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TOPICS OF THE DAY.

Rapid Transit of Mail.

Letters mailed in Paris are delivered in Berlin within an hour and a half, and sometimes within 35 minutes, through pneumatic tubes.

Prospects Are Bright.

China has one-fourth of the world's population, one-twelfth of its land surface and is likely, in the near future, to have the largest graveyard on record.

Outlived Three of Her Children.

Queen Victoria has outlived three of her children, Alice, Leopold and Alfred, and her oldest child, Princess Victoria, ex-empress of Germany, is said to be in precarious health.

Largest in the Navy.

Five new American battleships are being contracted for this year. They will be the largest in the navy, with a displacement of from 14,000 to 15,000 tons and a speed of 19 knots.

Railroads and Trolley Lines.

It is estimated that 100,000 miles of new railroad will be built in the United States in the next 15 years, and the extent to which the trolley will spread out is beyond calculation.

Early Rising Insures Longevity.

Mrs. Sylvia Langdon Dunham, of Southington, Conn., who celebrated her 100th birthday last week says that to get up early in the morning is one of the best ways to insure a long and happy life.

Faster Than an Express Train.

Several torpedo destroyers, with a speed of 34 miles an hour, are under construction for the United States navy, but they will be slow compared with the British torpedo boat Viper, which recently made 43 miles an hour on her official trial trip. Though only 210 feet long and 21 feet wide, with 7 feet draught, she developed no less than 12,000 horse-power. The Viper could beat almost any regular express train to its destination.

Motor Cars as Transports.

A French automobile company has dispatched 42 motor cars to central Africa to serve in the regular transportation of goods between Busaloba and Bunoka. Hitherto it required nearly a month to convey merchandise along this trade route, but the new motor wagons have accomplished the journey in the space of three or four days. Each wagon is about four tons in weight, and has from nine to ten horse-power at its disposal as motive force.

Tramways Instead of Good Roads.

The engineers sent to Porto Rico to report upon the roads needed there reported that it would be cheaper and better to build narrow-gauge tramways, rather than to improve the roads. In this way freight could be hauled more cheaply than it could be by farmers using wagons on the present roads. For, although the cost of hauling goods may not be considered by the average farmer, yet it is so great that it is estimated in Maryland alone the farmers lose \$3,000,000 a year because of the bad roads.

Uncle Sam's Richest Soldier.

The Ninth regiment, which is fighting in China, has on its roster one who is probably the richest officer in the army—Second Lieutenant Robert S. Clarke, formerly of New York. Mr. Clarke is a grandson and one of the principal heirs of the late Alfred Corning Clarke, and his wealth is estimated at several millions. He is still in his early 20s, and is a graduate of Yale university. He received his commission in the army about a year ago, and has been making a good record for himself in the Philippines.

The Growth of Mormonism.

The Mormons have at present 1,623 young men employed as missionaries in America and Europe. Their greatest successes are in the slums of large cities, where the miserably poor hear gladly the Mormon gospel of thrift in this world and eternal blessedness in the next. The leaders are jubilant over the 22,000 new converts gained for their church the last year, and prophesy that within a few years they shall control the entire west and the western provinces of Canada, where the faith is taking deep root.

THE FIRST FIGHT.

Allies and Chinese Battle on the River Near Tien Tsin.

The Relief Forces Lost 1,300 in Killed and Wounded, Chiefly Russians and Japanese—Ministers Said to Have Left Peking.

Washington, Aug. 7.—The announcement received through Rear Admiral Remy and Commander Taussig, of reported heavy fighting on the river beyond Tien Tsin, was the news of interest in the Chinese situation. Little doubt was expressed at the navy department that the news was substantially correct. The dispatches stated that the allied forces lost in killed and wounded 1,300 men, chiefly Russians and Japanese. It is probable a later report may reduce the list of casualties among the international forces, but it is evident that the move on Peking is at last fairly under way, and that strong opposition has been encountered. The war department officials, who have been exceedingly reticent for several days as to news from the seat of war, admitted yesterday when the naval dispatches were received that the announcement of the battle was not unexpected. Opinion among the various officials now in Washington is somewhat divided as to just what is presaged by yesterday's events. The more optimistic are inclined to think that such a severe blow as the Chinese must have received at Pei Tsang will result in the speedy disintegration of the forces now opposing the march of the international column. In line with this prediction, it was prophesied that the Chinese government would find means to send the ministers from Peking under escort and thus stave off the advance upon the capital. On the other hand there was a number of officers in a position to judge equally well who held that the fight at Pei Tsang was only the beginning of a strenuous resistance that would be continued to the gates of Peking or beyond. It was urged in support of this view that the Chinese had a hundred men to lose against one of the allies; that they were well armed with modern guns and had apparently an abundance of ammunition.

Says Ministers Have Left Peking.

London, Aug. 7.—The advance of the allied forces commenced yesterday, cables the British consul at Tien Tsin, under date of August 4. This is the first official information received here that the attempt to relieve Peking has begun. It is accepted as correct. The British consul does not mention any fighting, but the Shanghai correspondent of the Daily Mail, telegraphing Sunday, says: "The Peking relief column is reported to have suffered a check. The Chinese are said to have adopted Tugela tactics and, after several hours of fighting, to have retreated." This is the only message received in London this morning, bearing out the reports of Admiral Remy and Commander Taussig regarding an engagement at Peitsang. The fact that the advance did not begin until Saturday is taken to strengthen the accounts of a battle Sunday.

In the same cablegram, which was read in the house of commons, the consul at Tien Tsin says: "News from the Japanese legation has been received up to August 1." Therefore the edicts announcing the safety of the ministers on that date are confirmed. Yesterday the Chinese minister, Sir Chih Chen Lo Feng Luh, communicated to Lord Salisbury a message from the tsung li yamen, dated July 31, reiterating the statement that the ministers were safe on that date and recounting the friendly relations existing between them and the yamen, as well as reporting the sending of supplies to the legations by the yamen. The message contains this important statement: "A successful termination of the conference with the ministers for their conveyance under escort to Tien Tsin is expected; but, on account of the recommencement of hostilities at Tien Tsin, code telegrams for transmission to the representatives are considered undesirable." This appears to confirm the statement that the Chinese will endeavor to stop the march to Peking by using the ministers as hostages.

A Shanghai special dated August 6 says: "Li Hung Chang has officially informed the consuls that the ministers left Peking for Tien Tsin last Friday, August 3, with Gen. Yung Lu in command of the escort. The consuls are by no means disposed to credit Earl Li's statement. All other reports that have reached London up to this hour indicate that the ministers have not left Peking."

The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Daily Mail says: "Active negotiations are proceeding between Russia and the United States, the probable outcome of which will be a resolution to uphold the integrity of China unconditionally."

THE KAISER MISUNDERSTOOD.

Ambassador White Says the Emperor Was Wronged by the Construction Put Upon His Speech to His Soldiers.

New York, Aug. 7.—Andrew D. White, United States ambassador to Germany, was a passenger on board the Deutschland, which reached her dock to-day from Hamburg. Among other passengers on board the Deutschland was John D. Rockefeller.

Mr. White said, in answer to questions regarding affairs in China, that Emperor William's speech to the soldiers who were going to China was generally misinterpreted. "He never meant," the ambassador said, "to tell them to give the Chinese no quarter. Nobody so understood his speech until some French papers put that construction upon it. The first time I heard of such an interpretation was when I received a certain Paris paper. The emperor is an emotional man and may be inclined to yield to the impulse of the moment, perhaps, but he knows how to control himself, and he certainly never meant to command his soldiers to be merciless. What he did say to them was that they should bear in mind that they were going to face a desperate foe."

Speaking of the general situation in China, Ambassador White said with enthusiasm:

"The present conflict means the birth throes of a new era. It means the beginning of the opening of China to the civilized world."

"Is there any talk of partition in Germany?" was asked.

"Oh, no. This trouble will never terminate in such a way. The war will end in the allied powers dictating terms to China. Admiral Kempff's conduct in China," Mr. White said further, "was at first misconstrued, but now the Germans approve of his policy. Russia is looked upon with the usual distrust," the ambassador continued, "but the fact that she and Germany fight shoulder to shoulder in China tends to improve the feeling between the two countries."

In conclusion, the ambassador touched upon the admiration felt in Germany for our arms. "The German attaches who saw our men fight are most exuberant in their praises of our army and navy, of the valor and skill of our soldiers and sailors. In this connection it may be said that our war with Spain and the part we play in the Chinese conflict has opened the eyes of Europe and made it see a good deal more of us than it had done before."

DEATH IN A WRECK.

A Collision on the St. Louis Southwestern Railroad Caused the Death of Five Men.

Pine Bluff, Ark., Aug. 7.—A disastrous collision occurred on the St. Louis Southwestern (Cotton Belt road) at Aurich, 40 miles north of here, in which five men were killed and seriously injured. The dead are: C. A. Gaaney, brakeman, of Jonesboro, Ark.; Frank Sample, conductor, of Pine Bluff; Luther, brakeman, of Thayer, Mo.; brakeman, name unknown, of Thayer, Mo., and an unknown telegraph operator. The injured are: James T. Frazier, engineer, fractured arm and badly bruised, and S. E. Ellis, fireman, seriously injured. East freight No. 15 took the siding to allow southbound passenger train No. 3 to pass. The switch failed to work and the passenger train crashed into the caboose of the freight train at full speed, killing the occupants. The passenger engine and baggage car were turned over and are complete wrecks. Four freight cars were demolished.

Election in Alabama.

Birmingham, Ala., Aug. 7.—A general election for state and county officers and for members of the general assembly was held in Alabama yesterday and a large majority was returned for the democratic ticket, headed by William J. Samford, of Lee county, who will be inaugurated governor December 1. The republicans, populists and prohibitionists, besides the democrats, had tickets in the field, but returns so far indicate victory for the democrats by an overwhelming majority. The democrats have also gained several members of the general assembly. The populists and republicans will together possibly have 12 of the 123 members of the legislature, a loss of about 50 per cent.

Mr. Jones Gives Out Sub-Committees.

Chicago, Aug. 7.—Chairman Jones, of the democratic national committee, gave out the list of sub-committees of the main body yesterday. Former Gov. Stone, of Missouri, was named on the executive committee and Norman E. Mack, of New York, was left off. The only representatives the eastern states have on this body are Committeeman Guffey, of Pennsylvania, and George Fred Williams, of Massachusetts. John R. McLean, of Ohio, is put at the head of the ways and means committee.

Threadmaker Clark Dead.

Westerly, R. I., Aug. 7.—William Clark, of Newark, N. J., president of the William Clark Thread company, died suddenly at his home at Watch Hill, Monday morning, of heart failure, which followed a severe attack of indigestion. He was well known on both sides of the Atlantic.

Germany Gets Most First Prizes.

Berlin, Aug. 7.—Theodore Wolf wires to the Berliner Tageblatt from Paris that Germany will get more first prizes at the exposition than any other nation. He estimates the number at 250. Germany will be first in industrial arts with 20 Grands Prix and 100 gold medals.



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