

## AT HOME AND ABROAD.

**TRIFLIS, Aug. 19.**—Special advisors from Moosh say that the Turkish officials have driven the Christians out of their houses in all the country between Sassoun and Moosh, and have given the houses to the members of the Kurdish tribe. The victims are starving.

**BALTIMORE, Aug. 19.**—The international bout between Stanton Abbott, champion light-weight of England, and Owen Zeigler, of Philadelphia, who fought Jack McAuliffe to a draw, occurred tonight at the Eureka Athletic club in the presence of 1,500 spectators.

Abbott and Zeigler entered the ring at 10 o'clock. The twentieth and last round was a savage one. The American fought the Englishman against the ropes. As the gong sounded the referee declared Zeigler the winner. He will be matched against Young Griffo.

**NEW YORK, Aug. 19.**—"Valkyrie III," the American cup challenger, lies at anchor today near Bedloe's Island, where she is the object of much interest to yachtsmen and people generally who in crossing the bay come within view of the British yacht. Capt. Cranfield admitted no one to the boat's deck today. He said he did not know when the yacht was to be docked but was making ready for the work as fast as possible.

A delegation from the New York stock exchange visited the officers today and announced that they had a part of \$25,000 to bet that the "Valkyrie" would not win the cup.

**PITTSBURG, Aug. 20.**—An explosion at furnace "H" of the Carnegie steel company at Braddock, at 5 o'clock this morning, killed six men, injured sixteen more and destroyed \$30,000 worth of property. Five of the injured will die. All killed and injured were Hungarians except James Harrison, the foreman. Their names have not been obtained.

The explosion was due to a "hang" in the furnace, which suddenly was loosened and dropped into the molten metal below, generating an immense quantity of gas so suddenly that it could not escape by the ordinary means. A few minutes before the explosion, one of the top fillers dumped a barrow of material into the bell of the furnace, which he had forgotten to raise. This clogged the top of the furnace and prevented the gas from escaping. A gang of sixteen men in charge of James Harrison were sent at once to the top of the furnace to remove the obstacle. They were crowded around the bell of the furnace removing the material, when there was a terrible explosion, and the men, barrows, tools and material were hurled in all directions. Flame, deadly gases and smoke belched from the furnace top and the gang of men fell as shot. One was blown from the top of the furnace along the metal roadway to the elevator shaft, down which he fell, and, striking on a car, was cut in two.

Relief came quickly, went to the top of the furnace and there lay fifteen men, bleeding, torn, burned and dying. The flames and smoke were still coming from the furnace and the

work of rescue was dangerous in the extreme. Three died before they reached the bottom of the elevator shaft; the other six died between 5 and 8 o'clock. The contents of the furnace were scattered hundreds of yards around the furnace, falling in all parts of the yard, cutting and burning about ten men, working below. The carpenters' shop, 100 yards from the furnace, was soon in flames and was destroyed. The total damage will be \$30,000. The homes of the killed and injured were near the furnace and the streets of that vicinity were filled with a mass of frantic, half crazy women and children.

Two injured died at the hospital, making the number of dead eight. They were burned so badly as to be beyond recognition.

**PRINCETON, Ill., Aug. 20.**—Twenty-five of the Spring Valley men arrested for being members of the mob that drove the colored people from their homes in Spring Valley have been bound over to await the action of the grand jury. Of this number all but Paul Verrey and Desire Bovine, for whom bail was presented and accepted, were again committed to jail. Eleven of the number were given a preliminary hearing before Justice Edward Fisher at the court house, which resulted in seven of them being held and four dismissed. The other eighteen men waived examination.

John Quimby, a butcher of Spring Valley, has been arrested and brought here. He is charged with riding through the colored village on horseback with the mob at the time of the assault with a shotgun and firing at the fleeing negroes and with pounding some of them over the head with the butt of the gun. His case is set for a preliminary hearing, but it is understood that he will also waive examination. Two of the negro witnesses during the giving of their evidence produced small packages of shot taken from their backs and heads and one of them exhibited clothing saturated with blood that had been worn at the time. One of the negroes bears fifty-six shot wounds.

In the preliminary hearing an important matter connected with the raid on the negro colony was brought out. It was that early on the morning of the riot and before the mob appeared the Italian police and others went through every house in the colored settlement on a search for firearms, under the pretext of looking for alleged criminals. In each house closets, drawers, shelves and corners were inspected. It is stated by some of the colored people that but five firearms were found and that these were carried away. When the police and searchers returned to Spring Valley the mob organized by the ringing of the fire bell and at once proceeded upon the defenseless negroes and drove all of them out that day and the women on the Tuesday following.

**NEW YORK, Aug. 20.**—A dispatch to a local paper from Guayaquil, Ecuador, says:

Forces of the Quito government, led by General Vega, have been defeated and Col. Talbot was killed in a battle

with the patriot forces, led by General Serrano, at Portete, near Cuenca. The fall of Cuenca is imminent.

Supreme Chief Eloy Alfaro intends to liberate Lizarba, an emissary of the Quito government, to General Sarlat's army instructed to check Sarlat's personal ambition, and the other officials captured at Rio Bamba.

**NEW YORK, Aug. 20.**—The portion of New Jersey bounded by the towns of Pomona, Port Republic, Brigantine Junction and Absecon, is either threatened by forest fires or already devastated. Hundreds of miles have been burned over and houses and livestock consumed and it is feared there has been considerable loss of life. Scattered through the burning country are numerous houses, but it is impossible to send them any help. Residents of Absecon were called out of church Sunday to fight the flames, and it was only after a hard battle the town was saved. There was hardly an inhabitant but bore some mark of the fight which had been waged from noon until midnight. Flying cinders and burning brands had seared backs and faces and their clothes were in tatters. Others received serious injuries and many a home presented the appearance of a hospital after the struggle was over.

**LAKE MINNEWASKA, N. Y., Aug. 19.**—Ex-Associate Justice Strong of the United States Supreme court died here this afternoon. Ex-Justice Strong was brought to Lake Minnewaska several weeks ago, suffering from a catarrhal affection of long standing. His system was also greatly weakened by a fall down a flight of stairs at his house in Washington about two months ago. Since his arrival here Judge Strong has lain in a semi-comatose state, from which he rallied only at intervals. Yesterday he had a stroke of paralysis, which affected the left side. He also suffered a recurrence of the catarrhal fever, and again became unconscious until death ensued this afternoon. He was about 87 years old.

**LONDON, Aug. 20.**—The *Daily News* has a dispatch from Vienna which says Trieste papers report that an explosion destroyed the artillery barracks at Pola, Russia, and that 300 men were killed, including many officers. The barracks were found to be completely undermined. Many arrests have been made.

**CHICAGO, Aug. 20.**—The investigation of the county commissioners into the management of the Dunning Insane asylum began today. Thirty thousand words of testimony was taken at the first sitting.

Towards the end of the day's sitting came a horrible story that in detail was more barbarous than the story of the Puck murder. It was told by Dr. McGrew, resident physician of Dunning Asylum. It concerned a battle between two madmen, who had fought in the corridor of ward 2, while Anderson, accessory to the murder of Puck, was on watch. These two patients quarreled over some silly, childish offense. They came to blows. They tore at each other's faces, and rolled about the floor, while Anderson looked on. One of them, in the frenzy of a raving maniac, set his teeth into the face of the other. He bit off his nose and spat it out on the stone