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REPORTS CONFLICT

Official News That Pekin Legations Were Safe July 4.

A CORRESPONDENT DISCREDITS IT

Disorders in the Province Are Said to Be Increasing—Expedition Ordered Against Nankin.

LONDON, July 8.—The foreign legations at Shanghai met on July 7 and officially announced that the legations at Pekin were safe on July 4. The foregoing statement, read by Consul Warren's dispatch to the Foreign Office, on Sunday, makes it possible to believe that the legations will hold out for a number of days yet. Having fought to a standstill the first outbreak of fanaticism, it is believed that something may intervene to save them. The news, after the disaster rumors of the last 10 days, is enough upon which to build hopes.

The Shanghai correspondent of the Express telegraphing on Sunday, at 5:30 P. M., throws doubt upon Consul Warren's information. He says: "The Tai Sheng now admits that there was an error in his communication to Consul Warren on Sunday. The Japanese arrival at Chien Feng was July 1, which does not apply to his departure from Pekin. The journey from Pekin to Chien Feng takes five days. The courier, therefore, could not have reached Shanghai on June 8. The date of the disaster, then, as given by Chinese reports, was June 8 or July 1."

Tien Tsin is still held, however, a Chinese source claiming that the Japanese, as estimated by Japanese communications, floods the country round about Tien Tsin, communication between which place and Taku is apparently possible by river only.

A Che Foo dispatch to the Express says the Russians have landed 800 men at Taku, and the Japanese have discharged several transports. The Japanese pushed on to Tien Tsin, leading in the subsequent assault upon the native city, in which their commander was killed. Ten more transports are engaged at Japanese ports. With the 10,000 British India troops and some fresh Japanese contingents, it is quite probable that the allies will have 50,000 men ashore.

Disorders appear to be increasing. The disorders in the provinces appear to be increasing in violence. A Chinese army is within 40 miles of New Chuan, and the foreigners are preparing to abandon their homes. The southern part of the province is swept by raiders, destroying all works of the white man, except in spots Garrisoned by Russian troops.

The foreign legations at Che Foo are at the mercy of two Chinese forces equipped with Krupp guns, which command two sides of the city. Six warships, including the United States gunboat Nashville, are constantly on the alert for action in the river.

The provisional government at Pekin appears to have designs upon the southern provinces. Beside having ordered Kwan Shik to advance upon Nankin, which Kwan Shik says will not do, Prince Tuan has sent an army along the route of the grand canal. Nankin is on the south bank of the river, nearly a mile wide. The British cruisers Hermes and Pique I will assist in repelling attempts to cross. Six Chinese cruisers are there, and 15,000 Chinese troops are at the disposal of Viceroy Lu Kun Yi. The forts mount 24 high-power modern guns. The foreigners in Shanghai are becoming uneasy. Everything depends, they feel, on Viceroy Lu Kun Yi.

Chinese Bombardment Ineffective. Refugees from Tien Tsin arriving from Shanghai say that only five civilian foreigners were killed during the long Chinese bombardment. The foreign women became so indifferent that they walked through the streets, not heeding the shells. Most of the civilians were deported to Taku, thence to be conveyed to Shanghai.

The courier mentioned in Consul Warren's dispatch, gives a strange picture, says the Daily Mail's Shanghai correspondent, of how life lingers on in Pekin. Business apparently goes on as usual. The shops and theaters are open, and the streets are full of people. No imperial troops except those of General Tung Puah Slang took part in the fighting. The courier even asserts positively that provisions are being supplied to the legations, but by whom he does not say. The Boxers and General Tung Puah Slang do not get along well. The Boxers assert that they do all the fighting, and the latter all the looting, and nothing else.

General Kwan Shik, Governor of Shan Tung, says the correspondent of the Daily Mail, predicts that by July 11 the Boxers will be disbanded, and negotiations will be begun for peace. Nevertheless the continued rumors of dark things to come are in circulation.

What the Correspondents Say. The correspondents at Shanghai, which are still the clearing-house of all Chinese news, say that a combined force of Russians and Japanese followed the railway as far as Lang Chan, and then swept to the west and attacked the Chinese 13 miles north of Tien Tsin and killed 1000 of them.

The Shanghai correspondent of the Standard says representatives from Tien Tsin from Chinese sources, say that a great battle has taken place, in which the Chinese lost heavily. The allies at Tien Tsin are short of provisions, and suffer considerably from "hemping."

The Daily Mail's Tien Tsin correspondent, in a dispatch dated July 2, via Che Foo, July 4, says:

"No forward movement is possible with less than 20,000. A document has been found, signed by a British resident, on behalf of British manufacturers, offering Viceroy Chi Ching Chung, complete armament and officers and an army corps for \$400,000."

The message of British correspondents at Tien Tsin are censored by the British authorities, but there is no censorship exercised over the other correspondents.

The Daily Telegraph's Canton correspondent, writing Friday, via Hong Kong Saturday, says:

"Li Hung Chang was officially notified today that President McKinley appreciates his friendship for the allied powers. Now that anarchy controls the capital, President McKinley trusts to the responsibility of provincial authorities to carry out the international obligations of the Chinese Government."

The Shanghai correspondent of the Daily Telegraph, under date of July 7, says: "Boxers' emissaries are coming to the

south, disguised for the purpose of enlisting men. The situation is grave."

Emperor William, says a Berlin dispatch, today received the following from the governor at Tien Tsin, which refers to the presence of Russian troops: "Should accomplish the delivery of a foreigner from Pekin."

"Being notified of Your Majesty's telegraphic dispatch of 28th June, I have been full of anxiety regarding the Europeans in Pekin, and I have made repeated attempts to send a messenger to get help to the last train. Now I am sure that Pekin are beset with rebels, and therefore, whatever measures are taken now, offer even less prospect of success than before. Nevertheless, I shall consider it my duty to work for their help."

Several correspondents at St. Petersburg sent out telegrams—conservative, of course—in the effect that Russia, Japan and England, are said to be closely studying China, their interests dominating there. General Orloff, a brilliant soldier, has been appointed Chief of Staff of the Russian forces in China.

NATIONS TO STAND TOGETHER. Information That Russia May Seek Largest Share of the Prize.

BERLIN, July 8.—The Volks Zeitung St. Petersburg correspondent notes the conflicting views existing regarding the Chinese situation. The Czar and Count Lambdort, acting Minister of Foreign Affairs, are said to be strongly inclined to avoid a division of China, and are convinced of Germany's powerful support of this policy, but the highest political authority, practiced naval men, are against Germany, remembering how Russia, at the Berlin Congress was outmaneuvered by Germany. Hence their policy now is to keep the prize in the hands of the other powers, embroiling themselves in China, and should then step in and secure the lion's share as a reward for her neutrality.

The Kren Setung makes a strong assertion regarding European policy in China. He says: "The worst should happen at Pekin. If the nations of Europe were united, and they will therefore stand together and demand an explanation."

APPEAL OF LI HUNG CHANG. Wants Intervention and Assistance to Establish Stable Government.

LONDON, July 8.—The Times says this morning: "We learn from a private message from Canton that Li Hung Chang has telegraphed direct to the Chinese Minister at London, urging him to request the British Government to approach the United States Government with a view to a joint invitation to Japan to co-operate in the maintenance of the Chinese Empire and the establishment of a strong government on a solid basis, the three uniting in an appeal for the support of all the other powers."

The Shanghai correspondent of the Times telegraphing Sunday, says: "The telegraph station at Moukden has been destroyed, severing the connection between North China and Korea."

The Viceroy of Nankin and Wu Chiao Wang, the Governor of Shan Tung, are urging the foreign powers to guard the person of the Dowager Empress, no matter what happens in the north."

REVENUE COUNCIL REVOLUTION. That is What Checks the Boxers and Gives Hope.

BRUSSELS, July 8.—A dispatch from Shanghai says that the Boxers, according to a high Chinese official, the legations which were still holding out on July 2 were the object of incessant attacks. There had been some losses among the troops guarding the legations, but the diplomats were safe.

The dispatch also says the loyal troops under Prince Ching, who is heading a counter revolution, had attacked the rebels in Peking, and that the Boxers were discouraged. They also report that a Chinese journal confirms the announcement of Prince Ching's counter revolution in Pekin.

OMAHA, Neb., July 8.—John D. McNeely, assistant Secretary of War, is in the city. In an interview today he discussed current topics in vigorous language. Referring to the cablegrams stating that every foreigner in Pekin must be killed, he said: "I believe that swift punishment should be meted out to a government that permits such foul deeds, and I think China deserves to be chastized by us and by other nations whose combined power should be invoked to crush the present anarchy, and set up in its place a ruling party that could guarantee protection to Americans. I am opposed to the dismemberment of China, but we have an open door there with other nations."

Missionaries Reported Safe. CHICAGO, July 8.—James W. Porter, of Chicago, has received a cablegram from Che Foo announcing that his brother, the Rev. Henry J. Porter, and his wife, Miss Mary H. Porter, missionaries of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions, stationed at Pang Chung, 30 miles south of Tien Tsin, had arrived safely at Che Foo July 5, coming overland from Chinan Pao, capital of the province. They were accompanied by the Rev. H. P. Perkins, another missionary stationed at Pang Chung.

Objection to Japanese. LONDON, July 8.—The Shanghai correspondent of the Express, cabling on July 7, says: "The Russian, French and German Admirals have had a long conference. They confessed themselves as averse to seeing large Japanese forces landed in China in advance of the other powers."

Bombardment by Chinese. LONDON, July 8.—A dispatch from Tien Tsin dated July 3, says: "Since early morning the Chinese have heavily bombarded the settlements. Admiral Seymour has ordered the women and children conveyed to Taku at the earliest possible moment."

Bombardment by Russians. BERLIN, July 8.—A dispatch from Tien Tsin says the Russians unsuccessfully bombarded the native town on July 2. The strength of the armed troops is about 10,000. There is no fresh news regarding the situation in Pekin.

Only Fear for Food Supply. LONDON, July 8.—The Consuls at Shanghai report that the Pekin Legations were safe on July 4, and that the Chinese had ceased their attacks. The only fear, according to the reports of the Consuls, was regarding the food supply.

NO DECISION YET

Towne Says He Will Issue an Address Later.

WANTS TO BE OFFICIALLY NOTIFIED

Then He Will Explain Himself—Conference Called for Bryan, Stevenson, Towne and Jones.

LINCOLN, Neb., July 8.—No formal announcement will be made by Charles A. Towne of his decision in regard to the Populist nomination for the Vice-Presidency until the Populist committee gives him formal notification of the nomination.

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olin, Neb. When seen at the depot, just before his departure, Mr. Stevenson would say little, except that he was to attend a conference at Lincoln regarding the plan campaign, in which Senator Jones, chairman of the Democratic National Committee and Mr. Towne, Populist candidate for Vice-President, were to take part. Mr. Stevenson further said that at the conclusion of the conference, he would return to Minnesota Beach and remain there until September 1, when he is expected to take an active part in the campaign. From another source it is learned that Mr. Towne is awaiting the verdict of the coming conference as to whether it is better for him to withdraw as the Populist candidate, or if he is ready to do so just what Mr. Bryan thinks best.

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On June 30, 1899, the total single track mileage in the United States was 138,304, an increase for the year of 2388. This increase is greater than for any year since 1894. The aggregate length of mileage, including tracks of all kinds, was 222,287. There were 36,793 locomotives in service at the end of the year, or 469 more than for the year ended June 30, 1898. The total number of cars of all classes in the service was 1,353,519, an increase of 67,743.

The number of persons employed on railroads