THE "BOXER"

Divides Interest With the War in South Africa.

The Situation Steadily Growing Worse -Action of Germany-A Christian Success.

London, June 8.-Affairs in China tre working up to a crisis of the first magnitude. The morning papers think that the British squadron, as reorganized, is inferior in strength to the Rusman, as well as to the Japanese.

The Daily Telegraph says: "We reeret that Great Britain is too much ocoupled in South Africa to settle the Chia se business with a strong hand."
The Dally Chronicle says the forpatches of Str Claud Macdonald (Britsh minister at Pekin), following the considered that intervention in some

The Morning Post has the following from here of 21 of them.

No news Reports say that the court party is oflecting inside the city, consequently there is increased uneasiness."

CATHOLIC CHRISTIAN SUCCESS. London, June 8 .- Late details from Tien-Tsin say that during the engagement at Tung-Nu between the "Box-ers" and Catholic Christians, Tuesday, the Christians captured nime GERMAN ACTION.

Berlin, June 8 .- The officer commanding the German squadron at Chee Foo detachment of sailors and marines to Tien-Tsin, and, after conferring with the German minister at Pekin, to arrange with the commanders of the other drons regarding further measures

to be taken for the protection of Euro-

The small number of German ma-rines thus far landed is due to the fact that it was French interests and not German that were first affected by the "Boxer" movement. Germany, however, will do as much towards suppressing the "Boxers" as any other power. She will land further troops, necessary.

BLACK KNIFE SOCIETY. circles continue to regard the Chinese

that the targe protected cruiser Herthe, bearing the commander of the far Aslatic squadron, Rear Admiral Bendemann, has been ordered to proceed to Taku. Reports have been received in official quarters that railway communication in Shang Tung has been forcibly stopped by the systematic attacks of large numbers of the Black Knife, a secret society in Shan Tung, similar to the Boxers.

A high official of the foreign office

said to the correspondent of the Asso-ciated Press: "Baron Von Kettler (German minister at Pekin) has inthe United States minister, Mr. Conger, namely, to co-operate for the protection of life and property." AT TIEN TSIN.

Tien Tsin, June 8.—The Chinese ser-want of the Belgian engineer who left Peo Ting Fu two days after the Belthan saw five foreign and two Chinese poddes on the Grand Canal, one being the body of a foreign woman. A Boxer placard threatens the exter-mination of the foreigners on June 10. It is rumored that the Boxers and

Tu Tuesday, three Christians being H. M. S. Barfleur has arrived, and the Terrible to expected.

One hundred and thirty-one British, 31 German, 50 French and 45 Italian marines have arrived here. These re-inforcements rendered Tien Tsin se-

Catholic Christians fought at Hung

EVENTS MOVE RAPIDLY. London, June 8.—A Pekin dispatch, dated the 6th, says: The situation is growing steadily worse. Events move with such rapidity and affairs, owing to the excitement of the natives, are so critical that the foreign ministers hold frequent meetings. They feel the need of a free hand for energetic aca without a perpetual reference to the home governments. Sir Claud Macdonald, the British minister, is wiring for 75 more marines. Native emyes, who have returned from Feng Tal say they left the Boxers openly drilling in the adjacent villages. BOXER MOVEMENT SPREADS. The Pektn correspondent of the Lon-

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don Times says: "No train either left or arrived at Pekin Tuesday. Further damage to railways is reported. The Boxer movement is spreading unchecked throughout the province

BRITISH TRADE BOOMING. London, June 8. — The statement of the board of trade for the month of May shows increases of \$14,995,000 in imports and \$8,428,000 in exports.

DUKE OF WELLINGTON DEAD. London, June 8. - Henry Wellesley, third Duke of Wellington, died at Strathfieldsaye House, Mortimore, Berkshire, this morning, in the 55th year of his age.

POPE'S RECEPTION POSTPONED. Spanish pilgrims yesterday, which lasted two hours and a half.

BOXERS ATTACK CHINESE TROOPS.

Tien Tsin, June 8.-It is reported from Chinese official sources that 4,000 Box-ers surrounded 1,500 Chinese troops between Iofa and Yong Tsun yesterday, and, according to the latest news, fighting is still going on this morning. Offi-cials say that 500 Boxers were killed, but give no account of the Chinese cas-

Thirty of Gen. Nieh's troops encountered a body of Boxers three miles from here on the Taku road and killed

No news has been received from Pao Ting Fu for three days, and the situation there is believed to be critical. It is reported that the Chinese troops have been defeated near there. The French cruisers D'Entrecassaux and Jean Bart and the Russian cruiser Russia have arrived at Taku.

THE SCUM.

The Rev. Mr. Sowerby, who has worked for twenty years in China, and who has just reached London from Pao Tung Fu, says: "The Boxers are the scum of the population. They have no uniform organization, nor any official leaders. Formerly they carried board swords, but now they have wellmanaged modern weapons, undoubtedly supplied by the imperial family. Be-fore drilling they throw themselves on the ground and work themselves into a frenzy, and then believe themselves invulnerable. The empress dowager has fostered an otherwise unimportant movement because of the wholesale desertions among the army under Gen. Tung, the imperial troops believing that war with some foreign power is imminent. The empress dowager, who becomes more anti-foreign as the time passes, has been greatly annoyed by the work of the Germans at Klao Chau. She desires to use force to stop Berlin, June 8.—German official the reform movement, and is ready to defy the European powers. If the threadtion as grave. This is shown by Boxers are permitted to invade Pekin, the additional number of marines the result will probably be disastrous to the missions, which are isolated, and spread over a large area."

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From Near-By Places.

The spring crops in the neighborhood of Biddulph are all that the farmers could wish; the fall crops are rather

Mr. James Carroll, of Hay, formerly of Biddulph, has purchased a farm near Wanstead, and intends moving there in the near future.

Mr. Johnston Aitlein is erecting a plendid farm residence at Mooresville. Mr. Thomas Thompson is also building near Mooresville.

There is to be a great demonstration

in Lucan today (Friday) in commemoration of the fall of Pretoria. Mr. Richard Raycraft, of Mornington, formerly of Biddulph, is renewing old acquaintances.

James Donnelly, of Biddulph, and Mrs. James Ancierson, Lucan, are in a critical condition. Ailsa Craig had a holiday on Wednes-

6 runs, 10 hits and 9 errors. The surrender of Pretoria was celebrated in a loyal and enthusiastic manner in Melbourne Tuesday night. The boys gathered old barrels, and all other available combustibles, and piled them in the center of the public square, where they were soon ignited. The Melbourne brass band played sevrne Melbourne brass band played several patriotic pieces, and the school girls sang "Soldiers of the Queen," "Onward, Anglo-Saxons," "The Maple Leaf," Kipling's new version of "Auld Lang Syne," while the youthful element paraded the town with tin pans, All the firegraphers and nowder in All the firecrackers and powder in town were used up, but not before the Boers' guns were silenced and Kruger's remains left in the ashes. After the band played "God Save the Queen," three cheers were given for the Queen, Lord Roberts, Generals Buller and French and our own Cana-

WIPED OUT BY FIRE. Duluth, Minn., June 8.—Fire started in the Moon & Kerr Lumber Company's mill at Virginia, Minn., at noon yesterday, spread rapidly, and at 2:15 the town had been nearly wiped out. Virginia was the largest settlement on the Mesaba Iron Range. The business portion, which was entirely destroyed before the wires failed, consisted of eight blocks of substantial brick

Presentation Exercises of the Class of 1899-1900.

Diplomas and Medals Presented-An Enjoyable Evening-Addresses and Music.

The size of the audience which gathered in the Auditorium last night, despite the unpleasant weather, was Rome, June 8.—The pope has post-poned until Saturday the reception fixed a testimony to the interest and symfor today at St. Peter's. His physician, Dr. Lapponi, says the pope is not indisposed, but only a little fatigued in consequence of the reception of the School for Nurses at Victoria Hospital, being done by the London Training in training devoted young women for the arduous and noble profession of nursing the sick, alleviating suffering, and assisting the exponents of medical science to war against disease and

> The chair was taken by Col. Lewis, the chairman of the hospital trust, and on the platform were seated the six graduating nurses of the class of 1899-00, they being Misses Jacobs, Mc-Nab, Beattie, McKenzie, Bell and Shipley, Miss Dejean, the seventh member of the class, obtained her diploma in January last, and was not present. There were also seated on the platform Mayor Rumball, members of the hospital trust, medical school faculty and of the profession and several clergymen. Letters of regret for absence were received from the Bishop of Huron, Dr. Wishart and Rev. Dr. Johnston.

The proceedings opened with prayer by Rev. W. J. Clark. The chairman, in calling upon Dr. Balfour, referred incidentally to the devotion to duty which had brought the graduates through their two trying years of training. Dr. Balfour referred to the good work being done by the training school and to the pride which every Londoner should feel in the magnificent hospital the city possesses. He in-formed his hearers that they could not expect the new hospital run at as low rate per patient as the old one, at least till the capacity of the hospital is taxed more than at present, which, however, would only be a matter of

a couple of years.

Miss Tye presented the annual report of the training school, in which she gave the following interesting statistics: There are now at the hospital 2 graduates, 20 pupil nurses and 5 probationers. During the year 171 applications had been received, 36 being taken on probation and 15 retained. The past year had been a most successful one. Miss Tye referred to the need of better quarters for the

T. H. Purdom, Q.C., speaking as a member of the trust, complimented Miss Tye upon the work she had been doing. He referred to the intimate connection between the hospital and the medical school, and said that it was partly due to the excellence of London's hospital that London physicians are winning for themselves a provincial, and in some cases, a national reputation. He thanked the citizens who had contributed to the building or furnishing of the new hospital.

The valedictory of the graduating class was read by Miss Jacobs. In it she referred to the responsibilities and hardships which attend the profession of nursing, but also to the more pleasant aspect of their life. On behalf of the graduates she heartily thanked the lady principal, the members of the hospital staff and the chairman and members of the trust.

Dr. Eccles, replying to the valedictory complimented Miss Jacobs on its excellence. The three great essentials in the equipment of an aspirant to the profession of nursing were good health, personal character and education. The nurse of today is no longer the severe tyrant, but the devoted and sympathetic friend.

Dr. Meek, in presenting their diplomas to the class, said these diplomas were to be regarded as passports from the smaller world of the hospital to the larger world of activity

The handsome gold medals awarded to each graduate were presented by Rev. Dr. Smith. The nursing profession was a noble and Christlike one. He had often thought, when leaving the hospital, "I am thankful that God's angels are not all in heaven."
Rev. Canon Dann's opening reference

to the South African war, and the Irish pluck of Lord Roberts, was loudly applauded. He went on to draw a parallel between the war of nations and the war against disease and death, waged so skillfully by the medical pro-fession and their assistants, the trained nurses. The hospital, he said, de-served the hearty support of the citizens

Dr. Hodge spoke of the duties of the examining board for nurses, and the necessity of training schools. Continuing, he said that the marvelous operations of surgery today would be impossible were it not for the trained nurses.

Mr. Thomas McCormick, on behalf of the trust, said that the motto of that body was the largest measure of economy consistent with efficiency. Mayor Rumball spoke of the need of a gentle woman's presence in the sick room, and when to woman's gentleness was added the advantage of scientific instruction, it was a blessed thing for the sufferer.

Dr. Moorhouse, dean of the medical faculty, expressed his hearty wishes for the future success of the graduof the celebration. Score: Stars, 7 runs, 9 hits, and 3 errors; Sarnias (Sarnia), 6 runs, 10 hits and 9 errors

Dr. Niven followed in a few short and happy remarks. One of the previous speakers, he said, had declared that 25 years ago there were no trained nurses in London, but he recalled the fact that there was one trained nurse, the mother of one of this year's graduates (Miss Jacobs).

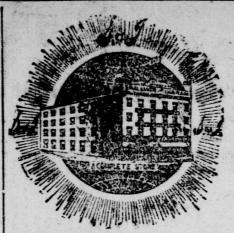
The musical part of the programme was furnished by Miss Pickard, Mrs. McDonald, and Messrs. Hewlett, Walcott, Large and McDonald, and the Y. M. C. T. Orchestra. The singing of the National Anthem closed the proceedings.

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