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### OMAHA HAS DECREASED.

Washington, Aug. 23.—Omaha, Neb., is the first city thus far counted in the twelfth census to show a decrease in population during the past decade. The count of the population of Omaha just completed shows 102,555. The population in 1890 was 140,452. This indicates a decrease in ten years of 37,897, or 26.98 per cent.

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## NO MORE TROOPS FOR CHINA

### Chaffee Cables That There are Enough for Present Purposes.

### Peaceful Conditions Now Prevailing in Peking.

### Attempted Uprising on Tuesday Night at Hankow.

### United States Government's Reply to Li Hung Chang.

### WASHINGTON OFFICIALS OPTIMISTIC OVER THE SITUATION IN CHINA—WHY PRESIDENT MCKINLEY WILL NOT LEAVE FOR CHICAGO TODAY.

Washington, Aug. 23.—The secretary of war made the announcement this morning that no more troops are to be landed in China unless the situation there becomes serious. This information was received in a cablegram from General Chaffee saying that he had troops enough for present purposes, and peaceful conditions were prevailing in Peking. Acting on this information the secretary of war has directed that the transport Meade, due at Nagasaki today with troops, proceed to Manila and that all other transports due at Nagasaki proceed to Manila.

Chaffee's statement that he has sufficient troops is also taken to show that the situation in Peking is much less serious than expected.

### LI HUNG CHANG'S APPEAL.

Washington, Aug. 23.—The state department this morning made public the following correspondence:

Handed Acting Secretary Adee by Minister Wu, August 20, last, a cablegram dated August 19, from Li Hung Chang. It was transmitted by the Chinese minister Wu the night of the same day: "It was the declaration of all ministers for foreign affairs of the allied troops was solely for the rescue of the ministers at Peking. Now, the allied troops having entered Peking and found the ministers safe, it seems proper that hostilities should at once cease and negotiations commence. I therefore request the United States government to appoint an envoy with full powers or appoint the minister now in Peking for the purpose, as he is necessarily acquainted with affairs between the Chinese and foreigners, and to inform me if the conference will take place at Peking. After receipt of a definite reply I will at once proceed to the north. Please request the secretary of state to lay the matter before his excellency, President McKinley. I await a reply."

Cablegram from Li Hung Chang, dated August 21, and received by Minister Wu same day: "Boxer rebels at Peking having been dispersed, there will be positively no more fighting. Military operations on the part of the powers are greatly to be deplored. Besides urging a cessation of hostilities, please confer with the secretary of state on the subject of the withdrawal of troops and the appointment of a plenipotentiary to negotiate a settlement of all other questions so as to preserve amicable relations. I await an early reply."

Sent to Chinese minister August 22, memorandum in response to Chinese minister's communications August 19 and 21, proposing an immediate cessation of hostilities and the appointment of an envoy to conduct negotiations: "While the condition set forth in the memorandum delivered to the Chinese minister August 21 has not been fulfilled and powers have not been compelled to rescue the ministers by force of arms unaided by the Chinese government, still this government is ready to welcome any overtures for a truce and will invite the other powers to join, when security is established in the Chinese capital and the Chinese government shows ability and willingness on its part to effect a suspension of

hostilities there and elsewhere in China. When this is done, and we hope it will be done promptly, the United States will be prepared to appoint a representative to join with the representatives of the other similarly interested powers and with the authoritative and responsible government of the Chinese empire to attain the end declared in our circular to the powers July 3, Signed, Alvey A. Adee, acting secretary."

Interest centered in the American reply which was found to lay down firmly and briefly the conditions upon which the United States would take up the overtures for truce. The reply was sent forward last night. It seems to be accepted as bringing all negotiations to a halt for the present and it is difficult to foresee the next move. The reply is considered a remarkable document because of its extreme brevity and the number of vital points it contains.

### UPRISING IN HANKOW.

Paris, Aug. 23.—The French consul at Hankow wires that an attempt at an uprising occurred during the night of August 21. A band of Chinese tried to set fire to a house adjoining the customs bank, which is adjacent to the British concession, with the object of pillaging the bank and burning the European quarter. The rioters, however, took immediate steps and arrested the ringleaders, seizing at the same time arms and documents demonstrating the existence of a secret society and an organized plot. Two of the leading culprits were decapitated, their heads being subsequently exhibited in the center of the Chinese town. Twenty others were imprisoned. More trouble is feared when the flight of the empress dowager and emperor to the west, if true, becomes known.

Hankow is situated on the river Han, at the point where it enters the Yang Tse.

### DIFFICULTIES INCREASED.

London, Aug. 23.—The official Japanese statement that the allies captured the imperial city on the 16th only to find that the dowager empress, emperor and chiefs of the Manchu party had escaped previously, has not caused much surprise here. It was hardly expected that the empress dowager and her counsellors would allow themselves to be caught. The difficulties of the situation are generally regarded as increased by the escape of these important personages, since the allies will now have to discover or invent a de facto government in China if they desire to begin negotiations. The attitude of the British foreign office, however, at present, is one of expectation and deliberation. It is not too much to say that they have no definite plan for the future settlement, but are waiting to hear from Sir Claude MacDonald, Sir Robert Hart and General Gaselee, by whose opinions they will largely be guided. General satisfaction is felt here at the close association of the British and Americans on the march and in the final assault. It is remembered that it was in China that the famous saying "blood is thicker than water," was first uttered. Admiral Seymour, in an interesting letter published, paid a high tribute to the Americans, and said that for dash and go none of the other continents surpassed or perhaps equaled them.

### THE WIRES WORKING.

Berlin, Aug. 23.—The German admiral at Taku, under date of August 20, wires: "Captain Hecht reached Ma Tu this morning and proceeded. The advance was difficult, owing to the force of the current and shallow water. The Madal battalion, after a very trying march, arrived at Yang Tsun August 18."

It is inferred from the foregoing that the telegraph wires between Taku and Ma Tu are working.

Ma Tu referred to in the despatch is probably the small town known as Ma Tu, situated about 11 miles from Tung Chow.

### WARSHIPS AT SHANGHAI.

London, Aug. 23.—The attempted uprising at Hankow is causing uneasiness. In all, twenty-seven warships have assembled at Shanghai and Foo Sung, their crews numbering about 7,000 men. The German government's reply to Li Hung Chang's peace negotiation proposition is that "owing to the lack of any properly accredited authority on the Chinese side," the government of Germany cannot enter negotiations.

### OPTIMISM AT WASHINGTON.

Washington, Aug. 23.—For several reasons the government feels very hopeful concerning the outcome of the Chinese troubles. Nearly every official is optimistic and there is a pretty general opinion that the worst has passed. McKinley's announcement that on account of public business of importance he would not leave Washington tomorrow for Chicago as he had intended is the only thing that would indicate the crisis in China has not passed. But officials close to the president say that it is the prospect of immediate arrangements for an amicable settlement of the Chinese troubles and not the likelihood of war that keeps McKinley at home.

### WANT TO BE ANNEXED.

Pensacola, Aug. 23.—At a meeting of the Young Men's Business league a resolution was offered and adopted unanimously favoring the annexation of Western Florida to Alabama.

E. Coffin, auctioneer, will sell on south side of Court Square on Saturday, the 25th of August, at 12:15 o'clock, a large bay mare in splendid condition; seven years old; 16 hands high; weight 1200 lbs.; a combination horse, driven single or double.

## PENETRATED FORBIDDEN CITY TO THE PURPLE PALACE

### Forces Withdraw Without the Walls After First Attack.

(From the Sun Correspondent.)  
Peking, Aug. 15, Evening, via Shanghai, August 23.—The American contingent of the allied forces attacked the imperial city from the south this morning and penetrated four gates, passing through the Forbidden City to the Purple Palace. They lost six, including Captain Reilly, and had eighteen wounded. The Japanese sent bodies of troops to guard the east, north and west gates of the imperial city, but they were attacked at all three places before they were able to notify Chinese that they intended only to guard the city. They sustained forty casualties. This afternoon the allied generals held a conference, after which the Americans returned to their former camp outside the Tartar city.

General Chaffee told the Sun correspondent after the troops had returned that General Shadd decided that the Chinese had been punished enough, and that it would be unwise to take the imperial city now. At the time this despatch is sent there is a large fire in the city. From the American camp it looks as though the palace were burning. The Japanese are still holding the east, west and north gates of the imperial city. The generals decline to explain their reason for the attack on the imperial city.

London, Aug. 24.—News from Peking is reaching London slowly. There is nothing in regard to the operations of the allies later than August 19. It is feared the force is not sufficient to maintain the line of communication. It is known that strong bodies of Chinese are encamped southwest of Peking and that troops of the garrison have been ordered to attack them. The Telegraph's correspondent in a despatch from Peking dated the 17th says the Americans attacked the gates leading to the imperial city on August 15. A battery of the Fifth artillery sent shells from an elevated position on the gates. The Fourteenth regiment and Nin's mounted infantry entered below and pushed to the west gate. The American Gatling guns did good work. After the gates were blown down the infantry rushed in and captured four guns. The operations halted in the afternoon and a conference of generals resulted in the withdrawal of the American troops. The commanders with the exception of the Russians agreed not to violate the imperial city. The Russian general said Russia had declared war on China.

### SHARKEY AND FITZSIMMONS.

### Both Men in Good Condition for Tonight's Battle.

New York, Aug. 23.—Fitzsimmons and Sharkey completed training today and they will rest until they enter the ring tomorrow. In point of condition, there is nothing apparently to choose between the pair. With the exception of a slight cold in the head, Sharkey is in better trim than he has been for a long time. His friends are apprehensive that the cold may interfere with his breathing. Both men will take it comparatively easy tomorrow. Fitzsimmons' appearance today was flattering. He has not that drawn, careworn look which was so noticeable when he met Jeffries. Sharkey says it is his desire to beat Fitzsimmons, and declares he will do it in a decisive fashion. He says the only thing that bothers him is his cold, but does not apprehend any trouble from it. Each incoming train brings its quota of sports, and there are a large number in town tonight. Fitzsimmons is the favorite at two to one.

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## COL. BRYAN ACCEPTS POPULISTS NOMINATION

### And Makes a Speech to Suit His Populist Contingent.

Topeka, Aug. 23.—Bryan this afternoon was formally notified of his nomination by the populists. The ceremony took place on the state house grounds. There was a large crowd present. Permanent Chairman Patterson of the national populist convention, made the notification speech. Bryan in his speech accepting the nomination discussed the money question, denounced government by injunction, arraigned trusts and denounced imperialism and militarism. He reviewed the cost of the colonial system and declared self-government the natural government.

### BRUTALITY OF A YOUNG FIEND.

### Violent Assault by a Negro Boy on a Girl of His Own Race.

Graham, N. C., Aug. 23.—Late this afternoon John Ruffin criminally assaulted Gertrude Skeels, and as a result she is in a critical condition. Both the boy and girl are colored, and are aged 16 and 10 years respectively. The girl was returning home from carrying dinner to a white man in a brick yard and was choked and horribly mistreated by the young brute. She was taken to Dr. Thompson, who performed a surgical operation and has hopes for her recovery. Policeman Fourshee accompanied by about fifty colored men, went in search of the wretch who attempted to evade arrest by fleeing to the woods. He was captured and amid threats of violence was committed to jail to wait trial tomorrow.

### ODELL MAY BE NOMINATED.

### Senator Platt Says He Has Declared for No One.

New York, Aug. 23.—The Times this morning prints the following: Benjamin B. Odell, Jr. may be nominated for governor by the republican state convention at Saratoga. Mr. Odell, who was averse to accepting, has practically agreed to make the race. He did not deny it when seen by a reporter last evening, nor would he admit it.

"Any statement," said Thomas C. Platt, "that I have declared for this, that or the other man as the republican nominee for governor, is wholly unauthorized. The report that I have attempted to dictate a nomination is even worse. The republican state convention will make a selection, and it will do it after due deliberation. My ideas are pretty well known," added the senator, "and so far as I can see there is no change in the situation from that which existed ten days ago."

### MURPHY FOR BRYAN

New York, Aug. 23.—Former United States Senator Edward Murphy came to this city yesterday and met Richard Croker, leader of Tammany Hall, at the Hoffman house. At the close of the conference, it was announced that Mr. Murphy will remain here until after the election. Mr. Murphy said he expects to co-operate with the state committee for the election of W. J. Bryan. Mr. Croker gave out a statement to the effect that he recognized Mr. Murphy as the actual democratic leader of the state.

It has been reported for several days that Mr. Murphy intends to open state headquarters independently of the democratic state committee.

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## THE RIOTING AT AKRON

### National Guard From Columbus Aid in Restoring Order.

### Smouldering Evidences of the Fury of the Mob.

### Columbia Hall and the City Building in Ashes.

### The Losses Aggregate Half a Million Dollars.

### VALUABLE CITY RECORDS DESTROYED—THE MAYOR'S FUTURE EFFORT TO CONVINCING THE MOB THAT PECK WAS IN CLEVELAND.

Akron, Ohio, Aug. 23.—As a result of last night's riot two are dead, two will die, sixteen others are more or less injured and fully a million dollars in property has gone up in smoke. The city hall is totally destroyed, the Columbian building which adjoined the city hall is a heap of ashes and several smaller frame buildings in the vicinity are in ruins. The destruction was wrought by the wild mob which held possession of the city from dark last night until almost dawn this morning. It is estimated that the mob was composed of not less than 1,500 men.

As the night wore on the fury of the rioters grew apace, finally culminating in an assault on the city hall. Immense charges of dynamite were placed under the city and county buildings, and then to complete its work the mob applied the torch.

With the approach of dawn this morning the riotous mob which held possession of the city throughout the night melted away and when the sun arose the streets presented their usual appearance. At 6 o'clock this morning Company C, Eight Ohio regiment, arrived on a special train from Canton, and was at once marched to the scene of last night's rioting. The militia men were at once placed on guard duty around the county buildings, but they found little to do.

Akron, Ohio, Aug. 23.—Guards are strung along Main street to keep back the crowds of curiosity seekers. The excitement has calmed down and now the people of Akron are ruefully contemplating the smouldering evidences of the wild fury of the mob. It is not likely there will be further trouble. Only flame-scarred walls remain of the city hall and great heaps of ashes mark the site of Columbia hall, which stood next to the city building. Fire completed the havoc wrought by dynamite at the city hall. Firemen are still pouring water into the smouldering ruins. Chief of Police Harrison is reported insane over the awful events of last night. The last seen of Chief Harrison he was driving rapidly out of the city toward the south. Nine companies of the Fourth regiment arrived at 9:20 this morning. A special meeting of the council was held at 10 o'clock. In the destruction of the municipal building the city clerk and also the records of the city engineer. City Engineer Payne said that the loss in his department would be fully half a million dollars.

The old postoffice building at the corner of Broadway and Mill street has been secured as temporary quarters for the city offices. Akron's streets present a decidedly warlike appearance. Soldiers tanned by a week's encampment are marching to and fro with belts filled with cartridges. Colonel J. B. Potter is in command. Under him are forty-one staff and line officers and 300 men of the Fourth regiment. Assistant Adjutant General Adams and Surgeon Major Taylor of General Speck's staff, are also here. Company C of Canton, 43 men, is under command of Captain W. A. Fisher.

Mayor Young said this morning: "We did everything we could, but nothing would satisfy the mob. Two committees searched the building from cellar to garret and reported that Peck was not to be found, but the mob would not take their word. Newspaper despatches from Cleveland stating that Peck was in jail there were read, but all were hoisted at by the mob. Then the assault on the buildings began. We resisted as long as we could. I feel that we did right, as we could not permit the buildings to be sacked. I suppose the mob released eight or ten male prisoners in the city jail in the basement. I don't know who they were or what became of them."

Mayor Young was asked if Martial law was likely to be declared.

"That will depend on subsequent events," he said. "It does not seem necessary from the outlook now."

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