

TIENTSIN'S RELIEF

International Forces Defeat the Chinese Troops.

More Americans to Be Sent Into Celestial Empire.

General Adna R. Chaffee Appointed to Command—Protest From the Viceroy's.

WASHINGTON, June 26.—The six great viceroys of China, acting through the Chinese minister here today, renewed their efforts to have foreign troops kept out of China until Li Hung Chang reaches Peking. The request was a formal document signed by the six viceroys, including Li Hung Chang.

The answer of the United States government was the same as that to the informal request of Minister Wu yesterday and amounted to a declination.

The war department has received the following cablegram from General MacArthur, dated Manila, June 26:

"Ninth infantry, Colonel Liscum commanding, sails 27th thoroughly equipped and well supplied with everything."

The navy department has received the following cablegram from Admiral Kempff, Taku, June 25:

"Relief force reached Tientsin 23d, loss very small; Peking relief force which left Tientsin June 10, reported ten miles from Tientsin, surrounded; force left Tientsin 24th to render assistance."

The navy department announces that the cruiser Brooklyn, with Admiral Remey aboard, will take 300 marines from Manila to Taku, stopping at Nagasaki en route.

The gunboat Princeton has been ordered to Swatow, Amoy and Fuchau, thence to Shanghai to install an electric plant, keeping ever ready for immediate active service.

The secretary of state has received a dispatch from United States Consul John Fowler at Chefoo, saying:

"Combined forces entered Tientsin 23d."

The president has assigned General A. R. Chaffee to the command of the military forces operating in China. General Chaffee was at the war department today receiving instructions and will leave for San Francisco in the steamer to sail on the 1st of July with the Sixth cavalry. This detachment sails on the Grant, which has been ordered to touch at Nagasaki for further orders. It is probable that the ship will then sail direct for Chefoo with General Chaffee and the Sixth cavalry.

General MacArthur was cabled today an order directing the commanding officer of the Ninth infantry and such other forces as may be operating in China by the time of the Grant's arrival to report to General Chaffee on his arrival. Unless present plans change headquarters will be established at Chefoo. General MacArthur was also directed to send Captain Russell of the signal corps with a detachment to Chefoo. Captain Russell during the Spanish war worked in conjunction with the naval officers, and he has been selected to have charge of the signal operations because of his familiarity with that work in both the army and navy.

THE RELIEF OF TIENTSIN.

After a day of uncertainty and suspense official information came with a rush early today concerning the forces operating at Tientsin and those seeking to break through to Peking. Admiral Kempff's dispatch and that from Consul Fowler, at Chefoo, both confirmed the reports that the combined forces which have been operating near Tientsin entered the city on the 23d. The admiral added the welcome intelligence, "Loss very small." This is the relief column, including Major Littleton Waller and 130 United States marines, which suffered a repulse on their first movement. Beyond the brief statement of four killed and seven wounded nothing has come as to the casualties of the first attack, but the result of the second movement, which has been awaited with deepest concern, is now cleared up by the admiral's report that the force has got through with very small loss. It remains yet to be reported how the relief column found affairs at Tientsin, where, according to the unofficial reports of last week, anarchy prevailed and the foreign quarters were destroyed.

But the admiral's report turned attention in a new direction by the statement that the Peking relief force is reported "ten miles from Tientsin, surrounded." This is the first word of any kind that has located the party of 2,500 under Vice Admiral Seymour and including Captain McCalla, with about 100 United States marines. The last heard of them was on June 12—just two weeks ago—when they were stalled at Langfang, about two-thirds of the way from Tientsin to Peking, short of supplies and water, the railroad torn up and with a menacing army of Chinese about them. In Admiral Kempff's information it discloses that Admiral Seymour's force has not been able to get through to Peking, but has retraced a good part of the distance previously covered and is now back within ten miles from Tientsin. The whole distance from Tientsin to Peking is about 80 miles, and the Seymour expedition when at Langfang had covered about 55 miles of this distance. It is to sneer this Seymour party that the latest expedition left Tientsin on the 24th inst., according to the closing words of Admiral Kempff's report.

MINISTERS LOCATED.

Said to Be With Admiral Seymour, Near Tientsin.

LONDON, June 26.—A dispatch from the German consul at Chefoo received in Berlin announces that the relief column entered Tientsin during the afternoon of June 23 and started again June 24 to rescue Vice Admiral Seymour, who, with the foreign ministers, was said to be occupying a position 12½ miles from Tientsin, where he was surrounded and hard pressed by a great force of Boxers and Chinese regulars.

According to the report of a Chinaman refugee who has arrived at Shanghai, the condition of Tientsin is horrible. Everywhere in the streets are the bodies of massacred men and women, Americans as well as all other nationalities. The Hongkong and German banks, he adds, were both destroyed early during the bombardment.

Shanghai also reports that the American-Russian relief force was so badly ambushed that the forces were obliged to abandon several field guns and much ammunition. About 180 Russians and 11 Americans were killed or wounded.

The German gunboat Itis and a Russian torpedo boat destroyer are patrolling the Pei-Ho river and raking with machine guns the native villages on the river banks, which were filled with concealed "snipers."

A dispatch from Canton says that city remains quiet, but the female missionaries from the outlying districts are coming in owing to the warnings of native Christians. The missionary hospitals are being deserted by the students and servants.

Although it is officially said at Canton that Li Hung Chang will not go to Peking, he continues his preparations for departure.

A telegram from the governor of Kiaochow, dated June 25, which has reached Berlin, announces that, according to reports from Chinese sources, Vice Admiral Seymour's force has reached Peking. This is probably merely a reiteration of the previous reports on the same subject.

THE WAR IN SOUTH AFRICA Now Almost Over.

Foreign Military Attaches Returning From the Front.

Roberts Apparently Rounding Up the Remnant of the Boers Around Pretoria.

LONDON, June 26.—As Lord Roberts apparently is carrying out important combined operations, the slackness of news from South Africa will probably continue until they are completed. The fact that the foreign military attaches are homeward bound indicates that, in their opinion, the war is over. But the reported refusal of Lord Roberts to spare troops for service in China seems, if true, to show the field marshal considers much work remains to be done.

Large quantities of bar gold, received by merchants in the western part of the Transvaal from President Kruger, ostensibly in payment of requisitioned goods, have been seized by the British. If the genuineness of the accounts can be proved, the gold will probably be repaid.

The Boers sharply attacked General Ruddle's transport near Senekal June 23, but were repulsed.

The official report of the capture of a convoy of 50 wagons, escorted by highlanders, between Ithenoster and Heilbron June 4 was only received today. Lord Roberts reports that the convoy was surrounded and sent messengers to the nearest posts asking for assistance, but re-enforcements were unable to reach the convoy, and 150 highlanders, in reply to a flag of truce from General Christian De Wet, surrendered during the morning of June 4.

A dispatch from Kimberley says: "Dr. Jameson has been elected a member of the Cape parliament. There was no opposition."

Eighty Hollanders have been lodged in jail at Standerton for destroying property prior to the British occupation. The wives and children of the Boers are surprised that the British do not loot, but pay for what they get.

The Boers derailed a construction train near Standerton on June 24. Two trainmen were killed and four badly hurt.

A party of Brabant's horse near Ficksburg saw a camp of khaki clad men and walked in only to find themselves among the Boers. The visitors surrendered.

The Laurence Marques correspondent of The Times, telegraphing yesterday, says:

"The Boers are losing a large number of horses from the cold and lack of food, and the survivors are in miserable condition. The inadequacy of the Boer commissariat is telling on the burghers."

The Times editorially adopts the suggestion of a correspondent that Johannesburg should be the capital of the Transvaal colony, "because the traditions of Pretoria are corrupt."

ENGLAND'S COLONIES.

Representatives Attend Congress of Chambers of Commerce.

LONDON, June 26.—The fourth congress of the Association of Chambers of Commerce of the United Kingdom opened here this morning. Between 300 and 400 delegates, representing the colonies as well as Great Britain, were present. Lord Selborne, honorary president of the association, welcomed the delegates. In the course of his speech he announced that real progress had been made toward laying a Pacific cable and that tenders would be invited almost immediately for the beginning of the work.

Discussing imperial defense, Lord Selborne remarked that the whirligig of time had strangely inverted the feeling in relation thereto. A century and a quarter ago this question of imperial defense was the root of a quarrel with the American colonies, which finally lost them to Great Britain. Today the same question, he said, is operating more than any other in drawing the different parts of the empire together. The colonies, he added, now voluntarily admitted what America had disputed—namely, that colonies ought to contribute to their own defense.

British War Order Placed Here.

WORCESTER, Mass., June 26.—Thomas C. Orndorff, the government contractor, has received an order from the British war office for the Orndorff cartridge belt. He is at work both here and through his English branch in the manufacture of the belts, and at least 250,000 worth of them are to be turned out. The English branch of the factory is running day and night, and the belts are taken as fast as they are turned out.

Sheriff's Sale of Real Estate

By virtue of a writ of Testatum Vend Ex issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Philadelphia county and to me directed and delivered there will be exposed to public sale at the Court House in Laporte, Pa., on

FRIDAY, JULY 6, 1900, at 8 o'clock a.m.

All that certain message and lots or pieces of ground situated in Eagles Mere Borough, Shrewsbury Township, Sullivan County, and State of Pennsylvania, described as follows:

Beginning at the easterly side of Pennsylvania Avenue at the corner of Clay Street; thence northwardly along the easterly side of Pennsylvania Avenue forty-one (41) feet to line of lot number five of section number six; thence along lot number five on a line at right angles with said Pennsylvania Avenue, two hundred (200) feet to a point in the northerly boundary line of lot number seven of section number six; thence north ten degrees west along ends of lots number five, four and three, one hundred and fifty (150) feet to corner in line of lot of Mrs. Elliott; thence along said Elliott lot north eighty degrees east, one hundred and sixty (160) feet to a post; thence south ten degrees east one hundred and five feet six inches (105 feet and 6 inches) to a line of Clay Street; thence along said street south twenty-one degrees west, two hundred and sixty and one-half (260½) feet to angle in Clay Street; thence along Clay Street westwardly, two hundred and sixty (260) feet to place of beginning, containing about one and one-half acres. Being lots number two, six, seven and eight of section number six, of a plan of Eagles Mere, as laid out by Wm. A. Mason, and being all improved and containing thereon erected a two story frame or plank dwelling house with kitchen attached a plank cottage one story used as sleeping apartments an ice house wood shed or summer kitchen, frame barn, plank store building one story, a large building fifty by one hundred and twelve feet built for a skating rink used for that and a hall etc. The whole building being subject to the restrictions contained in deeds from Wm. Bradford.

Seized, taken into execution and to be sold as the property of Louisa Werne Wright also known as Louisa Werne at the suit of Laura Evans.

H. W. OSLER, Sheriff. BRADLEY & BRADLEY Attys. Sheriff's office, Laporte, Pa., June 7, 1900.

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FRIDAY, JULY 6, 1900, at 10 o'clock a. m., the following described property, viz:

All the right, title and interest of John F. Keeler, into or out of all that certain lot, piece or parcel of land lying and being in the Township of Davidson, County of Sullivan, State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a sugar tree corner being corner between lands of Willis Snyder and late John F. Keeler; thence north forty-four (44) degrees east sixty-four (64) perches to post corner; thence south thirty-four (34) degrees west forty-six (46) perches to post corner, thence north fifty-six (56) degrees west fourteen (14) perches to post corner; thence south thirty-four and one half (34½) degrees west one hundred and eight (108) perches to a corner; thence north forty-four (44) degrees west one hundred and two (102) perches to corner between lands of Willis Snyder and Marans Horn; thence along said Horn land north thirty-three (33) degrees east ninety-six (96) perches to post; thence along land late John F. Keeler, south forty-four (44) degrees east forty-two (42) perches to a beech corner; thence still along lands late John F. Keeler, north forty-six (46) degrees east sixty (60) perches to place of beginning.

Containing eighty-five (85) acres and ninety-seven (97) perches, strict measure, be the same more or less.

Seized, taken into execution and to be sold as the property of John F. Keeler at the suit of Henry Karge Ex. of Philip Karge decd.

H. W. OSLER, Sheriff. BRADLEY, Atty. Sheriff's office, Laporte, Pa., June 11, 1900.

Laporte Borough Statement.

J. W. Flynn Treasurer of School Funds for the School year ending June 4, 1900.

By amt due Treas. last audit	375 84
orders redeemed	1139 84
Commission 2 per cent on \$1139 84	22 80
Ant. recd from A. Buschhausen	475 90
state appropriation	434 16
J. W. Watson Treas. Laporte T.	49 53
R. Thrasher, County Treas.	5 51
F. W. Meyler, recd.	10 00
A. H. Buschhausen Collector same	108 79
same	100 00
same	354 59
Balance due J. W. Flynn Treas	1538 48
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J. W. Flynn Treasurer of Building Fund for the School year ending June 4, 1900.

By amt of orders redeemed	116 73
By 39 bond coupons	97 50
Commission 2 per cent on 214 23	4 28
Balance due Borough	855 52

Damage Caused by Floods.

ATLANTA, June 26.—Reports received here from many points in Georgia and portions of Alabama and South Carolina show that the recent heavy rains inundated a vast territory and caused enormous damage to bridges and farming property. Crops, including cotton, corn and especially fruit which was nearing maturity when the wet season began, have been greatly injured and caused a loss of a vast amount to the farmers of the southern states. The rainfall has been unprecedented. All the streams are out of their banks and carrying away bridges and ferries in large numbers. The substructure of the handsome new bridge over the Ocmulgee river at Macon was carried away yesterday. Reports say the Savannah river at Augusta, Ga., was 25 feet at noon and rising two inches per hour. The mills there are closed down on account of back water in the canal.

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Everybody Says So.

Cascara Candy Cathartic, the most wonderful medical discovery of the age, pleasant and refreshing to the taste, acts gently and does not irritate. It cures constipation, cleanses the entire system, dispels colds, cures headache, fever, habitual constipation and biliousness. Please buy and try a box of C. C. C. to-day; 10, 25, 50 cents. Sold and guaranteed to cure by all druggists.

Statement of School Board of Laporte Township

For the year ending June 4, 1900. Account of Lee R. Gavitt collector of School Tax.

Amount of duplicate	504 34	34 40
By exonerations		34 40
By land returns		210 74
Rebate on same		11 43
Collector's commission		6 52
Collected on face duplicate		49 38
Commission on same		2 36
Collected 5 per cent added		9 21
Ant. uncollected		146 77
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Cash Account, Col. within 60 days

Collected on face duplicate	36 38
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Balance due township	71 79

Account of John Watson as Treasurer of School Funds for the year ending June 4, 1900.

Balance in hand at last audit	748 81
State appropriation	60 00
Recd of F. Karge collector for 1898	239 32
County Treasurer	313 00
Receipts redeemed	170 29
Orders redeemed	1218 26
Orders outstanding	91 00
1309 26	1309 26

Teachers' salary

Attending Institute	980 00
Rent	35 00
Text books and stationery	15 00
Auditing account and printing	64 15
Contingencies	7 00
Secretary's salary	35 00
Treasurer's fees	20 00
Debs	85 53
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We, the undersigned auditors and clerk do hereby certify that the foregoing statement is true and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

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