

FEAR THE CHINESE

RUSSIA APPREHENSIVE LEST ORIENTALS RISE.

China Regarded as Powder Magazine, and Danger Ever Present—Powers Addressed on the Subject.

ST. PETERSBURG.—The effect of the Yalu disaster to Russian arms upon the Chinese is being watched with keen interest and considerable apprehension. The Russian government appears to be satisfied with the situation for the moment, and Paul Lessar, the Russian minister to Peking, is making daily reports to the foreign office. The report received from the minister today contained nothing disquieting.

The Peking government, according to Russian reports, seems to be acting in perfect good faith and insists that it is intent upon preserving neutrality. It is turning a deaf ear to the appeals of anti-Russian leaders, who want China to show in her lot with Japan and is doing all possible to suppress anti-foreign agitation among the people. Nevertheless, the Russian authorities regard China as a powder magazine. They realize the danger inherent in the situation and the necessity for constant pressure on the Peking government.

The danger of an anti-foreign movement throughout the Chinese empire exists not only for Russia, but for all the powers and Russia has at least three times since the outbreak of the war addressed the powers on the subject, the last time being less than ten days ago. The answers received uniformly show a full appreciation of the need of exercising a restraining influence on Peking, and all the powers are cooperating to this end.

Demand Made For a Bishop

LOS ANGELES, Cal.—The Methodist general conference held two sessions today, the morning session being devoted to the reading of the quadrennial address of the board of bishops of the M. E. church to the general conference and the afternoon to the receipt and reference of memorials from the various annual conferences.

The various committees got together during the early morning hours and elected their respective chairmen and secretaries, but as there was no business before them an adjournment was taken until tomorrow. Beginning tomorrow the general conference will hold sessions only in the morning, thus allowing the delegation to give their attention during the afternoons to committee work.

Dr. George Elliott of Detroit presented a memorial to the effect that the committee on episcopacy consider the advisability of the election of a colored bishop. He said that he believed that the M. E. church had reached a crisis in its relation with the colored race.

"If we are to hold the 30,000 colored membership we now have," he said, "we ought to give them sort of a leadership which they understand and trust and which understands them."

Fire To Conceal Robbery

LANCASTER, Pa.—A big tobacco warehouse occupied by B. B. Mowery & Co. and W. R. Cooper, dealers in leaf tobacco, was badly damaged by fire today and its contents were practically ruined by smoke. An examination of the place disclosed the fact that a quantity of Sumatra tobacco had been stolen and it is believed the place was set on fire to hide the robbery. There is an insurance of 1060.00 and it is believed the loss will exceed this amount.

Flood In Central Texas

AUSTIN, Tex.—As a result of the cloudburst in central Texas and this section not a train has moved to the north. About five miles of the International & Great Northern tracks have been washed out north of here. Five children were drowned in creek five miles from the city.

Nebraska Operator is Third

SOUTH BEND, Ind.—Walter Lewis Ferris of Beol, college, the representative of Wisconsin university, won the interstate oratorical contest, with Missouri second and Nebraska third. Eleven states were represented. The winner of third place was William A. Schall of Creighton university, Nebraska.

PERU WILL RESIST

STANDS READY TO FIGHT IF BRAZIL PASSES HER.

QUARREL OVER TERRITORY

TROOPS ON THE WAY TO OCCUPY COVETED REGION.

Unjust Aggression Charged by the Peruvian Foreign Minister Against Her Neighbor and Tormentor.

LIMA, Peru.—Regarding the existing troubles between Brazil and Peru, Foreign Minister Pardo said to the Associated press today Peru was preparing to resist the "unjust aggression" of Brazil.

It was, Senor Pardo asserted, a political whim of Baron Rio Branco, Brazil's foreign minister, to annex the territories of Alto Jurua and Alto Purus, inventing as a basis for such action stories of Peruvian invasions, and Brazil, Minister Pardo said, had now sent troops to occupy the coveted regions.

The truth, said Senor Pardo is that Peru has never moved from the points she has occupied for many years, and in proof of this he asserted that when Brazil opposed the formation of the Acre syndicate her foreign office urged as the principal argument against the concession the rights of Peru to the same territory.

"Yet, a few months later," concluded Minister Pardo, "Baron Rio Branco forgot Brazil's words and decided to occupy this territory, which had previously been declared to be Peruvian, but it is very rich in caoutchouc."

Killed By Scores

ST. PETERSBURG.—The czar today received the following dispatch from General Kuropatkin:

"Major General Kashtalinsky reports as follows:

"At 1 o'clock the Japanese approached so close to the position held by the Eleventh regiment that the Third battery could not pass along under the crossfire; and, taking up position a short distance from the Japanese remained there until the end of the fight, losing its commander, Lieutenant Colonel Moravsky.

"A company with quick firing guns was brought up from the rear guard and the officer commanding this force, seeing the difficult situation of Moravsky's battery, took up the position on his own initiative. He lost half his men and all his horses and attempted to remove his guns by hand to the shelter of the hills under the Japanese cross fire. The quickfiring pieces discharged about 35,000 bullets.

"The Twelfth regiment cut its way through and saved its colors.

"The Second battery of the sixth brigade, having attempted to rejoin the reserves by another route could not ascend the mountain slopes with only half its horses and, retiring to its original position, received the Japanese attack.

"The Eleventh regiment, which held its ground for two hours more, with heavy losses, forced a passage at the point of the bayonet and crossed the ravines with its colors. It lost its colonel commander, forty officers, and about two thousand non-commissioned officers and men.

"The Japanese losses must have been enormous.

"The Russians retired in good order on Feng-Wang-Cheng.

"The men of the Third division maintained their excellent morale and over 700 wounded proceeded with their regiments to Feng-Wang-Cheng."

Two Victims Identified

COUNCIL BLUFFS, Ia.—The coroner today found among the belongings of the four men burned to death in a freight car yesterday letters indicating that one of them was James Gady, who has been employed in the Saratoga hotel in Chicago, and that another was William Lilly of Madison, Wis. who has also recently resided in Chicago.

Murderer Executed

PLATTSBURG N. Y.—Alben Moonsey who shot and killed two women at Saratoga Lake, N. Y., on November 4, 1902 was put to death in the electric chair at Clinton prison Dannamora today.

HAVE TAKEN NEW TOWN

JAPANESE REPORTED IN POSSESSION OF NEW CHWANG.

Admission Made at St. Petersburg That Loss in Yalu River Fighting Is Close to Four Thousand.

LONDON.—The Che Foo correspondent of the Daily Chronicle cables the following under yesterday's date:

"The Japanese landed troops and attacked and captured New Chwang last evening, the Russians falling back to protect the railway."

ST. PETERSBURG.—In a report received by the emperor from General Kuropatkin under today's date, it is stated that at least from three to four thousand men were killed in the Yalu river fight.

ST. PETERSBURG.—Under today's date General Kuropatkin telegraphs as follows:

"Owing to the interruption of telegraphic communication I have received no report from General Zassalitch.

"According to the testimony of persons arriving here during the night from Feng Wang Cheng, the Japanese on May 1 were operating from the front with an overwhelming force of artillery and attacked our left flank in superior forces, enveloping it. A hot fight occurred at this point. The Twenty-second and Twelfth regiments of sharpshooters were engaged defending themselves vigorously and on several occasions taking the offensive, inflicting considerable losses on the Japanese.

"Our small force could not hold this position and retired, leaving several guns in the hands of the enemy. Owing to our heavy losses in men and horses we could not succeed in carrying off our guns, but their breech locks were removed. Our force fell back on Feng Wang Cheng.

"General Zassalitch's force consisted of five batteries, but, according to the information at hand one regiment and two batteries stationed at Stakhevez were not engaged, the Japanese not attacking that point.

"Our losses are not yet known but in view of the stubbornness of the conflict they must have been very considerable.

Platform In Jesus' Name

ST. LOUIS.—The national convention of the United Christian party, which convened here yesterday to nominate a ticket for the next presidential election, resumed sessions today. After lengthy debate the platform entitled "In Jesus' Name" was adopted tonight after considerable discussion. The party declares that "the platform and purposes of the Christian party is and shall be to work and stand for union in His name for the fulfillment of God's law through direct legislation of the people, governed by the golden rule, regardless of sex, creed, or color.

War is opposed by the party and mob violence condemned. Government ownership of coal mines and public utilities is favored. The platform, after declaring against "government revenue from the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage," concludes:

"We are opposed to all trusts and combines contrary to the welfare of the common people, and declare that Christian government, through direct legislation of the people will regulate the trusts and labor problem according to the golden rule. We also declare in favor legislation providing for an equal standard of morals of both sexes."

Tomorrow officers will be elected and nomination of national candidates considered.

A New Water Plant

WASHINGTON.—The secretary of the interior has set aside, provisionally, the sum of \$1,000,000 for the construction of the Pathfinder reservoir on the North Platte river in Wyoming. Construction will proceed contingent upon favorable reports from engineers in the field as to various details still under consideration and particularly as to whether an adequate area of irrigable land can be found in western Nebraska. The reservoir will be of sufficient capacity to supply all of the land under it in Wyoming, but it is considered necessary to increase this area by utilizing water in western Nebraska, where there are large areas of arid and semi-arid country to which water probably can be brought.

WHY SHE WAS UNPOPULAR.

Neighbors Could Not Stand Her Monopoly of Ills of Existence.

"What is the reason Mrs. Lawton, with all her good points, is so unpopular?" asked the summer boarder of her aunt, Miss Euphemia Boggs. "I'm sure she is kind-hearted and generous, and capable and good-natured."

"She's a monopolist, or thinks she is," snapped Miss Boggs, "and folks don't like it!"

"A monopolist?" repeated her niece. "What do you mean, Aunt Phemy?"

"I mean just what I say," said Miss Boggs, firmly. "She's a monopolist of diseases and accidents and happenings of every kind. Start in to tell her about an attack of rheumatism you've had, or a sprained wrist, or your cousin's diphtheria, or a railroad disaster you've read about, or how your stove-pipe fell apart, or what an unusual drought they've been having where your brother lives, and she'll sit on the edge of her chair looking as if she'd burst, till you stop for breath.

"Then when you do stop she'll say, 'You can't tell me anything about rheumatism; or 'The doctor said he never saw a sprain like mine; or, 'I guess you've never heard how I hung between life and death for weeks with diphtheria; or, 'No railroad accident sounds like much to me after what I passed through in Ohio when the bridge broke; or, 'I haven't got anything to learn about what stovepipes can do after my experience two years ago; or, 'I presume it's slipped your mind that I was in California at the time of that terrible drought, the worst that's ever been known.'"

"And does she make up stories," asked Miss Euphemia's niece in amazement, "stories to fit all such times?"

"Make 'em up," said Miss Boggs, testily; "she don't have to make 'em up. That's what irritates folks so, everything she says is true. And you take a town like this, about all we've got to be proud of is what happens to us!"

At the Patri Singin'.

I've been to hear the Patri—an' it ain't for my fergittin'— An' the prices—they wuz jest as high as whar this chap wuz sittin'! The music sorter furrin' like—it sounded for a way To a feller used to "Dixie," an' "Darlin' Nelly Gray."

I couldn't understand it, from my high surveyin' bench— That hifalutin' choir, whar the fiddles played in French, An' panners talked Italian, jest as lively as could be, An' the big bass fiddle bellowed storm o' German up to me!

They slung them furrin languages so keerslessly about, Old Webster's Dictionary must have gone a-limpin' out, An' jest retired from business before the show wuz through, An' the old-time blue-back Speller must have felt amazin' blue!

I nudged the feller next me—he come from Billville Town— "When you think they'll sing 'Dan Tucker' an' 'Blue-Eyed Sally Brown?' An' 'Down in Old Virginia,' an' 'What the Cotton Grows?'" Ain't they goin' to give us 'Dixie?'—an he said: "Lord only knows!"

But jest about that minute I wuz took to days gone by, An' I said: "They're gittin' in it—they're 'Comin' Through th' Bye!" An' the way that woman sung it! . . . sure, some angel lost a tone Of his voice 'twixt earth an' heaven, an' she made it all her own!

'Peared like I seen the meadows of forty year ago, Whar the gray-winged doves flew over an' the daisies foamed like snow The fur-off bells wuz ringin' in the tw' light lingers' late, An' I heard my sweetheart singin', an' kissed her at the gate!

O, they trotted out the old songs, that never git wuz old! They shook the Maytime blossoms down—jest all yer arns could hold! The bees browsed in them blossoms—the larks wuz havin' fun, An' the maple leaves a-laughin', streaked with silver, in the sun!

I clapped my han's, an' heard my heart say, "Let the music roll!" I felt like "Halleluia" wuz a-lightin' up my soul! An' my comrade says, a-sighin'—"That's sweet as honeycomb! Come on!—My eyes air mistin';—She's singin' 'Home, Sweet Home!'" —Frank L. Stanton.

One Girl's Wisdom

Fond Mother—But, my dear, you should not have accepted such an expensive present from Mr. Gotrox.

Pretty Daughter—Why not, mamma?

Fond Mother—Well, one can never tell what the future may bring forth.

Pretty Daughter—Oh, don't let that worry you, mamma, dear; I'll take care of all the presents in sight, and the future can take care of itself.

Can't Believe 'Em

Miss Thirtiodd—A gypsy fortune teller once told me that I would die in the prime of life.

Mr. Biffkins—What awful bars those gypsies are!

CITY PENNED UP

PORT ARTHUR WHOLLY ISOLATED FROM THE LAND SIDE.

JAPANESE EMBARK IN REAR

OCCUPY THE RAILROAD AND CUT TELEGRAPH LINES.

Official Reports at St. Petersburg Tell of Landings Made by Enemy—Severe Fighting Expected Soon.

ST. PETERSBURG.—A dispatch received says that Port Arthur is cut off from all communications by and, the Japanese having disembarked in its rear, occupied the railroad and cut the telegraph. Vice Admiral Skrydoff, who is en route to Port Arthur to take command of the naval forces in the far east, will be unable to reach his destination.

ST. PETERSBURG.—The ministry of war has received the following telegram from Major General Poug, chief of the military staff:

"According to the information I have received seven of the enemy's transports, and afterwards about forty, appeared opposite Pitswo on the evening of May 4.

"On the morning of May 5, the Japanese began to land at Pitswo and on the coast near Cape Terminal (about fifteen miles southwest of Pitswo), under cover of artillery fire. At this moment about sixty transports were observed bearing down upon the whole front and our posts retired from the shore. All papers in the postoffice at Pitswo were removed and the Russian inhabitants abandoned the town.

"According to Chinese reports by the evening of May 5, about 10,000 of the enemy's troops had landed and taken up quarters in the Chinese villages near the points of debarkation.

"The enemy sent two columns of about one regiment each, one in a easterly direction and the other to the southward.

"On May 6, a passenger train from Port Arthur was fired upon a mile and a quarter outside Polandien (about forty miles north of Port Arthur), by a hundred Japanese infantrymen occupying the heights east of the railway. The train carried many passengers, two hundred sick occupying an ambulance carriage flying the Red Cross flag. Two of the sick were wounded. The train succeeded in reaching Polandien.

Arguing The Hoyer Writ

DENVER, Colo.—Arguments on the writ of habeas corpus issued on behalf of Charles H. Moyer, president of the western federation of miners, who had been deprived of his freedom since March 30 by order of Governor Peabody, and is now held as a military prisoner at Telluride, which is under martial law, were heard by the state supreme court today. Many lawyers and judges of minor courts from all parts of the state assembled to hear the speeches. Two full days will be consumed in argument.

The question at issue is whether the governor has authority to establish military rule for the purpose of suppressing what he termed "a state of insurrection and rebellion, due to acts of strikers." In proclamations declaring martial law, Governor Peabody denies the jurisdiction of the court in the case of Moyer and claims the right to suspend the writs of the courts and to arrest and hold as military prisoner any persons whom he deems guilty of inciting "insurrection."

TELLURIDE, Colo.—Judge Theron Stevens today ordered the jurors summoned for the May term of the district court in this city to be discharged. All cases pending before the court will go over until the next term of court. Judge Stevens explained his action by saying that owing to existing conditions in San Miguel county, which is under martial rule, juries could accomplish little, if anything, in the trial of cases.

Entombed In Coal Mine

ASHLAND, Pa.—George Zueb and Joseph Osunsky, miners of Girardville, were entombed by a fall of coal today in the Continental colliery of the Lehigh Valley Coal company. The men could be heard tapping for several hours after the accident, but as this ceased before evening it is believed the men have suffocated.