

BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

The Chinese insist that all messages must be in plain language hereafter.

Heat and lack of water and ice are causing many deaths and great distress in Paris.

Anarchists of New York are rejoicing greatly over the assassination of King Humbert.

At Enid, Oklahoma, Major J. B. Crump was run down and killed by a train at a crossing.

Judge George H. Morgan, one of the most prominent men in the state, died at Cookeville, Tenn.

The slayer of King Humbert says he would make way with others if he was given opportunity.

At Vincennes, Ind., B. Kuhn & Co.'s dry goods store was burned. The loss is estimated at \$50,000.

James R. Clark, a postal clerk of Louisville, was found dead on a mail car on the Chesapeake & Ohio train.

Richard D. Yelland, the distinguished landscape artist, died of pneumonia at his residence in Oakland, Cal.

At San Antonio, Tex., the wife and daughter of Secretary Shaw of the Y. M. C. A. were drowned while boating.

A competent engineer is to determine value of the Omaha water works plant preparatory to purchase by the city.

Berlin button, feather and hosiery manufacturers complain of a loss of business owing to the Chinese situation.

The secretary of the interior has appointed Eugene McComas of Illinois a special Indian agent at \$2,000 a year.

George Daniels, United States consul at Hull, England, under President Harrison's administration, died at London.

General Sternberg says that 100 additional medical officers are wanted by the surgeon general for duty in the Philippines.

The Continental Iron company operating mills at Niles, O., and Wheatland, Pa., filed a petition in voluntary bankruptcy.

At St. Louis five cars of the Transit company were damaged by dynamite placed on the tracks. Nobody was injured so far as learned.

George B. Nichols, manager of the Globe theater at Joplin, Mo., died at the Kansas City University hospital after a surgical operation.

J. P. Faurot, cashier of the Bank of Armstrong, Ill., has bet \$1,000 that Richard Yates will be elected governor of Illinois by 50,000 majority.

A firm of American contractors is advertising at Santiago for 4,000 laborers to begin work on the Central railroad in Cuba on November 1.

General Greeley, chief signal officer, has left Washington for Alaska to superintend arrangements for telegraph communication with that territory.

It is denied that Geronimo, the noted Apache prisoner, has gone stark mad. He is not imprisoned, but is living with his squaw on the Fort Sill reservation.

The latest experiments in wireless telegraphy on cruisers of the northern squadron, between Cherbourg and Brest, resulted in perfect transmission at a distance of forty miles.

At Scranton, Pa., the runners and drivers at the Delaware & Hudson mines struck for an increase of wages. This has caused a complete tie up of 4,000 men and boys employed at the mines.

Mrs. Augusta Bergenthal, a Chicago widow, was shot and killed without apparent provocation by Ludwig Rasmussen, who then killed himself. The latter was a widower and the father of six children.

The Temescal ranch of 14,000 acres, situated partly in Ventura and Los Angeles counties, California, the property of David C. Cook, the Chicago publisher, has been purchased by a syndicate of Los Angeles oil men for about \$1,500,000. Drilling for oil will be begun immediately.

Colonel Webb H. Hayes has left Fremont, O., for China, via San Francisco. He says he is going on a sight-seeing tour, but it is hinted that he goes as President McKinley's personal representative. Mr. Hayes was recently a guest of the president at Canton.

According to oriental papers, 250 persons were killed and many hundreds injured by the eruption of Mount Azuma.

E. C. Senkler, gold commissioner of the Yukon territory, has received unofficial information that the Canadian government is about to introduce radical reforms in the Klondike.

The Fifty-second Iowa volunteers held a reunion at Perry last week.

Harry Arinott, locator and part owner of the Little Annie group of mines in the Big Bug district, Arizona, has committed suicide by taking strychnine. Despondency due to ill health was the cause.

Bressi, the murderer of King Humbert of Italy, claims to have a wife in Hoboken, New Jersey.

An unknown vandal wrenched the head from the queen's statue in Elsewick park, Newcastle. The police think it was the work of a crank whose mind has been unsettled by the assassination of King Humbert.

A number of new routes for rural free delivery are to be established in Nebraska in the near coming month.

All the Italian troops took the oath of allegiance to the new king amid the applause of the people. Perfect tranquillity reigns throughout the entire country.

The president has tendered the appointment of ambassador to Italy to former Governor Roger Wolcott of Massachusetts.

Twenty-seven Japanese and seven Chinese officers are attaches to the German army for instruction, besides representatives of other foreign countries.

CHINA COMES TO TALK

Said to Have Given In Before Ultimatum of Mr. Hay.

MINISTERS MAY COMMUNICATE

Cheng Reports an Imperial Edict Order that All Restrictions Be Removed and Sending Legation to Tien Tsin—The General Situation.

SHANGHAI, Aug. 6.—(New York World Cablegram.)—An imperial edict has been issued, providing for the escort of the diplomatic corps to Tien Tsin by a high official, rendering further action for their relief by the allied forces unnecessary.

This is the first step towards the solution of the situation.

LI HUNG CHANG.

PARIS, Aug. 6.—(New York World Cablegram.)—China has backed down squarely before the United States.

The American secretary of state cabled an ultimatum August 1, demanding free communication with Minister Conger.

The very next day a Chinese imperial edict was issued, ordering that the envoys have free communication with their governments.

The news of China's instant knocking to the United States when matters came to a climax was received here in a special dispatch dated yesterday to Temps, a newspaper of the highest reputation for conservatism and accuracy of information.

That dispatch, dated from Shanghai, announced that Sheng, the director general of Chinese railways and telegraphs, had just communicated to the foreign consuls there "an imperial decree, dated August 2, authorizing the foreign ministers in Peking to communicate without restriction with their governments and ordering their departure for Tien Tsin under a government escort."

No message has been sent out since that date by Mr. Conger or any of the other envoys, but one may be expected at any hour.

The Shanghai correspondent of the Temps, telegraphing today, also says: "The number of allies leaving Tien Tsin is no better known here than are the facts as to the march itself, but it is rumored that the advance guard had been repulsed."

"Li Ping Heng (former governor of Shan Tung), who is intensely hostile to Europeans, has been named commander of the Chinese forces."

The French foreign ministry has received the following dispatch from the French consul at Che Foo, dated August 2: "The governor of Moukden in a proclamation has urged the people of Manchuria to massacre Christians. Nearly all the missions have been destroyed. The missionaries have organized for defense, and are assisted by other Christians."

The French consul at Shanghai, telegraphing Saturday, says: "Li Hung Chang informs me that Li Ping Heng was appointed general of the troops in the north of the empire on his arrival at Peking."

SALSON'S GUN ACTS QUEERLY.

So Arranged that Not One of Five Cartridges Will Explode.

PARIS, Aug. 6.—The French police have arrested at Abbeville Auguste Vallete, a dangerous anarchist, who is supposed to have been the instigator of Salson's attempt upon the shah of Persia's life. Vallete left Paris immediately after the crime. He and Salson will be confronted. Today the police tried to discharge Salson's revolver, but not one of the five cartridges exploded, because of the way in which he had filed the hammer.

LI HUNG CHANG STILL LIVES.

Is Very Despondent, but Has Made no Attempt at Suicide.

SHANGHAI, Aug. 6.—The report that Li Hung Chang had committed suicide is without foundation. He is only in a very despondent state.

The Japanese consul here has received a message from Peking saying that General Tung Fuh Siang has stopped all provisions going to the legations.

Admiral Seymour arrived at Shanghai today.

Fay Well Known in Denver.

DENVER, Aug. 6.—W. J. Fay, who was killed on a Union Pacific train near Hugo, Colo., while resisting train robbers, was formerly a prominent resident of this city. He established the first gas and water plants here and was superintendent of the old Denver Gas company for a number of years. He was a prominent member of the Odd Fellows and had organized a number of lodges in Colorado. He moved to Anaheim, Cal., seven years ago and had since lived in that state.

Lepers in the Philippines.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 6.—General MacArthur has convened a board consisting of Major Louis M. Maus, surgeon; Captain George P. Ahren, Ninth infantry, and Captain W. E. Horton, assistant quartermaster, to select an island in the Philippine archipelago for the segregation of lepers, to prepare plans and estimates for suitable buildings thereon and estimates of salaries for the necessary officials and employees.

Brings Klondike Gold.

SEATTLE, Wash., Aug. 6.—The steamship Humboldt arrived from the north yesterday with forty-one passengers and \$200,000 in treasure. Humboldt Gates and C. W. Hall brought out \$150,000, a portion of it being the proceeds of the sale of Gates' interest in No. 28 Eldorado. Gates is one of the pioneers of the Klondike. Juneau passengers report a rich quartz strike on Windham bay. It was made in Al May's mine, a vein twenty feet wide being found which carries high values. The vein was traced for 6,000 feet. The poorest average gave assay returns of \$19.60 per ton.

DOUBT AS TO ADVANCE.

Dispatches to London Papers from Tien Tsin Seem Not to Agree.

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PART OF ALASKA LOPPED OFF.

Certain Streams Conceded to Be Canadian Territory.

SEATTLE, Wash., Aug. 6.—O. H. Titman, United States commissioner in the matter of international boundary between Alaska and Canada, has arrived from the north. He and F. W. King, the British commissioner, have been setting monuments in accordance with the agreement reached in the modus vivendi. Titman states that Glacier, Boulder Rock and other creeks which the miners claim constituted a portion of the Porcupine district, are now in British territory.

Kill a Man in a Holdup.

KANSAS CITY, Aug. 6.—A Journal special from Salina, Kan., says: Union Pacific eastbound train No. 4, which left Denver last night, was held up by two men several miles west of Hugo, Colo., ninety miles this side of Denver. The passengers in the Pullman sleepers were robbed of their money and valuables. An old man named Fay refused to surrender his valuables and fired a shot at one of the robbers, but missed. Thereupon the robbers fired in return, one shot entering Fay's mouth and coming out at the back of his head, killing him almost instantly. The robbers escaped.

Conger Again Heard From.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 6.—A belated message from Minister Conger was received yesterday at the state department. It came through Consul General Goodnow at Shanghai, who transmitted messages received by Mr. Ragsdale, United States consul at Tien Tsin, from Mr. Conger and Mr. Squires, secretary of the United States legation at Peking. The advices are the same as those received a day or two ago by the state department from Consul Fowler at Chee Foo. Mr. Goodnow's message was transmitted to President McKinley at Canton.

New Rule for Philippines.

MANILA, Aug. 6.—On September 1 the commission headed by Judge Taft will become the executive body of the Philippines, with power to take and appropriate insular moneys, to establish judicial and educational systems and to make and pass all laws. No moneys will be permitted to be drawn from the insular fund except by authority of the commission. Judge Taft and his colleagues will also exercise certain legislative functions. They will appoint judges, officials in the educational department and officers of municipalities.

Photographs of the New Comet.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Aug. 6.—Seven photographs of the newly discovered comet were taken at Harvard observatory last night, and at the same time Prof. Wendell measured the light of the 10.5 magnitude star in the comet's path. The passage of the comet only diminished the star's brightness .03 of the magnitude.

Geneva Has a Scare.

GENEVA, Neb., Aug. 6.—Geneva has a genuine mad dog scare. Mayor H. P. Wilson has issued a decree that all canines at large not muzzled must suffer the death penalty. One boy, a calf and some shoats are said to have been bitten. The shoats and calf act strangely.

To North Pole August 11th.

BERLIN, Aug. 6.—Captain Banendahl of the imperial navy, who has been arranging for an expedition in search of the north pole, will set sail from Hamburg August 11 on the Matador, a fishing schooner of forty-four tons burden. He now intends to enter the pack ice east of Spitzbergen.

Secretary Hay Ill.

BOSTON, Mass., Aug. 6.—A special to the Journal from Sunapee, N. H., says that Secretary of State Hay is ill, suffering from nervous exhaustion due to his arduous labors at Washington.

Suicide of a Brakeman.

CLINTON, Ia., Aug. 6.—Despondency over losing his position as a brakeman on the Northwestern railway caused James Morton to commit suicide.

Bressi's Relative Horsewhipped.

BUENOS AYRES, Aug. 6.—Buiseppe Castagni, brother-in-law of Bressi, has secured passage for Montevideo, after failing to secure the return passage money to New York, which he paid three weeks ago. He boasts that Bressi committed a highly commendable deed and asserts that Queen Victoria will be the next victim. Some clerks in a British shipping office here gave him a horsewhipping for his remarks regarding the queen. It is not known whether he will sail for Montevideo or New York.

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Li Hung Chang's answer to Secretary Hay's peremptory demand of August 1, to be put in communication with the foreign ministers at Peking, is evasive and not final and leaves the matter open to diplomacy. But Li's action, as reported by Consul General Goodnow, are undoubtedly sinister and will amount to a rejection of the proposition. Mr. Goodnow's dispatch contains some further information bearing on the question of responsibility for Peking conditions, in the statement that the commander of the Chinese troops, by inference answerable to the Chinese government, ordered the Pao Ting massacre. It is learned here that Li Ping Hong, the commander referred to, is a civil official and well known to all the Chinese officials abroad as one of the most rabid anti-foreign leaders in China. He is a close friend of Prince Tuan, and the association of these two in Peking affairs, with power enough behind them to cause the ignominious death of two high officials, is regarded here as a bad sign.

Simultaneously with Mr. Goodnow's dispatch came a characteristically diplomatic message from Yuan Shih Kai, the governor of Shan Tung, repeating the story of two days ago that the Chinese government was arranging to deliver the ministers in safety at Tien Tsin. No effort is made to reconcile that statement with Earl Li's refusal to allow communication with the ministers.

General Chaffee's message as to the unexpected resistance of Chinese reconnaissance is regarded by military men here as forecasting a greater degree of resistance to military movements than had been expected and they are now satisfied that Chinese troops will furnish material for at least one severe battle before the way is clear to Peking.

The Navy department today issued an order for the co-operation of its officers abroad with the officers of the army in landing and transporting troops destined for Chinese service. This revises the situation that existed in Cuba when Shafter's army was landed largely through the efforts of the navy.

CONGER MESSAGE WAS DATED.

July 17 Was the Time of Sending the First Message.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 4.—The state department has received a cablegram from Consul Fowler at Che Foo, which says that he has obtained the copy of the cipher dispatch from Minister Conger which was sent through Minister Wu to the department here. The dispatch is dated July 17 and signed by Conger. Consul Fowler has no doubt as to its genuineness.

Wu Calls to Secure News.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 4.—The absence of the Chinese minister from the state department yesterday, despite the fact that it was diplomatic day, taken in conjunction with the exceeding sharp note of Secretary Hay, was the subject of speculation. Minister Wu explained his absence on the ground that he had no news to communicate and his appearance at the department this morning was awaited with considerable interest. The minister came in the course of the morning, imperturbable as usual. He announced that he had absolutely no news from China.

Queen Also to Be Killed.

NEW YORK, Aug. 4.—Information from Rome is printed here to the effect that Antonio Lana, arrested as an accomplice of Bressi, has confessed, affirming that a plot existed involving the simultaneous assassination of King Humbert and Queen Margherita.

Transport Indiana for China.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 4.—The adjutant general received a cable message from General MacArthur at Manila today saying he had arranged for the transport Indiana to meet the transport Sumner at Nagasaki and take its men and supplies at once to Taku. The Sumner left San Francisco on July 17 with General Barry and part of the Fifteenth infantry. General Barry is ordered to report to General Chaffee for temporary service with the troops in China. The Sumner is due at Nagasaki in about two weeks.

OMINOUSLY CLOSE TO WAR.

Reply of Secretary Hay to Earl Li is Taken to Indicate a Crisis.

THE SITUATION IN PEKIN

Hostilities Have Ceased, but the Foreigners Remain Vigilant.

TREACHERY OF CHINESE IS FEARED

Dr. George E. Morrison Cables to London Times Situation in Capital—Barricades About Besieged Legations Are Being Made Stronger.

LONDON, Aug. 2.—Dr. George Ernest Morrison, the Peking correspondent of the Times, has been heard from direct. The Times prints the following dispatch from him, dated July 21:

"There has been a cessation of hostilities here (Pekin) since July 18, but for fear of treachery there has been no relaxation of vigilance. The Chinese soldiers continue to strengthen the barricades around the besieged area and also the batteries on top of the imperial city wall, but in the meantime they have discontinued firing, probably because they are short of ammunition."

"The main bodies of the imperial soldiers have left Peking in order to meet the relief forces. Supplies are beginning to come in and the condition of the besieged is improving. The wounded are doing well. Our hospital arrangements are admirable and 150 cases have passed through the hospital."

"The tsung li yamen forwarded to Sir Claude MacDonald a copy of a dispatch telegraphed by the emperor to Queen Victoria, attributing deeds of violence to bandits and requesting her majesty's assistance to extricate the Chinese government from its difficulties. The queen's reply is not stated, but the Chinese minister at Washington telegraphs that the United States government would gladly assist the Chinese authorities."

"This dispatch to the queen was sent to the tsung li yamen by the grand council on July 3, yet the day before an imperial edict had been issued calling on the boxers to continue to render loyal and patriotic services in exterminating the Christians. The edict also commanded viceroys and governors to expel all missionaries from China and to arrest all Christians and compel them to renounce all their faith. Other decrees applauding the Boxers speak approvingly of their burning out and slaying converts. Their leaders are stated in a decree to be princes and ministers."

"On July 18 another decree made a complete volte face due to the victories of the foreign troops at Tien Tsin. In this decree, for the first time and one month after the occurrence, an allusion was made to the death of Baron von Ketteler, the German minister, which was attributed to the action of local brigands, although there is no doubt that it was premeditated and that the assassination was committed by an imperial officer, as the survivor, Herr Cordes, can testify."

"The force besieging the legation consists of the imperial troops under General Tung Lu and General Tung Fuh Siang, whose gallantry is applauded in imperial decrees, although it has consisted in bombarding for one month defenseless women and children cooped up in the legation and expanding bullets. The Chinese throughout, with characteristic treachery, posted proclamations assuring us of protection and the same night they made a general attack in the hope of surprising us."

"The wounded number 138, including the American surgeon, Lippitt, severely wounded, and Captain Myers, who is doing well. Seven Americans have been killed."

"The ministers and members of the legations and their families are in good health. The general health of the community is excellent and we are contentedly awaiting relief."

HEAD SET FOR PEKIN.

Allies Begin Advance in Direction of Chinese Capital City.

BRUSSELS, Aug. 2.—M. Favreau, minister of foreign affairs has received the following dispatch, dated Shanghai, August 1, from M. de Cartier de Marchienne, secretary of the Belgian legation, now acting as charge d'affaires of Belgium at Shanghai:

"The allies are marching on Peking. They are eighteen miles from Tien Tsin and should reach Peking in eight days."

"All the Europeans have taken refuge in the inner rectorate of the imperial city."

LONDON, Aug. 2.—"The allies began the advance from Tien Tsin this morning," announces an agency bulletin, dated at Shanghai at 11:10 a. m. today.

The Belgian government has received news that the allies have already marched eight miles in the direction of Peking.

It is assumed that the Americans, British and Japanese are taking part in this forward movement, whether other nationalities are or not. An advance base will probably be established twenty or thirty miles nearer Peking and supplies will be assembled preparatory to a direct stroke at the capital.

Statement of Coinage.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 2.—The monthly statement of the director of the mint shows the total coinage at the mints during July, 1900, to have been \$8,494,427, as follows: Gold, \$6,540,000; silver, \$1,827,827; minor coins, \$36,600.

American Forces Are Ready.

TIEN TSIN, Thursday, July 26, via Che Foo, July 30, and Shanghai, Aug. 2.—The American commander received orders from Washington not to delay the advance on Peking. He was also informed that heavy reinforcements are enroute.

Great activity is noticeable at Japanese headquarters. Transport preparations are being hurried. It is extremely unlikely that either the Japanese or the British intend to be left behind the Americans, though the British preparations are a long way from completeness.

Young King at His Father's Bier.

MONZA, Aug. 3.—King Victor Emanuel III upon arriving here met his mother, Queen Margherita, at the castle. She fell into his arms weeping. The king knelt before the body of his father and repeatedly kissed and embraced his mother. Afterward for an hour he, his mother and his wife prayed in the death chamber.

Subsequently the king received the members of the cabinet. All the ministers except those of war and justice, who are in Rome, took the oath of allegiance.