

THE CHINESE ARE FRIGHTENED.

AFRAID OF THE RELIEF COLUMN.

To Send Ministers to Tien-Tsin—Believed That the Allies Are Advancing—A Viceroy Paid for the Heads of Christians—Chinese Disregard an Armistice—A Big Battle Expected Tomorrow.

By Wire to the Telegram.

Washington, Aug. 4.—From official reports received today it is evident that the Chinese government is frightened over the consequences that would follow the arrival of an international relief column at the gates of Peking. The government is arranging to send the ministers to Tien-Tsin, hoping by that means to placate the powers and cause the allied troops to stop before reaching the capital. There is every reason to believe that the allies are advancing and that the ministers may meet them half way between Peking and Tien-Tsin.

PAID FOR THE HEADS OF CHRISTIANS.

Shanghai, Aug. 4.—The discoveries at Tien-Tsin are making it blacker for the viceroy who ruled before the bombardment. Proofs have been found showing that the viceroy offered and paid rewards for the heads of Christians. A cage in which foreigners were confined has been found in the official residence.

ARMISTICE NOT REGARDED.

London, Aug. 4.—A dispatch has been received from Sir Claude MacDonald, at Peking, which repeats the statement made in his last letter, but adds that, despite the armistice agreed upon July 16th, the legations are shelled occasionally. The dispatch concludes as follows:

"It is important that when the relief force gets close to town the troops should advance rapidly and prevent the retreat of the Chinese attacking us."

A dispatch was received at Tien Tsin from the Japanese minister at Peking, dated July 23rd, saying the defenders of Peking had only 25 rounds of ammunition left.

A BATTLE EXPECTED.

London, Aug. 4.—There is nothing direct from the allies operating beyond Tien-Tsin, but a dispatch from Shanghai today says a battle is expected tomorrow between Gen. Mas' troops and 10,000 Chinese at Yang-Tsun. The Russian and French contingents are guarding the communications. American, British and Japanese troops form the advancing column.

ALL QUIET AT CANTON.

Hong Kong, Aug. 4.—All is quiet at Canton, but there is great activity at the Pogue forts, which are fully manned. Flags are hoisted on the walls and there is constant practice with big guns. The Chinese in this section fear an attack by the French.

RUSSIANS DEFEATED.

London, Aug. 4.—A news agency dispatch from Shanghai, dated Aug. 2nd, says the Russians have sustained a severe defeat north of New Chwang, being forced to abandon the railway between that place and Port Arthur. Five thousand Russians are trying to hold Tsah Filo Chao, but the place is surrounded by 40,000 Chinese.

Four Russian steamers on the Amur are reported sunk or damaged by Chinese fire.

DEFENCELESS CONVERTS KILLED.

London, August 4, 3:55 a. m.—According to a special dispatch from Shanghai, dated August 3, the advancing column of the allies was reported there yesterday to have reached a point 35 miles beyond Tien-Tsin. Nothing from any other point corroborates this statement. In fact, The Standard goes so far as to say that it fears the real advance, apart from preliminary measures, has not yet begun. Tien-Tsin dispatches, dated July 30, tell of an action which is termed a "reconnaissance between the Japanese and Chinese," two miles beyond the Baikou arsenal, in which the Japanese withdrew after suffering 30 casualties. The Tien-Tsin correspondent of The Standard, under date of July 27, declares that the Americans and Germans have been ordered to move forward, without waiting for the British. A Che Fu special, August 1, announces the safety of all the Americans in Peking and the reception of a letter from Dr. Cheltman, dated Peking, July 20, saying that on the previous day, Sir Claude MacDonald, the

British minister, had agreed to a truce provided the Chinese came no closer, and adding: "We hope this means relief; but, having defeated the Chinese, are fearful now of treachery. All are exhausted with constant watching, fighting and digging trenches. The greatest credit is due to Mr. Squires, secretary of the United States legation, whose military experience and energy are invaluable."

The Shanghai correspondent of The Daily News says the consuls there regret the independent action taken by the American and China Association upon the ground that it is injudicious. He says: "The settlements being international, petty jealousies must disappear. The China Association is of little local influence." Presumably he refers to the American Asiatic Association.

The Hong Kong correspondent of The Daily Express announces the arrival there from San Francisco of Homer Lea, for some time secret agent in the United States of the Society for the Reformation of the Chinese Empire, with 60,000 pounds sterling, which "will presumably be utilized in connection with the revolutionary movement against the Empress Dowager, a movement quiescent since 1898, until within the last few weeks."

Nearly all the correspondents confirm the reports of a wholesale massacre of Christians outside Peking, a correspondent of The Daily News giving the number killed as between 10,000 and 15,000, all defenceless converts. Imperial troops, so it is said, did the ghastly work.

According to the Shanghai correspondent of The Times, one of the members of the Tsung Li Yamen mentioned by United States Consul Goodnow, as having been beheaded for pro-foreign tendencies, was Hsu Ching Cheng, former minister to Russia. The correspondent said the Empress Dowager ordered his execution on the advice of Li Ping Hong.

Li Hung Chang has been informed from Peking that Prince Ching's only prominent supporters in his peace policy are General Yung Li and Wang Wen Siao, president of the board of revenue, whose influence is small.

THE MAJORITY IS 60,000.

Democrats Have Elected 100 Members of the House and 38 Senators.

Special Dispatch to the Telegram.

Raleigh, Aug. 4.—Chairman Simmons has received a telegram from Dare county saying it goes Democratic. Brunswick gave a majority for the amendment, but re-elected Dr. McNeill to the House of Representatives. He is the man who voted against the amendment twice.

The Democrats have elected 10 members of the House and 38 Senators. The senatorial vote of Chatham, Moore and Randolph is yet in doubt. If the Democrats have carried this district it will give them 40 Senators.

Yancey and McDowell counties are safely Democratic. Burke goes Democratic by over 400. The Republicans carry Watauga.

The majority for the Democratic State ticket is about 60,000. The majority for the amendment is about 2,000 less.

Americans Killed in Switzerland.

By Wire to the Telegram.

Tolozia, Switzerland, Aug. 4.—C. P. Way and his 13-year-old son, Americans, accompanied by Mr. De La Ruz, an Englishman, started to climb Cimadiorso without a guide yesterday. When near the summit Way slipped on a stone and fell over the precipice. The rope by which he was attached to his son broke, and they were both killed. Their bodies were recovered with the greatest difficulty.

Buying Horses for Germany.

By Wire to the Telegram.

Hoboken, N. Y., Aug. 4.—Four commissioners representing the German government are in Hoboken negotiating for the purchase of horses for war service in China. They state that they expect to require 30,000 horses within the next 30 days. The orders will be distributed throughout the East, South and West, and a few may go to China.

Cotton Market.

By Wire to the Telegram.

New York, August 4.—Cotton: 65; August, 8.52; September, 20; October, 8; November 7.90.

THE MAJORITIES.

Only Nine Counties Carried by the Fusionists, With Several in Doubt. Raleigh Correspondence Charlotte Observer.

The returns show that to the Senate there are elected 38 Democrats and 9 fusionists, with three seats doubtful, and to the House 95 Democrats and 13 fusionists, while twelve seats are in doubt.

There was some talk today about national politics. This grew out of a rumor that Senator Butler had declared North Carolina's electoral vote should be cast for McKinley. Chairman Simmons said at Democratic headquarters tonight that the State's vote would be cast for Bryan beyond peradventure.

Mecklenburg, Edgecombe and Robeson are the banner counties, so far as the vote on the constitutional amendment is concerned. Each gave it 3,500 majority, New Hanover ranking second with 3,018. There will be only 2 Populists in the legislature, both from Senator Butler's county, Sampson. Senator Butler is here. He has kept very quiet today. The local military was ordered on duty Tuesday evening by Governor Russell were relieved from duty at noon today.

Senator Butler said this evening that the election returns he had were not definite enough for an estimate by counties and added: "Every negro county has gone Democratic and the majority for the amendment can be anything desired. Certificates of election will be given, I should say, to 70 Democratic Representatives and to 33 to 35 Democratic Senators. Of course it could be more, because the stealing capacity is unlimited." The Senator says he expects to spend next week fishing and resting after his campaign, which is the most disastrous on record in North Carolina.

The following are the county majorities as received at Democratic headquarters and revised and compared up to 8 p. m.

Democratic majorities: Alamance 250, Anson 1,625, Beaufort 1,200, Bertie 1,545, Bladen 300, Buncombe 600, Burke 250, Cabarrus 250, Camden 7, Carteret 250, Caswell 100, Catawba 50, Chatham 100, Chowan 400, Cleveland 1,513, Columbus 1,000, Craven 1,500, Cumberland 1,000, Currituck 500, Duplin 727, Durham 700, Edgecombe 3,500, Forsyth 500, Franklin 900, Gaston 800, Gates 650, Granville 600, Greene 500, Guilford 800, Halifax 3,000, Harnett 154, Hertford 975, Iredell 400, Jackson 100, Johnston 2,049, Jones 250, Lenoir 1,050, Lincoln 200, Martin 1,023, McDowell 200, Mecklenburg 3,650, Montgomery 500, Nash 800, New Hanover 3,016, Northampton 1,163, Onslow 800, Pasquotank 800, Pender 850, Perquimans 300, Person 300, Pitt 1,200, Richmond 1,500, Robeson 3,500, Rockingham 867, Rowan 1,500, Rutherford 250, Scotland 1,100, Stately 800, Tyrrell 100, Union 1,800, Vance 400, Wake 1,400, Warren 800, Washington 460, Wayne 2,300, Wilson 1,300.

Fusion majorities: Alexander 100, Caldwell 100, Davie 300, Henderson 125, Madison 900, Mitchell 1,500, Polk 60, Wilkes 600, Yadkin 840.

Democrats have carried Davidson, Pamlico and Randolph. Both sides claim Orange. Macon is very close.

MOONLIGHT PICNIC.

Young People Enjoy Themselves at the Battle Ground.

One of the most enjoyable outings of the season was a moonlight picnic at the Battle Ground Thursday night in honor of several visiting young ladies. After partaking of the bountiful spread that had been prepared for the occasion the crowd wandered around over the grounds for an hour or two, returning about 12 o'clock.

The merry party was composed of Misses Daisy Carraway, Helen Wheeler, May Harrison, Lola Reid, Mary Lindsay, Pattie Olive, Annie Land, Anna Mulford, Katherine Gelter, Lillian Reid, Nestie Murray, Nan Wood, Nannie Reid, Queenie McDonald, Irma Kellett, Minnie Lyon and Miss Hall, and Messrs. Richard Crawford, Louis Beall, Frank Eldridge, Eugene McNairy, Frank Leak, Lucy Sellers, George Patterson, Moody Stroud, Ney Forbis, Dr. Harrison, Chalmers McLean, Bernie Gilmer, J. E. Mann, Will Hughes, Charles Murray and Rev. C. E. Hodgkin.

TWO DEAD AND ONE CRAZY.

Tragic Ending of an Attempted Elopement in Missouri—Lovers Buried in the Same Grave.

Poplar Bluff, Mo., Aug. 2.—Two persons dead and a father insane is the result of an attempt to elope yesterday made by Martha Hendricks and Paul Warner, young people, living near Bennett, Ripley county. The young people have been keeping company some time, and were very anxious to marry. The father of the girl, John Hendricks, objected to the match on account of the girl's age, she being only 17. This morning the couple slipped away from home and started for Doniphan, this county, with a view of getting married. The father started in pursuit, and to outwit him the young couple attempted to cross Current river in a boat. When midway in the stream the boat was overturned by striking a snag, and both were drowned. Their bodies were recovered by some hunters, who heard their screams, but were too late to render assistance. When Mr. Hendricks arrived later and heard of the awful accident he went insane. The couple will be buried in the same grave.

A Train Derailed and Burned.

By Wire to the Telegram.

Bloomfontein, Aug. 4.—A train carrying United States Consul Stowe, and over which the stars and stripes were flying, was derailed and burned at Hongspuit, south of Kronstad, by a flying patrol of Boers. No prisoners were taken.

Big Mail Robbery.

By Wire to the Telegram.

New York, Aug. 4.—Postoffice Inspector Daniel this morning reported the robbery of a registered letter containing \$28,000 between Station O and the general postoffice in this city.

The King's Funeral.

By Wire to the Telegram.

Rome, Aug. 4.—The funeral of the murdered King Humbert has been fixed definitely for next Thursday.

Shirt-Waist Man.

Chicago Post.

The proposition to put men in shirt waists cannot be seriously considered until we know exactly how we are going to dispose of that obstacle at the waist line. We have seen the football player

Standing with reluctant feet
Where the shirt and trousers meet

but while this may do very well for football, it will hardly serve the purpose for dress parade. The physical conformation of the ladies enables them to retain the graceful swing and hang of their skirts, but a man's trousers must be buoyed up by adventitious aid. We could not think of wearing our suspenders over our shirt waists and our present style of belts surmounted by a row of trouser buttons would be a hideous innovation. To meet the exigency, therefore, we must employ pads in defiance of nature's distinctions; or safety pins, which are somewhat subversive of our manly dignity. There may be other ways of getting around this difficulty, and we hope the interested parties will give the subject the prayerful consideration its importance merits.

We have no hesitation in saying that the inventor who points out the way of uniting the shirt waist and the trousers, harmoniously to the eye and agreeably to the abdominal muscles, will lay the foundation of a colossal fortune.

A Pleasant Dance at the Battle Ground.

A number of young people enjoyed a moonlight drive last night to the Battle Ground, where dancing and other forms of pleasure were indulged in.

The couples were:

Miss Ruth Gold, of Wilson, with Mr. Junius I. Scales; Miss Mary Balsey, of Reidsville, with Mr. Everett B. King; Miss Nora Balsey with Mr. P. D. Gold; Miss Lizzie Balsey with Mr. John S. Michaux; Miss Lizzie Leigh Dick with Mr. Henry Thompson; Miss Marjorie Lyon with Mr. Norman Staples; Miss Satterthwaite with Mr. A. H. Staples; Miss Turner with Mr. McAdoo; Miss Lillian Staples with Mr. William Tallman; Miss Hamner, of High Point, with Mr. T. S. Horry.

Stags: Messrs. Sheloh and Herbert Thompson.

ANTI-JEW RIOTS IN ODESSA.

Russian Troops Start the Trouble—The Jewish Quarter Looted. Odessa Dispatch, Aug. 1st.

A number of soldiers who have been ordered to the far East were selling their superfluous chattels to Jew dealers on Sunday, when one of them who had realized five roubles for his goods declared that the purchaser had immediately picked his pocket after paying him.

The allegation started a ferocious attack on the Jews which spread throughout the Jewish quarter. A mob joined the soldiers and wrecked and plundered booths and brutally beat Jews wherever they were found. The police were helpless.

Cossacks and infantry were paraded, but it was hours before the rioting stopped. It is stated that many of the troops ordered to protect the Jews joined the looters when not under the eyes of their officers. The authorities were energetic. They summarily flogged rioters who were caught in the act, but there were spasmodic outbreaks on Monday and Tuesday.

Two soldiers were killed on Sunday. It is stated that five Jews were killed. One hundred and twenty were taken to the hospitals.

PEKIN SHOULD BE DESTROYED.

Merchants and Missionaries Want China Punished Before Peace is Proclaimed.

Che Fu, July 29, via Shanghai, Aug. 2.—Public opinion and the foreign press at the treaty ports are alarmed at the possibility that the Chinese may prevail upon the powers to consent to peace without inflicting punishment befitting the Chinese government's crime. Officials and persons engaged in commercial pursuits and missionaries of all nationalities are remarkably united.

They believe Peking should be destroyed as an object lesson, and that if the dynasty is continued, it should be forced to establish the capital at some accessible city. The Americans suggest Nankin. This is considered important, as the Chinese always believed that China defeated the powers in 1860, because the capital remained intact. It is also thought that guarantees to prevent excessive armament should be demanded and that China should be compelled, publicly and definitely, to renounce the fiction that the foreign ministers are representatives of tributary powers. There is a strong demand for unusual punishment, like the destruction of the Kings' tombs.

THE NEW WATERWORKS PLANT.

The Location Visited by the Water Committee—The Plan Satisfactory.

Mayor Taylor, City Engineer Bandy and the water committee, composed of Alderman Hunter, Sergeant, Joyner and Scott, visited South Buffalo creek yesterday afternoon for the purpose of studying more specifically the details of locating the reservoir, filter basin and pump station of the new waterworks plant. The plan of the plant, as exhibited on a map drawn by the city engineer, was very satisfactory and encouraging to the water committee.

The system of fixtures, from the diverting dam to the main force line, was harmoniously connected. Tidiness, so essential to the eye of the consumer of city water, is present in all the plans and specifications pertaining to dams, reservoir, filter basin and pipes.

Dr. Benbow accompanied the committee and gave his approval in regard to the location and plans, which was gratifying to the committee.

A Duel Over Bresci's Brother.

Milan, Aug. 4.—Lieutenant Bresci, brother of King Humbert's assassin, has informed the colonel of his regiment of his intention to leave the army and change his name. He will be provided with an appointment in the civil administration.

A duel with sabres has been fought between Captain Tani and Captain Baccalli, on the subject of Lieutenant Bresci's course. Capt. Tani had expressed sympathy with the lieutenant, whereupon Captain Baccalli declared that he could no longer offer his hand to Lieutenant Bresci. Baccalli was wounded in the head during the sixth onslaught.