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LONDON, July 4.—The commanders of the allies in Tien Tsin inform the correspondents that it would be suicidal to attempt to reach Pekin with the troops now available in the face of the colossal force of imperial troops and Boxers occupying the country between Tien Tsin and Pekin. So far from taking the offensive, the 12,000 international troops at Tien Tsin and the 4,000 others at Taku and intermediate points can barely keep up communications, fighting incessantly with overwhelming numbers using far more numerous artillery than the allies.

London Abandons All Hope

Legation at Pekin Believed to Be Beyond Salvation by the Powers.

Official news received at Che Foo shows that the Chinese have been guilty of horrible cruelty toward wounded and captured, subjecting them to what is known as slicing, or the slicing process. Under this hideous practice the bodies of the fallen are mutilated.

Revolting stories are told of the barbarities practiced upon Japanese and European prisoners captured on the way to Pekin, though it is not known that Admiral Seymour lost any prisoners. The Chinese say, left behind them trails of rapine, fire and blood. Native women were assaulted and children were cut in two.

Direct tidings from Pekin end with the dispatch sent by Sir Robert Hart on June 28.

According to roundabout reports, it is asserted by the Chinese that Prince Tuan is personally directing the assault upon the legations. He conferred honors and gave large sums of money and other presents to the leaders of the troops who drove back Admiral Seymour and also gave money to every soldier taking part in the operation.

An edict of Prince Tuan's has reached Shanghai ordering southern viceroy to assemble the Chinese fleet and to attack the war ships at Shanghai.

Japan Landing Army.

Japan is reported to be landing an army at Peking, in the northward of Taku and the Japanese generals are believed to be about to move toward Pekin, following the plan previously formulated.

European and American residents in Shanghai say that according to the best military estimates 600,000 men will be necessary to subjugate northern China and even then it will take two or three years. The forces of the empire gathered such motion that even Japan's fullest strength, launched now, will be unequal to the task of restoring order.

Tao Tai Sheng of Shanghai issued a proclamation on Wednesday which practically forbids foreign war ships approaching the Yang Tze Kiang, saying that if they do so the Chinese authorities will not hold themselves responsible for the consequences. It is considered that the Chinese officials are preparing to evade responsibility if an outbreak occurs. Even Li Hung Chang is suspected. The foreigners are simply afraid at the extent of the Chinese armaments, which have been systematically accumulated.

The decision of the admirals not to attempt the relief of the besieged forces has filled the entire European community, the Daily Mail's Shanghai correspondent says, with bitterness and despair. Few, however, affirm that any other course is possible. The weakness of the allied forces left to other courses. It is pointed out that the Chinese opposing Admiral Seymour were only a fraction of the huge force now cutting off the capital from Tien Tsin and which numbers 200,000, nearly all well armed. The allies have no means of transport and there is no food in the country, as it is being laid waste. The question of ammunition is also a serious one. Only Japan, and to a lesser extent Russia, are able to push up war material in the vast quantities made necessary by the continuous fighting. Though transports will soon arrive at Taku, the pressure is not removed.

Need Fifty Thousand Men.

The consensus of opinion among military and naval authorities is that it will require at least 50,000 men to rescue the Europeans in Pekin. The allies have to hold Taku in strength and the occupation of strategic points on the railroad to Tien Tsin will be most difficult. Tien Tsin itself is none too strongly held.

Among the reports received at Shanghai on June 22 were orders for the foreign ministers to leave Pekin within twenty-four hours. The legations were to be sealed up and the flagstaffs cut down. Another edict issued on June 22 announced that Prince Tuan and Kang-Yi are the supreme chiefs of the Boxers, the Chinese name of the Boxers.

A dispatch to the Daily Mail from Che Foo dated July 1, says that Wei Hai Wei has been placed under martial law and that no passengers are allowed to land there.

A dispatch from Shanghai to the Daily Telegraph dated July 4, says:

"The Tao-Tai has received news from Pekin to Wednesday last. Pekin was then entirely in the hands of the Boxers and the situation of the foreigners was hopeless."

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