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LIVE STOCK MARKET

LIGHT RUN OF CATTLE ON TODAY'S MARKET.

General Market Active and Higher—Beef Steers Strong to 10 Higher—Butcher Cows 10 to 15 Higher—Calves Show Advance of 25 Cents.

HOGS COMING IN GREATER NUMBERS TODAY.

Strong Demand and Good Reports from Elsewhere Made an Early Clearance at 5 Cents Advance.

RECEIPTS.

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
Today	800	500	125
Last month	898	3	269
Same day 1903	2,607	244	345

Official Receipts Saturday.

Cattle	1,058
Hogs	302

Range of Selling Prices Today.

CATTLE—Steers, top $3.80, bulk $2.50@3.85. Cows, top $2.25, bulk $1.50@2.00. Calves, top $3.25, bulk $2.75@3.00.

HOGS—Top $5.45, bulk $5.25@5.35.

SHEEP—Top $3.25, bulk $2.90.

THE CATTLE TRADE

Today's Quotations.

Steers—Good to strict choice	3 00@4 25
Medium fed	2 50@3 00
Stockers and feeders	2 00@2 75
Yearlings	1 25@2 00
Cows—Choice heavy fed	2 00@2 25
Medium butcher	1 80@2 00
Cutters	1 60@1 75
Canners	1 00@1 60
Bulls, stags and oxen	1 50@2 50
Calves—Good to fancy veals	2 50@3 25
Common to fair	1 50@2 00

An exceedingly light run of cattle arrived for the opening market today, and the demand was strong enough to slightly advance prices from the close of last week.

Fifteen cars arrived for the opening of the market, with very few reported, and total receipts for the day were estimated around 800, against 2,859 for the opening day last week, 898 for the corresponding day last month, and 2,601 for the same day one year ago.

BEEF STEERS.

Receipts of steers were light, and outside of one load of fairly well finished cattle, only a few bunches of medium steers were on sale.

There was an active demand from both packers and the outside, and all offerings sold early on a strong to 10c higher basis.

Steers averaging 1064 pounds topped the trade today at $3.80, with a few sales at a range of from $2.00@2.85.

Good to choice heavy fed steers are quoted at a range of from $3.00@4.25, medium fed from $2.50@3.00, stockers and feeders $2.00@2.75, and yearlings $1.25@2.00.

Representative sales:

No.	Ave.	Price.
44	1064	3 80
28	864	2 85
22	919	2 50
8	785	2 30
21	772	2 15
1	960	2 00
25	915	2 00
2	815	2 00

BUTCHER STOCK.

Butcher stock composed the bulk of today's supply, though the quality was only medium. There was a strong demand from local houses, city butchers and the outside, and the general trade ruled active until all offerings were weighed up, with sales showing mostly strong to 10c higher and in some cases 15c higher than the close of last week.

The best cows on sale landed at $2.25, averaging 850 pounds, with the bulk of business at a range of from $1.50@2.00.

Good to choice heavy fed cows and heifers are quoted at a range of from $2.00@2.25, medium butchers from $1.80@2.00, cutters $1.60@1.75, and canners $1.00@1.60.

Very little business was done on bulls. But few were in, and trading ruled about steady at a range of from $1.50@2.00.

Bulls, stags and oxen are quoted at a range of from $1.50@3.00.

Cows.		
3	850	2 25
4	690	2 10
24	814	2 00
4	947	2 00
14	702	1 85
8	687	1 80
2	860	1 75
4	890	1 75
19	703	1 60
1	700	1 50
20	699	1 50
2	708	1 00
Heifers.		
17	491	1 70
2	410	1 70

CALVES.

Calves were fairly liberal for such a small run, but hardly enough to supply the demand. Packers were out buying freely, and the general run of sales ruled active and strong to 25c higher.

Good to choice vealers are quoted at a range of from $2.50@3.25, common to medium fed from $1.50@2.50.

70		
1	185	3 25
5	100	3 25
87	160	3 00
66	154	3 00
	234	2 75
1	140	2 50
1	70	2 25
1	220	2 25
47	134	2 10
1	80	1 00
5	314	2 00
5	274	2 00
7	162	1 75

THE HOG TRADE

Today's Quotations.

Choice sorted	$5 30@5 50
Mixed packers	5 20@5 30
Lights	5 00@5 25
Pigs	4 75@5 25
Stags and roughs	4 00@5 00

Receipts of hogs showed a slight increase today. Close around 500 were shipped in, against 331 for last Monday, 3 for the same Monday last month, and 244 for the corresponding day last year.

The quality all around was better than that of the supply Saturday, though loads were very mixed, with a liberal sprinkling of pigs.

Early reports came in quoting strong markets at Northern points, and with a good demand here trading was over in a short time on a strong to 5c higher basis.

One sorted bunch of hogs averaging 192 pounds topped the trade today at $5.45, with the bulk of sales at a range of from $5.20@5.50.

Good to choice sorted hogs are quoted at a range of from $5.30@5.50, mixed packers $5.20@5.30, light grades $5.00@5.25, pigs from $4.75@5.25, and boars, stags and roughs from $4.00@5.00.

Representative sales:

No	Ave.	Price.
Hogs.		
30	146	4 92½
30	169	5 20
6	155	5 20
27	160	5 25
15	133	5 27½
69	162	5 27½
17	135	5 35
39	183	5 35
27	191	5 40
31	201	5 42½
60	192	5 45
Pigs.		
26	88	4 22½
2	75	4 50
7	81	4 77½
27	94	4 77½
10	84	5 00
8	111	5 25
16	124	5 25

THE SHEEP TRADE

Today's Quotations.

Lambs	$3 50@5 00
Wethers	3 00@4 00
Ewes	2 50@3 50
Culls	1 50@2 50

Only a small number, close around 100 head of sheep and yearlings, were driven in today.

The quality was nothing extra, but packers wanted a few and bought the supply steady with last week.

Some 81-pound sheep sold at $2.90, with 68-pound yearlings at $3.25.

Representative sales:

Sheep.		
88	78	2 90
Lambs.		
40	68	3 25

HORSES AND MULES

Horses.

Drafts, good	$140@150
Chunks, good	75@130
Drivers, good to fancy	75 up
Drivers, medium	55@ 75
Southerners, common to fair	35@ 50
Southerners, good to extra	75@100
Plugs	15@ 20
Rangers, plain	10@ 30
Choice range horses	50@ 75
Mules.	
13½ to 14 hands, fat	$ 50@ 60
14 to 14½ hands, fat	75@ 85
14½ to 15 hands, fat	90@120
15 to 15½ hands, fat	125@140
15½ to 16 hands, fat with quality	145@160
16 to 16½ hands, extra, 1,200 to 1,500	165@175

RECEIPTS AT THE YARDS TODAY.

Cattle.	
J. A. McFadden, Victoria	44
M. A. Leffore, Bennington	32
Joel Corzine, Bennington	28
G. W. Evans, Kent	88
E. F. Dawson, Monahans	75
Anderson & C., Cuero	68
S. H. Cook, Granbury	44
Green & Gordon, Granbury	31
T. Nichols, Chico	38
J. B. Blocker, Eagle Pass	70
G. A. Monkhouse, Floresville	28
O. C. Gane, Clifton	62
W. P. Muir, Snyder	31
Hogs.	
R. A. Riddle, Texarkana, Tex	84
P. H. Napier, Antlers, I. T.	70
H. O. Dutton, Cordell, O. T.	132
W. J. Galt, Bassett, Tex.	95
Wm. Talbott, Broken Arrow, I. T.	69
Thos. Johns, Hempstead, Tex.	27

BUYERS ON SATURDAY'S MARKET.

Cattle.	
Armour & Co.	165
H. & M.	34
Adams	10
Lewin	13
Bob	12
Musgrave	21
Voss	11
H. & B.	52
Calves.	
Swift & Co.	139
Hogs.	
Swift & Co.	151
Armour & Co.	76
B. Earl	31
Adams	34
Others	14

NO MATTER

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TEXAS CATTLE WANTED

NORTHERN FEEDERS WANT THEM TO MAKE BEEF.

Panhandle Steers Preferred, but the Whole State is Now Open to the Northern Buyer.

Regarding the preference of Northern feeders for Texas cattle, the Chicago Live Stock World says:

"A sale of 700 Panhandle yearlings to W. S. Van Natta of Fowler, Indiana, reported by Judge A. H. Nelson of Fort Madison, Iowa, demonstrates the growing popularity of these cattle with corn belt beef makers. Mr. Van Natta is a good feeder and an equally good judge of quality in stockers. If the cattle offered by Judge Nelson had not been fit for his purpose he would not have decided to put them in his feed lot.

"This year's movement of Panhandle yearlings and calves to corn belt feed lots will break all former records, but half a decade hence it will look small. Meanwhile the Texas breeder has plenty of room for improvement and the better he makes his cattle the more popular will they be in this neck of the woods."

The preference of Northern feeders for Texas cattle is the outcome of their experience. So far they have had only cattle above the line because they could get no other. These they call Panhandle steers, though a great many of them were not from the Panhandle counties, as the quarantine line runs far below that part of the state. In general loose usage, "the Panhandle" is the Northwestern part of the state.

The fact that all of Texas is now open to the Northern feeder for the buying of cattle is not generally known, though it should be. Panhandle cattle are good. So are other Texas cattle. When dipped in oil, at a merely nominal cost, they are freed from ticks and do not endanger herds above the line.

Taking them as a whole, the cattle of the Panhandle are better graded than are those in other parts of the state, but this is true only in a general way. On many ranches of Central, South and West Texas the cattle are the equal in quality to those to be found anywhere. Northern buyers who are after feeders can get what they want below the line, and the supply is almost unlimited. An order to any commission firm at the Fort Worth Stockyards will get them what they want, and if below the line, a passage through the dipping vat at the stockyards cleanses them from the cause of fever infection and gives them the right to go north.

CONDITION OF LABOR.

Higher Wages Are Being Paid Now Than Ever Before.

Washington, Aug. 9.—The latest bulletin of the department of commerce and labor upon wages and the cost of living in the United States contains particularly interesting information as regards men employed in the business of meat packing and slaughtering. It shows that since 1890 the number of employes has constantly increased; that their hours of work per week have generally decreased and their wages per hour were considerably larger in 1903 than in any previous year. Figures for 1904 are not included in the report, which has been in process of compilation for two or three years.

Seven establishments engaged in the slaughtering and meat-packing industry were visited by special agents sent out by Commissioner of Labor Carroll D. Wright and their investigations covered fifteen different occupations in those establishments. The occupations included were back skinners of cattle, dry salters, cattle and hog gutters and headers, laborers, picklers, rump skinners, scrapers, side skinners, hog and cattle splitters and stickers.

Referring to Commissioner Wright's figures, a Washingtonian who has been watching the great strike of packing-house employes, said the other day that it was hard to believe the claims of the labor unionists that they have been having such a hard time and not getting equitable pay.

"Taking the entire slaughtering and packing industry as a whole and 100 as the average number of employes during the period 1890-1899," said this man, "I find 115.3 per cent of the average were employed in 1903, as compared with 89.3 per cent in 1890, an increase of 29.1 per cent. The number of employes was 19 per cent more last year than it was in 1893, the first year of great business depression; 7.6 per cent more than in 1900 and 3 per cent more than in 1902.

"That the condition of these employes has been better recently than in the early '90's is evident from a study of the data covering the time they worked. Commissioner Wright's tables indicate that slaughtering and meat packing house employes worked from fifty to sixty hours per week during the period of thirteen years covered by the report. Using 100 hours as the average for the ten years, 1890 to 1899, the tables show that the men worked 99.2 per cent of that average in 1903, as compared with 100.3 per cent in 1900—a decrease of 1.1 per cent.

"Again, the average wage per hour in the first ten years being 100, it will be seen upon examining the tables that that wage rate had increased to 103.6 in 1900, 107.1 in 1902, and 113.6 in 1903. The increase in hourly wage rates had increased 11.5 per cent in 1903 over those paid in 1890, 16.4 per cent over the wage of 1896, 9.7 per cent over the wage of 1900 and 6.1 per cent over that of 1902.

"It will thus be seen that while the hours have decreased wages have increased generally. This is true in nearly every occupation connected with the packing industry that was covered by Commissioner Wright's agents, and in a few cases where the hours were not less in 1903 than in previous years there has been an increase in wages. In view of these figures I am inclined to think there is another side to the packing-house controversy besides that portrayed in the strikers' hard-luck stories."

In connection with the packing-house strike, attention is called to the second article of the "Memorandum of Agreement" entered into between the seven large packing firms and "the executive board of the Amalgamated Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen of North America and the Packing Trades' council in joint session," on Oct. 1, 1903. That agreement, which was made for the year ending Oct. 1, 1904, is printed in the same bulletin as Commissioner Wright's report upon wages and the cost of living. Besides prescribing a scale of wages to be paid employes and making other stipulations, the agreement contains the following provision:

"2. That in case of any disagreement or misunderstanding there is to be no cessation of work in any department pending investigation and settlement. All cases of this kind to be taken up at an hour agreeable to and designated by the various houses."

There are a great many people in Washington who think that this paragraph of the agreement was grossly violated when the packing-house employes were ordered on strike. Its terms are plain and unmistakable, in the opinion of observers here. "There is to be no cessation of work in any department pending investigation and settlement," yet they not only quit work once, but twice.

BIG BODY OF LAND LEASED.

More Than 100,000 Acres in Pecos County at 3½ Cents.

Austin, Tex., Aug. 13.—The land commissioner today executed one of the largest leases of public school land in many months. The lease was for 120,024 acres in Pecos county, and brings 3½c per acre per annum to the school fund.

The day of large leases is almost past, as the school land is being sold and the pastures divided into small stock farms. However, the country adjacent to the Pecos is not conducive to the small operator and the land still lies in larger bodies. In contrast to the former condition of a number of large leases taking up the entire school land country, there are now scores of small leases with an aggregate of less land leased. But there are a greater number of lessees on the books of the land office and smaller ranchmen.

It is expected that there will be an unusually large number of acres leased toward the latter part of the month, and the first week in September, in fact, it is positive for the reason that 183,000 acres of school land went on the market and only a small per cent of it will be purchased.

This wholesale dump on the market was caused by the expirations and cancellations of leases. Altogether the land commissioner advertised that over 300,000 acres were to be placed on the market because lease rental was overdue and tenure expired on some. Before the last day of grace rolled around this month the lessees had paid rental on over half of the aggregate mentioned, but the default and expired tracts made the total 183,000.

The last mentioned acreage is located in a number of western counties, and therefore will be released in small tracts and not in large bodies. As soon as the land commissioner approves the lease or purchase application it is sent to the state treasurer, where the payments must be made. Thus there is a double set of books kept on all school land transactions and accounts.

ABOUT THE STOCK YARDS TODAY.

W. P. Muir, Snyder, O. T., sold 24 cows of 814 pounds average at $2.

M. W. LeFlore, Jackson, I. T., sold 21 steers of 772 pounds average at $2.15.

Calves are a quarter higher than they were on the closing market last week.

Wm. Talbott from Broken Arrow, I. T., sold 60 hogs, average 192 pounds, at $5.45.

Joel Corzine, Ravenna, O. T., sold 25 steers, average 916, at $2.50, and 3 cows of 783 at $2.25.

More hogs. That is the demand of this market. The prices paid show how badly they are wanted.

R. A. Riddle sent in a load of hogs from Tuskahoma, I. T., of 157 pounds average, that sold at $5.27½.

G. W. Evans, from away out in El Paso county, shipped in 87 calves of 154 pounds average that sold at $3.

Green & Gardner sold 27 cows from Hood county, average 758 pounds, at $1.90, and 4 of 832 at the same price.

All classes were active and higher today. Cattle were in light supply, and the supply was not equal to the demand.

More hogs were in today than on any day since the 28th of July. Prices were generally a nickel higher than on Saturday.

J. R. Blocker was in from Eagle Pass with a load of calves. He sold 65 of 234 pounds average at $2.75, and 5 of 314 at $2.00.

G. A. Monkhouse was on the market with a load of steers from Floresville, that averaged 864 pounds and sold at $2.85.

E. F. Dawson had a load of calves in from Monahans, in Ward county. He sold 70 of 185 pounds average at $3.25, and 5 of 274 at $2.25.

S. J. Wilm had 49 Bosque county steers on Friday's late market that were the best sold that day. They averaged 1095 pounds and sold at $3.50.

S. H. Cook had two loads of Hood county steers on the market. They averaged 1064 and sold at $3.80. These were the tops on today's market.

Chris Hagelstein of San Angelo was a visitor at the yards today, looking over conditions here. Though formerly a shipper to St. Louis, he thinks he will now do business with Fort Worth.

If you want to buy or sell a horse or mule, of any description, grade or quality, be at the big auction sale at Fort Worth, Sept. 19th to 24th. It will be a hummer. Write J. K. Bruce, care Fort Worth Stockyards Co., for any information you want.

Read The Live Stock Reporter.

TELEGRAPHIC MARKET REPORTS.

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
Chicago	15,000	17,000	18,000
Kansas City	9,000	3,000	3,000
St. Louis	5,000	4,000	2,000
	29,000	24,000	23,000

Chicago.

Special to The Reporter.

Union Stock Yards, Aug. 15—CATTLE—Receipts 15,000. Market strong, 10 to 15 higher. Beeves $4.00@6.25, cows and heifers $1.25@4.80, stockers and feeders $2.00@4.10.

HOGS—Receipts 17,000. Market 10 higher. Top $5.55, bulk $5.15@5.35. Mixed and butchers $5.15@5.55, good to choice heavy $5.15@5.45, lights $5.25@5.50, pigs $4.60@5.25.

SHEEP—Receipts 18,000. Steady.

Kansas City.

Special to The Reporter.

Kansas City, Aug. 15.—CATTLE—Receipts 9,000. Market strong. Beeves $3.50@5.55, cows and heifers $1.25@4.00, Texas and Westerns $2.10@3.75.

HOGS—Receipts 3,000. Market 5 to 10 higher. Top $5.25, bulk $5.10@5.20. Mixed and butchers $5.00@5.15, good to choice heavy $5.00@5.10, lights $5.10@5.25, pigs $4.95@5.25.

SHEEP—Receipts 3,000. Steady.

St. Louis.

Special to The Reporter.

National Stockyards, Aug. 15.—CATTLE—Receipts 5,000, Texas 2,000. Market steady. Steers $2.75@4.60, cows and heifers $1.50@2.75.

HOGS—Receipts 4,000. Market 10 to 15 higher. Top $5.50. Pigs and lights $5.00@5.50, packers $5.10@5.30, butchers $5.25@5.45.

SHEEP—Receipts 2,000. Steady.

GENERAL NOTES.

The Republicans of Fort Worth have formed a Roosevelt club, which claims 143 members. It is a strictly lily-white organization, without negro membership.

A sale is reported by R. B. Masterson of Fort Worth of 1,664 yearlings, to John Malesworth of Clarendon, at $15. He also sold to Wm. H. Craven 1,052 head at $14.

Capt. Tom Montgomery is back from a trip to his ranch in Crosby county. He finished delivering the cattle sold recently, and says they were all in fine condition. In the counties of Crosby, Garza, Dawson and Lynn he says the range is excellent, and he has rarely ever seen cattle looking better.

Texas railroads are doing a big business carrying tourists to the St. Louis Exposition. On Saturday the Texas & Pacific sent out from Fort Worth 400 passengers to St. Louis and the Cotton Belt 575. The Frisco and the Rock Island also report heavy business to St. Louis.

A report from Weatherford says the boll weevil has made its appearance in the eastern part of Parker county. Alex Chapman, a farmer residing near Anneta, discovered a number of bugs in his cotton. William Davis, cashier of the First National bank, sent them to W. D. Hunter at Hillsboro to be examined, and received a letter from him stating they were sure enough boll weevils, same as the kind which did so much damage in East and Southern Texas last year.

A WEEK AT THE WORLD'S FAIR.

The World's Fair at St. Louis has now been open about three and one-half months and has proven to be far and away the grandest, most wonderful exposition of human accomplishment ever conceived and executed.

It is now at the height of its glory, and in order that everyone may see it under the most favorable conditions, the Cotton Belt Route has arranged a series of personally conducted excursions allowing a week in St. Louis. The rate will be exceedingly low, only about two-thirds of the one way fare for the round trip. Excellent rooms have been secured at 60 cents per day (not more than four in a room) this rate being available only by members of our party. These are strictly first-class in every way, located in the best residence district of St. Louis, and within easy walking distance of the fair. Good meals can be had within one block at 25 and 35 cents each.

The train is in charge of a representative of the Cotton Belt passenger department who will look after your comfort en route, and see you safely located in rooms on arrival—no uncertainty as where to go, no time lost in seeking location.

Our trains are composed of new equipment, high back coaches, free chair cars, elegant dining cars. Special World's Fair and standard sleepers are also carried and may be used by those holding long limit tickets.

With every arrangement made for your convenience, you cannot worry, you have nothing to do but enjoy yourself, hence our patrons have called our excursions the Don't Worry Club Excursions. If you want to join us on August 27, the next excursion, you can secure full information from and enroll your name with nearest Cotton Belt agent, or with D. M. Morgan, T. P. A., Fort Worth; Gus Hoover, T. P. A., Waco; John F. Lehane, G. P. A., Tyler.

CUSSEDNESS OF THE MULE.

The Animal is Worthy of All that has Been Said of Him.

Capt. L. J. Polk of Fort Worth is not a believer in the guileless innocence of the mule. In a recent number of the Fort Worth Record he gives his opinion of that animal, as follows:

"I see that Col. George E. Jenkins of Fairbury, quartermaster and commissary of the National Guard of Nebraska, is out in an interview in which he states that after a close association with the mule for nearly a life-time he has never known one to kick a man, nor has ever heard of one kicking a man, where the case could be substantiated.

"This statement proves either one of two things—that Col. Jenkins doesn't know as much about a mule as a corn-field darkey knows about Sanscrit, or else he has been misquoted. Of all the kicking, kickable and kickious animals known to man, the mule is the limit. I know the mule. I have known him since I was a broth of a boy in Tennessee. I have seen thousands and thousands o mules—big mules, little mules, great mules and small mules—and one and all they have been kickers from Kickerville.

"Now a mule is all right in its way, but a mule is a very deceiving quadruped. It is always best to play safety when dealing with one. I remember one old gotch-eared, gray flea-bitten mule that during the first 23 years of its life made a record for docility and gentleness and tranquillity of temper that almost caused me to change my mind about all mules. But one day when this old mule was hitched to a buggy he got on his recalcitrant rags, and before the man who was driving him could get out of that buggy he had a broken knee. Before the mule got through there was a broken buggy and the air got several dark shades of blue put in it as a result of the excellent demonstration in the art of kicking given by this mule on this occasion.

"Since then I have always regarded the mule with more or less suspicion. Why, all this talk about a man sitting on a keg of powder while smoking a clay pipe being foolish, is rot—the merest rot. The only real, downright foolish and idiotic person in this wide, wide world is the fool who for one minute forgets himself and trusts a mule. He at once becomes a candidate for a last resting place. He will get it from the mule somewhere, and will get it for keeps, too.

"As a rule the bigger the mule the better is his temper—but all mules are dangerous. For 18-karat cussedness and 33 degrees of stubbornness, I will stack up a measly five-foot mule against all the mothers-in-law in this broad land of ours. These pesky little devils have more meanness in sixteen ounces of their makeup than can be found in any other pound of blood and bones in the world. They never miss an opportunity to play the devil, and for the standard article in this line they set a hot and rapid pace.

"But a mule is not a foolish animal. He may be stubborn; he is recalcitrant. He combines the worst features of his ancestors on both sides of the stable, but he is not a fool. Mule sense is a much better expression for one to use, when desiring to pass a negative compliment, than horse sense. A mule will run away, but no one ever heard of a mule injuring himself in doing so. He never even injures a vehicle in a mad race. In running away he will pick out the best roads; he seldom turns a corner, unless forced to do so, and if he is confronted with real danger he will stop short. In this he is a big improvement over a horse, for there is nothing in the world more foolish than a horse on a runaway exhibition.

"People are mistaken if they for one moment think that mules are without vanity. Vanity is perhaps the mule's greatest virtue. The next time you see an old mule just observe and you will see that he keeps his ears as close together at the top as he can get them. When a mule gets 12 or 15 years of age, it will permit its ears to flop a little, but as real old age comes on the way the mule will pick up its ears is a caution. This I attribute wholly and solely to vanity.

"A mule will stand three times the knocks and will live on one-third it takes to keep a horse. No shelter is ever required for a mule in this climate. Weight for weight and age for age, a mule will pull as much almost again as a horse. There is another thing I have never been able to fully understand. A negro can get more work out of a mule than a white man. Just why this is no one who has ever studied muleology has ever been able to explain.

"There is still another mistaken idea about a mule. 'Lazy as a mule' is a common expression. This is founded on some imagination and not on any actual condition. A mule is not lazy. It is possessed of a lumbering gait and for that reason does not appear to make very good time when it is going, but it is getting there every second, just the same. There is more life in the average mule than there is in the average dray or draft horse. Just because God—fortunately for the mule—gave that animal a thick skin which enables it to withstand hard knocks, without responding in the expected way, the idea that a mule is lazy has become almost universal.

"If you want an animal that you always know, even though you know he is treacherous, get a mule. I hold it is better to deal with a knave than a fool. A horse is generally a fool and not infrequently a knave. A mule is always knavish, but never a fool. One does and often can safely trust a horse. Knowing a mule to be a knave, one should never trust him, and wise men never do.

"A mule has may good points; is a valuable animal and one of man's best servants. But this talk about mules not kicking is balderdash. He is the prime kicker of the universe and can kick harder, can kick when less expected and with more unerring aim than any other animal in the animal kingdom."

Culebra, the island twenty-five miles west of Porto Rico which has been strongly fortified by the United States, commands the Anegada passage, which is used by all European commerce with the isthmus of Panama, more effectually than Gibraltar commands the entrance to the Mediterranean.

The Sun.

If the sun were hollow it could hold 500,000 globes the size of our earth, and an eye capable of viewing 10,000 square miles an hour would require fifty-five years to see all its surface.

Mice That Waltz.

Japanese waltzing mice are amusing little creatures. The waltzing consists of a rapid revolving motion, something like that of a dog trying to catch its own tail. Occasionally they perform in pairs, turning with great rapidity. The habit exhibits itself in the young soon after they begin to run about.

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SPORTING NOTES.

Wrestling seems to be supplanting boxing in popularity in England.

Hopper, 2:17¼, the McKinney trotter, is touted as a sure 2:10 performer.

Ed Andrews, the well known western New York trainer, now has a public stable.

Charley Nichols of the St. Louis Nationals says the "raise" ball is the hardest curve for a twirler to deliver.

The Cleveland American league ball players are among the tallest and heaviest men in Ban Johnson's organization.

Will Caton was the leading money winning driver in Russia during the last season, having over $25,000 to his credit.

The Gentlemen's Driving and Riding club of Denver claims to be the largest driving club in the world in point of membership.

A. C. Pennock of Cleveland is racing the trotting gelding Thorn Boy, 2:17¼, by Strong Boy, 2:11¾, on the Ohio half mile tracks.

Japanese swordsmen exercise with a large bamboo stick which they wield with both hands. Their heads are protected by a clumsy basketlike hood.

Scott Quinton, who deserted the harness horses several years ago for the runners, is in the training business again and is racing Bessie Brown, 2.12¾, by Wiggins.

THE WRITERS.

Joel Chandler Harris is back in the literary harness again.

The veteran Norwegian author Jonas Lie intends to leave Paris, where he has lived for many years, and abide for the future in Norway.

Maude Roosevelt, the president's cousin, is contributing much magazine literature this summer, and is about to issue a new novel of New York's bustling life.

Mrs. Maxwell, whom novel readers remember as "M. E. Braddon" and who wrote "Lady Audley's Secret," to say nothing of sixty or more other examples of fiction, lives in the summer at Richmond, near London. She is fond of entertaining.

Pierre Loti, the noted French author, will make a third attempt to turn Shakespeare's "King Lear" into the French language. On account of the difficulty and previous unsatisfactory efforts to translate Shakespeare into French the literary people of that country have never valued the English dramatist highly.

CURIOUS CULLINGS.

New Orleans is fighting white ants for a pastime, and it is said that the insects are fast devouring some of the wooden houses.

A Nebraska man thrust his trousers, containing $8,000, out of a sleeping car window, thinking he was putting them into the hammock of his berth, and didn't discover his loss until the next morning.

A carpet needle nearly three inches long has been extracted from the body of Mrs. Herman Scheuer of Meriden, Conn. The instrument had traveled in ten years from her left knee to a spot near her heart.

Odd names have been given to bouncing boy twins born to Mr. and Mrs. John D. Conley of York, Pa. The firstborn was named Enough by the apprehensive father. Enough's brother will have to answer to the somewhat humiliating appellation of Last.

Ancient Innkeepers.

The innkeepers' business was practiced in Rome at the time of Christ. There were then over 700 registered inns in the capital. Each had a registered sign, which no other innkeeper was permitted to copy.

Bronze Statues.

Solid bronze statues were cast in the fourth century before Christ by a Greek founder named Lysippus.

Power of a Pumpkin.

In testing the lifting power of growing plants and vegetables—an experiment made under the auspices of the United States department of agriculture—it was found that common pumpkins could lift a weight of two and a half tons.

A. O. H.

Hibernians and Ladies' Auxiliary Begin Their Biennial Convention.

Dallas, Aug. 15.—Delegates and visitors to the state meeting of the Ancient Order of Hibernians and Ladies' Auxiliary of the organization, before proceeding to hold their biennial convention af three days, assembled in St. Patrick's church, where high mass was held. Father P. J. Clancey of Waco was celebrant and Rev. J. M. Kerwin of Galveston delivered the sermon.

After the religious services all repaired to the city hall auditorium, where Mayor Barry welcomed the delegates. President McAlen of Dallas responded for the Hibernians and Miss B. Duffy, state president of the Ladies' Auxiliary, for that order.

Sessions are being held in Maccabee hall by the Ladies' Auxiliary.

San Antonio Next Year.

Dallas, Aug. 15.—State Stenographers association meets next year at San Antonio. Following officers were elected: President, E. D. McKenzie of Houston; first vice president, W. J. Pace of Dallas; second vice president, Miss Arnold of Houston; third vice president, Miss Annie Donnelly of Beaumont; secretary-treasurer, J. A. Fagin of Cleburne. Only stenographers able to take 150 words per minute are eligible to membership. President McKenzie, J. H. Swope of Houston and G. W. Parker of Fort Worth were elected delegates to the national convention.

Fireman Dies.

Texarkana, Aug. 15.—Jim Yauch, the Cotton Belt fireman who was so terribly burned in the wreck here in which Engineer White and a negro lost their lives, has died. The engineer and fireman each had $5000 life insurance.

Seawall Dedication.

Galveston, Aug. 15.—Galveston's great seawall will be formally dedicated on the 22d. Governor Lanham and Speaker Seabury of the lower house of the legislature will be among the speakers. All roads entering Galveston will run excursions.

SALUTE AND SAIL.

Satisfactory Settlement Effected Between Uncle Sam and Sultan.

Constantinople, Aug. 15.—Minister Leishman has made a satisfactory settlement with the porte. American schools will be accorded the same treatment as those by other nations. Other issues at stake have also been amicably adjusted, and Rear Admiral Jewell, in command of the United States squadron at Smyrna, has been instructed to salute the land batteries and depart.

TOO KIND TO HER.

Strange Reason Why Kansas City Woman Sought Divorce.

Chicago, Aug. 15.—A dispatch to the Tribune from Denver, Colo., says: Because Howard Bryning of Kansas City was too fond of his wife and acquiesced in everything she did, Mrs. Bryning has secured a divorce.

"My husband had no backbone," said Mrs. Bryning in talking over the strange reason for a divorce. "Whenever I asked for anything I always got it without question. There is no satisfaction in that kind of humdrum existence for me."

Mr. Bryning is traveling passenger agent for the Northern Pacific with headquarters in Kansas City.

Must Repair or Leave.

Berlin, Aug. 15.—The foreign office informs the Associated Press that if the Russian ships put into Tsing Chou, at the entrance of Kiao Chou bay, German concession on the Shantung peninsula, do not make repairs and leave that port within the time allotted them they will be detained there for the rest of the war.

Flags Pulled Down.

Tsing Chu, Aug. 15.—The Russian flags has been pulled down from the Russian battleship Czarevitchan, the cruisers which took refuge here. Lowering of the colors was done in the presence of the German governor.

MINOR MATTERS.

Corsicana oil on the 12th advanced 5 and 10 cents.

Sixteen cases of smallpox were found at Zion City, Ill., on the 12th.

On the 12th President Roosevelt addressed 500 Porto Rico teachers.

Fully 10,000 persons attended the three days' reunion at Hico, Tex.

Society of the Army of the Cumberland meets at Indianapolis Sept. 21-22.

While riding on car bumpers near Somerville, Tex., Sam Green, a negro, was killed.

Earth fell on a Mexican miner in the Independent coal mine near Bastrop, Tex., with fatal results.

M. Lichenstein, a leading business man of Corpus Christi and resident of Texas since 1835, is dead.

By giving $10,000 bonus Corpus Christi, Tex., gets a permanent terminal of the Brownsville railway.

Andrew Wright, a negro barber, was slain at Texarkana. Officers started after Dick Mununs, also a negro.

Adam King, a negro prisoner in jail at Bonham, Tex., swallowed nine match heads. He is partially paralyzed.

W. P. Hobby, a Houston newspaper man, has been chosen secretary of the Texas Democratic executive committee.

Printers' Exchange at Minneapolis was fire damaged $30,000 worth and six teen firemen, including chief, were hurt.

Edwin M. Lanham, cashier of the Western National bank of Fort Worth and son of the governor, owing to ill health has resigned. He will become a cattleman.

Rev. G. E. Walk of Cedar Rapids, Ia., will become dean of St. Matthew's cathedral, Dallas, Nov. 1. His father is a leading minister of the Christian church and a resident of Dallas.

Burglars stole $1000 worth of ribbon, hats, etc., from millinery house of Hirsh & Kauffman at Oklahoma City.

A party of society girls saved W. W. Leake, a young man of New Orleans, from drowning in Lake Divine, near Fon du Lac, Wis.

W. B. Mahaney, a one-legged man with a crutch, defeated by five minutes Frank Kinnard, weighing 225, in a race up the shaft of the Washington monument, 555 feet.

JAPS SINK THE RURIK

Kamimura's Fleet Has a Battle With Vladivostok Squadron.

CREW NOT BEEN SEEN

Engagement Lasted Five Hours and the Two Other Russian Vessels In the Affair Left In Crippled State.

Tokio, Aug. 15.—Flags are flying, lanterns are glimmering and cries, "Banzai" were ringing in the streets of Tokio Sunday night in honor of the victories gained at sea by Admiral Togo and Vice Admiral Kamimura. Underneath the jollity of the populace lies a feeling of deep gratification at the disposal of the serious problems of war.

The Russian squadron which confronted Admiral Togo refused battle. It was stronger than Admiral Togo's squadron in battleships and armored cruisers, and had it elected to fight, the result might have altered the fortunes of war. The strength of the squadron which opposed Admiral Togo compelled him to draw vessels from the squadron under Vice Admiral Kamimura, and this left the Japanese navy powerless to proceed against the Russian Vladivostok squadron and unable to prevent the raids of these vessels.

The raid conducted by the Vladivostok squadron in July was extremely expensive to Japan, and not only was retaliation tempting, but it was demanded by commercial interests. The

VICE ADMIRAL KAMIMURA.

navy, however, generally refused to make a diversion, and stuck to Port Arthur. It was confident that the harbor soon would be untenable for the Russian ships, that it would eventually get a fair fight in the open sea away from the Russian land batteries, and that the Japanese would win. These calculations of the navy were correct, and the Russians, with the chances even, have been hopelessly defeated.

Vice Admiral Kamimura, after months of weary and patient waiting, finally got his chance at dawn of Sunday off Tsu island. He sunk the Russian cruiser Rurik and sent the cruiser Gromomboi and Rossia fleeing back from the fight.

Japanese guns dominate the dockyards at Port Arthur, and in view of this fact it would seem to be impossible again to make a worthy fight with the Russian battleships which have returned to Port Arthur. The best possible naval force that Russia can now concentrate at Vladivostok is four cruisers.

In the fight of Aug. 10 the squadron under Admiral Togo was practically uninjured. The battleship Mikasa suffered the most, but she continues on the fighting line. The cruisers Yakumo, Nishin and Kasuga also were hit, but temporary repairs have been made, and they are fully serviceable.

Eleven wounded officers and sixty-six wounded men arrived at Sasebo Sunday.

The steamer Gaelic, bound for Shanghai, at 10 o'clock Saturday morning sighted a Russian cruiser, evidently the Novik, steering southeast by east. This course showed her to be heading for Van Diemen strait. Van Diemen strait is about 120 miles south of Nagasaki, and it would be presumed from the Novik going in this direction that she purposes to try to reach Vladivostok by the sea course.

SEVERE STRUGGLE.

Russian Battleship Had a Terrible Engagement Against Odds.

Chefoo Aug. 15.—Details of the naval battle of Aug. 10 reaching here show that the Russian battleship Czarevitch made a remarkable struggle. When the battle opened six battleships on each side opposed each other an almost parellel lines in the vicinity of Round Island. The cruisers and torpedoboat destroyers on both sides were ordered out of range. When the fight had been underway for some time the cruisers and smaller craft became engaged. Finally the Czarevitch was surrounded by battleships and two cruisers. The shell which killed Admiral Withoft rebounded from the turret.

Captain Matouzevitch, who was reported dead, is still alive.

Claimed as a Prize.

London, Aug. 15.—The London morning newspaper discussed the question which report vessels which were not disabled were entitled under international law to seek reguge from the attack of the Japanese ships in neutral ports, and great anxiety is displayed as to the course Germany will adopt. According to the Daily Mail's Shanghai correspondent the Japanese consul claims the cruiser Askold as a prize.

Appointed Receivers.

Austin, Aug. 15.—J. B. Earl of Waco and F. C. Davis of San Antonio have been appointed by Judge Brooks of the Twenty-third district court receiver, of the Commercial Telephone company.

Waco Man Robbed.

St. Louis, Aug. 15.—Joseph Byron of Waco, Tex., complained to the police that he had been robbed of $260.

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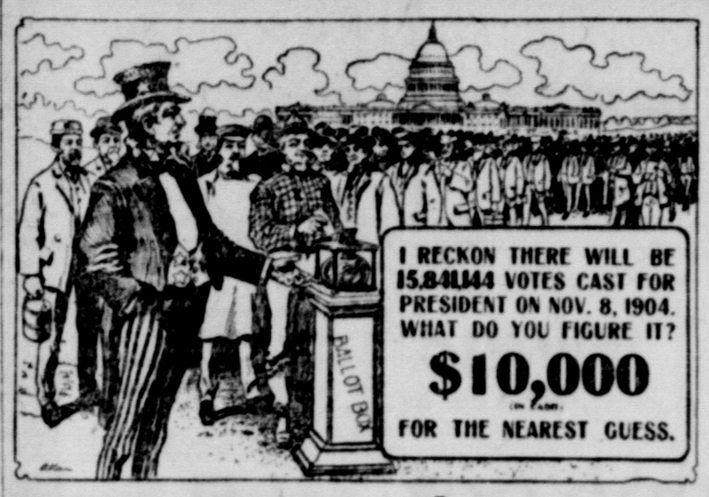

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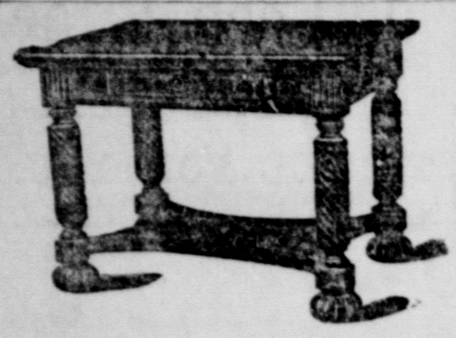

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NEW YORK RIOT.

Non-Union Meat Truck Drivers and Beef Carriers Pelted From Roofs.

New York, Aug. 15.—Women and children joined in the riotous demonstrations against non-union men who had taken the places of striking butchers and other employes in the packing houses. From upper windows and roofs of buildings in the affected district they hurled missiles of all sorts at every luckless meat truck driver or beef carrier who passed along the street. The first attack was on Richard Sargent, a negro meat carrier from the Schwarzchild & Sulzberger plant. As he crossed the avenue he was surrounded by a crowd of strikers and hangerson and for a moment he vainly attempted to shield his head and face from a rain of sticks, stones and various other missiles which the mob with savage shouts hurled at him. Sargent ran down the avenue pursued by most of the crowd, which continued to pelt him. A policeman ran to the negro's assistance, but he was powerless against the mob. As the two men ran down the street women and children on roofs either side hurled sticks and pieces of plaster torn from walls down upon them. Sargent was badly cut about the face and hands when the appearance of several other policemen caused the mob to scatter.

TRAGIC PORTRAYAL.

Man Showed Another How to Repel Attack of Strikers.

Kansas City, Aug. 15.—James Wagener, aged forty-eight years, has been accidentally shot and killed by Alexander Brown, a non-union employe of Swift & Co. Wagener was attempting to show Brown how to repel a supposed attack by strikers when Brown's revolver exploded and killed Wagener.

MELTON WINNER.

Carries Off First Honor In Southern Oratorical Contest.

Waco, Aug. 15.—Information from Monteagle, Tenn., is that John W. Melton of Baylor university of Waco, won in the southern intercollegiate oratorical contest. Melton was the winner in the Texas state oratorical contest at Waxahachie a few months ago and this entitled him to try for greater honors at Monteagle.

WILL RESIST.

S. E. Bruner Intends to Fight Extradition Proceedings.

Denver, Colo., Aug. 15.—S. E. Bruner, who is wanted by the police at Fort Worth on a charge of assault with intent to murder, has been arrested here and is being held by the police. Bruner, who is a locomotive fireman, became involved in a dispute with his engineer, according to the police, and struck him several times on the head with a coupling pin, severely injuring him. Bruner says he will fight extradition to Texas.

INVESTIGATION MADE.

Department of Agriculture Interesting Itself in Matter.

Chicago, Aug. 15.—Fearing stockyards fever would develop to serious extent, among thousands of cattle held unusually long at stockyards since the meat cutters' strike began, the department of agriculture has interested itself in the Chicago situation by having a special investigation made. A report on the situation has been prepared for the secretary of agriculture by Captain S. F. Giles.

REMARKABLY LOW RATE

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The lowest round trip rates to Denver, Colorado Springs, Pueblo and Boulder that have ever been in effect from Texas, are announced by the Rock Island railway. Tickets will be sold August 15th. The rate from Fort Worth to Denver is $16.10; from Dallas, $16.75, with a proportionately low rate from other points.

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WITHOFT WAS KILLED

Commander of Port Arthur Squadron Slain on Flagship.

HIS LEGS BLOWN OFF

Rear Admiral at the Time His Soul Was Hurled Into Eternity Stood on Vessel's Bridge and a Shell Burst by Him.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 15.—Rear Admiral Withoft, who was in command of the Russian naval forces at Port Arthur, was killed during the engagement of Wednesday.

The emperor has received a telegram from Tsing Chou signed by Captain Matous Evitch, rear admiral and chief of staff, reporting that Admiral Withoft met his death aboard the flagship Czarevitch. Both his legs were blown off. Captain Wamoff of the Czarevitch, Commander Samoff and several of the officers were wounded. Several officers besides the rear admiral were also killed. The battleship sustained severe damage. Her rudder was broken beyond hope of repair. Captain Matous Evitch did not report as to the whereabouts of the other vessels, but his dispatch adds the protected cruiser Novik left Tsing Chou.

SEVERE REVERSE.

Emperor Deeply Feels Plight the Russians Are In.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 15.—Gladness of the people at the announcement of the birth of the heir apparent could not be fully shared at Peterhof. The emperor Saturday morning received a telegram from Tsing Chou announcing the death of Admiral Withoft and the result of the sortie of the Russian warships, as already cabled to the Associated Press, leaving no doubt of the severe character of the reverse sustained by the Port Arthur squadron. The contents of the telegram were telephoned to the admiralty and became quickly known throughout the city. The return of the majority of the Russian warships to Port Arthur has not softened the blow. On the contrary it is felt their retreat toward the beleaguered fortress has dashed the hopes of a juncture with the Vladivostok squadron. The naval men believe, however, the Japanese vessels were badly battered and that Admiral Togo is not in a position to follow up his success.

HONOR HEIR.

God's Blessing Invoked on Son of the Czar.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 15.—News of the death of Rear Admiral Withoft and the failure of a majority of the larger warships of Port Arthur squadron to break through the Japanese fleet were not known Saturday morning when the brilliant array of officers and diplomats assembled in the magnificent Kazan cathedral to attend the Te Deum in honor of the birth of the heir apparent, Alexis. The stately edifice, adorned with military and naval trophies, colors, eagles and keys of captured fortresses, was filled with ambassadors, generals, admirals and court and government functionaries. Grand Duke Alexis, wearing a resplendent uniform of high admiral, occupied the chief place as godfather, being selected by the emperor for his first born son as a special compliment to the much tried navy. The metropolitan read to the congregation the manifesto announcing the birth and then the whole assemblage bended their knees as the prelate invoked God's blessing on the future emperor.

Veteran warriors were shaken with emotion and many persons wept and prayed audibly: "May Almighty God send him many years of happiness." The congregation dispersed amid the sound of bells ringing from all the churches.

Similar services were held throughout the empire, the priest in each case reading out the manifesto announcing the birth of the heir apparent.

OTHERS DISABLED.

Germany Will Not Name Them on Grounds of Neutrality.

Berlin, Aug. 15.—The Russian protected cruiser Novik left Tsing Chou, at the entrance of Kiao Chou bay, a German concession on the Shan Tung peninsula, where she arrived Thursday night, within the twenty-four hours' limit, according to an official dispatch to the navy department from the governor of Kiao Chou. Several other Russian vessels are still in the harbor in a disabled condition. The German government is not willing to name these ships and details of damages because such intelligence might be considered inconsistent with neutrality and as affording Japan valuable information. The instructions sent to Tsing Chou permit the disabled Russian vessels to repair sufficient to proceed to another port.

Admiral von Prittwitz, commander of the German naval forces in far eastern waters, is assembling his ships at Kiao Chou to prepare to force Germany's neutrality against the other belligerent.

Preparing Statement.

Berlin, Aug. 15.—Japan has given the German government an intimation that she is preparing a statement regarding the seizure of the Russian torpedo-boat destroyer Ryeshiteini at Chefoo. The foreign office, therefore, is disinclined to express its views on the Washington dispatch indicating that the state department is concerned about the apparent breach of neutrality on the part of Japanese torpedo-boats.

AT ANY COST.

Mikado Said That Port Arthur Must Be Taken at All Hazards.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 15.—The Bourse Gazette has received the following from its Liao Yang correspondent: "Twelve Japanese regiments has left in the direction of Port Arthur."

It is stated on trustworthy authority that the mikado has ordered that Port Arthur must be taken at any cost, even local necessitates the suspension of operations in Manchuria, and it is quite possible that the main Japanese force will proceed to Port Arthur within a few days. Rain has stopped all operations.

A dispatch from Mukden states that the Japanese Port Arthur army has been largely reinforced, and has taken up a position in two large bodies, one on the heights between Lun Wung Tao and Pigeon Bay and the other on the hills near Louisa Bay. Guns have also been placed on the heights east of the Wolf hills.

TWO ENTERED.

Same Number of Cruisers and Three Torpedoboat Destroyers Outside.

Chefoo, Aug. 15.—Despite Chinese Admiral Sah's statement to the contrary, the Associated Press learns positively that two Japanese torpedo boats entered the harbor Saturday night, while two cruisers and three torpedo boat destroyers remained outside. One of the torpedo boats communicated with the Chinese admiral. The Russian consulate fears an attack on the wireless telegraph plant here, which is reported to have been working perfectly. The Japanese torpedo boats covered that vicinity.

The Associated Press launch failed to discover the Japanese squadron, but it is certain the squadron is not far away, maintaining the blockade against the Russians.

GENERAL ATTACK.

Report That Japanese Have Opened Up on Port Arthur.

Chefoo, Aug. 15.—A telegram just received from a reliable source, states that a general attack on Port Arthur began at 4 o'clock Monday morning.

BADLY RIDDLED.

Russian Vessels In a Nearly Helpless Condition.

Shanghai, Aug. 15.—Great excitement was caused here by news of four Russian warships anchored off the Saddle islands. During Friday afternoon the Russian torpedoboat destroyer Grovozi steamed up the river, having vainly attempted to make Tsing Chou, being headed off by the Japanese. The Grozovi was very dirty and unpainted and her crew was black with smoke and grime. They had hard steaming to escape the Japanese. Later the Russian protected cruiser Askold, with Rear Admiral Ouktomsky, second in command to the late Admiral Withoft on board, arrived at Woosung in the condition previously reported, namely, with her fifth funnel gone close to the deck, all funnels riddled with shell holes, one gun on the port side dismounted and several large shell holes above the water line and with one lieutenant and eleven men killed and fifty wounded.

It is said the Askold intends to go into dock and stop leaks under water. The pilots reported Saturday three Russian cruisers were off Saddle islands awaiting a British collier from Zing Chou. The Japanese squadron, consisting of one iron-clad, two large cruisers and four torpedoboat destroyers, were watching outside to intercept the collier.

The Japanese consul here urged the taotai to disarm the Grovozi and Askold.

IS REPUDIATED.

Czarevitch Is Not Being Repaired With Assistance of Germans.

Berlin, Aug. 15.—The Associated Press is able on the highest authority to deny the report that Argentine warships have been purchased by Russia and that they have joined the Vladivostok squadron. The admiralty strongly repudiates allegations that the battleship Czarevitch is being repaired with German assistance. No such breach of neutrality is possible. The report is attributed to the admiralty to a Japanese source, the Japanese, it is added, hoping to offset it against their own flagrant violation of neutrality in the attack on and capture of the Russian torpedo-boat destroyer Ryeshiteini at Chefoo.

GREAT LOSS.

Two Hundred and One Officers and Men Killed, Sixty Wounded.

London, Aug. 15.—A dispatch from St. Petersburg to a news agency says the machinery of the Russian battleship Czarevitch was so knocked about during the fight that most of it is worthless. She lost 201 officers and men killed and had sixty wounded. Rear Admiral Withoft was on the bridge of the Czarevitch when a shell exploded there, blowing him to pieces.

According to a news agency's dispatch from Tokio, the Rusian torpedoboat destroyer Ryesitelni, which was captured by the Japanese at Chefoo, is being taken to a Chinese port.

CAPTAIN EXPIRED.

He Was Wounded During the Battle of Wednesday Last.

Chefoo, Aug. 15.—Captain Matouzevitch of the late Rear Admiral Withoft's staff, who was wounded during the Japanese attack on the battleship Czarevitch, has died of his wounds.

Only one Russian torpedo boat remains at Tsing Chou with the Czarevitch.

The Japanese demanded the departure of the Czarevitch, but the governor of Tsing Chou replied that the vessel would remain, but would be dismantled.

The Japanese consul has ordered all steamers bound for Japanese ports to postpone their departure.

On the night of Aug. 13 two Japanese torpedo boats, without lights, entered Chefoo harbar and inspected the shipping. They jointed two other torpedo boats and cruisers standing outside the harbor, and all put to sea.

TEN DROWNED.

Gasoline Pleasure Launch Overturned on the Potomac.

Washington, Aug. 15.—During the regatta of the Potomac club near Georgetown Saturday afternoon a gasoline pleasure launch, containing fourteen persons, capsized and ten occupants drowned. The deplorable affair was the result of the vessel getting under a huge flume, from which the water was pouring in a deluge. It soon filled and overturned.

INCIDENT AT CHEFOO.

Naval Department of Japan Issues a Statement.

ACTION IS JUSTIFIED

Order Sent to the Commander of Russian Vessel to Leave Harbor or Surrender, but He Did Neither.

Tokio, Aug. 15.—The navy department has issued the following statement covering the Chefoo incident:

"According to reports received to date the Asashiwo and Kasumi, belonging to the first destroyer flotilla, Captain Fujimoto commander, were dispatched in search of the enemy's ships scattered during the engagement of Aug. 10. They found a vessel resembling one of the enemy's destroyers and gave chase, but lost her in the darkness. Continuing the search, they discovered that she had entered the port of Chefoo. The Japanese ships waited outside the port, but the Russians failed to leave. Captain Fujimoto, anticipating its escape during the night, entered Chefoo with two destroyers and found the Russian destroyer Ryeshiteini remaining unarmed.

"Lieutendent Tiraishma was sent to the Russian vessel with a message to the effect that the Japanese commander expected him to leave by dawn or surrender. The Russian commander refused to comply with either demand and while the conference still going on, he was heard instructing his men to blow up the ship. At the same time he caught hold of Lieutenant Terashima and threw him overboard. Our interpeter was next thrown overboard by some Russian sailors and others among the sailors showed signs of resistence. While this was progressing the forward magazine exploded, killing some of our men. We then captured the destroyer and retired. Our loss by the explosion was one man killed and four men mortally wounded. Lieutenant Terashima, our interpreter, and nine others of the boarding party were wounded."

CASUALTY LIST.

Those Who Were Killed and Wounded on Japanese Side.

Tokio, Aug. 15.—The following are the casualties sustained by the Japanese in the action of Aug. 10:

On board the battleship Mikasa, Admiral Togo's flagship, there were four officers and twenty-nine men and six officers and twenty-nine men severely wounded, and four officers and twenty-nine men slightly wounded, while the armored cruiser Yakumo had one officer and eleven men killed and ten wounded. On board the armored cruiser Misshin seven officers and nine men were killed and two officers and fifteen men were wounded.

Ten men on the armored cruiser Kasuga were killed.

Torpedo boat destroyer Asagira had two men killed.

On board torpedo boat No. 78 one man was killed and twenty-eight wounded.

The imperial prince, Hiroyasu Kwacho was slightly wounded aboard the battleship Mikasa in last Wednesday's engagement.

The Japanese government has declined to make a statement regarding the Chefoo incident pending the receipt of a report from Admiral Togo.

LOCAL MARKET REPORT

COUNTRY PRODUCE.
Prices to Sellers.

POULTRY—Hens, per doz.	$3.00
Fryers, per doz.	$2.50
Broilers, per doz.	$1.75
DUCKS—Per doz	$5.50
EGGS—Per doz	10c
BUTTER—Per lb., yellow	15c to 20c

GRAIN AND HAY.
Prices Paid to Farmers.

HAY—Johnson Grass, wagons ton	$8.00
Prarie Texas, ton	$8.50
Prairie, Territory, per ton	$7.50
OLD CORN—Per pushel	45c
OATS—Per bushel	33@36c
WAGON WHEAT—Per bushel	$1.00

Vegetables.

CABBAGE—Per pound	2½c
ONIONS—Per pound	2c
PEACHES—Crate	75c@$1.00
APPLES—Per bushel	$1.25@1.50
APPLES, green, per bbl.	$5.00
BEETS—Doz. bunches	25c
BEANS—Per bushel	$2.00
POTATOES—(New) bushel	$1.00@1.10
SWEET POTATOES, per bu.	$1.25@1.50
ROASTING EARS—Per doz.	12½c
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CORNFIELD PEAS—Per bushel	40c
EGG PLANT—Dozen	50c

HIDES.
Prices Paid Shippers.

Heavy Dry Beef	15c
Heavy Dry Fallen	13c
Lights	11c
Dry Salt	9½c
Green	7c
Green heavy, 40 lbs and up	6½c
Green, light, under 40 lbs	5½c

PROVISIONS.
From the Store.

BACON—Standard	11½c
Extra	10½c
Dry Salt Standard	10½c
Dry Salt Bellies	11½c
Bacon Bellies	12½c
HAMS—Medium	13c
Large	12½c
LARD—Leaf, in tierces	11c
50-pound cans	11¼c
10-pound cans	12c
Compound, tierces	8c
10-pound cans	10c

SUGAR AND MOLASSES.
Selling Prices at Stores.

CUGAR—Granulated, pound	6c
Cut loaf and powdered, lb	6½c
Yellow	5½c
MOLASSES—Sorghum, gallon	50c
Reboiled molasses	55c
Table syrup, gallon	65c
Louisiana Ribbon Cane	65c

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Selling Prices.

COFFEE—Roasted, pound	15c
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His companions, Manuel Trujillo and der the same sentence, jumped into the river handcuffed and he is believed to have been drowned.

Welcomes the Japs.

Liao Yang, Aug. 15.—The Chinese governor of Mukden has issued a proclamation welcoming the Japs. This is due to the fact that the successive retirements of Russians to their main lines have caused the Chinese to lose faith in Russian arms.

New Orleans Man Suicides.

New York, Aug. 15.—The body of a man who committed suicide here at the Hotel Roland has been identified as that of Isador H. Block, aged two and eight years, an insurance agent of New Orleans.

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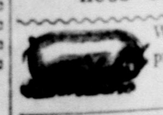

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