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SHE COULD AND SHE COULDN'T. A young lady said yesterday: "I can't afford to take music lessons, but I can afford to buy a Pianola. I would never get through taking lessons, and I can't stand the unlimited expenditure of money, time and effort; but when my Pianola came, I own a complete musical education and you can't get it away from me."

THANKS FROM HAWAIIANS. AN APPEAL TO LL. Natives Appreciate What the United States Has Done for Them.

WASHINGTON, July 18.—The President has received the following letter: "Honolulu, June 30, 1900.—To His Excellency, William McKinley, President, and Congress of the United States of America—Greeting: The native Hawaiian citizens of the Territory of Hawaii send their greetings; they wish to express to you their appreciation and thanks for the liberal laws which the Congress has enacted for the Territory of Hawaii, and which Your Excellency has approved on the 30th day of April last.

Cholera on a Steamer. MALTA, July 15.—The British steamer Borneo, Captain Gregor, from Calcutta, for London, has arrived here and has been quarantined at the Island of Comino (between Malta and Gozo) in consequence of five deaths from cholera having occurred on board during the voyage.

LACK OF HARMONY. Serious Friction Reported Between the Allies.

JAPAN DELAYS REINFORCEMENTS. Meantime the Rebellion is Spreading South and West—A Boxer Proclamation.

LONDON, July 19, 4 A. M.—While evidence accumulates daily that China has long been preparing a formidable military organization in anticipation of the present conflict and that the area of the rebellion is continuously extending, harmony among the allies, which is to meet such a grave situation, is still deplorably lacking.

The Standard in alarmist editorial says: "It is useless any longer to hide from ourselves the fact that the Chinese have declared war on civilization and has plunged into the conflict with rabid frenzy. It is equally futile to discuss whether hostilities are being waged by the Chinese Government, in which it is evident that an administration of some kind exists. Unless unmistakable evidence exculpating the Peking Government is promptly forthcoming, the powers should treat China as a belligerent state and act accordingly."

A similar line of comment is taken by the other morning papers. All applying the course of Count von Bulow, the German Foreign Secretary, in stopping Chinese telegrams from the Chinese Legation in Berlin, and urging other powers to follow Germany's example.

The Russian general staff denies the report that the Chinese have captured Biagovestchensk, capital of the Province of Amur, and its removal from Irkutsk that the Russians have taken Algon.

A special dispatch from Tien Tsin distributes the news that 100 Chinese killed at the capture of the native city as follows: Russians 30, Japanese 57, British 40 and Americans 7. The correspondent who sends this account says that thousands of Chinese were killed, and that the Chinese are still going on when his dispatch was sent in various parts of Tien Tsin.

In reference to the rumors that Europeans were seen working the Chinese guns at Tien Tsin, the Standard learns that eight Russian military instructors, forcibly detained by the Chinese, were compelled to work the guns. One escaped and reached the Russian lines.

A special correspondent of the Daily Express at Tien Tsin contrasts the "splendid work and perfect equipment" of the Japanese with the "inferior" supplies of the British, German and American contingents, which are terribly lacking in the most obvious necessities.

A TRIPLE ALLIANCE. Germany, Russia and France Reach an Agreement.

BERLIN, July 18.—From two distinct sources the correspondent of the Associated Press today ascertained that Count von Bulow has succeeded in allaying the suspicions of Russia created by Emperor William's recent speeches and by other facts, and that an entente regarding future action in China has been reached by Russia, Germany and France.

The first order of this understanding has been the issuance of telegrams by the Russian censorship not to pass hostile press telegrams, referring to Germany's action in China. In this latest arrangement, Count von Bulow has the support of the influential conservative party, with its court, army and navy ramifications, whose programme the Kreuz Zeitung has just defined:

"Germany will join the Peking campaign only if all the other powers shall do. Her sphere of influence and her main action must not transcend Tuen Tsin. There is no question of new territory. Germany must recognize any Chinese Government able and willing to accept reparation and adjustments. Her Chinese interests will best be served in accord with Britain and Russia."

The Berlin Tagblatt, correspondent at St. Petersburg, in its issue of yesterday, says that Russia is preparing for a separate campaign against Peking, via the north, by land. He adds that Russia does not intend to join the allied campaign from Tien Tsin will be successful in time.

The latest series of Chinese attempts to gloss over the ugly facts in China which has been undertaken in Washington, London and St. Petersburg, and by Li Hung Chang in Germany, has not yet presented to the Foreign Office a copy of the document presented by his colleagues in Washington, London and Paris. Since he has been forbidden by Count von Bulow to send any dispatches, he has not been able to forward information regarding the military positions, he has not ventured from the Chinese frontier. Upon his advice a good many of the Chinese residents in Germany have left the country during the last two days.

The impression in official circles here is that the situation is growing steadily worse, and that the anti-foreign movement is spreading. It is believed that Li Hung Chang is playing false.

The Kreuz Zeitung today ridicules the idea of appointing a British officer as chief commander over the international troops. Li Hung Chang, the German minister, Li Hai Houan, has not yet presented to the Foreign Office a copy of the document presented by his colleagues in Washington, London and Paris. Since he has been forbidden by Count von Bulow to send any dispatches, he has not been able to forward information regarding the military positions, he has not ventured from the Chinese frontier.

Speaking about the Chinese armaments, the Standard says: "British manufacturers of arms are now engaged in selling weapons to the Chinese, and they will continue to do so until the indignation of the world stops them. Germany, it is believed, has been a good source of the arms and munitions which the Chinese are now engaged in selling weapons to the Chinese, and they will continue to do so until the indignation of the world stops them."

LEAGUE OF CLUBS. St. Paul Convention Condensed Its Programme.

PHILADELPHIA PLATFORM INDORSED. I. M. Hamilton, of Illinois, Elected President—Next Meeting Will Be Held at St. Louis.

ST. PAUL, July 18.—The programme of the National League of Republican Clubs called for a three days' session, but a movement started today to condense the last two days into one and close the session today. The committee on time and place has agreed on St. Louis for the next convention.

At 10 o'clock President Stone called the meeting to order. The committee on credentials reported delegations present from Arkansas, Colorado, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Iowa, Kansas, Louisiana, Missouri, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, South Dakota, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, Wisconsin, West Virginia, and the College League with 140 votes.

President Stone's annual report was then read as follows: "On retiring from the presidency of the National League, I gratefully acknowledge the many courtesies shown me by the members during my term of office. That period will always have place among the pleasant memories of my life. The Secretary reports that the war-time settlement of the League has been a gratifying loyalty toward myself, and the League is to be congratulated in having secured services of such a capable and enthusiastic nature."

"At no time since 1894 have the state leagues been in such good condition for effective work as at the present; old clubs are being reorganized and new ones formed, and never in the history of the National League has there been a brighter prospect for its usefulness in National politics. Maryland, New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, Nevada, Idaho, North Dakota, Georgia, Iowa and by the American College League. All conventions held thus far have been conspicuous for the high attendance and an unbounded enthusiasm."

"When the present National officers were chosen they found many of the state leagues in a deplorable condition of business; our efforts have been directed toward improving these conditions, and in most cases with satisfactory results. The States of West Virginia, Montana, Utah, Washington, Louisiana and South Carolina the leagues have been reorganized and we hope to soon see the Wisconsin League again in the front rank. The greatest activity has been in the Western States, which in 1898 went for Bryan, and the league movement has assumed such proportions as to justify the organization of a national committee on the Republican side. In closing, I feel my duty to call your attention to the unsatisfactory condition of the finances of the League, and cannot too strongly urge the necessity for action before adjournment looking to the future financial support of the organization."

Major Melville Hays presented the report of the revision committee on behalf of the executive committee. A vice-president-at-large was provided for, being a new office. A system of honorary membership is provided in addition to the regular membership. Most of the other changes had to do with meetings and duties of officers. The report was unanimously adopted.

President Woodman presented the report of the committee on resolutions, which was unanimously adopted in part as follows: "The National League of Republican Clubs, in convention assembled, congratulates the people of the United States upon the happy and prosperous condition of the entire country, and declares anew its allegiance to the principles of the Republican party, which ably and bravely carried into execution by the National Administration have made these conditions possible."

TIEN TSN TAKEN. Capture of the Native City by the Allied Troops.

THE JAPANESE BLEW UP A GATE. They Were the Heaviest Losers in the Seven Hundred Casualties—The Chinese Fled.

LONDON, July 18.—In the House of Commons today the Parliamentary secretary for the Foreign Office, Sir John Broderick, read a telegram from Admiral Seymour, dated Taku, July 17, giving an account of the capture of the native city of Tien Tsin by the allied forces. According to this dispatch, the morning of July 14 the Japanese blew up the gate and entered the city. The Japanese followed. On the right the Russians captured a battery on the bank of the Liu Tai Canal, consisting of 12 small guns. The other troops were engaged on the left. About 800 in all were engaged, and over 700 were killed or wounded. The Japanese being the heaviest losers. The British had 30 killed and 30 wounded. The Chinese troops fled, in what direction is not known.

Assault That Led Up to the Taking of the City. TIEN TSN, Friday, July 17 P. M., via Chefoo, July 18, and Shanghai, July 18.—The battle, which was begun with the attack by 700 allied forces upon the walls of the native city at 3 o'clock this afternoon, continued all day, two battalions of the Ninth Infantry participating. It is reported that 215 of this command were killed or wounded, including 10 or 15 officers. Colonel E. H. Liscum was killed, and Majors Jesse M. Lee and James R. Eagan, Captains Charles R. Nokes, Andrew Browner and Edwin Bookmiller, and First Lieutenants William K. Naylor, Louis B. Lawton, Harold Hammond and I. C. Waldron were wounded.

Among the United States marines the casualties numbered 4. Captain A. R. Davis was killed, and Captain William B. Lemley and First Lieutenants Henry Leonard and S. D. Butler were wounded. The American contingent, after lying in shallow, hastily dug trenches, full of water, and under a heavy fire of the city, and suffering for want of water and food, besides being short of ammunition, were ordered by General Doward to retire under cover of darkness.

The Russians were outside the east wall, while the Japanese, British and French were close to the west wall, with the Chinese trying to flank them. The walls were badly battered by shells. The attack will be renewed in the morning. The total losses of the allied forces are estimated at 500. A messenger has arrived here who left Peking July 17, and reports that at that time were all in the British legation. Chinese troops were beginning to bombard the legations from the streets. The legations had been besieged for several days previously, and in that time four foreigners had been killed and 18 wounded. The marines had unsuccessfully attempted to capture a gun on a wall commanding the legations. The foreigners were supplied with an abundance of provisions.

Sixty-Two Guns Taken. BERLIN, July 18.—Admiral von Bendemann, commander of the German squadron, in his account of the fighting at Tien Tsin, July 14, says: "When the citadel was captured, 62 guns fell into the hands of the allies. Regularly the Chinese were being beaten by the British and French on July 15. It was decided today that the senior officer on the station should have military control of the line until it could be handed over to the British authorities. The British Admiral wished it to be handed over at once. The Russians have repaired the line, and control it."

THE HOT SPELL. Caused Seventy Deaths at New York Yesterday. NEW YORK, July 18.—The hot weather today caused or contributed toward the death of more than 70 persons in this city and vicinity. As many more stricken ones are in the hospitals, and some of them will succumb before the night is over. More than half the fatalities were among little children, and there are now about 100 little children lying in the morgue at Bellevue.

This was the third day of the spell of intense heat. Late tonight the temperature moderated. Early this morning the sun began its deadly work, and before the day was fairly well started the hospitals were busy. On the streets the temperature ranged from 92 to 98, and the official report from the Weather Bureau, high as it is, does not do justice to the heat above ground, was 84 deg. shortly before 6 o'clock tonight. One death was from an attempt at suicide made while the subject was crazed with the heat. Many little children are badly hurt by falls from fire escapes, to which they had crawled for relief from the oppressive weather.

PHILADELPHIA'S HOTTEST DAY. Philadelphia's Hottest Day.

PHILADELPHIA, July 18.—The excessive heat today caused us death of six persons in this city and two in Camden, N. J. Up to a late hour tonight 40 cases of prostration were treated at various hospitals.

According to the report of the local forecaster, this was the hottest day of the summer. The humidity was 13 per cent during the day, but decreased to night to 30 per cent at 8 o'clock, at which hour the thermometer registered 92 degrees.

Many Prostrations in Boston. BOSTON, July 18.—The hospital report tonight show that between 30 and 40 persons were prostrated by heat in this city today, three of whom have since died.

Torrid Weather in Europe. LONDON, July 18.—Torrid heat continues throughout Europe. The mercury indicated 85 degrees in the shade this morning. The hospitals are busy caring for victims of heat prostration. Nine fatal cases are reported today. Laborers are obliged to knock off work during the hottest hours of the day.

Gold Going to Europe. NEW YORK, July 18.—Leard Freres will ship \$1,000,000 in gold bars, and Heidebach, Ickelheimer & Co. \$500,000 by tomorrow's steamer to Europe. Goldman, Sachs & Co. will ship \$500,000 gold by tomorrow's French steamer. This makes the total thus far engaged \$2,000,000.