

FRENCH AND BOXERS

Chinese Force Attacked Ballou's Column.

REPULSED WITH GREAT LOSS

Europeans Captured Five Standards and Four Cannon-Americans First to Enter Forbidden City

Particulars of the Fight.

PARIS, Dec. 26.—A dispatch to the Havas Agency from Peking, dated Dec. 25, says a detachment of French troops, commanded by General Ballou, was recently attacked by Chinese regulars and Boxers at Tsi Tchou, south of Pao Ting Fu.

DELIVERING THE NOTE.

Minister Conger Advises the State Department of Envoys' Action.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—A cablegram received at the State Department from the United States Minister, Conger, at Peking, on the 24th inst., states that the formal meeting between the diplomatic representatives and Prince Ching took place on the 23d inst.

THE DAY'S RACES.

Races at Tanforan.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 26.—Weather fine; track fast.

Races at New Orleans.

BRISTOL, R. I., Dec. 26.—The work of uncovering the lead keel for the new cup defender, which is in progress of construction here, was begun today.

The Jeffries-Rublin Fight.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 26.—The city officials, as well as the officers and members of the Saengerfest Athletic Club, were in no way interested in the reports being circulated in this city.

DELIA FOX MARRIED.

BALTIMORE, Md., Dec. 26.—Delia Fox, the actress, was married today to John Levy, of New York, in the office of the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas.

AMERICANS IN PEKIN.

Their Conduct Praised by an English Correspondent.

LONDON, Dec. 26.—In the course of a review published in the Morning Post today, of the conditions existing in Peking, H. J. Whigham, the well-known newspaper correspondent, says there are now 250,000 inhabitants pursuing their ordinary avocations in the city.

Bound for Tahiti.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—The Normandie, of the French line, which had been here from Havre after a stormy voyage, brought five French gendarmes in full uniform, who are going to Tahiti, the principal island of the Society group, in the South Pacific, which is owned by France.

Declaration of Recovery.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Dec. 26.—W. J. Sanford, who was elected Governor of Alabama in 1890, but who has been confined to his bed since the death of his wife, reached here today from his home in Opelika and filed a declaration of recovery with the clerk of the court.

The President's Holiday.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—This was a quiet day at the White House. The President had a number of callers, including Senators Foraker, of Ohio; Fairbanks, of Indiana, and Elkins and Scott, of West Virginia, but their visits were of a social character.

WHY IT WAS AMENDED

SPOONER EXPLAINS THE SENATE'S ACTION ON THE TREATY.

As It Originally Stood, It Gave England an Undue Advantage Over Us.

MILWAUKEE, Dec. 26.—Senator Spooner, in a statement which will be printed in the morning, discusses freely the action of the Senate in amending the Hay-Pauncefote treaty, and the situation regarding the battle-ship Alabama.

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Another Colorado Smelter. The new Rocky Mountain smelter at Florence, 40 miles up the Arkansas River, was fired up today and began operations.

FINANCIAL SITUATION IN MEXICO. MEXICO CITY, Dec. 26.—The reports telegraphed to the United States, implying that Mexico is on the point of a financial panic, are exaggerated.