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Britain Defied

By the Self-Proclaimed Sultan of Zanzibar.

The Usurper Notified That He Must Surrender at Once.

Serious Rioting in Constantinople Charged to the Armenians.

Mr. and Mrs. Chamberlain on Their Way to America—The Trouble in Brazil.

TURKS REPULSED.
Athens, Aug. 27.—A body of Turks on Tuesday made an attack upon the Cretans at Malevizi, but were repulsed, losing 40 of their number killed, and 20 wounded.

TROUBLE IN CONSTANTINOPLE.
Constantinople, Aug. 27.—Very serious rioting occurred here yesterday, provoked by the Armenians. Many were killed. The bank promises in Galata and Constantinople were attacked.

NO TRACE OF WHITEHEAD.
Skibbereen, Ireland, Aug. 27.—Although searching parties are still scouring the country in this vicinity, in search of Albert George Whitehead, the recently liberated Irish-American dynamite, who escaped from the home of his relatives in this place, no trace of him has been found, and it is now believed that he has committed suicide.

DASTARDLY OUTRAGE.
London, Aug. 27.—A dispatch to the Telegraph from Lorenzo Marquez says the authorities at the naval station recently deliberately fired on a party of Transvaal visitors, who were traveling to the Cape. Although fatally wounding a Mrs. Landsburg, the consul representing the Transvaal Government has demanded that an inquiry be made into the affair.

WHOLESALE LOCK-OUT THREATENED.
Glasgow, Aug. 27.—The strike of the engineers in the shipyards at Govan on the Clyde has decided the English, Scotch and Irish shipbuilding masters to force the situation, and it is therefore resolved that unless the Govan strikers surrender forthwith, a wholesale lock-out will be declared in the Clyde, Belfast and Tyne shipyards.

MR. AND MRS. CHAMBERLAIN COMING.
London, Aug. 27.—Right Hon. Joseph Chamberlain, accompanied by Mrs. Chamberlain, sailed for New York yesterday on the Teutonic. Although the arrangements for the departure of Mr. and Mrs. Chamberlain had been made with the greatest secrecy, a large crowd was in waiting when the Secretary and his wife reached the landing stage at Liverpool, and cheered them heartily.

THE TROUBLE IN BRAZIL.
London, Aug. 27.—The Times prints a dispatch from Rio de Janeiro, saying that quiet has been restored in Rio de Janeiro, and that the disorders in Rio de Janeiro, which have been the cause of a conflict between the police and the populace, in which a few persons were injured. The trouble was brought about by mobs seeking to attack a number of Italians. The latter tried to avoid the conflict, and behaved themselves peacefully. The whole trouble is due to Brazilian demagogues. The diplomatic questions are awaiting the decision of the Italian Government.

In view of the troubles now existing between Italy and Brazil, the Italian Government has ordered the suspension of emigration of Italians to the latter country.

BRITAIN DEFIED.
Zanzibar, Aug. 27.—Shortly after Said Kalid had seized the palace and proclaimed himself Sultan, he was advised by the British consul in the interest of public order to disarm the force of seven hundred Askaris whose assistance enabled him to obtain possession of the palace. The usurping Sultan refused to accept this advice, and the guns in the palace square were turned upon the British warships, Philomel, Thrush and Sparrow, which are lying in the harbor.

The warships are awaiting orders which will determine their course of action. Rear Admiral Harry H. Rawson, commanding the British Cape and West African squadron, has arrived here on board his flagship, the St. George, accompanied by the torpedo cruiser Raccoon, and landed 500 marines, in addition to the force of sailors and marines landed.

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by the British warships Philomel, Thrush and Sparrow. Admiral Rawson has instructions to act under orders of the British consul. An ultimatum was sent to Said Kalid, informing him that unless he strikes his flag and makes a complete surrender by 9 o'clock this morning the palace will be bombarded. All of the British residents of the town have been requested to go on board the warships lying in the harbor by 8 o'clock in the morning. The force under control of Said Kalid numbers 2,500 men, all well armed. The consensus of opinion is that the action of Said Kalid has furnished a favorable occasion for the hoisting of the British flag and the abolition of the Arab rule and slavery.

The belief is quite general here that the death of the late Sultan was caused by poison.

SPAIN'S SINEWS OF WAR.

Madrid, Aug. 27.—The Epoca says that in consequence of the adoption by the Chamber of the bills providing for the farming of the tobacco monopoly and the leasing of the Almaden silver mines, the Government has sufficient resources with which to continue the prosecution of the campaign against the insurgents in Cuba, therefore the raising of a loan has been postponed.

THE TROUBLE IN CONSTANTINOPLE.

Constantinople, Aug. 27.—The officials of the Ottoman Bank say that none of the staff were injured during the rioting here yesterday, and the bank was not robbed.

Official dispatches received in Paris from Constantinople say that the French charge d'affaires there has installed a guard of sailors from the French guardship Lafecache at the French embassy as a measure of precaution. The French Government will immediately dispatch a second gunboat to Constantinople.

COLLISION ON A CURVE.

Engine and Seven Cars Smashed—Trainmen Fatally Hurt.

Welch, W. Va., Aug. 27.—At Dunlow yesterday the pay train on the Norfolk and Western Railroad ran into a fast freight at a curve, completely wrecking the pay train and the engine and seven cars of the freight. Fireman Vance, of the pay train, was fatally hurt, and Engineer Floyd Turner, of the freight, was hardly recovered. All traffic was delayed six hours.

Sparks From the Wire.

The Bank of England sold \$340,000 in gold bars for export to the United States.

Edward Smart, the brakeman injured at the Bathurst street (Toronto) crossing of the Grand Trunk, died in the hospital at an early hour this morning.

There is a serious split in the Independent Foresters of Quebec over a dispute between the English and French members on the question of the offices.

GRIMSBY PARK.

St. Catharines, Aug. 27.—The annual meeting of the stockholders of this park was held yesterday, when the report for the past year was presented and adopted. It was shown that the financial position was good, the attendance at the park was larger than the previous year, and the programme of lectures, concerts and entertainments of every class was admitted to be in advance of previous years. The retiring directors received the thanks of the shareholders and the following board was elected for 1896 and 1897: Noah Phelps, Merritt, president; A. Burns, L.L.D., Hamilton, and Edward Galley, vice-presidents; N. C. Wilkinson, secretary; N. A. Brown, Hamilton, treasurer; Rev. John Philp, Hamilton; Rev. J. V. Smith, D.D., Hamilton; J. B. Bowlsough, Grimsby; Rev. R. Burns, Hamilton; Rev. E. B. Stevenson, Burlington; C. M. Gorton, St. Catharines.

HEAVY FRUIT SHIPMENTS.

Leamington, Aug. 27.—Shipments of peaches and pears are now in full swing an average of 3,000 baskets per day being moved by the Canadian Express Company, through cars being run by that company from the fruit section to London, Hamilton, Toronto and Montreal. Shippers and others interested have only good words for the manner in which their business is handled. The early crop has held up fairly well, but late Crowsfoot show a decided falling off as against last season.

MANITOBA'S CROPS.
The Manitoba crop bulletin for August estimates the total wheat yield at 18,565,198 bushels; oats, 16,533,222 bushels, and barley at 2,598,460 bushels.

A C. P. R. CONDUCTOR

After Two Years' Misery Was Cured by Ten Boxes of Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Prescott, Aug. 24.—For a long time much sympathy had been felt and expressed for Mr. Wm. Freeman, a very popular conductor of the C.P.R., who had been rendered unfit for duty during the last few years by a peculiar and distressing form of kidney disease. It now transpires, much to the delight of his friends, that he has been enabled to resume his regular trips. He claims, as the result of using only ten boxes of Dodd's Kidney Pills, that he has entirely recovered, and that he never felt better in his life, and believes that these Pills have cured him to stay cured.

Piles! Piles! Itching Piles!

SYMPTOMS—Moisture; intense itching and stinging, mostly at night; worse by scratching. If allowed to continue, tumors form, which often bleed and ulcerate, becoming very sore. Swayne's Ointment stops the itching and bleeding, heals ulceration, and in most cases removes the tumors. All druggists, or by mail, 50 cents. Dr. Swayne & Son, Philadelphia. Lyman Sons & Co., Montreal, wholesale agents.

The members of the Canadian Medical Association are meeting in annual session in Montreal. Dr. T. G. Roddick, M.P., in opening the proceedings, referred to the honor which had been done to Canada by the British Medical Association in selecting Montreal for its next meeting place and electing himself as its president.

LIFE SAVED.—Mr. James Bryson Cameron writes: "I was confined to my bed with inflammation of the lungs, and was given up by physicians. A neighbor advised me to try Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil, stating that his wife had used it for a throat trouble with the best results. I followed this advice, I procured the medicine and less than half a bottle cured me. I certainly believed it saved my life. It was with reluctance that I consented to a trial, as I was reduced to such a state that I doubted the power of any remedy to do me any good."

Cost Him a "V."

E. Justin Fined for Assaulting Mrs. Paladino.

The Trouble Arose Over Some Chickens on the Market.

At the Police Court this morning there was an interesting case in which E. Justin was charged by Mrs. Paladino, of 133 Queen's avenue, with assault. Mrs. Paladino has been a resident here for 22 years.

In the box she told her story as follows: She went down to the market on Tuesday last to buy some chickens. Mr. Justin was at the wagon on buying some, too. He had three in his hand, and was about to pay for them. The farmer took a pair left and Mrs. Paladino looked at them and made some remarks about them. Mr. Justin then spoke up, and said "Well, Mistress, if you don't like them, don't buy them." Mrs. Paladino said her remarks were not addressed to him, and told him to mind his own business. She said Justin called her a bad woman, and she told him not to talk saucy to her. He called her some names and said he would break her nose. She was then on his shoulder, and then he struck her with the chickens, and knocked her parrot out of her hand and bruised her face. When Justin went to pick it up, Justin gave her a kick which necessitated the attendance of a doctor.

Josephine Paladino, her little daughter, corroborated this statement in every particular, as did also Walter Brown, of lot 23, con. 3, of London township, and Geo. Plaxton, of lot 6, con. 3, of Delaware.

Mr. Justin's story was that he had told her not to take them if she didn't like them, because she was finding fault with him. He said she threatened to slap his mouth, and he told her that if she did he would probably hit her back. When she struck him he just tossed the chicken round her neck, and that was the end of it. Justin gave her a kick which necessitated the attendance of a doctor. Josephine Paladino, her little daughter, corroborated this statement in every particular, as did also Walter Brown, of lot 23, con. 3, of London township, and Geo. Plaxton, of lot 6, con. 3, of Delaware.

Mr. McEvoy—I certainly did, and it was my right to do it.

Mr. Justin—Well, I don't think any gentleman would do it.

Here the magistrate and everybody laughed.

The P. M. said that, leaving out all the evidence, and simply taking the statement of Justin, he was satisfied that an assault had been proven. He fined Justin \$5, without costs, beyond the witness fees.

David Livingston, of London, was fined \$2 or three days in jail. He took the latter.

Fred Lyons, who has been up two or three times, was discharged. P. McPhillips appeared for him.

POLICE COMMISSIONERS.

Miss Hayes, Claim for Damages Thrown Out—Dr. Bolton Appointed—Police-man at Springfield.

The Board of Police Commissioners met in the office of the chief of police this morning. There were present Judge Wm. Elliot, Magistrate Parke, Mayor Little and Chief Williams, who acted as secretary.

Several communications were read. Among these was one from Miss Annie Hayes, asking for damages for injuries sustained by the patrol wagon coming in contact with a buggy in which she was riding. It was filed.

A communication from the Board of Water Commissioners was read respecting the plan of the water section at Springfield. The chief explained that this had been done, and that it would be continued. A man had been placed there, in which their blood had been increased according to the crowd.

A letter was read from the demonstration committee of the Trades and Labor Council, requesting that a detachment of police be allowed to take part in the demonstration on Labor Day. The chief said it was not customary for police to take part in parades of any kind, but that a sufficient number of policemen would be detailed to preserve order.

Dr. Bolton was requested to succeed Dr. Brown as police examiner by a unanimous vote.

Accounts were passed for about \$1,000. Of this amount \$700 is for clothing the police force. The account is one from Denton & Deeks.

The Summer Holidays.

The Happy Vacation Season in Full Swing—Those Who are Enjoying It.

Miss Maggie Kelly, of Elias street, is visiting friends in Windsor.

Mrs. Orchard, of Shelden, Ont., is the guest of Mrs. Henry Davis, King street.

Miss Jean McLennan, of East Saginaw, Mich., has returned home from visiting relatives in London.

Mr. Lewis Vandergrift, of Buffalo; Ed Fyle, of Guelph, Ont., and Mr. and Mrs. Websterbaum, of this city, were taking the baths at the London Sanatorium, 320 Dundas street.

Wm. McBride, of Chattanooga, Tenn., who has been attending the Grand Lodge of the Knights of Pythias at Cleveland, is now spending his holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McBride, 555 William street, city.

Have You Thought of It?
For four thousand years or more the world groaned, suffered and mourned about its corns, for there was no positive relief—no certain and painless cure. It was until Dr. Scott's Putnam gave the world his great Corn Extractor. If there is suffering now it is a result of carelessness, for the remedy is at hand. It is sure, painless and prompt. Beware of substitutes.

While eastern farmers are bemoaning the low market for potatoes again this year, potatoes are selling at Dailies, Ore., at 1-2 cents a pound, and at Roseburg at 2-1-2 cents a pound.

You cannot say that you have tried everything for your rheumatism, until you have tried Scott's Putnam. Hundreds have been cured of the complaint by the use of these pills alone. They were admitted on exhibition at the World's Fair as a standard cathartic.

Alerts' Hard Luck.

Their Latest Acquisition Leaves Them—New Pitchers Expected.

Hard Luck Still Pursues the Alert Baseball Club Manager.

Hard Luck still pursues the Alert Baseball Club. Manager Sippi thought he had found a worthy successor to Fisher in Carl Jacobs, who pitched his first game on Tuesday against Guelph. Now another hope is shattered. Jacobs received word yesterday that his father was seriously ill at Albion, Mich., and he left for there at once. It is unlikely that he will return this season. The Alerts have been daily expecting Pitcher Morse, of the Lewiston, Me., Clubing Mostly sent to him to be coming, but he appears to have been lost by the wayside. Unless he shows up the Alerts will have to again take to the woods—Albert Woods. They play in Hamilton tomorrow. The management is making desperate attempts to secure a good twirler.

The Alerts have arranged to play the Detroit Athletic Club two games in London on Labor Day, Sept. 7.

A Building Batch.

A Number of Permits Taken Out at the Engineer's Office.

An Addition to the Bennett Works—The Robinson Warehouse—Other Buildings.

A batch of building permits was taken out at the city engineer's office this morning, another indication of activity in that line this fall.

The Bennett Furniture Manufacturing Company secured a permit for a \$2,000 brick addition to their factory in the East End. It will be 66x63 feet in dimensions, and two stories in height. The addition is necessary to meet the company's increasing trade, their market being mostly in Europe. Thomas Robinson, Sons & Co., of Hartlepool, England, have taken out the permit, through Mr. H. C. McBride, for their brick warehouse on Bathurst street, between William and Adelaide street, of which extended mention was made in last night's Advertiser.

Mr. George Robinson took out a permit for two brick houses on Richmond street, north of Oxford. The architect is Mr. McBride.

Mr. Wm. Wm. King street, has a permit for alterations to his dwelling house, corner York and Maitland streets. Moore & Henry are the architects.

Mr. John Mills, Charlotte street, will erect a brick veneer cottage. Estimated cost \$600.

Mrs. Strongman has also secured a permit for a two-story brick house, on Colborne street. Mr. McBride is the architect.

GOLD, GOLD, GOLD!

Democrats Denounce the Party's Chicago Platform.

Philadelphia, Aug. 27.—Pennsylvania gold Democrats have chosen delegates to Indianapolis, named Presidential electors, and taken a fall out of the platform, which it denounced in unmeasured terms. They call themselves the "Jeffersonian party."

Des Moines, Ia., Aug. 27.—The National Democratic Convention completed its work here yesterday by selecting delegates to the Indianapolis convention. The platform charges that the Chicago convention "surrendered its national character to a combination of the West and South as against the East and the North," and that it was based on the "threat to debase the currency."

St. Louis, Mo., Aug. 27.—The gold standard Democrats of Missouri met in convention yesterday. The committee on resolutions reported a platform which reaffirmed the Democratic platform of 1892, indorses President Cleveland's administration, protests against a currency which would ruin the country, and declares for the use of gold and silver as standard money.

The gold Democrats of Wisconsin, Michigan, Maryland and other States have taken a similar course.

Saratoga, N. Y., Aug. 27.—The Republican convention voted down a motion to adjourn, and proceeded to ballot for Lieutenant-governor. Timothy Woodruff, of Brooklyn, was nominated for lieutenant-governor, and Judge Irving C. Vannoy, of Syracuse, for Court of Appeals judge.

NO ASSETS.

The Sensational Failure in Chicago—Bad Showing for the Moore Bros.

Chicago, Aug. 27.—The special committee appointed by the Stock Exchange some time ago to make an investigation into the failure of W. H. & A. J. Moore, the Monroe street lawyers, who attempted to run a corner in the stocks of Diamond Match and New York Biscuit Company, has made its report. A thorough investigation of the books of the two manipulators of the big deal has failed to bring to light any tangible assets, whatever. The most important fact disclosed by the report is that \$755,000 of Diamond Match funds were used without authority as margins in the speculative purchase of Diamond Match stock.

The report fully establishes the fact that there was a pool of wealthy men behind the Moore brothers in the match deal, and it holds out the distant hope that members of the pool can be forced to assume a full share of responsibility to brokers and others on account of the deal. Not only has the entire surplus of the match company been practically wiped out, but there is a loss of more than \$1,000,000 on the stock carried by the pool.

THERE is not a more dangerous class of disorders than those which affect the breathing organs. Nullify this danger with Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil—a pulmonary of acknowledged efficacy. It cures soreness and lameness when applied externally, as well as swelled neck and crick in the back; and, as an inward specific, possesses some substantial claims to public confidence.

Apples are so abundant in Maine this season that fine red astrachans are being given to cattle in the neighborhood of Lewiston. The apples are being given to the cattle in the neighborhood of Lewiston. The apples are being given to the cattle in the neighborhood of Lewiston.

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FALL
DRESS
GOODS

New Fall Dress Goods Novelties are arriving daily. They are going out daily, too. Customers are delighted with the exquisite patterns and colorings, and are showing their appreciation by taking them home with them. Some elegant costume dresses have just been opened up. They are too handsome to describe in print. Even the clerks in the store never saw anything like them, and they have handled some pretty nice articles. If you want to get the nicest buy first—be among the earliest purchasers.

FEATHER
BOAS

We have recently opened up a case of Ostrich Feather Boas—the newest thing in neckwear for ladies. Comfortable and fashionable. You'll buy them if you see them. Prices range from \$1.25 to \$10. Real elegance and comfort combined. Remember they're Ostrich. Your choice of colors—white or white and black.

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MILLINERY
STYLES

We are getting busy again in our Millinery Department. The new styles are doing it. Latest ideas from Paris as shown by us usually bring the ladies down town on a tour of inspection. Our styles will be found equal to the occasion. New Walking Hats, Feathers, Flowers and If you buy while the assortment is at its best you'll be wise.

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Come just as you are. Don't delay. The price is down, and the number of pieces is limited. Bound to sell at the price, which is lower than was ever known before. Canadian manufacturers of Flannelette want to close up a new industry, and to do so quickly they have lowered the price to the cost of production. That's why you had better buy now while it's at

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Has London Reached a Limit?

The Census Shows That It Is Falling Behind the Country's Growth.

The result of the recent census shows that during the last five years the population of London has increased somewhat less rapidly than it did in the previous ten—1881-1891. The number of people turned out to be some 15,000 below the estimate formed on the basis of 1891. The difference is small, but important, as it shows that the previous fall in the rate of increase is maintained. The population is growing at a less and less rapid pace. At the beginning of the century it used to increase by more than 20 per cent in the ten years between successive censuses in 1881-1891, that rate had fallen to 10.4 per cent, the lowest on record; and now it is still less. This movement is not part of a general decline, it is peculiar to London, and seems to indicate that the huge overgrowth of the metropolis has begun to cure itself. The "wen" has passed its zenith in relation to the rest of the country, and now represents a diminishing proportion of the whole population. Hitherto—that is, up to 1881—although London was growing at a less rapid pace than it had once done, it nevertheless kept continuously ahead of the rest of the country, and decade after decade claimed a larger share of the total population. Thus, in the year 1801, out of every 100 persons in England and Wales, 16.78 lived in London; in 1881, out of every 100, no fewer than 14.69 lived in London; the proportion has risen steadily with every successive census. But by 1891 the ebullient had been turned, and for the first time on record the London share showed a fall, slight, but significant. The provinces are now increasing faster than the metropolis.

Whether this has taken place in obedience to a true demographic law, or whether it is due to accidental causes, we have not yet sufficient data to determine; but there are reasons for thinking that the present point has been reached by a continuous and regular process of very long duration, and that it was mathematically certain that a time would come when the increase of the general population would overtake that of the metropolis. No town can go on growing indefinitely, and even London—monstrous as it is—has not fulfilled the expectations of earlier statisticians. Two hundred years ago it appeared to be growing so fast that Sir William Petty, one of the earliest pioneers in geographical research, reckoned that by 1840 the population would reach ten millions, supposing it to continue at the same rate. He thought, however, that a natural limit would be reached before then, and placed it in the year 1800, by which time he calculated London would contain something over five million inhabitants, and the rest of England only four and a half. He was very nearly right about the total, which actually was about nine millions, but London only accounted for one of them. Since then it has nearly reached the maximum, which, curiously enough, seems likely to prove a real natural limit.

A growing number of persons who used to live in town now make their homes altogether outside the outermost ring, in the home counties, and still further away at the seaside. They have their work in town and come up every day or perhaps two or three times a week, so that from a business point of view there has not been the same check to the growth of London, and if a day census were taken the results would probably be different. However, these people have taken their families to live elsewhere, and have so far diminished the population.

Again, immigration from the country has certainly been checked of late years. It appears to have been most active in the '70s, during the great boom of prosperity which passed over

England, and to have fallen off in the adverse times which followed. This fact suggests the conclusion that the rural population has been attracted rather than driven into the towns. Put together apart from this question of migration, a second explanation of the slower increase is to be found in the falling birth rate which is very clearly brought out in the recently issued annual report of the medical officer to the county council. For the four years 1891-94 the average birth rate was 35.2 for the four years 1891-94 it was only 30.9. There has been a gradual and almost continual fall from year to year, which has not been counterbalanced by the simultaneous but slight fall in the death rate from 22.7 to 19.3. Fewer people die in proportion to the population, but still fewer are born. This is explained by the increasing disinclination to marry. The marriage rates for the two periods contrasted above were 19.6 and 17.3 respectively. Here again the fall has been steady, and may be taken to mean not merely bad trade but growing habits of prudence. During the last five years there has been a marked diminution of the proportion of minors married, both male and female. Such marriages were most frequent in London in the decade 1881-90. The following table shows the movement:

Marriages of minor per cent of total marriages:

	Males.	Females.
1881-90	5.53	18.91
1891	4.88	17.45
1892	5.15	16.80
1893	4.75	16.80
1894	4.69	16.80

Those who believe that early marriages are an important cause of poverty will be glad to know that the mean age at marriage has been steadily rising in England and Wales since 1873.—St. James' Gazette.

COAL PRICES GO UP.

Philadelphia, Pa., Aug. 27.—The Reading Company has issued a circular advancing the price of anthracite coal 25 cents per ton at tidewater points. It is supposed that the prices of coal for delivery in this city and vicinity will also be advanced.

The 99th annual meeting of the Canadian Medical Association began in Montreal this morning. About 150 members are expected to attend.

TWO CHILDREN BURNED TO DEATH.
Lake, Mich., Aug. 27.—A house occupied by a Mr. Robins at Brinton, ten miles south of here, was destroyed by fire yesterday. Mr. Robins built a fire in the cook stove and went to a neighbor's, leaving two children under 3 years old in bed. Both were burned to death.

CAUGHT A RUNAWAY ENGINE.

Louisville, Aug. 27.—While engine 101 was being coaled up in the yard here yesterday afternoon a lever slipped and it ran away. No one was on it, and it could not be caught. It dashed out for the Louisville and Nashville main track, and barely missed the fast New Orleans train at the "Y" south of this city. The engineer got another engine and chased it on the double track for ten miles before it was caught. He then jumped on the tender and got control. It had 40 pounds of steam on.

IT IS now believed that the whooping cough is a germ disease. Describing the germ, the Medical Record says it is characterized by a fine granular protoplasm and great capability of movement. "As the organism grows," says the Record, "it attains considerable size, large, bright spores appearing in its body, arranging