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A Great Crowd views Behead ing of Murderer of German Minister.

China Now Prepared to Execute Punishment Upon Several Officers.

OUTRAGES BY GERMANS ALONG GRAND CANAL

VILLAGE LOOTED AND OFFI-CIALS KILLED-LI HUNG CHANG TALKS ON CHINA'S ATTITUDE IN PEACE NEGOTIATIONS.

Berlin, Jan. 1 .- A dispatch from Pekin, dated December 31, says:

"Su Hai, the murderer of Baron Von Ketteler, German ambasador, was decapitated on the scene of his crime at 3 o'clock this afternoon."

Pekin, Jan. 1.-The murderer of Baron Von Ketterer was beheaded yesterkneel in the middle of the street and be kept in that position twenty minutes pending the arrival of the German officers Meantime the executioner and his assistant, with clothing bloody from eight other executions at which they had officiated, stood by the condemned man. Su Hai was cheerful and laughed heartily several times. Upon the arrival of the German offi-

cers, the executioner, by means of a contrivance made of twine attached to the neck, compelled the condemned from the body. The head was subsequently placed in a cage and hung

An early meeting of the ministers and the Chinese commissioners is improbable. Owing to the request of the commissioners for a conference the ministers will hold a meeting and request the Chinese to submit the quesministers will then formulate an an-

The Laffan Bureau correspondent learns that China is now prepared to behead Yu Hsien, to banish Prince Tuan, to compel Prince Chwang and Duke Lan to commit suicide and to 262 for the Helena and only \$29,520 or ultimately behead General Tung Fu Hsiang, and inflict severest punishment up to life banishment on several other princes and officials whose heads were originally demanded.

Advised from Chinese sources say that Germans are committing outrages along the Grand canal south of Sochien Fu. Villages have been looted and families of officials killed.

A TALK WITH EARL LI. Pekin, Dec. 31 .- A meeting of the foreign ministers will be held as soon as Sir Ernest Mason Satow, British minister, who is suffering from chills, and fever, shall have recovered sufficiently to be present and when a date and place for meeting the Chinese commissioners shall have been agreed up-

The representative of the Associated Press today hlad a personal interview with Li Hung Chang who shows plainly physical evidence of his recent illness, but whose mind has not been affected by sickness and is as vigorous als ever. Li said that the emperor is desirous of complying in all particulars with the demands of the powers. On the other hand, he thinks the powers should order a cessation of the frequent irritating expeditions which he looks upon as unnecessary and as doing a lot of harm.

It will be quite possible now, he says, to maintain complete order in the province with the assistance of a small number of Chinese troops and he hopes the powers will agree to keep, as at present, the troops now stationed at Pekin and Tien Tsin and along the

The emperor, Li Hung Chang says, is willing to punish all those named by the powers by banishment to the furtherest part of the Chinese dominions on the northwestern frontier, and their return, he declares, will be prohibited under the penalty of death by

decapitation. China will endeavor, says Earl Li, by every means in her power to prove that she intends compliance with the demands contained in the note and to show her desire to make the country safe and habitable for foreigners. He believes the powers will insist upon the total destruction of the forts.

There is only one chance to save yo r life and that is through an operati n" were the startling words heard by Mrs. I. B. Hugt of Lime Ridge. Wis., from her dootor after he had rainly tried to cure her of a frightful disease of stomach crouble and yellow jaundice. Gall stones had formed and she constantly grew worse. Then she began to use Electric Bitters, which by all deperiors by all drugglets.

THE EXPENSE OF A WARSHIP'S VOYAGE

Comparsions Show That Captain Clark Brought the Oragon From Pacific Cheaply.

SOME SLOW AND HIGH PRICED TO MAINTLA-HOW VOYAGES THE SUEZ CANAL POUTE SAVES Americans and Filipinos EXPENSE.

Washington, Jan, 1.-Some time ago

Senator Morgan introduced a resolution calling upon the navy department for information as to the difference in the money cost of a voyage by a marval yes- GREAT OCCASION IN sel from New York to Manilla by way of the Straits of Magellan or the Suez canal and the proposed Nicaragua canal. In reply the secretary of the navy preplaned for the senate a lot of tables showing the cost of voyages made by different ships, but they are accompanied by no explanation and are not fintelligi ble to the ordinary reader. This and other communications show that naval officers are not so efficient in furnishing information as they are in fightling and sailing ships, but a patient examination of the tables discloses some interesting information. The distonce from New York to Manila by way of the Suez cal nal is 12,706 miles, and by way of the Straits of Magellan 19,832 miles. When the Nicaragua canal is built the voyage via Honolulu and Guam will be short ened to 12,260 miles.

between the cost of sailing vessels, some man supervision. A great crowd was This depends largely upon the captain present. The murderer was made to and more upon the engineer. The same a much less cost than another. It is predominated in the decorations. also a quest'on of economy and skill. There is a difference in ships, but comparatively little.

An examination of the balbles snow that it cost the Oregon, under Capt. Clark, \$98,253 to make her famous voy. age of 14,064 miles from San Francis to Key West during the war. She was remember, but she had the best of the of finished. tains and the most careful and skillful to stretch his neck to the utmost. He of engineers. She was stripped for fightfumped on him, forcing his face to the ling. She fooled away no time, but ten 1cuts of the sword severed the head hand it cost Admiral Dewey \$155 335 to bring the Olympia home from Mania. a distance of 12,749 miles, although each had only about half the crew and half was a picnic. She came along slowly, stopped at various places and had good time. These figures include coal, wages of the men, subsistence and all other expenses. It cost the Oregon \$140,-734 to go from New York to Manilla, a tions they want to ask in writing. The distance of 19,832 miles by way of the Strailts of Magellan, Honolulu and other ports enroute. The same difference will be found in the smaller vessels.

The Nashville and Helena are about the same size, and went to Mani a about the same time, the voyage being anproximately 12,000 miles, yet it cost \$44,the Nashville. The Buffalo is twice as large and has twice the crew of the New Orleans, yet it cost the former \$42,-767 and the latter \$46,594 to make the same voyage... It cost the Buffalo 20 per cent more to return from Manila than to make the outward voyage. This was due to the captain and the engin-

about the same size-1000 tons each- tioned under the stairway, discoursed and both made the same voyage, 11,800 miles, to Manila. It cost the Marietta \$23,317 and the Princeton \$27,499.

There is an even greater contrast between the cost of running the Brooklyn and the Olympia. The latter, a cruiser of 5870 tons, spent \$155,335 on a voyage from Manila to New York, while the Brooklyn, with 9215 fons and a crew 392 for the same voyage through the of the cabinet and their wives.

INTERVIEW SENT TO ENGLAND.

London, Jan. 1.-The Washington correspondent of the Daily Telegraph wires an interview with President Mc-Kinley, in the course of which he expresses a wish that the United States and Great Britain might continue in amity during the new century. Mr. McKinley, according to the correspondent, said he hald hoped for the acceptance of the amended Hay-Pauncefote treaty and expected to see the Nicaragua canal commenced thoroughly in his second term of office.

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GREATER NUMBER OF THE CAL-LERS ON THE AMERICAN COM-MANDER ARE NATIVES.

Manila, Jan. 1.—General Mac Arthur's New Year's reception was the first official social function at which Americans and Filipinos have mingled in a social way. For three hours a There seems to be a great difference stream of vehicles wound through the grounds of the governor-general's residence today and discharged callersofficial and civilian-most of them narule applies to a ship that applies to a tives, though there was a sprinkling of kiltchen. One cook can serve the same foreigners. The American flag, family with the same kind of food at branches of Nipa flowers and vines

by the side of General MacArthur and assisted. The callers, after being introduced, passed out upon a broad balcony and overhanging the Pasig river and a majority of them lingered about pushed to her utmost speed, as you will the mansion until the ceremonies were

gate to the Philippines, and other church dignitaries were received dust, then stepped back and with two ed strictly to business. On the other Members of the Philippine commission and judges appeared in black frock coats and their attire formed a decided contrast to the white and gold the tonnage of the Cragon. But that unforms of the officers of the army and navy. The Filipino women wore elaborate native costumes and conversed affably in Spanish.

The use of carriage numbers was not understood by the coachmen and much confusion occurred outside.

W YEAR'S RECEPTION AT THE WHITE HOUSE

of New Year's receptions at the White House which each year inaugurates the social season at the national capital, none perhaps was more brilliant than the one today which ushered in the twentieth centruy. In the mansion, under the glamor of myriads of electric lights which reflected the happy faces of the shifting throng, all The Princeton and the Marietta are was brilliancy. The marine band, stanational airs and lively marches throughout the ceremony.

Promptly at 11 o'clock the bugle sounded the approach of the presidential party, and led by Colonel Bingham. master of ceremonies, and Major Mc-Cauley, of the Marine corps, President and Mrs. McKinley descended the larger in the same proportion, cost \$59,- main staircase, followed by members

The president bowed repeatedly to o them with well wishes of the day

SPRINKLING OF FOREIGNERS AMONG THE GUESTS BUT THE

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Washington, Jan. 1 .- In the long line

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The party passed into the blue parlor and took their places while the full Marine band burst forth with the stirring strains of "Helf to the Chief." First in line same ambassadors and ministers from foreign courts, accom-

the National Airs.

One hour later the general public were admitted and were received for QUAY'S ELECTION APPEARS CERTAIN

Admiral Remey received the callers the wives of several of the generals

CROWE CAP URED.

make his election a certainty.

Mrs. McKinley also bestowed greet

court, judges of the court of appeals

senators and representatives, former

cabinet officers and ministers of the

and marine corps appeared. According

to the custom the army had precedence

over the navy and this contingent was

headed by Lieutenant General Miles

full uniform. The naval section was

headed by admiral Dewey and staff.

and the marine corps by Brigadier

Was Nominated in the Repub-

lican Joint Caucus Lasi

ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-

THREE VOTED FOR HIM AND A

SUFFICIENT NUMBER OF OTHES

ARE PLEDGED TO SUPPORT HIM

Harris burg, Pa., Jan. 1.-The Quay

republicans tonight declare that the

election of Marshall, Quay's candidate

for speaker of the house, today, assur-

ed Senator Quay's election to the

The vote in the senatorial caucus to-

night resulted in 123 for Quay, 25 sen-

ators and 96 members of the house

voting for him. The names of Quay,

Judge Stewart and Congressman Dal-

Letters were read in the caucus from

stating that they would vote for Quay.

Quay supporters say there are suffi-

cient others pledged to support him to

unanimous, giving him 123 votes.

At 11:40 officers of the army, navy

ings upon many in the throng.

full uniform.

United States.

General Haywood.

Nig.ht

Alleged Abductor of Young Cudahy Caught in South Dakota. Sioux City, Jan. 1 .- A special to the

Journal from Chadron, Neb., announces the capture of Crowe, the alleged abductor of young Cudahy. The capture was made near Oelrichs. South Dakota, by a posse after a hot

BISHOP TURNER RESIGNS.

Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 1.-The resignation of Bishop H. M. Turner as president of the college of African Methodist Episcopal bishops, was announced today on account of a disagreement. The trouble leading up to the resignation was not due to a difference of the several churches in the bishop's district, but to dissatisfaction in the college, certain bishops, it is understood, the crowds assembled, greeting many objected to assignments that had been given them.

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panied by their full staffs. At their head was the venerable and dignified Lord Pauncefote, British ambassador Carrying a Guerrilla Warfare and dean of the diplomatic corps, in With Great Vigor in After the ambassadors and ministers Cape Colony, 🖾 🚜 came the chief justice and associate justices of the United States Supreme

> They Capture a British Convoy With Stores Valued at 50,000 Pounds.

and Adjutant General Corbin, each in BOERS ATTACK RHENOSTER BUT ARE REPUSLED

SOME OF DEWET'S SUPPLIES CAPFURED BUT NOT THE WIL-EY COMMANDER-BOER INVAD-ERS HALF WAY BETWEEN OR-

ANGE RIVER AND CAPE TOWN. Capetown, Jan. 1.—There is still no evidence of any appreciable number of Dutch colonists joining the Boers invaders, but the latter themselves are numerous. They are carrying on a guerrilla war. Two hundred of them held a train up between Rosmead and Sherborne and captured the escort consisting of sixty Prince Alfred guards. They looted the train and burned the cars. Another party of 250 captured the post at Nesbitt house near Colesberg. Boers also ambushed and captured a British convoy loaded with milstary and other stores, valued at 50,000 pounds, near Kuruman. The escort, consisting of 25 police, made no resistance. They were deprived of their arms and released.

RHENOSTER ATTACKED. Pretoria, Jan. 1.-A commando, believed to be part of Delarey's, attacked Rhenoster yesterday and attempted to take a gun but they were repulsed by

the garrison. London, Jan. 1.-The Boers have now reached a point half way between the Orange river and Capetown, and in zell were presented. After one ballotspite of optimism of the London press, the two last names were withdrawn the government announcement at and the nomination of Quay was made Capetown shows how seriously the invasion is regarded there. The only thing that really touches the British two other members of the legislature public is the loss of a big naval gun. The Times, today, however, draws atattention to what might prove a serious danger, namely, the possibility of another outbreak of enteric fever among

the soldiers, worn down by the hardships and privations of a prolonged and not exciting campaign. It is ascertained that the Boers who trekked westward from Vryburg and who were supposed to be going to Damaraland, are making for the Pries-

ka district of Cape Colony. A dispatch from Cradock says: "The Boers burned an empty train near Rosmead Junction. The authorities at Rosmead have sent the women and Children away to Cradock. It is reported that a commando has crossed the line and making toward Middleburg.

BRITSH CAPTURES. London, Jan. 1.-Lord Mitchener has cabled as follows:

"Pretoria, Jan. 1.-General Knox, who has been following up DeWet reports that he has captured some horses, five wagons with supplies and 6000 rounds of ammunition. He has released and allowed to go to their farms 76 Boer prisoners taken at De-Wet's laager. General French recently captured 12 prisoners and a large quantity of carts and cattle."

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