

FAMINE NEXT YEAR.

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A SAD WINTER IN STORE.

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The failure of the crops has not been universal. In the Caucasus the harvest was so abundant that the grain is still rotting at the railroad stations for want of rolling stock to carry it away.

There is much reason to suppose that there will be famine next year also. The autumn wheat has been seriously injured by the rain, and it is very probable that the spring crops in many of the Eastern governments will turn out no better than they did this year.

Indications of the outlook in Russia is very gloomy, and everyone is preparing for a very sad winter.

The political horizon is also much overcast, and especially since the Czar passed through Germany without endeavoring to return the visit of Emperor William.

It is stated here in official circles that had not been for a letter received by the Czar from the Russian Minister of Finance the former would have met the German Emperor as was his original intention.

In his letter, it is said, M. Vishnegradsky urged the Czar not to visit the German Emperor, as such an act would not only give offense to the French Government, but would also be disastrous to the Russian Government.

In any case this consideration seems to have had great weight with the Czar.

Many peasants in the famine-stricken districts refuse to accept employment on Government relief works. Philanthropic agents are working actively to persuade the peasants that the Czar can and ought to supply them with food.

The large factories at Lodz are stopping work for want of orders, leaving the operatives in a destitute condition.

THE CHINESE LEADER CAPTURED.

An Interesting Account of the Raiding of the Kolao Hui.

LONDON, Dec. 8.—The North China Herald of the 16th of October gives the following account of the capture of the Kolao Hui leader, Chin Kin Tung, who has been staying at an inn in Soe Chow, together with some 30 comrades. Being a leader of a band of robbers, he had been occupying a separate room. Six runners of the most reckless and daring of the band and his Soe Chow police made a dash into Chin's sleeping apartments.

But Chen was not to be so easily surprised, he drew a sword from under his pillow and defied his would-be captors. They gave no alarm. After dodging about for some minutes, he suddenly leaped on his assailants and bound him to the ground, gagged and bound him and took him on board a steam launch and carried him to Shanghai.

His examination as conducted with the utmost secrecy by the magistrate and deputies of the Viceroy of the Government and the Taotai. At the termination he said:

Your Excellencies, spare yourself the trouble of me, for I am not a man to be ready to give up life for the cause I defend; my head, my flesh and bones are mine, and I am ready to sacrifice them for the good of a cause which will bring happiness to this country for thousands of generations to come.

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pathy Among the Merchants in the Cities as to the World's Fair.

PARIS, Dec. 8.—A press correspondent here has been making inquiries among the leading exporters of France concerning their participation in the World's Fair, and the answer of the Chamber of Commerce is: "Through the McKinley bill discourages us so little extent, we cannot abdicate so easily from our hold on American markets, and the leading French exporters will take every effort to prevent excellent exhibits."

The Marseilles and Lyons merchants liked with said there but little interest in their cities in the enterprise. One of them said: "In reality, the United States are not reciprocally to European countries, we feel confident that the large supplies of cotton, petroleum and food stuffs will be sent, and so lay down the law as to suits etc. Now, Germany and France have given their protective tariffs, and it is not apparent how the eyes of England may finally be opened, and that a shibboleth of free trade may vanish before the hard necessity of fair trade; in her words, that England may arrange with her colonies for a supply of food stuffs, on the condition that they take her manufactures, and thus finally get on a footing to be able to bargain with the United States and other ultra-protectionist nations."

Prince Hans Heinrich Wedded.

LONDON, Dec. 8.—Miss Mary Theresa Olivia Cornwallis West, daughter of Colonel Cornwallis West, M. P., of Ruthin Castle, is married to-day at the church of St. Argar's, Westminster, to Prince Hans Ulrich, of Pless, who is best known in Washington as a former secretary of the embassy who has retired from the German diplomatic service. There was a brilliant throng at the church of relatives and friends of the contracting parties.

The prominent guests among the large number present were the Prince and Princess of Wales.

Reciprocity With Germany.

PARIS, Dec. 8.—The Journal Des Debats says: "We are informed that Germany has concluded with the United States a commercial convention by which there will be an exchange between the two countries the favored nation treatment. The United States will allow the free importation of German sugar, and American cereals imported into Germany will pay only 3/4 cent of duty."

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