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TUAN UNDER ARREST

Escaped Leader of the Boxers Arrested at Border of Shan Si.

PRINCE SHAN ALSO TAKEN INTO CUSTODY

Ya Yen is Ordered to Return to Sian Fu, Presumably for Execution.

DEMANDS OF POWERS APT TO BE GRANTED

China Likely to Respond to Joint Note Within a Month, it is Believed.

MESSAGE NOW ON ITS WAY TO THE COURT

Slow Methods of Communication May Cause Some Delay in Transmission of Ultimatum to Empress Dowager and Emperor.

LONDON, Dec. 25.—The Shanghai correspondent of the Standard, telegraphing December 24, says:

The government has arrested Prince Tuan and Prince Shan on the border of Shan Si province. Ya Yen has been ordered to return to Sian Fu forthwith, to be executed if it is supposed.

BLOODY BATTLE IN CHINA

Large Body of Reformers Enticed into Hostile City, Where Regulars Fall Upon Them Without Mercy.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Dec. 25.—A special to the Times from Vancouver, B. C., says: News of a terrible massacre of the reformers in China and the beheading of twenty-seven of its leaders was received here today in a cablegram by W. A. Cumrow, secretary of the Chinese reform association in America.

The massacre occurred on December 18 and the work of the movement has, as a consequence, been dropped in all that part of the country. The Chinese here are loud in their expressions of disapproval of the conduct of the campaign by their leaders.

It appears from the few details given in the cablegram received today that Long Tom, the reform leader, at the head of a badly armed force of 12,000, paid a visit to Chung Hi, the governor of the district, who, though an imperial officer, was believed to be in sympathy with the reform movement. Long was invited to the governor's palace and was with his 12,000 men marched into the city. They left their arms outside the gates, taking the precaution only to carry their loaded revolvers. There were 5,000 imperial troops in the town, but nothing was feared from them and a delay of a day took place in order that other reform leaders might be sent for, and when the audience with the governor was finally arranged there were twenty-seven of the leading followers of Kang Yu Wei admitted. Then a disagreement arose. The governor had the leaders seized and taken into the court yard, where they were beheaded. The rest of the reformers were finally arranged there were twenty-seven of the leading followers of Kang Yu Wei admitted.

NOT DELIVERED TO CHINA

Ultimatum of Powers Leaves Hands of Foreign Ministers at Peking.

PARIS, Dec. 25.—A dispatch to the Havas agency from Peking says:

The ministers assembled at the residence of Senor V. de Biogan, the Spanish minister and the dozen of the army corps, and received Prince Ching, to whom the Spanish minister handed a joint note of the powers. Li Hung Chang, who is still ill, asked to be excused. Prince Ching said:

I have the honor to accept the note concerning the establishment of good relations and will transmit it immediately to the emperor and communicate to him his reply as soon as received.

Russian Census of Chinese Lost

LONDON, Dec. 25.—Vice Admiral Alexeff, says the St. Petersburg correspondent of the Times, has issued orders to the men under his command in China to make detailed lists of the Chinese property, money, and where such property now is. The correspondent also says that detachments of Russian troops in southern and southwestern Manchuria continue to pursue the work of exterminating disorganized Chinese troops and brigands.

Boxers Surprise French Detachment

TIEN TSIN, Dec. 25.—The French detachment of 100 men, twenty five westward, to search for arms. Approaching a village across a frozen creek a force of Boxers opened fire, killing Lieutenant Contal and wounding another officer. The French burned the village.

Coke Producers War for Prices

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 25.—The coke producers have become involved in a war over the contracts for fuel coke, which are now being closed in the city. The first half of the new coke, which is sold in some of the independent non-union coke producers, are being purchased at as low as \$1.60 a ton. The coke which the H. C. Frick Coke Co. produces is sold at \$1.80 a ton. The coke which the Frick Coke Co. produces is sold at \$1.80 a ton. The coke which the Frick Coke Co. produces is sold at \$1.80 a ton.

JOYOUS DAY IN GAY PARIS

French Capital Observes Natal Day of the Birth in Its Own Unusual Way.

PARIS, Dec. 25.—Christmas was celebrated in France with bright, cheerful and festive parties, which did not disperse until early this morning. At midnight masses with special musical attractions filled the leading churches to overflowing. The boulevards today were filled with throngs inspecting the attractive little booths, which had been erected in continuous lines along both sidewalks and in which toys, candies, fancy articles and other Christmas novelties were displayed. A roaring trade, greatly in excess of that of previous years, was noted.

AMERICA'S PROUD POSITION

Austrian Expert Concedes to United States Position as First Industrial Nation on Earth.

LONDON, Dec. 25.—The Times' Vienna correspondent says that under the title "European Economic Alliance" Paul Leroy Heaulieu in the Nueves Wienterageblatt, after reciting America's immense resources and growing population, says: "It may henceforth be regarded as the first industrial nation and its superiority will become strikingly evident year by year. The United States will, moreover, have a considerable mercantile marine, and Americans are becoming more and more Europeans, more particularly Continentals, in about the same light as Orientals, who vegetate in dreams of the past."

APPROVE SENATE'S ACTION

Russian Newspapers Heavily Abrogation of Clayton-Bulwer Treaty as Quite Proper.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 25.—The Novoe Vremya, discussing the English newspaper indictment of the United States senate for its unparalleled attempt to overturn the Clayton-Bulwer treaty, says: "The course of the Russian government has changed and the treaty must change too. Russia afforded an example in 1870, in declaring that she was no longer bound by her promise not to maintain war vessels in the Black sea."

Deaths from Bubonic Plague

CALCUTTA, Dec. 25.—Lord Curzon of Kedleston, the viceroy of India, in the course of a speech today said that since the appearance of the bubonic plague in 1898 25,000 deaths from the disease have occurred in the Mysore state.

Will Form First Ministry

SYDNEY, N. S. W., Dec. 25.—Edmund Barton, the leader of the federal convention, has accepted the offer of Hope Scott's offer to form the first cabinet of the federation. He anticipates no difficulty.

Poles Arrested at Warsaw

VIENNA, Dec. 25.—A dispatch from Warsaw says that fifty-two Poles have been arrested there, accused of being in a political conspiracy.

Three Wounded Men May Die

CENTRALIA, Ill., Dec. 25.—At Verona, Ill., station on the Illinois Central railroad in this county, today, James Davidson, a farmer, was shot by a bullet from a rifle, during which he wounded two other men.

Deputy Sheriff Killed

MAVERICK, Ky., Dec. 25.—Two men were arrested on charges of shooting a deputy sheriff. The deputy sheriff, John Taylor, was shot through the chest by a bullet from a rifle. He died at once.

Dixon Disappoints a Crowd

BOSTON, Dec. 25.—George Dixon, champion featherweight, did not box Jimmy Fawcett of Chicago in the anticipated fight tonight to the intense disappointment of a big crowd.

WHOLE CAPE RIPE FOR REVOLT

Dutch Residents Will Join Boers if Their Ammunition is Sufficient.

KITCHENER IN HEART OF DISTURBANCES

British Fortunes Are Trembling in the Balance and May be Lost if Reinforcements Are Not Hurried to the Rescue.

LONDON, Dec. 25.—The position of Cape Colony is hanging in the balance. Accordingly to the Morning Post's Cape Town correspondent, everything depends upon the quantity of ammunition in possession of the disloyal Dutch residents, 100 of whom have joined the Boers in the Phillipstown district alone. Energetic measures have been taken to stem the invasion, but there is unquestionably danger that parties of Boers will get into the heart of the colony and gradually raise the whole Cape in rebellion. Reinforcements can arrive none too soon.

CAN GROW SUMATRA TOBACCO

Better Article Than the Imported Oriental Successfully Raised in the Connecticut Valley.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25.—The following notice was posted today by the secretary of agriculture:

Milton Whitney, chief of division of soils, reports a successful termination of experiments conducted in co-operation with the Connecticut Experiment Station in the production of Sumatra tobacco in Hartford. One-third of an acre was planted under a cheesecloth shade nine feet high, and cultivated and fermented under the direction of M. L. Flood, local expert of the state, and yielding an estimated yield for one acre of 2,100 pounds. This loss about 10 per cent in the fermentation.

NO SIGN OF DESPONDENCY

Christmas Editorials of the London Press Recognize South Africa War in Measured Words.

LONDON, Dec. 25.—There is no sign of the despondency which characterized "black December" last year. At the same time the Christmas editorials find little cause for supreme satisfaction. All express regret that the nation is still at war, and take the trouble to remind their readers that there are four times as many troops in South Africa now as there were twelve months ago and all engaged in the monotonous and wearisome duties against an ever-vigilant foe and needing the sympathy of friends at home at this festive season.

CARS ARE RUNNING AGAIN

Regular Railway Service Re-Established Between DeAar and Capetown.

CAPTETOWN, Dec. 24.—Regular railway service between Capetown and DeAar has been restored. The report of the destruction of a bridge south of DeAar turns out to be incorrect; only a culvert was damaged. Trains are running from DeAar to Kimberley irregularly. There are considerable delays elsewhere as the result of heavy rains.

BOERS FORCED TO FALL BACK

Thornycroft's Mounted Infantry Occupies Britstown Without Show of Opposition.

LONDON, Dec. 25.—Lord Kitchener, telegraphing to the War office under date of Nauport, December 24, 9 a. m., reports: "Thornycroft's mounted infantry have occupied Britstown without opposition. The Boers returned to the north in the direction of Priska. They will be followed up."

Catch an Old-Time Crook

Burglar Who Has Done Time and Invented Jail Brevier Nipped in Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 25.—Seventy-year-old Gustav Kindt, an ex-convict, said to be known to the police of many cities of the country, was arrested today charged with having robbed the safe in the wholesale liquor store of John T. Sloan at 303 Calowhill street, in this city. When caught he was equipped with all the tools of an expert cracksmen. Chief of Detectives Miller recognized him as "Preach Gus," who had served terms in many states of the union. According to the criminal records at police headquarters Kindt came to this country in the early '60s. He was born in Belgium and is known to the police as "Frank Lavay" and "Preach Gus." He has been held without bail, pending a further examination.

MARINES FIRST TO ENTER

Beat All Others Into the Forbidden City of the Chinese.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25.—Some controversy has arisen over the question who among the American forces are entitled to the credit for first entering the Forbidden City of Peking, China, when the allies moved from Tien Tsin to relieve the legation. This honor seems to attach to the Marine corps, according to the official dispatches on file in the Navy department, and the report of Captain Long of the Marine corps, which follows, appears to bear out the claim that the marines were first to enter the Forbidden City, as they were first on the ground when they landed at Guantanamo in June, 1898.

RACE WAR ON IN INDIANA

Drunken Negroes Institute a Reign of Terror at Centerville.

WHITE CITIZENS DRIVEN OFF THE STREETS

Sheriff Goes to the Scene and Succeeds in Patching Up Temporary Truce—Renewal of Trouble Expected Soon.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 25.—A special to the News from Jeffersonville, Ind., says the race war is on at Centerville, a small station on the Panhandle road, five miles north of this city, and serious trouble is expected at any minute. The negroes are well armed, and the whites are keeping within doors to avoid them.

The outbreak began yesterday afternoon, when Lee Rangan and John Redmond, negroes, both very drunk, started in to intimidate the whites. When their insults were presented other negroes jumped in with liquor-craged men and captured Sam Kendall's saloon. Nearly twenty shots were fired, but no one was hurt. An appeal by telephone was made to Sheriff Hove for help, and he drove out to Centerville in a buggy and to some extent quieted the negroes while he was present.

After his departure another outbreak took place and message after message came to the local police to send men to the town. Sheriff Hove was again asked to go to the scene, but declined to do so last night. Kendall, in addition to his saloon, conducts a pool table and is being attacked by a mob of his wife, and with this the negroes flocked after the firing at the saloon.

Mrs. Kendall was badly frightened and her husband ran into the place and began shooting into the mob. Rangan was shot, but how badly is not known, as he was carried away and secreted by his companions. Kendall's life was threatened, but about midnight he was able to escape from his store and came direct to this city, awaiting Prosecutor Montgomery and begging him to issue warrants and have deputy sheriffs sworn in to arrest them. It was almost daylight when the town became quiet, the negroes having everything their own way. So far today no outbreak has taken place, because the whites are intimidated to such an extent that they are using every possible precaution to prevent a collision with the blacks. It is believed the slightest quarrel will bring about a bloody riot.

ARMENIAN APPEAL FOR AID

Revolutionary Federation Assembled at Washington Invokes Intervention of United States.

BOSTON, Dec. 25.—At a convention of representatives of the Armenian Revolutionary Federation the following resolution, which was telegraphed to President McKinley, was adopted:

Resolved: That the Excellency of William McKinley, President of the United States, Washington, D. C., be petitioned to exercise his authority in the intervention of this country in their annual convention assembled in Boston unanimously expressing their opinion upon the resolution, and the president of the United States and his cabinet be urged to take prompt action in a deplorable condition of our people in Armenia are perishing and will soon be exterminated if not promptly aided and we are to the rescue of such a nation, which has been the champion of civilization for centuries in Asia Minor.

In the present complicated situation of the world the United States should be neutral in Oriental affairs and yet a friend to the oppressed. The Armenian people are a heroic and brave people and have bloodthirsty fanatics to save the remainder of their race from inevitable bloodshed. Our fathers and brothers have their lives and property at stake and we are all ready to fall in their places but in this utmost struggle have we not the right to expect the United States to take prompt action in their behalf? We are all ready to fall in their places but in this utmost struggle have we not the right to expect the United States to take prompt action in their behalf? We are all ready to fall in their places but in this utmost struggle have we not the right to expect the United States to take prompt action in their behalf?

BONES OF FATHER MARQUETTE

Reported Discovery Near Frankfort, Mich., Occasions Surprise in Milwaukee.

MILWAUKEE, Dec. 25.—Surprise was occasioned in this city by the report of the discovery of the bones of Father Marquette near Frankfort, Mich. It has been generally supposed for the last twenty years that the body of Father Marquette is in possession of Father Jucker, an Italian missionary, in 1878, at St. Ignace, Mich., on the site of the chapel of the Mission of St. Ignace, which Father Marquette founded in 1671. Father Jucker found the ruins of the chapel and, digging beneath the altar's site, discovered the relics. They were sent to Marquette college, which was then being built. A celebration was held at St. Ignace in 1879 on account of Father Jucker's discovery.

FRANK RICHARDSON SHOT

Prominent Business Man of St. Joseph Killed by Stranger as Result of Quarrel.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Dec. 25.—Frank Richardson, a wealthy business man of this city and Savannah, Mo., was murdered at his home in Savannah last night about 9 o'clock. Tonight it was discovered that a stranger followed him from town and shot him in the back of the head. They had quarreled, and Mrs. Richardson heard the stranger say:

"Well, has it come to this?" She heard a pistol shot and her husband slumped to the floor and fell dead. Richardson was the general manager of the biscuit trust. The dead man was a stockholder in the trust.

JUMPS ON DOCTOR'S STOMACH

Cowboy Objects to Professional Bill in Manner Which Results in Physician's Death.

WICHITA, Kan., Dec. 25.—A dispatch from Ponca City, O. T., says: Dr. L. L. Hawkins, formerly of Knox, Mo., is dead at Ralston, near there. Death is said to be due to Cowboy Hamm of Moody's ranch knocking him down and dancing on his stomach. The doctor was over 60 years old and recently saved the life of Hamm. The trouble arose over a bill for medical services.

FILED ON CHRISTMAS DAY

GREAT FALLS, Mont., Dec. 25.—Jacob Werten today shot and fatally wounded himself in Savannah last night about 9 o'clock. Tonight it was discovered that the son is paralyzed and will die. Werten surrendered.

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CONDITION OF THE WEATHER

Forecast for Nebraska: Fair Wednesday and Thursday.

Table with columns: Temperature at Omaha yesterday: Hour, Deg., Hour, Deg. Rows for 5 a. m., 8 a. m., 11 a. m., 2 p. m., 5 p. m., 8 p. m., 11 p. m., and 12 m.

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Impression Gaining Ground That Suspected Man is Hiding There.

HIS ESCAPE DECLARED TO BE IMPOSSIBLE

Man at Pacific Junction Holding Pony at a Big Figure.

DEMANDS FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR IT

Much Time Wasted in Running Down Clues Submitted by Amateur Detectives, Who Are Sure They Have a "Tip."

It is said that Mr. Cudahy has given Pat Crowe until midnight of Tuesday to either prove that he has nothing to do with the kidnaping or surrender, and that Steve is here to deliver the message to him.

The police will not deny that such an ultimatum has been issued, but they refuse to give any details. If it is true that the edict of this kind has gone forth it seems to imply that the police do not know the exact whereabouts of Pat Crowe, but the inference also is that, in their opinion, Pat Crowe is in hiding somewhere in Omaha or South Omaha and that he doesn't dare emerge for fear of being arrested.

"If this isn't true" asked a well known attorney, who has followed the case closely, "why should they demand his surrender? It would be ridiculous for the police