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The fate of the foreigners in Pekin is still shronded in mystery. Nobody believes though that one is left to tell the shocking tale. Probably the whole will not be known till the allied armies fight their way to Pekin, and from all appearances this will require sevlast Friday, 7,000 strong, stormed Tien Tsin, a fortified city defended by 20,000 Chinamen armed with modern rifles and ordnance. The allied armies were driven back with the loss of 253 killed and several hundred wounded. The colonel of the Ninth United States infantry and several captains were killed. The Chinese were led by European officers, their artillery was spleadidly served, and they fought like fiends. The next day the allied armies charged again and drove the Chinese from the city and took possession. Troops to the number of \$9,000," including 11,000 Americans, are flying on the wings

of the wind to the relief of the force at Tien Tsin. The nations of Europe as well as our own are breathing nothing but threats of declared, a state of war actually exists. The outlook to us seems black and threatening. The Chinese are full of fight and are well armed. They are innumerable as the sands of the seashore. The pacification of their country will be the most tremendous military task ever undertaken-a gigantic task that would make even a Caesar

or a Napoleon halt and hesitate. to be brought face to face with a effort of human labor. great crisis in order to demonstrate the fatal weakness of his character and of his political methods. The developments in the Orient are fast proving him to be not a statesman, but a slick politician. At present the vital question in 'Washington is: "Shall an extra session of Congress be called?" The chief executive hesitates as to to be taught civilization. the course to pursue. The exigeneies of the situation are perfectly Regular correspondence apparent. The lives of American WASHINGTON, July 23, 1900 .contributions weigh the heavier. When we entered upon the war with Spain few of our people would have thought at all favorably of a proposition that we try to enforce our sovereignty upon 7,500,-000 Asiatice, 7,000 miles away, at a cost to us of \$100,000,000 and un- in Pekin are alive, which, by the counted lives annually. To-day way, isn't believed by anybody outbits of Chinese property and risking the clash of arms with European nations that always menaces Kinley is afraid to do anything

\$1 per year.

roots-in the McKinley admin.s-tration to-day. men from General MacArthur, who has already been made to send

#### The Great Wall of China.

"would not rest until the German

impertinence, not to say colossal chock, in this jaunty threat of the war lord of an empire of mushroom growth-not yet thirty years old-and including less than one do. eral months. The allied armies to plant his conquering banner on the greatest military work ever constructed.

The Great Wall of China was built in ten years, and was finished 265 years before the birth of Christ. Twenty-one centuries have had scarcely any effect upon it. It is as enduring as the Pyramids. Equipped with modern artillery and manned with soldiers armed and drilled in the modern manner, and officed in the modern manner, it would be as impregnable as the day it was finished. as to the methods of electing del-egates to the proposed Cuban con-McDonald and W. R. Elliott, The

The projecting masses of stone and brick which form its huge but. tresses are alone estimated to contain more material than all the dwelling houses in Great Britaiu. Careful calculation long ago demonstrated that the Chinese wall contains material more than sufficient to cover the entire circumvengeance against China and, ference of the earth on two of its while war has not been formally circles with two walls each six feet high and two feet thick. It is nearly fifteen hundred miles long, and is carried over the highest mountains, the deepest valleys, across wide rivers, and over all manner of natural obstacles. It is a greater wonder than any of the so-called "Seven Wonders of the World," It surpasses not only by its immensity, but by the ingenuity of its engineering devices and its repeat at a cabinet meeting, is that of the bridge. William McKinley needs only marvellous stability every other the reason the foreign ministers in

> When we remember that this vast achievement in science and art was accomplished twenty-one friends and are afraid that any atcenturies ago, we ought to blush tempt to send messages would put time until someone will be struck for the arrogance of the nations of the mob onto their hiding places. by a locomotive and either killed Europe-mere youngsters by com. The Chinese minister's success in parison-who talk of the Chinese and assume to deal with them as barbarians and heathen who need remain in this country and go into on the part of the person injured.

## At the National Capital.

tution by declaring war on the him to feel his way carefully, be- somebody else's horse. Yet even Filipinos without Congressional cause a mistake will make his de- for such a light sent-nee the govact may embroil us with Russia if feat for re-election more certain ernor's pardoning power was inhe thinks there be profit in it. then it now apparently is. He MeSweeney that he refused the If we are to avoid imperialism can't get more men in the army unworthy overtures made to him Correspondence on current subjects is and all its inevitable and hateful without authority from Congress, to let this man go free, who had invited, but we do not agree to publish results, let us strike the evil at its and he is afraid to take any more done what he could to bring shares minded

> has already been made to send men from the Philippines against the Greenville News sends that Emperor William of Germany his vigorous protest. Consequently paper the remarkable information declared a few days ago that he unless there is an extra session of that Hon. W. B. deLoach was the Congress the total American force only avowed Prohibition candidate flag floats from the walls of Pekin." in China will not exceed 12,000, for the Legislature in York county, The walls of Pekin are, of and several thousand of them can as, elected. Mr. deLouch may be course, a part of the Great Wall not be got there before the 1st of elected, but it will not be because of China. There is a singular September, no matter how badly he is a Prohibitionist, and if he they may be needed. Meanwhile, runs as a Prohibitionist he will not Canton to wobble at leisure until tionists make a good deal of noise, public opinion shows him what to but there is not in reality much more than a hatful of these vision-

There are reasons to believe that aries in York county .-- Yorkville a decidedly interesting talk took place in the dining room of Secretary Gage's suburban residence, where Mr. McKinley, all the members of the cabinet who are in Washington, and Gen. Leonard has been hinted in inside administration circles may start the annexation ball to rolling by adopting an annexation resolution or declaring ministration programme, the arrangements for the election of delegates to the convention will be such as to insure a majority of annexationists. General Wood will talk about everything else in Cuba, ment. but as soon as you say anneration he is as mum as a clam.

The Chinese minister in Washington is about as slick as the slickest of his race, and he seems able to make Secretary Hay accept any old story that he chooses to tell him. His latest, which Mr. Hay thought important enough to Pekin have not communicated with vent persons who anticipate boardtheir governments is that they are ing southbound passenger trains hid in the houses of Chinese the tracks near the front of movstuffing the members of the ad-

the gold brick business if his goyernment gets knocked out at home.

### New Railroad for Wiansboro. The State

Yeoman.

Friday afternoon the Secretary of State granted a charter to the Winnsboro and Camden Railroad Wood, military governor of Cuba, a line from Winnsboro to Camden, company, which proposes to build were guests. The subject was Cuba at which point connection will be and its probable future relations made with the main line of the toward the United States. General Seaboard Air Line. The capital Wood is in Washington for the 000 nor more than \$1,000,000. stock is not to be less than \$300;purpose of receiving instructions The directors are to be Thomas K. stitutional convention, which it officers are T. K. Elliott, president; T. H. Kitchin, secretary and treas-urer; J. E. McDonald, attorney, and C. S. Dwight, chief engineer. The required amount of the cap-ital stock has been subscribed and in favor of it. If such is the ad- paid in. It is said that at an early date steps will be taken for the holding of an election in Winns-boro on the question of that town subscribing \$50,000 to the capital of the new road. It is the purpose of the company to build the new road at the earliest possible mo-

#### Local Items.

There will be preaching in the Fort Mill Methodist church on next Sunday morning and evening at the usual hours.

A part of the material of which the bridge is to built across Datawba river by the county has arrived and a force of hands is now employed in moving it to the site

Unless something is done to preing trains it is only a matter of or seriously hurt. Should such an accident occur, no blame would attach to the railroad company, for it ministration may encourage him to would be the result of carelessness

> Anyone in need of undressed Lumber would find it to their in-



# GREAT SLAUGHTER SALE.

Mr. McKinley has gone back to would otherwise. The Prohibi-

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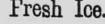
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citizens are being sacrificed in Mr. McKinley is again performing China, and William McKinley hes- his specialty-the wobbling act. itates to call Congress in extra ses- He heard the criticism of the counsion for fear that among other leg. try of his absence from his post islation that might be passed and rushed back to Washington, would be the anti-trust bill now everybody supposed to do somehanging fire in the Senate. The thing. There has been cabinet passage of this bill would alienate meetings and cabinet dinners, but the large corporations from the that is all. Nothing has been done Republican party, and they would that had not been decided upon no longer contribute to its cam. before Mr. McKinley pulled himpaign fund. William McKinley self away from the enticing rockers is to-day balancing the lives and on that Canton porch. Although honor of the American women it is the general opinion in Washsubject to Chinese depredations ington that Congress should be against the contributions of large called in extra session to handle corporations for campaign pur. the Chinese business, Mr. McKinposes, and at the present time the ley and his advisers decided that no extra session should be called until the urgency became more pressing. Because the allied forces in China have won a temporary success, at an awful cost of life, against public policy or good morincluding many Americans, and the Chinese have sent a message saying that the foreign ministers

few would approve the United side of members of the adminis-States joining in the struggle for tration, Mr. McKinley will wobble a while longer. The plain truth is that Mr. Mc-

those engaged in the spoilation of until he gets a plainer tip on what China, But the spirit of imperial- public sentiment wants this governism grows fast among the author- ment to do. Men interested in ities who reap its profits. A pres- syndicates which have big concesident who defends as the plain sions in China are urging him to dictate of destiny and duty that send a big army to China so that which he but a few weeks earlier he can he in a position to prevent that it should "entitle him to the described as criminal aggression the breaking up of the Chinese gratitude of women all over the may speedily find excuse for join- empire, which would mean the end State and country. The punishing in the raid on China. A pres- of their concessions, while Repub-

The wires have been kept hot terest to call on T. M. Hughes. getting word to such Republicans

as Representative Hull, of Iowa, other tack and fall in behind Mr. McKinley in opposition to an ex-

Communications received by the Chinese minister indicate considerable alarm among the Chinese residents of our large cities. They fear that Americans will try to avenge the marder of Americans in China by massacreing them. It cta. is, of course, a groundless fear.

tra session.

Political Notes.

One complaint against Governor McSweeney is that since he became governor he has appointed certain newspaper men to various positions in his gift. We can not foct. see that he has done anything als in making these appointments. The newspaper men of South Carolina are the best informed people in the State. If they would expose all the ignorance that comes before them in their business the world would be astonished. There is nothing in the laws or the con- to save it. stitution to prohibit the appoint-

ment of editors. The matter is within the discretion of the governor .- Abbeville Medium.

The Fairfax Enterprise, pub. cholera, we can cure it. lished and edited by Mrs. Virginia D. Young, one of the most talented ladies in the South, in a recent issue referring to the action of Governor McSweeney in refusing to ident who could ignore the consti- lican politicians are cautioning who steals a hog or runs away with

Executratrix's Notice. as Representative Hull, of Iowa, chairman of the House Military Committee, who has been publicly advocating the calling of an extra session of Congress, to take the other tack and fall in bohind. Mr A FEW

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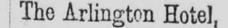


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