

CHINA'S EMPEROR IS KILLED

The Empress Dowager Crazy—Chinese Forces Are Said to Again Be in Complete Possession of Tien Tsin.

SHANGHAI, July 5.—(Copyright, 1900, by the Associated Press.)—Emperor Kwang Su committed suicide by taking opium under compulsion of Prince Tuan June 19. The Empress Dowager also took poison, but is still alive, though reported to be insane from the effects of the drug.

The above has been officially reported to the German consular staff.

LONDON, July 5.—A statement is published in Berlin that the Chinese have already taken Tien Tsin, but a cable dispatch from Shanghai, dated July 4, 9:35 p. m., shows that according to the latest advices the city is still in the hands of the international troops, though the Chinese forces continue their attempt to isolate them, as they did at Peking. They were receiving constant accessions, many troops arriving from Manchuria.

The dispatch adds that Colonel Wogack, commanding the Russians at Tien Tsin, was almost exhausted. He had been three days and nights in the saddle directing the operations.

PARIS, July 5.—The French consul at Che Foo telegraphs that a Chinaman who left Peking on June 25 reports that all the ministers and residents were then assembled at the British legation, the French, German and Japanese legations were guarded by their own detachments, and Pinchon, the French minister, and his wife were well. The other legations, the customs-house and the missions had been burned. The foreign troops had lost six men wounded, including the commander of the British detachment.

LONDON, July 5.—2:50 p. m.—The oft-repeated story of the murder of all the whites in Peking is being retold today, with circumstantiality that almost convinces those who have hitherto refused to credit the sickening tales. The only hopeful feature of the evil news is the fact that it comes from Chinese sources at Shanghai, but it is realized that even if the tragedy has not yet been enacted, it cannot long be delayed unless help comes from unknown sources. Even the holding of Tien Tsin against the overwhelming hordes now seems to be a very remote possibility, while the safety of our treaty ports is seriously threatened.

A dispatch from Che Foo, dated yesterday, voices the fear that in view of the imminence of the summer rains, it will be impossible for the joint forces to advance to Peking until autumn.

According to reports from Shanghai, the Chinese army, on a march southward from Peking, has reached Lofa. This is presumably General Nieh Si Chang's force en route to attack Tien Tsin.

A force of 30,000 Chinese from Lu Tai

has appeared northeast of Tien Tsin and is reported to have been driven back by the combined forces of Russian and Japan. The losses of the internationals were heavy.

Fourth of July Casualties.

CHICAGO, July 5.—The Tribune says: As a result of the celebration of Independence Day with firearms, toy cannon, giant crackers and other forms of explosives, thirty persons were killed and 1325 injured, according to reports received from 125 cities.

In Chicago, one boy was reported killed, as against one death last year. There were no costly fires in the city. Frankfort, Ky., alone suffered a fire loss of \$50,000 due to firecrackers. Other cities also suffered heavily.

Out of this total of 1325 persons hurt in an attempt to be patriotic, 442 can attribute their injuries to firecrackers and dynamite torpedoes. The deadly cannon firecracker did most of this execution. Out of 152 injuries by firearms, in 67 cities, the toy pistol caused 105. Gunpowder explosions, including the premature blowing up of many village anvils, caused injury to 187 out of this list. Many of the injuries included in the lists were reported as prospectively fatal.

Story of a Slave.

To be bound hand and foot for years by the chains of disease is the worst form of slavery. George D. Williams, of Manchester, Mich., tells how such a slave was made free. He says: "My wife has been so helpless for five years that she could not turn over in bed alone. After using two bottles of Electric Bitters, she is wonderfully improved and able to do her own work." This supreme remedy for female diseases quickly cures nervousness, sleeplessness, melancholy, headache, backache, fainting and dizzy spells. This miracle working medicine is a godsend to weak, sickly, run down people. Every bottle guaranteed. Only 50 cents. Sold by Blakeley & Houghton Druggists.

Overcome by the Heat.

WEST POINT, N. Y., July 5.—At dress parade last evening fifteen cadets, including a lieutenant and a color sergeant, were overcome by the heat and fell in their tracks. They were removed to the hospital. The detail for the day, which was read by the cadet adjutant, is an unusually long one, and the motionless position in which the cadets are required to stand is attributed as the cause of such a large number of prostrations at the time.

A Pioneer Dead.

SALEM, July 5.—Mrs. Elizabeth Chapman, aged 80 years, 6 months and 19 days, died at her home in this city last night. She was an early Oregon pioneer, having crossed the plains with ox teams in 1848 with her husband, Caleb Chapman, who died here in 1892.

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ANTI-IMPERIALISM IS BATTLE CRY

The Platform Contains Declaration for Free Coinage at Ratio of 16 to 1, But the Plank is Relegated to an Inconspicuous Position in the Structure.

KANSAS CITY, July 5.—Bitter fight was waged against the insertion of the 16-to-1 plank in the platform, the debate before the resolutions committee lasting until 4 o'clock this morning, when a vote on the question resulted in a victory for the Bryanites, the vote being 26 to 24 in favor of a specific declaration.

Early this morning David B. Hill declared the fight was not yet ended, it being the intention to force the issue on the floor of the convention. He said further that he was "opposed to imperialism in an individual as much as in a nation." General Warner, of Ohio, voiced the same sentiment.

At 10 o'clock Van Wyck, New York's representative on the platform committee, refused to sign a minority report on the money plank, thus precipitating a break in the conservative ranks. Other states' delegations then began to weaken, and just before the convention was called to order it was announced that no minority report would be submitted.

The convention was called to order at 11:02, Rev. Glennan delivering the opening prayer.

When it was learned that the committee on resolutions would not be able to report until 3:30, the convention adjourned until that hour, after hearing short speeches from Hogg, of Texas, Dockery of Missouri, Beckham of Kentucky, and others.

The platform committee completed their work and adjourned sine die at 1:30. Although the document contains a specific declaration for free coinage at a ratio of 16 to 1, anti-imperialism is declared to be the leading issue of the day and campaign.

Imperialism, militarism, Cuba, the Philippines and Porto Rico occupy fully one-half of the platform. Imperialism is declared to strike "at the existence of the republic."

Anti-trust plank demands that all articles manufactured by trusts shall be placed on the tariff free list.

Adlai Stevenson is much surprised at prominence given his name in connection with second place on the ticket. He had no inkling of any such intention, and is much gratified. His boom today is strong, many delegates confidently asserting that he will be nominated.

Charles A. Towne issued a signed statement this morning saying that support is coming to him from all points, and that he is more confident than ever of getting second place on the ticket. His candidacy has apparently made little headway, although his friends contend that the 16-to-1 declaration alone will nominate him.

Both nominations may be made yet tonight and Bryan will then go to Kansas City to make a speech of acceptance.

An Ocean of Burning Oil.

NEW YORK, July 5.—The fire at the works of the Standard Oil Company, at Constable Hook, Bayonne, N. J., which started early today, is still raging at 9 a. m., and no estimate can yet be made of the damage, though it will run into the millions. The entire plant is almost certain to be consumed. The oil from the works is spreading along the upper bay, and the Kill von Kull is blazing as it flows, and serious damage is threatened to adjoining property.

The fire was started about 1 o'clock this morning by a bolt of lightning, which fell during a thunder and rain storm. It struck squarely in the immense yard of the Standard Oil Company, which covers 600 acres of ground. King was struck by the bolt, and at the same time it exploded two immense reservoir tanks of crude oil.

One hundred men were at work in the yards, and whether more were killed or not is not yet known. The explosion was heard for miles, and the heavens were lit up for hours afterwards by the flames, which leaped a hundred feet in the air.

Even at 8 o'clock this morning the

column of smoke which rose from the still burning tanks spread out in such a cloud that to those coming from the West the bright morning sun was obscured.

BILLY BRYAN IS NOMINATED

The Unanimous Choice of the Kansas City Convention.

KANSAS CITY, July 5.—William J. Bryan, of Nebraska, was tonight unanimously placed in nomination as the democratic candidate for President of the United States, on a platform opposing imperialism, militarism and trusts, and specifically declaring for the free coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1. The nomination came as the culmination of a frenzied demonstration in honor of the party leader; lasting 27 minutes, and giving utterance to all the pent-up emotions of the vast multitude.

It followed also a fierce struggle throughout the last 30 hours concerning the platform declaration on silver and on the relative position which the silver question is to maintain to the other great issues of the day.

There only remains the choice of a candidate for Vice-President, and the work of the convention is over. There is every evidence that this choice will be quickly made tomorrow morning, although there is still doubt as to whom the nominee will be.

Prevented a Tragedy.

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San Francisco Tragedy.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 5.—Mrs. William Mitchell, a white woman, who was the wife of a colored man, and their son, were shot dead by unknown parties on their little ranch near this city late last night. The tragedy was thought at first to have been the result of a feud which has long existed between the Mitchells and their neighbors, but it is said there are circumstances which will not bear out this theory.

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