

LEGATIONS ARE GIVEN UP

NOT ONE IS LEFT ALIVE.

Legations and Foreigners at Peking Have Fallen Victims to the Boxers—All Hope of Rescue to Be Abandoned—May Not Be Able to Hold Even Tientsin.

London, July 5.—"Not a single foreigner is alive in Peking" is the latest Chinese report which has reached Shanghai. Earlier reports from the same sources describe the condition of the British legation as something awful. It is said that the rooms of the legation were filled with sick and wounded, the killed lying unburied in heaps. It is believed that many members and officers of the *tsung li yamen* perished when the German guard, maddened by the murder of Baron Von Ketteler, the German minister, set fire to the buildings.

That the foreigners at the Chinese capital have been abandoned to their horrible fate seems no longer open to doubt in the light of the message received by the Associated Press from Taku this morning, announcing the decision of the admirals regarding the hopelessness of further attempts to relieve Peking under the circumstances. The same message foreshadows the evacuation of Tientsin by the international forces pending the arrival of a fully equipped army, and while the arrival of a comparatively small garrison at Tientsin at a point under the protection of the naval guards would relieve much of the anxiety, it is felt here that a retreat of the troops is liable to set aflame the provinces at present quiescent.

Advices from Shanghai today say that there is continued fighting at Tientsin, while the German consul at Chefoo telegraphs to Berlin confirming the report of the renewal of hostilities. He says the foreign settlement at Tientsin is again surrounded and is being bombarded and that the women and children are to be removed. He adds that the Chinese troops have again advanced against the road and that the bridges have been destroyed, but that communication by water has been maintained. The telegram from Taku confirms the report that the mission buildings at Moukden have been burned and that many native Christians have been killed.

Shanghai, July 5.—Another message from Sir Robert Hart, the inspector of customs, dated Peking, Monday, June 25, reiterates that the situation was then desperate and that the Chinese troops were shelling the British legation, where all the members of the diplomatic body had congregated.

But uneasiness is felt at Hang Chow (capital of province of Chekiang). With the view of emphasizing his agreement with the Europeans, Viceroy Lin has stopped mounting guns on the Yang Tse Kiang forts. He has also stopped other anti-foreign war preparations and has refused to assist Li Ping Hing with troops for the north. He accused the latter of being the cause of the Germans taking Shan Tung. Consequently Li Ping Hing has left Nankin with only 300 soldiers.

London, July 5.—A dispatch from Taku, dated Saturday, June 30, and Chefoo, Tuesday, July 3, says that the British and Russian admirals at a council of war, held June 30, decided that it was impossible to attempt to relieve Peking without greatly increased forces. They also concluded that it would be possible to hold Tientsin, but in the event of this not proving feasible, they will endeavor to retain possession of Taku. One hundred and forty thousand imperial troops are stationed between Peking and Tientsin, while the total of the allied forces which can be concentrated at the present barely numbers 20,000. It is reported that General Nieh Si Chang is advancing for an attack on Tientsin with 30,000 troops.

Von Ketteler's Body Rescued.

London, July 5.—A report has been received at Taku to the effect that the German guards rescued the body of Baron Von Ketteler, the late German minister to China, after he was murdered by the Chinese.

Not Confirmed at Paris.

Paris, July 5.—No news is reported at the foreign office this morning of the rumored assassination of the French minister or the members of the legation at Peking.

Fire in Tacoma.

Tacoma, Wash., July 1.—Fire destroyed the warehouse of the Puget Sound Lounge and Mattress factory, the buildings of the Union stock yards and damaged Northern Pacific property in the company's freight yards.

Captain Carlson, a fireman, was struck by a falling timber and knocked out of a three-story window in the mattress factory plant, breaking an arm and suffering severe injuries about the head. Frank McLean, another fireman, was overcome with smoke while fighting the stock yards fire and was assisted to a second story window, where he dropped to the ground and escaped serious injury. There were dozens of narrow escapes from the flames, smoke and falling walls. Several young girls were employed by the mattress company in its warehouse, and were working on the third story when the fire was discovered on the fourth floor. They all narrowly escaped.

Sheldon Gets a Nomination.

Davenport, Ia., July 1.—The executive committee of the United Christian party met here and chose Rev. Charles M. Sheldon of Topeka, Kan., as a candidate for vice president in place of J. G. Woolley, who declined to run.

Boxer Row in Texas.

Chicago, July 3.—A Special from San Antonio, Tex., says:

According to meager advices here a fight occurred Sunday between eight cowboys and ranchmen and Chinamen belonging to the Pei Chung Colony, located in Duval county. Four Chinamen are known to have been wounded, one fatally. Fred Howard, a cowboy on the Davidson ranch, was wounded in the chest. The timely arrival of a detachment of state rangers saved further bloodshed.

The trouble, which is said to be due to the Boxer riots in China, started when the cowboys went into the Pei Chung vineyard and began to tantalize the Chinese, who retired to their quarters and opened fire on the cowboys with shotguns and pistols from their doors and windows. The cowboys retreated, keeping up a fire. Two of the Chinamen who were shot were non-combatants and were wounded while making a rush to get to shelter. The Pei Chung colony operates one of the largest vineyards in Texas and is being given ample protection by the state and colony officials.

Democratic Convention.

Kansas City, July 3.—Monday was really the first business day of the democratic convention. Soon after 10 o'clock the democratic national committee assembled at the Kansas City Club to consider the claims of contesting delegations, formally select temporary officers and transact some other preliminary business. The United States Monetary League at the same hour began its first session at the Auditorium theater.

The Vice Presidency.

Everything relating to the vice presidential nomination is in the air today. All seem to be waiting for something to turn up. Mr. Shively of Indiana insists that he is not a candidate, and it appears likely now that the convention will accept him at his word. Senator Hill is the foremost figure in the problem. That he would accept the nomination if the party should demand him there is no doubt, but his friends consistently maintain that he is not in the race.

Towne of Minnesota would be a powerful candidate if he had not been nominated already by the populists. Opposition to him has developed on the ground that this convention should nominate a straight out democrat, rather than a silver republican or a populist.

Prices Paid in Spokane.

Poultry and eggs—Chickens, old, 10 @ 11c per lb, live weight; springs, \$4 @ \$4.50 per doz; ducks, \$4 @ \$5 per doz; geese, dressed, 12c per lb; turkeys, live, 12 @ 13c; eggs, fresh, \$4 @ 4.5 per case. Vegetables—Potatoes, 30 @ 40c per cwt; onions, \$1 @ 1.50 per cwt.

Live stock—Beef, live steers, 4c; dressed, 6 1/2 @ 7 1/2c; live cows, 3c; dressed 5 1/2 @ 5 1/2c; veal, calves, dressed, 7 @ 9c; mutton, ewes, 3c; wethers, 3 1/2c; hogs, live, \$4.75 per cwt; dressed, \$7 per cwt.

Sheepskins—Sheerlings, 10c each; short wool pelts, 30 @ 50c each; long wool, 75c @ \$1.

The local mills pay the following prices for grain, delivered: Club wht. 45c bulk, 47c sacked; bluestem, 47c bulk, 49c sacked; red, 43c bulk, 45c sacked.

Portland—Local dealers have followed the weakness abroad by dropping their limits to about 58c for Walla Walla with most of them quoting a cent lower. Valley is nominally at 57 @ 58.

Tacoma—Wheat—Strong, but unchanged; bluestem, 58 1/2c; club, 56 1/2c, both for export.

Fourth at Kansas City.

Kansas City, July 4.—It is the Fourth of July and the opening day of the democratic national convention. After all of the heat and turmoil and preparation, the day is here. All roads lead here, where at 12 o'clock Chairman Jones of the national committee calls the convention to order. Throughout the night there has been no sleep, for the sky has been lurid and the sound deafening from rockets, cannon and every device for noisy demonstrations. And with the daylight the shock has increased into one long continued roar, in which the patriotism of the day and the enthusiasm of the party are blended. The heat is still intense and the brisk breeze does not relieve the oppressiveness of the day.

Alabama Miners Strike.

Birmingham, Ala., July 3.—All the Union miners in Alabama, about 10,000 in number, suspended work Monday pending the settlement of the wage dispute between them and the operators. The old wage contract expired yesterday and the miners demand a raise and other concessions. The operators refuse this demand.

The Joliet Steel Company has been formally dissolved. It owned several large mills at Joliet, Ill., and was controlled by the Illinois Steel Company.

Mr. B. Hearst, owner of the New York Journal and San Francisco Examiner, will start a daily paper at Chicago, Ill., about July 1st.

Eugene V. Debs has been quite ill at his home in Terre Haute, Ind., suffering from rheumatism and general over-exertion as a result of his lecturing.

The quarantine against Chinatown in San Francisco, Cal., has been raised, and now all the adjoining states are quarantining against the State of California.

THE TELEGRAPH SUMMARY

NEWS OF THE WORLD IN BRIEF.

A Complete Review of the Events of the Past Week—In This and Foreign Lands—Taken From the Latest Dispatches.

The Milson rendering Works near Cheektowaga, N. Y., burned recently. Loss \$200,000.

David Bell, formerly a well-known lumberman of Canada, is dead at his home in New York.

The battleship The Oregon went ashore off Loo Kie island. Jardine, Mathieson & Co. are sending her assistance.

Two slaughter houses in Chicago, occupied by Hess Brothers and Ruddy Brothers, were destroyed by fire recently. Total loss \$70,000.

Pugilist Tom Sharkey and Mrs. Lillian Bauer, a widow of a Chicago saloon keeper, will be married this week. Sharkey met Mrs. Bauer while in Chicago this spring.

Thomas W. Flannelly, who murdered his father, David Flannelly, and sheriff W. P. McEvoy, of San Mateo county Cal., the night of October 26th, 1897, at Redwood city, was hanged today. He had nothing to say on the scaffold.

A private telegram received from Colombia, says the situation at Cartagena and Savanilla is very grave, that fighting is proceeding and that the foreign residents are leaving hurriedly.

One fireman was killed and 11 other firemen injured and nearly \$300,000 worth of property destroyed by fire in the machine shop of the Best Manufacturing Company on Twenty-fifth street, Pittsburgh. David Williams is dead.

The assessment on the Sunset Telegraph & Telephone Company has been raised by Assessor Dodge of San Francisco, to \$1,000,000. Heretofore the corporation has never paid taxes on more than an assessed valuation of \$25,000 for its franchise.

The transport Grant, which will sail Monday for Nagasaki, and thence, it is believed, to Chefoo or Taku, will carry 800 men of the Sixth Cavalry, which in addition to a hospital corps made up at the Presidio, 300 recruits and 200 marines, will constitute the force.

Judge Arthur H. Noyes, of Minneapolis, the newly appointed jurist for the Second United States District of Alaska, comprising the St. Michael and Cape Nome Districts, arrived in Seattle en route to his post of duty. He is accompanied by his wife and official staff.

The reduction in wages at the Brooklyn navy yards, will be from 8 to 5 cents a day in the following grades: Plumbers' helpers, block makers, brass finishers, tin roofers, wire workers, pattern makers, tool makers and boiler makers. There has been an increase of about 25 cents for the wharf builders and ordinance men.

The steamer George W. Elder has arrived in Portland, nine days from Cape Nome. The Elder's passage was a quick one. She left here on May 25, and arrived at Nome on June 14. The Elder brings news of two shooting affrays which occurred at Nome recently. On June 18, A. G. Lucas, a watchman for the Alaska Commercial Company, while guarding some land for the company, was accosted by J. Lyons, another claimant. The men became involved in an altercation and Lucas shot Lyons, the bullet taking effect in the man's stomach. Lyons was also armed, and fired five shots at Lucas, all taking effect. Lyons' wound was fatal and he died the following day.

Soldiers are to be better paid for service in Puerto Rico, Alaska and the Philippines in the future.

Rear Admiral Philip, commandant of the Brooklyn navy yard died Saturday afternoon of heart disease.

The Prohibition national convention adjourned sine die after having placed in nomination for president Jno. G. Woolley, of Illinois, and for vice president, Henry B. Metcalf, of Rhode Island.

All the iron, steel and tin plate mills under the jurisdiction of the amalgamated association have closed, but there will be no strike, as is customary on June 30 each year, when the wage scales are unsigned.

The weekly bank statement shows these changes: Surplus reserve, increase, \$1,332,525; loans decrease, \$1,157,300; specie, increase, \$455,400; legal tenders, increase, \$193,800; deposits, decrease, \$2,733,300; circulation increase, \$91,600. The banks now hold \$16,859,376 in excess of the requirements of the 25 per cent rule.

There is a threatened uprising on the Rainy river, Ontario. Three thousand Indians are gathered near the mouth of Rainy river. Leach Lake Indians are said to be among them inciting them to murder and pillage the settlers, who are sending out their women and children. One hundred and fifty reached here on the Kelnora to night. The Indians are also gathering at Rainy lake, the largest and most secret gathering ever known. Indian agents say they know of no special grievance.

In the first appearance of the American athletes at the summer meeting

of the London Athletic Club at Stamford Bridge, Saturday, the Princeton men alone competed, but the Pennsylvanians and Georgetown were interested spectators. All the Americans appeared to be in excellent trim and said they were feeling fine. Perry of Princeton was entered for today's mile race, but was not allowed to compete, owing to the fact that he was suffering from water in the knee, which will probably debar him also from next Saturday's contest.

There are from 25 to 35 seriously injured, some fatally.

Women of Iowa can not vote in the election handed down by the court, but it may be appealed.

According to a dispatch from Cape Town, President Kruger is reported to have moved to Nelspruit, the Transvaal station for Lydenburg.

A car on the Webster & Dudley street railway and a car on the Worcester & Webster road came together on a down grade at East Webster, Mass. Nearly a score of persons were injured, three of whom it is feared may die.

The dead: J. H. Hamilton, general superintendent; Bradley Reeves, engineer; Edward Shannon, telegraph operator; Yardmaster Carr, Master Mechanic Lamine and Conductor Bradford.

Quartermaster Captain Chas. T. Baker of the U. S. A. transport Summer will shortly appear before San Francisco superior judges to show cause why he should not be compelled to pay \$10,000 damages for assaulting and imprisoning John Calway, formerly chief steward of the same vessel.

A complaint has been filed in which Calway alleges that on June 9 Baker assaulted and imprisoned him in a compartment six feet square. Here, he says, he was kept on bread and water for two days and nights in a temperature which varied from 70 to 120 degrees. The complaint is backed by several affidavits.

On the fourth in New York city in the search for victims of the North German Lloyd fire three bodies were found off Fourth street. One was identified as that of a longshoreman named Henry Kunz. The two others were charred beyond recognition. A fourth body was taken from the river at the foot of Bay street, Jersey City. It was that of a painter on the Saale.

Charles Wesley Dickinson, inventor of the geometry G lathe, which made successful counterfeiting of bank notes impossible, is dead at his home in Belleville, N. J., aged 77. He manufactured machines for bank note engraving for the United States and many foreign governments.

The Crucible Steel Company of America is proceeding rapidly toward its formation. On Monday the directors of the Benjamin Atha & Illingsworth Company of Harrison, N. J., which was the last of the important companies to hold out, met in Newark and decided to grant the promoters an option on their crucible and open hearth plant and cast their fortunes with the other concerns. The new company will have an authorized capital of \$50,000,000.

At the Ohio River railroad shops in Parkersburg, W. Va., a yard engine running at a good rate of speed went through an accidentally opened switch and struck a large train of gasoline cars. One of the tanks took fire. A cannon ball was fired through the remaining tanks of oil to let the fluid out. Instantly after the shot was fired one tank exploded. The smoke rose hundreds of feet into the air, and after it had cleared away dead bodies were scattered here and there and injured were lying all over the surrounding territory.

Felled by an Accident.

Chicago, July 3.—A bold attempt by two masked men to loot the safe in the office of the Globe Land Company was frustrated by an accident that may prove fatal to one of the marauders. In exploding dynamite to shatter the lock of the inner door of the safe one of the men had his right hand torn away and his arm shattered, while the other thief was struck in the face by a flying fragment of steel.

The injured men fled, leaving gagged and bound on the floor three men employed by the company whom they had surprised sleeping in the room adjoining the office on the second floor. The mishap saved a large sum to the company, the officials intimating that the safe contained thousands of dollars, but refusing to disclose the actual amount.

Steamer Reaper Wrecked.

Nanaimo, B. C., July 3.—The steamer Danube has reached here, five days from Skagway, with 40 passengers and \$70,000 in gold dust. Captain Clifford, member of parliament from Atlin, was among the passengers and reports that several expensive hydraulic plants have been installed, but there is a scarcity of help to work them. The Danube brings news that in an attempt to bring her through Miles canyon and the White Horse rapids below, the steamer Reaper has been totally lost. The Nora of the Klondike Company and the Bailey of the Canadian Development Company were taken safely through the rapids.

Soap Plant Burned.

Pittsburg, Pa., July 3.—Fire destroyed the large soap and fertilizing plant of the Walker-Startman Company. Loss, \$75,000.

Owen Miller, of St. Louis, is no longer president of the American Federation of Musicians. He is succeeded by John H. Webber, of Philadelphia. Miller was a progressive unionist.

THE RESERVOIR GAVE WAY.

One Hundred Houses Wrecked or Badly Damaged.

insured. Loss \$250,000.

Grand Rapids, Mich., July 3.—The big reservoir of the city water works system, located on the hill in the northern part of the city burst at 5 a. m. yesterday. More than 100,000,000 gallons of water was let loose and rushed through the valley adjacent, flooding an area peopled by about 9000 persons.

Many dwellings were washed away, others were badly damaged, and all those within a district for three blocks square were either wholly or partly filled with sand. None of the buildings damaged was of a costly character, as they were for most part homes of working men. Not a house with the sweep of the flood escaped damage.

The tracks of the Detroit, Grand Haven & Milwaukee railroad, a short distance north of the reservoir, were undermined and trains on that road were obliged to make detour via other roads.

The break was first seen by Bert Botsford, a boy delivering morning newspapers. It was then only a tiny stream, but realizing the danger, the boy aroused hundreds from their sleep and urged them to escape. The reservoir gave way at the gate house near Livingston street, pouring down the hill a stream 36 feet wide and 10 feet deep. A number of houses were swept from their foundations and carried away in the flood and crushed. Some streets were torn up to a depth of 40 feet.

Mrs. Cooper of Clancy street was literally swept out of her house by the flood. She was carried to the bottom of the hill and buried to her neck in sand. She was rescued alive but will probably die.

No other fatalities or serious injuries were reported. A rough estimate places the damage at \$200,000.

One hundred houses in all were wrecked or badly damaged. The break in the reservoir grew until it was 30 feet wide and more than 10 feet deep.

Report on Climate and Crops.

The United States Department of agriculture, climate and crop bulletin of the weather bureau, Washington section, for the last week says: "The week was one of excessive rainfall in the section of the state west of the Cascades, particularly in the coast counties. The rain was continuous until the 22, having lasted a week, and had a ruinous effect upon the strawberry crop, stopping picking and causing the berries to rot. Cherries, except late ones, were also very badly damaged, by bursting and rotting on the trees. In the meadows a great deal of clover and grass were badly tangled and damaged. In some localities considerable hay had been cut, but not yet secured, and such was very badly damaged, and in some cases completely ruined. Oats, which can endure a great deal of moisture, were not reported as injured. The thorough wetting of the soil will probably be beneficial to vegetables if warm weather ensues.

"The situation in the section east of the Cascades, has not materially changed, except that grain is a little nearer to maturity. The weather was hot and dry as a rule, although there were some light, scattering showers during the week. The hot weather did no material damage to grain, because not accompanied by dry, blasting winds, but on the contrary, was moist and cloudy, and therefore beneficial to growing crops.

"A good rain in the Big Bend country would greatly improve spring wheat, making longer straw, and plumper heads. Fall wheat is now ripening rapidly, some early patches are being cut and harvesting will be in general progress by the first week in July. Thus far prospects are favorable for a fine yield of wheat, fruit and vegetables.

Shipwrecked People Saved.

Portland, Ore., July 1.—Word was brought from Cape Nome by the steamer Elder that the steamers Nome City, from this port, and the Valencia, from Seattle, rescued on June 12 the passengers and crews of the bark Hunter and the schooner Eclipse, both of which were wrecked on Romanof point. There were 47 people in all, two women and a small child being among them. The steam launch of the bark Hunter, with the captain and four men, put out from the point where the wrecked bark lay, and both the Nome City and the Valencia returned to their assistance. The Hunter's launch in her cruise for help had run across the wreck of the schooner Eclipse and secured quite a lot of provisions. When the Nome City reached the Hunter it was found the crew of the unfortunate Eclipse had got there about an hour before. Before starting out for assistance the captain and his crew had succeeded in saving nearly all the baggage and tents and a great part of the provisions.

Scandal at Dawson City.

Dawson, July 3.—Aside from clean-up results the matter of greatest public interest at present is the scandal involving Gold Commissioner Senker. Charges have been preferred against him by D. McTavish and the Ottawa government has been asked to appoint a commission to investigate the matter. Senker is accused of malfeasance in office. Specifically his alleged offense is the illegal grants of fractional claims to persons of whom he was a silent partner.

A man's ambition is to be noted; a woman's is to be noticed.