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WASHINGTON, May 28.

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CHIFF, May 20.

A big battle is taking place in the Korea Straits near Oshuma. (Havas.)

TOKIO, May 28.

The publication of naval news continues to be prohibited, but it is reported that four Russian warships passed the Kurile Straits westward on the 25th inst. It is surmised that they were Admiral Rodjstevsky's light cruisers. (Reuter.)

SHANGHAI, May 28.

Five Russian battleships, three cruisers, and seven destroyers were sighted off Tsu-Shima Island yesterday. (Reuter.)

CHIFF, May 28.

The Japanese Consulate has received private advices that a large part of the Baltic Fleet was engaged by the Japanese squadron in the Korean Straits yesterday evening. (Reuter.)

WASHINGTON, May 28.

The American Consul at Nagasaki telegraphs that the Japanese sank one Russian battleship, four other warships and a repair ship in the Straits of Korea. (Reuter.)

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It is believed that the battle-ships "Orel" and "Borodino," three cruisers, and the repair ship have been sunk.

According to despatches to the Department of State the Japanese Government announces that the fleet engaged and held the Baltic squadron in the Straits of Korea. (Reuter.)

TOKIO, May 28.

A fog prevailed which lifted occasionally when the Baltic squadron was sighted on Saturday. There was a high wind and a rough sea. (Reuter.)

LONDON, May 23.

Reuter's Agency learns from Tsing-tau that a running fight is going on near Okoshima. All the ships of the Baltic squadron which are not engaged and the slower vessels are steaming round Japan. (Reuter.)

CRICKET.

LONDON, May 27.

Middlesex beat Sussex by 394 runs. Australians beat Lancashire by 244 runs. Surrey beat Hampshire by 7 wickets. Leicestershire beat Essex by an innings and 105 runs. Worcestershire beat Oxford University by 211 runs. The matches between Warwickshire and Yorkshire, and Gloucestershire and Cambridge University were drawn. (Reuter.)

Pasha-street, in one of the windows of which the prizes are being shown.

ARMY OF OCCUPATION.—The following are the names of the officers, N.C.O. and private who were successful at the examination in Arabic held at Cairo in March, with the number of marks awarded:— Major E.R.O. Ludlow, Staff, 375; Major R. N. Gamble, D.S.O., 2nd Bn. Royal Barks. Regt, 397; Sergt. A. Schembri, R.M.A., 455; Private G. Ditchburn, A.S.C., 390. The maximum number of marks obtainable was 500.

THE CAIRO CITY FIRE BRIGADE, under the command of Captain Blake, was called out on Saturday morning to a small outbreak of fire which occurred at a shop in the Haret el dik, at the corner of Sharia el Kamel, but on their arrival it was found that their services were not required. The fire was caused by a cigarette end being thrown on a mattress, but very little damage beyond the destruction of the mattress was done. This is the 115th time the fire-brigade has been called out during the present year.

COLLEGE OF ST. FRANCOIS XAVIER.—The fête of the father superior of this college was held on Saturday and yesterday. On the former day an exhibition of limelight views and cinematograph pictures took place before a large audience, the screen being placed in the centre of the building in which the entertainment took place; in front of it the visitors were seated and behind it the boys of the college. A number of views illustrative of a pilgrimage from Jaffa to Jerusalem were first shown, and the applause with which many were greeted showed that the various groups contained the figures of many who were recognised by the audience. These were followed by some excellent cinematograph scenes, representing incidents in the life of Christ, from the entry into Jerusalem to the Crucifixion and entombment, the series closing with the "Apotheosis of Jesus." Scenes of general interest followed; incidents of a house on fire, arrival of the fire-engines, rescue of occupants, etc., being vividly portrayed; the assassination of the Grand Duke Sergius; one or two charming fairy tableaux; and finally a Cavalry review by the French President. At the close of the exhibition a presentation of flowers was made to the father superior, who acknowledged the gift in a speech of some length.

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of taxes, equivalent to a little more than 10 per cent. on the 500fr. shares. Mr. T.W. the managing director of the Harrio Liverpool, was at the same time non a British administrator in the place o Westray, who has resigned.

It is believed that the transit dr reduced from 8fr. 50c. to 7fr. 75c. fr 1 next, in consequence of the incre receipts.

The dividends for 1904 to be di by the company include the follow shares "de jouissance," fr. 117.447 founder's shares, fr. 66.57, both net.

THE LOCUST VISITATION

Mr. Macbell left Cairo last Thur proceeded to Maghaga, where d flights of locusts have been observed to personally inspect this part of d and to find out if any damage had and to what extent the locusts had He found, however, that although derable number of locusts had ali these spots, they had almost entire peared, and that very few eggs had l

Owing to the prevalence of N. winds there is very little fear of a rs of the plague from which the country last year.

THE PLAGUE.

Eight cases of plague have been n Egypt since the 21st inst., viz. 2 Ghamr, 3 at Menouf, 2 at Port Said, Alexandria. One death from plague w ed yesterday from Damanhour and al Menouf. There are now eight case treatment.

SUSPECTED PLAGUE ON S

The English steamer "Van Cole" which left Bombay on the 12th inst, at Suez on Friday last with a case of s plague aboard. Dr. Vay states that on tion he found that the patient was from a bubo in the left femoral region was no doctor on board the vessel captain informed Dr. Vay that the who is an Indian, fell ill four days after Bombay and that for three days l perature was 40° to 40.5° Cent, after gradually improved, and his condition satisfactory. After disinfection the v allowed to proceed through the c quarantine.

CATTLE PLAGUE

During the week ending 27th inst deaths from cattle plague were notifi 2 at Helia, province of Charkieh, s Chich. The number of deaths dur corresponding period last year was Between the 21st and 27th May 1,156 were inoculated.

Since the commencement of the e the total number of deaths amounts to 1 distributed as follows:—Governors Lower Egypt 54,088, Upper Egypt 92,

W.C. Mackenzie, 24, St. Mary Axe, E.C., managing clerk ... 1

W. Leigh-Hunt, 5-6, Billiter Avenue, E.C., merchant ... 1

H.O. King, 50 and 51, Lime Street, E.C., secretary ... 1

E.F. Trone, 5-6, Billiter Avenue, E.C., accountant ... 1

J.M. Farrington, The Moat, Penshurst, Kent, secretary ... 1

W.G. Hatchett, "Kadina," Chadwell Heath, clerk ... 1

No initial public issue. The number of directors is not to be less than five nor more than ten. The first are: E. A. Benachi, C. de Tschudi, S. Carver, C. Bacos, R. C. Abby, and M. Sinadino. Qualification, 500 shares. Remuneration, 10 per cent. of the net profits remaining in each year after paying 6 per cent. dividend on the Ordinary shares and placing 10 per cent. of the profits to reserve fund until such fund shall equal 25 per cent. of the Ordinary share capital. Registered office, 5 and 6, Billiter Avenue, E.C.

CREDIT FONCIER EGYPTIEN.

The forthcoming debenture issue to the extent of £6,900,000 by the Crédit Foncier Egyptien will bear interest at the rate of three per cent. The guaranteeing syndicate for the debenture issue has now been formed, and the scheme for taking over the Daira Sanieh Company, on the conditions given in our issue of Saturday last, will be submitted to the approval of the shareholders of the Crédit Foncier Egyptien at the extraordinary general meeting to be held in Cairo on Saturday, the 8th July.

DOG REGULATIONS.

The regulations drawn up by the Alexandria Municipality for the registration of dogs are published in yesterday's "Journal Officiel" and come into force one month after date of publication. All owners of dogs must make a declaration to the Municipality within fifteen days stating where they live and the number of dogs in their possession. Every dog registered will receive a number corresponding with the name of the possessor, which will be entered in a register for the purpose. All dogs must carry a metallic plaque bearing a number. These plaques will be supplied free by the Municipality, or the owner may have his own plaque made in accordance with the Municipality's model. Dogs found in the public streets without the regulation plaque on their collar will be seized and if thought necessary by the Municipal "vet" destroyed immediately; otherwise they will be held at the disposal of the owner for five days and then destroyed if not claimed. If claimed the owner will have to pay at the rate of P.T. 4 per day for the animal's keep.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The Messageries Maritimes S.S. "Equateur," from Marseilles, passed the Straits of Messina on Saturday at noon and is due here tomorrow.

The S.S. "City of Oxford" left on Saturday for Malta and Liverpool.

ESBEEKIEH GARDENS.

By kind permission of Col. C. J. Markham and officers, the band of the 1st Batt. King's Royal Rifles will perform the following programme of music at the Ebeekieh Gardens tomorrow (Tuesday), commencing at 9 p.m.

1. Marche Espagnole—Sagra Torres—Revill.
2. Overture—Le Sultan—Aulier.
3. Three Dances—Nell Grey—German.
4. Cornet Solo—Die Post—Chaffier.
5. Intermezzo—Revue du Bal—Cobellia.
6. Selection—The Cigarette—Mendelson.
7. Valse—Vivante—Muller—Zahner.
8. Descriptive March—Oak—Oak—Thurman.

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