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A MURDEROUS SOCIETY

Depredations Committed by the Chinese Boxers.

MURDER OF MISSIONARY BROOKS

000 - Foreign Troops May Have to Sup-

Chinese officials who are in a pos ition to secure accurate data estimate that 11,000,000 Chinamen belong to the society of boxers, or, as this same organized band of ruffians was once known, the "Society of the

For the last quarter of a century this society has terrorized the great central provinces of the flowery king-dom, and wrought death and destruction in the homes of the Christian missionaries. It was their latest atrocity, the murder of a young Church of England missionary named Brooks, that called for the collective note of the ambassadors and minis-ters of the powers. In response to that note the Chinese government has sent an armed force against the Boxers, but it is said of this force of soldiers that more than one-half belong to the society, and consequentbut little good is expected from

Of all the atrocities of which this society of ruffians has been accused none are more terrible than the torture and death of this young Church of England-missionary. At the time of his death he was on his way to join a brother missionary at Shan-Tung. On this journey he passed through a village where a number of the members of this society were attending a native feast, and the cry of devil," started by a little Chinese girl, announced his presence to the blood-thirsty villains.

Almost before he had time to real-

ize what was happening they had surrounded him and began the torture that ended in his death. They pushed him about from one to another, called him all the vile names of which they could think, beat him with clubs, and finally one of the villains brought a hook to which he had attached a long, stout cord, and this he fastened in the poor victim's nose, and in this manner he was pulled about the streets. When he attempted to escape he was literally cut to

pieces with swords. This is but one in a long list of crimes for which this society should be called upon to answer. Several years ago they attacked and destroyed an American mission at Shan-Tung. The head of this mission at that time was Rev. J. H. Laughlin, now of New York city. Other members of the mission were Rev. R. H.

Bent, and Dr. J. L. Van Schoick. Of this case Rev. Mr. Laughlin says; "We lived in three houses all surrounded by a high wall. The first evidence of trouble was a gunshot n the gate keeper poked out his head to see what was the matter. Instantly a pistol was shot off in his face so that the powder blinded him, although he received no other wound. .
"The man fell shriking to the

ground, and 25 bandits rushed over body and into the courtyard. Mr. Bent saw them coming and re-treated into his cottage, but the robbers smashed in the door and shot him in the thigh. The missionary seized a piece of the splintered door and ran out, striking right and left. One of the bandits slashed at him with a sword and cut his head, another wounded him on the arm, but he at last escaped with his life.

"I was romping with my little girl in our dining-room and ran out to investigate. I found Mr. Bent's quarters surrounded by a mob of bandits, and heard them shouting 'Kill!

I ran' back to my quarters, got my wife and children over the fence and helped them to a place of safety. Mr. Van Schoick did likewise. When we returned the bandits were gone, the mission safe lay literally smashed to bits on the ground. The bandits had slettered it with im-mense stones and then pried it apart with crowbars. The amount of money secured was small. Sometimes when the plunder does not equal their expectations they seize the per-son of one of their victims, blindson of one of their victims, billion fold him, lead him about in a circle and at last carry him off to the mountains, from where they send

messages demanding a ransom. Another attack on Christian mis-sionaries which called forth a protest from Germany, and which lost to China the valuable port of Tsin-Tau, which was seized by that govern-ment in default of the prompt pay-ment of an indemnity, was that ment of an indemnity, was that which resulted in the murder of some German priests and the looting of a

German mission at Shan-Tung.

The trouble which led up to this murder started in May, 1891, when two nuns who belonged to this mission were maltreated by a mob of Boxers, who charged them with be-witching children. The nuns escaped with slight injuries, but the depredations were continued, and the mission stations throughout the province were plundered, and then came

the murder of the priests. As the Chinese government took no toward punishing the leaders became bolder than ever, and many native Christians were put to death by terrible means. This coned until the government at Pek-was forced to act if it was to save itself the indignity of having foreign troops landed for the purpose of suppressing the lawlessness and bringing to justice the leaders of

It was only last fall that this attempt was made to put a stop to the atrochies of the society, and the futile attempts at that time promise to be repeated now. The governor of the province who was ordered to proceed against the handits proved eed against the bandits proved of a friend than enemy to them, after the troops which he had

dispatched to punish them had re-turned victorious he degraded the officers of the troops and sent a re-port to Peking in which he said that the so-called rebels which the troops had attacked were merely an aggre-gation of housest country records. gation of honest country people who had been massecred without right or

warrant upon the instigation of the reign powers. "Thus, at a single stroke," writes Henry D. Porter, of P'ang-Chaung, in a communication to the Outlook, the governor paralyzed the action of every official, making it impossible for them to act as they clearly saw was best. The leaders who had slunk away after the fight quickly discovered that the governor was on

their side, and within two weeks every man of them was in his place But little better results can be looked for from the present attempt to suppress this society of bandits and murders now with far more than one-half of the force of soldiery that is moving against them composed of members of the society that is committing the outrages, and the day may not be far distant when foreign troops will be landed to guard for eign missions in China and another

step in the disintegration of the an cient empire will have been taken.

So far the only punishments meted out has been to a few of the lead ers whose heads have been cut off and hung in cages on the highways as a warning to others to desist from their plunderings, but it would take thousands of such punishments to prove an effective cure among a society with 11,000,000 members.

If a boy has any "mechanical faculty" if it comes to him to use tools. let him be thankful. Such a gift of nature — "gumption" it is sometimes called—deserves to be cultivated. It will serve its possessor many a good turn, though may never serve him quite as well as it served a man who tells his story in The Cleveland Plain Dealer. He opened a door for himself in really striking manner

"When I was 14 years old," says, "it became necessary for me to go out in the world and earn my share in the family expenses. I looked about with small success for a week or two, and then I saw a card hanging in a store window,

"I pulled down my hair, brushed the front of my jacket, and walked

" 'Do you want a boy?' I asked of

"Back office, he said.
"I walked back to the little with a high partition around it, and pushing open a door, which I noticed was slightly ajar, cap in hand,

stepped in. It was a chilly day in November, and before I spoke to the proprietor, who was bending over a desk, I turned to close the door. It squeaked horribly as I pushed it shut, and then I found that it wouldn't latch.
It had shrunk so that the socket which should have caught, the latch was a trifle too high. I was a boy of some mechanical genius, and I noticed what the trouble was imme-

Where did you learn to close doors?' said the man at the desk. 'T turned around quickly.

'At home, sir. " 'Well, what do you want?' " I came to see about, the

wanted,' I answered. with a "'Oh!' said the man, grunt. He seemed rather gruff, but onehow his crisp speech didn't discourage me. 'Sit' down,' he added

I looked back at the door, 'If you don't mind,' said I, 'and if a little noise won't disturb you, I'll fix that door while I'm waiting. 'Eh?' he said quickly. 'All right

Go ahead,' "I had been sharpening my skates that morning, and the short file used was still in my pocket. In a few minutes I had filed down the brass socket so that the latch fitted nicely? I closed the door two three times to see that it was right. When I put my file back in my pock-et and turned around, the man at the desk was staring at me. " 'Any parents?' he asked.

" 'Mother,' I answered.

"'Have her come here with you at two o'clock,' be said, and turned back to his writing.
"At 25 I was a partner in the house, and at 35 I had a half-interest.' I always attributed the foundation of with the contract to the dation of my good fortune to the only recommendation I then had my possession—the file."

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A clock is to be seen at Brussels which comes as near to being a perpetual-motion machine as is likely to be invented; for the sun does the winding. The method by which it works is described in The Optician. A shaft exposed to the solar rays causes an up draft of air, which sets fan in motion. The fan acts upoa mechanism which raises the weight of the clock until it reaches the top and then puts a brake on the fan till the weight has gone down a little,

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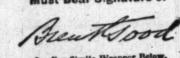
creatures. "Croker apparently desires to quali-"Croker apparently desires to qualify as an English land-owner by encouraging the voters whom he controls in New York to express sympathies with men who are engaged in shooting the sons and brothers of other English land owners. This may be American politics, but it may be doubted whether it will comment itself to the members of those glubs which Croker has hitherto frequented or Englishmen who live in the quented or Englishmen who live in the district where he bought himself a home. If Croker finds that the brac-ing air of the United States does not invariably suit his constitution, he should secure the calm seclusion of an Italian villa."

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