

ALLIES' VICTORY AT TIEN TSIN.

Three Days of Unrestrained Loot and Pillage Followed.

WALL LINED WITH CHINESE HEADS

Cut Off Because their Owners Refused to Fight—Corpses Spread Thickly Over Ten Miles—Allies at Last Stopped Looting, but City Looks Like a Tornado's Wreck—Japanese Going to Take Pao Ting Fu—Doubtful Story as to Russia's Intentions Regarding Future Movements—Death of Late News from Peking.

Tien Tsin, China, cable: The ancient stone walls of the Chinese city of Tien Tsin, surrounded on the days of its occupation by the allied troops, a square mile of such filth, ruin and death, such turmoil and pillage as history could hardly duplicate. Under no condition is the place better than a huge cesspool of festering filth, with the accumulated rubbish and slops from a population of nearly a million persons packed into a labyrinth of hovels around the palaces of viceroys and petty tacticians, who absorbed their wealth and gave them not even sewers in return. Now it is the incarnation of all the suffering, horrors and waste of war.

Heads on the Walls.
The European soldiers, when they fought their way up to the walls, saw floating in the canals and ditches outside dozens of Chinese slain by their own people because they had refused to fight. The bodies were headless and their hands were tied behind their backs. The heads were discovered afterwards. Rows of them decorated the outer walls and hung by their pigtails. Five flags were flying from the high pagodas on the city walls when this newspaper correspondent entered—British, American, French, Japanese and Russian. "It was hard enough to get these flags up there," remarked a foreign officer, "but the real trouble will be to get them down."

Week and Rain.
The suburbs of the city presented a forlorn appearance of the waste. Shells had torn the huts and ploughed the ground while the dead men scattered among dead horses, pigs and dogs, testified how thoroughly the bullets had swept the region the day before.

Chinese Fought Hard.
The sights made the allied respect for the fighting qualities of the Chinese. Their dead were everywhere. Dressed in the coarse blue coolie blouse and trousers decorated with characters guaranteed to render them invulnerable to foreign bullets, they were strewn all along the top of the walls, they had fallen. Walking a quarter of a mile along the embankment, the bodies averaged one in ten feet, and the wall was nearly ten miles long.

Awful Effect of Shelling.
Throughout the city the demolished houses and hundreds of killed gave evidence of how vastly more effective had been the foreign shell fire within the walls of the city than the Chinese bombardment of the foreign settlement, which, lasting for a month, had killed only a dozen people. The viceroy had constructed in the palace yard two comfortable and impregnable bombproofs, excavations guarded by sand bags, but his common people were less fortunate. Many women and children were lying dead in the streets torn terribly by shrapnel. The living population were utterly indifferent to their dead. They would not take the trouble to drag them out of the streets or even cover them with matting, but tramped them under foot without bothering to turn aside. Before the shelling the streets were finished thousands of Chinese had emerged from their burrows carrying white flags or the flags of foreign nations, principally the Japanese.

The Work of Looting.
Most remarkable of all the sights was the looting of the city. The middle of the place was like an ant hill kicked open. Chinese swarmed everywhere, thousands and thousands of them diving into the flames of the burning shops, getting under falling walls and into chinking clouds of smoke. Most of them were half naked, grimy with smoke and some dripping with blood. They preyed upon one another, a Chinese appearing with a prize, fighting his way, other Chinese sprang upon him and clutched his plunder. They rolled among the corpses, pulling and tearing, while children being trampled down, cried for help, and the mob poured right over them.

Robbery Everywhere.
The palaces, the mint, the pawn shops, the stores of silks, furs and jewelry were the first objects of attack. Near the middle of the city was the most prosperous pawn shop, an institution that had probably existed for centuries. Wealthy Chinese were accustomed to store their winter clothing there for safe keeping. When the doors were battered down the mob fowed in like a tidal wave. In a twinkling all was pandemonium. Two forces collided in the gateway, a rush line of Chinese struggling to get out with great armfuls of loot, while an occasional soldier went through the crowd. The looting flourished for three days. On the first day it was entirely unrestrained. Many white people accumulated stacks of goods by simply standing at the city gates and holding up the best laden Chinese from the endless procession that flowed out. Packs, carts, racks, coolies loaded with silks, gold and bronzes, crowded all the roads leading down to the settlement.

Allies Interfered.
On the second day a conference of

commanders of the several fleets decided to adopt repressive measures. The commanders, excepting the French, empowered the British, who were doing provost duty, to seize the loot. The official statement was that all seized loot would be stored, the proceeds to be divided among the soldiers as prize money. On the third day of the occupation a more effective method was followed by successful looters to give up their loads at the city gates. Even this did not prevent the loss of much gold and silver. Civilians from the concession made a general raid upon the salt commissioner's treasure and many succeeded in smuggling loads of silver bars through to the settlement.

To-day the walled city looks as though a tornado had struck it. Enough valuable property has been destroyed to stock a big city, and enough has been seized to give every soldier a considerable sum if the distribution is honestly administered.

Russia and Germany.
Well-informed persons here continue to maintain that there is an understanding between the German and Russian Governments on the territorial question. Everything will depend on the facts of a peaceful settlement with the Chinese Government, and retirement, as soon as circumstances allow, of the allied troops, but Russia, supported by Germany, will endeavor to assert the right of Chinese territory specially injured by the recent Chinese policy to obtain territorial compensation.

Russians in Manchuria.
According to the information received by the Times' correspondent in Shanghai, the Russian are treating the native population of Manchuria with the utmost severity. The indiscriminate slaughter of non-combatants has reduced the country in the vicinity of Newchang to a state of utter desolation.

Nameless Atrocities.
London, Sept. 3.—Accounts from Peking describe the wild enthusiasm which marked the capture of the besieged foreigners and their relievers. The men and women cheered and shook hands with the officers, soldiers, camp followers and in fact, anybody who accompanied the allies. The food supply had not failed, though the people in the Legations had to eat horseflesh. The Tsung-li-Yamen promised to supply them with food, but only sent a few melons. When asked for fresh meat, the Chinese officials replied that a state of war existed, and it was, therefore, impossible to grant the request.

The Chinese pushed their attacks fearfully. Picnards were posted throughout the city declaring that the foreigners must be exterminated in five days. It was only the cowardice of the Chinese, who feared to meet the foreigners in a hand-to-hand fight, which prevented their success. The body of Baron von Ketteler, the German Minister, was found in a native coffin, under a heap of sand close to the spot where he was murdered, showing that the Tsung-li-Yamen's story that he had been carefully deposited in a house was false.

One of the worst things was the shocking desecration of the foreign cemetery outside the west gate. Details are too revolting for publication. Every day details of Chinese atrocities accumulate, showing that only the severest punishment that will be felt by the whole people will be adequate. The consensus of opinion is that unless the imperial city is razed and the palace destroyed, the Chinese are likely to interpret the forbearance of the allies as weakness.

WILL COMMAND IN CHINA.

Huistrious Career of Count Walderssee, Who Leads Allied Armies.
Count Walderssee, who has been chosen by the allied nations to supreme command of the allied army operating in China, is 68 years old, and has been an officer in the German army ever since he was 18 years old. In 1864, fourteen years later, he participated in the Prussian-Danish war. His extraordinary ability attracted the attention of King William, who appointed him adjutant to his brother, Prince Karl, in whose staff he served during the opening of the Prussian-Austrian war in 1866. This war gave him an opportunity to study Moltke's tactics, when he was detailed to the general staff, whose chief was the great strategist.

In 1870 Count Walderssee was sent to Paris as an attaché to the embassy. The reports which he sent to his Government previous to the war, embodying his views how to fight the French army, were of such correctness and eminent judgment that he was made an adjutant to the royal headquarters. In this capacity he showed his great knowledge of men and his fine tact, when the king ordered him to accompany the army of Prince Frederick Karl. This position was very precarious, for the reason that a comparatively young officer was practically made supervisor of the old warrior, whose well-known recklessness the king wanted to curb. But so diplomatically did Walderssee serve the king that the prince and he became warm friends.

came acting imperial ambassador. In the following year he commanded a cavalry regiment, became chief of the Sixth Army Corps general staff and in 1881 was made assistant of Moltke, with the rank of a quartermaster-general. In this responsible position he served for seven years, until Aug. 10th, 1888, when he succeeded his great uncle as chief of the army's general staff.

In this capacity he became the counselor of His Majesty in high military matters, but a dissension soon followed, which kept the count away from Berlin. The Emperor, however, saw fit to correct his attitude, and has since shown his unlimited appreciation of the great and, withal, so modest soldier. In 1895 Count Von Walderssee was elevated to the front rank of a field marshal, and was the recipient of high honor, when, on April 27th of this year, he celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of his connection with the army.

Wherever he went, whatever he undertook, his men were with him. Amiable and kind, totally free of personal vanity toward high or low, he is the idol of his fellow officers and his men. In the field he demands much, but he knows how to get it without spoiling the ever-present willingness of his soldiers.

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Violence Unavoidable.
But drunkenness is one of the minor sins in a foreign community in China. The North China Herald (which is far from being a missionary journal) says: "Almost daily girls are enticed to Shanghai and sold like so many cattle or sheep to supply the brothels. The girls are taught to play the native guitar, to sing, and lead a shameful life. Rags, whips, and burning hot opium needles are used to torture these creatures in order to make them show off their accomplishments. Were a record of brutal treatment of these girls made

tours could spread the "glad tidings of great joy" and not be put to shame on account of the revolting sins of Europeans and Americans.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

AN INTERCEPTED LETTER.
How a Viceroy Betrayed and Slew 2,000 Boxers.
Taku, Sept. 4, via Shanghai, Aug. 30.—An intercepted letter written by the Viceroy at Pao Ting Fu who commanded Tien Tsin during the fighting there, complains that the Boxers are overrunning the country southwest of Tien Tsin, particularly the citizens on the Grand Canal, despoiling the officials who at first contained them, and looting and killing the enemies of their organization and fighting the imperial troops. The gates of Pao Ting Fu are kept closed and the people inside are suffering. The Boxers practically besieging the place.

Slew 2,000 Boxers.
The Viceroy reports that the Taku of the city of Tsang-Chow on the canal invited two thousand Boxers to a feast. While the Boxers were eating and their weapons were stacked the imperial soldiers by his orders fell upon them and slaughtered all of them.

Legations Could Have Held Out.
There is much reclamation be-

tween the foreigners besieged in Peking and the members of the relieving force. Officers say that the besieged sent out alarmist reports, and that the condition of the foreigners was never one of such extremities as the official despatches represented. The foreigners, they assert, could have resisted indefinitely. The besieged accuse the generals of their own army of exaggerating the Chinese opposition. They think a much smaller army might have made the march and relieved them three months sooner.

Peking Looting.
The looting at Peking proceeds industriously and openly. The officers of every nation except the United States ignore the orders, and all the allies ridicule the Americans for their abstention. Missionary Green, of the China Inland Mission, his sister, his wife, and their two children, who were for some time held as prisoners by the Boxers at Hsinghsien, near Pao Ting Fu, were well treated. A company of Chinese Catholics have held a town near Pao Ting Fu for three months against the Boxers and offered large sums for their capture.

They Had Suffered.
On the other hand the rescuers were haggard and rough bearded. They dragged themselves along as if ready to drop, their khaki uniforms dripping with perspiration and black with mud. But a second glance showed that the rescued were pathetically pale and thin. They looked like a company of invalids. Every part of the emblems testified to their tragic appearance. There was a lot of new graves headed with wooden crosses, including the graves of five children. The second secretary's house was the hospital, and it was filled with wounded. French nuns ministered there at one time. All but four men of the Japanese contingent had been in the hospital wounded.

Had Bombproofs Too.
There were several caves covered with timbers and heaped over with earth, which had served as bombproofs, but had been seldom occupied. The bulletin board was covered with significant notices. For instance: "As there is likely to be a severe dropping of fire to-day, women and children are forbidden to walk about the grounds."

There is another: "Owing to the small supply of vegetables and eggs the market will be opened only from 9 to 10 hereafter. All horse meat is inspected by a physician."

The bravery of the women was noteworthy. They became so accustomed to fire that it was difficult to restrain them from walking about the grounds at all times.

On Short Rations.
When a proposal was made to petition the Tsung Li Yamen for vegetables some said they would rather starve than take help from that quarter. The Yamen's food supply was a farce, sufficient for one day. When asked for the reply was that it could not be furnished because a state of war existed in Peking. The Tsung Li Yamen placarded all public places, exhorting the people to kill all foreigners because the latter had made war on China in attacking the forts at Taku. The legations were fiercely attacked from July 17th to July 25th. At the latter date a nominal truce was agreed to and extended to Aug. 3rd. The Chinese repeatedly violated it.

There was considerable relief from July 30th to Aug. 1st, and then the Chinese mounted another siege. The mainstay of the foreigners was an old gun used by the British in 1860, which was found in a junk shop by Mitchell, the American gunner. This was mounted on a Russian carriage found by an Italian. Ammunition was fitted to it, and it was christened "The International gun."

Had Never Despaired.
The foreigners remarked that relief had been long delayed, but they insisted that they had never despaired of the outcome. The Chinese are said to admit that they were 3,000 killed during the siege. The foreigners did not waste their ammunition, shooting only when a target was in evidence. The Chinese method, on the other hand, was a continuous heavy and indiscriminate fire. The enemy would advance to the barricades at night, creeping up with their arms filled with bricks, and in the morning the foreigners would find a new wall a new feature. Finally the barricades came so close that talking could be distinctly heard.

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TRIAL OF BRESCHI WAS SHORT.

The Assassin Sentenced to Life Imprisonment.

HE ADMITTED HIS GUILT.

Story of the Crime Told by Witnesses—Populace Would Have Killed the Cowardly Assassin Had the Officers Not Saved Him—Humbert's Last Words to Aids.

Milan, Sept. 3.—The trial of Breschi, the anarchist who shot and killed King Humbert of Italy, opened here at 9 a.m. to-day. An immense crowd of people gathered about the court from early morning seeking admission to the court room, where only a few places were reserved for the ticket-holding public.

Breschi sat in the dock, calm and almost indifferent. His counsel, Signor Martelli, head of the Milan bar, and the anarchist writer, Signor Merlino, made requests in various grounds for an adjournment, which were denied. It was said that Breschi had written to the judges, declaring he would not reply to the interrogatories. Soldiers and gendarmes were plentifully stationed about the court.

In an interview Martelli said: "The defense consist of a simple but dramatic description of Italy's social, economical and political condition, which rendered the assassination of King Humbert possible."

Breschi maintains his attitude of cynical indifference. While the indictment, which was very long, was being read, Breschi scanned the faces of the audience without any sign of fear or effrontery.

The indictment showed that the assassin had indulged in frequent target practice, and that he had prepared bullets so as to render them more dangerous by making about the grounds at all times.

Breschi Examined.
The examination of Breschi followed. He declared he had decided to kill King Humbert after the evening of the 29th of July, to avenge the misery of the people and my own." He added, "I acted without advice or accomplices."

The prisoner admitted the target practice and the preparation of bullets. He spoke in a low, firm voice, and said he fired three shots at three yards with his revolver. Two wooden targets were here placed on the table before the judges.

Story of the Crime Told.
Brigadier of Gendarmes Salvatori recapitulated the story of the assassination of the King. He said the saved Breschi from the crowd, who nearly lynched the assassin. Breschi was covered with blood.

Humbert's Last Words.
General Avogadro des Contes di Quinto, the King's aide de camp, who was with His Majesty when the latter was killed, recounted how the King was shot, saying that in answer to a question of the witness after the crime, His Majesty replied: "I truly think —" The King had "stopped in the middle of the sentence, and 'yes' King he expired."

The testimony of witnesses Humbert and Olivieri did not adduce any new facts.

The royal groom Lupi, deposed how he had seized Breschi by the throat, and a witness named Ramella, who had lodged with Breschi and a friend three days prior to the crime, said the prisoner was always perfectly calm.

A Life Sentence.
At the close of the trial to-day of Breschi, the anarchist who assassinated King Humbert, the King was pronounced guilty, and sentenced to imprisonment for life.

THE GREEDY BUFFALO MOTH
Carpet-Eating Beetle Causing Much Trouble.

MAY ABOLISH THE CARPET.
Prof. W. M. Dougherty, of the Ontario Agricultural College, in answer to queries as to the best method of dealing with the destructive pest, says:

In regard to the Buffalo carpet beetle, I may say that it is becoming altogether too common a pest, and is doing considerable damage in all parts of the Province. The eggs are laid by the beetle, and from there the young larvae hatch out. In the larval stage the great damage to carpets and woollens is done. These larvae in their development to the adult stage occasionally cast their skins. The mature larvae is the peculiar hairy creature described in your letter. These hide in the cracks and crevices about the house and change in the pupa stage, emerging as the beetle. In this country we probably have but a single brood. In Europe, where mats are used instead of carpets, the beetle does very little damage, and we in this country may yet be forced to do away with carpets. I would advise you to take up all your carpets in your house, and after thoroughly shaking and beating them, spray them by means of an atomizer with gasoline or benzine, remembering that these substances must not come in contact with fire in any shape; also spray the cracks and crevices with the same material. Another, but less effective method, is to lay two or three layers of wet cloth upon the carpet and go over it with a very hot iron, which process will generate an amount of steam sufficient to cook most of the insects.