Portage, where he received surgical attention, cap. He stood on the sidewalk inst . He stood on the sidewalk, just Minister von Plehve's carriage was and gave an alarm of the robbery. Posses were quickly organized and about to cross the canal bridge near the station. The minister was es-The populace is greatly excited over corted by a number of detectives on

The populace is greatly excited over the daring outrage, and the robbers will not stand a ghost of a chance of escaping alive, if captured. Campbell was brought to Altoona on the express. He is desperately wounded, there being fifteen bullet wounds in his face, head and body. killing or wounding over a score of persons. Minister von Plehve and Two shots pierced his right lung, an ther hit him in the mouth, and two his coachman were killed outright, and an officer of the guard was fatally Just as the train left Portage bearing Campbell, his asinjured.

sistant, Hays, was brought into town. He died before he could be placed on One of the 'cyclist detectives arrested the assassin, who endeavored the train. Hays was terribly wounded in the head and chest, five shots piercto escape, though wounded by splinters in the face, arm and ab-domen. He made no attempt at reing his lungs. Campbell, who is 36 years old, is one of the best known mining exsistance, however, when seized by the detective, and confessed hi crime, but refused to give his name. perts in the central Pennsylvania field. The robbery was committed by per The police immediately after the explosion arrested a suspicious individ-ual, who took refuge in a hotel op-posite the scene of the tragedy. He carried a bomb similar to that thrown sons who knew of the paymaster's regular trips to Portage every two by Leglo. As soon as the police saw the bomb they scattered, but an em-Wild Rampage of a Man Afflicted With ploye of the hotel rushed up behind the accomplice and pinned his arms.

The explosive is believed to have Philadelphia, (Special) -Seized with heen composed of pyroxlin, as it gave fit of violent epilepsy, Joseph Heiser off little smoke. The force of the explosion was so terrific that it not went on a rampage through Andaluonly broke every window within a radius of half a mile but reduced the sia, on the Bristol pike, on Monday afternoon. He frightened a little girl heavy paving stones to powder, heaved of the President were gathered on the to death, terrorized the barroom of up the payement and flung a heavy the Red Lion Inn. smashed furniture piece of the ironwork of the carriage across the canal, severing the thick mast of a barge, which fell, stunning the captain of the vessel. Everybody at his home and ended by throttling a motorman on a passing trolley car, who finally succeeded in overpowerin the street was knocked down and ing Heiser and turned him over to the police. more or less bruised.

When the officers of the law, hended The body of six-year-old Marian by Minister of Justice Muravieff, had Rankin lies in a small casket in the terminated the necessary formalities parior of her parents' home, on the Red Lion road, the victim of Heiser's by drawing up a written report of the crime, the mangled remains of the minister of the interior were conveyed

London, (By Cable) .- The British Government has sent instructions to Sir Charles Hardinge, the British Ambassador to Russia, to energetically protest against the sinking of the British steamer Knight Commander by the Russian Vladivostok squadron. Until the presentation of the note

Russian Government Must

BRITIAN MAKES DEMANDS.

Salute British FI-

to the Russian Government the great-St. Petersburg, (By Cable). - M. est secrecy will be maintained regard-Von Plehve, minister of the interior, ing its contents, but it is known that Premier Balfour and his colleagues by a bomb thrown at his carriage bave decided to demand that the while he was driving to the Baltic fullest reparation shall be made by Russia or measures will be taken to follow up the diplomatic demands,

The British note, as Sir Charles and the British subjects having goods

An accomplice of Leglo, also apparently a Finn, but whose name is as a breach of international law was unknown, has been arrested. He had confirmed by Premier Ballour in the House of Commons

A lengthy meeting of the defense committee took place, under the presidency of Premier Balfour, at the Attorney General, hich Robert Finlay, was present. The Attorney General does not usually at tend these meetings, but it was stated that the questions at issue between Russia and Great Britain were under discussion, and that Sir Robert wat called in to advise as to the question:

f international law The attitude of the British Goverament is the result of the thorough consideration given to the reports re ceived from Sir Claude MacDonald the British Minister at Tokio, and the examination of international lav authorized by legal esperts. patches received from Sir Claud-MacDonald confirm the reports that the Knight Commander had no cor traband of war on board for Japan The Government and all the British authorities, it is asserted, unite or the point that there was no justifica tion for the sinking of the vessel. It is felt in Government circles that the Knight Commander incident over

hadows the Red sea seizures, which practically have been adjusted. In the light of the declaration of the Russian Government respecting contraband of war, made three weeks

after hostilities commenced, no rep-resentations have been made by Count Benckendorff, the Russian Ambas-sador, to Foreign Secretary Lands downe regarding the Knight Com-mander, the Ambassador not having received advices from St. Petersburg on the subject, nor is it seen by the Russian diplomats how it is possible for their Government to make a prompt answer to the British de-

mands It is not known when the Vladivo_tok squadron will return to port The commander of the squadron, it pointed out, unquestionably siezed papers of the vessel, including manifest, and, therefore, will be able to present reasons to show why he sank the ship, and with these reasons in their possession the Rusan authorities will be able com plete their answer to the British repesentations.

In the opinion of these diplomats, the cargo, or at least a portion of the cargo, of the Knight Commander in-cluded contraband of war under the Russian declaration.

Attention is specifically called to the feature of the declaration saying that "neutral ships with contraband of rt can, ac var of any cumstances, be not only seized, but also confiscated." If the ship can be confiscated, it is contended, she car sunk as well. While Russia holds that her declaation has never been seriously questioned, the British authorities claim that the British Ambassador at St Petersburg first specifically reserved the rights of his Government in case of an emergency arising, and, later, fied objections against the various provisions of the declaration. The United States also reserved her rights

of Pennsylvania Told in who was shot and killed on Novem-ber 3, 1902, while peering in the win-dows at the home of Mrs. Rachel dows at the home of Mrs. Rachel Brode, aged 65, a wealthy widow, to see her dance. One of the guests shot a revolver to disperse the crowd of boys and Gehl fell mortally wounded. Mrs. Brode and two guests, Blair and Blaine Dodson, were convicted of manslaughter, and then suit was en-tered against Mrs. Brode for \$20,000 damages. The arbitrators decided that between 15 and 21 a boy's carn-ing capacity is not more than \$300 abing capacity is not more than \$300 annually

THE KEYSTONE STATE

The decrease of coal and coke ton-nage on the Pennsylvania Railroad cast of Pittsburg this year, as com-pared with last, is shown by the offi-cial figures to be much less than had previously been reported. It amounts to only about 5 per cent. In the year o July 23, 22,054,780 tons were ship-red, while the year to July 25, 1903.

howed 23,058,039. Undanited by the fact that a Citi-rens' Protective Association has just been organized in the town, robbers nvaded Gap and broke into several places. At James C. Hurley's hotel they stole liquor from the barroom, but the proprietor's bulldog com-pelled them to depart. Curl's res-taurant was also raided. At several places attempts to enter were made, but the intruders were frightend away.

The suspension of the forty-three collieries of the Philadelphia & Reading Coal & Iron Company from Satur-day to August 8 brings no surprise to the people of the anthracite re-gion, because of the over-production of coal. The company has no place to store the company has no pace to store the surplus coal save at the collieries, the enlarged storage bins at Schuylkill Haven having contained 300,000 tons two weeks ago. The suspension is welcomed by many miners and their families because they car now devote their entire energies to picking berries. Millions of quarty of berries are shipped to New York Boston and Philadelphia markets.

A double tragedy at Lancaster ended the brief and unhappy mar ried life of James Good, a machinist aged 26 years, and his child wife. Ella, aged 17. They were married two years ago, and the jealousy of Good led to almost constant quarrels. Ten days ago they separated. Mrs Good attended a picnic at Rocky Springs, a suburban resort. By hreatening to shoot her Good com pelled his wife to return to their home Once there, he asked her if she in tended to live with him, and with out waiting for her reply shot her n the brain and heart. Then he sem a bullet into his own brain, dying instantly. Mrs. Good died an hour later.

later. What is believed to have beer murder by means of dynamite oc-curred about midnight in "Little Italy," Reading. Michael Amoreo, sleeping peacefully after a day's work, was sent to death by a terrific explo-sion which shattered every bone in bit head the state of the sentence the sen his body and ripped to pieces the en-tire side of his house. The explosion aroused sleepers for a mile around Rescuers were soon on the scene, and after digging through the debris found Mrs. Amoreo, the wife, and three children imprisoned in their bedroom. The body of the husband was recovered later. Investigation showed that dynamite had been placed directly beneath Amoreo's bed.

Policeman Calvert Cardwell ar-rested a horse belonging to Mrs. J. G. Milbourne, wife of a prominent business man of Chester, and was taking the stray animal, which he captured on Senator Sproul's farm, to the pound, when Mrs. Milbourne followed him and stopped the horse, after slapping Cardwell, it is alleged, in the face. She was arraigned later before Alderman Stockman, who held before Alderman Stockman, who held her under \$300 bail for court on the charge of interfering with an officer. The will of Abner McKinley, broth-er of the late President, has been probated at Somerset. The instru-ment does not indicate the value of the estate, but the bulk of it is be-ouesthed to his midow and his daugh. queathed to his widow and his daugh-ter, Mrs. Mabel McKinley Baer. An expenditure of \$5000 is ordered for a suitable monument in the family burial plot at Canton, Ohio. Yielding to the pleadings of his children, Simon Moleski, of Minersville refused to kill his dog, a family pet, refused to kill ins jury declared the even though a jury declared the menace. Monday Judge animal a menace. Monday Judge Bechtel announced in court that if Moleski does not kill the dog by September 5, he must appear for sentence. Moleski's friends declare he will serve a term in jail rather than kill the pet. The residence of Henry Worth, of Hatboro, was entered by thieves and thoroughly ransacked. Most of \$10 they secured was from a child's sav-ings bank. The same evening the residence of Mrs. Samuel Haugh was entered and the burglars, failing to get money tore up carpets and upset the furniture. At the home of J. R. Beatty, on Byberry Road, they were met with revolver shots and fled in haste. An ordinance prescribing a penal-ty for speeding automobiles in the city limits, offered in Lebanon Coun-cils, has aroused the owners of motor carriages, and an organized effort will be made to kill the bill. The Berks and Dauphin turnpike has long been a popular track for the exciting sport, and swiftly moving autos have sev-eral times endangered life while passing through the town. Death was the intruder into a cir-cle of a dozen boys engaged in play-ing at Coal Castle, a mining village near Pottsville. The youngsters had near Pottsville. The youngsters had built a dam for a swimming pool. To construct the breast they excavated beneath the roots of an old pine tree and unwittingly loosened its hold or the soil. Their task finished, the boyr were seated upon the newly built breast, when the tree fell. The trunk struck William Toban, aged 13, or the head, crushing his skull. He died almost instantly. The others were se-verely bruised by the branches strik-ing them. ing them. As Clinton Eister, a miner of Shamo kin, was coming from work he was arrested on suspicion of being a burg-lar. John Moore's store was robbed of \$100 Friday night, and a constable who searched Eister's house, claime the stolen money was found in his clothing. clothing. To stop automobile and motor ve-hicle racing on the public streets, Pottsville Town Council fixed a fine of \$100 for speed greater than a mile in twelve minutes in going down a declivity or turning a corner. On level ground the speed is limited to eight miles an hour.

at Peterhof, where he was to make The assassination is believed to be Hardinge will submit it, will not men-

existence of which has been sur, sia must pay the owners of the ship nected for several days.

of his own bomb.

The n his possession a bomb which he ered by the police just in time to prevent great loss of life. As Minister of Justice Muravieff was driving to the Petershof palace

Company's lumber and manufacturing incendiary origin. plant here was partly burned down, with a loss of about \$40,000. This amount is well covered by insurance.

Their main flooring mill, sawmill, warehouses and most valuable tim-ber have gone at 1.30 o'clock A. M. A row of dwelling-houses, more lumber and an entirely new sash mil are in the path of the flames and only one engine can be worked because of the bad conditions of the water mains.

To the south and east are the Baltimore, Chesapeake and Atlantic Rail way Company car shops and the junc-tion and freight house of that railroad and the New York, Philadelphia and Norfolk Railroad.

The fire was discovered by one the two watchmen at the yard and he endeavored to extinguish it, burning his face and hands and singeing his All the records and books in the office were saved.

Georgia Family Murdered.

Statesboro, Ga., (Special) -- Henry

R. Hodges, his wife and three children, living about six miles from

Statesboro, have been killed and their bone burned. There were blood-There were blood home burned. stains outside the building. Hodges, his wife and one child had had their skull broken, apparently with an axe. Rob-bery is supposed to have been the cause of the crime.

Murderer Commits Suicide.

Chicago, (Special) .- After a week of mental anguish, during which he continually wept and prayed, Frank Bendetto, who murdered his wife dur-ing a fit of jealousy, committed sui-cide in his cell in the county jail by hanging himself.

Boy Fatally Shoots His Chum.

Pittsfield, Mass., (Special) .- Thomas Magner, a 15-year-old grocery cierk, shot and killed his chum, Pat- of punishment. rick O'Brien, in a grove at the foot of Linden street. The boys had been shooting an old-fashioned 32 caliber revolver, and Magner, supposing all the cartridges had been exploded, the cartridges had been exploded, pulled the trigger over one that had not yet been discharged, the ball en-tering the left side of O'Brien's face and lodging in the skull. O'Brien died in a few minutes. Kudolph Spreckels, of San Fran-cisco, was successfully operated on a Carlsbad by Dr. Sonnenburg, of Berlin, and is doing well. A British cruiser has sailed for Tangier, presumably in connection with disturbances in Morocco.

Killed in Head-on Collision

Sharon, Pa., (Special) .-- Running 40 miles an hour a passenger train on the Pennsylvania Railroad crashed into an engine in a head-on collision at Sharpsville, causing the death of two men and the serious injury of four others. There were but few passengers in the coach next to the engine, and though the car was telescoped, only two men in it were hurt. The wreck was caused, it is alleged, by a lapse of memory on the part of the crew in charge of the engine.

Schwab as a director of the United States Steel Corporation was acment entered into by the Powers at the Hague Peace Conference, to which Russia and Japan were signacepted. Thomas Taggart, of Indiana, was tory, whereby the use of war balloons

elected chairman of the Democratic National Committee,

Rev. Robert Perine, dean of All Saints' Cathedral, at Spokane, Wash. died at Newark.

Forcign.

ed by American military strategists. The recovery of Lego, alias Porozeff, the assassin of the Russian Minister of the Interior von Plehve is believed to be assured. The officials declare that the murder was a part

of a widespread plot. The French police are searching for an Italian nobleman who is alleged to have swindled various people in London out of sums amounting to about £80,000.

county.

The Viceroy of Hukwang has noti-fied the officials of Singanfu to produce the murderers of Monsignor Ver haepen, the Belgian bishop, on pair

across Old Mans river, at McLeod, Iwo Frenchmen were arrested a Wilhelmshaven, Germany, on sus-picion of spying on the fortifications N. W. T., they were swept from their feet and drowned. They are Nellie there

Rudolph Spreckels, of San Fran-

Lieutenant James Wilkinson, of the United States battleship Kearsarge died at the hospital in Trieste from

The commercial treaty between Germany and Russia was signed in Berhn

The German crop report for July indicates a further deterioration. Win ter wheat loses one point, summer wheat two points, and summer ryc one point. Continued drouth is stopping river navigation and impeding manufactures. The Liberals gained a seat in Parlia-

ment in the election at Owestry, West Shorpshire.

had finished the President advanced in fright to her inother whenever she to the veranda railing, and, standing saw him.

under a great festoon of American flags, delivered his address in re-sponse to the notification. As he When Heiser, waving wildly in the air and screaming at the top of his voice, ran toward her in faced the assemblage he was warmly front of the Rankin home the little applauded.

applanded. Both the President and Speaker before she had gone a dozen feet she Cannon spoke standing on a chair placed at an angle of the veranda, so was overcome with terror and fell dead in the roadway. Heiser, who has during the spring and summer

months been employed as a farm-hand, has been subject to epileptic fits, but never before have they taken a violent form.

Templars' Gift to King Edward.

San Francisco, Cala., (Special) .-The California Knights Templar are Washington, (Special) -- Friday preparing a gift for King Edward of England in appreciation of the honor conferred upon the Californians in sending a personal representative with the delegation of the highest officers for throwing destructive explosives was prohibited for five years. Both of the great priory of England and Wales to attend the conclave at San Both Russia and Japan are now free to Francisco. The souvenir consists of a volume of the history of the conuse the balloons to hurl dynamite into an enemy's camp, and developments in this direction will be closely watchve, especially bound and ornamented for the King.

For Uniform Corporation Laws.

Nashville, Tenn. (Special)-Through Augusta, Ga., (Special) .- A special the efforts of Sccretary of State, John o the Chronicle from Washington, W. Morton, an arrangement has been Wilkes county, Ga., says that while made whereby representatives of states Charles J. Tyler, a prominent young farmer of the northeastern section and territories will meet in St. Louis. September 2. The object is to disof the county, was at supper with his wife, Dr. Thomas C. Burch emptied two loads of buckshot from the wincuss ways and means for securing a uniform law incorporation charter and kindred matters. The bureau of cordow into the body of Tyler, killing him instantly. Dr. Burch has been kindred matters. The bureau of cor-porations of the department of comtaken in custody in the adjoining merce and labor will send a representative.

Gallows Trap Would Not Work.

Uniontowa, Pa., (Special) .-- John Jackson, colored, was hanged here for the murder of Jack Kinney, also colored, whom he killed near Con-

neilsville, June 30, 1903, in a quarrel and Katie Higgins, aged 20 and 16, over a game of craps. The trap rerespectively; Eddie Higgins, aged 6, fused to work and for five minutes all members of the same family, and Mary Robinson, aged 21, a friend. The river, which is usually a shallow the condemned man stood with the black cap on his head while the spring was being adjusted. Death resulted from dislocation of the neck.

Killed By Lightning.

Pittsburg, Pa., (Special). - Fire Hazleton, Pa., (Special) .- Five perbroke out on the third floor of the sons were killed near here during a Hotel Summerman, in Greensburg, severe electrical storm. At Oneida and three girls, employees of the hotel, three foreign-speaking miners and a were burned, one of them, Mary boy were instantly killed by a bolt of Musninsky, perhaps fatally. The girls four were terribly burned, and the clothing almost completely torn from their bodies. At Quahake Valley lightning struck the home of Miley Hinkle, instantly killing Mrs. Hinkle and seriously injuring her daughter. were sleeping on the third floor and when they awoke the hallway was in flames and escape by the stairway was cut off. They succeeded in climb-ing from a window and walking along a narrow ledge until they were res-cued by firemen.

a humble chapel adjoining the station, the windows of which miracuusly escaped destruction.

Th priests and people, with characteristic Russian piety, at once joined in a solemn requiem. The square in front of the station was filled with a reverent crowd of peasants and laborers, and the busy hum of traffic was silenced.

A priest proclaimed "the eternal memory of the departed servant Wenceslas," while all those in the congregation dropped to their knees, A no less impressive service was

conducted in the minister's stately residence in the evening, to which only intimate friends were invited by von Plehve's assistant, M. Durnovo, who is temporarily in charge of the ministry of the interior.

The magnificent staircase and the reception rooms were draped in black. The body of the minister was com-pletely covered by a white shroud, which concealed the ghastly mutila-tions. It reposed in a black and silver casket in the corner of the vast hall, surrounded by juxuriant palms, Gendarmerie and non-commissioned officers stood sentinel at the head of the casket, while at its foot were two high officials of the ministry

special edition of the Official Messenger which was distributed late the afternoon contained only brief announcement of the death M. von Plehve and the intimation that an official requiem would be conducted.

The Emperor, who was at the Villa Alexandria, at Peterhof, was greatly affected by the news, coming, as it did, atop of the bad tidings from the seat of war and fears of international complications. The Emperor almost broke down when he was informed of the minister's murder.

FINANCIAL.

Chandler Bros. & Co. say: "We still expect to see higher prices." Morgan brokers say United States Steel preferred should sell 10 points higher

The Westinghouse Company's \$4, 000,000 new 5 per cent. notes were all

issued a circular letter quoting 500 street railway bonds.

Wheat exports this week were 1,-281,000 bushels, against 2,781,000 for the same week last year.

Some brokers think that the time s very near at hand when the Rapid Transit Company will buy the Fair-mount Park trolley line.

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when acknowledging the receipt of the Russian declaration. The British authorities are per-sistent in their de ire to induce the United States to make a declaration

in respect to the policy it proposes to pursue in the matter of the protection of commerce, but nothing has yet been done so far as known here.

KUROPATKIN TELLS OF BATTLES

flow the Japanese Turned Both Flanks of the Russians.

St. Petersburg, (By Cable) .-- The ollowing dispatch from General Kuropatkin, dated July 25. has been re-

ceived by the Emperor: "Reconnaissances carried out daily of late between Kaichou and Siakhotan showed the summits of the heights north of Kaichou to be strongly occupied and fortified. At 5 in the morning July 23, the enemy, two visions strong, assumed the offensive Along the line of outposts to the south the enemy developed a divisior south the enemy developed a division of infantry, concentrating his main body toward Datchapu, 12 miles north of Kaichou, and keeping his cavalry on our left flank near the railroad His advance was effected slowly and at intervals was accompanied by a heavy fire from 30 guns, which our rear-guard batteries successfully ans wered. The Japanese fire at first was directed at the heights, which gradual-ly were evacuated by our outposts Our sharpshooters with the rear guard opened fire upon the advancing Japanese infantry, and at a favorable moment Colonel Lesch withdrew our

several times changed their positions, continued the duel with the enemy's artillery, also firing into the infantry columns.

Hotel Wrecked By Natural Gas.

Chicago, Ill., (Special) .- An explosion of natural gas in the basement of the four story brick building at 338 State street, known as the Russell Park Hotel, caused severe injuries to several persons. The front of the building was blown out and heavy blocks of stone used for sidewalks were broken in pieces and hurled into the street. Three employees of John Rockero's restaurant, on the ground floor, were severely burned and bruis-ed. but all will recover.

rear guard to a new position at Dat-chapu, and our baiteries, which had

sold in a day. A bond house of Philadelphia has

stream, had become swollen by recent

heavy rains. Girls Trapped in a Burning Hotel.