

OPEN DOOR A NECESSITY

So Say Cotton Manufacturers of the South.

HAVE PETITIONED FOR IT

Secretary Hay Has Been Asked to Use His Good Offices to Prevent Closing of Markets to Americans.

Washington, Nov. 17.—Secretary Hay has received a petition from nearly all of the leading cotton manufacturers of the South to take such action as may lie within his power to prevent the interference by any European power which might close the foreign markets to the cotton manufacturers of the United States and injure other American interests. The petitioners declare that the "open door" policy is necessary to secure the retention of the important trade in cotton drills and shirtings with China, most of which are manufactured in Southern states. It is declared the withdrawal of this trade in Manchuria would seriously affect not only the manufacturers of cotton goods but Southern cotton-growers and employers and employees and laborers in the cotton mills. The petitioners represent fully \$15,000,000 in capital and declare they have lost half their trade since the Boxer uprising and are running on half time.

General Chaffee has cabled the war department the following from Taku, under date of November 16:

"Sixth regiment, United States cavalry, will remain in China, under command of Lieutenant-Colonel Theodore J. Wint, with troops I, K, L, M. "CHAFFEE."

CHINESE DISCOVERED AMERICA.

Evidence Contained in Ancient Records Unearthed in Peking.

Monterey, Mex., Nov. 17.—The report that American officers have unearthed ancient records in Peking showing that the Chinese discovered America 1,500 years ago, and erected temples in Mexico, has aroused the greatest interest among the scientific men of Monterey and throughout this country. The Chinese temples alluded to are in the state of Sonora, on the Pacific coast. The ruin of one of the temples was discovered near the town of Ures, in that state, about two years ago. One of the large stone tablets found in the ruins was covered with carved Chinese characters, which were partly deciphered by a learned Chinaman who visited the ruins at the request of the Mexican government. This Chinaman made the assertion at the time that the ruins were those of a temple which had been erected many centuries ago by Chinese, but his statement was not received with credence.

It has been long claimed that the Indians of the state of Sonora are the descendants of the early Chinese settlers. They possess many traditions and characteristics of the Chinese. If the report of the finding of these records in Peking is verified an expedition will go from here to explore further the ancient temples of Sonora.

Dishonest Officials.

Yokohama, Nov. 17.—Several members of the Tokio city council, having been accused of accepting a bribe from the Mitsui lead pipe factory, all the members resigned en bloc, but were subsequently re-elected with the exception of the incriminated members, warrants for whose arrest have been issued.

Fire in a Bridge Plant.

Detroit, Mich., Nov. 16.—Fire which started in the engine-room of the Detroit Bridge & Iron Works early today did between \$65,000 and \$75,000 damage. Five hundred men are thrown out of employment. The loss is covered by insurance. Repairs will be begun immediately and the works started again as soon as possible.

Queen Draga Not Dead.

Paris Nov. 15.—Inquiries made by a representative of the press at the Serbian legation here show that there is no truth in the report published by the Echo de Paris today that Queen Draga of Serbia is dead. The legation officials have not even heard that the queen is ill.

Wealthy Man's Suicide.

Fort Wayne, Ind., Nov. 17.—Frank Alderman, a wealthy real estate man, killed himself today. He walked into a hardware store, purchased a revolver, loaded it and then sent a bullet into his brain. He is thought to have been insane. He was a prominent Republican politician.

Another North Sea Cable.

Washington, Nov. 17.—Consul Leistoe, at Rotterdam, in a report to the state department, says that a third telegraphic cable has been constructed recently between The Netherlands and England and will expedite the delivery of American cablegrams via London.

Farin Machinery Plant Burned.

Chicago, Nov. 17.—A special to the Record from Geneva, Ill., says: Fire totally destroyed the plant of the Appleton Manufacturing Company in this city. It started in the paint shop. The loss is \$250,000. The company manufactured farm machinery.

CIGARMAKERS RIOTING.

Serious Trouble Between Two Rival Unions at Tampa.

Tampa, Fla., Nov. 19.—Rioting between International and Resistancia Unions of cigarmakers began here today at the factory of Gonzales, Mora & Co., of Tampa and Chicago. This firm was working a full force of Resistancia men, numbering about 500. The Internationals marched to the factory and demanded that these men come out. This was refused and the Internationals declared they would put them out. The premises are enclosed, and as an International man started to enter the gate the Italian doorkeeper fired upon him. This was quickly followed by an exchange of several hundred shots. The front and side of the buildings were riddled with bullets, but no one has been reported injured. Police officers dispersed the mob.

Every factory closed at noon for the day. The mayor has sworn in 100 extra policemen, and the sheriff has added numerous deputies to his force. The mayor issued a proclamation forbidding torchlight processions and demonstrations of the rival trades unions, planned for tonight.

The Internationals have about 800 members here, while the Resistancia members number over 3,000.

Since the rioting, the city has presented a wildly excited condition, and the streets in the neighborhood of the cigar factories have been thronged with people. This afternoon, a mass meeting of business men passed a resolution authorizing the chairman to appoint committees, which the unions did. These committees met and agreed that all the men should go to work tomorrow morning. The Internationals have agreed to this proposition practically, but the Resistancia Union is still considering the matter. It is thought it will be adopted before morning. All the factories are now heavily guarded by deputies.

MESSENGER BAXTER'S VICTIM.

Council Bluffs Robber the Outcast of a Wealthy Family.

Chicago, Nov. 19.—The bandit who was killed October 8 last by Express Messenger Baxter, on the Kansas City, St. Joseph & Council Bluffs railroad, is said to have been the outcast of a wealthy Massachusetts family. This information was given Lieutenant Rohan, of detective headquarters, by a "crook" whom the veteran detective has known for years.

"I have no reason to doubt the man's story," said the lieutenant, "and although he is a thief, I have confidence in his word. A week or 10 days before the train hold-up on the Kansas City, St. Joseph & Council Bluffs railroad, my informant met the man here in Chicago. The plans were then being made for the hold-up. 'Keep an eye on the papers, said the man, 'and you'll hear of something near Council Bluffs.' My informant did not then know that a train was to be held up, but when he read of the attempted robbery and the killing of one of the bandits, he knew who it was that did the job. Later he saw a picture and description of the dead robber and recognized the man at once. He would not tell me the name of the thief who was killed by the express messenger, as he said it would only sadden a family who have had their share of sorrow for the acts of a wayward son."

WHOLESALE BODYSNATCHING.

Horrible Discovery Made in a Michigan Cemetery.

Kalamazoo, Mich., Nov. 19.—The authorities of this city were informed today of a horrible case of wholesale bodysnatching which took place in the Springbrook cemetery in Newaygo county. Nine bodies, so far as known at present, were exhumed and all but one were those of persons who had died within the past year. The ninth victim, which is supposed to have been Mrs. Henry Knowles, although the body is in such a state of decomposition as to be unrecognizable, was discovered in a hedge fence about a quarter of a mile from the cemetery. She died about five years ago. The cemetery is in an isolated spot, and up to Wednesday there had not been a burial there for nearly three weeks. When Isaac Dunton, the sexton, went to dig a grave yesterday, the discovery was made of remnants of coffins, which seemed to have been knocked apart with an ax and were strewn about the graveyard.

Remains of a Train Robber.

Phoenix, Ariz., Nov. 19.—Between Casa Grande and Florence a party of hunters found a skeleton which is believed to be the remains of Burt Alvord, leader of one of the most desperate bands of train robbers that ever operated in Arizona. There is scarcely any doubt that he was killed by William Stiles, one of the members of the gang. Wild animals had torn all the flesh from the skeleton, but peculiar marks on the skull and findings in the teeth made identification sure.

Three Hangings in Arizona.

Phoenix, Ariz., Nov. 19.—Unless the unexpected happens and further clemency is extended by President McKinley or Governor Murphy, three men will be hanged Saturday for murders in Arizona. Thomas and William Holdeman will be executed at Tombstone for the killing of Ted Moore, and Santiago Ortiz will pay the death penalty for the murder of W. S. Moffat.

SENT TO PRISON FOR LIFE

Fate of Princes Tuan and Chang, Boxer Leaders.

OTHERS FARE LITTLE BETTER

Moderate and Humane Course of the United States Has Advanced Its Prestige in China.

Washington, Nov. 19.—Minister Wu has received from Director-General Sheng the following cablegram, which he communicated to Secretary Hay today:

"An imperial decree of November 18 deprives Prince Tuan and Prince Chang of their ranks and offices, and orders them to be imprisoned for life; Prince Yih and secondary Prince Ining to be imprisoned; secondary Prince Lien to be deprived of his rank; Duke Lan and Ining Nien to be degraded in rank; Kang Yi being dead, no penalty can be imposed upon him; Chao Shu Chiao to be degraded, but retained in office, and Yu Hsien to be exiled to the farthest boundary."

The Chinese officials mentioned in the decree are among the highest in China, and comprise most, if not all, of those against whom the powers demanded rigorous punishment. Prince Tuan stands at the head of the anti-foreign and Boxer movement. Previous edicts degraded him and took away his office and servants, but this judgment of life imprisonment is the most severe thus far given to any of the leaders responsible for the trouble. From a Chinese standpoint, it is an extreme penalty to a prince of the blood, but it remains to be seen whether the powers will regard it as adequate to Prince Tuan's offense. The others mentioned were Tuan's active associates, and two of them were specifically mentioned for punishment, along with Tuan, in Secretary Hay's note of October 8, in which he advised the Chinese government that this country would expect these officials to receive their just deserts.

Kang Yi is one of the officials who died suddenly when the demands for punishment had been made, probably by suicide. Yu Hsien is another who was thought to have committed suicide, but the reports indicate that he is still alive.

Wise Course of the United States.

There is no hesitation in energetically denying the European implication that the United States government is moved in its Chinese course by sentimental and unbusinesslike considerations. On the contrary, it is pointed out that, while sentiment is on the side of our government in this matter, it is accompanied by the soundest business considerations. The animating purpose of the state department now is to prevent the destruction of Chinese integrity upon pretexts; to maintain the open door, for which our government long has contended, and to secure indemnities for the past, and guarantees for the future.

A TERRIBLE PENALTY.

The Limon, Colo., Murderer Burned at the Stake.

Limon, Colo., Nov. 19.—Chained to a railroad rail set firmly in the ground, on the exact spot where his fiendish crime was committed, Preston Porter, Jr., or, as he was familiarly known, John Porter, this evening paid a terrible penalty for his deed. It was 6:28 o'clock when the father of the murdered girl touched the match to the fuel which had been piled around the negro, and 20 minutes later a last convulsive shudder told that life was extinct. What agony the doomed boy suffered while the flames shriveled up his flesh could only be guessed by the terrible contortions of his face and the cries he gave from time to time.

The executioners, who numbered about 300 citizens of Limon county, had not the least semblance of the ordinary mob. Their every act was deliberate, and during all the preparations, as well as throughout the sufferings of the negro, hardly an unnecessary word was spoken. Grimly they stood in a circle about the fire until the body was entirely consumed and then quietly they took their way back to Limon, from whence they departed for their homes shortly afterward.

Attack on the Kaiser.

Breslau, Nov. 19.—Emperor William was the object of an attempted outrage today which, however, failed. As he was driving in an open carriage to the cuirassier barracks, accompanied by the hereditary prince of Saxe-Meiningen, a woman in the crowd hurled a short-handled chopper, or hatchet, at the carriage. The hatchet struck the carriage, but the rapidity with which the vehicle was passing saved its occupants.

Head-End Collision.

Oil City, Pa., Nov. 19.—A head-end collision between a Pennsylvania extra freight train and a Lake Shore passenger train occurred two miles west of Folk tonight. Both engines were demolished, all of the passenger coaches left the tracks, and 40 oil and coal cars of the freight were derailed.

A CLERK STOLE \$201,000.

He Has Been Missing Several Days and the Bank Is Closed.

Cincinnati, Nov. 21.—United States Bank Examiner Tucker today took possession of the German National Bank at Newport, Ky., and posted a notice that the bank would remain closed pending an examination. He also announced unofficially that Frank M. Brown, the assistant cashier, was missing and that a partial investigation showed that he was short about \$201,000.

Brown, who is the son of Paris C. Brown, ex-mayor of Newport, and one of the leading business men of Cincinnati, has been with the bank for 18 years and was one of its most trusted men. Experts state that his operations extend over a period of 10 years. He left on a vacation last Wednesday, and is supposed to be out of the country. It is generally believed that he has taken with him a considerable amount of money.

Brown, it is alleged, has lived a fast life, with wine, women and gambling in his repertoire. His career was cut short by a jealous woman, who made his doings known to the bank's officials. Brown's alleged shortage had been rumored for some time, but the bank officials and directors have repeatedly declared that his accounts were correct and that everything was all right.

The wildest scenes were witnessed in Newport today when Examiner Tucker's announcement was made public, and serious trouble is expected. The capital stock of the bank is only \$100,000. Brown's shortage is double that amount, and more than the reserve and all the assets, including the bank's real estate. He must have gone the full limit for a small bank.

WERE BURNED TO DEATH.

Four Men Lost Their Lives in Pennsylvania Hotel Fire.

Oswayo, Pa., Nov. 21.—Four men were burned to death today in a fire that destroyed the McGonigal House, a three-story frame building, and the opera house adjoining, and several others were injured. The buildings were burned to the ground in half an hour's time.

Otto Kauley, a gas line walker of Coudersport, Pa., was burned about the face and arms, and Jerry Bailey sustained a broken shoulder by jumping from the third story of the hotel. The fire originated in the McGonigal House, from an over pressure of natural gas. There were 30 people in the hotel, which was a flimsy structure, and the flames licked up the building as if it were tinder.

There were many narrow escapes, most of the occupants jumping from the windows. The town has no fire protection. The tannery employees connected a line of hose to the burning building, but on account of trouble with the pump, there was considerable delay in getting a stream on the fire and the flames got beyond control. Nothing remains of the four dead but a few charred bones. The property loss is insignificant.

MORAL CRUSADE IN NEW YORK

Bishop Potter's Letter to Mayor Van Wyck Has Good Effect.

New York, Nov. 21.—Police Captain Horlitz, in command of the Elizabeth-street station, the official charged with having insulted the Rev. Mr. Pardeck, one of Bishop Potter's assistants, was today transferred to another station. The transfer is put down as the effect of Bishop Potter's letter to Mayor Van Wyck concerning the prevalence of vice on the East Side, known as the "Red Light" district. A noticeable change was apparent in this district tonight. It was very quiet, and during the first hours of the night not a person was arrested.

Captain Moynihan, of the West Twentieth street station, who had notified the management of the Grand Opera-House that only sacred concerts would be allowed on Sunday night in the theater, tonight arrested two performers who had done a "song and dance act." Friends bailed them out. The police raided a club on East Ninety-seventh street, arrested 17 men and two women and captured a lot of dice and chips. A Brooklyn gaming-house was also raided and 11 persons taken into custody.

Sentenced to Be Shot.

Salt Lake, Nov. 21.—James Lynch and Robert L. King, the men convicted of the murder of Godfrey Prose, at the sheep ranch gambling house, the night of September 14 last, were sentenced by Judge Booth this afternoon to suffer the death penalty. The condemned men chose to be shot. The date of their execution was set for Friday, January 11.

Famous Strike Leader Dead.

Houston, Texas, Nov. 21.—Martin Irons, once leader of the union labor organizations, and who directed the great Missouri Pacific strike in the '80s, is dead. He came to this country 35 years ago, and began organizing social democracy clubs, using "anti-money rent" as a slogan to arouse the farmers.

Illinois Mill Resumes Operations.

Joliet, Ill., Nov. 21.—The billet mill and converter of the Illinois Steel Works resumed operations tonight, after a three weeks' shut-down. About 1,000 men were affected.

THE COLD WEATHER TONIC.

Increasing Demand for Winter Goods Is Noted.

Bradstreet's says: The tonic effect of seasonably cold weather is again testified to by reports from practically all markets, of a brisk demand for winter clothing and wool wear. This in turn is reflected in increased re-orders from Western, Northwestern and Southern jobbers, and a perceptible improvement in tone of wholesale trade at the East, which hopes to participate later in the results of the existing good consumption demand.

The renewed advance in cotton, another result of cold weather, has proved a stimulus to Southern trade, and also made cotton goods agents and manufacturers rather indifferent to new business offered at old rates. What looked like an improvement in wool demand and prices seems to have received a temporary setback from the failure of a large commission house with woolen mill connections.

The strength of prices is still more manifest in iron and steel, demand for which continues large, both for crude and finished materials. The action of the billet pool in advancing prices is claimed to have checked demand.

In finished material the activity is most marked, and mills are generally well supplied with orders and indifferent to future business at present rates.

The awarding of the government contract for armor plate at \$425 per ton will swell the output of the steel industry by \$15,000,000.

Wheat, including flour shipments for the week aggregate 4,082,000 bushels, against 3,555,507 bushels last week.

Failures for the week in the United States number 227, against 161 last week.

Canadian failures number 37, against 17 last week.

PACIFIC COAST TRADE.

Seattle Markets.

Onions, new, 1½¢.
Lettuce, hot house, \$1 per crate.
Potatoes, new, \$16.
Beets, per sack, 85¢@\$.
Turnips, per sack, \$1.00.
Beans, wax, 4c.
Squash—1½¢.
Carrots, per sack, 90c.
Parsnips, per sack, \$1.25.
Cauliflower, native, 75c.
Cucumbers—40¢@50c.
Cabbage, native and California, 1½¢ per pound.
Tomatoes—30¢@50c.
Butter—Creamery, 29c; dairy, 18¢@22c; ranch, 16c pound.
Eggs—34c.
Cheese—12c.
Poultry—12c; dressed, 14c; spring, 13¢@15c turkey, 18c..
Hay—Puguet Sound timothy, \$14.00; choice Eastern Washington timothy, \$19.00.
Corn—Whole, \$23.00; cracked, \$25; feed meal, \$25.
Barley—Rolled or ground, per ton, \$30.
Flour—Patent, per barrel, \$3.50; blended straight, \$3.25; California, \$3.25; buckwheat flour, \$6.00; graham, per barrel, \$3.00; whole wheat flour, \$3.25; rye flour, \$3.80@4.00.
Millstuffs—Bran, per ton, \$13.00; shorts, per ton, \$14.00.
Feed—Chopped feed, \$19.00 per ton; middlings, per ton, \$20; oil cake meal, per ton, \$30.00.
Fresh Meats—Choice dressed beef steers, price 7½¢; cows, 7c; mutton 7½¢; pork, 8c; trimmed, 9c; veal, 9¢@11c.
Hams—Large, 13c; small, 13½¢; breakfast bacon, 12c; dry salt sides, 8½¢.

Portland Market.

Wheat—Walla Walla, 54¢@54½¢; Valley, nominal; Bluestem, 57c per bushel.
Flour—Best grades, \$3.40; graham, \$3.00.
Oats—Choice white, 42c; choice gray, 41c per bushel.
Barley—Feed barley, \$15.50 brewing, \$16.50 per ton.
Millstuffs—Bran, \$15.50 ton; middlings, \$21; shorts, \$17; chop, \$16 per ton.
Hay—Timothy, \$12@12.50; clover, \$7@9.50; Oregon wild hay, \$6@7 per ton.
Butter—Fancy creamery, 45¢@50c; store, 30c.
Eggs—32½¢ per dozen.
Cheese—Oregon full cream, 12½¢; Young America, 13c; new cheese 10c per pound.
Poultry—Chickens, mixed, \$2.50@3.50 per dozen; hens, \$4.00; springs, \$2.00@3.50; geese, \$6.00@7.00 doz; ducks, \$3.00@5.00 per dozen; turkeys, live, 11c per pound.
Potatoes—50¢@65c per sack; sweets, 1½¢ per pound.
Vegetables—Beets, \$1; turnips, 75c; per sack; garlic, 7c per pound; cabbage, 1½¢ per pound; parsnips, 85c; onions, \$1; carrots, 75c.
Hops—New crop, 13¢@14c per pound.
Wool—Valley, 18¢@14c per pound; Eastern Oregon, 9¢@12c; mohair, 25¢ per pound.
Mutton—Gross, best sheep, wethers and ewes, 3½¢; dressed mutton, 6½¢@7c per pound.
Hogs—Gross, choice heavy, \$5.75; light and feeders, \$5.00; dressed, \$6.00@6.50 per 100 pounds.
Beef—Gross, top steers, \$3.50@4.00; cows, \$3.00@3.50; dressed beef, 6¢@7c per pound.
Veal—Large, 6½¢@7½¢; small, 8¢@8½¢ per pound.