

THE CHEN YUEN SUNK

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SHANGHAI, Aug. 1.—The battle between the Chinese and Japanese naval forces, which was fought Monday, was a fierce one. The Chinese had the man-of-war Chen Yuen, the largest and most recently built ship in the Chinese navy, was sunk, and two Chinese cruisers, built by the Armstrongs at Elswick, were captured by the Japanese.

The two Chinese cruisers which were captured by the Japanese were the Chin Yuen and Ching Yen.

It is reported that another cruiser, the Foo Taching, was also destroyed.

The Chinese fleet carried about 1,000 men, most of whom were drowned. Among the killed were two German officers attached to the Chen Yuen.

The Chen Yuen was a battleship of 7,400 tons displacement, carrying 14 12-inch compound armor at the water line. Her battery included four 13-inch guns, protected by an armored breastwork, and two smaller Krupp, eleven Hotchkiss cannon, two 8.14-inch and 6-inch Krupp, in her main battery, and a secondary battery of Hotchkiss revolving cannon. She also had tubes for Whitehead torpedoes. The Chen Yuen was built for China at the Sietin works. She was a sister ship of the Ting Yuen, and was the most powerful warship in the Chinese navy, with the exception of Ting Yuen.

JAPANESE STATEMENT.

Differences Which Led to the Rupture Between the Two Countries.

YOKOHAMA, Aug. 1.—The Japanese government has issued the following official statement:

"Japan and China were approaching a settlement of their difficulties when China suddenly requested Japan to withdraw her fleet from Korea and to give a formal compliance with the Chinese demands by the July 20, otherwise the Chinese forces were to land and a sea advance upon the part of China was to be made. The Japanese regarded this as an ultimatum, but, acting under the idea of the friendly powers, they agreed to the proposed principle in amended form, at the same time declaring that if the threatened Chinese advance was made on July 20 it would be regarded as a menace to Japan."

The Japanese assert that the claim that the Kow Shing was flying the British flag is unfounded. They also deny with indignation the charges that the officers and crew of the Japanese cruiser that sunk the Kow Shing were brutal in their treatment of the Chinese sailors while struggling in the water.

WAR NEWS AT THE CAPITAL.

Much Interest Manifested at the State and Navy Departments.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 1.—The news of the second naval engagement between the Chinese and Japanese ironclads, with its disastrous results to the Chinese navy, as conveyed by press despatches, was read with much interest at the state and navy departments and at the foreign legations, but not one line of additional news was received here by cable from any source.

The seventeen illustrious mandarins comprising the Chinese legation are still officially ignorant that any differences of opinion have arisen between the Celestial kingdom and Japan, but the Japanese legation is kept better informed, or, perhaps, is more communicative as to the information it receives.

The Japanese legation has just received from the Japanese government full telegraphic reports of the first great naval fight of the Korean coast between the Chinese and Japanese men-of-war. It is positively stated that the Chinese gave the first provocation, and that the Chinese ironclad Soei Yen, which was one of the convoy, and which is the most powerful vessel in the Chinese northern squadron, fled after the exchange of a few shots.

One Chinese man-of-war was captured and one transport was sunk, as has already been stated, but none of the Japanese vessels was injured, as reported in telegrams from Peking and Shanghai.

BRITISH LION ROARS.

The Sinking of the Kow Shing Decried.

LONDON, Aug. 1.—The Standard denounces the Japanese for sinking the Kow Shing. It says: "The pretext for the war are as flimsy as any ever advanced. If a further and more disastrous conflict cannot be prevented, it will unquestionably be because the Japanese have resolved upon war and that nothing shall divert them from that policy."

The Standard warns the Japanese that if in the earlier stages of the fighting they carry off the honors, there is a patient and resourceful endurance about the Chinese that is likely to embarrass and tire even a more powerful foe than Japan. It advises the Japanese to awake to the probability that Europeans will interfere, adding that if the report about the Kow Shing is true, Japan will also have to reckon with Great Britain, which has every reason to assert its position in the most uncompromising manner.

The Times says: Such explanations as Japan has put forth are certainly not of the sort that will diminish the indignation of China or gain the sympathies of other powers. The Japanese may have real excuses for the action of their sailors if so, it is high time that they produced them, as the world is getting anxious to know.

ENGLAND INTERESTED.

Wants a Detailed Report of the Sinking of the Kow Shing.

LONDON, Aug. 1.—Lord Kimberley, secretary for foreign affairs, has telegraphed to the British consul at Tien-Tsin for a detailed report of the sinking of the Kow Shing. The British government will probably ask the French government to get the commander of the French gun boat Lion to report on the affair.

The officials of the Japanese embassy here have telegraphed to Tokio for an explanation of the Chinese charges that an unresisting transport was blown up.

BREVITIES.

PHILIPSBURG, Pa., July 30.—A mass meeting of miners at Houtzdale decided to continue the strike until the operators agree to pay the compromise rate.

NEW YORK, July 30.—Mr. Frank K. Sturgis, formerly president of the Stock Exchange, was yesterday elected president of the United States Cording company.

WASHINGTON, July 31.—The government has determined to establish a naval coaling station for the North Atlantic and Caribbean Sea fleet at Key West.

MANNED BY BRITONS.

OWNERS OF THE KOW SHING CLAIM SHE WAS A BRITISH STEAMER.

LONDON, Aug. 1.—The manager of the Indo-Chinese Steam Navigation company, which owned the steamer Kow Shing, states that there is no room for doubt that that vessel was in every respect a British steamer, though she was in the Chinese government service. She was manned, they declare, by British officers, and carried the British flag. Besides the English captain the Kow Shing had four British officers, three of them engineers. The manager of the company says that the action of the Japanese in attacking the vessel was most extraordinary, seeing that their own government was at that time negotiating for the charter of steamers.

RIVER AND HARBOR BILL.

IT MAY STAY IN THE AIR UNTIL THE WINTER SESSION.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 1.—The tariff bill is not the only measure over which there is a deadlock between the houses of congress. The river and harbor bill, which is now in conference, is not only deadlocked, but it is intimated that it may either fall altogether or its further consideration be postponed until next winter. The conferees on the part of both houses are as usual reticent about what occurs in the committee rooms. But the fact has leaked out that the house conferees have taken a determined stand and flatly informed their senatorial associates that they will not consent to the increase made in the bill by the upper house.

The bill as it passed the house carried an appropriation of \$3,500,000 in addition to the \$5,500,000 provided for in the standard bill to continue work under contract. This made the total river and harbor appropriations for the next two years \$15,000,000 in round numbers. The senate increased the appropriation \$3,500,000. The bill has now been in conference for some days, and thus far the senate conferees have yielded only \$25,000. This is not enough to satisfy the representatives of the house. They insist that the bill as it passed the house was as liberal a measure as could have been expected, considering the depleted condition of the treasury.

THE PULLMAN STRIKE.

Militia Withdrawn from the Town—No Further Trouble Expected.

CHICAGO, Aug. 1.—As a result of a conference between Mayor Hopkins and Vice-President Wickes of the Pullman company, participated in by Adj.-Gen. Oreudorf and Asst. Adj.-Gen. Bayles, it was decided to call in eight of the twelve companies of state militia composing the First regiment and now doing duty between Fordham and Riverdale. This district includes the town of Pullman. Three of the four companies which remain will be stationed at Pullman. This will leave about one hundred soldiers in charge of the town.

Mr. Wickes does not expect any trouble. He declined to say when an attempt to open the Pullman shops would be made, but it is believed that such an endeavor will take place this week.

Mr. Wickes did not oppose the withdrawal of the militia. He said the Pullman company would either resume operations with the old men or not at all. No attempt would be made at the present time to import new men.

MISSIONARIES MISUSED.

An American Church Demolished and a Christian Killed.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 1.—From Hong Kong come reports which indicate that missionaries in southern and northern China are being molested by natives.

A serious disturbance occurred in Shek Lung near Tung Kun on the Pearl river on June 30. The American Presbyterian church was demolished by the heathen and one Christian killed. It is not known whether the victim was a foreigner or a native.

Chinese soldiers guarded the Catholic church, as at Kiang Yon, where another anti-missionary disturbance occurred, and it escaped damage.

WANTS SHERIFF DUFFY REMOVED.

ALBANY, Aug. 1.—Gov. Flower has issued an official order directed to Sheriff Duffy, of Westchester county, directing him to show cause why he should not be removed from his office. The sheriff has eight days in which to file an answer to the charges, which are preferred by B. G. Jayne, of New York city. Neglect and dereliction of duty in office in failing to close a gambling house is the substance of what is brought up against Duffy.

TO COMMAND THE DETROIT.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 1.—The secretary of the navy has selected Commander John S. Newell to command the cruiser Detroit, now about ready for sea at Norfolk. Commander Newell was detached from the naval war college at Newport yesterday and to-day will receive his instructions to assume command of the Detroit Aug. 14.

HYDRAULIC CANAL STARTED.

NIAGARAI FALLS, N. Y., Aug. 1.—The formal celebration of the starting of the work on the hydraulic canal, which is to supply 100,000-horse power at Love's Model City, near Lewiston, occurred yesterday. Some 2,000 persons were present at the ceremonies. They came on special trains from Buffalo and Rochester.

WILL INSPECT THE C. N. G.

HARTFORD, Conn., Aug. 1.—Maj. J. B. Babcock, assistant adjutant-general, U. S. A., located at Washington D. C., has been detailed by the war department to inspect the Connecticut National guard in camp at Camp Bradley, Natick, this month.

NEW ODD FELLOWS ASSOCIATION.

ALBANY, Aug. 1.—The East side Odd Fellows Temple association, of Buffalo, has been incorporated with the secretary of state. The corporation will construct and manage a hall, temple, or other building for the use of the bodies uniting to form the association.

EIGHTEEN BUSINESS HOUSES BURNED.

EAGLE GROVE, Ia., Aug. 1.—Fire here destroyed eighteen business houses and two residences. Loss about \$70,000; insurance very light. The water supply was scant and the fire department had a hard struggle to save the town.

IN FAVOR OF LABOR.

ALBANY, Aug. 1.—The prison committee of the constitutional convention took a test vote on the question of prison labor and decided in favor of labor, the product of which shall not be sold to the public.

CONDENSATIONS.

HUTCHINSON, Kan., July 30.—The Populist Congressional convention held here yesterday afternoon renominated Jerry Simpson by acclamation.

WOONSOCKET, R. I., July 30.—H. C. White's woolen mill at Chepachet, R. I., was started up after a shutdown since last April. It employs 125 hands.

WATERBURY, N. C., July 27.—The Knights of Pythias convention has decided on Catskill as the place for the next session of the Grand lodge.

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LONDON, July 26.—The Lancet says that the pupil of Mr. Gladstone's eye, which was recently operated upon, has become so obstructed that a needle operation is necessary.

BOSTON, July 25.—It is announced that Cambridge druggists will not be prosecuted for selling soda and cigars on Sundays in violation of the mayor's orders, and therefore the drug stores of the city will be open next Sunday.

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CORNWALL, Ont., July 30.—A corpse supposed to be that of Patrick Purcell, member of parliament and millionaire, which was stolen from a grave here three days ago, has been found in the river near here with a bed cord tied around the neck.

NEW YORK, July 27.—The managers of the Harvard and Cornell University Football associations called at the office of Foot-bridge, Freeman and signed contracts for the Harvard-Cornell game, to be played at Manhattan field on Oct. 27, 1894.

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PARIS, July 26.—The police are searching for a young American named Sheldon, of Chicago, who has been missing since July 14, and is thought to have been murdered. He arrived here on July 13 with a friend named Benton and disappeared the next morning.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., July 31.—Forest fires are still raging throughout the north central part of the state, and the towns of Fifield, Prentice, Meford and Chelsea, besides many sawmill settlements and farming communities, are in danger of being wiped away.

CONDENSATIONS.

QUERBE, July 27.—The Michael Walsh, now in the house of correction in Boston, will not get as much out of the estate of his father, who died here a year ago, as was stated in the despatch from Boston. Instead of getting \$75,000 it is possible that he may inherit \$20,000.

WASHINGTON, July 26.—Secretary Herbert has ordered the naval battalion from the cruiser Charleston, which has been on duty at Oakland during the railroad dispute, to return to their proper post on that vessel, General Ruger in command of the United States forces in California, not requiring their presence any longer.

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NEW HAVEN, Conn., July 26.—James Gallagher, Jr., and James Cunningham & Son, cigar manufacturers, have not accepted the scale adopted by the Cigar-makers' union, and about 50 of their men are out on strike. The International union is trying to adjust the questions in dispute.

PHILADELPHIA, July 27.—Gen. A. J. Pleasanton died last evening from old age and exhaustion. Augustus James Pleasanton was born on Jan. 21, 1808. He was educated at West Point, resigning from the army, and possessing ample means, devoted most of his time in experiments, scientific and otherwise.

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CHATTANOOGA, N. Y., July 27.—Mrs. Genevieve Stebbins of New York, gave readings and Delsarte work in the Amphitheatre here. Mrs. Stebbins designed to give several dances typical of different countries, but the management would allow nothing of the kind and so the programme was necessarily abbreviated.

LONDON, July 26.—The Standard's Rome correspondent says: "The pope is much disquieted by the letters he receives from Polish bishops who refuse to submit to Russia as the condition of their communicating directly with the Vatican. The bishops protest strongly against the Vatican's action to obtain diplomatic relations with Russia."

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WASHINGTON, July 30.—Director Prouton is informed that the San Francisco mint began the coinage of standard silver dollars, striking off Wednesday 30,000. The same number were struck off at New Orleans, bringing up the total coinage since it was renewed a week ago to \$175,000. The coinage will be continued in the discretion of Secretary Carlisle.

WASHINGTON, July 27.—Japanese Minister Gozo Cateno announced this morning that he had been recalled. He will be succeeded by Mr. Kameko, graduate of Yale and a student of the Cambridge, Mass., law school. The recall of Minister Cateno is wholly in the line of rotation, and has no connection with the Korean trouble between China and Japan.

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PARIS, July 26.—At the trial of Santo Caserio, who murdered President Carnot, there will be twenty-nine witnesses for the prosecution and none for the defence. There is a rumor that Mme. Carnot intends to plead with President Casimir Perier to spare the life of Meunier, who has been indicted for causing the Cafe Verdy explosion shortly after the arrest of Ravachol.

BELCHERSTON, Mass., July 27.—Henry Stone has been arrested here, charged with assaulting Mrs. Anna Allen, 83 years old. Mrs. Stone is in poor health, and it is claimed that when Mrs. Allen started to get her drink of water, Stone threw her down. Mrs. Allen said: "You have killed me," and he replied that he "hoped to God" he had. Mrs. Allen's hip was fractured, and owing to her advanced age, the injury is probably fatal.

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WASHINGTON, July 26.—The president has announced the commissioners to investigate the controversies between certain railroads and their employees connected with the recent strike. They are: Carroll D. Wright, who is designated by statute as one of the commissioners; John D. Kernan, of New York, and Nicholas E. Worthington, of Peoria, Ill., selected by the president. Under the law he was obliged to appoint a citizen of Illinois as one of the commissioners.

ASBURY PARK, N. J., July 27.—James Horock and Edward Abbotson, two enthusiastic Union League men, have arrived at the Grand hotel, in the Grove, having come all the way through on their wheels. Their route took them through Richfield Springs, Cooperstown, Stamford, and so on down through the Catskills and by way of the Hudson river. Their homeward trip will be through Pennsylvania, striking the Delaware Water Gap, Stroudsburg, Mount Pocono, Scranton, etc., completing a round of over 1,000 miles.

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PITTSBURG, July 27.—On the whole, prospects in the iron and steel trade are somewhat better this week than they were last. Throughout the east the short fuel supply is interfering with pig iron production. The coal supply is inadequate, and the coke shipments are irregular. The demand for finished iron is a little better, and there is more call for structural material. Sheet iron shows more activity than any other line of the market, and slightly better prices for small lots for quick delivery are reported. Throughout the west and south there appears to be some little improvement in the business situation.

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25c DRESS GOODS TO 15c PER YARD.

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22 pounds granulated sugar, \$1.00. Best family flour, \$1.75. Fresh roll butter, 20c per pound. Ginger cakes, 5 pounds for 25c. California ham, 10c. Lard, 10c. Cheese, 12 1/2c.

Furniture, carpets, oil cloths, boots and shoes

Rocking chairs, \$2.25 and upwards.