

EVENTS BEYOND THE SEA

THE UPRISING AGAINST THE FRENCH IN CAMBODIA.

HOSTILITY TO THE NEW TREATY THE CAUSE—THE SITUATION SERIOUS—SEVERAL FRENCH POSTS SEIZED.

PARIS, Jan. 13.—Dispatches from Saigon state that the cause for the present serious insurrection in Cambodia is to be found in the popular hostility to the new treaty with France, by which a French protectorate is established over that country. A leader named Sivotha, with a band of Chinese pirates, attacked the French post at Lambor. The garrison, consisting of a small number of marines and a contingent of Annamite auxiliaries, offered a determined resistance to the assaulting party. The commandant and several men were killed. Gov. Thomson has gone from Saigon with troops to the rescue. It is feared that the movement will spread to other parts of the Kingdom. Evidences are accumulating that Chinese emissaries are fermenting the insurrection.

The *Matin* this morning accuses the French Government of attempting to belittle the uprising. It publishes a dispatch from Saigon which declares that several French officers and many of the French troops have been killed by the rebels, and that several of the most important French posts have already fallen into their hands.

France has chartered two more steamers for use in transporting reinforcements to Tonquin.

Later advices from Saigon state that the situation in Cambodia is now satisfactory. There are no insurgent bands in the interior, and the agitation has subsided almost everywhere. The commandant of the French post at Lambor, who was killed by pirates, had gone out alone to reconnoitre on hearing that the pirates were in the vicinity. The garrison, perceiving the futility of resistance, burned the post and retreated to the river.

A letter from the King of Cambodia submitted to the committee of inquiry on the Hué treaty complains that M. Thomson, the Governor of Cochin China, usurped the functions of the sovereign of Cambodia without awaiting the ratification of the treaty, and that he compels the Ministers to sign decrees which they do not understand.

BERLIN, Jan. 13.—The Chinese Legation denies that German officers are being enrolled for the Chinese Army.