

China Whacks Up.

Settles the Indemnity Claims
of French Missionaries.

Chinese Looters Will be Put to
Death.

Spain's Nine-Year-Old King Writes
to the Pope.

Disastrous Conflagration in Galicia—
Rapid English Railway Traveling
—Canadian Cattle Embargo
Discussed.

ENGLAND'S SOLICITOR-GENERAL
London, Aug. 24.—The Globe an-
nounces that Robert Bannatyne Fin-
lay, Q.C., has been appointed Soli-
citor-General of England.

JAPS DISMANTLING PORT ARTHUR.
St. Petersburg, Aug. 24.—A dispatch
to the Novosti from Vladivostok says
that the Japanese are evacuating Port Arthur
and dismantling the fortifications.

TO SETTLE BY ARBITRATION.
London, Aug. 24.—The Times has a dis-
patch from Lima, Peru, which says that
it has been arranged to settle the dispute
between Bolivia and Peru by arbitration,
and the Peruvian Minister will be received in
Sucre.

THE EDITOR'S HOLIDAY.
Sofia, Aug. 24.—The editor of Svoboda,
which was the personal organ of the
late Prime Minister Stambuloff, has
been sentenced to two years' imprison-
ment for charging Prince Ferdinand
with direct complicity in the murder of
Stambuloff.

THE CAMPANIA'S FAST TRIP.
New York Aug. 24.—The Campania's
time of passage is 8 days, 9 hours and
6 minutes. She has lowered her west-
ward record by 25 minutes, and come
within 1 hour and 45 minutes of the
record held by the Britannia.

DUNDEE'S GREAT STRIKE
Dundee, Aug. 24.—It is now esti-
mated that 25,000 mill workers are out
on strike. The manufacturers met
yesterday and signed an agreement
not to advance wages under the pen-
alty of \$500 for a violation of the rule.

JAPAN ARMING.
London, Aug. 24.—It is rumored that
the son of the Japanese Premier, who
exchanged the peace ratifications with
China, will be sent to England to ar-
range large contracts for warships,
arms, etc. He is expected to arrive
in November via the United States
and Canada.

ANOTHER QUICK RUN.
London, Aug. 24.—The London and
Northwestern Railway Company's fast
train between London and Aberdeen,
which left London at 8 o'clock last
evening, arrived at Aberdeen at 4:32
o'clock this morning. Part of the jour-
ney of 540 miles was covered at the
rate of 75 miles per hour.

THE WORLD'S WHEAT.
Buda-Pesth, Aug. 24.—The Hungari-
an Government has issued its annual
statement of the wheat crop of the
world, which is based on consular and
other reports. The estimated produc-
tion of wheat importing countries is
739,422,000 bushels, and of exporting
countries 1,651,701,000. The total esti-
mated production is 2,391,123,000 bushels
less than the amended estimate of 1894.

RELEASED THE TURK.
Constantinople, Aug. 24.—The represen-
tations which the United States Minister,
Mr. Alexander W. Turrell, has made to the
Turkish Government have resulted in the
release of the Armenian, A. Rakolian, a
naturalized American citizen, who has been
in prison at Marshavan for several weeks
past, under suspicion of belonging to a
revolutionary society.

FATAL CONFLAGRATION.
Vienna, Aug. 24.—An extensive con-
flagration has occurred at Tione. Fifty
houses were consumed and 120 families
were rendered homeless. While fire
services were being held in a church at
Rogozno, Galicia, an alarm of fire was
given, followed by a stampede of the
congregation. In the rush to get out
of the church three persons were
trampled to death and many others
were seriously injured.

GLADSTONE ON FREE TRADE.
London, Aug. 24.—The Daily News
says that among the guests at Glad-
stone's garden party on Tuesday were
the ex-American postmaster, Gen.
Thos. L. James, and his daughters, and
E. A. Quintard, of New York. In con-
versation with these guests Mr. Glad-
stone remarked that he used to proph-
esy that if the United States adopted
free trade they would attain the
highest position in the world. Never-
theless, they would not injure Eng-
land; on the contrary, they would im-
prove her position. He declared that
sooner or later something must be done
for Ireland.

ALFONSO'S FIRST LETTER.
Madrid, Aug. 24.—King Alfonso has,
without assistance, answered the letter
recently sent to him by the Pope. He
destroyed six drafts of the letter, but
the seventh satisfied him, and he
showed it to his mother, the
Queen Regent, who corrected
the single error that was
in it. The King was chagrined
because of the correction, but thought
that His Holiness might suppose it
to be his own correction. He was then
appeased, whereupon the letter was
dispatched. This is said to be the first
letter written by the King, who is a
little over 9 years old.

THE CATTLE EMBARGO.
London, Aug. 24.—In the House of
Commons, Sir John Long (Liberal),
Member for Dundee, said he did not
believe there was any true or solid
ground for excluding Canadian cattle
from Great Britain. The Rt. Hon. Sir
W. H. Long, President of the Board
of Agriculture, defended the prohibi-

tion of the importation of live cattle
from Canada. He remarked that the
numbers of home cattle reared in
Perthshire, Forfarshire and Aberde-
shire, where the exclusion of Cana-
dian cattle was condemned, were
very small compared with those raised
in the remainder of the country where
the exclusion was supported.

INDEMNITY FOR CHINESE OUT- RAGES.

London, Aug. 24.—The Chronicle pub-
lishes a dispatch from Shanghai say-
ing that the French claim for indemnity
for outrages on French missionaries at
Suchowen have been settled. The dis-
patch adds that ex-Viceroy Lul Ping
Chang, his secretary, two prefects and
several minor officials will be degrad-
ed and dismissed from office at \$1,000
status if the missionaries will be re-
cognized by the Government and the
missions will be rebuilt at the expense
of Liu Ping Chang, who is also con-
demned to pay the missionaries an in-
demnity of nearly eight lakhs of taels.
The natives convicted of looting will
be executed.

Late Canadian News.

Some farmers say they will cut
wheat in Manitoba on Sunday.

Mr. Fleury, of the Aurora Agricul-
tural Works, is not dead, as reported.

Great crowds are being addressed in
various parts of Quebec Province by
Hon. Wilfrid Laurier and other lead-
ing Liberals.

Charles Ruck, a bus driver, who
runs between Ridgeway and Crystal
Beech, was killed in attempting to
stop his runaway team.

At Toronto Staff-Captain Jones, pri-
vate secretary to Mrs. Commandant
Booth, passed away yesterday morning
after a very brief illness.

The Worsteds and Braid Company (Ltd.),
of Toronto Junction, of which James P.
Murray is president and Thomas D. Ward-
law secretary and manager, have assigned.

The funeral car which was charged
in the Dominion Government bill for
Sir John Thompson's funeral at \$1,000
has been bought back by the contractor
for \$21.

Hon. Frances Clewson sues Adolpho Car-
on for the sum of \$2,666 66, the face value
of interest on an unpaid promissory
note given by late Senator Tasse to Hon.
Mr. Clewson and endorsed by Sir Adolpho
Caron.

At 2 o'clock Friday morning Thomas
Thornton was discovered in the act of
robbing the house of J. S. Speers, 149 Dowling
avenue, Toronto. Ten hours later Magis-
trate Denison had sentenced him to five
years in Penitentiary.

Four people had a narrow escape from
death at Victoria Square, Montreal, Friday
morning. A farmer accompanied by three
ladies was driving along Craig street, and
while passing the square an electric car
struck the vehicle hurling its occupants to
the ground. While not fatally, they were
all seriously injured.

WILL NOT ALLOW IT.

Corbett and Fitzsimmons Cannot Fight
on Texas Soil—Talk About Shooting.

Austin, Tex., Aug. 24.—Gov. Culbert-
son today made public some correspon-
dence between himself and Sheriff Cap-
bell of Dallas county, about the Cor-
bett-Fitzsimmons fight. The correspon-
dence was opened by Governor Culbert-
son inquiring of the sheriff what he
intended to do about the fight. The
decision of Attorney-General Crane,
holding the prize-fighting law invalid,
and as to whether it was his intention
to exercise all the powers vested in
him to prevent the fight, Sheriff Cap-
bell's reply is that he will unhesitat-
ingly discharge his duties. He cites,
however, that the criminal statute de-
termining prize-fighting makes it a misde-
meanor and not a felony, and asks
the Governor under such circumstances
would he be justified in using such
force as may be necessary, even if it
requires the shooting down of citizens,
and would the Governor advise such
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the propriety of the public officers of
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General for his opinion.

HERE'S A PHENOMENON.

Mrs. Boulah Starring, of Silver Creek,
89 Years Old, Rides a Bicycle to
Dunkirk and Return.

Silver Creek, N. Y., Aug. 24.—Think of
a woman 89 years of age who rides a bicycle
every day the weather is pleasant.
There is such a woman in this village,
Mrs. Boulah Starring by name, and she is
without doubt the oldest woman in the
whole United States to ride a wheel.
Mrs. Starring counts the day lost that she
does not take exercise on her bicycle, and
she not infrequently makes trips that would
cause those young enough to be her grand-
children to hesitate.

Only a few days ago Mrs. Starring
thought of some article she needed, which
the village stores did not keep. She be-
lieved it could be obtained in Dunkirk and
she determined to make the trip on her
wheel. She started out, but not until her
friends had protested against her undertak-
ing the journey. The old lady, however,
was not to be balked in her design and she
not only made the trip to that place, but
rode her wheel back as well, making the
distance of 20 miles in good time. She found
the article she was in search of and bore it
proudly homeward, tied to the handle of
her machine.

Attention is called to Mr. James Kil-
gour's advertisement in this issue. It will
be seen that during Fair week he will make
a special effort for the sale of fine furniture.
Mr. Kilgour is known by his many custom-
ers to make only first-class warranted work
in his parlor suites and other furniture, and
a few years ago he captured the first gold
medal awarded at the Western Fair. It
will repay citizens and visitors to give him
a call during this year's Fair, Sept. 12-21.

To-Day's Special.

British Liberals Arranging for
a Grand Conference.

Meditated Reorganization and
Recast of Platform.

Henry M. Stanley's Maiden Effort
in Parliament.

England Holidaying—Returning Ameri-
cans—Queen Will Go to Scotland—Con-
ference in Valkyrie III.—Proposed
Change in Ireland's Government.

BRITISHERS HOLIDAYING.

London, Aug. 24.—Although London is
crowded with visitors from America
and abroad, and in spite of the fact
that Parliament is in session, socially
the metropolis is virtually dead. Al-
most everybody who is anybody at all
has fled from this maze of streets and
squares to the country or to the sea-
side, to the moors or the sands, or to
the continental water-cure resorts.

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AMERICANS RETURNING HOME.
The invasion of London by the grand
army of well-financed Americans, the
"Angels" of the local tradesmen, and
the happiest of the happy, is about
over for the year, and the number of
citizens of the United States now in
this city is the smallest since the
annual rush from New York com-
menced. Most of the trans-Atlantic
visitors are on the continent, home-
ward bound, during which Mr. Henry
M. Stanley, the African explorer, now
member for the North Lambeth divi-
sion of London, made his maiden
speech in the House. Mr. Stanley rose
to this effort of his life during a dis-
cussion of the Egyptian question, and
he strongly demanded the propositions
looking to an evacuation of Egyptian
territory by British troops. His
first effort in Parliament was equaled
by his reputation, and contrary to gen-
eral usage on the occasion of maiden
speeches, there was nearly a full house;
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times to enjoy good health, and is
making the best of the situation, al-
though he frequently expresses the
wish to die. Those who are interested
in the future of the disgraced man
have been discussing what Wilde will
do when he leaves prison. Although
nothing definite appears to be decided,
it is generally believed that he will be
smuggled out of the country, and en-
abled to begin life anew, under an
assumed name, depending upon his pen
for a livelihood.

NEW ROYAL YACHT WANTED.

In naval circles it is said that the
provision of a new royal yacht is un-
der consideration. The Victoria, and
Albert is now 40 years old, and, though
a fine looking vessel of 2,500 tons, she
is asserted to be practically unseawor-
thy. The Osborne, which displaces
about 1,800 tons, was built some 25 years
ago, and is of obsolete construction,
having, for instance, no water-tight
compartments. Both vessels cost a
good deal on repairs, owing greatly
to their age.

EUGENIE IN BRITAIN.

The Empress Eugenie, who is now
at Farnborough, is to leave next Wed-
nesday for Abergeldi, in which castle
she will remain for five weeks, and
Queen having placed the Abergeldi at
the disposal of the ex-Empress for as
long a period as she cares to remain.

FAITH IN VALKYRIE III.

Every little item of news concern-
ing the doings of Valkyrie III and De-
fender is eagerly discussed here. Al-
though British yachtsmen do not feel
overconfident that Lord Dunraven's
yacht will recapture the American cub,
there is no doubt that they feel much
more hopeful than they have ever
done before. This is not so much due
to the fact that they believe in the
yacht, but to the fact that the several
accidents that have hap-
pened to her have caused much com-
ment, as to the fact that it seems to
be generally admitted that Valkyrie III
is a staunch and able or well designed for
racing in all weathers, and one calcu-
lated to give the Defender a hard race
for it.

A gentleman, who is supposed to be
in the confidence of Lord Dunraven,
in talking the matter over yesterday,
said: "You must not for a moment
forget that Lord Dunraven would have
taken this second trip to New York,
if he was not fairly confident that Val-
kyrie III will beat the Defender. You
can class as nonsense all the reports
about the cup challenge being tendered.
Valkyrie III may have heavy spars
and a great spread of canvas, but she
will stand up to it as much as she is
expected to do."

COMING LIBERAL CONFERENCE.

As both the executive committees of
the National Liberal Federation and the
Central Liberal Association, which
mainly hold the party purse, have hesi-
tated to convene a general national
conference, the political committee