

**MILGRAM BREVITIES**

Prominent photographers from five states, embracing Minnesota, the Dakota, Iowa and Wisconsin, gathered at St. Paul, Minn., for the annual convention of the Northwestern Photographers' association. An exhibition of the photographic art is a feature of the meeting.  
Three men held up and robbed a quartet of harvest hands in a box car on the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe railway near Hutchinson, Kan., and a fight that followed wounded all of them. The robbers escaped. A. B. Frazier was shot in the leg and foot and F. T. Pralmer was hit on the throat, but not seriously. William Ross and Scott Fleming, the latter from Cedar Rapids, Iowa, were badly beaten. Secretary Traft has returned to Washington from Murray Bay, Can.  
Vice-President-elect Cordell Hull has been elected president of Mexico's Young Men's Christian association.

W. S. Stone of Cleveland, O., chief of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, made the president a social call.  
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Charles Timmon Hallock has been appointed a member of the state board of equalization of Illinois.  
Fire destroyed the stock sheds of the Wayne paper mill at Hartford City, Ind.  
Charles S. Deenen, Republican candidate for governor of Illinois, has accepted an invitation to speak at the Philadelphia fair Sept. 22.

Twenty-two-year-old Frank Smalley hung himself near Cleveland, Iowa. He seemed to have worn himself out under hard work.  
The National Civic federation has established a world's fair bureau at the world's fair to provide ways and means for wage earners to visit the show.

Clarence Secor, aged 24, unmarried and a pump for the Ohio Oil company, was drowned in an old gravel pit near Jackson, Ind. He had gone swimming while overcast from a ball game.  
Policeman Piler fatally shot Lewis Ashman, of Boston, while the latter was attempting to make an arrest at Norfolk, Neb. Ashman had been in Boston, S. D. where he is wanted in connection with lawlessness which occurred during the Rosebud registration period.

The trials of Mrs. Agnes Myers and Frank Hoffman of Kansas City, Mo., charged jointly with the murder of the woman's husband, were set for Nov. 31.  
William W. Bradford, chief expert of the Marconi Wireless Telegraph Company of America, has arrived at Stasconnet, Mass., to conduct a series of experiments.  
Senator Charles W. Fairbanks, Republican, has returned to Indianapolis from Medicine.

Ruis Hergo, one of the principal engineers who constructed the Buenos Aires harbor, was called for the United States.  
The suspension of Charles F. Palmer, a broker, was announced Monday on the floor of the New York Consolidated Exchange.  
Forest fires in the Gila forest reserve, Arizona, which during the last two months devastated an area of 47,000 acres, have been put out by heavy rains.

The group of four buildings of the Ornamental terra cotta works, owned by Constantin Armen & Co. in Philadelphia, was destroyed by fire; loss, \$100,000, fully covered by insurance.  
W. B. Stockdale and James Griff were killed by the collapse of a scaffold at Holt's ranch, near Abilene, Texas. Two others were seriously hurt.

Dr. Fleming Currow, who has held the chair of diseases of the eye, ear and throat at the University of Michigan for fifteen years, has resigned to accept a private practice in Detroit.  
President Woodrow Wilson told the members of the National grand that he would allow the organization to select the successor of the late U. S. Brigham as assistant secretary of agriculture.

Efforts to end the strike of bricklayers on the barracks building in Washington failed. Capt. Sewall, in charge of the work, refused to die a strike at the institution. An employe laid all the places of the strikers.  
Rev. Father St. O'Rielly, pastor of St. Paul's Catholic church at Stirling, Kan., also, who was a layman in a previous career, was discharged by the chaplain during a brigade encampment of his soldiers.

Archbishop Meiser left Milwaukee for Detroit to attend the national convention of the American Federation of Catholic societies.  
The drought has almost destroyed the maize crop in Romania and the government has prohibited the export of the grain.

The trial of Charles E. Kriss, former member of the St. Louis municipal assembly, charged with bribery, which went to the jury on Sept. 14, and the charge of fraud was continued to Sept. 16 in absentia of the defendant's attorney.

The "Wholesale Grocery" at Toledo, Ind., was closed by a fire on a Sunday. The loss was estimated at \$100,000.  
The Eastern convention of the British Association of Teachers in the United States association at St. Louis, Mo., Sept. 22-23.

**LATEST CASH MARKET REPORTS**

Table with multiple columns for various markets (Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis, etc.) and their respective prices for different goods like wheat, flour, and oil.

Chicago - No. 2 red, 1 1/2c. No. 3, 1 1/4c. No. 4, 1 1/2c. No. 5, 1 1/4c. No. 6, 1 1/2c. No. 7, 1 1/4c. No. 8, 1 1/2c. No. 9, 1 1/4c. No. 10, 1 1/2c.  
St. Paul - No. 1 white, 1 1/2c. No. 2, 1 1/4c. No. 3, 1 1/2c. No. 4, 1 1/4c. No. 5, 1 1/2c. No. 6, 1 1/4c. No. 7, 1 1/2c. No. 8, 1 1/4c. No. 9, 1 1/2c. No. 10, 1 1/4c.

# RUSSIANS TO FALL BACK

## No Troops Being Sent Past Harbin—Japanese Are Now in Force Between Gens. Stackelberg and Kouropatkin.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 2.—A report from an apparently reliable source is to the effect that Gen. Kouropatkin's main force has been rapidly moving north for several days. According to this report no troops proceeding to the front from Russia had gone past Harbin in the last three days. It will be detained there and every available piece of rolling stock will be rushed south empty for the removing of troops at Liaoyang and other points to the northward, leaving a skeleton force to contest the Japanese advances on vital positions.

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The Russian government, with the report that measures be taken to put a stop to it. It is further asserted that in many cases the government has not taken account and it is understood that when the war ends Russia proposes to present a bill for damages to the British government which will offset the seven families claimed for the seizure of British steamers.

**Dispatch From Togo Believed To Cover Important Happenings.**

London, Aug. 1.—Important news of developments in the war situation are looked for from two points, Port Arthur and Haicheng. It is the belief here that the flood of rumors from Port Arthur have some foundation in fact. Admiral Togo gives a suggestion of the closeness with which he is watching the naval side of affairs in a brief account of a side issue.



RED SEA, WHERE THE RUSSIANS SEIZED BRITISH SHIP.

Further news in the Black sea, and other large steamers which have been taken over by the government, are under order for government service outside the Black sea at an early date.

**Refugees From Port Arthur.**

Chefoo, Aug. 2.—A desperate three days' assault on the outer defenses of the northern and eastern sides of Port Arthur has failed, according to advice received by two junks, which arrived here today.  
A Russian, who escaped from Port Arthur via Ploren by the night of July 28, states that the earth tremor which began at 4 a. m. on July 26 and ended during the night of July 28, when the battle ceased.

**Gen. Kuraki Victorious In Two Important Engagements.**

Tokio, Aug. 2.—The Russian army administered a severe defeat to the Russian forces which defended the Russian east flank at Liaoyang, winning separate gains at Yushinku and Yaogo points. The Russian losses were estimated at 5,000 and 6,000. The Japanese, in their repeated assaults against the eastern fort on the hills, through barbed wire, entanglements, and live mines, displayed tank artiller, they were mowed down by the half of shells and bullets and the explosion of mines under their feet.  
The Russian declared that the Russian held all the eastern forts leading to Golden Hill and that the Japanese, shattered and exhausted, retired to the eastward.

**No Attempt Made by Gen. Guro's Officers to Stop at Haicheng.**

London, Aug. 2.—A St. Petersburg dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph company says the Russians have retired beyond Haicheng.  
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**Strang Russian Position and Gen. Takeda by Gen. Kuraki.**

Tokio, Aug. 2.—The Japanese took Hlunchong on Sunday. Six guns were captured. The Japanese casualties were 400. The Russian loss was heavier. Gen. Kuraki's losses in Saturday's and Sunday's fighting were 972.

**Reports of the Land Movements Continue to Come through Roundabout Channels.**

Reports of the land movements continue to come through roundabout channels, but all are to the same effect—that there is much heavy fighting in progress.  
The Headquarters of the Kouropatkin is threatened by Japanese columns which are constantly shifting and appearing in new places unexpectedly. It is not believed that the two places have been engaged since the Tatsienkiao affair, but there have been some serious engagements during the last few days.

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**Gen. Keller First High Officer Killed Since War's Beginning.**

It is reported here that Gen. Keller, who was killed July 29 while resisting the preliminary attack of Gen. Kuraki's army on the Yaogo point, thirty miles east of Liaoyang. The general was standing near a battery which was subjected to a terrific fire, when a shell burst close to him and he fell, mortally wounded, dying twenty minutes later.  
Gen. Keller was the first high Russian military commander to lose his life in this war.

**Two Days' Fighting Results In Splitting Russian Armies.**

London, Aug. 2.—A dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph from Togo there is reason to believe that after two days' fighting the Japanese occupied Simonschong, thus cutting off Gen. Stackelberg's forces.  
It is reported here that Gen. Kuraki was successful in the battle fought near Haicheng yesterday, and that the Russian general was killed.

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**Disappearance of the Russian Ship 'Liaoyang'.**

London, Aug. 2.—The Russian fleet in the Black sea is reported to be at the point of dispersing.

# AS THE WORLD REVOLVES

JUSTICE TO THE MULE.

Authority Says He Has Never Known Them to Kick a Man.  
When it comes out on the authority of a quartermaster and commissary that mules certainly ought to be qualified by experience to form an opinion that during a lifetime of observation and association with mules he has never known one to kick a man or ever met a man who knew another who had been kicked by a mule then it is time to give the persistent animal his just dues. Col. George W. Jenkins is the authority. Now the old slander should be strangled unless someone can furnish to exhibit the evidence of collision with the heels of such an animal. It was Herman Crelchick, of New York, who wrote that a shark never did ever would attack a man in the water, and he held all doubters of this theory at bay until it leaked out one day that a water man with one leg had walked on him and much to Mr. Orelchick's discomfiture stated that he had heard of his shark proposition and wanted to settle the whole thing right there, for "that or leg, stranger, was bit off by a man eater, and don't you forget it. I don't."

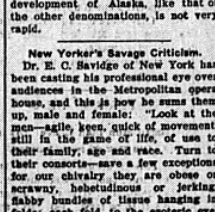
**MRS. DEACON MAY MARRY.**  
Austrian Diplomat Said to Be the Happy Man.  
There is a whisper that Mr. Deacon, who is still a lovely woman, is considering a second marriage, which would make it better for her two daughters who have been dependent upon their friends for chaperone.

**Pleasant Diocesan Visits.**  
Rev. Peter Hore is the Episcopal bishop of Alaska. His visit to his diocese are by no means pleasure outings. During his last trip in March he and his two companions wandered from the trail and were without food practically for three days. The route of the bishop's visitation covered a distance of 500 miles through an unpopulated region. The bishop's face was badly frozen and it became necessary before reaching a settlement to kill some of the sled dogs so as to conserve the food supply. The Episcopal development of Alaska, like that of the other denominations, is not very rapid.



**New York's Savage Criticism.**  
Dr. E. C. Bavidge of New York has been casting his professional eye over audiences in the Metropolitan opera house, and this he has to say about the men—silly, keen, quick of movement, still in the game of life, and use to their family; age and race. Turn to their consorts—rare a few exceptions for our chivalry, they are obese or scrawny, hebeticulous or jerking, sabby bundles of tissue hanging in folds; each fold, to the cooler eye, full of brutal tissue juices, poisoning the individual with the ashes of her own life.

**Singers on their Vacations.**  
The summer season finds the famous singers widely scattered among the European resorts. Ferrus is on her way to Croatia. Coors is at her friend's chateau in Aveyron. Sembrich is in Dresden. Edmes is in Spain and Lili Lehmann is in Salzburg. Nordica is satisfied with her "Dotted States," for while at least; but will go to Paris in the fall. Of all this group Calve is the one who most admires riding in an automobile. She never, as usual as possible, except in one of those vehicles which must be used as bed for her virtue at anything one can imagine.



**Planning for Koculacins' Status.**  
The secretary of war and congressional committee appointed for the purpose of planning the status of Koculacins, is to add to the corner of Lafayette square, opposite the "Herald" building, its close proximity to the capitol, a resolution authorizing the acceptance of a statue to be erected at the expense of the Polish-American citizens of the United States. The statue, which is a symbol of the central committee of Polish organization.