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EARL LI IS BARRACADED IN AN ARSENAL AT SHANGHAI

The Imperial Edict of Tak is Very Distasteful --- Missionaries Killed at Ai Yuen Fu --- Riots Extending South.

LITTLE HOPE FOR FOREIGNERS

By Associated Press to the Journal. LONDON, July 26.—While the latest impression derived from an array of conflicting telegrams is that a portion of the foreign colony at Peking may have escaped slaughter, until recent date, the general consensus of the best informed opinion of Europe seems to continue to favor the acceptance of the worst news, and prompt action thereon the contention being that the only possibility of definitely ascertaining the truth is by the allied commanders inquiring at Peking.

Judging from the news received from Tien Tsin, however, recording divisions among admirals there, prospects for a speedy advance seems endangered, unless the government speedily agrees upon a supreme leader.

Telegrams from Shanghai report that Li Hung Chang has taken up his abode at an arsenal, as a measure of precaution.

Reports are current that a number of missionaries, American or English have been murdered in Shan Si.

LITTLE HOPE FOR LEGATIONS

By Associated Press to the Journal. LONDON, July 26.—Mr. Conger's cablegram, the substance of which has been transmitted to the United States Secretary of the Navy, through Captain Thomas, of the United States cruiser Brooklyn, has increased the belief in London that there is no hope for the foreign Legations in Peking, and that the elaborate fabric of the dispatches which the Chinese are building to persuade the civilized world that the Ministers are still alive is only intended to enable them to gain time to complete preparations for war.

The Shanghai correspondent of the Daily Mail asserts that the Chinaman who was employed at the British legation as a writer and interpreter has escaped from Peking to New Chung, and that he declares that at the time he left Peking most of the members of the legations were dead, and the conditions of the others was hopeless. He says that Sir Robert Hart, Director of Chinese Imperial Maritime Customs, died July 2. The correspondent goes on to say: "No other dates are given in the message from New Chung. The Chinese newspaper here published yesterday a dispatch declaring that it was all over with the members of the Legations. The president of a minor board at Peking wrote to a relative in Shanghai, under the date of July 9, saying: "The foreign Legations are still unoccupied, but owing to the daily fighting, it is rumored that only about 300 persons are left alive in the legations, and if there is any delay in the arrival of the relief force, I fear that none will be left to receive it."

IMPERIAL EDICT VERY DISTASTEFUL

WASHINGTON, July 25.—Notwithstanding the signs of activity, the state department has nothing this morning of interest, touching on the Chinese situation.

The Imperial edict promulgated yesterday by Viceroy Tak at Canton has left a disagreeable impression here. Despite the Chinese Minister's view to the contrary, this edict is looked upon suspiciously, like a preliminary to the formal declaration of war.

The state department had no information of any kind from our officers in China, and Acting Secretary Hill said that the Chinese minister has received no communication from China.

OUTBREAKS IN OTHER SECTIONS

LONDON, July 26.—A dispatch from missionary sources dated at Shanghai says: "Rioting has broken out at Ai Yuen Fu, the capital of the province Shan Si, there are no details. Rioting has also occurred at Hual Loh, South of Chi Li. All missions are destroyed. Our friends escaped to the country, but are still in danger."

CITY OF TIEN TSIN TOTALLY RUINED

TIEN TSIN, July 18.—The native city this afternoon presents an appalling spectacle of ruin and desolation. The suburbs were completely destroyed by fire, mostly caused by the shells of the allies on the side facing the settlements. It is believed that not a dozen houses are intact, and all were a little damaged by the tremendous fire of the allies' artillery, which, however, was apparently not heavy enough to produce much effect.

LATEST FROM RUSSIAN SOURCES

St. PETERSBURG, July 25.—The Russian agent at Hankow telegraphs under date of July 2 as follows: "Foreigners are in a constant state of panic, owing to hostility of natives. The American and British consuls have recommended their respective people to send their families to Shanghai. The Viceroy has taken the necessary measures to protect foreigners."

The Russian minister at Seoul reports that a Russian detachment from Port Arthur arrived at Poyang Yang with a loss of 15 killed and many wounded. They fought their way through opposing natives at the point of the bayonet.

General Gredekeff in a despatch dated Chabaravsk states that a detachment of railway guards safely brought a caravan of 22 persons and officials to Zornigau.

A steamer with Russian troops aboard was bombarded by the Chinese from the bank. The Russian commander landed on the Chinese side of the Yaku river, and attacked the Chinese forts in the face of a heavy fire.

Three magazines were exploded. The Chinese lost 300 killed. The Russians lost only seven. The Desatury bombardment of Blavogevstschend continues.

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To Die On the Scaffold. JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., July 26.—Robert Cushmanberry, the wife murderer, who was convicted of murder in the first degree in Clinton county, and who has three times been respited by Governor Stephens, will be hanged here today unless executive clemency again saves his life. It is believed that the execution will not be further delayed.

BODIES OF FALLEN HEROES TO BE REMOVED

By Associated Press to the Journal. SALTILL, MEXICO, July 26.—The work of exhuming the bodies of American soldiers who fell in the battle of Buena Vista and were buried in an improvised cemetery in the outskirts of the city, still continues, and it will probably be two weeks longer before the bodies will all be taken from the graves. The remains of about 500 of these heroes are buried in this cemetery, and when the last one is disinterred all will be taken to San Antonio, Texas, and laid to rest in a portion of the cemetery there set apart for that purpose.

RIOT FATALITIES AT NEW ORLEANS

THE CITY IN THE HANDS OF A LAWLESS MOB ALL NIGHT

Police Officers Killed and Other Casualties--Negroes Beat and Intimidated--Militia Asked for to Restore Order

By Associated Press to the Journal. NEW ORLEANS, La., July 26.—After being in the hands of lawless mobs for several hours, New Orleans had at daybreak again assumed a peaceful and orderly condition. The last disturbance occurred about 5 o'clock, when a white baker, whose name is unknown, was shot in the leg, while a crowd of rioters were chasing a gang of negroes.

The rioting grew out of the intense feeling engendered by the murder of Captain Day and Patrolman Lamb and the wounding of Officer Mora by the desperado Charles. One man was killed, three others will die and 15 are wounded.

Reorts have reached police headquarters from various sections of the city giving information of the beating of Negroes. Work on the levee where Negro labor is largely employed has been suspended.

Governor Heard will call out the militia to preserve the peace of the city.

CONVENTION OF CUBAN DELEGATES

HAVANA, July 26.—The decree calling for a constitutional convention and providing for the election of delegates will be promulgated today. The election will be held the third Saturday in September, and the convention will meet in Havana the first Monday in November. The convention, according to the terms of the decree, is called in conformity with the spirit of the joint resolution of Congress and part of its duty will be to agree upon the relations that are to exist between the Government of United States and the Government of Cuba.

DEMOCRATIC HEADQUARTERS

NEW YORK, July 26.—Preparations were put under way today for opening the national Democratic headquarters in this city. Richard Crocker and those most closely associated with him in political matters will arrange the plans for carrying on campaign work in all of the states and it is expected that the real business in this line will commence in earnest in about ten days. It has been practically decided to have Mr. Bryan make a short tour of the Empire state early in September, when he will speak in New York, Buffalo, Albany, Rochester, and a few other of the larger cities.

Odd Fellows at Put-In-Bay. SANDUSKY, O., July 26.—The Odd Fellows of Erie, Huron and Sandusky counties, to the number of about 3,000 are enjoying an outing to Put-In-Bay today. The party was made up of two sections, and the steamers carrying them will sail within speaking distance of each other, both going and coming.

BRITISH RETIRED

Before the Boer Forces at Bethlehem.

A STUBBORN BATTLE LASTING TWO DAYS

The British Report Fifty Casualties--Trying to Surround the Boers and Block Their Outlet.

By Associated Press to the Journal. LONDON, July 26.—Lord Roberts reports that General Hunter's command was heavily engaged July 24 and 25, in the hills south of Bethlehem. The Boers were strongly entrenched, and fought stubbornly throughout the 24th, and compelled the British to retire from some positions, with about fifty casualties. At last accounts, Gen. Hunter had worked around into the Brandwater basin in the rear of the Boers, while Generals Hector-MacDonald and Bruce Hamilton were blocking the outlets on the front of the federals, who had evacuated their position at Witneek.

MURDEROUS PLOT IN SAN DOMINGO

SAN DOMINGO, July 26.—A plot to assassinate the Governor of Santiago, Ramon Caceres, has been discovered and 25 conspirators have been imprisoned. Several military officers are involved.

TO CONFER WITH CHAS. A. TOWNE

CHICAGO, July 26.—Mr. Towne will be in the city tomorrow to confer with members of National Populist committee who will arrive here for that purpose.

PEACE RESTORED DOWN IN PANAMA

By Associated Press to the Journal. PANAMA, Panama, July 26.—The state department has received a dispatch from Consul General Gudgeon, at Panama, announcing the collapse of the revolutionary movement there.

REGIS AND HIS PALS ARE ACQUITTED

By Associated Press to the Journal. ALGERIA, July 26.—The trial of Max Regis and eleven of his friends ended today with acquittal. Regis is a notorious Jew baiter, and ex-Mayor of Algiers.

WASHINGTON MAN DIES AT CATALINA

By Associated Press to the Journal. LOS ANGELES, Cal., July 26.—Edward Fischer, of Whatcom, Wash., who has been staying on Catalina island, the past six weeks, became unconscious while out fishing, and died two hours later, from Bright's disease.

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Little Telegrams. The first new wheat was marketed at Albany, July 25.

The president of France yesterday received the Boer peace delegates.

Five transports will leave Seattle this week with horses and mules for China.

Mayor Maybury, of Detroit, was nominated for governor by Michigan Democrats.

German newspapers complain bitterly of the brutality of the English towards the Boers.

The Puget Sound Collector of Customs has received orders from the Secretary of the Treasury not to permit shipment of arms to the Orient.

General Bristow's investigations in Cuban postal affairs show that Neely embezzled at least \$130,000. Director General Rathbone is shown to have appropriated large sums of government money to his own use.

A great holiday was observed in Porto Rico yesterday in honor of the St. Jago, the patron saint of Spain. Discussing the matter, a prominent Porto Rican said: "Our people should not be blamed by the Americans for expressing their feelings in this way. The United States constitution has not been extended to the island. The privilege of citizenship has been denied them. In such circumstances Porto Rico cannot observe American holidays."

Esworth Leaguers in Attendance. ATLANTA, Ga., July 26.—The Southern Esworth League confederations met in the Central State fair grounds here today. The convention will last until Sunday night. A. E. Whitaker, president of the St. Louis Esworth League, will preside at the evening session tomorrow, and Bishop Fitzgerald will take a prominent part in the Sunday services. The delegations are especially large this year.

Veterans Holding a Reunion. WINGATE, Ind., July 26.—Steelman Post, Grand Army of the Republic, is holding a reunion in Lawson's Grove today. It is one of the largest reunions ever held in western Indiana and excursions have brought many veterans and their friends from Kokoma, Cayuga, and other cities. There are fully 4,000 people on the grounds. Col. R. P. DeHart, of Lafayette, is the orator of the day.

Congress of the Medical Press Meets. PARIS, July 26.—The International Congress of the Medical Press opened a three day's session in the United States Press pavilion here today. Delegates from nearly every country in the civilized world are present. In point of numbers the United States has more delegates in attendance than any other country outside of France.

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