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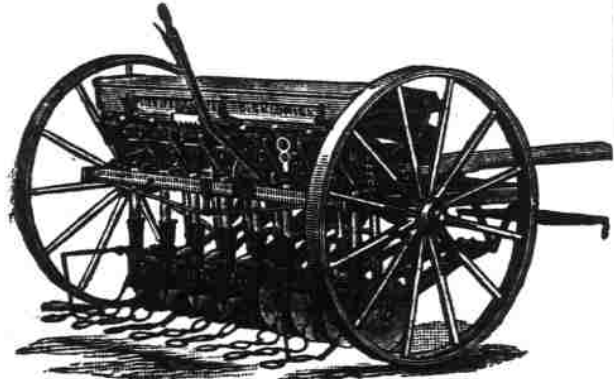
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A MESSAGE FROM CONGER

Undated But Believed to Have Left the Minister Not Later Than August 2.

Situation Then More Precarious Than Ever.

Chinese Government Insisting on Ministers Leaving Peking.

Which Conger Declares Would Mean Certain Death.

REPORT OF THE FIGHTING AT PIETSAUNG FILTERED THROUGH SHANGHAI, BUT NO TRUSTWORTHY DETAILS YET RECEIVED—PRELIMINARY RECONNOISSANCE OF THE CHINESE POSITION.

Washington, Aug. 7.—The state department received the following undated despatch tonight from Tsi Nan Yamen:

"Still besieged. Situation more precarious. Chinese government is still insisting on our leaving Peking, which would be certain death. Rifle firing upon us daily by imperial troops. Have abundant courage, but little ammunition or provisions. Two progressive Yamen ministers beheaded. All connected with United States legation well at present moment."

(Signed) CONGER. The state department gave out the following statement concerning Minister Conger's message, which was received at 4:20 p. m.: "The message from Conger is in the official cipher of the department. It is undated, like his previous cablegram, but from internal evidence furnished by his reference to the beheading of two members of the tsung li yamen and to the insistence of the Chinese government of the removal of the ministers from Peking, it may be assigned to date not earlier than July 30 and perhaps not later than August 2. It is dated by the telegraph company as having been put on the wires at Tsi Nan, a large city about eighty miles east of Peking, on August 6."

THE ADVANCE ON PEKIN. (From a Correspondent of the Laffan Bureau.)

Tien Tsin, Aug. 2. Via Shanghai, Aug. 7.—The last two days has been devoted to reconnoissance work and preparations for the advance on the capital. The Chinese position is now fairly well known. Their right rests upon a swamp and the line extends thence across flat ground which has been partially flooded, over the river to the railroad track, where the left rests along embankments. The object of the enemy in flooding the country by cutting canal banks was to compel the allies to advance along the open roads, which are controlled by Chinese artillery.

General Chaffee made a personal reconnoissance of the country yesterday. He subsequently said the Chinese were holding a very strong position and that it would be extremely difficult to attack without heavy loss. The commanders are naturally reluctant to start for Peking until they are fully prepared to overcome any opposition the enemy may offer. Transport is inconceivably difficult. The commanders are now conferring.

London, Aug. 8.—No reliable details of the engagement at Piet-sang between the allies and the Chinese has yet been received. It is reported in Chefoo and Shanghai that the Chinese after severe resistance were driven from the first line of intrenchments and they withdrew across the river, taking their guns. The Japanese crossed in pursuit under heavy fire, which caused severe losses. Their gallant attempt to drive them back was unsuccessful. The Chinese are now defending the second line but are retreating rapidly up the river. The British losses are stated to be sixty killed and wounded. The allies are still pursuing the enemy but owing to the flooded condition of the country progress is slow. It is stated the Chinese rear guard is

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decimated. It is said there is considerable anxiety at Tien Tsin because the garrison there numbers only 6,000, while 15,000 Chinese are southeast of the town.

CHINESE OVERTURES. Tien Tsin, via Shanghai, Aug. 7.—It is reported that the Chinese have made overtures to ransom the Pekin diplomats and close the war. The emperor and dowager empress are believed to be still in Peking. Their flight or death would produce a great change. The Chinese now silent or nominally loyal will become progressive when they have nothing more to fear. The fall of those who have heretofore dared to utter pro-foreign sentiments terrifies even the semi-enlightened officials. Chang Yen, son of a former Chinese minister to Washington, is still exiled. Pung Wing is hiding. The Manchu party once exterminated the people will welcome return.

FROM CHAFFEE. Washington, Aug. 7.—The war department today received the following from Chaffee at Chefoo:

"Tien Tsin, Aug. 3.—Conference today decided battle Sunday. Chinese entrenched east and west through Piet-sang. Rest of Chinese protected by flooded ground, practically unassailable. Japanese, English, American forces about 10,000 strong, attacked Chinese right, west of river, in flank. Other forces, Russian, French, about 4000 strong opposite side between river and railroad. Chinese position strong. Army reported 30,000 between Pibang and Yang Tsung or crossing of road at Pei Ho. Yang Tsung objective. Our force 20,000 and battery. Conemaugh arrived. Sixth cavalry left at Tien Tsin for guard of city and awaiting mounts. Ministers safe 28th of July. "CHAFFEE."

RECONNOITERING ENCOUNTERS.

London, Aug. 7.—A special despatch from Tien Tsin dated Sunday was the only press message up to a late hour this evening which got through from Tien Tsin since the trouble at Piet-sang. Various Tien Tsin despatches of earlier dates allude to reconnoitering encounters with the Chinese. Preparatory to a general attack on the Chinese position, which is five miles long, a reconnoissance developed that the Chinese are of far greater strength than was expected and the allies, according to a news agency despatch from Tien Tsin, dated August 2, are each day pushing nearer to the Chinese position.

The Russians, who have been fighting around Tsi Chow are reported, according to a despatch from Shanghai, to have killed 3,000 Chinese. The fleet of Newchwang refused the Russian demand to give up the forts there.

A despatch from Hong Kong under today's date says trade with the west river is at a standstill. It is now fully confirmed that the fourth brigade of Indian troops has been ordered to China.

DELAYED IN FORWARDING DESPATCHES.

The despatch of Chaffee, written before the battle of Sunday, confirms the despatch received at the navy department yesterday and also press despatches received today concerning the attack on the Chinese at Piet-sang. Chaffee's despatch, dated Friday, but not sent from Chefoo until today, shows an inexplicable delay. The most interesting feature of the despatch is the information regarding the positions of the Chinese army and the fact that the advance upon Peking is made by two columns, one on each side of the Pei Ho river.

Chaffee's despatch shows another important feature of the plan of campaign agreed upon by the international commanders. It is expected the present objective point of the column is Yang Tsun, a town 15 miles beyond Piet-sang at a point where the railroad crosses the Pei river from the point on the way to Peking. Once in possession of this point, the international force will have both the railroad and the river in the rear for keeping open communication with Tien Tsin. It will naturally become the advance base from which operations on Peking may be projected.

The general feeling at the war department is that unless the Chinese generals have been demoralized by the Piet-sang attack there is yet to be some hard fighting.

SURPRISING GOOD HEALTH.

Tampa, Aug. 7.—Dr. Porter says that at noon today there was no change in the fever situation. A house to house inspection resulted in nothing except a most astonishing absence of all kinds of illness. He says he will remove the quarantine Wednesday of next week, but in the meantime will freely issue permits.

CASE CONTINUED.

New York, Aug. 7.—The hearing in the matter of the removal of the case of the Gaynors to the jurisdiction of the Georgia federal courts, scheduled for today before Commissioner Shields, has been continued to tomorrow.

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KRUGER REPORTED READY TO SURRENDER

Roberts Reports Heavy Fighting at Eland's River—Surrender of Harrismith.

Pretoria, Monday.—It is stated positively that Kruger is willing and anxious to surrender, provided satisfactory promise is given as to his ultimate destination.

London, Aug. 7.—Roberts reports to the war office under date Pretoria, August 7.—Harrismith surrendered August 4. Neighboring country seems to be quiet. Kitchener with force is south of Vaal river. Joined yesterday by a strong detachment of Brabant's horse and Canadian regiment.

Boers attacked garrison at Eland's River morning August 4. Information sent to Carrington who is on way to Eland's river. Ian Hamilton, who reached Rustenburg yesterday reported hearing heavy firing in direction Eland's river. Today firing seems more distant, which looks as if Eland's river garrison been relieved and retiring toward Zeerust.

THE GOLD DEMOCRATS.

New Haven, Conn., Aug. 7.—That the gold democrats of Connecticut intend to take a hand in the coming national campaign along independent lines, if certain conditions they insist upon are not complied with by the silver democrats, is apparent from a circular issued by Seymour C. Lewis, former executive secretary of the late Governor Lazon B. Morris, and one of the leading democrats in New Haven.

It is learned that a few days ago several prominent gold democrats, like Col. N. G. Osborn, editor of the New Haven Register, a paper which is against the silver because of the silver plank in the democratic platform; Seymour George M. Milford, the Hon. Joel A. Sherry of this city, who was the gold democratic governor four years ago in Connecticut, and General E. E. Bradley of this city, a pronounced anti-silver man, had an informal conference and discussed the future of the democratic party in the state, and what position they had best take in the state and national election. One thing prominently brought out was that the silver issue could not be supported by them. As to the state, different ideas were suggested, although the general opinion was that a fight on state issues, with a sound money candidate or a platform of vital questions with silver entirely eliminated, would secure the united democratic vote. Mr. Loomis said in an interview today:

"Not only will the gold democrats refuse to support a silver man if he is nominated for governor, but they are not going to support William J. Bryan in the national campaign. The issue in this state should be made on constitutional questions, based upon an election by a plurality vote, without regard to national questions."

WISCONSIN REPUBLICAN.

Milwaukee, Aug. 7.—The republican state convention will meet here tomorrow to select a complete state ticket and elect a new chairman of the state committee.

THE JULY FORUM.

The July Forum is of such even excellence that among the thirteen articles presented therein it is difficult to select any one as especially worthy of mention. If preference must be given we may name "Our Relations with Germany" by William C. Fox of the Bureau of American Republics; "Kiaochou: A German Colonial Experiment" by Hon. Charles Denby, Jr.; "Social Reform and the General Election" (in England), by Thomas Burke; "The Shipping Subsidy Bill," by the United States commissioner of navigation, E. T. Chamberlain; and "The Passion Play at Oberammergau," by Professor Hans Deventer. Other articles deal with the alleged increase of crime in the United States, the position of the real story of Hawaii, Chinese civilization, the advisability of entering the government service and the growth of American outdoor literature.

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BRYAN'S NOTIFICATION.

Arrangements for the Event at Indianapolis Today.

Indianapolis, Aug. 7.—Final arrangements have been completed for the meeting to notify William J. Bryan and Adlai E. Stevenson of their nomination tomorrow. Military park, where the nomination will take place, has been elaborately decorated. The speaker's stand will accommodate all the distinguished visitors, including members of the committees, and in front arrangements have been made for sixty press tables. Exercises at the park will begin at 2:30 and will last two hours. Congressman Richardson, of Tennessee, and Governor Thomas, of Colorado, will make the addresses of notification, to which both Bryan and Stevenson will reply. A brief informal reception will follow. Mr. Bryan and the visitors participating in the exercises will be driven to the Grand hotel for supper.

Various predictions have been made as to how many persons will be here. Some are as high as 50,000.

Mayor Taggart announced today that Mayor Harrison would preside at the mass meeting at Tomlinson hall tomorrow evening.

James K. Jones, chairman of the democratic committee, today consented to preside at the notification exercises. Mayor Taggart, as mayor, will call the meeting to order and make a short speech welcoming the visitors to the city and will then turn the meeting over to Chairman Jones.

The local and Indiana democratic clubs will march in the front ranks of the Bryan notification parade. The parade will form at 1:15 p. m.

THE CANDIDATES ARRIVE.

Indianapolis, Aug. 7.—The special train from Chicago bearing the democratic national candidates and members of the notification committee arrived at 7:30 this evening. A crowd of several thousand persons lined the streets leading from the station to the Grand hotel. The candidates were greeted with constant cheering along the route. When they reached the hotel they were surrounded and forced to shake hands with hundreds. In response to calls for a speech Bryan said he and Stevenson had heard something over a month ago that they had been nominated, and they were both inclined to accept, but they would give a definite answer tomorrow.

TOWNE DECLINES.

Chicago, Aug. 7.—Towne, the nominee of the populists for vice president, has sent a letter to the committee on notification stating that in consideration of all the factors involved that concern the welfare of the cause of political reform, and his own duty thereto, he is constrained to inform the committee that he must decline the nomination.

COLOMBIA CIVIL WAR NOT ENDED.

San Francisco, Cal., Aug. 7.—General Honorio, one of the leaders in the Colombian revolution, has arrived here, fleeing from Pasama on the day succeeding the defeat of his party at that place. General Honorio declares that the revolution is by no means ended, notwithstanding the declaration of the Colombian government. He maintains that because the revolutionists are defeated in one department it does not ensue that the revolution is ended even in that department.

The general is to act as agent of the revolution in San Francisco. The liberal revolution, Honorio says, is managed by the most respected men in Colombia, and the revolutionary army is equipped with the best modern arms. General Honorio's stay in San Francisco will be indefinite. Others agents are to be located in New Orleans and New York.

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Result of Conference With MacArthur.

Under Certain Conditions Aguinaldo Will be Produced.

Army Officers Reticent About the Negotiations.

THE AMERICAN COMMANDER HAS BEEN IN CONSTANT COMMUNICATION WITH THE TAGAL CHIEFS WITH THE OBJECT OF ENDING HOSTILITIES.

Hong Kong, Aug. 7.—Manila advices to the Filipino junta, assert that General MacArthur and General Aljanderio, a leading rebel commander, are negotiating for the surrender, under the American proclamation, of the insurgent forces in central Luzon, including those under Colonel Tecson, who, last Wednesday, captured Lieutenant Aljanderio, the engineer corps and eleven cavalrymen.

Inquiries at army headquarters at Manila failed to confirm the report of such negotiations. It is known that MacArthur has been in constant conference with rebel politicians and military leaders with the object of bringing about peace otherwise than by fighting.

On Saturday last General MacArthur went to San Fernando and met Aljanderio. According to Filipino Aljanderio then made an offer to surrender the central Luzon rebel commands and also to produce Aguinaldo under certain conditions.

MORGAN DODGED IT.

Washington, Aug. 7.—Senator Morgan of Alabama being asked if he concurred in the declaration made by the national democratic convention that imperialism was the paramount issue, he replied: There is no paramount issue. There is no paramount issue in any campaign. All the planks inserted have an interest for some portion of the voters and are inserted simply because they are paramount, where to others it is of less significance.

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Philadelphia 0 8 3
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At Detroit—Detroit, 5; Cleveland, 0.
At Minneapolis—Minneapolis, 6; Milwaukee, 5.
At Indianapolis—Indianapolis, 8; Buffalo, 4.
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