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ATROCITIES OF BANDITS IN CHINESE CITY

Sacking of Kuangchow, China, Was Attended With Fiendish Murder.

CHRISTIANS WERE SPARED IN ALMOST EVERY CASE

More Than One Thousand Persons Killed in the City in One Day.

Shanghai, May 5.—The sacking of Kuangchow, in South Eastern Honan took place more than a month ago, but it has only now become possible to get an authentic account of what had happened, and for appalling ferocity the story could hardly be equalled. No such scourge as "White Wolf" and his brigands has been let loose on China since the days of the Taipings.

Kuangchow consists of two walled cities on either side of a river, and its population was about 100,000. When "White Wolf" was reported coming some of the townspeople manned the walls, but "White Wolf" sent confederates into the town in disguise, and the attack thus began simultaneously within and without. Practically all the people on the walls were butchered.

The attackers, let into the city by their confederates, came running through the streets, shooting as they advanced. Their rules were to fire at all who ran away; to fire at all who carried so much as a stick; at all who tried to hide; at all who locked their doors; at all who wore furred clothes; at all who looked like soldiers; and, of course, at all who resisted—but of these there were few.

A Deadly Scramble

At one house a boy was shot dead simply for saying when questioned that a Government soldier had just left the place. In another house a girl was shot because she would not stop crying. This house contained not only women. When the brigands had done with it they burned the house down of pure devilry.

Old women who were believed to have money which they would not show were tortured in the most horrible manner.

One man escaping from the wall which he had been trying to defend was first shot down and then pounded to death as the brigands thought—with bricks. Marvellous to relate, he is actually recovering. Not the least villainous of the brigands was a boy of 14, who shot down all and sundry for the mere lust of killing.

When the brigands looted a tax office or exchange shop they took for themselves nothing but silver. They made the crowd scramble for the copper coins and notes, shooting anyone who appeared to be getting more than his fair share.

Curiously enough, they seem to have spared Christians. In one house they found a young mother and her newborn child. "Are you of the foreigner's religion?" they asked. "Yes, we can see you are by the size of your feet" (i.e., unbound)—and they let her alone. There were other such cases.

Fate of a Neighboring Town

Altogether over 1,000 persons were slaughtered in one day, including the magistrate, who was hacked to pieces, his remains being soaked in kerosene and burnt. All the wealthy families were practically wiped out and their houses burnt.

In an adjoining market town, where the people were so imprudent as to fire a couple of rusty old cannon at the brigands, the whole population, men, women and children, were killed except two boys who escaped to tell the tale.

Kuangchow is by no means the worst item in the list of bandit atrocities in Honan and Anhui. Can it be wondered at that trade is stopped, that widespread anxiety prevails, even far beyond "White Wolf's" range, and that men complain bitterly of the Government's failure to crush these monsters?

Girl Brought In Burglars In Trunk

But the House Dog Revealed Them And They Were Arrested.

St. Petersburg, May 5.—Some days ago a girl named Yakovleva entered the service of M. Roboff, a wealthy merchant, at Lbovo, on the Moscow-Windau-Rybinsk Railway. In the evening Yakovleva had brought to the house a large trunk containing, so she said, her belongings. No sooner was it taken into the kitchen than a dog of M. Roboff's made a rush at it, barking and growling. The animal was driven off several times, but persisted in returning.

M. Roboff was informed of its strange behavior, and, his suspicions being excited, he ordered Yakovleva to open the trunk. When she refused he had the box opened by some male servants, and two youths armed with revolvers were found crouching inside. They obviously intended to commit a burglary, and attempted to use their revolvers, but were immediately overpowered and arrested with Yakovleva.

Excited Policemen Stampede Crowd

Lost Their Heads and Charged a Gathering of 15,000 Persons in New York

New York, May 5.—With Chief Inspector Schmittberger close behind driving vain orders to halt and return to the station, 200 uniformed policemen charged through the May-Day gathering of Socialists and Labor Unionists who celebrated the international labor day in Union Square. The police charge caused a stampede of 5,000 to 15,000 persons in the square. Clubs flew right and left, the police jumping over the prostrate bodies of women, men and boys, and even two babies, to reach people behind them.

Strenuous Measures

Schmittberger and Inspector Morris rushed to the nearest policeman, clutched him by the collar, and threw him back upon the other patrolmen. Schmittberger's powerful voice was heard above the din of the stampede and the screams of women and children who had been bowled over. "Back to your stations, you men! Down with your clubs! Stop this! Stop it at once!" the big inspector called out, and his messages seemed to bring the excited policemen to their senses.

CHARGES U.S. WITH BREAKING THE ARMISTICE

By Landing Men and Arms at Vera Cruz While Mediation Is On.

MEDIATORS TO PROTEST TO U. S. GOVERNMENT

Mexican Government Issues Note Thanking Them for Their Good Offices.

Mexico City, May 8.—The Acting-Minister of Foreign relations has complained to the South American mediators of American troops landing at Vera Cruz, and of other military preparations in progress here, thus breaking the armistice.

In reply the mediators wired that they will make representations to President Wilson regard the matter.

The Foreign Office has issued a statement thanking the mediators. It says that the Mexican Government in view of the mediators' attitude in the case of Carranza's refusal to suspend hostilities, and the new landing of American troops of war and material at Vera Cruz, is much obliged for the precedence and good will shown by the mediators.

LIVE SEALS

Two live seals which were captured on the ice a short time ago by the crew of the S. S. Stanley, were purchased and taken to Sydney yesterday by Mr. George Moore.—Sydney Record.

MEXICO CAN BE PACIFIED ONLY BY ARMS

So Says Villa, Commander-in-Chief of the Army of the "Constitutionalists"

STRUGGLE PROLONGED BY EMBARGO ON ARMS

Only Foolishness For States to Come to Blows With Huerta.

Torreon, May 8.—Interviewed today General Villa, Commander-in-Chief of the Constitutionalists Army, said that the United States embargo on the exportation of arms was prolonging the struggle uselessly.

Mexico should be pacified, he said, and we cannot gain this end quickly, while we suffer from lack of ammunition. The sooner we can secure the arms and ammunition we need the sooner the country will be pacified.

Villa declared that it would be the height of folly for the United States and Mexico to come to blows over a man like Huerta. "It seems to me," he added, "that the entire civilized world would laugh if this should come to pass."

S.S. Florizel left New York at 7 this morning.

TELLS STORY OF LOST MINE IN THE ARCTIC

Canadian Archdeacon Relates Tradition of Gold Discovery in Far North

BY SURVEY PARTY SEVERAL YEARS AGO

Discoverers Ran Short of Provisions and Survivors Lost Bearings of Deposit.

Edmonton, Alta., May 5.—Headed by Bishop Lucas who has had 23 years' experience in the Anglican mission fields of the north, and Archdeacon Whitaker, a close second with 19 years' in the same field, a party of ten have left Edmonton for the north.

Archdeacon Whitaker relates a remarkable story of a lost gold mine between Fort McPherson and Herschel Island.

According to Mr. Whitaker, tradition says that a great number of years ago, a party of nine men, one of them an old C.P.R. surveyor, found a gold mine, which was stated to be of fabulous value, among the mountains in that vicinity. They made elaborate geographical notes so that they would be able to find it again and then returned with the object of making the necessary arrangements to work the mine. On the way out each of them was heavily laden with the precious metal, but provisions ran short and seven of the party died. The two surviving members of the party organized another party, but the geographical calculations were lost in the meantime, and all attempts to locate the mine ended in failure. For the past twelve or thirteen years, says Mr. Whitaker, party after party have attempted to locate the treasure.

Annie L. Warren Arrives In Port

Was in the Ice for Some Time, But Was In No Actual Danger.

The schr. Annie L. Warren, Captain Belliveau, 26 days from Barbados, arrived at H. H. Goodridge this morning with a cargo of molasses. This is the vessel reported off the port yesterday in the ice. The Fogota went to her aid, but Capt. Belliveau not being in a dangerous position refused assistance. The Fogota returned to port last evening.

The captain and all on board are in good health, and the ship is not injured.

The express is due at midnight.

More Persecution Of Jews In Russia

Governor of Kiev Has Ordered 580 Families to Leave The City.

Chicago, May 5.—That a fresh anti-Jewish crusade has been inaugurated at Kiev, Russia, whereby 580 Hebrew families have been ordered to leave the city despite the petition of many Christians, is contained in a cable to the The Chicago Daily News. The despatch says: "After the closing here of three private high schools for girls, 539 Jewish families have been ordered in vain to revoke the order, as the expulsion of Jews would mean the ruin of many house owners. Notable citizens called on the local Governor-General Sokozkin to get his help for the Jews and the community, but it received a curt refusal."

Vera Cruz Vault Has Been Looted

Fifty Thousand Dollars Mysteriously Taken From Public Treasury.

Vera Cruz, May 6.—On the opening of the door of the treasurer's vault room here a shortage was discovered in the safe, supposed to contain over fifty thousand dollars. Nobody knows who the thief was or when the big haul was effected.

Fifteen thousand dollars of this sum was in gold coin that had been recently confiscated by Huerta from an American. This was when gold was prohibited from exportation.

The American was unknown. He claimed to represent a Spanish commercial house in Progresso. He was given a receipt for the money, and it was left with the custom house on deposit.

LINTROSE PASSENGERS

S.S. Lintrose which arrived at Port aux Basques at 8 a.m. yesterday, landed the following passengers:

D. Pulverman, W. W. Lane, W. Marshall, C. J. Frost, S. T. Northwood, W. H. Perlans, Mrs. J. Livingstone, J. Chipman, Mrs. W. Grieve, D. and Mrs. Moss, R. A. Merchant, G. F. Manuel, Miss G. Ball, F. Tomkins, Miss G. Tomkins, Mrs. B. Carter, M. J. Hayes, Miss D. Joy, T. and Mrs. Moulton, H. P. Johnson.

COMPROMISE IS PREVENTED BY 'DIE-HARDS'

Leaders On Both Sides of British Politics Anxious for a Peaceful Settlement

BUT ARE CHECKMATED BY THE EXTREMISTS

Who Refuse to Make Any Further Concessions in Home Rule Problem.

London, May 9.—Although the desire for a settlement of the Irish question is very keen on the part of leaders on both sides, the attitude of the section of "die-hards" as well as of belligerent Home Rulers is such that the leaders are compelled to keep up a certain semblance of determination, in order to satisfy those insurgents.

The party of "die-hards" who waited upon Bonar Law, urging him not to listen to Federal proposals merely received the stereotyped answer that their views would receive the best of consideration.

Many followers of the Opposition, both inside and outside of Parliament, are showing resentment at the bare suggestion of a possible compromise, a fair specimen of their attitude being found in a letter in The Belfast News.

Condemns It

Major Madden, a member of the Ulster Unionist Council and also Commander of the Monaghan Volunteer regiment, writes condemning the loose talk of compromise by consent in speeches of Unionist leaders. He asks whether it would be possible for the Volunteers to break their solemn covenant and take it for granted that there will be no settlement by consent

WOULD GIVE MEDAL TO COOK "DISCOVERER"

Resolution Made in U. S. Senate By Admirer of Discredited Explorer.

SAYS PEARY PROVED TRUTH OF COOK'S CLAIM

And That The Latter Must Have Reached High Latitudes During His Trip.

Washington, May 5.—The North Pole Discovery incident was revived in the Senate by Senator Poindexter, who introduced a joint resolution expressing the thanks of Congress to Frederick A. Cook for the discovery of the North Pole on April 2nd, 1908, and authorizing the Secretary of the Navy to present him with a \$300 medal.

Senator Poindexter declared it was generally accepted Dr. Cook had reached a point of high latitude, and contended that it was unreasonable to suppose he had spent the winter in the frigid north without attempting to reach the goal of his search, the North Pole. He contended Rear-Admiral Peary's report on his trip to the Pole corroborated all Dr. Cook's data.

No action was taken on the resolution.

NOTHING REAL ABOUT PRESENT TRUCE IN ULSTER

Situation Is Quiet But Trouble Is Extremely Likely to Begin At Any Moment.

AUTHORITIES ARE PLANNING TAKE STERN MEASURES

Several Schemes of Coercion Have Failed Because of Strength of Ulster Volunteers.

London, May 9.—A special correspondent of The Daily Express, in a despatch from Belfast, says that politicians may talk vaguely at Westminster about an honorable settlement, and the outside world may think that Ulster is about to relapse into peaceful security, but meanwhile General MacCreedy is busy inspecting strategic points for troops, sounding the police who now control the areas, as to their willingness to assist in the coercion of the anti-Home Rule counties, while the citizen army continues its preparation for the launching of an effective striking force at the first sign of invasion. The situation suggests a truce between two armies that may be ended at any moment rather than a lasting peace.

The despatch further states that the correspondent was told that one of the plans put forward, presumably on the authority of the Army Council for crushing Ulster, was to surround Belfast with a cordon of troops, while the police made arrests, searched for arms and confiscated documents, but that when the scheme was submitted to police authorities, they voted it as impracticable and held that only troops in large numbers could only cope with the Ulster army.

Storms Sweep Southern States

Two People Killed and Young Crops Much Injured in Mississippi.

Atlanta, Ga., May 8.—Two were killed in Mississippi, a number injured and thousands of dollars damage done to growing crops by storms which swept the Southern States.

except by the absolute exclusion of Ulster. Similarly many supporters of the Government are incensed at the Ministry, because of its refusal to penalize the gun-runners. The position of the negotiating parties is certainly difficult and delicate. The fact that the closure of the resolution to be moved next week does not allow for the committee or suggestion stages, lends weight to the expectation that the Home Rule Bill in Redmond's language will "be in the House of Lords, barring accident, before the end of the month."

Says That Pastor Committed Perjury

Church Committee Makes Affidavit That They Have Such a Confession.

Atlanta, Ga., May 5.—The Rev. C. B. Ragsdale, pastor of the Plum Street Baptist Church, was paid \$200 to swear that he overheard the negro Jim Conley confess that he and not Leo Frank murdered Mary Phagan, according to the report of a committee of the church which investigated the circumstances under which the preacher made the affidavit. The report of the church committee asserted that the minister confessed that he had prepared himself and that he then tendered his resignation.

Royalty At Funeral Of Duke of Argyle

Westminster Abbey Thronged When The Late Peer Was Laid To Rest.

London, May 8.—Imposing ceremonies, which were witnessed by King George, Queen Mary and many other notables, marked the funeral of the Duke of Argyle to-day.

The services were conducted in Westminster Abbey, which was thronged by members of Parliament, envoys from diplomatic corps, and prominent persons from the ranks of private life.

Ambassador and Mrs. Page were among those present.

Found No Trace Of Missing Boat

"Adriatic" Could Find No Trace of Missing Third Lifeboat of the "Columbian"

New York, May 9.—No trace of the missing third lifeboat of the steamship Columbian, burned at sea last Sunday, was found by the White Star steamer Adriatic, which arrived here last night.

ANOTHER FRENCHMAN LEAVING

The French fishing schooner Rose, from St. Servan, for St. Pierre, and the Newfoundland fishing Banks, has put back to St. Malo today, as the result of having experienced stormy weather.

She underwent extensive repairs there and has since resumed her voyage.

MURDERER PAYS AWFUL PRICE OF TERRIBLE CRIME

Frank W. Haynes Hanged at Sydney Yesterday for Killing Atkinson.

CONDENMED MADE FULL CONFESSION OF CRIME

Document Is In the Hands of Prison Officials.—Will Not Be Made Public.

Sydney, May 8.—Frank W. Haynes, was hanged at 5.41 this afternoon for the murder of B. S. Atkinson, August 15th last.

The prisoner walked to the scaffold practically unaided. Everything connected with the hanging passed off smoothly.

Haynes made a full written confession of the crime, in the presence of Justice Carn and Captain Fullerton. This document was handed over to the High Sheriff, and will remain in possession of the Crown.

Officials say it will not be made public at any time.

S.S. Stephano, Capt. Martin, sailed at 6 p.m. yesterday for Halifax and New ork, taking in saloon: Mrs. T. Cornick, E. W. Swann, Mr. and Mrs. Cunningham, J. W. Ellsworth, Mrs. M. Brown, R. Birkahan, R. H. Spurr, Mrs. J. Angel, Master Angel, Mr. Poucest, Mr. Colbourne, Mrs. Bouzane, Misses Bouzane (2), M. and E. Bouzane, Mr. Carr, O. Elliott, S. J. Foote, Mr. Merrey, H. Anderson, B. Rich, A. E. Dolg, and sixty in steerage.

ANTICIPATE RETIREMENT OF BONAR LAW

His Position as Leader of the Opposition Long Regarded as a Mere "Stop-Gap."

WAS NOMINATED TO SAVE INTERNAL PARTY TROUBLES

Expected That Austen Chamberlain Will Be Next Leader of Unionists.

London, May 6.—Mr. Bonar Law's offer for a resumption of the "conversations" on the Irish question between the leaders on the front benches excites the greatest speculation regarding the internal relations of the Unionist party.

Mr. Bonar's Law's preference to the position of leader of the Opposition when Mr. A. J. Balfour resigned was admittedly planned to relieve the Unionists of the necessity for deciding between Mr. Austen Chamberlain and Mr. Walter Long. It was then agreed that Mr. Law was unlikely to become Premier of the next Unionist Government, his being a "stop-gap" role. Meanwhile Mr. Law, while admirably playing the Ulsterite-Unionist game, has compromised himself so badly that it is doubtful whether the King would summon him to form an alternative government. Mr. Walter Long's continued and frequent illness disable him from accepting the onerous duties of the Premiership.

Law Effacing Him

Therefore Mr. Law's specific naming of Austen Chamberlain as negotiator for the Unionists instead of himself is taken to indicate a decision by the Unionist party that as the elections are possibly not far distant, the future Premier must reach the limelight. Mr. Chamberlain has been notably moderate and fair in his frequent interpositions in the Parliamentary and platform contributions in the Ulster conflict.

Another view taken of Mr. Law's self-effacement is that he, being the most prominent leader on the Opposition side, Asquithian attacks upon his presence might negate his chances of peace which at the present moment are brighter than they have ever been.

Fears a Break

The Standard's Parliamentary correspondent avers that if a break now occurs it will be because the Nationalists spurn the three-quarters of a pound of flesh, which will be all that will be offered them. The Standard says: "The Unionist leaders, facing the horrors of civil war's bloodshed, have resolved to work genuinely for a settlement, despite the awful power they have at their disposal for smashing the Home Rule Government forcefully."

PROSPECTING IN FAR NORTH

Capt. Bernier of Arctic fame has been in England all winter where he purchased the steamer "Guide" for a prospecting trip to the Far North.

The steamer is now on her way to Quebec where she will fit out for her cruise which will occupy about 18 months.

She will go north of Baffin Land to trade in furs, ivory and minerals.

Mr. Arthur English accompanies the expedition, and leaves for Quebec shortly.

Digby left for Halifax this afternoon.

NORDKAP REPAIRED

A Lousburg despatch of the 2nd inst. reads: "The steamer Nordkap, Captain Boe, has been in port since Saturday last undergoing repairs of damage sustained in contact with the ice on a voyage from Harbor Breton to Sydney. She finished repairs yesterday and will sail for Sydney to load cargo as soon as ice conditions permit."

STOWAWAYS ON STEPHANO

Capt. Martin of the Stephano sent a wireless to Harve y & Co. to-day, that there are two stowaways on board, S. Willar, aged 16, and R. Martin, 14 years old. They will be brought back by the Florizel.

WEATHER REPORT.

Toronto (noon)—Fresh to strong east to south winds, fair to-day. Showers during the night and on Sunday.