

sive principle, a merchant vessel in a foreign port is in the local jurisdiction of the country with respect to offenses or offenders against the laws thereof, and an orderly demand for surrender of a person accused of crime by due process of law, with the exhibition of a warrant of arrest in the hands of regularly accredited officers of law, may not be disregarded or resisted by the master of a ship. Arbitrary attempts to capture a passenger by force may call for disavowal when resort to violence endangers the lives of innocent people and property of a friendly nation. Whether, if force be threatened the master of a vessel is justified in putting in jeopardy by his resistance, the interests confided to his care, must be largely a question for his discretion. That passengers may have come on board at a port where the demand is made or at another port of the same country is immaterial to the right of jurisdiction. The secretary concludes with an admonition to American merchant captains to permit the orderly operation of law in foreign ports on their ships and thus avoid the application for asylum of refugees and occasions for the exhibition of arbitrary force against their ships.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 17.—The first experiment, ever made in the telegraphing of pictures for a long distance was made by the *Call* last night when an outline picture of the entry of the queen of the fiesta at Los Angeles was wired from that place to this city. The experiment was successful. Charles Willoughby of this city, is the inventor of the scheme.

The inventor believes his idea to be most valuable in newspaper work or in the police or secret services. If the success of the process is demonstrated he will establish agencies in this city, Chicago, New York and Washington. A good picture, he says, can be sent at the cost of and in about the space of 250 words. It should be by an expert, and, if not too elaborate, take no longer than half an hour to send and reproduce a drawing.

The picture is drawn originally upon a paper ruled off into small squares, each about one-tenth of an inch in diameter. Each vertical line is numbered along the upper margin, and each horizontal line is lettered down the side. Every square is therefore identified with a number and a letter and its location is where the two lines designated cross each other. With the original drawing before him the operator describes the lines from point to point and his message contains only as many signs or combinations as there are changes in the direction of lines for making the picture. This description being received at the other end of the wire, the lines described are simply reproduced upon a similarly ruled surface.

CALCUTTA, April 17.—A dispatch from Simla today says Umra Khan has informed Sir Robert Lowe, commander of the British expedition advancing on Chitral, that if the British advance any further he intends to flee from the country. The British loss in the fighting on the Panjkora river was four killed and twenty-one wounded.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 17.—The state department has by no

means abandoned the case of ex-Consul Waller, who is now imprisoned in Madagascar, under sentence of a French court-martial, and as soon as it has completed the preparation of data supplied by the United States consuls at Tamatave and Port Louis, the case will be brought to the attention of the French government by Ambassador Eustis, the release of the prisoner will be requested and an explanation sought.

The facts which the department expects to prove as a basis for the action are:

First, that Waller is an American citizen; second, that he is not guilty of improper interference between the French and the Hovas; third, that even if he were he had not been accorded the fair trial to which he was entitled, the court-martial proceedings being obnoxious in every respect; and lastly, that Waller has been harshly treated and has been the object of persecution because he stood in the way of other holders of concessions.

PARIS, April 18.—The *Petit Journal* today says it has good authority to state that the police department is investigating an anarchist plot to assassinate President Felix Faure during the fetes in Havre in honor of his visit to his electorate. The president arrived there safely today.

According to the *Petit Journal* an anarchist known as "Petit Bordeaux," a type similar to Cesarion and Ravachol, left London recently for Havre to assassinate President Faure. Petit Bordeaux, who is a deserter from the French army, was watched by the London police and by French detectives detailed to keep an eye on the anarchists in London. The authorities are taking most active precautions to protect the president from injury. Whether the story is true or not it would seem certain at least that the anarchists have re-commenced their operations, for two infernal machines were found in this city yesterday. The first was found in Rue St. Simon and contained a number of loaded cartridges. The second was found on Esplanad Des Invalides and consisted of a cylinder charged with dynamite.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 20.—The steamer Australia arrived this morning, bringing the following advices under date of April 18:

Minister Thurston returned from Washington this morning. Minister Hatch in an interview with an Associated Press correspondent, stated that Thurston has not been recalled. Hatch defends Thurston's course at Washington and is confident that he was not guilty of any breach of diplomatic propriety.

The government has decided to pardon V. V. Ashford, on condition that he leave the country, never to return. Ashford has been suffering from an affection of the spine, which, unless he went to a different climate, must result fatally. If the political situation justified it, the government would gladly banish Major Seward and others, but the native Hawaiians are disposed to confuse leniency with fear and any further modification of the sentences at present might create an uneasy feeling.

St. Louis, April 21.—A special to the *Republic* from Greenville, Ala., says: Two men and three women were

lynched near here early this morning. The five were arrested yesterday near Butler Springs, charged with the murder of Watts Murphy, a young man of prominence. They were John Rattler, Zeb Calley, Martha Greene, Alice Greene and Mary Deane. Another negro man, who was implicated made his escape.

The murder of young Murphy was most brutal. One of the negroes implicated confessed and an examination of the place where they burned the man's body revealed the teeth, liver and heart which failed to burn.

The confession was made by Rattler, who implicated the others. Butler Springs is sixteen miles from here. A posse of men who had charge of the five prisoners left there about 11 o'clock last night to bring them to jail here for safe-keeping. The route was a lonely one and the trip was necessarily slow. About 3 o'clock this morning at a lonely part of the road the party was suddenly surrounded by an armed body of men, who seemed to spring from both sides of the road. The posse was covered with Winchester, and under pain of instant death was halted.

Reports say there were about one hundred men in the party, all heavily armed. They made short work of it. Taking the five negroes, they tied their hands, and then they were taken one at a time and were hanged to limbs of trees that lined the road. The five bodies were found hanging there this morning by church-goers.

DENVER, Col., April 21.—After having been continuously in the services of the United States for a period of forty-three years, Major General Alexander McDowell McCook retires from the army tomorrow, a step made necessary by the law, as he has reached the age of 64 years.

With the retirement of General McCook, the last of the "fighting McCooks" goes into private life, and for the first time in nearly half a century the army will be without a McCook on its active rolls. It is a most noteworthy fact that General Daniel McCook, Father of General McCook, who will be retired tomorrow, and nine sons, were all in the field fighting for their country at one time, and that four of them attained the rank of general.

YOKOHAMA, April 21.—A dispatch from Hiroshima, the temporary headquarters of Japan, states that his majesty ratified the treaty of peace on Saturday.

The government has issued a statement, denying that it has concluded an offensive and defensive alliance with China, and declaring that the commercial advantages secured by Japan, under the terms of the treaty, will also be enjoyed by the other powers under the "most favored nation" treaty.

LONDON, April 21.—A dispatch to the *Times* from Kobe says: On April 18th and 14th, fifty-eight transports left Ujima for Taiten Wan with 30,000 Japanese troops. It is believed that these troops are destined to make a descent upon Taku and Shanhi Wan, directly the armistice shall expire.

CHICAGO, April 22.—Wheat started up wildly today, opening 1½ higher, and advanced 2½ before 10; heavy realizing on the bulge knocked 1 percent, but the market remained very strong. Partridge was again thought