

MOVEMENT TAKES A NEW PHASE

Chinese Property Owners of Hangchow District Will Refuse to Rent Property to Foreigners

(By Edward Young.)

SHANGHAI, Aug. 27.—A new phase of the anti-foreign movement in China has emerged at Hangchow. At a meeting of the gentry and prominent residents of that city regulations were drawn up which, it is proposed, should in future govern the renting of property by foreigners. The practical effect of this action, which is held to constitute an encroachment on treaty rights, is that it is virtually impossible for foreigners to rent property in Hangchow, if not throughout the whole province of Cheung. Apparently the movement had its origin in a trivial quarrel with the Japanese shopkeepers some months ago, as a consequence of which the Japanese shops were closed and their owners compelled to remove outside the city. Encouraged by this success the gentry and prominent residents decided to interfere with the renting of property to foreigners, against which a protest was lodged with the government. The latest proposals restrict the right of foreigners to rent houses to—Those employed by the Chinese government.

Teachers employed in the government schools or industrial establishments and mechanics.

—Consuls of every country and their assistants.

—Missionaries of all nationalities and missionaries of Chinese descent, but however, bring passports showing that they are engaged in benevolent and not lucrative occupations. Even in these cases the safeguards restrictions and penalties prescribed are so numerous that the best-intentioned Chinese landlord might well be excused for declining to dispense with the trouble and risk attached to letting his premises to a foreign tenant. It might be imagined that it would be a simple matter to put an end to this class of property owners, the responsible officials. But evidently the local officials stand in some awe of the agitators whose power is attested by the servile tone adopted towards them in government representatives.

This, indeed, seems to be the crux of the matter. In a dispatch on the subject of the North China situation, published today, the British consul in Peking, Lord Dufferin, is reported to have expressed his surprise at the attitude of the Chinese government towards the agitators. He is reported to have said that the agitators are not only not being punished, but are being protected. He is reported to have said that the agitators are not only not being punished, but are being protected. He is reported to have said that the agitators are not only not being punished, but are being protected.

Chinese National Assembly

There is no abatement in the agitation for the immediate convening of the proposed Chinese National Assembly. Despite repeated rebuffs, the delegates to the Provisional National Assembly who constitute the Parliament are carrying on an endeavor to win over princes and ministers to their cause. However, they have failed to do so, and here to the Prince Regent to address a recent meeting of the Provisional National Assembly. The question was again fully considered at a preliminary meeting of high state officials which was held at the Provisional National Assembly. The proposals were put forward, among them Prince Sun and the Minister of Finance, are said to have favored the compliance with the petitioners' demands.

Another view was that no change should be made in the scheme; while two-thirds of those present are reported to have proposed that the shortening of the term on the lapse of which the assembly is to be convened. At the Council, however, the Prince Regent made it clear that he would accede to no concession; and the result of the deliberation was the promulgation of an imperial rescript specifically refusing to grant the petitioners' request. This document recalled the fact that when a similar petition had been presented on previous occasions the Prince Regent had refused to allow a full period of nine years to be devoted to purposes of preparation and development before opening a national assembly.

Reasons for Sovereign's Action

As the repository of his predecessors' wishes, and in obedience to his own desire to consult the best interests of the nation, the Sovereign, in convening a national assembly, had the question of only two persons of paramount importance, and to ignore it would endanger the whole success of the proposed assembly. A national assembly constituted only one part of the machinery, and its convocation could not be anything towards promoting the peace and prosperity of the nation. The Empire has to be considered as a whole, and the disturbed condition to often manifested. The people, therefore, must not doubt the earnest solicitude of the Sovereign for their welfare, and they must remember that, should they refuse to accept the proposed assembly, the Emperor (Senate) would be convened to a real preliminary, and that it would be the responsibility of the government.

The receipt ended by calling upon the people to await patiently.

INDIAN FORESTRY AND ITS PROBLEMS

Mr. F. Gleadow, for 30 Years Engaged in That Service, on a Visit to Vancouver Island

(By Edward Young.)

PORT ARTHUR, Aug. 26.—William Smith, foreman of the mines, King's elevator, was killed as a result of his fall from a mine shaft. No one saw the accident and the body was found when other employees who were working in the mine and leaves a wife and two children.

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Aug. 26.—So pressing is the need for fire-fighters that the forest department is according to a message by the foreman to his wife today, six men are going to the front where they are to leave the camp or be thrown into the sea. The fire-fighters are being recruited from the ranks of the unemployed, and the government is offering \$10,000 to be offered by the government to the unemployed.

GREEK PATRIARCH DENOUNCES REGIME

Claims Present Day Turkish Government is More Inimical to Greek Faith Than Was the Old

CONSTANTINOPLE, Aug. 26.—The text of a Patriarchal encyclical, advising all the Metropolitan of the Orthodox church of the proposed national assembly, published today, is couched in vehement language, denouncing the present Turkish government as more inimical to the Greek faith than was the old.

THE CRISIS IN SPAIN

What that Kingdom Ows to the Church and the Reason for the Separation

Spain was once prosperous and powerful, the dictator of the forties and the sixties, and the mistress of the Americas was called. Her decline came from the dark hour, when, in the zenith of her wealth and power, she misread the signs of the times, and ignored the lessons of the new world.

POWDER MILL EXPLOSION

ACTON, Mass., August 26.—By the explosion of three wheel mills the American Powder Mills Company here two employees were probably fatally injured. The loss is estimated at \$20,000.

STATE OF TRADE

NEW YORK, August 26.—Exports continue to expand. Home trade markets. Food crop advances are more promising. The employment situation shows a better picture. However, the movement of what is heavy. The country over are not uniformly favorable. Business failures in the United States for the week ending August 25 were 325, against 322 last week. 201 in Canada for the same week, compared with 218 for the same week last year.

THE VICTORIA COLONIST

SEEK ORCHARDS FOR DEMONSTRATION WORK

Provincial Department of Agriculture and What it Proposes to do Under Plan of Experimental Fruit Growing

The Department of Agriculture is prepared to receive applications for a demonstration orchard in the south eastern section of Vancouver Island also one on the Duncan-Nanaimo coast. It is well known that many orchards planted in the past have failed, and the Provincial Department of Agriculture is now seeking to avoid the usual causes of failure by following the proper method of planting.

Development in numbers and strength. The Columbia group, more generally known as the prairie chicken, shares with the grey goose the honor of being the great game bird of Manitoba, and there are many districts of this province in which undoubtedly it can be acclimated successfully, proving a valuable addition to the great game asset of British Columbia.

MONEYED MEN COME FROM ALL THE WORLD OVER TO SHOOT BIG GAME IN BRITISH COLUMBIA

THE PRESENT SEASON PROMISES TO SEE GREATER NUMBER OF BIG GAME HUNTERS IN THIS PROVINCE AND THE CONTIGUOUS YUKON THAN IN ANY PREVIOUS YEAR. The present season promises to see greater number of big game hunters in this province and the contiguous Yukon than in any previous year.

CROP FAILURE REPORTS FALSE

Member of Victoria Firm Returns From Prairies and Claims Rumored Loss Has Been Greatly Magnified

PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT PROTESTS TO HERALD COLLEGE REGARDING ARMS MADE IN COAT-OF-ARMS

DISASTER OCCURS TO HARVEST QUEEN IN MID-OCEAN—Passengers and Crew Saved

TO IMPORT GAME BIRDS

Prairie Chickens to Be Secured from Manitoba to Stock Various Districts

Red Jacket

"So Easy to Fix"

Force and Lift Pumps

The Hickman Tye Hardware Company, Limited, Victoria, B. C. Agents

When you want to clear your house of flies, see that you get WILSON'S Fly Pads

NOTICE

ESTATE OF ADAM (OTTERBURN) LOUIS YOUNG

WANTS BETTER PHONE SYSTEM

Terminal City Emphatically Insists Upon Some Improvement Being Made—Competing System Talked About

THE ABSENTS

The city streets are bright and gay. The sun is shining in the square. The flowers and grass are fresh as May.

STEAMER CAPSIZES

Disaster Occurs to Harvest Queen in Mid-Ocean—Passengers and Crew Saved

POLAR AIRSHIP EXPEDITION

THE STEAMER KING HAROLD BRINGS WORD OF THE ZEPPELIN TRIP PARTY IN SEARCH OF THE NORTH POLE IS MAKING A LAST ATTEMPT TO REACH THE POLE IN ONE OF HIS DRIFTING. The party is in possession of land on Wood Bay, where they have erected comfortable quarters.

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PROMINENT MEMBERS OPPOSE PROPOSAL

Vote, However, Stood at Two Hundred and Twenty Three—Various Considerations by Speakers

AMONG THOSE WHO WERE NOT IN ACCORD WITH THE PROPOSAL were prominent members of the conference, including Rev. Dr. W. R. Young, Montreal; Rev. Dr. H. H. Plouffe, Toronto; Rev. Dr. W. R. Young, Montreal; Rev. Dr. W. R. Young, Montreal; Rev. Dr. W. R. Young, Montreal.

THE QUESTION BEFORE THE CONFERENCE was the proposed union of the Methodist and Congregational churches of the Dominion. The vote on this question was 223 in favor and 223 against.

THE DISCUSSION WAS RESUMED at the afternoon session, Chairman N. S. A. having presided over the meeting. The committee on Church Union, which had been formed at the previous session, reported that it had been abundantly discussed. The committee recommended that the union be based on the principle of "one church, one faith, one love."

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