

TORTURED TO DEATH

Horrible and Cruel Punishment Is Inflicted Upon Shen Chien, a Chinese Reformer.

Dowager Empress Inaugurates Reformation Policy—Reformers Appeal to Civilized Nations.

Peking, Aug. 3.—Shen Chien, a journalist of Peking, has been executed. According to the official report, the execution, Chien was beheaded, but it is now known that this report was false and that the condemned man was beaten to death in accordance with special instructions issued by the dowager empress, who desired to make an example of the journalist with which to terrify other reformers.

The incident is declared to be the most horrible that has occurred in China since the massacre in 1900. The killing occurred in the courtyard of the yamen of the board of punishment. The victim was beaten with bamboo rods for two hours, from 4 to 6 o'clock in the afternoon, the flesh on his back, arms and legs being torn to ribbons. After he had apparently become extinct the executioners, fearing that Chien had merely fainted and might revive, twisted a rope tightly around his neck and left the body in this condition until morning.

Returns to Barbarism. China is witnessing a return to the conditions which followed the coup d'etat of 1898. Political discussions among the Chinese, which increased during the late court's recent policy of friendliness toward foreigners, has suddenly stopped. The plan of the dowager empress to terrify the reformers by the execution of Shen Chien, which occurred last Friday, has been successful. All the liberal Chinese, particularly those who have been associated with the reformers, are in the greatest fear of arrest, and it is difficult to find a Chinaman who is willing to mention politics or Friday's tragedy, although the latter is almost the only topic of conversation among interested friends. The officials are particularly dumb. The affair is disappointing to the foreigners who had hoped that the empress dowager's association with the leaders of the legations would have a civilizing influence.

Appeal to Civilization. In connection with the recent arrest at Shanghai of seven editors on charges of sedition and the probable decision of the ministers on the question of turning the editors over to Chinese jurisdiction, a representative of the former has sent the following letter to the Associated Press: "We earnestly hope that the authorities of the civilized nations will give a timely warning to this government, which seems to be preparing a battle for the true lovers of China.

"It will be discouraging to progressive Chinamen if the seven reformers under arrest at Shanghai should be turned over to the Chinese government and beheaded. Their writings are, of course, offensive and seditious, yet they would be punished as they had spoken in a like manner against the American or British governments, which exist for the welfare of the people. But the government of this land has become so corrupt and has proved such a curse to the people that reformers deserve the sympathy of all enlightened men who can perceive in what a miserable state these men are kept."

The letter concludes: "Is there any hope for China except in revolution or rebellion?"

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BAD CHICAGO PROFESSORS

They Are Accused of Inciting Indians to Perform the "Sun Dance."

EDISON'S SIGHT INJURED

X-Rays Cause a Defective Focus in His Vision—Assistant Loses His Arm.

Washington, Aug. 3.—James Mooney, ethnologist of the government, and Professor George A. Dorsey, the curator and anthropologist of the Field Columbian museum of Chicago, are accused of inciting the Indians of the Indian Territory to perform the sun dance under the guise of scientific investigation.

The accusation is made in an official communication to the commissioner of Indian affairs, W. A. Jones, from John H. Seger, Indian agent and superintendent of the Seger Colony Indian training school. Mr. Seger is incensed at the government and says that if the charge is borne out by an investigation of the actions of the scientists are most reprehensible. Mr. Jones said that the whole authority directed to stopping the sun dance, the ghost dance and similar exhibitions which have a degrading effect upon the Indians. In his view the government has had a measure of success, and for a number of years the dances have been discontinued. Their resumption endangers the welfare of the Indian and completely reverses the work of others.

The sun dance, in its old form, includes some startling exhibitions of self-torture. Mr. Jones says that the government and its agents in the Indian Territory have been ordered to prevent it being held. Just what official action will be taken is not clear at this time, but it is possible that the attention of the officials of the bureau of ethnology will be drawn to the reports from the Indian officials and an investigation will be made.

THE KING WAS PLEASED His Majesty, in an Address, Expresses Appreciation of His Welcome in Ireland.

Cowes, Isle of Wight, Aug. 3.—The royal yacht Victoria and Albert reached here on the morning of King Edward's arrival. He immediately ordered the issue of the following address: "To My Irish People: I desire on leaving Ireland to express to you my deep sympathy for the kindness and good will which you have shown to the queen and myself. Our expedition to Ireland was indeed a most happy one for a traditional welcome of a warm-hearted race, but our expectations have been exceeded by the cordiality and affection which you have shown to us. I have so often during our stay heard the hopes expressed that a brighter day is dawning upon Ireland. I shall ever cherish the memory of the welcome which you have shown to us. I have so often during our stay heard the hopes expressed that a brighter day is dawning upon Ireland. I shall ever cherish the memory of the welcome which you have shown to us."

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INJUN TEACHES ARCHERY

Full-Blooded Brave Has St. Louis Society Maids as His Pupils.

St. Louis, Aug. 3.—A sudden revival of the ancient pastime of archery has come here. Fashionable persons are taking up the game with vigor in many parts of the city, especially in the suburban districts, where lawns are dotted with red, white and blue targets, and prize contests are featured in lawn parties and other afternoon functions. Lovers of archery in St. Louis think there is no reason why archery contests should not be a marked feature of amateur sports at the world's fair.

A unique feature of the archery clubs that society maidens and matrons are promoting here is the employment of a real Indian as instructor. In town of War Eagle is a full-blooded Indian, born in a birch bark tepee at Old Orchard Beach, Me., where his forefathers hunted and fished for generations. His father was a Chickasaw and his mother a Mickmack, a tribe of Indians who have flourished along the coast of the United States and as far north as Labrador.

MAKE BRIBERY CHARGE Chicago Federation of Labor Holds a Stormy Meeting.

Chicago, Aug. 3.—Startling admissions of attorneys made today by members of an investigating committee, direct charges of bribery and a warning that the first member found guilty of accepting a bribe would be expelled, were the sensational features of yesterday's meeting of the Chicago Federation of Labor.

Declaring that the special committee of three appointed to investigate alleged charges of bribery against John C. Driscoll, secretary of the associated teaming interests, an organization of employers, was endeavoring to record a "whitewash" report, the assembled delegates refused to accept it. The committee was discharged and another named, with instructions and warnings to bring in a report stating the facts in the alleged charges.

DEFICIT IS LARGE Government Ran Behind \$7,876,613 Last Month.

Washington, Aug. 3.—The monthly statement of the public debt shows that at the close of business July 31, 1903, the debt, less cash in the treasury, amounted to \$3,011,673,306, which is an increase of \$5,011,673,306 as compared with June, due to a decrease in cash.

A LATER WILL Former Child Wife of Gen. Clay Produces One Dated 1901.

Lexington, Ky., Aug. 3.—Another will of General Cassius M. Clay, executed March 18, 1901, a year after the one for probate in Richmond, has been produced by Dora Clay Brock, the former child wife of General Clay. The instrument is in General Clay's handwriting and is sealed on the back with his private seal ring in green wax.

FOREIGN FLASHES St. Petersburg—Gorky, the novelist, won \$8,400 at cards in one evening recently.

San Francisco—An earthquake lasting nearly thirty seconds was experienced here at 10:50 last evening.

Mexico City—The Colima volcano is in eruption. The people in near-by villages are fleeing for safety.

London—Ambassador Choate delivered the inaugural address at the university extension summer meeting at Oxford Saturday to an audience of 1,300 persons.

Washington—The German government insists that shipments of American pork be accompanied by certificates of inspection by the United States government experts.

Honolulu—The wife of Colonel Samuel Parker, one of the wealthiest of Hawaii, was robbed of \$80,000 worth of diamonds during the early hours of Saturday morning.

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LATEST FASHION NEWS (Written Expressly for Dayton's) New York, July 30, 1903. The woman of fashion who runs up to town for her country place for the day, or perhaps rests for a night or two in the city home before setting out for "fresh fields and pastures new," spends all her daylight hours bargaining, for this is the season of the year when the most wonderful values are offered by the shops, and she who is thrifty enough to "take time by the forelock" can, at ridiculous prices, buy all sorts of charming things that can be worn for a couple of months longer, and will also do admirably for next summer.

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