

THROUGH WITH FIGHTING.

Fitzsimmons Announces His Retirement from Pugilistic Arena—Could Not Get a Match With Jeffries.

By Telegram to the Morning Star. NEW YORK, August 27.—Robert Fitzsimmons to night announced his retirement from the pugilistic ring. He made an ineffectual attempt to day to get on a match for the heavy-weight championship with James J. Jeffries, to take place before the Horton law expires at midnight.

"I am through with fighting. I will retire from the ring and will not claim the championship from Jeffries. I am ready and on edge to meet him next Friday night, as his manager suggested ten days ago, but as he claims that there is no condition to fight on that night, I am through with him and with the ring. Henceforth there will be one man less in the heavy-weight ring, for I will go out with the Horton law."

Fitzsimmons, with his manager, met William A. Brady, representing Jeffries, this afternoon. Last Saturday Fitzsimmons deposited \$5,000 to bind a match between himself and Jeffries for next Friday night and Brady sent word that he would meet Fitzsimmons to arrange for a battle between Jeffries and the ex-heavy weight champion. Fitzsimmons said he was ready, and willing to meet Jeffries on Friday night before the Twentieth Century Club under any conditions as to the division of the purse or gate receipts which would suit Brady. He said he would be satisfied for the winner to take all, or to split the purse in half or to give sixty-five per cent. to the winner, or sixty per cent. to the loser; or in fact any terms possible so that he could meet the present champion before the expiration of the Horton law. Brady, in reply, said that Jeffries was in no condition, as he had quit training several days ago. He said it would be unfair for Fitzsimmons to force a match with a man who was physically fit for such a contest. Fitzsimmons replied that Jeffries had had plenty of time to get into condition, and said that although he had gone through two or three weeks of training, he was now ready to fight to regain the championship.

Brady said it was impossible for a fight to take place between Jeffries and Fitzsimmons on the date mentioned, but that he would put up a forfeit at once to bind a match for the two, the fight to take place within three months from September 1st, and a side bet of \$10,000. Fitzsimmons would not listen to the proposition and said that it was only made for advertising purposes.

TOM WEST AND JOE WALCOTT

The Negro Had the Best of the Fight But in the Twelfth Round He Refused to Go On.

By Telegram to the Morning Star. NEW YORK, August 27.—The fight between Tommy West and Joe Walcott, which was the main attraction at the Twentieth Century Club in Madison Square Garden ended in the most peculiar manner to-night. The bout had gone eleven rounds very evenly, with Walcott's jabbing and punished West very badly about the body and had him in a very weakened condition. When the bell rang for the twelfth round, to the surprise of everybody Walcott refused to go on, claiming that he had injured his left arm. Referee Charlie White, suspecting crookedness, insisted on Walcott's continuing, but the negro refused to resume.

This left White no alternative other than to declare West the winner. There was quite a large sum of money wagered, with West the favorite, and the referee was outspoken in reference to Walcott's peculiar conduct. White said: "Walcott was not injured; he quit deliberately and it was my candid opinion that he was actuated in quitting by some dishonest motive. I believe that Walcott was encouraged to act as he did by some person closely connected with him. That he should act thus is no surprise to me, as he has established a precedent of similar conduct in San Francisco not so very long ago. And I think it was a scheme to hurt the management of the Twentieth Century Club, which has all along acted in good faith."

THE POPULIST PARTY.

National Committee Decided to Accept C. H. Towne's Declination.

By Telegram to the Morning Star. CHICAGO, August 27.—The People's Party National Committee late this afternoon decided to accept the declination of Charles A. Towne to be a candidate for vice-president. The committee still is in session, discussing three alternatives—nominating a Populist, endorsing Stevenson, or leaving the place on the ticket blank. Senator Marion Butler, chairman of the committee, in a warm speech of some length advocated leaving the place blank, contending that Bryan and Stevenson would receive more Populist votes than if a candidate for vice-president was named. But one test vote was taken. A motion was made to endorse Mr. Stevenson. For this motion Mr. Washburn, of Massachusetts, moved as a substitute that a Populist be placed upon the ticket. The substitute was lost on a call of the roll by a vote of twenty-four yeas to twenty-one nays. The original motion was then adopted by a vote of 20 yeas to 19 nays.

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THEY HAVE NOT

DECLARED WAR.

No Truth in Report That Russia, Germany and Japan Have Taken Such Action.

NO CHANGE IN THE SITUATION

Trouble With Communications—Brief Dispatch from Minister Conger—German Troops Arrive in Pekin. Military Restoring Order.

By Cable to the Morning Star. LONDON, August 27.—There is absolutely no truth in the dispatch from Che Foo of August 24th, saying it was rumored there on "good authority" that Russia, Germany and Japan had declared war on China and had "invited the United States and Great Britain to retire" from that country. Inquiries made at St. Petersburg, Tokyo and London show the report is rejected at these capitals as "unworthy of notice."

WASHINGTON, August 27.—After several days' intermission in the Chinese advice, the government to-day received two dispatches which, presumably, bring its advice up to the most recent date. There are indications that the principal delay in the lines of communication are encountered between Tien Tsin and Pekin; just such interference with the signal corps men as was experienced by the United States forces in the Philippines and by Lord Roberts in the Boer war. Usually these interruptions are very short, the marauders being driven off and the lines restored within a day or two. The fact that more than a week was covered by the latest intermission, gives rise to the belief here that these attacks upon the lines of communication by Boxers are more serious than was supposed to be possible, after the heavy losses inflicted upon them by the international forces in its advance.

Message from Conger.

The important dispatch of the day was one from Minister Conger relative to the situation in Pekin, as follows: "No important movements since last dispatch. Military is trying to restore order. No representative of the Chinese government encountered yet. Several ministers of the Tsung Li Yamen are reported in the city and are expected to appear soon. General Chaffee did not enter into the Imperial palace, leaving it practically vacant. Two thousand Germans arrived to-day. The principal difficulty confronting the government here has been to arrange for the next movement in its programme. It could not without making arrangements with some responsible authority for the future protection of American interests in China, as our business interests cannot be withdrawn along with the army of occupation. Therefore, as conveying a faint hope that in the persons of these members of the Tsung Li Yamen, there may be found some authorized representative of the Chinese government competent to make engagements on these points, the message of Mr. Conger was very welcome to the authorities here."

The Imperial Palace.

Another statement in Mr. Conger's dispatch relative to the decision of the general not to enter the Imperial palace, appears to explain the movement of the American troops, which the Chinese were unable to close the gates, in relating the attack upon the palace gates after capturing all but one of them. Another event of the day of some interest was an order dispatching the Castine from Shanghai to Amoy, distant about four hundred miles. The little gunboat should make the trip in about two days, under favorable conditions. Her force is small but sufficient to serve a moral purpose, if there be need for such.

Affairs at Amoy.

The condition of affairs at Amoy is for the moment attracting much attention at the department. The United States consul and business interests there alike have become very much alarmed at rioting, at the incursion of Japanese troops, and at the landing of a considerable force of Japanese soldiers and sailors. The official does not care to say whether or not the Japanese have been in the city, but it can be stated, however, was ordered to Amoy because of rioting, but not on account of any apprehensions of Japanese troops. The Government officials take the ground that in the absence of any advice showing a selfish purpose on the part of the Japanese it must be assumed that their landing was made in the common cause of all Europeans and Americans. It is not doubted that any American commander would have landed troops at Amoy if rioting appeared to endanger foreign properties and lives and no other foreign troops were available. Steps will be taken at once to learn the facts in the case.

No Conference Invited.

The United States government has not invited any government to participate in a conference with the purpose of arranging the future of China. Nor has it received any such invitation from any other government. Negotiations have been in progress for some time involved, last week, the dispatch of a note, or rather of practically identical instructions to the United States diplomatic representatives in Europe, Japan, and the Philippines, for their guidance in replying to inquiries that were flowing in upon them daily as to the purpose of the United States government. The State Department itself has received many such inquiries from representatives of the powers involved in the Chinese trouble. It is believed that these were generally formal, but nevertheless as they called for statements of policy, it was regarded as expedient that the replies should not be formal, and to guard against discrepancy, by direction of the President a formal instruction was drawn up. That this did not exactly define the intention of the United States to withdraw from China at a specified time was made evident by the continuance of inquiries from the legations and embassies here for information on this point. There is a very manifest desire on the part of European governments to get some expression from the United States government as to its purpose before proceeding themselves.

The Government's Policy.

It is believed that our answers have been framed with the special purpose of avoiding a commitment of the government as to its policy, beyond the general one specifically laid down in the President's response to Emperor Kwang Tai's first appeal and in the answer to Li Hung Chang's appeal for mediation. It is believed that the State Department does not regard it as expedient at this moment to make public the latest phases of the negotiations, so it is impossible to know from this side whether or not they have touched upon propositions to divide China into spheres for military occupation or to provide for a temporary form of government at Pekin, or, to endeavor to re-establish relations with the existing dynasty in China, though it may be fairly said that some of these have been said upon these various points. Advice from Chaffee. The first direct word from General Chaffee since August 18 came to day in the form of a cablegram dated to-day at Taku reporting the situation at the Sixth Cavalry with the enemy near Tien Tsin on the 19th. This cablegram adds no additional information to that already received by the State Department in General Chaffee's previous reports in which he said: "Morning 19th Sixth Cavalry and about 400 English and Japanese dispersed about 1,000 Boxers outside of Tien Tsin. About one hundred Chinese killed; five Americans wounded. The report of General Chaffee tallies with that previously reported by Admiral Remey in the above cable and is identical with that reported by the War Department's advisers in that Colonel Wint, who commands the Sixth Cavalry, probably had been in the hands of the Boxers at Taku, and his report to his superior at Pekin and General Chaffee then sent it officially to Washington. Although General Chaffee's cable dated Taku, it is assumed that it was forwarded from Pekin. Contrary to expectations no screams followed the progress of the flames, and the mob began to think that the inmates of the burning house had been cremated. Suddenly, from a bunch of timber and brush, a fire came in the direction of the mob; they answered, a hundred to one, and the fire was quickly silenced. Members of the mob rushed to the timber and in the next moment the coming dawn found the body of John Myers, a blacksmith, who had been employed by Mrs. Wright, stretched in the death agony. He was shot in the chest about the head and shoulders, showing that he had been lying on his face, firing at his enemies when he met death. Next by lay Mrs. Wright, a great hole in the right shoulder, which had been wounded while lying down in the same position as Myers. The mob carried her down town, jeering as they went. The next morning she was found in the street, her body lying in the gutter. The coroner's inquest over Myers and Ryan resulted in a verdict of "death by bullet wounds from parties unknown."

DESPERATE BATTLE

AT GILMAN, ILLS.

Two Men Killed, a Woman and Two Men Wounded and a House Burned Down.

WOMAN ACCUSED OF MURDER

A Young Girl Her Victim—Officers Who Went to Arrest the Alleged Murderer Were Fired Upon and a Pierce Fight ensued.

By Telegram to the Morning Star. GILMAN, ILL., August 27.—Two men killed, three persons wounded, two of them perhaps fatally, and a residence burned, are the results of a night battle between a mob and Mrs. D. C. W. Wright, who was accused of the murder of Bessie Salter, the 16-year old daughter of a citizen of Gilman. Dead—John Meyers, a laborer employed by Mrs. Wright; Michael Ryan, citizen, serving as deputy constable. Fatally wounded—Lawrence Willoughby, citizen, shot through left lung; Mrs. D. C. W. Wright, shot through the chest. Seriously wounded—Peter Lauer, member of the citizens' attacking party, shot through the chest. A coroner's jury found Bessie Salter had died Friday night in Mrs. Wright's lying in hospital and a warrant for Mrs. Wright's arrest was placed in the hands of Constable Miltstead, who went to Mrs. Wright's place on the outskirts of town to serve it. A number of men, however, accompanied Miltstead. Mrs. Wright barred the door. The constables broke the outer door open and entered the room. Michael Ryan fired with a revolver, and was about to enter the door of the inner apartment when a shot rang out and he fell dead. The constables made a great effort to break a picket line around the building. At regular intervals they fired into the building in the hope that the occupants would surrender, but without success. About 3 o'clock the family of Michael Ryan arrived, and the scenes of grief which followed the arrival of Ryan's wife and children fired the crowd with frenzy. They seized dozens of bundles of straw, saturated them with petroleum, piled them against the front and sides of the so-called hospital, and set them on fire. At that moment the place was a mass of flames. Shot after shot rang from the upper windows and George Willoughby was killed. The Standard Oil Company, fell with a bullet in the left side. The next victim was Peter Lauer, a member of the attacking party. These casualties were all that were reported. They lay the house as fast as they could load their firearms. Contrary to expectations no screams followed the progress of the flames, and the mob began to think that the inmates of the burning house had been cremated. Suddenly, from a bunch of timber and brush, a fire came in the direction of the mob; they answered, a hundred to one, and the fire was quickly silenced. Members of the mob rushed to the timber and in the next moment the coming dawn found the body of John Myers, a blacksmith, who had been employed by Mrs. Wright, stretched in the death agony. He was shot in the chest about the head and shoulders, showing that he had been lying on his face, firing at his enemies when he met death. Next by lay Mrs. Wright, a great hole in the right shoulder, which had been wounded while lying down in the same position as Myers. The mob carried her down town, jeering as they went. The next morning she was found in the street, her body lying in the gutter. The coroner's inquest over Myers and Ryan resulted in a verdict of "death by bullet wounds from parties unknown."

CHOLERA IN INDIA.

Natives Dying at the Rate of Three Thousand a Week.

By Cable to the Morning Star. LONDON, August 27.—"The present epidemic of cholera," says the Simla correspondent of the Daily Mail, "is undoubtedly as similar to that of Russia at Newchwang, the whole indicating a tendency to a partition of the empire."

PRICE, McCORMICK & CO.

Divided of Fifty Per Cent. Paid to Creditors of the Firm.

By Telegram to the Morning Star. NEW YORK, August 27.—The Metropolitan Trust Company began paying a dividend of fifty per cent. in cash to-day on behalf of the readjustment committee, to all creditors of Price, McCormick & Company who have filed their claims. The first dividend to be paid by the trust company will be in excess of one million dollars.

WARM WIRELETS.

William J. Bryan followed the example of President McKinley and declined to be a visitor at the National Encampment of the G. A. R. yesterday.

BOERS MAKE FIERCE FIGHT.

British Report an Engagement All Day Sunday Over a Front of Nearly Thirty Miles.

BY CABLE TO THE MORNING STAR.

LONDON, August 27.—A dispatch from Tokio says General Yamaguchi reports that the Chinese have not abandoned hope of re-taking Pekin, and that 9,000 men with fifteen guns were advancing toward Pekin from Shan Tung, probably intending to cut the allies' communications. BELFAST, August 27.—A dispatch received here from Tien Tsin says large bodies of Boxers are concentrating fifteen miles northeast of Twang Sun. At Twang Sun does not appear to be on any of the available maps or in the Gazetteer it is possible the Berlin dispatch may refer to Yang Tsin, on the Pei Ho, about sixteen miles from the river, from Tien Tsin, on the way to Pekin.

NEGRO TO LEAVE CONGRESS.

White, of North Carolina, Not a Candidate for Re-election.

WASHINGTON, August 26.—The only colored man in Congress, Representative George H. White, of North Carolina, has announced that he will not stand for re-election, and says he will move to some Northern State. "I have three reasons for this determination," said White. "In the first place, my wife's health has been very bad on account of the political attacks made on me, and I am sure the excitement of another campaign for re-election would kill her. Second, I am satisfied I could not secure a certificate if I were elected, and third, I must devote my whole time and some employment that pays me some money. I have not sufficient means to carry on a political fight that can only prove expensive."

A Circular Note from the Vatican.

Declaring that the Pope renounces one of the Papal Rights in the Rome provinces, and that until Italy recognizes the Holy See the Pope will recognize the new King only as King of Sardinia.

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ALLIES ARE RESUMING

AGGRESSIVE OPERATIONS.

Rumors of a Fierce Battle at Pekin—That the Allies Retreated, Losing 1,800 Men, Mostly Russians.

By Cable to the Morning Star. LONDON, August 28, 3:50 A. M.—The allies, resuming aggressive operations, have taken the district west of Pekin. This statement, based on Chinese authority, is cabled from Shanghai. From the same place, comes the further statement that Li Hung Chang has wired the Empress Dowager at Hsian Fu requesting the arrest of Prince Tuan and the disarmament of the Boxers, in order to give him an opening for negotiations with the powers.

THE ILLUMINATIONS PROJECTED AT SHANGHAI IN CELEBRATION OF THE RELIEF OF PEKIN HAVE BEEN ABANDONED, LEAST THEY SHOULD CAUSE A NATIVE OUTBREAK.

"Evidence has been received here," says the Shanghai correspondent of the Standard, "going to show that General Yung Lu was the real author of the anti-foreign outbreak, the Empress Dowager, Prince Tuan and the others all having been persuaded by him to take an extreme attitude, while he stood aside and awaited developments."

AMERICAN REFUGEE MISSIONARIES IN AMOY, ACCORDING TO THE HONG KONG CORRESPONDENT OF THE DAILY MAIL, ARE TO RETURN TO THE INTERIOR, BUT THE UNITED STATES CONSUL HAS FORBIDDEN THEM TO DO SO, AND URGES THEM TO GO TO THE PHILIPPINES OR RETURN TO AMERICA.

SHANGHAI ADVICES TO THE DAILY NEWS THAT CONSULAR OPINION THERE LOOKS UPON JAPANESE ACTION IN THE LANDING OF TROOPS AT AMOY, DESPITE THE PROTESTS OF THE CONSUL, AS SIMILAR TO THAT OF RUSSIA AT NEWCHANG, THE WHOLE INDICATING A TENDENCY TO A PARTITION OF THE EMPIRE.

"The journals agree," says the Moscow correspondent of the Standard, "that it is impossible to deal with China in the spirit of revenge, as suggested by Emperor William. They believe that methods less drastic can better accomplish the ends of Russia in Manchuria. The question would be satisfactorily settled to the Russian mind by the seizure of the northern provinces."

PARIS, AUGUST 28, 4:25 A. M.—A SPECIAL TO L'ESPECE, FROM ST. PETERSBURG, SAYS:

"It is persistently rumored in St. Petersburg that the Russian government has received a dispatch asserting that, after a fierce battle inside Pekin, the allies retreated, losing 1,800 men, mostly Russians. It is further said that the Chinese occupy fortified positions, from which they are bombarding the allies in a murderous manner."

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KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

Grand Encampment at Detroit—The Principal Formal Events.

By Telegram to the Morning Star. DETROIT, MICH., August 27.—Major General James R. Carothers assumed formal command of the tenth biennial encampment of the United Fraternal Knights of Pythias at 5:30 this evening in the presence of several divisions of his command, and a throng of spectators.

THE NATIONAL LEAGUE.

Result of Base Ball Games Played Yesterday by the Clubs.

By Telegram to the Morning Star. Brooklyn—Brooklyn, 9; New York, 2.

Chicago—Chicago, 2; St. Louis, 1.

St. Paul—St. Paul, 1; Minneapolis, 0.

Philadelphia—Philadelphia, 1; Boston, 0.

Pittsburgh—Pittsburgh, 1; Cincinnati, 0.

Cleveland—Cleveland, 1; Detroit, 0.

Washington—Washington, 1; Baltimore, 0.

San Francisco—San Francisco, 1; Portland, 0.

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