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FOREIGN NEWS

Reported Alive July 21.

WASHINGTON, July 25.—The State Department has received a telegram from Consul McWade at Canton saying that Viceroy Tak gives assurance that all the foreign envoys at Peking were alive and well on July 21.

Doubtful.

LONDON, July 25.—The British Premier and Minister of Foreign Affairs, Lord Salisbury, today notified the United States Ambassador here, Mr. Joseph H. Choate, that it was impossible to accept the evidence so far submitted by the Chinese or that transmitted by the United States regarding the safety of the foreign Ministers at Peking.

Alarm at Hai Nan.

NEW YORK, July 26.—A special to the Journal and Advertiser from Hongkong says: Consul General Wildman has been informed that the Chinese Governor of the Island of Hai Nan has served notice on the Consuls that he is unable to protect the foreigners any longer. The American missions have appealed to Consul Wildman to send a warship to Hoi How to bring away the foreigners.

Probably Favor War.

WASHINGTON, July 26.—Notwithstanding signs of activity the State Department had nothing this morning of interest touching the Chinese situation. The Imperial edict promulgated yesterday by Viceroy Tak at Canton, has left a disagreeable impression here. Despite the Chinese Minister's view to the contrary, this edict is looked upon as suspiciously like a preliminary to a formal declaration of war, and only one step toward securing time to move Chinese forces into a better position for defence against the internationals.

Rioting in Shan Si.

LONDON, July 26.—A dispatch from missionary sources, dated Shanghai, July 26, says: "Rioting has broken out at Ai Yuen Fu, the capital of the province of Shan Si. There are no details. Rioting has also occurred at Hwai Loh, south of Chi Li. All the missions have been destroyed. Our friends safely escaped to the country, but are all still in danger." It is reported here that Russia has borrowed nearly ten millions sterling from the Imperial Bank of Russia since the commencement of the troubles in China.

Wavering Viceroy.

NEW YORK, July 19.—A dispatch to the World from London says: Great bodies of Boxers and regular Chinese troops are known to be marching southward from Peking murdering all Christians they find and destroying their possessions. It is feared that some of the Viceroy's—who as a whole have hitherto shown themselves most friendly disposed toward foreigners—are now wavering in their support and with the Governors of several provinces are going over to the rebels. Many people regard Li Hung Chang's eagerness for his present journey from Canton to Peking with suspicion and urge that he be detained when the steamer carrying him reaches Shanghai.

Declaration of War.

NEW YORK, July 19.—A dispatch to the Journal and Advertiser from London, says: The Chinese invasion of the Amur province is equivalent to a declaration of war against Russia which, construing it as such, has handed the Chinese Envoy at St. Petersburg his passports today and requested him to leave the country, along with the members of his mission.

Russian Troops Massing.

NEW YORK, July 18.—A World cable from London July 19, says: Russia is preparing to make a descent on China from Manchuria. She is massing there a great army of Cossacks and is using the Siberian Railway exclusively for military operations. An army of 200,000 Russians may invade China from the north by the 1st of August. This step makes a clash of nations in China possible.

Extra Session.

WASHINGTON July 18.—Military officials are quite unanimous in the belief that more troops will be necessary to carry on an effective campaign in the Philippines and in China and that in order to secure them an extra session of Congress must be called.

Legation Rescued.

YOKOHAMA, July 17.—According to a Peking dispatch dated the 7th inst., received by the Acting Viceroy of Chekiang and Fukien, General Nieh has entered Peking with the object of rescuing Prince King and relieving Yulu. The two remaining legations were at the same time rescued, and it was discovered that the German Minister only had been murdered. The Boxers were in low spirits. Prince King and Yulu had received secret instructions from the Empress Dowager to attack the Boxers with the forces of Generals Nieh and Sun. The situation in Peking was less critical than before.

Supplied with Poison.

BERLIN, July 16.—The correspondent here of the Associated Press has received private information from London that a private letter was received there from Lady Claude MacDonald, wife of the British Ambassador at Peking, written when the situation was growing threatening, saying that all the ladies of the legation had supplied themselves with poison.

Cholera in India.

LONDON, July 16.—The Governor of Bombay, telegraphing to the Secretary of State for India, says that there were 9928 cases of cholera in the famine districts during the week ending July 7th, of which 6474 were fatal, and that in the native states there were 9226 cases, of which 5862 were fatal.

TELEGRAPHIC ITEMS

San Francisco is agitating for a subway under Market street.

It is stated at Cape Town that 10,000 Boers will move to America.

J. W. Yerkes has been nominated for Governor by Kentucky Republicans.

Coomassie has been relieved by the column under command of Col. Willcocks.

The German Navy is not satisfied with English canned beef and wants the American brand.

Adelbert Hay, United States Consul at Pretoria, is about to leave there for Washington.

Hundreds of cattle are perishing in Arizona and Southern California on account of the drouth.

America leads all other foreign countries in its display of fruit at the Paris Exposition.

China is said to have made proposals to Japan last autumn for a massacre of foreigners.

The United States cruiser Baltimore, returning from Manila, is at Gibraltar awaiting orders.

Gen. Chaffee, who will command in China if Gen. Miles is not sent, has been commissioned Major General.

The scenes in Belrin and St. Petersburg when the news of the massacre was received, were of popular frenzy.

Roberts is severely criticized in London for the Nitral's Nek affair. British Generals are said to be breaking down under the strain of Transvaal duty.

Every important harbor in the United States will be protected by a submarine torpedo boat of the Holland type.

Cornelius Harris, the only negro member of the jury that indicted Jefferson Davis, is dead. He was a Democrat.

The Dutch Consul at Pretoria has been taken prisoner by the British and is charged with carrying letters to the Boer lines.

Including this season's output, the contribution of the Klondike to the world's wealth up to date has been in the neighborhood of \$50,000,000.

The Chinese of San Francisco will lodge claims against the city government for \$2,000,000 for damage accruing to them by the plague quarantine.

One of the highest officers of the United States Army says that we are face to face with the greatest general war since the days of Napoleon.

The Gold Democrats will not put a ticket in the field this year," said W. D. Bynum of Indiana, chairman of the Gold Democratic executive committee of 1896.

Gold shipments from the Klondike up the Yukon river and to the coast by the Skagway gateway this season have so far amounted in round numbers to \$7,000,000 at least.

A telegram from France says an undamaged empty buoy marked "Andre's Polar Expedition, 1898, No. 3," was found July 7th, in latitude 63 deg. 42 min. north and longitude 20 deg. 43 min. west.

Lord Curzon, Viceroy of India, has cabled to the Secretary of State for India, Lord George Hamilton, that an excellent rain has fallen in the northwest provinces and in parts of Central India and that useful showers have occurred at Deccan.

The National Wall Paper Company, which has been known for more than six years as the wall paper trust, having failed to control independent manufacturers, has practically been driven out of business by outside competition and in the near future will be dissolved.

Charles H. Ackers, secretary of Arizona, reports that in an interview with President McKinley, the latter spoke favorably of the admission of the three territories of Arizona, New Mexico and Oklahoma.

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LOCALS

Mrs. F. W. Carter and children are spending the summer at Bailey's Hotel.

Mrs. Decoto of Spreckelsville has gone to spend a week at Makawao as the guest of Mrs. Bailey.

Dr. W. R. Boot returned from Makawao on Wednesday, where he had been filling professional engagements.

One Japanese and several Chinese stores have been opened in Kahului, just mauka of the Mr. Bob English's lot.

Rev. J. E. Russell of Honolulu will preach at the Wailuku Foreign Church tomorrow (Sunday) evening, at 7.30.

Mr. J. N. S. Williams of the Honolulu Iron Works Co. is visiting at Spreckelsville as the guest of Manager Lowrie.

Mr. J. W. Hall, agent for the Chickering and Kreuger pianos, came up the Mauna Loa last night and will spend a week on Maui.

Mr. Frank Damon and Rev. J. R. Russell are visiting the Chinese missions on Maui this week, and will remain for a week or so with us.

Mrs. John Walsh and daughter, of Kahului, came down on the Alexander, accompanied by Mrs. Cuthbert, the mother of Mrs. T. M. Church.

Attorney George Hous, accompanied by his sister and daughter, went to Honolulu last night on the Kinau, to remain for several weeks at Waikiki.

Dr. R. J. McGettigan, of Hana, accompanied by his wife, visited Wailuku and Lahaina during the early part of the week, returning home by Wednesday's Claudine.

FOR SALE.—A "Blick" Type Writer. Nearly new and in full working order. \$25;—cost \$45. For particulars apply to CHAS. LENNOX, Wailuku.

Cyrus Green has associated Mr. C. Crowell of Hilo with himself in the contracting business. The new firm will locate at Wailuku, and are prepared to furnish estimates for all classes of buildings.

The Kahului Club House is now complete and occupied. Last night, the club gave an elegant house warming dinner. Extensive repairs and improvements have been made to the building, and the boys say that they are now housed in a manner worthy of new Kahului.

A. Enos & Co. will commence on Monday morning to tear down the shacks belonging to them on Market street, for the purpose of at once erecting a block of slightly two story business houses. The butcher shop owned by them will not be torn down, but will be thoroughly renovated.

The Evening Bulletin of Honolulu is the oldest daily and the best news medium on the Islands. Full Associated Press dispatches up to the hour of the steamer's departure from San Francisco, insure its readers the latest possible foreign news by each steamer. "All the news all the time" is its motto. Subscription rates, \$8.00 per year, in advance.

The following are the arrivals at Bailey's Hotel, Makawao, Aug. 5:—Mrs. H. G. Alexander, Misses Helen Alexander, Ethel Damon, Eleanor Waterhouse Ethel Angus, Fred Alexander, Chas. Judd, Henry Damon, William Walker, "Baby Walker." They compose a party who will spend a month at Mrs. Alexander's place on the slope of Haleakala.

The long and anxiously waited for S. T. Alexander anchored in Kahului about noon on Wednesday, having aboard Dr. Weddick's paint, Supt. Carley's switch-boards, a large supply of liquid refreshments for Lovejoy's wholesale liquor house in Wailuku, and lots of good things to eat, for the Kahului Store. Everybody, in fact, was glad "When the ship came in."

A set of steam plows for Kihai Plantation were received from the Gregg Plow Co., on the Alexander. They will be unloaded at Kahului, where they will probably be put together and wheeled over by their own power, along the government road. If this should be found to be impracticable, they will be shipped over on the H. C. & S. Co.'s cars to Kihai before being put together.

G. W. Adams, superintendent of the H. C. & S. Co.'s railway system inaugurating some very important

changes in the system. A round house of five pits will be erected at the site of the new mill. The entire road is to be made three feet gauge, and extended to Kihai, and thence to the landing at Maalaea Bay, where a large wharf and warehouse is to be built, with a view of shipping the output of the new mill from Maalaea Bay instead of from Kahului.

A most enjoyable "poi Supper" took place at the residence of Mrs. Bailey of Makawao, on Saturday evening July 28th. The spacious verandah was handsomely decorated the entire floor being strewn with ferns, on which the feast was set out, in true Hawaiian fashion. All Hawaiian delicacies were in evidence, the only strictly American course, being the coffee and cake with which the feast wound up. After all had done ample justice to the numerous viands displayed, some impromptu dancing was indulged in and a great deal of impromptu singing. Those who participated were:—Mrs. H. B. Bailey, Mrs. Carter, Mrs. G. Bailey, Misses Johnson, Carter, Kirkland, Susan Kirkland, Mabel Kirkland and Stack, Messrs Tutill, W. R. Boote, G. Bailey, S. Carter and F. Carter.

Not Foul Play.

On Sunday morning, July 22nd Keahi, a Hawaiian, living at Waihee, was found lying dead in the road between Wailuku and Waihee. The general opinion was that he had fallen from his horse while drunk, and broken his neck.

After his burial, there was a good deal of talk among his friends about foul play, and to settle the matter if possible, Sheriff Baldwin ordered a coroner's jury to be impaneled, and had the body disinterred for the purpose of holding an autopsy, which was done last Saturday afternoon.

The coroner's jury, after inspecting the remains, adjourned till Monday morning, when they met at Wailuku and made a searching investigation into the cause of Keahi's death, arriving at the following conclusion:—

"We, the jury impaneled in the above matter have come to the conclusion that Keahi, deceased, came to his death at Waihee, Maui, Territory of Hawaii, between the hours of 9 o'clock, p. m. of Saturday, July 21 1900 and 2 o'clock on the following Sunday morning, by accidentally falling from his horse, while in a state of intoxication.

S. E. Kaiue, Foreman."

Thanks Awfully.

(The following communication was handed us for publication last week, but was crowded out to make room for our scoop on telegraphic news. Ed.)

July 24th, 1900. Editor, "MAUI NEWS." Allow me through the columns of your paper, to return thanks to my many Maui friends, who so kindly presented me with a splendid Gold Watch and Chain.

I want them all to know I value their beautiful gift, indeed; but I value still more the kindly feeling of friendship which prompted the gift; Thanking you, dear Mr. Editor, with the others.

I remain your much obliged friend John Weddick, M. R. C. P.

Bee Culture.

The following letter is self explanatory. Parties desiring further information should address Mr. Law personally or by letter:—

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Salvation Army Meetings.

Will be held at the following times and places:—
Wailuku, Saturday eve., Aug. 4.
" Sunday " " 5.
Hamakua, Mon. " " 6.
Kahului, Tuesday " " 7.
Lahaina, Wednesday " " 8.
(at Native Church)
Kaanapali, Thursday " " 9.
Olowalu, Friday " " 10.

BY AUTHORITY

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE TERRITORY OF HAWAII.

June Term, 1900.

GRAND JURIES.

1. When Required. "No person shall be held to answer for a capital or otherwise infamous crime, unless on a presentment or indictment of a grand jury, except in cases arising in the land and naval forces, or in the militia, when in actual service in time of war or public danger." U. S. Const., Amend., Art. 5.
2. How Drawn. "Until otherwise provided by the legislature of the Territory, grand juries may be drawn in the manner provided by the Hawaiian statutes for drawing petty juries." Org. Act., Sec. 83.
3. Qualifications of Jurors. "No person who is not a male citizen of the United States and twenty-one years of age, and who cannot understandingly speak, read and write the English language, shall be a qualified juror or grand juror in the Territory of Hawaii, and all juries shall hereafter be constituted without reference to the race or place of nativity of the jurors." Org. Act., Sec. 83.
4. Number of Jurors. The number of grand jurors in each circuit shall be not less than thirteen, nor more than twenty-three. See Org. Act., Sec. 83.
5. Sessions. "Until otherwise provided by the legislature of the Territory, grand juries * * * shall sit at its such times as the circuit judge of the respective circuits shall direct." Org. Act., Sec. 83.
6. Challenges. Before the grand jury retires, the prosecuting officer, or any person held to answer for a criminal offense, may challenge the panel or an individual juror, for cause to be assigned to the court. All such challenges shall be tried and determined by the court.
7. Foreman. From the persons summoned to serve as grand jurors and appearing, the court shall appoint a foreman and may remove him for cause. The court may appoint another foreman when the necessity arises.
8. Oath of Grand Jurors. Substantially the following oath shall be administered to the grand jurors:—

"You, and each of you do solemnly swear (or affirm) that you will diligently inquire, and true presentment make, of all such matters and things as shall be given you in charge, or shall otherwise come to your knowledge touching this present service; that you will present no one through envy, hatred, or malice, nor leave any one unpresented through fear, favor, affection, gain, reward or hope therefor, but will present all things truly as they come to your knowledge, according to the best of your understanding; and that you will keep secret the proceeding had before you."
9. Charge of the Court. The grand jury, being impaneled and sworn, shall be charge by the court. In doing so, the court shall give them such information as it may deem proper as to their duties and as to the law pertaining to such cases as may come before them. The court may further charge the jury when the necessity arises.
10. Officer in Attendance. The court may appoint an officer to attend upon the grand jury.
11. Retirement of the Grand Jury. The grand jury shall than retire to a private room and inquire into the offenses cognizable by them.
12. Clerk. The grand jury may appoint one of their number to be their clerk, to preserve minutes of the proceeding before them, which minutes shall be delivered to the prosecuting officer, when so directed by the grand jury.
13. Subpoena of Witnesses. "The several circuit courts may subpoena witnesses to appear before the grand jury in like manner as they subpoena witnesses to appear before their respective courts." Org. Act., Sec. 83.
14. Swearing Witnesses. Witnesses appearing before the grand jury may be sworn in open Court or by the foreman of the grand jury or, in his absence, by any member thereof.
The oath or affirmation may be

substantially as follows: "You do solemnly swear (or affirm) that the evidence which you shall give before the grand jury shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth."
15. Presence of Others with Jurors. The prosecuting officer or any member of the grand jury may interrogate witnesses before the grand jury. The prosecuting officers shall advise the grand jury in regard to the law of the cases that come before them, and draw the indictments.
An interpreter may be present at the examination of witnesses before the Grand Jury.
Except the prosecuting officer, interpreter, and witness under examination, no person shall be permitted to be present during the sessions of the grand jury.
No person except the members of the grand jury shall be permitted to be present during the expression of their opinions, or the giving of their votes.
16. Twelve Grand Jurors to Concur. No indictment shall be made, nor shall any presentment be made, without the concurrence of at least twelve grand jurors.
17. Indorsement by Foreman shall be indorsed, "A true bill," and such indorsement shall be signed by the foreman. An indictment shall be indorsed also by the prosecuting officer. A presentment, when made, shall be signed by the foreman.
18. Presenting and Filing. Indictments or presentments, when found shall be presented by the foreman, in the presence of the other grand jurors, to the Court, and shall there be filed; but such as are found for a felony against any person not in custody or under recognizance, shall not be open to the inspection of any person except the prosecuting officer, until the defendant therein shall have been arrested.
The foregoing rules relating to grand juries are hereby prescribed. By the Court,
HENRY SMITH, Clerk.

Honolulu, Territory of Hawaii, July 5, 1900.

TERRITORY OF HAWAII, ISLAND OF OAHU.

Honolulu, July 30, 1900.

The following appointments have been made in the Judiciary Department of the Territory of Hawaii.

George Lucas, James A. Thompson and P. D. Kellett, Jr., respectively, as First, Second and Third Deputy Clerks of the Judiciary Department for the First Circuit.
James N. K. Keola, as Deputy Clerk of the Judiciary Department for the Second Circuit.
H. D. Wishard, as Deputy Clerk of the Judiciary Department for the Fifth Circuit.

Executive Notice.

The Governor directs that notice be given that the following persons have been appointed Members of the Tax Appeal Court:
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HENRY E. COOPER, Secretary of the Territory, Capitol, August 1st, 1900.

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2. RESOLVED, That all houses or apartments in which a person having Pulmonary Tuberculosis has lived be disinfected to the satisfaction of the Board of Health when vacated by reason of the death or removal of the tubercular patient, before being again permitted to be occupied.
Dated at Honolulu, July 11, 1900.
C. B. WOOD, President Board of Health.
ATTN: CHAS. WILCOX, Secretary.

Notice.

W. Q. Aiken, Esq., has this day been appointed a Notary Public for the Second Judicial Circuit of the Territory of Hawaii
EDMUND P. DOLE, Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General, Honolulu, July 2, 1900.

Notice.

Is hereby given that Jas. N.K. Keola, Esq., has this 19th day of July, A. D. 1900, been appointed Notary Public for the Second Judicial Circuit of the Territory of Hawaii.
EDMUND P. DOLE, Attorney General, Honolulu, July 19th, 1900

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LETITIA'S DAUGHTER.

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Tabitha Allen took Eliza's hat, laid it on a table near by, motioned her to a seat and stood in the middle of the room, looking solemnly down at her.

"If I tell you something," said she, pressing her forehead into an impressive frown, "will you promise not to tell?"

"I promise," said Eliza. "On your word of honor?" "On my word of honor," repeated Eliza. "I won't breathe it to a livin' soul. See! I cross my heart and body." And she laughingly suited the action to the word.

Tabitha took her seat at the window, and, searching in a cumbersome basket for a needless stocking, found one, slipped the burning ball into it and slowly thrust her needle through an emery ball in the shape of an overgrown strawberry, while Eliza leaned eagerly forward, waiting to hear.

Tabitha threaded her needle before she spoke. "There's to be a weddin in the neighborhood pretty soon," she said then. "A weddin!" cried Eliza. "What! You don't mean next door—Letitia Kinsman and Tom Jones?"

Tabitha's thin lips wrenched themselves into a sphinxlike smile. "That's what everybody thinks, I know," said she, "but there'll be a little surprise waitin' 'em. It ain't Letitia this time, as it happens."

"Then who in the world can it be?" asked Eliza breathlessly. "Tabitha waived the question. 'I've been livin' next door to Letitia Kinsman ever since her husband died,'

she said, "and I know all about her from A to Z; and that she's told me much herself—Letitia never was no great hand to talk; she's a close mouthed woman, especially when it comes to anything concernin' her own affairs, but you can't help pickin' up a mite of information as you go along, livin' so close—that is, if you've got any eyes at all."

She worked awhile in silence before she began again. "Letitia wore her crape a good long time for such a pretty woman, and it was a long time, too, before she began to notice, as much as a year or more. So when Tom Jones took to seein' her home from meetin' and hangin' over the gate with her till the moon went down nobody was much surprised. Even if Letitia ain't as young as she used to be she's a mighty pretty woman—mighty pretty! And smart! There ain't a smarter woman in Plainville than Letitia Kinsman."

"Seems like, even if them widows ain't pretty, they're kinder takin' some how or other," put in Eliza. "They allus catches the eye of the men."

Tabitha nodded assent as she ran her long needle through every other stitch in the dimly lit lattice-work as she was weaving in the spot where the heel of the stocking had been.

"That's true enough," said she, "and, as I say, it begun to look like Letitia was havin' things all her own way. She was a widow and pretty yet and smart. There never was a church sociable but what Letitia had every man in the room around her a-splittin' of their sides laughin' at the funny things she said right off plank down, while the rest of us thought of what we mought have said after we'd got half way home."

She slapped her hand over her mouth in the effort to conceal a slight yawn. "Yes," she concluded, "she was smart—there's no denyin' that about most things. But there was one thing she wa'n't smart about."

"And what was that?" demanded Eliza. "When everything was goin' her way and Tom had popped the question or was about to pop it, and that—here she grasped the stocking more securely and looked cross-eyed as she ran the needle back the other way, the point toward her—"was one thing I never could quite make out, whether he ever asked her in so many words to marry him or not. If he didn't, all I've got to say is that he was mighty near it, sendin' her little sweet smellin' bokays and settin' out on the front porch with her till all hours of the night and, as I said before, hangin' on the gate; not only that, but comin' sometimes early in the mornin' before I'd had time to get my dishes washed; so early that if you hadn't known better you'd thought he'd been hangin' there on that gate the forelong night."

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"I want to speak to you in a good natured way about your meats."

"My meats!" echoed the landlord. "Why, is there anything wrong about my meats? I'm getting the very best. 'It's beefsteak and mutton, you know?'"

"Yes, I know, and they cost me a heap of money to get 'em here—yes, sir; almost worth their weight in silver—but I must have the best. What is it you complain of?"

"We don't complain. What I wanted to ask you was about game. There must be game around here?"

"Of course. Do you mean to say that your crowd wants venison, bear meat, antelope, prairie chicken, turkey, and so on?"

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"Yes."

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