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## CHINESE ASSAULT FOREIGN FORCES

Another Attack on Tien Tsin Reported to Have Been Made.

### SEYMOUR IN A PREDICAMENT

Met a Force of Chinese Near Tien Tsin and Could Neither Advance Nor Retreat Without Great Loss—Unimportant News Received at Washington.

LONDON, June 29.—The casualties of the international force attacking Tien Tsin were:

Americans—Killed 3, wounded 2; Germans—Killed 15, wounded 27; British—Killed 2, wounded 1; Russians—Killed 19, wounded 37.

The gun fire of the Americans and British is described as "beautiful." After relieving, the force passed on to the relief of Admiral Seymour.

The Chinese regulars, under General Nieh, says a dispatch from Shanghai, again attacked Tien Tsin and finally bombarded the foreign settlement with terrible fire.

The American marines participated in the achievement. The admiral was found entrenched and surrounded by immense masses of Chinese, who were driven off by the attacking column after a brisk fight. His men had made a brilliant resistance, never falling in courage for fifteen days of the continued fighting.

During the ten days, the men were on quarter rations. They started with provisions for three days and they could have held out a day or two longer. Deeming it hopeless to attempt to break through the hordes, Admiral Seymour assayed last night to retreat toward Tien Tsin, but he came into collision with a strong force of Chinese, arriving from the northwest, and could neither advance nor retreat.

There was nothing to do but retreat and to stand a siege. He vainly attempted a heliograph communication. Seymour's men caught several Chinese, who said that the legations had been burned and the ministers killed. Others said that the ministers had been imprisoned.

The Chinese displayed fanatical courage in the attack.

Four thousand Russians left Tien Tsin four days after Admiral Seymour, but they never got in touch with him.

Railway communication from Tien Tsin has been restored and a force is advancing toward Peking. Fighting was in progress Wednesday in the vicinity of Tse Chu Lin and large preparations are being made to support and reinforce the Peking relieving column.

Twenty thousand troops of all arms, largely Japanese, have now been landed. The fate of the members of the legations is still a mystery.

The Shanghai correspondent of the Daily Telegram, writing at 9:05 p. m. yesterday, says:

"It is reported on good Chinese authority that the government, alarmed by foreign military preparations, has issued an edict ordering the preemptory suppression of the Boxers and announcing its decision to protect the legations at all hazards."

British warships have sailed from Hong Kong to reinforce the allied squadron at Shanghai. Southern provinces are sending troops toward Peking and the exodus of Chinese of all classes from Shanghai continues at a rate of from 10,000 to 15,000 a day.

WASHINGTON, June 28.—Today's developments in Chinese affairs were meager and the general opinion here is that the two messages received—one from Kempff and the other from Li Hung Chang—could not be accepted as settling the important question as to the fate of the foreign ministers at Peking and their families and attaches.

The secretary of the navy by special instructions of the president had been particular to cable Admiral Kempff several days ago to keep the navy department informed of everything that happened within the zone of disturbance in China, and it is believed that his omission to make any reference in his cablegram this morning as to the whereabouts of the ministers was based on the absence of information at Taku, where the Admiral is with his flagship, the Newark. If any information could be had at Taku, only thirty miles down the river from Tien Tsin, of the presence of the ministers in Admiral Seymour's column, but eight miles distant, then the officials here cannot understand how any other government could have superior facilities, and they feel justified in waiting for further advice before accepting the Chinese statement on that point as accurate.

BERLIN, June 28.—The commander of the German squadron at Taku telegraphs under date of June 28 as follows:

"The foreign ministers are with the landing forces."

According to reports of Christians, it is added, fighting continued at Tien Tsin June 25, the fortified arsenal outside the town being still in possession of the Chinese.

WASHINGTON, June 28.—The following cablegram was received this morning from Admiral Kempff:

"Chee Foo, June 28.—Secretary of the Navy, Washington—About 12,000 foreign troops are now ashore. Soldiers ordered should report at Taku instead of Chee Foo. Substituted Nashville for Yorktown at Chee Foo. Yorktown used as dispatch boat, being more suitable."

The war department received the following undated cablegram from General MacArthur this morning:

"Adjutant-General, Washington—The transport left Manila at 8:30 on the morning of June 27, with Colonel Liecum in command of 59 officers and 1,571 men."

BERLIN, June 28.—The Vorwaerts says:

"From an absolutely reliable source we hear the Russian war minister has sent to all the military and civil authorities in Russia telegraphic secret orders to prepare everything for mobilization. The orders bear the date of June 18 and 19."

WASHINGTON, June 28.—Minister Wu called at the state department this afternoon and exhibited the following cablegram to Secretary Hay:

"Canton, June 28.—The legation ministers having left Peking are now 12 miles from Tien Tsin with Admiral Seymour. LI HUNG CHANG."

## PROHIBITIONISTS PUT UP A TICKET

Woolley Nominated for President on the First Ballot.

### SPEAKERS ATTACK PRESIDENT

Swallow of Pennsylvania Comes Out a Close Second in the Contest for First Place on the Ticket—Nothing But Cold Water Will Answer.

CHICAGO, June 28.—The Prohibition national convention adjourned sine die today, after having placed in nomination for president, John G. Woolley, of Illinois, and for vice-president, Henry B. Metcalfe, of Rhode Island. The nominations in each instance were made on the first ballot. Only two candidates for the presidential nomination were balloted upon. Mr. Woolley and Rev. Silas C. Swallow, of Pennsylvania—Hale Johnson, of Illinois, withdrawing his name at the last moment and throwing his strength to Mr. Woolley. This undoubtedly had a great effect on the result, as the convention earlier in the day had been nearly stampeded for Swallow by the eloquent speech of H. L. Castle, of Pittsburg, and had the friends of the Pennsylvania clergyman forced the ballot at the time, the result might have been different.

For vice-president three candidates were balloted for—H. B. Metcalfe, Th. B. Cascardon, of West Virginia, and Rev. E. L. Eaton, of Iowa—Mr. Metcalfe receiving an overwhelming majority of the votes cast.

Immediately after the announcement of the result of the ballot for the presidential nomination Dr. Swallow was proposed as the vice-presidential nominee. The convention went wild over the suggestion, but Dr. Swallow, after a hurried conference with the Pennsylvania delegation, refused to accept the nomination.

During today's session Chairman Stewart of the national committee called for contributions for the campaign and over \$7,000 was realized in a few minutes.

CHICAGO, June 28.—The attendance at the Prohibition national convention today was much larger than yesterday. The galleries of the big First Regiment armory were thronged when Chairman Dickie rapped the convention to order at 10 a. m. After prayer by Rev. C. H. Mead, of New Jersey, Chairman Johann, of the committee on credentials, made a supplementary report, showing the arrival of 39 delegates. The total number of delegates present was 720, representing 40 states.

On account of the total failure of Chairman Dickie's voice, A. G. Wolfenbarger, of Nebraska, took the chair. He recognized National Chairman Oliver W. Stewart, who in a speech of some length outlined the work of the national committee during the last four years, and the work contemplated for the coming campaign.

Mr. Stewart concluded with a plea for funds from those present, with which to conduct the campaign, which is intended to be on a more extensive scale than the party has ever before attempted. Several thousand dollars were subscribed.

"The roll of states will now be called for nominations for president," announced Chairman Wolfenbarger.

"Arkansas yields to Illinois," cried the lone woman delegate from that state.

"Illinois has two candidates for the presidency," shouted a delegate.

Amid applause, National Chairman Stewart was recognized to put John G. Woolley in nomination. He said in part:

"The Republican party has renominated the one man in the United States who is to blame for the existence of the army, the man who has committed this country to the imperial expansion of the liquor traffic. In a short time the Democratic party will name as its standard bearer a man who, pretending to be the sworn foe of trusts, monopolies and unwholy combinations of wealth, has not dared to say a word against the liquor traffic that furnishes the corrupt and purchasable vote by which such combinations keep themselves entrenched in power."

"The issue will soon be made between these two parties and each of them with hands red with the blood of the victims of saloons and canteens, will beseech the decent man in this country for support."

"This of all years is the one in which to convert men to the Prohibition party. Give us a leader of enthusiasm who can stir the hearts of men. Give us a man whose elements of strength have already taken him into the forefront of the fight and made him the most prominent reform orator in America."

He closed by naming John G. Woolley, of every state." At mention of Wool-

## WILLIAM J. BRYAN TO BE THE MAN

No Doubt That He Will Head the Democratic Ticket.

### HILL FOR VICE-PRESIDENT

New York's Ex-Governor Believed to Be a Strong Nominee and a Vote-Winner—Contest Over the Platform Sure to Turn Up to National Convention.

KANSAS CITY, June 28.—Convention signs are apparent, but not very plentiful. No one in Kansas City talks anything but the coming Democratic national convention. They are getting ready for crowds, too, and intend to take care of all who may come, notwithstanding the doubts that have existed concerning the ability of the city to handle the great national gathering.

Among the convention signs are pictures of William Jennings Bryan and the "Peerless young leader of 1896" looks alone from many windows of shops and hotels.

Over at the convention hall every effort is being made to complete the building by Wednesday morning, and the men in charge renew their promises that the convention will not be delayed a minute by reason of incomplete arrangements. There is an impression that Bryan may come to Kansas City during the convention, and some of those now here think that the great demonstration which would follow his appearance would carry enthusiasm all over the country and start the convention off with a hurrah that would be beneficial.

There is the faintest intimation that there may be a contest over the platform. It is not that Bryan not only wants the Chicago platform reaffirmed, but that he also desires the 16-to-1 declaration reiterated as strongly as it was in the Nebraska state platform. There are other democrats who think a strong reaffirmation of the Chicago platform in a few words and then to pass on to "imperialism" trusts and other new features will be sufficient.

WHEAT MARKET.  
Well-Known Authorities Declare That Supply Will Be Equal to Demand.

CHICAGO, June 28.—July wheat closed today at 86 3/4 lower than yesterday. There were rains in North Dakota and Manitoba, but private advices from these sections and other parts of the stricken Northwest did not vary much from the recent tone.

The Price Current made a total estimate of the crop, winter and spring, of 530,000,000 bushels, 200,000,000 bushels of it being spring, compared with statisticians' estimate of 460,000,000 bushels. It declares that with the reserve supply, the crop would be equal to the demand and that the crop yield would be five per cent higher than the average for the past five years.

PORTLAND, June 28.—Wheat, Walla Walla, 58c @ 59c.

CZAR NEEDS MORE MONEY.  
Financial Condition of the Empire Arouses the Gravest Anxiety.

LONDON, June 28.—A dispatch from Moscow to the Westminster Gazette says the Boxer troubles and the death of Count Muraviev have greatly accentuated the difficulties of the financial situation in Russia, which is in such a critical condition as to arouse the gravest anxiety. The blacklist of good firms failing lengths and the sense of insecurity and fear that something worse is to come has caused vast sums to be temporarily withdrawn from the market. In Moscow alone within two months, it is stated on good authority, 20,000,000 roubles, most of which was previously in currency, have been lodged in the Imperial bank for safety.

DOLE INAUGURATED.  
First Executive of the New Territory Takes His Oath of Office.

HONOLULU, June 14.—The last of three great speech-making events in the history of the annexation of the Hawaiian Islands to the United States of America took place this morning, when Governor Sanford B. Dole, the first executive of the new American territory, was inaugurated.

ADOPTED GOLD STANDARD.  
Unit of Value of the Republic of Haiti Will Be the American Gold Dollar.

WASHINGTON, June 28.—The department of state is advised by Minister Powell, at Port au Prince, that he had been informed that the government of Haiti has adopted the gold standard and that the unit of value is the American gold dollar.

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### LOTS OF DUST FROM DAWSON

Passengers From the North Report Marvelous Rich Gold Discoveries.

PORT TOWNSEND, Wash., June 28.—The steamer Alki arrived from the north tonight, bringing sixty passengers and \$250,000 in dust from Dawson.

Among the passengers on the Alki is Lieutenant J. S. Herron, of the Eighth United States cavalry, who a year ago, started from Cook's Inlet with a small command, and crossed hitherto unpenetrated country leading for hundreds of miles over the mountains, valleys and plains to the mouth of the Tanana.

The object of the expedition was to ascertain the feasibility of that route through Alaska and to obtain information as to the minerals, timber and general data of that section of Alaska between Cook's Inlet and the Yukon river.

For nearly a year the party was without news from the outside world.

Colonel E. D. Wiggin, the land commissioner at Rampart, is among the passengers of the Alki, bringing the first news from that section. He says the camp has proved itself far better this winter than ever before and that the creeks heretofore considered worthless have turned out to be big gold producers and he estimates the cleanup at \$2,000,000.

YALE-HARVARD RACES.  
Yale Took the Eight-Oared Shell Race But Harvard Won the Others.

NEW LONDON, Conn., June 28.—Yale won the eight-oared Varsity shell race today, beating Harvard by about six lengths. With four-oared and freshmen races won, and handsomely, too, and with the lead when nearing the finish in the big Varsity event, defeat came to Harvard in a sudden and unexpected manner. Harding, the stroke, who had replaced the disabled captain, Higginson, collapsed before the three and one-half mile flag was reached, and Harvard finished with seven oars, so that Yale won a hollow victory.

The four-oar race, as was expected, proved rather an easy victory for Harvard. The Crimson substitutes took the lead at the snap of the pistol and had no difficulty in keeping it. The freshmen contest was something of a disappointment to the New Haven men, for the Yale youngsters had been picked as winners. Instead, Harvard showed them its rudder for two miles and the event was something in the nature of a procession.

ROSECRANS AGROUND.  
Runs Into the Sands About Sixty Miles South of Nome.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 28.—The steamer Portland, which has just arrived from Cape Nome, reports that the steamer Rosecrans, formerly the transport Missouri, has gone aground about sixty miles south of Cape Nome. While her situation is not considered perilous it is thought that she will have considerable difficulty in getting off. The Rosecrans has a cargo of government supplies on board.

TAYLOR'S MILITIA UNPAID.  
Governor Beckham Refuses to Approve Their Claim for Services Rendered.

FRANKFORT, Ky., June 28.—Governor Beckham today refused to approve accounts for the services of the Taylor militia from the date when they were declared governor until the evacuation of the troops after the decision of the supreme court. The whole sum claimed in salaries aggregated upwards of \$50,000.