

tives ran to the scene of the disturbance and at once began firing their revolvers, killing Hudson and seriously wounding Corporal Wm. Anderson, of the same battery, who had hurried to the assistance of Hudson. A detachment of the Fourth cavalry was called out and dispersed the Filipinos, who continued to fire their revolvers as they retreated, but without doing any more damage. On the same night some of the soldiers doing guard duty, saw a large party of natives stripping the wreck of a gunboat which was lying in Cavite Bay. A boat with an armed force was put off from the shore. The sailors halted the natives, who failed to answer. Then the soldiers fired a volley, killing one and wounding another. Gen. Aguinaldo promptly denied any connection between the natives of these affairs and his army. Admiral Dewey has transferred his flag to the cruiser Baltimore, the Otympia sailing for Hongkong to be docked and cleaned. The Raleigh left for the same port Wednesday night.

Manila, Aug. 26.—On Wednesday a corporal and two troops, of battery B, of the Utah artillery, after disembarking at Cavite, were sent on an errand. While passing through the streets, trooper Hudson discharged his revolver. It was all mere fun, but the natives in the immediate locality were much alarmed for the time. The natives immediately began firing. Dismounted cavalry were sent to quell the disturbance, but the natives misunderstood the movement and the firing became general. Trooper Hudson was killed and Corporal Anderson mortally wounded.

Troopers Laydon, Machbar, Connelly and Doyle of the Fourth cavalry were wounded. Four natives were killed and several wounded. Gen. Aguinaldo has expressed his regret at this encounter and promises to punish the offenders.

No further trouble is expected.

Gloversville, N. Y., Aug. 26.—A special to the Leader says the Northville House, one of the largest hotels at Northville, a summer resort 18 miles north of here, was destroyed by fire this morning.

Columbus, Ohio, Aug. 27.—A special to the Dispatch, gives details of the most destructive fire which ever visited Pataskala, eighteen miles east of here, early this morning. Business blocks and stores on Depot street, in the center of town, were entirely destroyed, together with nearly all their contents, entailing a loss of \$25,000; insurance, \$18,000.

Pataskala had no fire department, and an engine company was sent from Columbus.

Baltimore, Md., Aug. 27.—A fierce fire, which threatens to destroy the town of Laurel, Md., is in progress, and aid has been sent from this city by a special train on the B. & O. railway. The latest report is that the Herbert House, the principal hotel in Laurel, two large livery stables and several private residences are burning, and the fire is not under control.

New York, Aug. 29.—The World says:

That the Corbett-McCoy fight will come off on October 1st, the new date agreed on a few days ago, is a fact not now questioned by many sporting men.

This delay promises to be an advantage to at least one of the parties to the contract at the Hawthorne club. As September 10 drew near the ministers' purity leagues and many prominent persons in Buffalo took a stand of open hostility to the fight.

The manager and backers of the club declared that all such agitation was useless; that they were keeping strict-

ly within the limits of the law and that therefore they had nothing to fear. But they were uneasy for all that, and the agents who had tickets for sale in New York were not swamped with applications and greenbacks.

The advantage of the delay is that the Hawthorne people will be able to put on an attraction of good proportions on September 10 and thereby test the ability of the agitators to close them up. This is to be the Erne-Lavigne go for the light-weight championship. It is not believed that the sports from afar will flock to Buffalo to see this fight in such numbers as they will on October 1st, but the local contingent and the devotees nearby will make enough stir to cause the "Anti's" to take action.

The promoters feel pretty safe. The opposition quieted even before the Corbett tragedy and it is believed by impartial judges that it will see a natural death before the day of the big battle. The latter say it is pretty safe to predict that the big fellows will fight in Buffalo unless they change their minds of their own accord.

Corbet is on his way east from San Francisco and is expected to reach Asbury Park by the middle of this week. He will find all of his trainers and sparring partners waiting for him and before another ten days has elapsed he will be doing as much hard work as when he left off so unexpectedly.

Kid McCoy is at Saratoga and will resume active training tomorrow. He eased up a little a week ago and took a trip to Buffalo but his condition did not suffer in the least.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 29.—Owing to the failure of the harvests in seven districts of the government of Kazan and in the provinces of Samaria, Saratoff, Sibirik, Viatke and Perma, where the crops are almost worthless, and even the landed gentry are beginning to ask the government for relief. The government is adopting measures to relieve the sufferers. The distress, however, is becoming more acute every day. The peasants are denuding their cottages of thatches in order to feed their stock. In spite of all that can be done, cattle and horses are dying in great numbers. The government is slow in getting the relief measures into effect and the only relief thus far has been the granting of permission to the peasants to get their faggots in the woods for fuel and to collect dried leaves for fodder. The peasants are exhausted from lack of food and unless the promised supplies are speedily sent the suffering will be terrible.

Chicago, Aug. 29.—H. T. Higgins, cashier for the treasurer's office of the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railroad, is dead from burns received by the explosion of a vapor bathing apparatus, by which Mr. Higgins was endeavoring to secure relief from hay fever. The vapor bath had been purchased in the hope that it would drive away the disease. In some unaccountable manner the machine exploded while Mr. Higgins was in it. The shock was terrific, covering Mr. Higgins with scalding steam and leaving scarcely a portion of his body unharmed. Mr. Higgins had been in the employ of the Rock Island for eighteen years. He was 52 years of age. A widow and two children survive him.

Los Angeles, Cal., Aug. 29.—The Los Angeles Soap company's entire plant was destroyed by fire today. The blaze was preceded by an explosion. The loss is placed at \$100,000, partly insured. The plant was owned by a stock company.

Washington, Aug. 30.—The state department has not yet been officially advised of the reported death of King Malletoa of Samoa, and in all likelihood must remain in official ignorance of the event for some time to come, owing

to the slow means of communication at the disposal of the department. It is the general impression here that the death of the king will result in the overthrow of the present form of government of the islands, maintained as it is by the joint action of the United States, Great Britain and Germany.

Official reports to the state department show that this government is the most expensive and unsatisfactory of any in the world, having regard to the population of the Samoan group. In the capital city, Apia, there is maintained a tripartite municipal government of vast proportionate expense, while the reports show that few persons are obliged to bear the entire cost.

For years the existing arrangement for the government of the Samoan group has been satisfactory to none of the three governments, yet it has been continued for the reason that nothing better could be suggested that would be acceptable to the nations. There are now indications that at least one of the parties is coming around to what was a favorite plan of settlement of the state department, namely, a disruption of the present tripartite government and an absolute division of the islands of the group between the United States, Great Britain and Germany.

The principal object of our government has been to retain possession of a coaling or a full naval station in the islands, so as to afford a base for naval operations in the vicinity of Australia, as well as to ensure an open port for our steamers on the long voyage from San Francisco to Australia.

The United States now holds title to some ground for a coaling station at Pago Pago, on the island of Tutulia. This island is the least in size of any of the group, but it is large enough to support a naval station, so that it has been the plan of the state department to acquire it as a whole in the event of the dissolution of the tripartite agreement. Basing the division of the existing interests of the three nations, Germany holding the largest interest, would take the island second in size, possessing the capital, Apia, while Great Britain would secure the largest of the group, but the second in commercial importance.

It is probable that the office of secretary of state will be the consideration of some plan to tide over the crisis expected to follow the death of the king.

The Hague, Aug. 30.—The queen regent of Holland in a proclamation just issued upon the occasion of the end of her regency, her daughter, Queen Wilhelmina, coming of age tomorrow, expresses warm pleasure of seeing the whole nation "ranged joyously around the throne of the young queen," thanks God that her dearest wish has been heard, and after thanking the people for their loving and faithful support of herself, invokes God's blessing upon the youthful sovereign and concludes: "May our country become great in everything in which a small nation can be great."

Berlin, Aug. 30.—The official Nord Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung, believed to be inspired by Prince Hohenlohe, the imperial chancellor, declares the willingness of Emperor William and Germany to accept the invitation to attend the congress as proposed by the Russian emperor.

Copenhagen, Aug. 30.—The British cruiser Cleopatra, belonging to the training squadron, has arrived here with the crew of the Norwegian schooner Lovelig, which she reports having sunk in collision near Haven Island. The Cleopatra put eighteen bluejackets on board the schooner in an effort to save the vessel, but she foundered so suddenly that six of the bluejackets were drowned.