

DELAY UNEXPLAINED

Latest Telegrams From Peking Eight Days Old.

DESOLATION IN LEGATION STREET.

Mail Advertisers Say Houses of Foreigners Were Either Destroyed or Riddled With Shot—Attempt to Mine American Buildings.

LONDON, Aug. 29.—That the inexplicable delay in forwarding telegrams from the Chinese capital still continues is illustrated by the fact that the latest dispatch from Peking describing the march for Boxers in the imperial park is dated no later than Aug. 21.

There is no confirmation from any source of the report of an advance northward from Peking. On the contrary, a movement southward to clear the country and to insure free communication with Taku is apparently in progress. The powers as late as Aug. 21 were still unable to agree as to how to deal with Peking itself, the Japanese and Russians being at variance as to whether the imperial palaces should be destroyed.

"Nor is there any further news of the alleged detention of Li Hung Chang by the admirals. Probabilities increase that all the members of the imperial household have got safely to the interior.

A Reuter dispatch, dated Peking, Aug. 15, and sent by post to Shanghai, describes scenes of appalling desolation and wanton destruction in Legation street. All the houses of foreigners were riddled with shells, burned or blown up. An attempt was made to mine the American legation. A shaft was sunk from the top of the wall 15 feet deep and was then continued as a tunnel, with a sharp slope, in the direction of the legation. Apparently the Chinese did not have time to finish it.

The Siecle's report of a defeat suffered by the allies at Peking is everywhere discredited.

The Peking correspondent of The Daily News, in a dispatch dated Aug. 17, asserts that there are thousands of instances going to show that the Boxers were approved by the imperial officials in their indescribable ferocity.

The Hongkong correspondent of The Times, writing yesterday, says: "There are reports of continued aggression by Black Flags on North river and of the deliberate destruction of mission property."

SOME CROOKED WORK.

Telegrams From China Bear Evidence of Interference.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 29.—Several communications came to Washington from the United States officials in China yesterday, but being dateless in most cases the government was by no means satisfied with the state of communications, and the cabinet meeting gave the larger part of its attention to the problem of rectifying this state of affairs. Evidences of interference with the messages have accumulated to a point where the government has determined to take steps to establish channels of its own, even if it is necessary to employ the rather expensive device of a man-of-war plying between Shanghai and Chifu for this purpose.

Meanwhile word comes that rapid progress is making with the shore cable, which is to connect these points, and it is believed that within a week this means of communication will be open.

Three messages from General Chaffee were received, and while they cast no direct light on the military situation they were inferentially important. The general's statement that he needs no siege battery, taken in connection with the diversion of the First cavalry, which was bound for Taku, to Manila, seems to make clear that there is no intention to enter into a prolonged campaign in China such as would involve the use of heavy artillery or of reinforcements in the shape of men and horses. At the same time it cannot be said that the government has shown any sign of a purpose to abandon any just claim it may have secured upon China through the brilliant operations of the little American force in the Flowery Kingdom. But it begins to appear that the battle of today is one of diplomacy rather than one of arms, and notwithstanding the various rumors that have filtered out from Chinese sources of heavy engagements between the international forces and the Boxers the officials here are satisfied that no formidable organized resistance will be offered by the Chinese if the demands of the powers are limited to the principles laid down by the United States in its several notes.

After the cabinet meeting it was announced that the government was in a waiting attitude regarding the Chinese situation. The lack of late advices from Peking and the failure of the powers to show their hands as to their future policy makes it necessary for this government to await developments.

Preparing For the Winter. TIEN TSIN, Aug. 24, via Taku, Aug. 27.—Officers who have arrived here from Peking report that General Chaffee, commanding the American forces in China, is making all the necessary preparations to maintain 15,000 men through the winter. Fifteen of the American wounded, including the marines wounded during the siege of the legations, have arrived here by boat from Peking. Captain Myers of the United States marine corps is suffering from typhoid fever and cannot be moved. A large batch of refugees is due here today. The American signal service corps, co-operating with that of the British, has completed the telegraph line from Taku to Peking.

Fifty Americans, including the Misses Condit-Smith, Woodward and Paine, have arrived here from Peking, which city they left five days ago.

Hunting For Boxers. PEKING, Aug. 21, via Taku, Aug. 27.—Three Russian, two Japanese, one British and one American battalion searched the Imperial park, south of the city and about five miles out, for Boxers. No armed force was found, but only a single Chinese scout, who was killed. The Japanese are in possession of the imperial summer palace. The winter palace here is still closely guarded. The Russians wish to destroy it. A southward movement began today and will continue, but several detachments will remain to protect converts.

Seaton Rains Renominated. LEONARD, N. Y., Aug. 29.—The Republican convention of the Forty-second senatorial district has renominated Senator John Raines.

CRUELTY AND NEGLECT.

Captain Crenshaw's Sufferings on the Transport Sherman.

ATLANTA, Aug. 29.—Captain Frank Crenshaw, Twenty-ninth volunteer infantry, died here yesterday. Captain Crenshaw saw service in Cuba and the Philippines, and a wound received in the battle of Puntal eventually caused his death. Captain Crenshaw, who arrived in Atlanta a week ago, made a statement to his father in which he charged outrageous treatment and neglect on board the transport Sherman from Manila to San Francisco. The statement was to the effect that after the vessel left Manila and was on the high seas officers in the staterooms next to Captain Crenshaw's complained that he kept them awake by the sufferings from his wound. He was taken from the stateroom and, paralyzed in the left side and unable to lift his head and almost unconscious, was placed in a berth down in the hold of the ship near the engines in the midst of the insane men who were confined there.

Captain Crenshaw said he was unable to hold himself in the berth and fell out three times while the ship was riding out storms in the China seas. He finally bribed a hospital steward with \$25 to give him some attention. At San Francisco Captain Crenshaw alleges that treatment was refused him, the surgeon in charge informing him that it was impossible because of limited assistance in the hospital. The wounded officer, accompanied by his uncle, then started for Atlanta, and an operation was performed here.

The body of Captain Crenshaw will lie in state at the capitol until noon today, when it will be taken to La Grange, Ga., for interment.

LOSS OF LIFE AT NOME.

Terrific Storm Straws Coast With Dead Bodies and Wreckage.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 25.—A Seattle (Wash.) special to The Bulletin says a terrific storm raged at Nome Aug. 7. There was a heavy loss of life. The water front is lined with wreckage and stranded vessels of all descriptions. Out of 88 steam launches it is reported only five remained afloat, and of 72 barges all but seven drifted ashore. Twenty dead bodies were washed ashore and taken to the morgue for identification. Five dead bodies were washed ashore at Topkuk, three miles north of Nome, the mouth of the Nome river, and eight in front of Nome camp, three miles below Bluff City and two below Topkuk.

The pesthouse on an island was destroyed by fire on Aug. 9. Three patients were removed safely.

A tale of disease, death and suffering among the Eskimos almost beggarly description is told by Guy H. Stockslager, who has been directing a relief expedition sent out by the government. Stockslager has returned from York and reports the natives dying by wholesale, dozens of dead bodies lying around unburied.

At Teller City the sick natives killed the medicine man of the tribe in the vain hope that the act would appease the evil spirit. Thirteen deaths were reported at Teller City in one day.

Populists Accept Stevenson.

CHICAGO, Aug. 28.—At a meeting of the People's party national committee yesterday the declaration of Charles A. Towne as the vice presidential nominee of the party was accepted, and the name of Adlai E. Stevenson was put in his place. This result was obtained after a long debate, beginning at 2 p. m. and ending about 6:30 p. m. In the beginning there were three courses advocated by different members of the committee—viz, to nominate a Populist, to leave the place blank or, lastly, to endorse Mr. Stevenson. Senator Martin J. 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 were named. But one test vote was taken. There were 124 members of the committee present or represented by proxy.

The Long Lost Charley Ross?

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., Aug. 28.—In jail for vagrancy in this city is a tramp who startled the recorder's court by stoutly asserting that he is Charley Ross, kidnaped from his parents at Philadelphia nearly 25 years ago, an event which has always been of national interest. The man tells a story which accords in every detail with the accepted story of the kidnaping of young Ross and produces documents intended to substantiate his assertion.

Last Meeting of War Veterans.

CINCINNATI, Aug. 27.—The National Association of Mexican War Veterans will meet in Cincinnati Sept. 13 and 14, and the local committee of entertainment has arranged an enjoyable programme for its entertainment. Mexican veterans are expected from all over the country, as it is probable that this will be the last formal meeting of the national association, the members of which are now all upward of 70 years of age.

In Death Not Divided.

OSWEGO, N. Y., Aug. 29.—Peter Leroy and Fellette, his wife, aged 86 and 82 years respectively, died at their home in this city within two hours of each other. Yesterday afternoon at St. Louis church the double funeral was attended by an immense throng. They were born in Canada.

Weather Probabilities.

Fair; light northerly winds.

New York Markets.

FLOUR—State and western invoice, but steady; Minnesota patents, \$3.95(4.20); winter straight, \$3.95(4.20); winter extras, \$2.75(3.00); winter patents, \$2.75(3.00). WHEAT—Open end easy under local realizing, but recovered later on fair clearances and firmness abroad; September, 79(80) 1/2-1/4; October, 75(76). RYE—Quiet; state, 33(34) c. l. f. N. Y. car lots; No. 2 western, 57(58) c. l. f. N. Y. car lots. CORN—Firm and higher on covering, inspired by fears of cold weather west; September, 41(42) 1/4; October, 40(41) c. l. f. OATS—Dull, but steady; track, white, 26(27) c. l. f. PORK—Dull; mess, \$12(13); family, \$15(16). LARD—Quiet; prime western steady, 7(8) c. BUTTER—Steady; state dairy, 16(17) c. CREAMERY, 16(17) c. CHEESE—Quiet; large white, 10(11) c. small white, 9(10) c. EGGS—Firm; state and Pennsylvania, 16(17) c. western, loss off, 16(17) c. SUGAR—Raw steady; fair refining, 34(35) c. centrifugal, 9(10) c. test, 32(33) c. refined steady; crushed, 5(6) c. powdered, 6(7) c. TURPENTINE—Steady at 33(34) c. RICE—Firm; domestic, 4(5) c.; Japan, 4(5) c. TALLOW—Quiet; city, 4(5) c.; country, 4(5) c. HAY—Dull; shipping, 7(8) c.; good to choice, 8(9) c.

BOERS FIGHT WELL.

British Advance Meets a Desperate Resistance.

LONG BATTLE IN THE TRANSVAAL.

Country Difficult and Well Suited to the Enemy's Tactics and Bad For British Cavalry—General Olivier Captured.

LONDON, Aug. 28.—Wiring from Belfast yesterday, Lord Roberts says: "Our casualties yesterday (Sunday) were wonderfully few, considering the heavy firing and the number of hours we were engaged. Buller estimates his as 2 killed and 24 wounded. His troops had to bivouac where they stopped after darkness fell, and accurate returns are as yet impossible. "The casualties of the force operating north of Belfast were 3 killed and 34 wounded. "Engaged the enemy the greater part of the day over a perimeter of nearly 31 miles. Lyttleton's division and two brigades of cavalry, all under Buller, operated southwest of Delmanutha. French, with two brigades of cavalry, moved northwest of Belfast, driving the enemy to Lekeny, on the Belfast-Lydenburg road. As soon as French reached Lekeny Pole-Carew advanced from Belfast in support.

"The enemy in considerable strength opposed Buller's and Pole-Carew's advance. He brought three Long Toms and many other guns and pompons (quick firing guns) into action. The firing until dark was hot and persistent. Buller hopes his casualties will not exceed 40. Pole-Carew has not yet reported.

"The Boers are making a determined stand. They have a large number of guns. The country is difficult and well suited for their tactics and is less favorable to cavalry than any we have hitherto worked over."

The war office later received the following dispatch from Lord Roberts: "The Boers have been beaten back by Bruce-Hamilton at Wimbury. General Olivier has been captured."

BERGENDAL TAKEN.

Strong Boer Position Captured by General Buller.

LONDON, Aug. 29.—The war office has received the following dispatch from Lord Roberts: "Our movements have been necessarily slow on account of the great extent and difficult nature of the country over which we are operating, but we have made a satisfactory advance and met with decided success. "The work fell entirely upon Buller's command and resulted in the capture of Bergendal, a very strong position two miles northeast of the Dalmanutha railway station. "I met Buller at Bergendal shortly after our forces arrived there and was glad to find that the occupation cost less than had been feared on account of the approach to the Boers' position being across an open glacial for 2,000 or 3,000 yards and because of the determined stand of the enemy. "General French advanced to Swartz kopjes, on the Lydenburg road, and prepared the way for the movement of Pole-Carew's division. "General Rundle reports that he made a reconnaissance in the Brandwater basin on Aug. 26 and suffered some casualties. One Boer was killed and 17 were captured. He also secured 700 head of cattle. "General Baden-Powell reports that he occupied Nylstroom unopposed, his troops and those of General Paquet afterward returning to Pretoria."

Fortune in a Tin Box.

NEW YORK, Aug. 28.—Richard T. Wallace, a real estate agent who has an office on Old avenue, Williamsbridge, found an old tin box about a month ago behind his office. Some excavating had been done there to move the building back for the purpose of widening the street to make room for a trolley road. The box was battered and showed that it had been in the earth for a long period. He put it away in his safe and tried to find its owner, but was unsuccessful. He examined its contents the other day and found a batch of United States government bonds which are said to be worth \$75,000.

Insects Cause an Eclipse.

CHICAGO, Aug. 25.—Thousands of immense dragon flies, night hawks and insects, large and small, classified and unclassified, caused a total eclipse of the sun at Austin shortly before 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon and frightened women and children. The darkness lasted for more than half an hour, and then, almost as suddenly as they came, the clouds of insects, following the course of a stiff wind that sprang up, disappeared in the distance.

German Prize For Yale Man.

BERLIN, Aug. 25.—Charles Upson, Clark of Yale university has been awarded a prize of 1,500 marks by the Berlin academy for preparing an edition of Marcellinus Ambrusianus, the Roman historian of the fourth century.

American Crew Won at Paris.

PARIS, Aug. 27.—The eight oared crew of the Vesper Boat club of Philadelphia yesterday won the championship in the international regatta held under the auspices of the exposition.

CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

Notable Events of the Week Briefly and tersely told.

A death from bubonic plague in Glasgow caused the practical quarantining of ten families. San Francisco's population was announced as 342,742, a gain of 14.04 per cent in ten years. Ten square miles of forest reserve in the San Gabriel reservation, California, have been burned. Michael Guida, the alleged anarchist who came over as a stowaway, will be sent back to Italy. Net earnings of the American Steel and Wire company for six months were said to exceed \$6,000,000. An anarchist was arrested at Carrara, Italy, charged with plotting to kill King Victor Emmanuel III. Noted lawyers have been retained in Boston to secure a supreme court ruling on southern state laws practically disfranchising negroes.

Tuesday, Aug. 28.

The steamship Ohio brought \$2,000,000 in Klondike gold to Seattle. State troops have left Akron, O., there being no further trouble there. The population of Denver, as announced by the census bureau, was 133,823 against 106,713 in 1890. John Sesson shot and seriously wounded A. H. Stridiron in the Vendome hotel, New York city. Sesson then shot himself and died a few minutes later. A mob at Gilman, Ill., fired at the house of a woman who resisted arrest, and two men were killed and several persons wounded, among the latter the woman herself. Later the mob tried to kill her in the city hall.

Monday, Aug. 27.

The new battleship Alabama made unusually fast time from New York to Boston. Intense heat and fierce electric storms prevailed in many localities in eastern and middle states. A plague of mosquitoes invaded Mount Vernon, N. Y., City Island and other places along the sound. A Philadelphia syndicate offers to purchase the entire candlefish crop of Long Island at the rate of \$1 a barrel. Archie McEachern, the Canadian wheelman, defeated J. P. Jacobson in a match pursuit race at the Vailsburg board track.

Saturday, Aug. 26.

Many deeds of lawlessness were reported from Cape Nome. The will of the late Collis P. Huntington has been filed for probate. The department of agriculture has issued a bulletin treating the subject of mosquitoes. The postoffice department has appointed a committee of experts to investigate pneumatic tube service. Sockalexis, the noted Indian baseball player, was sentenced to 30 days in jail at Holyoke, Mass., for vagrancy. The population of Indianapolis, as just made public by the census bureau, is 109,194 and that of Rochester 162,435. Lord Roberts confirmed the death sentence of Lieutenant Cordua, the Pretoria officer who had planned to kidnap him.

Friday, Aug. 24.

About 20,000 Italians paraded in New York city in memory of the late King Humbert. William M. Johnson was sworn in at Washington as first assistant postmaster general. The population of Omaha has decreased 38,000 since the 1890 census, being now 102,555. Joseph B. Noble, a veteran Mormon, was buried at Bountiful, Utah, mourned by 30 children. The government has chartered three new transports for the Philippines at Seattle, Wash. Governor Roosevelt will give a public hearing in the case of District Attorney Gardner at Albany on Sept. 1.

Thursday, Aug. 23.

Carl Smith, an American sculptor, died at Copenhagen. A new coal and oil field of 6,500 acres has been discovered in Oregon. Fire destroyed the Maryland Telephone Construction company's plant in Baltimore. Captain Slocum, United States military attaché at Lisbon, has been ordered to St. Petersburg. A photograph was made complete by artificial light at Put-In-Bay, O., in 8 minutes 24 seconds. Philadelphia's population by the new census was put at 1,238,697, a gain of 23.57 per cent over that of 1890.

A Swift Battleship.

BOSTON, Aug. 29.—There is a new queen of the American navy, the United States battleship Alabama, which yesterday won the title in one of the most magnificent speed trials yet held in the history of our navy. Her average speed for four hours' continuous steaming was 17 knots, a figure not quite as high as that made by another great battleship produced from the same builders' yard three years ago, the Iowa, but notable from the fact that it gave an idea of the yet undeveloped power in this latest and greatest product of American shipbuilders.

Bresel Attempts to Take His Life.

LONDON, Aug. 28.—Bresel, the assassin of King Humbert, ineffectually attempted to commit suicide Sunday, according to a dispatch from Rome to The Daily Mail. He now refuses food, saying that he has no intention to give the bourgeoisie the satisfaction of seeing him condemned. He shows signs of aberration of intellect.

Found Mother After Many Years.

BROCKTON, Mass., Aug. 29.—John Shaw of Whitman, who as a child was placed in the custody of an uncle when his parents separated 19 years ago, has just discovered his mother in Philadelphia. He searched for traces of her in England and in the west for years and had given up hope of ever finding her.

The Plague in Glasgow.

GLASGOW, Aug. 28.—Three persons, father, mother and child, who have been certified to be suffering from bubonic plague, have been placed under the care of the medical authorities here.

Rains Continue in India.

LONDON, Aug. 29.—The victory of India, Lord Curzon of Kedleston, telegraphs that good rain continues to fall, but that cholera still prevails in many districts of that country.

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THE MARKETS.

BLOOMSBURG MARKETS. CORRECTED WEEKLY. RETAIL PRICES.

Table listing market prices for various goods including Butter, Eggs, Lard, Ham, Pork, Beef, Wheat, Oats, Rye, Flour, Hay, Potatoes, Turnips, Onions, Sweet potatoes, Tallow, Shoulder, Side meat, Vinegar, Dried apples, Dried cherries, Raspberries, Cow Hides, Steer, Calf Skin, Sheep pelts, Shelled corn, Corn meal, Bran, Chop, Middlings, Chickens, Turkeys, Geese, Ducks, COAL, No. 6, delivered, 4 and 5, 6 at yard, 4 and 5 at yard.

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