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IN TROLLEY ACCIDENT

JAPAN FARES BETTER THAN POPULACE THOUGHT

Meeting of Premier and Ministers is Productive of New Pacts.

JAPAN HAS SUZERAINTY **OVER KOREA TERRITORY**

Riots In Tokio Will Now Cease. It is Thought. Question of Railroad.

Tokio, Sept. 8+5:30 p. m.-(Delayed in transmission.)-At an informal meeting which took place today between the premier, Count Katsura, and mem bers of both houses representing their respective parties and associations, Count Katsra made a full statement concerning the peace negotiations. It now transpires that the report that Cape Soya, on La Perouse straits, could not be fortified is unfounded, the only stipulation made with Russia being in regard to the free passage of the straits.

Japan acquires a suzerainty Korea, and will control entirely with a free hand the affairs of the peninsula railroad south of Chang Chun, not Changtu, the former being ceded to Japan with the right to retain military guards for the protection of the railroad. Japan also holds the right to retain the collieries at Fushan and Yeng Tai, even after the evacuation of the country by the Russians.

When the fact that no stipulation exists against the fortification of Cape Soya and that Japan is to have a free hand in the government of Korea becomes known, it is expected that the

EDITOR BEATEN TO HIS DEATH

J. H. Thompson, of New York Times. Foully Murdered in His Room.

CORONER'S INQUEST

Head With Clubs While He Was Writing.

unusual proportions was today devel- needed. oped in the circumstances surrounding the death of Jacob H. Thompson, for the last forty years an editor of the New York Times, by positive evidence that he was murdered on the night of September 7 by a brutal clubbing in a focus of infection, were reported today prominent hotel situated in one of the The patients, Ruby and Jow Zigler busiest residence and business sections white, live on a street adjacent to the of New York city. This fact was disclosed today by the coroner's autopsy. This examination showed that Mr. Thompson had been struck over the head at least a dozen times with a blunt instrument and had been strangulated as well. No one has been found who admits having the slightest know! edge of what transpired in the editor's room in the St. James hotel at 109 West Forty-fifth street from the time he cases and one death is the yellow fever entered it early Thursday evening until he was found by a chambermaid, cases is railway mail clerk who has half sitting and making convulsive, floor of the federal building. He was movements with his hands. He was removed to the emergency hospital this then fully dressed and was wearing afternoon, W. J. Edwards, a furniture riding boots. An unfinished letter was merchant, died of the fever this afterlying on his desk, as if the writer had noon. This case was reported to the just laid down his pen. authorities last night.

CALL MASS MEETING FOR ELECTRIC ROAD

CITIZENS TO MEET AT COURT HOUSE TOMORROW NIGHT.

Danger That Road May Be Diverted From Asheville to Rutherfordton.

A mars meeing of Asheville peomorres night at 8 o'clock in the interess of the building of the Appalachian interurban electric railway from

Hendersonville to Asheville. The meeting is called by a number of promin nt citizens who feel that Ashepromin ni citizens who feel that Ashe-ville rhould show its interest in and disposition to help in the building of the road as has been done by Hender-sonville and townships of Henderson and Righarford coundles. There is the way, danger that the road may be diverted so as to run to Rutherfordion noted of Aspeville if the city do n not take an inverse in its building. A representative of the road has been to be present and explain its

FLYING FROM YELLOW FEVER VICTORY OF NELSON

Residents of Baton Rouge Scamper Aboard Trains for the North.

CRESCENT CITY DEATHS SHOW DECREASE

New Cases, However, Still Climbing, A Faet Inexplicable to the Authorities.

YESTERDAY'S RECORD.

۶	New Orleans, Sept. 9Re-
١	ports of yellow fever to 6 p. m.
۲	Saturday were as follows:
٠	New Cases 41
٠	Total to date 2,262
Ŗ.	Deaths 1
ř.	Total deaths 309
٠	New foci 12
ř.	Cases under treatment 301
S.	Cases discharged 1,652
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the report of the infection at \ Baton of people had taken the northbound train today out of fear that the sick-

leans the state capital has been bottled up, permitting no communication with New Orleans. The Baton Rouge patient is Aaron Block, son of a prominent citizen. Quarantines were im-

mediately put on by surrounding towns. Though the number of new cases in New Orleans today was again disappointing, the death report was favor

Chairman Janvier announced today that the citizens' fund had reached \$135,-423 and that the lists would be kep open until the fever is decleared over REVEALS THE CRIME with the \$150,000 placed at the disposal of Dr. White by the city and state the total fund he has had to draw or exceeds \$285,000.

Additional nurses were sent to Tailulah and Kenner today, Owing to the calls that have been made by the country the supply of nurses has run low, but, unless ther are further unexpected demands, it i probable that the state board will be able to provide all the help that !

TWO IN NATCHEZ

Natchez, Miss., Sept. 9.-Two nev cases in one family, making one new focus of infection, were reported today block where the first infection was dis covered. Theer are now five cases un der treatment. A resume of the local fever record shows 19 cases for the last two weeks; no deaths. Tomorrow will be fumigation day.

THREE AT VICKSBURG.

Vicksburg, Miss., Sept. 9.-Three new who told the coroner that she saw him been sleeping in a room on the third

TWO AT PENSACOLA.

Pensacola, Fla., Sept. 9.-Only two cases of yellow fever developed here today, they being in the eastern and western sections of the city and en-tirely seperated from the original disselet of infection.

One death occurred, the patient he ing a police officer, W. H. Fisher, who was taken ill two weeks ago. The number of doubtful cases showed a big increase today, and there will be doubt be a large number of pronounce egges tomorrow

MISSISSIPPI'S SUMMARY.

Jockson, Miss., Sept. 9,- The Mississippt yellow fever summary tonight Vicksburg, three new cases and one i. h, total to date 21 cases and two

Gulfport, six new cases. Natrhez, two new cases, one new foocl, no deaths. Five patients are now under treatment. Mississippi City, Hansboro and

Pearlington report no new cases. WINDY.

(By Associated Press.) Warhington, D. C., Sept. 9-Forecast; North Carolina-Fresh northeast to east winds.

"BATTLING NELSON" PUTS NINETEEN MEN PERISH BY FIVE PERSONS PERISH JIMMY BRITT TO SLEEP EXPLOSION OF POWDER

Chicago Fighter Knocks Out the Californian In the Eighteenth Round.

WAS A CLEAN ONE

The Dane Forced the Fighting From the Start. Battle Was Flerce.

San Francisco, Sept. 9.-In a fight that had many novel features Battling Nelson of Chicago knocked out James Edward Britt of San Francisco at "olma this afternoon. The end came in the eighteenth round and was a

The surroundings, the crowd, the bitterness of the men toward cach other the uncertainty as to whether there would be a fight at all up to within a quarter of an hour before the fight actually began, together with the eleverness and the endurance displayed by the two boxers, made the fight one of great interest to followers of fighting. It was the success of a strong, enduring fighter against a clever, boxer. From the first of the fight until Referee Graney finished the count

of ten seconds Nelson forced the fighting. Though suffering many bruising blows on the face and body and being at times very tired. Nelson never gave ground. He came back after evry attack by Britt always ready to exchange blows. For the rushing, forcng, persistent tastics of Nelson Britt could find no effective counter. The Californian tried every blow known to New Orleans, Sept. 9.—The chief in-ierest in the yellow fever situation was every way Britt failed, although punished Nelson severely, knocking him down once and staggering him severa

Only on, in the third round, did I appear to those close enough to judge the tide of the battle that Britt might win. In this round Britt reached the most vulnerable spot on Nelson's muscled body, the stomach, with two ter-rific right hand blows that carried punishment. Nelson faltered for a moment and doubled up. Quickly turning his attention to Nelson's face. Britt sent a terrific right cross that dropped shout from Britt's friends, but the elation was short. Nelson got up before timer could reach the count of ten and fought aggressively for a few sec onds, when the gong sounded a cheerful note to Nelson's supporters. The call of time for the succeeding round ound Nel on fresh and ready.

Nelson Was Game.

Nelson was always the first to be gin rounds, though not always the first to land a blow. Time after time ne would glide along after Britt, much after the style of Fitz4mmons, never elever in his feet, but always seeking

to shorten the distanc physical pun-Ishment characterise! N. throughout.

Britt fought game's at all times, after his spurt in the third round the kened perceptily to those seated il his strength. all his cleverness the third and he had falled to achieve

Britt Knew It.

Britt appeared to realize as he took als corner after the fourth round that Nelson also seemed to reach this deision at the same time and subse mently took Britt's blows with mor confidence and without flinching. Exept in spots, the rounds were all pret ty much alike, Nelson always forcing. Britt always giving ground; Britt tryng to keep Nelson at the end of his nappy left hand and the Dane using very means to get inside the circumference' of the Calliornian's hands, Whenever Nelson broke down the defense or accepted the blows almed at plant, acre seriously injured, him, he would habler away at the oody, always coming out of a clinch winging at the jaw. The agreement of the two men to break at the call of he referee and the referee's interpreation of the rules and their strict enforcement seemed to be in Nelson's avor. Graney told the men before the ight commenced that they must break at his command, and he carried out his their foundations. At Uniontown hunsful, according to popular opinion.

In the fifth round Britt held a moentary advantage, singgering Nelson with a series of blows and making a esperate effort to win first round in which both threw aside all knowledge of boxing and slugged clously, each hoping to end the fight with one blindly delivered lucky blow, Both were bleeding at the close of this round, but Nelson was the stronger.

Crowd Cheered.

It did not seem possibe that a fight ould be much flereer than the fifth round, but the succeeding period of three minutes brought the vast crowd to its feet and kept it there throughout the round. The fighters slugged each other ceaselessly. Both were bleeding and weary, but always game. In the last minute of the fixth Nelson denly took the lead and, getting Britis in a corner, beat him about the and face until he went weaving about the ring, vainly trying to protect himself. Britt took a terrific beating about the body, unable for the time o block Nelson's blows; but in a flash Britt took a brace. He set himself in he middle of the ring and met Nelson with two punishing swings to the face Nelson halted and Britt leaped forward. He slugged and swung in one last desperate effort, but, again the gong nded the round. like the previous feal one, at an opportune time for Nelson. In the eighth Nelson had Britt in trouble, staggering the Californian with a left and driving him to ropes. Britt's seconds were in a fren-

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Rand Mills at Fairchance, Pa. Entirely Wiped Out Yesterday Morning.

THIRTEEN VICTIMS HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED

shock of Explosion Was Felt Fully Twenty Miles Away From Scene.

Scor s of people in the down of Fadiciannee, within half a mile of the powder mills were more or less painfully injured

There were seven explosions in al very one of the ten buildings wer otally demolished. Not a vestige of nem remain tonight

NIAGARA FALLS ON FIRE.

Niagara Fails, Sept. 9 .- Fire, which ared in the wire tower of the Niaga Falls hydraulic power pump breatens several of the largest er tablishments in the district large plant of the Pittsburg Reduction Company is threatened with total de-

GREENSBORO

Connessville, Pa., Sept. 9.—The Rand

The refereding was suc- dreds of panes of glass were broken This was the though axes had been used. Haystacks were toppled over in the field: and live stock were stunned. The rails the West Ponnsylvania Traction Railway were rotted from the roadbed and her offices was delayed from four six hours, transfers being made over Baltimore & Ohlo had a narrow escaprom annihilation. They had just passed the Rand mills when the explosio occurred. The windows in the pas senger coaches were shattered passengers thrown into a panic. Had would have been blown up as the mill core in a few rods of the truck, street car on the West Pennsylvania had also passed just a few seconds before the explosion and was far enoug away to escape damage, though it was derailed

GRAFTERS FLEE

Men Under Indictment "Hit the Pike" for Parts Unknown.

LOVELY CONDITION OF FEDERAL AFFAIRS

Long and Pointed Probe of Investigation May Go Still Deeper In Wilkes.

Charlotte, N. C., Sept. 9 .- A specia rom Greensboro to the Observer says that L. E. Davis, R. H. Hardin and A Bryan, three Wilker county mer under indictment by the federal grand jury for defrauding the government eft today for parts unknown. supposed that they got a tip from friends. Hardin and Bryan are depuy revenue collectors, while Davis was formerly a deputy collector and is considered the leader of the Wilkes county gang charged with defrauding the government of large amounts. G. W. Samuels, another revenue officer, was arrested today and placed under \$2,500 Sensational developments expected. This term of the federal ourt was called for the purpose of investigating charges of wholesale fraud on the part of revenue officers.

TWENTY-EIGHT INDICTED.

Charlotte, N. C., Sept. 9.-The spe al term of federal court which has een in session for a week at Greensore investigating charges of fraud revenue officers, adjourned Indictments were returned onight. gainst twentyeight men, almost all of them revenue officers. Other war ants will be issued for these and ar ests made at once. Judge James E. toyd, in discharging the grand jury, emplimented them on the success of

SOLORED ATTORNEY

ey, went on the warpath again yeserday afternoon after John Johnson, and with pistol in hand sought the negro whom he claimed had insulted his laughter about forty days ago by enering her room. Shortly after the occurre

treet and pursued him, firing vain hots after the fugitive. He was arested and then stated the cause of his action, and after hearing it the court ng that he forcibly entered a residence case for this was not made out however, but John on was found guilty of assault and sentenced to thirty days on the roads. His attorney, Eugene Way, at the time offered that lient would leave the state if the matter was dropped, but the offer was fused, and he then demanded that when his ellent had served his term ie should be furnised protection igainst further attack.

Johnson was released from the chain cang yesterday and he had hardly and a hance to breathe the air of freeom when Harrison Brown saw him in barber shop and started for his gun. ichnson sale the movement and discussing with further onsorial operations he also moved. Brown came back with his pictol and sought Johnson with the evident intent of shooting him. Johnson skipped to his attorney's office and M. Way proceeded to have a warrant, charging Brown with issault, issued, also a peace warrant and on top of this the police made the charge of disorderly conduct. The ohnson sais the movement and discharge of disorderly conduct. The mittee would meet yesterday, but there ssault and peace warrant proceedings were before Justice Waddell and hear-ing was continued to Monday marning upon the defendant giving \$200 bond. is termed the "minority" aldermen The city charge also will be heard Capt. Fi spairick and Mr. H. C. Allen

REFEREE CLOSED

The hearing on the account of Forner Receiver Geo. H. Smathers of the light come from the "majority" sider-Western Carolina Bank, was conclud-men on this point and the sontiment in Western Carolina Benk, was conclud-

luring this time and consequently in the final settlement, there were many only for the reason that it matters to be considered. The main a gendency to fix rates at the objections were the commissions claimed by him for services, some creditions claiming they were too large.

Passenger and Freight Trains Collide on the Dallastown Electric Road.

MOTORMAN AND CON-**DUCTOR SAFELY JUMP**

Passengers In Car were Unable to Help Themselves and Were Cought.

York, Pa., Sept. 9.-Five persons were illed and 75 injured in a collision hetween a passenger and a freight car today on the Dallastown electric line about eight miles from here. Two were killed instantly and three died later at hospital here.

Although the cause of the accident has not been explained, it is supposed to have been due to a mistake in signals. The wrecked passenger car was crowded, the register showing 102 fares, When Stabley's switch was reached the motorman saw the freight car, not more than 100 feet away, approaching t a rapid rate. Motorman Meisenhelder of the passenger car applied the brakes, and, with a warning cry, jumped for his life. He was followed by Conductor Snyder. Both escaped serious injury.

But the pasengers in the car were unable to help tehmselves. They became panic stricken and made desperate efforts to escape, but before one of them could jump from the car the crash came.

NEW ORLEANS FARMERS HOLDING THEIR GOTTON

New Orleans, Sept. 9,-Spot cotton quiet. Sales 350 bales. Quotations unchanged.

on disappointing Liverpool and ensist New York markets. Liquidation during the half day's trading sent price down four points more, the market closing at about the bottom, with net osses of 7to 9 points.

The price now seems to be one entirely up to the farmers' satisfaction, will they hold or not? All the cvidences so far show they are holding and are only too willing to de so. Af ready dispatches state that they are hauling their crops back home. most significant shing in the local market was the absence of the sale of a single bale of cotton to arrive, showing that the offerings from the country according to this one day's evidence, have been entirely stopped

PHONE COMMITTEE NOT YET DECIDEO

assued a warrant for Johnson, charg- HAS NOT REACHED ANY DECI-SION, MAYOR BARNARD SAYS.

> Aldermen Informally Discuss Situation. One Objection Raised to Company's Proposition.

The special aldermante committee has not yet met to decide on the proposition of the Asheville Telephone Company to proceed at once to place Its wires underground and thus

was no meeting.
The only objection raised to the proposition was that presented by what is termed the "minority" aldermen, who were against allowing the com-pany to charge those subscribers who came in after the underground sys-tem should be completed, ten months from now, the rates allowed by the cor-RECEIVERS CASE porce for commission, a rate which whould not apply to subscribers now or those who came in before the new system was completed. At the time this objection was raised no objection committee seemed to be that this inreused rate was not objectionable.

Western Carolina Benk, was concluded yesterday with the exception of a few depositions to be filed by the atterment of the bank. When they are not respect to the bank. When they are not respect to make an accounting and respect to be submitted to count.

Mr. Smathers was appointed at the limit of the failure of the bank in 18.7 and served as received until about two and a haif years ago. There was no another associates. Mr. Linguistay of 1 committee was not present. The or committee was not present in the matter friday in th