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RELIEF WAS NONE TOO SOON.

Kumassi Could Not Have Held Out for Many Days Longer.

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MANY DAYS LONGER.

The Town was a Scene of Horror and Desolation--Native Defenders Were Too Weak to Stand--Supplies Left for the Garrison--Two Officers Wounded.

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A TERRIBLE FIGHT.

There was a Row in Truro Yesterday in Which Terrible Wounds Were Inflicted on a Railroad Man by a Boarding House Keeper--A Woman in the Case.

TORPEDO RAN STRAIGHT.

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

FROM NEWFOUNDLAND.

Strike Leaders Released--A Deserting Seaman's Sufferings.

Conditions in India.

London, July 23--The vicerey of India, Baron Curzon of Kedleston, telegraphs to Lord Geo. Hamilton, secretary of state, for India, that the mousoon 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.

Fire at Economy.

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.

Belleville, July 23--(Special)--Edward Cartwright, employed by John S. McGinn, of Thurlow, was gored by a bull last night, and died of his injuries in the hospital four hours later. His wife drove the bull off, but until his horns had penetrated Cartwright's abdomen.

Estimate of the Yukon Output.

Toronto, July 23--(Special)--Harry Mills, manager of the Bank of Commerce in Dawson, Yukon Territory, has arrived here. He reports the expectations are the best of crops this year will amount to fully \$25,000,000.

Athletes Dined.

Paris, July 23--Commissioner General Peck entertained at dinner this evening the American athletes who contended in the world amateur championship contests in connection with the Paris exposition.

Out of Danger.

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

THE CHINESE PUZZLE IS A PUZZLE STILL.

The Chinese Authorities Still Declare Foreigners Safe and Europe Continues to Doubt--Letter From a Chinese Official Tells of the Massacre--Russian Councils Are Not Unanimous.

London, July 24--The Chinese minister, Sir Chen Lo Feng Loh, has communicated to the press the following despatch from Sheng, director-general of Chinese railways and telegraphs, and Tao Tai of Shanghai, dated Shanghai, July 23: "Information from Pekin, dated July 18, says that the Tung Li Yamou deputed Won-Jui, an under secretary of the department to see the foreign ministers and he found everyone well without any missing. The German minister excepted. "General Yun Lu is going to the throne to send them all under escort to Tien Tsin, in the hope that the military operations may be stopped. "The Shanghai correspondent of the Daily Mail, telegraphing July 22, says: "A letter from a Chinese official in Shan Tung has been received by a native functionary here containing the following passage: "At the beginning of the month the foreign missionaries (?) made several attempts to send messages out of Pekin, but, thanks to the strict watch kept on the city, the messengers were all caught and executed. On the 1st inst., only 400 foreigners, much exhausted, were left alive in Pekin, and, one night, when the big guns were incessantly fired, it was known that all the legations and the foreigners were finished, although pretended telegrams contradicted these facts." "The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Daily Mail asserts that there are differences of opinion in the Russian cabinet of war. The minister of war, General Kotzopalkin, 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. "The minister of foreign affairs, Mr. Giers, is strongly advocating the necessity of restoring 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 is inclined to alter the opinion that the Chinese are merely juggling to gain time.

CHINESE CAPITAL IS DIRTY.

Described as the Place of "Dirt, Dust and Disdain."

Found Wounded.

Ottawa, July 23--(Special)--Mr. Windsor, manager of the fish and game club at thirty-one mile lake is lying in a dangerous condition today after the club members were startled yesterday by hearing a shot fired upstairs. Upon going up Windsor was found lying on the floor with a smoking revolver by his side and a bullet wound over the heart. A doctor was sent for immediately but at last reports there were small hopes of recovery. How the wound was inflicted is not known as Windsor was in comfortable circumstances and no reason is known for his committing suicide.

ORIGIN OF THE GREAT FIRE.

Spontaneous Combustion of Baled Cotton.

EFFORTS OF WORKMEN.

The First Blazing Balo was Thrown Off the Wharf but Others Burst Into Flames Faster Than the Men Could Handle Them--No One Blamed for the Fire.

SIR CHARLES IN LONDON.

Made a Vigorous Speech Before the British Empire League.

VENTILATION FOR FRUIT.

A Bonus Offered Steamship Companies by the Department of Agriculture.

LAUNCH BLEW UP.

Woman and Her Son Killed--Boat Entirely Destroyed.

Woman Sentenced for Stealing.

London, July 23--Miss Caroline E. Keys, who pleaded guilty a week ago to the charge of stealing a gold watch, a bracelet, hair brushes and articles of clothing of the aggregate value of \$22 from rooms in Norfolk Mansions 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 Endeavour 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 Christian Endeavour.

Colombian Revolutionists Have Lost.

Caracas, Venezuela, July 23 (via dispatches)--In consequence of the defeat sustained by the rebels, the Colombian revolution is now considered lost. The government forces have again occupied Bucaramanga and Cucuta, after a bloody battle, in which many prisoners were captured.

THE FRENCH FORCE.

Paris, July 23--The Matin publishes full details regarding the expeditionary corps of France which will participate in the operations of the powers in China. The corps will consist of two brigades, one of marines and the other supplied by the war department. The total French force will number 13,000 men.

CANADIAN MISSIONARIES.

Toronto, July 23--(Special)--The North American headquarters of the China Inland Mission here tonight received a cable from Che Foo indicating the northern stations have been destroyed, but so far no lives have been lost, and Che Foo, whose missionaries are gathered, is quiet.

TO PROHIBIT EXPORTATION OF ARMS.

London, July 23--The House of Lords this evening passed a second reading the bill empowering the Queen to prohibit the exportation of arms and ammunition or other articles "when there is reason to believe that these articles may be used against the British forces or foreign forces co-operating with them."

LOYALTY OF AN INDIAN PRINCE.

In the House of Commons today, the secretary of state for India, Lord George Hamilton, announced that the Maharajah of Jaisalmer had offered the government a full equipped ship, upon which it is proposed to send 20 tons of rifles for service in China as a mark of deep loyalty to the Queen. The offer was accepted. Lord George Hamilton also testified to the government's appreciation of the generosity of those who are sending the Maine to China.

LEGATIONS ABOUT TO LEAVE.

London, July 23--(Special)--Sir Hildyard Mackenzie, consul-general and English secretary for the Chinese Legation in London, asserted this evening that the legation teniers were safe and about to proceed to Tien Tsin.

BERLIN BELIEVES ONLY IN DEATH.

Berlin, July 23--The German government and press continue to disseminate the assurance of the Chinese authorities that the legation teniers are safe. The foreign office surmises that the Conger despatch was dictated at the legation in the morning, but suppressed or captured from the messenger to whom it was entrusted and is now produced to create the desired effect in London, or, on the other hand, that the whole despatch was concocted for purposes of deception with the aid of a cipher, or somehow obtained.

PLAYFAIR'S ASSURANCE.

Induced Wales to Ladle Molten Lead With His Hand.

One of the most honored and conspicuous figures in the public life of Great Britain during the last half century was Lord Playfair. The vast sanitary improvements which had taken place in England within thirty years, and the introduction of the whole system of scientific and technical instruction are due to Playfair more than to any other man. He originally suggested the adoption of the half-penny letter, now known as post cards, and he was largely instrumental in suggesting the basis of an equitable agreement between Great Britain and America when President Cleveland's Venezuelan message had brought the two countries into dangerous antagonism. Among Playfair's students at the University of Edinburgh, was the Prince of Wales, of whom 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 two were standing near a cauldron containing lead, which was boiling at a white heat. 'Has Your Royal Highness,' asked Playfair, 'any faith in science?' 'Certainly,' was the reply. Playfair then carefully washed the Prince's hands with ammonia to get rid of any grease 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. 'I do,' was the answer. The Prince instantly put his hand into the cauldron and held out some of the boiling lead, still sustaining any injury. It is a well-known scientific fact that the human hand, if perfectly cleaned, may be placed unharmed in a lead boiling at white heat, the moisture of the skin protecting it under these conditions from any injury. Should the lead be at a temperature perceptibly lower the effect would be, of course, very different."--[North American Review.]

EMPEROR THROWING BOUQUETS.

Berlin, July 22--Emperor William, in announcing the appointment of Captain Fuesdorn, of the cruiser Hertha, now in 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 honors for my young navy, I express my thanks. I appoint him aide-de-camp." No Pekin or other important Chinese news has arrived today, and the question whether there is or is not a responsible government in Pekin is as much in doubt as ever. The German government considers it unlikely that an advance to Pekin will be feasible before September.

THE LITTLE GOLDFISH.

The little goldfish, the pet of household aquariums, never go to sleep. In this respect the pike and salmon are his equals. They are ever alert for their prey in the ocean, as the goldfish is for the crumbs that are fed him from the household tables. In his native element the goldfish forges for himself and his fishy open all the time.