

A RAY OF HOPE

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ALL WAS WELL TUESDAY

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CHINESE LOSSES WERE HEAVY

Boxer Attacks Diminishing in Force—Besieged Ample Supplied With Food and Ammunition.

LONDON, July 7.—The Foreign Office has issued the text of a telegram from Acting Consul-General Warren, at Shanghai, confirming from trustworthy sources the news received by courier from Peking, July 3, by way of Shanghai, to the London office of the Inspector of Chinese Maritime Customs, saying that two legations were, the day the courier left, holding out against the troops and Boxers, and that the troops had lost 200 men, and the Boxers many leaders.

Mr. Warren adds that the messenger says the troops were much disheartened by their losses, and that the Boxers claim their mystic powers have been broken by the foreigners, and that they dare not approach the legations.

It is further asserted that the foreigners at Peking ought to be able to hold out for a long time, as they have sufficient food and ammunition.

Jardine, Matheson & Co., of Shanghai, have telegraphed their London house as follows:

"Shanghai, July 7.—The British legation was standing July 7. There are reassuring reports regarding the lives of the Europeans."

News from other points was distinctly cheering. A report from Che Foo, dated July 7, says the Catholic bishop, two priests and two nuns have been murdered.

A report from Moukden, dated July 5, says the Danish mission at Hsin Yun was surrounded by Boxers. According to the report, it would be possible to hold out only two days. A party of Cossacks, residents of Moukden, and the British Consul, had started for the relief of those besieged at the Danish mission.

The situation at Tien Tsin, July 3, is said to have been most serious. Japanese and Russian forces are reported to have been hurrying there from Taku, but according to some accounts, mutual distrust exists between the allies.

A report from Shanghai, dated July 7, says the British warships are vigilantly watching for the purpose of preventing any attempt of the Chinese to cross the Yangtze Kiang.

THE NEWS IN WASHINGTON.

Consul-General Goodnow Also Reports the Ministers Safe.

WASHINGTON, July 7.—A cablegram was received at the State Department this morning from Consul-General Goodnow, at Shanghai, dated July 7, saying that the legations were standing the 3d inst., and that recent attacks of the Boxers had been slight. They seemed disposed to adopt starvation methods.

The dispatch has revived hope to a measure that the legations, or at least some of them, are still alive in Peking. Having survived at least two weeks longer than was supposed to be possible, they being alive five days ago, the unfortunate Ministers and their staffs and guards may still be holding out. In fact, if the only legation to hold out in starvation, as things they have to fight in, the officials believe there is substantial ground for hope that the horrible stories of the last few days from Shanghai, of senseless crimes and massacres committed upon the legationaires are at least premature.

No one in Washington is more anxious to hear of the safety of the foreign legations in Peking than the Chinese Minister. He carefully reads every word of the Chinese news that appears in the papers, and eagerly asks all the reporters who call upon him for the latest developments. He also keeps in touch with officials in Washington and makes periodic visits to the State Department to ascertain if any intelligence has come to hand.

The issue today of formal orders for the dispatch to the East of more than 6000 troops from the army posts in the United States was a manifestation of the energy with which the Government is now about to act in the Chinese matter. True, these troops are nominally destined for the Philippines to replace the volunteers now there, but it is admitted that they are being sent out by a route that will easily admit of their being landed at any convenient Chinese port. Possibly Consul-General Goodnow's cablegram may have something to do with this radical movement. Whatever the case, if these troops are landed in China, together with the Ninth Infantry, supposed to be now at Taku and the marine contingent, the United States will have a force in action commensurate with her interests and in proportion to the European forces.

Japan is to begin sending troops today, with the full consent of Europe, and it is calculated that full foreign reinforcements, including our own, will arrive in China, if they are landed at all, in season to finish the work left by the Japanese. The orders today to the troops, it is believed at the State Department, have an indirect, but most important bearing on the situation in China. Once the vicereys of Central and Southern China become satisfied that the foreign legations are actually coming in force, they may be counted upon to take to Taku or some other convenient Chinese port. Possibly Consul-General Goodnow's cablegram may have something to do with this radical movement. Whatever the case, if these troops are landed in China, together with the Ninth Infantry, supposed to be now at Taku and the marine contingent, the United States will have a force in action commensurate with her interests and in proportion to the European forces.

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SENDING OUT OF LITERATURE

Democrats at the Capital Prophecy an Overwhelming Victory for Their Ticket.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 7.—Although the Democrats seem to take a very hopeful view of the outcome of the campaign, in anticipation of the expected fusion of the anti-republican forces, there are no signs of discouragement at Republican headquarters today, although it is admitted that the fight is to be a hard one and will require steady, conscientious and unceasing efforts on the part of the Republicans.

Republican leaders say they look for

ANOTHER PITTSBURGH FIRE

Caused Deaths of Four Firemen and Injury to Six Others.

PITTSBURGH, July 7.—Pittsburg's downtown business section was visited by another disastrous fire today, the second within a week. Four men are dead and six others are in hospital suffering from injuries which may prove fatal. All of the victims were firemen. The dead are: John Griffin, St. Clair Crawford, Max

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The action taken this week by M. Gervillie-Reache, one of the Representatives in the Chamber of Deputies for Guedouva, indicates that the good effect produced among Frenchmen by the American sympathy displayed at these fetes may bring forth practical fruits. He has published an article in the Eclair, an influential organ, suggesting that steps be taken for the formation of a society for the promotion of a Franco-American alliance, proposing that ex-Minister Leon

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a close fight, but bank their reliance on the superiority of expansion as the leading issue of the campaign, which will carry them to victory. The Republican literary bureau is very active now in sending out campaign material and documents that will assist in the cause, and many of the Republican papers of the country are being supplied with political matter.

At the headquarters of the Democratic Congressional committee today all was bright and expectant. It was prophesied on every hand that Bryan and Stevenson would sweep the country in November, but this free expression of confidence among the Democrats has not shaken in the slightest degree the confidence of the Republicans in McKinley and Roosevelt. They firmly assert that fusion or no fusion, their ticket will unquestionably win.

BARRETT ON THE STUMP

Ex-Minister to Siam Will Support McKinley.

CLEVELAND, July 7.—Hon. John Barrett, Minister to Siam under the Cleveland Administration, was a visitor at Senator Hanna's office today, and held a long conference with the National chairman. The ex-Minister supported McKinley during the last campaign, and it is understood will take the stump in his behalf this fall. Later in the day Mr. Barrett departed for Canton to see President McKinley. Mr. Barrett is thoroughly conversant with affairs in the Orient, and will give the President all possible information in regard to the Chinese question.

Senator Hanna said today he would go to New York and open the National headquarters in that city on or about July 8.

DIRECTING THE CAMPAIGN

NEW YORK, July 7.—The Evening Post says:

Senator Hanna has arranged to come to Elberon, N. J., July 30, and take possession of the Elberon cottage until September 1, and direct the summer campaign from Elberon, making frequent trips to this city, Philadelphia and other Eastern cities.

PACIFIC COAST WHEAT SHIPMENTS, SEASON 1899-1900

	Bushels	Per Cent.
From Portland, Oregon.....	14,289,004	46.62
From San Francisco, Cal.....	13,534,635	38.04
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NEW YORK SWELTERING

Many Heat Prostrations Were Reported.

NEW YORK, July 7.—In New York City at noon today the thermometer registered 90 degrees, the highest July record. Today's humidity was 90 at 11 o'clock, and 88 at noon. The same as yesterday. A shower today cooled the air considerably, but it was only a temporary relief. A dozen heat prostrations were reported.

Nine Deaths in Chicago.

CHICAGO, July 7.—The extreme humidity caused the largest list of deaths from heat of any one day during the past week. Nine deaths and three prostrations were the record. The record for the week ending tonight is 27 deaths and 96 prostrations.

Tornado in Iowa.

MARSHALTON, Iowa, July 7.—Tornado conditions prevailed throughout the northern part of Hardin County last night. Houses were unroofed and overturned, barns demolished and trees uprooted, but no loss of life is yet reported. Two and a quarter inches of rain fell here during the night, and the Colorado River is on the bottom lands and still rising. A new Dunkard church five miles east of the city, was wrecked by the wind. The weather is still intensely hot.

Cloudburst at Kalamazoo.

KALAMAZOO, Mich., July 7.—A cyclone, accompanied by a cloudburst and a hail storm, swept over Kalamazoo this afternoon, and a conservative estimate places the damage resulting at \$100,000. The storm lasted half an hour, and in that time nearly six inches of water fell, completely inundating the city.

Governor Allen Returns.

NEW YORK, July 7.—The United States auxiliary cruiser Mayflower, Commander Duncan Kennerly, with Hon. C. H. Allen, Governor of Porto Rico, on board, arrived today from San Juan.

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