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SAN FRANCISCO, 18.—Last night, the entire Chinese quarter of Grass Valley, except one house, was burned. Over forty buildings were destroyed; supposed to be incendiary. An attempt was made to accomplish the same purpose a few days ago. This morning a body of armed men left Roseville, Placer County, and proceeded up the Auburn road, warning all Chinamen, numbering some sixty in mining camps visited, to leave before midnight, under penalty of death. Some left at once. Twelve at Burdeck's camp refused to leave, though threatened. The proceedings were conducted quietly, and no violence was offered. It is believed by Wednesday not a Chinaman will remain in township number one. The refugees are mostly gathering at Folsom.

From statistics contained in the annual report of the quarantine officer at this port, it appears that the Chinese coming to our shores during a period of one year was only 1,460 in excess of those returning home.

Captain Dollard, of the schooner *W. F. March*, just arrived from the Arctic Ocean, reports that the crew of an American vessel, name not ascertained, had recently killed thirteen natives near Cape Prince of Wales. The trouble was understood to have arisen in the course of trade with the natives. The latter are greatly excited and disposed to be hostile since the occurrence.

A San Diego dispatch says, District Attorney Wilkey has returned from San Rafael, Lower California, and reports that the Elliott boys are safe on this side of the frontier. The whole border is in a disturbed condition. Two bodies of armed men are on the frontier, one of municipal militia under Jose Moreno and Judge Silva, the other composed principally of Sonorans, who support ex-Gov. Villagrana. The Americans on the border are much alarmed at the presence of these parties. Judge Silva has issued a proclamation reciting that Legaspy, sub-prefect, has abandoned the country, and in connection with Villagrana and others is concocting hostile schemes, and forbidding their return.

NEW YORK, 19.—The *Times* special from its London correspondent at the headquarters of the Czarowitch, at Biela, telegraphs, under date of Monday, that a desperate engagement was fought in the Valley of the Lom on that day. Thirty-two battalions and eight batteries, comprising the whole of the troops under the command of the Czarowitch, attacked Assaf Pasha's division at Sirakeny. The Turks were strongly reinforced at once, and the Russians were driven back with great slaughter. The battle was, in every respect, a decisive one.

ALBANY, 19.—The plaster mill of C. L. Woodruff & Son was burned last night; loss \$30,000, insurance \$10,000.

CHICAGO, 19.—The *Tribune's* London special says, the artillery of Grand Duke Nicholas still continues to bombard the Ottoman intrenchments around Plevna.

In the fighting last week the Turks are said to have lost 3,500 men, while the total loss of the Russians is placed at 15,000.

That the ammunition of Osman Pasha is failing is very probable, for the soldiers have not spared bullets.

The first brigade of the Imperial Guard has arrived at the imperial headquarters at Gorny Studen.

CHEYENNE, WY., 19.—Big Springs, the station where the robbery of the express train was committed last night, is a water station, 162 miles east of this place. There are only one or two houses besides the station. The robbers rode to the station in the evening, and took possession of everything, tearing the telegraph instruments out and throwing them away. A red light was then hung out to stop the train, which reached there about 11 o'clock. On the conductor stepping off to see what was wanted, he was confronted by two men, armed with revolvers, who ordered him to throw up his hands. The engineer and fireman were secured, and a guard placed at each door. The express agent was compelled to knock in the express car door, and on its being opened for him, the robbers rushed in overpowered the messenger, Miller, and took possession of the car. They secured \$68,000 in coin, and about \$500 in

currency from the express company. The through safe, which is stationary, and has a combination lock, they left undisturbed. It contained a very large sum of money. The passengers in the coaches were then visited and relieved of their cash and valuables. The plunder taken from the passengers is stated to be \$1,800 in cash, four gold watches, and a ticket to Chicago. One man lost a gold watch and \$480 in money. The arrival of the freight train evidently interfered with their plans, for after putting out the fire in the locomotive of the express train, they mounted and rode away without disturbing the occupants of the sleeping cars. To-day the Union Pacific Railroad Company and the Union Pacific Express Company offered a reward of \$10,000 for the arrest of the thieves and the recovery of the money. A pro rata of reward is to be paid for the recovery of any portion of the money or the capture of any of the robbers. The sheriffs of the surrounding counties and the commanding officers of the military posts throughout Nebraska and Wyoming, and along the Kansas Pacific railroad, have been notified of the robbery, and everything possible will be done to effect the capture of the robbers.

PITTSBURG, 19.—The American Iron Works, employing 2,000 men, and H. Lloyd, Son & Co's Iron Mills, employing 1,000 men, resumed work this morning.

CHICAGO, 19.—The Merchants', Farmers' and Mechanics' Savings Bank, 75 Clark street, failed this afternoon, and O. H. Horton, in behalf of many of the depositors, will, to-morrow morning, petition the United States Court to appoint a receiver. This bank owes the State Savings Bank \$50,000, secured by bonds of the City of Cairo to the amount of \$60,000. The sixty-second quarterly statement, published last July, shows deposits of \$760,310; investment certificates, \$103,800; capital and contingent fund, \$112,000; investments—loans on real estate, \$355,230; office equipment, \$3,358; loans and demands by collateral, \$233,161; United States bonds and other available securities, \$254,705; cash in the vault, \$124,656. This bank has been subjected to a pretty severe run ever since the State Savings Bank failed. Sydney Meyers, manager and owner, refuses to give any statement of the assets and liabilities.

PARISH ST. JOHN BAPTIST, La., 19.—Yesterday afternoon several houses were destroyed in the lower part of this parish; barns were carried off, the court house was unroofed, fences torn down, trees uprooted and other damage done by a fierce wind storm. Heavy rains continued to-day without cessation. The rice crop is probably one-third destroyed. The whole damage cannot be estimated.

NEW YORK, 18.—The *World's* Fort Walsh, (British territory) correspondent says: Major Walsh has just returned from a visit to Sitting Bull. He had a long interview with the Sioux chief, whose force, now numbering about 1,100 souls, is still camped at Horse Butts, forty miles this side of Wood Mountain. Sitting Bull rode fifty miles with Walsh and was more than ordinarily communicative. He declares he is sick and tired of fighting, but Walsh says the old man appears to be weakening in his desire to make terms with the American commissioners and return to the states. Had the commissioners come here a month ago no doubt Sitting Bull would have cheerfully returned with them on any reasonable terms. The delay, Walsh fears, will render their mission abortive. Sitting Bull hears all the news from Fort Benton, and his runners thence have carried back alarming stories to the effect that if the Sioux are induced to cross the frontier by the commissioners, General Miles, with a large force will ambush them on the Missouri and wipe them off the face of the earth. The gathering of American troops in northern Montana has in a manner confirmed these stories, and Sitting Bull fears, or professes to fear, treachery. Sitting Bull has said, if the commissioners did not meet him before the first snow fall he would remain on British soil during the winter. He has plenty of ammunition.

OMAHA, 19.—Trains are crossing the Union Pacific Bridge to-day.

It is reported that Sheriff Bradley, of North Platte, has struck the trail of the express robbers and found revolvers and the empty coin box, ten miles from Big Springs.

SARATOGA, 19.—The centennial of the first battle of Bemis Heights, where Burgoyne received his fatal check in '77, was to-day celebrated by a gathering of over 20,000 people on the battle field, addresses, etc.

HOUSTON, 19.—It is estimated that the damage by the late cyclone around the Galveston government works in Bolivar Channel, including a portion of the fleet, is \$75,000. The Galveston, H. and Henderson Railroad, loss of track and bay bridge, \$20,000. The Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe Railroad, loss of track and bridge, \$20,000; cotton presses, \$18,000.

ST. LOUIS, 20.—The steamer *Grand Republic*, the largest and finest steamboat on western waters, took fire about midnight and was burned nearly to the water's edge. The flames communicated from her to the steamer *Carondelet*, lying alongside. All her upper works were destroyed. Her hull is of iron and therefore will be saved, but her machinery will be badly damaged.

The steamer *Grand Republic* was owned by Captain Thorweg, and valued at \$150,000, insured \$50,000. The steamers *Carondelet* and *Hicks* were valued at \$40,000, insured \$17,000.

United States Senator, Lewis V. Boggy, died at his residence here at 11 o'clock, this morning. The senator had been afflicted with malarial fever for several months, and lately an abscess of the liver was discovered, which hastened, and perhaps directly caused his death.

CHICAGO, 20.—The *Tribune's* London special says, in casting up the series of struggles in the vicinity of Plevna, the English papers admit that the first estimates of the result were incorrect or overestimated. It is now considered here that the contest is still undecided, and that the heaviest and most decisive fighting is still to come. The Russians, contrary to general expectation in England that the war would close in a single campaign, are making ready to go into winter quarters. Supplies of warm clothing are being rapidly forwarded from St. Petersburg. To guard the passages across the Danube, strong bridges heads are being constructed at Matchin, Nicopolis, Hirsova and Sistova.

The *Times* London special says, the Russians have lost all advantages possessed by them at the commencement of the siege of Plevna. They are so weakened that they are unable to carry on operations except as a siege until the arrival of the guards. Prospects look bad for the Russians everywhere in Bulgaria, while the Turks are everywhere victorious. The only ground of mediation at present is in the name of humanity, to break the dead lock, whose only result is unparalleled carnage unless this is done. A second campaign is inevitable unless the Russians, against all expectation, gain a signal victory.

It is generally believed that the interview of Bismarck and Andrassy will settle whether the war shall cease now or go over another year, with a probability of dragging in all Europe.

The Sacramento *Bee* publishes an interview with Gov. Irwin. He seemed to think that there was no occasion for Col. Bee's telegram. He had telegraphed to the sheriff of Placer County on the subject of the Chinese outrages, and received the reply that the sheriff had seen no one driving Chinamen from the county and thought he could protect them. Later advices report all quiet at Rocklin and vicinity.

OMAHA, 20.—There is no further news of the express robbers. Of the money stolen \$40,000 was consigned to Wells, Fargo & Co., New York, and \$20,000 to the New York Bank of Commerce. The money stolen from the passengers aggregated nearly \$2,000.

WASHINGTON, 20.—Congress will be asked at the approaching session to change the law relating to the retirement of army officers unfit for active duty on account of age or disability. The law limits the retired list of the army to 300, while in the navy there is no limit whatever. The army officers who are disabled for active service are compelled to remain in active service until death creates a vacancy in the retired list before they can be retired. There are now eighty-four officers waiting to be placed on the retired list, and unless the law is changed it will be several years before all can be retired from active duty.

All the clerks from Ohio have been obliged to sign a paper agree-

ing to go home and vote next month, under penalty of being placed on the black list. This paper was presented yesterday, with the approval of Secretary Sherman, to every clerk in the treasury department from Ohio, and not one refused absolutely to sign it, although many did so protesting they were not able to bear the expenses of the trip. There is general complaint among the clerks that they are compelled to disobey the President's orders and some threaten to call the President's attention to the acts of his subordinates as soon as he returns.

NEW ORLEANS, 20.—The schooner *Guisepe* was struck by a squall on August 28th in longitude 85, 36 west, latitude 18, 15 north and sunk. The captain and three men were rescued. Two of the crew were drowned.

RICHMOND, Ky., 20.—A year since Jasper Maupin shot John Breman at Kingston, Madison County, wounding him. Maupin was indicted, and his trial set for to-day, but the case was not reached. This evening the parties met in the street in Richmond, each accompanied by friends, when firing began. Jasper Maupin, John Breman, Chris. Ballard and Wm. A. Cornellson were killed. The survivors were arrested.

YORK, Pa., 20.—This morning a train containing 600 or 800 Sunday school excursionists, when eighteen miles from York, was thrown from the track, and two boys, named Jones and Barton, standing on one of the platforms, were instantly killed. One man was seriously, and five or six slightly injured.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., 20.—The large increase in the number of cases of yellow fever at Fernandino, and the increasing mortality render contributions in money badly needed. It is hoped the north will respond to the appeal for help.

SAN FRANCISCO, 20.—The *Call's* special from Sacramento announces that Governor Irwin has pardoned ex-Harbor Commissioner John J. Marks, convicted of embezzlement of public funds in 1875, and sentenced to seven years in the penitentiary.

The governor has offered a reward for the arrest and conviction of the Chinese engaged in the recent Rocklin tragedy.

Warrants have been issued for the arrest of twenty-eight white men engaged in driving Chinese away from that vicinity.

The governor characterizes Col. Bee's dispatch, asking his interference to put down disorder in Placer County, as injudicious, tending to exaggerate, in the minds of non-spectators, the amount of disorder prevailing there. He expresses regret at the illegal action of the whites, as tending to prejudice eastern people against the State in the settlement of the question of Chinese immigration.

The following items have been received per the steamer *Australian*:

New Zealand, 1.

Wrecks are reported on the west coast with loss of life.

At a great native meeting, Maori, King of Tawhiao, found his supporters in the minority. There is every indication of the hostiles coming within the law, although for the present they have shut up their country against Europeans.

The mines on the Auckland gold fields continue to return large dividends.

Politics do not run smoothly, and if the government survives the session it will be with greatly crippled energies. Additional taxation is necessary, and this is unpopular.

News from Samoa says, directly after the German man-of-war *Augusta* left for Sydney, civil dissensions broke out. The rebels appeared openly, with arms in their hands, and during the last month entrenched themselves around Apia in a strong position. There they remained for some time without striking a blow. On the 12th, a strong force of the king's party marched up to the rebel entrenchments, which they quietly surrounded. A parley was then held between chiefs on either side, and while it was going on a sudden fire was opened on the insurgents, of whom between 50 and 100 were killed. They resisted for some hours. In the morning the rebels surrendered, and the king, taking away their arms, set them at liberty. Almost all the dead bodies were subjected to mutilation by cutting off their heads. The victors bore these about on sticks for some days, now and then performing war

dances around them. Many white men went to see the fighting.

Honolulu travelers, visiting the crater of Kilauea during the first week of September, represent it as very active and brilliant. The old south lake was, on the 10th instant, about 1,000 feet in length and 600 feet in width, boiling and spurting.

NEW YORK, 21.

Ponvert & Co., an old and large sugar-importing house, of this city, has made an assignment. The Ponverts, being in sympathy with the Spanish government, were specially obnoxious to the Cuban revolutionists, and several of their most valuable plantations were burned or otherwise destroyed. The losses in this way must have reached from \$1,000,000 to \$2,000,000. The debts of the firm are largely what are known to sugar manufacturers as factors claims, and probably are not less than \$300,000, due mainly to Cuba firms.

BALTIMORE, 21.—Wm. Burfoot and S. White, claiming to be residents of North Carolina, were arrested here, to-day, and with Burfoot were found five fifty dollar counterfeits on the Third National Bank of Buffalo.

PITTSBURG, 21.—The express train on the Pittsburg division of the B. & O. Road, crossing Middle Creek Bridge, near Castle Man, this morning, was thrown from the track. The baggage, passenger, and sleeping coaches went over the embankment, carrying away the bridge. A number of the passengers were slightly injured.

Another week's bank exchanges, at thirteen leading trade centres, show the maintenance of a moderate business improvement. The aggregate for the two weeks ending September 15, shows a net gain of five and two-tenths compared with the same weeks a year ago.

Attention is called to the fact that since the first of January the imports of specie at New York have aggregated ten hundred million, eight hundred thousand of which, nearly four and a half millions, was silver. The specie imports during the same period last year were only three million eight hundred thousand.

CHICAGO, 21.—Large sums of Canadian money, sent through the mails have been stolen at various points in this country, and detectives for some time past have been working up such cases. Recently \$5,000 of Canadian money was presented to a broker here by a woman, who received in return therefor American bills. Shortly afterwards it was reported from Canada that this \$5,000 had been lost in the American mails.

WILKESBARRE, 21.—The Third U. S. Infantry have gone, to-day, to join the other troops at Pittsburg, preparatory to proceeding to Montana.

ST. LOUIS, 21.—Edward Overton, the engineer of Leggat & Butler's tobacco factory, had his head taken off this morning by coming in contact with a fly wheel.

FERNANDINA, Fla., 21.—The mayor of this city asks contributions of money and supplies for the relief of the sufferers from yellow fever.

ROME, N. Y., 21.—The western bound Chicago express train, due here at 5:15 p.m., collided with the pick-up freight train by a misplaced switch, one mile east of the Rome depot; both engines were completely wrecked, and the mail and baggage cars smashed. The fireman of the express, said to be William Hendrickson, of Albany, was instantly killed. Joseph Durlin, of Utica, brakeman on the freight train, was killed. J. L. Tunnard, of Troy, mail agent, died from injuries. Geo. W. Fitch, Oneida, mail agent, right thigh broken, back injured; Joseph Ulrich, Utica, engineer freight train, right leg bruised; D. W. Holloway, of Troy, passenger, injured about the head and jaw, an ankle broken; Frank C. Roberts, Utica, mail agent, badly bruised; William Earl, Geneva, mail agent, right ankle sprained; Wm. Wicks, Little Falls, head bruised, nose broken, wrist sprained; Mrs. W. H. Buxton, New York, slightly hurt. Several train men are slightly bruised. Medical aid and the assistance of citizens were promptly rendered. The palace car, which was nearly empty, was partly wrecked. Passengers in the cars to the rear of the palace car escaped very lightly. A switchman who had been on duty ten years saw the misplaced switch too late to correct it, and swung a red