

THE RIFLE MEETING

Fine Weather Favors the Marksmen on the Closing Day of the Meet.

The Men Who Can Represent the Province at the Eastern Tournaments.

From Monday's Daily.

Saturday was the last day of the rifle meet, and so far as attendance went was the most patronized of the three days' competition. Many more ladies attended to grace the grounds and stimulate the rivalry of the marksmen. Lieut.-Col. Petros, who arrived on Friday, had left again by Saturday morning's train. Senator McInnes also took his departure on the same day. If anything, Saturday was more favorable than either Thursday or Friday, so far as wind and weather were concerned. There was but little sunshine, but the day was not dark, and the wind, which on the two previous days appeared to be given to playing capers, had taken itself off with the clouds. The weather was just what the islanders and their passengers a benefit in their northern trip. It was impossible to telegraph the result of the Vancouver corporation cup match in time for Saturday's issue of the Times. This cup, which was won last fall by W. H. Wall, of Nanaimo, was captured this year by Gunner Turnbull, of New Westminster. The following is the score:

NO. 8, VANCOUVER CORPORATION MATCH.

For a cup presented by the corporation of Vancouver and twenty-two cash prizes of the value of \$74 added by the B. C. R. A., 600 yards, 10 shots; entrance fee, 60 cents, including sighting shot. The cup to become the property of any competitor winning it twice. Winner 1896, W. H. Wall, Nanaimo.

Cup and \$8, Gr. G. Turnbull, Westminster.	48
\$8.00 Bomb, Richardson, Westminster.	48
5.00 Corp. W. Sloan, Westminster.	42
4.00 Corp. J. H. Sharpe, Westminster.	42
4.00 Gr. W. Duncan, Victoria.	42
3.00 Sgt. E. McDougall, Victoria.	42
3.00 Bomb, Fletcher, Victoria.	41
3.00 Mr. W. H. Wall, Nanaimo.	41
3.00 G.R. Wilson, Westminster.	41
2.00 Mr. C. H. Barker, Nanaimo.	39
2.00 Bomb, Kendall, Vancouver.	39
2.00 Gr. Godwin, Victoria.	39
2.00 G.A. G. W. Robertson, Westminster.	38
2.00 Sgt. Major Corbett, Westminster.	38
2.00 Corp. Lettice, Victoria.	38
2.00 Sgt. Kennedy, Vancouver.	38
2.00 Gr. Bodley, Westminster.	38
2.00 Gr. Houston, Westminster.	38
2.00 Gr. Steen, Westminster.	38
2.00 Mr. James Slack, Nanaimo.	38

As a result of the foregoing the grand aggregate was decided as follows:

GRAND AGGREGATE.
(For Seniors.)

For the aggregate scores of the New Westminster (No. 2), the Nanaimo (No. 3), Vancouver (No. 4) and Helcken (No. 5) matches:	
B. C. R. A. gold badge and \$4-Gr. Geo. Turnbull, Westminster.	351
B. C. R. A. silver badge and \$4-John Welsh, R.N.	316
\$4.00 Mr. W. H. Wall, Nanaimo.	316
3.00 Gr. R. Wilson, Westminster.	303
3.00 Corp. W. Sloan, Westminster.	302
3.00 Bomb, M. Fletcher, R.M.A.	302
2.00 Sgt. E. McDougall, Victoria.	302
2.00 Gr. R. J. Butler, Victoria.	302
2.00 Sgt. W. W. Winsby, Westminster.	302

GRAND AGGREGATE.
(For Juniors.)

Restricted to competitors who have not won a prize in the senior series, and who have never won a place on a provincial team for Ottawa, or the right to shoot in the Ottawa team match; and who have never won a prize at a Dominion or national meeting:

\$5.00 Gr. Bodley, Westminster.	249
4.00 Gr. Cunningham, Westminster.	349
3.00 Corp. W. H. Lettice, Victoria.	341
3.00 James Slack, Nanaimo.	341
2.00 Mr. W. H. Wall, Nanaimo.	338
2.00 Bomb, H. A. Wilson, Westminster.	334
2.00 W. G. Steer, Westminster.	334
2.00 Robert Adams, Nanaimo.	318
2.00 Gr. R. J. Butler, Victoria.	302
2.00 Sgt. W. W. Winsby, Westminster.	302

The foregoing winners in the senior and junior aggregate, with the exception of those in Her Majesty's service and the two lowest in the junior aggregate were eligible for the Ottawa and Vancouver match team at the following, making twenty in all, being taken from the twenty making the highest aggregate in the three corporation and Helcken matches:

Bomb, Richardson, Westminster.	250
Corp. Sharpe, New Westminster.	240
Gr. Huston, New Westminster.	340
Gr. Duncan, Vancouver.	340
Sgt. Butler, Vancouver.	338
Mr. R. Watson, Nanaimo.	334

Gunner Turnbull, having obtained the highest aggregate in the corporation matches, is the winner of the McInnes gold medal, presented on Friday evening by Senator McInnes.

CIVILIAN AGGREGATE.

W. H. Wall, Nanaimo.	280
James Slack, Nanaimo.	261
R. Watson, Nanaimo.	261
W. G. Steer, Westminster.	257
C. H. Barker, Nanaimo.	252

An extra series, fired during these matches as the targets became available, resulted as follows:

Bomb, Kendall.	31
Corp. Sharp.	21
Lieut. J. R. Tite.	21
Gr. Sloan.	21
Gr. Turnbull.	20

EXTRA SERIES—500 YARDS.

Mr. W. H. Wall.	25
Mr. John Welch, R.N.	25
Gr. Turnbull.	25
Sgt. E. McDougall.	23
Bomb, H. A. Wilson.	23
Gr. R. J. Butler.	23
Sgt. Webster.	22
Mr. Wm. McGregor.	22
Mr. A. G. Waller.	22
Corp. Sharpe.	22
Gr. Cunningham.	20

The most exciting of all the matches, and the one in which the best shooting was done, was reserved for the last. This was the one in which the score made added to that of the grand aggregate, decided as to the ones to be selected to represent the association at Toronto and Ottawa. These mentioned in the grand aggregate, with the exception of Messrs. Steen and Adam, of New

Westminster and Nanaimo, respectively, were eligible to compete in this match, and also some others, whose names have already been given.

OTTAWA AND TORONTO TEAM MATCH.

Restricted to the twenty competitors eligible to the Ottawa team, whose scores in the grand aggregate match shall be the highest; 600, 500 and 200 yards, 7 shots; entrance fee, \$1.00, including sighting shot. Special prize: A gold medal, presented by Lieut.-Col. Wolfenden, ex-president B. C. R. A., to be awarded to the highest score in this particular match. Possible score at each range, 531, total, 1593. Corporal Sloan was the winner of the medal. As may be seen from the foregoing score, excellent shooting was made at the long ranges. Gunner Huston's score at the 600 yards was 5, 5, 4, 5, 5, 4—i.e.: four bull's eyes and two lunars.

As a result of this score added to the general aggregate, the following comprise the Ottawa and Toronto team: Under the new rule civilians from Nanaimo are eligible to compete in Ottawa teams.

Gr. Turnbull, New Westminster.	470
Corp. Sloan.	466
W. H. Wall, Nanaimo.	454
Bomb, H. A. Wilson, Westminster.	415
Gr. S. W. Bodley, Victoria.	441
Sgt. E. McDougall, Victoria.	441
Gr. J. Butler, Victoria.	441
Gr. Cunningham, New Westminster.	430

The next in order are:

Mr. James Slack, Nanaimo.	494
Sgt. W. P. Winsby, Westminster.	491
Gr. W. Huston, New Westminster.	431
Gr. W. Duncan, Victoria.	428
Sgt. W. H. Bailey, Victoria.	425
Corp. W. L. Lettice, Victoria.	422
W. W. B. Melanes, M.P.	418
Mr. R. Watson, Nanaimo.	408
Bomb, F. Richardson, Westminster.	408

As a result of the termination of this match, which was the last one of the meeting, the New Westminster teams were ordered to fall in. Lieut.-Col. Wolfenden before presenting the prizes said that he had never been present at more order, which had given him no trouble and little to do. He was never more pleased with the conduct of all—no ill-feeling or unseemly language of any kind. He took much pleasure in presenting to the captain of the New Westminster team for another season the Laurie bugle, which they had once more won. Calling Corporal Sloan to the front he said he had much pleasure in presenting him with his award, which had won with such an admirable score, and he trusted that he would be long spared to wear it. Captain Fletcher then called upon those present to give three cheers for the New Westminster team, which was most heartily done, as well as a "tiger" at the request of Bomb, Richardson, of Victoria.

This closed one of the most successful meetings yet held, and at a range which cannot be surpassed anywhere. It is intended to add a 1,000 yards range, there being plenty of room to do so.

CRICKET.

ALBIONS VS. VICTORIA.

This match took place on the Albion ground on Saturday, and it being a warm day, it was a very interesting one to both sides. Had the Albions not been equal to the occasion, the Victoria team would have taken the cup this season, but such was not to be the case. Captain Pooley, having won the toss, decided to put his team in first against the bowling of W. York and C. Schwengers, but not one of the batsmen succeeded in making double figures, the total only reaching 23. The Albions then went in, but against the bowling of Goward and Gooch. They also found it hard to score, and W. York was the only one who made double figures, the total for the innings being 34. The Victorians then commenced their second innings, but C. Schwengers were right on the spot with the bowling, and H. B. Robertson was the only man who could do anything with the bowling, carrying his bat for a well earned 17. The Albions then went in for their second innings, and with only 38 to win, made them for the loss of only two wickets. L. York played a fine game for 24, not out. Appended is the score:

VICTORIA.

A. G. Smith, c W. York, b Schwengers.	1
W. York, b Goward, c W. York.	2
W. A. Lobb, b Schwengers.	0
Q. D. Warden, c H. Goward, b W. York.	3
H. B. Robertson, b W. York.	17
W. P. Thomas, run out, b Schwengers.	1
F. W. Thomas, c H. Martin, b York.	0
A. T. Goward, not out.	2
A. T. Goward, c H. Martin, b York.	2
C. E. Pooley, b W. York.	5
C. A. Anderson, b Schwengers.	0
Extras.	2

Total.

A. G. Smith, c W. York, b Schwengers.	2
Q. D. Warden, c Schwenger.	2
S. Holt, b Schwengers.	2
W. A. Lobb, b York.	0
H. B. Robertson, not out.	17
F. W. Thomas, run out.	1
F. W. Thomas, c H. Martin, b York.	0
A. T. Goward, b Schwengers.	0
C. E. Pooley, run out.	0
C. A. Anderson, c H. Martin, b Schwengers.	0
Extras.	1

Total.

ALBIONS.

A. A. Green, c Lobb, b Goward.	2
C. Schwengers, c Thomas, b Lobb.	4
W. York, c Gooch, b Goward.	12
H. Martin, b Lobb.	0
J. Martin, run out.	7
P. Gooch, c Robertson, b Goward.	3
H. Goward, run out.	0
W. Williams, c Anderson, b Goward.	0
R. Swinerton, not out.	1
W. Porter, not out.	1
Extras.	3

Total.

EXCHANGE OF STATIONS.

Dr. Borden Thinks It Will Only Apply to the Canadian Permanent Force.

Montreal, Aug. 2.—Hon. Dr. Borden, minister of militia, is here on the way to Ottawa. He says he knows nothing officially about the reported exchange of stations between Canadian and British troops, but thinks, if true, that it will only apply to the Canadian permanent force, like B. battery and the infantry schools.

BRIEF LOCALS.

Gleanings of City and Provincial News in a Condensed Form.

From Friday's Daily.

—Dier, Davidson & Russell have requested the Times to announce that there is no truth in the report appearing in an eastern paper to the effect that they have recently disposed of a number of claims adjoining the Tin Horn group, Fairview, for \$250,000.

—Mr. George Anderson, Dominion trade commissioner from Japan, will arrive from Vancouver to-morrow. It is probable that he will meet the Board of Trade on Monday. Mr. Anderson leaves by the Empress of India on Monday for Japan.

—Unless the timber royalty is paid before August 23rd the Robson saw mill company's mill will be sold. Notice has been given in the Official Gazette by Mr. R. J. Skinner, timber inspector, that the mill has been seized, and of the sale by public auction, should the royalty not be paid before the date named.

—The Caledonia Consolidated Mining and Smelting Company, of Spokane, gives notice of registration in this week's Official Gazette. The head office of the company for this province is at Rossland. The capital stock is placed at \$500,000. No new British Columbia companies give notice of incorporation this week.

—A number of the employees, both paid and unpaid, of the Jubilee hospital waited on Dr. Richardson, the medical superintendent, who, after seven years' work for the hospital, is now leaving for the gold fields, and presented him with a gift of a watch, in respect in which he has been held by them during his term of office.

—The B. C. Agricultural Association have arranged for an excursion to Agassiz towards the latter part of next month. Arrangements have been made to secure a rate of \$3 for the round trip, and those attending will be able to spend a couple of days at Agassiz, where they will be able to visit the experimental farm.

—Mr. Ireland, the police magistrate of Vernon, is in the city. He is this morning met an old friend in Chief Sheppard, and the chief having been raised in the same suburb in Melbourne, Australia, within a few doors of each other. The chief, who is the elder of the two, knew Mr. Ireland as a boy and also his father, who was one of Melbourne's most prominent criminal lawyers, and the first Australian Q.C.

—Prof. Prince, Dominion fisheries commissioner, has been inspecting the oyster beds that were planted at Chemainus last year with Atlantic oysters. Prof. Prince will also see the lobster traps that were planted on the coast near Nanaimo. The professor will return to the Mainland in time to attend the big meeting of fishermen that has been arranged for at Steveston on Saturday afternoon.

—The appended list of guests have been invited to dine with His Worship Mayor Reid this evening: Ald. W. A. Lobb, Ald. P. Gooch, Ald. H. A. Hall, Ald. J. G. Goward, Ald. Kinsman, Mr. Farquhar Macrae, Mr. F. B. Hall, Dr. J. D. Helcken, Mr. W. J. Taylor, Mr. R. Cassidy, Mr. C. D. Macdonald, Mr. C. H. Langley, Mr. W. Thompson and Mr. A. H. Scaife.

—Andrew F. Burleigh, formerly receiver of the Northern Pacific, and a prominent lawyer of Seattle, W. A. Burleigh, also of Seattle, and Phocion Hayward, of Washington, are at the Grand Hotel. They leave this evening for the West Coast, where Mr. Burleigh will inspect some mines. Mr. Burleigh is on the staff of the Washington bureau of the New York Sun. Last year he "wrote up" the Kootenay country for the Sun. He is taking the present trip simply for pleasure.

—At a meeting of the members of the Law Society to-day Hon. T. M. Daly of Rossland and Mr. C. W. Ireland, of Vernon, were called to the bar to admit to solicitors. They were afterwards presented to the full court by Mr. Pooley, the treasurer of the society, and sworn in. Edgar Bloomfield, Vancouver, Harry G. Lawson, T. E. Pooley and J. P. Thomas, Victoria, and H. B. Robertson, New Westminster, have passed the intermediate law examination.

—The mysterious wandering balloon whatever it is that is flitting through the sky is attracting a great deal of attention. It seems to be a traveller, or one day it was seen over the Strait of Juan de Fuca, and on another at Kamloops and in many other places in British Columbia, and now it again makes its appearance over Victoria. The last observers of the strange thing are Mrs. Arthur Beaulieu, and a friend, who saw it of Wednesday evening floating high in the air over the city, travelling from the southeast towards the north. Both ladies stood watching the brilliant travelling light until it passed from their vision and disappeared in the distance.

—Mr. and Mrs. Cocking, Mr. W. R. Blythe and Miss C. Thomas, of Nanaimo, who are in the city, were in a slight smash-up on the Northern Pacific Railway at Kalama on Wednesday. Mrs. Cocking was the only one injured. The accident occurred just after the two sections of overland train No. 2 were being put together after being taken off the ferry boat. The tourist and Pullman sleepers had been pulled off the train, and the baggage cars by the regular engine. While backing up to make the coupling the engineer on the regular engine gave too much impetus, with the result that when the baggage car struck the tourist sleeper it smashed through the end, shaking up the passengers severely. The force of the concussion broke the forward chandelier, which fell on the head of Mrs. Cocking, bruising that member painfully and nearly breaking it. Mrs. Wiley, of Colorado Springs, was shaken up considerably, receiving several bruises about the arms, while Mrs. Carleton and Mrs. Blythe, was thrown against a seat, receiving

a painful injury to her back. A physician was summoned at once and the ladies' injuries attended to.

—The veteran firemen of San Francisco are arranging for an excursion to this city between August 15th and September 1st. The party will number about 100.

—Two of British Columbia's representatives at the jubilee celebration held in London, England, Gunnar Scott and Sgt. Worsnop, passed through Winnipeg on their way home.

—A son of Mr. Seth Chamberlain, of the Oriental Hotel, was thrown from a carriage to-day and received some very severe bruises on the head, which, it is feared, may result in concussion of the brain.

—Walter Poole has been appointed a constable of the provincial police for Metochin and Sooke districts.

—Frank Verdier, foreman of the Shawinigan Lake saw mill, was married this morning to Miss St. Louis, also of Shawinigan Lake. The wedding was celebrated at St. Andrew's R. C. Cathedral.

—The plans have been completed by Architects T. H. and J. E. for a fine two-story brick store to be erected for Mr. D. Spencer on the site of their present frame establishment, Victoria Crescent; Nanaimo.

—On the Danube to-morrow a mail will be sent up for the Yukon country, in charge of Louis Couture, of Barrie, Ont., who arrived here last evening. The mail, which will include letters only, as a matter of course—will close this evening at 8 o'clock. It is expected that this mail package will weigh 70 pounds, and will be taken by Mr. Couture through to Dawson City and Forty-Mile Creek.

—A meeting of the Jubilee hospital board was held yesterday, when the resignation of Dr. Richardson was accepted and arrangements made to advertise for a successor. Dr. Hart will act until a successor is appointed. The successful tenderers for supplies were: Fell & Co., groceries; L. Dickson, bread; L. Goudreau, meat; E. P. Miller, milk; J. Limes, scavenging; Langley & Henderson Bros., drugs. Mr. J. S. Yates will continue to act as secretary until the report of the committee formed to define the duties of the secretary and the duties of the members of the board for that position will be considered until then.

—Charles Vincent, who with four of his comrades, George Johnson, Robert Corner, Milton Christie and Frank Lawson, was left on the Queen Charlotte Islands by the sealing schooner Mary Ellen when she returned to Victoria, was a passenger on the Princess Louise, which arrived yesterday evening. He and his companions stayed on the islands with the intention of hunting sea otters, but the southeast blowing regularly every day, that they were unable to capture one. The otter hunting was therefore a complete failure. The weather up north, Mr. Vincent says, has been very bad and during the last month the sun was scarcely seen.

—Mr. Thomas Tait has just arrived from the Yukon. He came down by way of Hazelton and Skeena, and brings news of the work of Mr. C. Bentley-Jones, who is superintending the repairs to the old trail to the mines and expels the natives from the old trail to Manson Creek. The route decided upon for the new trail is a decided improvement on the old one, as the country through which it passes is practically level. There are a few swamps, but they will be drained. This trail will also save many miles of hard packing over the hills. The weather has been almost unendurable in that part of the country of late, as heavy rain has fallen locally, and great discomfort is experienced by the workmen as a result of the attacks of innumerable flies and mosquitoes.

From Monday's Daily.

—Walter Kurtz and Miss Alice Gossnell were married last week by Rev. J. C. Speer.

—Deer hunting commenced yesterday and the woods along the line of the E. & N. railway were full of hunters. Quite a number of deer were brought home.

—During the Miowera's passage from Honolulu one of the passengers was robbed of \$27. A thorough search was made of the ship, but no money was found. The robbery was not reported to the police upon the arrival of the steamer here.

—Four tons of new potatoes were shipped from Sidney by the train this morning. Crops are reported good this year in the Spanish settlements, with the exception of apples. Hops have turned out well, but some of last year's crops are said to be yet on hand, unsold.

—Advices received from Honolulu by the Miowera are to the effect that H. M. S. Penguin, which has been engaged in surveying for the Pacific cable, arrived at the Hawaiian capital on July 21st. The Penguin had been surveying between Honolulu and Sydney for three months.

—Twenty-five workmen went from the city this morning by train to Elk Lake on behalf of the city council, to set in order the filter beds and other portions of the waterworks which may require to be operated upon. A carload of cement was also sent out to the waterworks this morning, consisting of 90 barrels, weighing about eighteen tons.

—B. Winterbotham, according to his own confession a professional thief, was this morning committed for trial on the charge of helping himself to \$100 worth of jewellery and \$60 in cash belonging to Miss Jenkins, of 48 Douglas street, and some other articles of clothing and trinkets belonging to a gentleman who had fallen ill at the residence of Mrs. Cocking, building that member painfully and nearly breaking it. Mrs. Wiley, of Colorado Springs, was shaken up considerably, receiving several bruises about the arms, while Mrs. Carleton and Mrs. Blythe, was thrown against a seat, receiving

few hours he and Detective Palmer traced the stolen property and the thief. Early Sunday morning Winterbotham was arrested and confessed that he was the man.

—Mr. Geo. P. Colly, who ten years ago lectured in this city for several weeks at Harmony Hall, View street, on spiritualism, intends to return on August 5th. The British Columbia Society of Spiritualists have engaged with Mr. Colly to deliver a course of inspirational lectures, of which due notice will be given.

—The customs returns for July follow: Imports, free \$2,504.23; Imports, dutiable \$48,948.02; Other revenues \$2,946.59.

Total \$53,864.12; Exports, Produce of Canada \$68,504.00; Exports, Not Produce of Canada \$329.

Total \$162,093.

—A charge having been preferred against Captain Collier, hull inspector, by several ship carpenters, Captain Gaudin, agent of marine and fisheries, has been commissioned to make an investigation and report the facts to the department. The charge is, in effect, that Captain Collier has abused his position by intimating to employers that certain mechanics should not be employed on vessels which, subsequently, he was called upon to inspect, and that the employers, fearing the displeasure of the officials, dismissed such employees.

—The investigation will be opened on Wednesday. The complainants are understood to be ship carpenters and vessel owners. The inspector is not accused of political partisanship.

MYSTERIOUS VISITOR.

Brilliant Object Seen at Sidney and at Goldstream.

That illuminated aerial visitor that has been mystifying the people of the North-west for several months past has made two recent appearances near Victoria. Three ladies camping at Sidney a few nights ago saw it and watched it for half an hour. It appeared to be directly over Salt Spring Island, and moving slowly to the north. One lady described it as a red column of fire apparently 50 feet long.

On Sunday morning about 2 o'clock it was seen by Messrs. Tait, Young and Wolfenden, who were camped near Goldstream. It seemed to rise from Mount Skirm and worked in a northwesterly direction over the Goldstream railway station. The three men watched it until daylight, when it disappeared. It was shaped like a balloon, but it was lighter more brilliantly than it would be possible to light a balloon. The light was the color of an electric light, and the object was steady, throwing out rays. It was very high. From the description the object would appear to be a visitor from the skies. It was not affected by the wind.

THE DENOUNCED TREATIES.

Much Excitement in Brussels Over the News—Premier, Reil's Views.

Brussels, Aug. 2.—"Le Soir" publishes a special edition announcing that the British government has denounced the commercial treaty with Belgium. The announcement caused much excitement. Premier Reil, of the Belgian cabinet, New South Wales, is here. He said, regarding the action of the British government on the German treaty: "It is in harmony with a resolution unanimously agreed to in the conference of the colonial premiers with Mr. Chamberlain. We agreed, and I think I am using almost the exact words of the resolution, when I said this, that no commercial treaty should infringe the right of self-governing colonies of the empire to frame their fiscal policies. Consequently in denouncing the treaties which do interfere with those rights, the British government is really acting in harmony with and in response to the views of the colonies." He further said: "Mr. Laurier is a splendid fellow. We are all delighted to see him there, a French-Canadian, so loyal to the British crown, and speaking with such evident sincerity."

THE SCHEMING SULTAN.

Powers May Be Compelled To Issue Another Ultimatum.

Constantinople, Aug. 2.—From present indications the powers will be compelled to send another ultimatum to Turkey. When Tewfik Pasha, the Turkish minister for foreign affairs, presented his amendments to all the articles of the peace treaty, a previously suggested action, it came as a surprise to the ambassadors, and is regarded as meaning a delay of two or three weeks in signing the preliminaries for peace.

Paris, Aug. 2.—A special dispatch received here from Constantinople says that the ambassadors are determined to maintain the wording of their draft of the treaty of peace without change.

GRAVE CHARGES PREFERRED.

The Boers Said To Have Supplied the Matabele With Ammunition.

London, Aug. 2.—The correspondent of the Daily Telegraph at Johannesburg says: "Grave charges are being formulated against the Boers. The first is that of supplying the Matabele, before and after their Jamestown raid, with large quantities of guns and ammunition bearing the stamp of the Transvaal government. The second charge is that several high Boer officials, while the reformers were in prison, lent large sums of money, amounting to \$35,000 from the reform committee or its members."

Boys, July 31.—The devastating cause by the floods in Sitch is widespread. Nothing like it has occurred in that district for centuries. The loss has already reached many millions of marks, and it is estimated that a hundred persons were drowned.

THE DANUBE SAILS