

tive and the roads knee deep in mud. scene.

Col. Willcocks took a couple of villages by bayonet charge. Beyond Ekwanda he found the tribesmen in a strong position behind stockades. It was a large war camp with the chief commander of the Ashanti army, estimated at 4,000 men. After a heavy fire on both sides for nearly an hour, Col. Willcocks ordered a bayonet charge and the troops rushed through the thick bush cheering vigorous-ly.

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The Ashantis did not wait for the bay onet but fled in confusion. The casual-ties of Col. Willcocks were two officers d, two natives killed and 17 wounded

On finding Kumassi in such a terrible condition, Col. Willcocks, after cutting bush and burning the bodies, placed the whole force upon half rations, an arrange-ment cheerfully borne.

No opposition was met on the return journey.

FROM NEWFOUNDLAND.

Strike Leaders Released - A Deserting Seaman's Sufferings.

St. John's, Nfld., July 23.-The leaders of the Bell Island strike were released today on their own recognizances; but the strike situation is unchanged.

William Warwick, seaman, who desert-ed the English vessel Little Pet, was found yesterday on an island off the south coast where he had been for 20 pla tics Mr. artie do their work perfectly. days without food and little drinking water. When rescued he was barely alive tion ' Ei and it will be necessary to amputate both regis his feet.

Conditions in India.

London, July 23 .- The viceroy of India, Baron Curzon of Kedleston, telegraphs to Lord Geo. Hamilton, secretary of state, for India, that the monsoon continues favorable this week, except in Gujerat, Kathiawar, Baroda and Rajputana West. where cultivation is at a standstill and rain is greatly needed for fodder. The number on the famine relief list now reaches 6,281,000.

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Central Economy. N. S., July 23.- (Special).—A house and three barns of Lowell Marsh, valued at two thousand dollars, were destroyed by fire early Saturday morning. There is insurance in the Norwich Union for one thousand dollars.
Killed by a Bull.
Melleville, July 23-(Special).—Edward Gurn, of Thurlow, was gored by a bull last night, and died of his injuries in the hospital four hours later. His wile drove the bull off, but not unbil its 'horns had penetrated Cartwright's abdomen.
Estimate of the Yukon Output.
Toronto, July 23-(Special).—Harry Milis, manager of the Bank of Commerce in the sace of the calible and educated man. To the secret solential since of the Special).—Harry Milis, manager of the Bank of Commerce in the sace of the Pokinese stam, and the sace is the official language, the torng the sace of the graduate and educated man. To the secret solential of the convenience of the schedoged and molded to the elabor-of the Spinent this year will amount to fully \$25,000,000.

Athletes Dined.

Out of Danger.

Quebec, July 23.-(Special)-The presi-ent of the senate, Sir Alphonse Pelletier, dent of the senate, Sir Alphonse Pelletier now considered out of danger, according to latest reports.

TORPEDO RAN STRAIGHT.

Hit a Submarine Target Squarely--A Whitehead Shattered on a Rock.

Newport, R. I., July 21 .-- Naval officers are discussing with interest the results of the explosion in Narragansett Bay yes-terday of a Whitehead torpedo fully equipped for service. "The object," said a naval officer high

authority, "was to test the method of firing exploders, or war heads of White-head torpedocs, so an old torpedo was rising—so the Czar is said to argue— would be bound to collapse. "We want no conquests" he is reported to have declared at the conclusion of a repaired sufficiently, and permission was obtained to run it so as to make a service test of the firing mechanism and of the method of exploding. "The torpedo was fired from the stern

hrown on the rocks.

against which the torpedo was shot.

and Disdain."

Pekin lends itself to nickname and allite:

Found Wounded.

sitting of the council. "What we desire is to protect our frontiers and to steer intube of the torpedo was near from the stering going at a fourteen knot speed. It was discharged at a range of five hundred yards. It ran straight at a depth of about There is nothing further this morning war." There is nothing further this morning six feet and struck a rock at which it was

six feet and struck a rock at which it was aimed. The detonation was of what is known as the first order. A column of water from seventy-five to one hundred fort broad was sent into the air. teet broad was sent into the air. "The torpedo was evidently broken into iragments, the largest being about two inches square. Such fragments were thrown on the reduced ing telegraphic communication with a view of enabling the powers to obtain proof of the safety of the foreign ministers. Until such proofs are secured, no one here is inclined to alter the opinion that the Chinese are merely juggling to gain "The experiment was very successful, as was demonstrated that the Whiteheads will run straight at a proper depth and

The war head contained 1181 pounds of Rumor circulated briskly around the wet gun cotton, 1 pound and 6 ounces of dry gun cotton and 39 grains of fulpersonality of Li Hung Chang. He is credited with a mission to offer to cede to the allied powers two provinces as indemnity minate of mercury. It is intended to make, with the aid of divers, a careful for the outrages and also offer to restore and give facilities for trade with the and detailed examination of the rock outside world on condition of the surren-der of the Kio Chou, Wei-Hai-Wei and CHINESE CAPITAL IS DIRTY. Manchuria by the powers, and the withdrawal of all missionaries. Little at-tention, however, need be paid to any of Described as the Place of "Dirt, Dust

In a private message from Shanghai it s asserted that Li Hung Chang avows that the object of his journey is to place the regular Chinese army in line with the allied troops for the suppression of the

Boxers. The Times editorially suggests that Li Hung Chang is playing the old game of the sublime Porte by putting forward pro posals which will appear in different de-grees and ways to different powers. It "President McKinley has been asked to

mediate; and the request is facilitated by the care which has been taken in Washington not to commit the United States to any very thorough going policy." Indian troops are daily arriving at Hong

Kjong. Thre transports reached there yesterday, and two others have left Hong Safety Reported to the French. Kong for Taku. Reports from Canton say the city is out-

wardly quiet, but that there is a strong under-current of unrest among the Chinese. Only a few European ladies have left, many still remaining. St. Petersburg despatches represent the situation in Manchuria as far more serious than had been supposed. It is aser and protect them." serted that the Chinese have occupied Hailar, where the Russian Railway staff Foreign Missionaries. is surrounded and in desperate straits. According to the St. Petersburg corres

Board of Foreign Missions today received the following cable from Che Foo: pondent of the Times, General Kourou-patkin, Russian minister of war, will probably become commander-in-chief of the Russian forces in China, and will preedict enforcing protection foreigners, Christians. People Pekin alive. Trying sumably take command of the allied

troops. Ottawa, July 23.-(Special)-Mr. Wind- Washington and China.

Paris, July 23.—Commissioner General Peck entertained at dinner this evening the Amberican athletes who contested in the world amateur coampionstip con-tests in connection with the Paris exposi-tion. Out of Danger. Out of Danger. Out of Danger. was sent for immediately but at last re-ports there were small hopes of recovery. was sent for immediately but at last re-ports there were small hopes of recovery. How the wound was inflicted is not known as Windsor was in comfortable his committing suicide.

from the redoutable Boxer leader,

upon the section of the state department in this matter will be heard from Europe where the governments are acting upon where the governments are acting upon In this matter will be heard from Europe where the governments are acting upon the belief that all of the foreign ministers in Pekin have perished. but the American government regards its course as the cor-rect one. All the European government, and all of them, in terms polite and dip-lomatic, express utter incredulity in the and all of them, in terms polite and dip-lomatic, express utter incredulity in the authenticity of the Conger message. Con-sul General Goodhow, himself a man of good judgment, also cabled a warning to Secretary Hay against the acceptance of the message without confirmation. But where the governments are acting upon the belief that all of the foreign ministers in Pekin have perished. but the American

citing the Conger message, have come, and all of them, in terms polite and diplomatic, express utter incredulity in the authenticity of the Conger message. Congood judgment, also cabled a warning to Secretary Hay against the acceptance of

marines who were stationed to guard the R. R. house at Lang Fang, were attacked the message without confirmation. But the state department has fully considerand reinforcements had to be rushed for-ward to save them. It was in this ened the message in all of its aspects, has carefully weighed the numerous objections ward to save them. It was in this en-gagemnt that the enemy lost about a hundred killed. An advance was then made to Ren Ting, where the forces halt-ed, as the tracks for miles had been torn up. The Chinese advanced in great num-bers and a desperate battle was fought. The column fell back to Yong Song, so that the rest of the trip might be made by stream. Savmour then suid: and suspicions put forth here and in Eur-ope, and without guaranteeing the authen-ticity of the message, feels it to be a matticity of the message, feels it to be a mat-ter of prime duty to act upon the theory that it is genuine. Admiral Remey's noti-fication to the department that he had gone in person up the Pei Ho from Taku to Tien Tsin, is attributed to the receipt by him of Secretary Long's urgent mes-sage to hasten the efforts to get to Pekin, and important news from him is expected

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in order to enable part of our men to proceed later, but these trains were attack The war department, it appears, under-estimated the time that would be requir-ed for the Grant to arrive at Nagasaki. ed after my departure by the Boxers and the Chinese troops that had come from Pekin and fighting ensued, in the course of which 400 or 500 were killed on the She sailed on the 1st instant, so that she is not yet guite due at that point with General Chaffee. enemies' side. Six of our men were kill-ed and 48 wounded.

The Goodnow cablegram, reciting the "At Yong Song I was joined by the men who came there in three trains. The want message from Prince Tuan as vouching for safety of the foreign ministers on of provisions together with the presence July 18th, caused a ripple of excitement for a time at the state department, but us to retreat to Tien Tsin. Communica-July 18th, caused a' ripple of excitement the official soon concluded from the context and other circumstances surrounding the suspended for six days and accordingly of Tuan, so that the message lost the e were deprived of the means of ob-

alue it would have had if it had come "We accordingly marched back, though constantly attacked by the enemy, along the river escorting at the same time, the wounded soldiers carried in boats."

After detailing the capture of the forts and supplies, Admiral Seymour then ad-ded that the ammunition and food would have kept the relief column in condition for several days, but owing to the pres-Paris, July 23-M. Delcasse, minister of foreign affairs, has received a telegram from the French consul in Che Foo, dated July 21, saying: "The governor informs me that accord-ing to reliable news from Pekin, all the ence of so many wounded it was decided to return to Tien Tsin. On the 23rd the foreign ministers are safe and the governreinforcements from that city came to the admiral's assistance, and on the 24th the ment is taking all necessary steps to deliventire force reached the headquarters of the allied armies

New York, July 22-The Presbyterian Emperor Throwing Bouquets.

"Situation improved. Shantung gov-ernor, Che Foo Taotai publish imperial

through governor get word Pao Ting Fu where forcigners in Yamen supposed safe-"TOWLER." ficers of the board commented on the

question of with-tes in China until t again. Made a Vigorous Speech Before the British forces or foreign forces co-operat-

The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Daily Mail asserts that there are differences of opinion in the Russian council of war. The minister of war, General Kouropatkin, wishes to send 100,000 men to clear the rebels out of Manchuria. On the other hand, according to this correspondent, Emperor Nicholas wishes the operations limited to the defence and pacification of the frontier districts. Let two strong armies, one of the allies in the south and the other of the Russians in the north, confront the Chinese, and the would be bound to collapse.

ders and protect foreigners. The Ameri-can government will await the result of this before proceeding further. It is expected that adverse criticism upon the section of the state department the section of the state department the contrary goes into particulars of the

United States Ambassador White said today that the latter theory was quite plausible; for, if the American legation had been cap-tured and the records there seized, the cipher key would likewise be secured and then it would be an easy matter for anybody

PLAYFAIR'S ASSURANCE

Induced Wales to Ladle Molton Lead With His Hand.

One of the most honored and conspicu-Lord Playfair. The vast sanitary im-provements which had taken place in England within thirty years and the evolution of the whole system of scientific and technical instruction are due to Play-

suggesting the basis of an equitable agreement between Great Britain and Ameri-ca when President Cleveland's Venezuelan message had brought the two countries into dangerous antagonism. Among Play-fair's students at the University of Edin-burgh, was the Prince of Wales, of whom

laurels for my young navy I express my thanks. I appoint him aide de camp." No Pekin or other important China news has arrived today, and the question

fair more than to any other man. He originally suggested the adoption of open half-penny letters, now known as post cards, and he was largely instrumental in Destroyed.

a curious anecdote is told. "It was while the Prince of Wales was living in Edinburgh, as Playfair's pupil

in the application of science to industry, that an interesting incident occurred. The that an interesting incident occurred. The two were standing near a caldron contain-ing lead, which was boiling at a while heat. 'Has Your Royal Highness,' asked Playfair, 'any faith in science?' Certain-ly,' was the reply. Playfair then care-fully washed the Prince's hands with am-monia to get rid of any grease that width the cart them. 'Will some about the set that

might be on them. 'Will you now place your hand in this boiling metal and ladle out a portion of it?' said Playfair. 'Do you tell me to do this?' asked the Prince. **Emperor Throwing Bouquets.** Berlin, July 22.—Emperor William, in announcing the appointment of Captain Eusedom, of the cruiser Herftha, now in China, as an aide-de-camp, said: China, as an aide-de-camp, said: "This valiant and circumspect leader has won the admiration of all, especially the English and Russian admirals. To him and all who valiantly helped win

whether there is or is not a responsible government in Pekin is as much in doubt as ever. The German government con-this respect the pike and salmon are as ever. The German government con-siders it unlikely that an advance to Pe-kin will be feasible before September. The government is gratified to find that the correspondence published on the sub-ject proves that Japan houestly intends to co-operate with the powers, and con-

British Empire League.

Montreal, July 23 .- The Star's special cable from London says Sir Charles Tupper was well received when he spoke vigorously this afternoon at the annual meeting of the British Empire League at the Mansion House. Lord Strathcons was also present and the Duke of Devonshire presided. Sir Charles congratu the Australian and British government on Australian confederation and contrast ed the present prosperity of Canada with the pre-confederation days. He narrated the reply he made to the United States officer at Boston recently when it was suggested Canada was not united on the stion of sending troops to Africa. He replied: "There are cranks in every

country. Referring to the imperial problem now before the British ministers he reiterated the impossibility of a parliamentary federation. Sir Charles warmly applan ed the imperial army organization, which ed the imperial army organized transported had enabled 200,000 men to be transported in South Africa.

VENTILATION FOR FRUIT.

Bonus Offered Steamship Companies by the Department of Agriculture.

Obtawa, July 23 .-- Commissioner Robertson has advised the agents of the various steamship lines having regular sailings between Canadian ports and Great Britain that³ it is desirable that holds and other parts of steamship on which apples and cheese are carried to Britain should be ventilated by forced circulation of air during the works. circulation of air during the voyage. In this connection the minister of agricul-ture has authorized the payment of \$100 One of the most honored and conspicu-ous figures in the public life of Great Britain during the last half century was Lord Playfain. The wate contrary im

LAUNCH BLEW UP.

New York, July 23 .- Within 100 feet of Premium Point, New Rochelle, to-day the gasoline launch Sasco, owned by Alfred E. Crow, blew up and killed Mrs. Crow and her 14-year-old son Harold. Mr. Crow was so severely injured it is not thought he will recover. The explo-sion was heard for several miles. Not a piece of the boat remained afloat that was over two feet in size. The launch was a thirty-foot chaft, finely furnished.

Woman Sentenced for Stealing.

London, July 23 .- Miss Caroline Keys, who pleaded guilty a week ago in the Marylebone police court, London, to the charge of stealing a gold watch, a the charge of steaming a gold watten, a bracelet, hair brushes and articles of clothing of the aggregate value of 222 from rooms in Norfolk Mansion Hotel, where she had been staying, and who, in the course of the hearing said she was an American and had come to London to attend the world's Christian Endeavor convention as a delegate from a church in Minnesota, has been sentenced to three months' imprisonment. The evidence showed, however, that she had no connection whatever with the Christia Endeav orers.

Colombian Revolutionists Have Lost

Caracas, Venenucla, July 23 (via Hayilen

