HOW PALACE WAS TAKEN

Chinese Asked for an Armistice and Then Attacked Legations.

A despatch to the London Morning at that point. Post from Pekin, via Chefoo, says that the Tsung-li-Yamen on August 12 requested a conference with the Ministers, with the view to bringing Temple of Heaven to secure our left about peace, the request was refused. flank and camping ground, and with as there was nobody on either side the other corps pushed on towards the who was authorized to treat. That Legations. night there was the longest fusillade of the siege, the firing lasting twelve opposite the water gate and were sighours. On August 13 the Tsun-li-Ya- nalled from the wall held by the Lemen begged to be excused from hold- gationers. ing a conference, saying the members "1, with a portion of the staff and were too busy. Later the board wrote seventy Indians, rushed across the althat they had forbidden further firing most dry moat and entered through on the Legations, and that they would the water gate without loss. We found court-martial anyone who disobeyed, all well in the Legations. Macdonald but that evening there was the sharp- immediately showed me around the poest general firing. Many shells fell sitions with the view of further acin the Legation. Fifteen hundred Am- tion. ericans attacked the Imperial palace "In the meantime our field artillery on Aug. 15, and captured the four had been brought up to bombard the courts. The American flag is flying central gate of the Tartar city; but a on the Imperial granary. The Imper- sortie by the Americans and Russians ial Bank has been looted.

GEN. GASELEE'S REPORT.

A despatch from London says :- Gen. fell into our hands. Gaselee, the commander of the British forces at Pekin, has telegraphed into the Legation, and the rest were to the War Office as follows:-

was agreed that the allies should concentrate within five miles of Pekin, August 14, and the assault should begin August 15. The attack, however, commenced early in the morning of August 14, and our troops had to make a forced march of 15 miles from Tungchow in great heat.

attacked the south-east gate of the of Heaven we were engaged, and, af-Chinese city. There was practically no ter inflicting heavy losses, we occupied opposition, as we were not expected the south gate of the Chinese city."

"The Indian troops broke down and rushed the gate and I entered with cavalry and guns. I then sent other cavalry and the Punjab Infanty to the

"At 3 o'clock we got on the canal

of the garrison along the wall anticipated the bombardment, and the gate

"Two field guns were then brought sent back to the Temple of Heaven. Cows each. "At a conference, August 12, it At about five in the afternoon the Am- Calves, each. ericans, under Gen. Chaffee, entered the Legation, and then we moved on Choice hogs, per cwt. 600 towards the central gate of the Tar- Light hogs, per cwt. 5121-25371-2 tar city for the night.

"By nightfall we had four hundred men in the Legation."

Here apparently some words are missing.

"We were on the extreme left, and "During the evening at the Temple

YUNG LU'S OATH.

Swore To Murder All The Foreigners With Aid of Boxers.

A despatch from Hong Kong, says; -A prominent reformer has obtained from the Yamen runners a letter from General Yung-Lu, commanderin-chief of the Northern armies, to General Tung-Fu-Sian, commanding the Kan-Su troops, saying:-"It is not convenient to accomplish

my secret orders," and proceeding:-"The foreign devils, counting their superior strength in warships and guns, have dared to exert all their power to rob and insult us, but their populations are small and entirely dependent on the Chinese productions. China now possesses cannon and rifles and plenty of well-trained troops. I don't fear the foreigners. In the case of San-Mun, I refused Italy, with the result that nothing was taken. It is evident that the foreign devils are cowards. I and Prince Tuan recently obtained the help of millions of Boxers possessing magic boldness. I swear to murder all foreigners, with the assistance of the Boxers, who are supplied with arms."

General Tung-Fu-Sian, in his reply, which was also obtained, says he is of the same opinion, and places the Kan-Su troops at General Yung-Lu's disposal.

WACCONS ALL

Together With Three Gun Trains Captured. A despatch from Pretoria, says:-

General De Wet has been prevented from joining his forces with those of General B. tha. General Baden-Powell has headed off and captured all his waggons.

The Boers are reported to be in considerable numbers and forming commandoes at Lichtenburg and the the Daily Express, has issued a pro-Western districts, but they are said to be short of arms and ammunition.

Generals Paget and Baden-Powell attacked the forces of General De Wet Saturday, and released 100 British prisoners. They captured 50 Boers and took three gun trains.

The Boars are retreating to the north.

The British garrison at Banks station was confronted by a Boer force, who commanded them to surrender. The garrison declined, and the Boers failed to attack. The demand is believed to have been a ruse to cover Commandant De Wet's return to the Orange River Colony.

BLACK FLAGS MARCH NORTH

Devastating Villages on Their Way -Disorder in South Continues.

A despatch from Hong Kong says:

-Outrages in the southern provinces continue. The Christian station at Yungtak was destroyed on Aug. 21, and the native Christians were made prisoners and tortured. The mob demanded a ransom of 244 tales for each prisoner. Several English-speaking natives who were prisoners were beheaded because the ransom was not forth-

The Black Flags are marching on Pekin, and are devastating the districts on their way.

LIEUT. CORDUA SHOT.

Lord Roberts Confirmed Death Pen alty and He Was Executed.

A despatch from Pretoria, says:-Lieut. Cordua, who was found guilty of complicity in the plot to murder British officers and abduct Lord Roberts, was sentenced to death, Lord Roberts concurring in the finding. CORDUA SHOT.

A despatch from London, says;-A

despatch to the Central News from Pretoria says that Lieut. Cordua was | 22c. shot Thursday.

SENTENCE APPROVED IN LONDON.

A despatch from London, says:-The press generally approves the execution of Cordua. The Daily Chronicle alone deplores the imposition of the death penalty, which it considers is so unlike General Roberts that it suspects it was dictated by orders from Eng-

STEP NEARER ST. HELENA.

Paul Kruger's Proclamation Counter to That of Roberts.

A despatch from London, says:-President Kruger, according to a despatch from Lorenzo Marques to clamation counter to the latest proclamation issued by Lord Roberts, The Transvaal President says:-

"It will help you nothing to lay down your arms or to leave the commandoes. Every step homeward means a step nearer St. Helena."

WILL REMAIN IN PEKIN.

Foreign Ministers Not to Leave the Capital.

A despatch from London, says:-It is semi-officially stated that the Miniters will remain in Pekin. The Chinese Ambassador is constantly visit- 10c; roll bacon, 10 1-2c; smoked backs, roy Chang-Chi-Tung has executed conference of Ministers and generals ing the Foreign Office and vainly endeavouring to induce the Government to accept Li-Hung-Chang's mediation. He declares that all the pro-foreign 8 1-2 to 83-4c; pails, 83-4 to 9c. statesmen have been murdered except Li-Hung-Chang.

Frices of Cattle, Cheese, Grain, &c. in the Leading Markets.

Toronto, Aug. 28 .- At the Western Cattle yards to-day there was a total of 47 loads, including 200 cattle, 700 hogs, and 250 sheep and lambs.

The market was dull, and prices remained unchanged. The majority of the offerings were left over.

Some choice lots of export cattle were offered, but there was very little trading. Prices remained steady at \$4.80 to \$5.12 1-2 per cwt.

In butchers' cattle the supply was equal to the demand. Choice selections were quoted at \$4.35 to \$4.50 per cwt. Inferior grades were practically unsaleable.

In shape and lambs the offerings were moderate, and the demand slow. Choice export sheep were quoted at \$3.75 to \$4.25 per cwt.

The hog market was steady, the bulk of the arrivals being held over.

Following is the range of quota-

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	Cattle.		
Shippers, per cy Butcher, choice Butcher, medi., Butcher, inferio Stockers, per	to good.	4 00 3 25 2 80	\$ 5 12 1-4 4 50 3 90 3 15 2 75
Sheep	and L	ambs.	
Sheep, per cwt Spring lambs, e Bucks, per cwt Milker	each		4 25 3 75 3 00

Stags. . . . 200 225

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THE STREET MARKET.

Two hundred bushels of fall wheat, read and white, were sold on the street to-day at 70 to 71c per bushel; one load of barley sold for 411-2c per bushel; two hundred bushels of oats were sold, the old brniging 32c and the new 28c per bushel. Another large hay market prevailed to-day, twenty loads being sold at from \$12 to \$13.50 per ton.

to wrote per tors	
Wheat, wht, straight. \$ 0.70	\$ 0711-2
Wheat, red 070	0 71 1-2
Wheat, goose 000	0 69
Wheat, spring 000	072
Oats, old, 032	0 32
Oats, spring 000	0.28
Oats, spring 000 Barley 000	0 41 1-2
Hay, old, per ton 1200	13 50
Hay, new, per ton 1200	13 50
Straw, per ton 000	10 00
Dressed hogs 7.75	8 00
Butter, in lb. rolls 018	0 19
Eggs, new laid 013	0 14
Chickens, per pair 050	0.80
Turkeys, per lb 011	0 11
Ducks, each 030	0 40
Potatoes, new, per bu. 035	
Beef, hindquarters 700	9 00
Beef, forequarters 400	5 50
Beef, carcase 550	7 50
Mutton 500	7 00
Lamb, spring, per lb 012	0 12 1-2
W	CT.

DAIRY MARKETS.

ment, and values are steady. Dealers were selling to retailers to-day as fol-

THE CHEESE MARKETS.

Brockville. Ont., Aug. 28 .- At the Cheese Board to-day 2,402 boxes were boarded, of which 1,320 were coloured, balance white. Business was not very brisk; 10 1-2c being the best offer. At this price McGregor bought 390 coloured and 90 white; Derbyshire, 340 coloured and 250 white; Webster, 185.

Kingston, Aug. 28.-Special-At the Cheese Board 399 boxes of white and 445 boxes of coloured cheese were boarded. The buyers were Messrs. Scott, Murphy, Alexander, Thompson, Bissell and Crawford. Mr. Alexander bought 210 boxes of cheese at 10 5-8c a lb. The bidding started at 10c; many salesmen refused 10 1-2c. DRESSED HOGS AND PROVISIONS.

Market firm on all provisions, dressed hogs unchanged. Lard very firm. \$7.50 to \$8, according to quality, for butchers' use.

PRODUCE.

Quotations for provisions are as follows :- Dry salted shoulders, 7 to 7 1-2c; long clear bacon, car lots, 81-2c; ton lots, 81-2c; case lots, 83-4c to 9c; short cuti pork, \$18.50; heavy mess, \$16.50.

Smoked meats-Hams, heavy, 11 1-2c; medium, 13c; light, 13 1-2c; breakfast bacon, 12 to 12 1-2c; picnic hams,

without much change. Some real they had prepared were seized.

choice eggs are bringing 13c, but the usual run is from 12 to 121-2c. No. 2 hot weather eggs sell at 9 to 10c. Dealers here are buying choice eggs at 11c delivered.

Potatoes-An easy market, and fower prices looked for. At farmers' waggons dealers here are buying at 30 to 35c, and sell out of store at about 40 to 45c per bush.

Beans-Choice. hand-picked beans are worth from \$1.70 to \$1.75.

Honey-Firm. Dealers are paying of to 7c. outside. Dealers quote from 8 to 9c per lb. for 5, 10, or 60-lb. tins. Comb honey sells here at \$1.50 to \$1.75 per dozen sections.

Baled hay-Very little being brought here. No. 1 timothy will bring \$8.75 to \$9, outside.

Baled Straw-Car lots are quoted at \$5 to \$5.50, on track.

Hops-Sell at about 12 to 13c for Canada, '99's.

"B.-P." AGAIN SCORES.

Rescues 100 British Prisoners and Captures 26 Boers.

news from South Africa consists of accounts of reconnaissances. Credit is he was secured. given to General Baden-Powell and General Paget for preventing General De Wet going east and joining the other Boer generals. De Wet is reported to have crossed the Megaliesberg without waggons, using the bridle path. The Boers in the Vryheid district are active. They are raiding in Northern Natal, and have mounted a gun on the Transvaal side of the Buffalo river near Dannhauser, which commands the railway.

The following despatch has been received at the War Office from Lord river. Baden-Powell occupied the Roberts from Pretoria. "Baden-Pow- railway station of that name. During ell rescued one hundred British pris- the fight Baden-Powell's advance oners at Warm Baths August 22, and force and that of the enemy galloped captured 25 Boers and a German ar- into each other, the Rhodesians losing tillery officer.

seven men killed, and Capt. Ellershaw Boers were killed or wounded. They and 21 men wounded, and five missing. were at Cyferkuil this morning. casualties.

valley, Rundle found 140,000 rounds of finding it hopeless to make his way ammunition buried.

days."

Pretoria, says '-"General Badenpreventing his junction with the main lowing cannot be more than 300. body of the enemy. De Wet abandoned his transport and took to the hills, his commando dispersing, some trekking south. Lord Kitchener has | ger at Machadodorp." returned to Pretoria."

WILL REATTEST THEM.

Butter-There is a better move- Militia Department's Instructions to Col. Otter.

lows:-Dairy, tubs, 17 to 18c for choice. period of service of the first contin- British authorities learn that Gen 14 to 15c for second quality; small gent will terminate in October, and in Louis Botha, the commander-in-chief dairy, lb prints, 18 to 19c; creamery, reply to Col. Otter's request for in- of the Boer forces; Gen. Lucas Meyer tubs and boxes, 20 to 21c; lbs., 21 to structions, he will doubtless be advised the commander of the Orange Free to reattest the men for further State forces; and Gen. Schalkburger. Cheese-Dealers here quoting new at short term in the field should they be Vice-President of the Transvaal Rerequired. In official circles it is not public, with eight thousand Boers. considered any of the men-much as have assembled at Machadodorp, gentheir friends would like to see them in | erally understood to be the headquar-Canada again-will ask for their dis- ters of President Kruger, on the Precharge, although they would be en- toria-Delagoa bay railroad, with the titled to it. There is just a possibil- whole Boer artillery, including the ity that the regiment will be ordered heavy pieces formerly at Pretoria.

home before October. Lieut. Ecclestone, in charge of the Canadian postal corps in South Africa, writing to Dr. Coulter, Deputy Postmaster-General, states that Sergt. R. Johnston, of Winnipeg, a member of the postal staff, has been invalided to Netley after a severe attack of enteric fever. Murray, of the London division, has been detailed for duty with the Canadian-Mounted Rifles, and has rendered such good service that he has been recommended for promotion to the rank of sergeant-major. India has sent a postal contingent of four dusky for the East. The suburban camps natives to South Africa to look after the India work. The Australian postal men quit sorting letters to get At farmers' waggons choice will bring into the fighting line, with the result that they had to be replaced with another postal staff from Australia. The Canadian postal corps stands as the pioneer contingent from the colonies and their good work is warmly commended.

30 PLOTTERS BEHEADED.

hey Were Armed With Old Muzzle Loaders and Policeman's Whistle.

13c. All meats out of pickle ic less | thirty reformers who were plotting on that day decided to refer the questhan prices quoted for smoked meats. to burn the city of Hankow. They tions bearing on the fate of the Lard-Tierces, 81-4 to 81-2c; tubs, each had an old muzzle-loading gun Forbidden City to their respective Gov-Eggs-Offering free, and market les. A few thousand placards which added, are returning. Everything is

TRAGEDY NEAR QUEBEC.

MAN AND WOMAN SHOT DEAD ON THE STREET.

Voman Dragged Out-of House and Killer With Baby in Her Arms,

A despatch from Monte bello, Que. says:-A man named Stanis Lacroin this afternoon shot and killed his wife and an elderly man named Hypolits Thomas.

Lacroix and his wife have not lived together for some little time, the latter residing in Hull. This morning she came here by train, and in the afternoon Lacroix procured a revolver and went to the house where his wife had gone on her arrival. He either dragged her out of the house or the woman ran out, when he shot her dead on the street. She was holding her small child in her arms at the time, but the child was not injured.

He then shot Thomas who had called at the house a few minutes before. Thomas walked a few hundred feet after being shot, and then fell dead.

The murderer took refuge in a house A despatch from London says:-The close by and refused to give himself up. Later in the evening, however

DE WET BURIES HIS GUNS.

Gets Back In Orange River Colony With 300 Men.

A despatch from London, says:-The War Office has received from Lord Roberts the following:-

"Paget reports from Hammanskraal that Baden-Powell engaged Grobler's rear guard all day yesterday. Grobler was driven back east of Pienaar's Colonel Sprekley and four men killed "Buller's casualties August 21 were and seven wounded. Many of the "Kitchener, August 22, had eight Plumer and Hickman were closely pursuing them.

"While recommoitring in the Komatil "It seems certain that De Wet, eastward, has recrossed the Magalies-"The columns pursuing De Wet berg with a few wounded, with the made wonderful marches. Colonel intention of returning to the Orange Mackinnon covered 224 miles in 14 River Colony. He is in a very different condition from that when he A despatch to the Standard from left Bethlehem with six or eight guns and 2,000 men. His guns have most-Powell headed off General De wet, ly been buried and his personal fol-

"It is stated that Steyn with a small bodyguard has crossed Pienaar's river on his way to join Kru-

BOERS ARE MOBILIZING.

Botha, With 8,000 Burghers, is at Machadodorp.

A despatch from Twyfelaar, says;-A despatch from Ottawa, says:-The Through secret intelligence agents the

WILL POUR IN TROOPS.

Capture of Pekin Makes No Differ ence to Russia.

A despatch from Odessa says:-The capture of Pekin will not make the slightest difference in the regular despatch of Russian troops to the far East. The military authorities continue to charter extra troopships in every available quarter. Fifteen transports are now in berth here, destined and city barracks are filled with troops arriving for embarkation Troops from a number of the central and northern Governments are arriving here on account of the congestion of military traffic on the Siberian railway.

Its Fate Left to the De. ion of the Governmen

A despatch from Lor a, says:-A A despatch from London, says :- despatch to the Daily Telegraph from It is reported in Shanghai that Vice- Taku, dated August 24, says that a and three hundred policemen's whist- ernments. The co re pon ent, it is quiet