

Chinese Boxers Knocked Out

In a Battle Six Miles From Tien Tsin.

Allies Led by the British Commander Gen. Howard—The Enemy Lose 300 Killed—Casualties on the Allies' Side Were Few—Reported Return of the Dowager Empress and Capture of Prince Tuan.

London, Saturday, Aug. 25.—3:45 a.m. Five hundred American troops participated in a signal defeat of Boxers outside Tien Tsin Aug. 19. The fact is briefly reported from Vienna. Details of the engagement comes from the Reuter agent at Tien Tsin, in a dispatch dated Aug. 20. In addition to the Americans the force consisted of 275 British and 200 Japanese, all under the British Gen. Howard. The fight took place at a village six miles from Tien Tsin, where the allied forces found a considerable number of Boxers, whom they engaged, killing over 300 and taking 64 wounded prisoners, who were sent to the hospitals of the allies. The village was burned. The Americans had five wounded, the Japanese six and the British none. Hundreds of Boxer flags, spears and swords were captured.

THE EMPRESS CAME BACK.

From Shanghai comes a report, qualified by the assertion that it is from purely Chinese sources, that the empress dowager, after proceeding on a day's journey from Peking, became terrified at the killing of Gen. Tung Fuh Shian's troops and went back to Peking. Washington, D. C., Aug. 24.—Acting Secretary Adee made public tonight the following dispatch from Consul Fowler at Che Foo, bearing on events in Peking: "Che Foo (undated), received Aug. 23.—(Midnight).—Secretary State, Washington, Aug. 23.—Japanese report emperor and empress left Peking 14th; rested at Wau Shou Shan; supposed destination Tsin Fu (Tsin Yuen Fu), Shou Si. Prince Ching believed to be in Peking. Li Hung Cheng died. Half population left. (Signed) Fowler."

PRINCE TUAN CAPTURED.

A Chinese telegram from Tienan Fu says that Prince Tuan has been captured by a detachment of the allies. Other Chinese messages record the formation of a provisional government in Peking by the allies.

Li Hung Chang has received word that the allies entered Peking easily because the troops of Gen. Tung Fuh Shian utterly refused to face the allies.

According to the Shanghai correspondent of the Daily Express, Earl Li, recognizing the futility of an attempt to drive the foreigners from China, now professes conversion to reform principles.

THE EMPEROR.

Shanghai advises announce the receipt there of a Chinese official dispatch, asserting that Emperor Kwang Su has been found and rescued by the Japanese.

Messages from Tien Tsin report serious mortality among the American horses owing to the heat.

TREACHERY.

Delayed advice to Reuter, dated Peking, Aug. 14, reiterate the statements of the treachery of the Chinese on the night of the relief. They have informed the members of the legations that orders have been issued to cease firing. This was followed by a desperate attack, and it was only the welcome sound of the cannon of the relieving force in the morning that renewed the courage of the foreigners. The correspondent adds: "The Chinese admit having lost 3,000 in the various attacks upon the legations. Our rays dwindled to one pound a day, consisting of horseflesh and rice. When the American detachment attacked, the whole Chinese force concentrated against them, leaving the Sha Ho gate unwatched, whereupon the British entered without the loss of a man."

AWAITING INSTRUCTIONS.

A Peking dispatch, dated Aug. 17, via Che Foo, Aug. 23, says: The Japanese command the gates of the forbidden city, and are awaiting instructions as to whether to hold them in possession or destroy them. Prince Tuan, leader of the insurrection, is reported to have been seen here, and a diligent search is being made for him. Chinese cavalry are operating in squares near Tung Chow, and a squadron of Sikhs and American cavalry has been sent in pursuit of them. It is believed that the empress dowager has established her court at Shan Fu, the ancient capital.

The Shanghai correspondent of the Times says that Mr. Kinder, chief engineer of the North China railways, estimates that it will require \$700,000 to repair the line from Peking to Tien Tsin.

SMALL BRITISH LOSS.

London, Aug. 25.—Gen. Gaselee, the commander of the British force at Peking, telegraphing from that place, Aug. 16, via Che Foo, Aug. 18, details of how he is disposing of his troops there. He says the British losses were extremely small, announces that he is very short of food, that he is arranging for convoys, and that he hoped to assault the imperial city that day, when the men had been fed. The general also says the good spirits and endurance of the troops were beyond praise, and refers to the extremely arduous march, owing to the heat and heavy roads.

United States Troops.

WILL REMAIN IN CHINA.

Washington, Aug. 24.—The question of the withdrawal of the United States forces from Peking to Tien Tsin or Taku has been seriously considered by the president, and his advisers, and after mature deliberation it has been determined that the negotiations for the set-

tlement of the questions growing out of the disturbances in China must take place in the Chinese capital, and that while these negotiations are pending, and until they are completed, it will be necessary for the United States forces to remain in the Chinese capital. It is recognized that a withdrawal of the forces from Peking at present would be interpreted as a retreat.

VICEROY WAKE UP.

The first assurance reached here today that the powerful Chinese viceroys were disposed to accept the new condition of affairs in China, and would assist in the maintenance of peace. As this assurance came subsequent to the capture of Peking, it is regarded as a favorable sign of the disposition of the viceroys, whose authority in the interior is very great. Their course has been watched with much concern by officials, for since Peking is in a chaotic condition, the most influential authority in the empire is that of the viceroys.

ATTITUDE OF RUSSIA.

The United States Government so far has received no official or well-authenticated information that the Russian Government has declared war on China, or that it is her immediate purpose to do so.

UNITED STATES WOUNDED.

Surgeon-General Sternberg, of the army, received today the following from Major Perley, surgeon, U. S. A. in command of the hospital ship Relief: "Taku, Aug. 23.—Have fifty wounded on Relief. More coming. Hospital accommodations are excellent at Tien Tsin. Launches and boats from Relief bringing wounded from Tien Tsin. Have everything needed. All well cared for; will look after everything here."

TORONTO'S BIG FAIR

Everything Ready for the Opening and Everything on the Greatest Scale Yet.

Toronto, Aug. 25.—The fine weather has afforded every facility for pushing forward the work in connection with the Industrial Fair, which opens on Tuesday next, with the result that never before at this season were matters so well advanced. In fact, the indications are that when Premier Ross declares the fair open, every department will be in an unusual state of completeness. Advances received show that more people than ever are coming from the United States, consequent upon the big Labor Day excursions to Niagara Falls, which have all been extended to this city, with the tickets good to return on Sept. 10. Including music and fireworks, the cost of the special features this year will exceed thirty thousand dollars. A bold stroke was undoubtedly taken in engaging the complete Gentry pony and dog circus, with its 300 trained animals, horses, dogs, monkeys, baby elephants and zebras, all of which perform tricks that not only abound in interest, but are marvellously clever and amusing; and this circus, notwithstanding that it costs \$4,000 a week, is only one of a score of high-priced numbers, which include "Marvelous" Marsh, the \$1,000 a week cyclist, who rides down a steep incline and plunges from forty feet into a three-foot tank; Ashley Cooper's \$25,000 picture of Tribby is a sensational feature, which is expected to create a good deal of discussion and a bit of a furore. It is a realistic picture of Du Maurier's heroine as she appeared in the artist's studio, when Little Billy was horror-struck. The tattoo and the grand spectacle, "The Siege and Relief of Mafeking," will also be given on a scale not previously attempted.

From Near-By Places.

GLADSTONE

Gladstone, Aug. 25.—A babe belonging to Roy McMurray, of Weldman, 6 weeks of age, died on Saturday. The remains were interred in Dorchester cemetery on Sunday. Rev. Mr. Bunt conducted the obsequies.

E. McCann & Sons, of Dorchester Station, are building a frame dwelling for Geo. Stanley.

Mr. and Mrs. Hunter are having an outing in Detroit.

Cheese factory figures: Pounds milk to make a pound of cheese, 11.69; average price, 10.47.

Mrs. Jeffery and her daughter, Mrs. Farquhar, go to Michigan, owing to the illness of John Jeffery.

The choir of the Baptist Church are being depleted by frequent marriages.

Miss Myrtle Jackson, of Ingersoll, is rusticiating here.

DORCHESTER STATION.

Dorchester Station, Aug. 25.—Mrs. Rossiter is still in a very precarious condition through the effects of a paralytic stroke.

Robert Kirkpatrick threshed 290 bushels of wheat from seven acres.

Mr. James Atkinson, of Brownsville, is opening a livery stable here.

Gilmour and Sutherland sent two carload of young stockers to Calgary on Saturday for the ranch.

Mr. George Neely, reeve of Dorchester, shipped a herd of 50 hogs on Monday for the London Packing Company. Price paid, \$5.35 per cwt. live weight.

Arthur Temple threshed 220 bushels of wheat from seven acres.

Mr. J. W. Bell and wife, of the C. P. R., of Montreal, are guests of the Chit-trick House.

A party from Belmont, including W. H. Odell, Miss Lena Odell, Miss Birdie Look and Miss Brewer, of Illinois, paid

a fraternal visit to the home of Joseph Pottson Wednesday, when a most enjoyable evening was spent.

Mrs. DeForest, of Chicago, is spending a few days with Mrs. Joseph Pottson. The public school opened on Monday with Miss Mills as principal and Miss Oliphant as assistant.

Mrs. Mark Tallack and Mrs. James Wilson are recuperating at Port Stanley.

E. McCann & Sons have secured the contract for erecting a two storey frame cottage for Ensley Barton, con. 2, lot 1, Westminster, for \$900.

E. McCann & Sons have purchased the exhibition prize fire engine manufactured by Geo. Perry, Craig street, Montreal. It took the prize in London, England, in 1861, and at Paris in 1865. They have deemed it expedient to procure substantial fire protection, and purpose constructing a very large cistern with that end in view.

HEADED OFF GENERAL DEWET

Baden-Powell Doing Some More Good Work.

The Boer Commander Abandons His Transports.

Lieut. Cordua, Leader of the Pretoria Conspiracy, Shot.

London, Aug. 25.—Gen. Baden-Powell, according to a dispatch to the Standard, from Pretoria, dated Aug. 23, headed off Gen. Dewet, preventing his conjunction with the main body of the enemy. Dewet abandoned his transport and took to the hills, his commando dispersing, some trekking south.

Lord Kitchener has returned to Pretoria.

CORDUA SHOT.

A special dispatch from Pretoria says that Lieut. Cordua was shot yesterday (Friday afternoon).

BOERS AGGRESSIVE.

Pretoria, Friday, Aug. 24.—The Boers in the southwestern part of the Transvaal are becoming more aggressive, owing to the energy of Gen. Dewet and Delarey. Boer officials have been reinstated at Zeerust, Klerksdorp and Rustenburg. Several commandos are operating from Litchenburg. Their probable objective is Mafeking or Vryburg. There is a Boer force 18 miles north of Mafeking. Gen. Dewet is well served by scouts clad in khaki. They mostly carry British passes and enter the British camps. His horses are in excellent condition. Many of them are British branded as cast-offs.

HEAVY BOER LOSSES.

Middleburg, Aug. 25.—From some official papers which have been found it appears that the Transvaal Boers suffered losses between Jan. 2 and June 20 to the total of over 7,000. Of these the deaths numbered 1,000.

DESTRUCTIVE FIRES.

Pietermaritzburg, Aug. 25.—The southern portion of Natal is a scene of desolation owing to the disastrous grass fires, which, during the heavy gales prevailing recently, swept the country for miles, wiping out whole native villages and burning many Kaffirs to death. Many others are dying of fearful injuries.

The grass just now is like tinder, and such was the fury of the gale that the fire leaped roads and rivers, and came upon the natives without the slightest warning. There are two instances of whole families being burned to death in their huts. A large number of cattle and sheep were destroyed.

In one case a mother and her children were pursued by the flames, and the mother had to abandon a girl of ten to save the younger ones.

BOERS REUNITED.

Waterloovander, via Middleburg, Aug. 25.—From Wonderfontein, another trainload of Boer women and children was sent through to Belfast, where they were received by Gen. Viljoen and several other commandants, including Koch, nephew of the late general of that name. The women and children profess themselves pleased at the reunion, but it is doubtful whether their male relatives are. The enemy are demoralized, and looting is wholesale and more bitter, accompanied by burning and sniping of outposts, and the flogging and maiming of negro suspects. The enemy's garrison there is reinforced now by about six hundred. It is observed that half of the ammunition carried in the Boers' bandoliers consists of soft-nosed bullets. This iniquity has been pointed out to Viljoen, who has made no reply. The enemy seem hardened against such appeals.

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FIGHTING THE ASHANTEES

The Natives Still Prove Very Troublesome.

Monarchs and Dignitaries Are Flocking to Copenhagen.

Kruger's Lioness in the London Zoological Gardens—Alleged Picket-pocket Saved by His Sweetheart.

STILL FIGHTING.

Bekwal, Aug. 25.—Recent fighting proves that the rebel forces have not quitted the vicinity of Kumassi, and it will be two or three more defeats before the country south of the Ashanti capital can be considered clear of the rebels. After this part of the country has been cleared it is probable that the rebel forces will cease hostilities.

A telegram from Col. Wilcocks, received at the colonial office, states that Lieut. Col. Burroughs' column consisted of 700 native soldiers.

Describing his night attack on the stockades and the rebel camp, the official account says: "Before the enemy could quit the rebel camp the flying column was on them, and they killed a large number, all with the bayonet and the sword. The rebel forces were severely punished."

KRUGER'S LIONESSES.

London, Aug. 25.—A welcome addition to the inmates of the Zoological Gardens, and what bids fair to be the popular favorite in the lion house at Regent Park, has arrived at its new quarters. This is the lioness, which, as a cub, was caught by Mr. Cecil Rhodes some 14 months ago, in Rhodesia, and after a short stay at Bulawayo, was sent to Pretoria as a present to President Kruger. Kruger declined the gift, which was returned to the giver. She has now been sent here.

BLAZE AT DURBAN.

Durban, Aug. 25.—A big fire occurred at the harbor, resulting in the destruction of the whole cargo of forage landed from the steamer Twickenham. There were several thousand tons of the material, which was the property of the imperial government, and which had just been stacked on the wharves.

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