

POWERS ON VERGE OF A RUPTURE

World May Become Embroiled Over the Spoils in the Chinese Empire, and at an Early Date

England Demands Action, Li Hung Chang Suspected, and Russia Ready to Reap Territorial Reward.

LONDON, July 14, a. m.—While evidence accumulates daily that China has long been preparing formidable military organization in anticipation of the present conflict, and that the area of rebellion is continually extending, harmony among the allies, which is necessary to meet such a grave situation, is still deplorably lacking. The Russians have refused Admiral Seymour's request to hand over the restored Taku-Tien Tsin railroad to the English company, and it is said that Germany proposes taking a

staff from the Amur district, showing that the Chinese have made serious preparations there and are now concentrated on the railway line from Aigman to Sulghallen. They are well supplied with artillery, and have large quantities of munitions. The Russian general Gribovski, after reconnoitering the district, returned to Khabarovsk, capital of the province of Amur, on Monday. Other official reports confirm the serious news of the stoppage of work on the Manchurian railway, owing to Chinese attacks especially at Charbin, where an attack by 40 Chinese was repulsed on July 9. Charbin is in a critical state, being cut off from the west, south and north. Russian troops have been sent from different points to protect the railway. The Chinese, however, are still working on the eastern section of the line, which gives hope that energetic measures may succeed in restoring order. In the opinion of the general staff the chief command of the allied forces at Tien Tsin will eventually devolve upon the Russian vice admiral Alexieff, in conjunction with the Japanese commander-in-chief.

CALLS ON MR. HAY.
WASHINGTON, July 18.—M. Thibaut, the French charge d'affaires, and De Willant, the Russian charge d'affaires, were among Secretary Hay's callers today but they added nothing in the way of information on the Chinese situation. It can be stated that at this time there are no negotiations of special importance between the powers outside of the general co-operation to rescue the foreigners at Peking and to look after foreign lives and property everywhere in the empire. The foreign officials were desirous of being advised as to the course of this government as determined upon by the president and cabinet, and this felt to be a part of a general movement. They also requested official access to the movement of Russian troops to China outside of the declaration communicated to this government some days ago that some 40,000 Russian troops would at once move.

MR. ROCKHILL HOPEFUL.
WASHINGTON, July 18.—One of the first callers at the state department today was W. W. Rockhill, director of the bureau.

KILLED AT TIEN T'SIN.
A special dispatch from Tien Tsin distributes the number of those killed at the capture of the native city as follows: Russians, 100; Japanese, 57; British, 40; Americans, 37.

MAJ. J. M. LEE, WOUNDED AT TIEN T'SIN.
He was a Stanch Friend of Gen. Miles in the Recent Army Controversy, and Was His Personal Representative at the Dressed Bed Inquiry.

COL LISCOM BURED.
WASHINGTON, July 18.—The war department today received a cablegram from Gen. McArthur, dated Manila, July 18, saying that Col. Liscom's body was buried at Tong Ku on the 17th inst.

GERMANY TAKES PRECAUTION.
BERLIN, July 18.—It is semi-officially announced that the German imperial minister of foreign affairs, has notified the Chinese legation here that until further notice it cannot be allowed to send telegrams in cipher or secret language, and that telegrams in plain

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ST. PETERSBURG, July 18.—A dispatch from the Foo says: "Prince Tuan has mobilized 950,000 men divided into different corps. The northern corps has been ordered to exterminate foreigners from Amur. The peking army, which is divided into different corps, is the first to begin operations."

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TO FREEZE THEM OUT.
Steel Trust Planning Against the Small Manufacturers.
CLEVELAND, O., July 18.—Information comes from trustworthy sources that a well-defined plan is on foot to freeze out the small manufacturers of plate and bar iron and steel who began business during the recent boom in the iron market.

MURDER MYSTERY.
Two Men Killed While on a Fishing Expedition.
SOLOMONVILLE, Ariz., July 18.—The bodies of J. W. Wheeler and W. F. Howe, employees of the Detroit Copper company of Morenci, who left here on a fishing expedition on Eagle creek two weeks ago, were found today covered with brush nine miles above the pumping station on Eagle creek. Both men had been shot through the head.

within the limits of possibility that they may have been able to secrete at least some of the women of the foreign party where they can weather the storm until relief reaches Peking. This is only a possibility, but coming from one familiar with the Chinese situation, it contains at least a ray of hope for those who have friends in Peking.

SAME AS RECEIVED BY WU.
BRUSSELS, July 18.—The Belgian minister of foreign affairs, M. De Favereux, has received a telegram from the Belgian legation at Paris saying that the Chinese minister, Yu Keng, has received an official telegram announcing that the foreign ministers in Peking were safe on July 9.

ACTIVITY AT MARE ISLAND.
VALLEJO, Cal., July 18.—Commander Francis J. Drake, of Mare Island, who has been in charge of the ordnance department since the purchase of this station, has been ordered to China.

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS.
NEWPORT, R. I., July 18.—Orders were received from Washington today for volunteers from the marine guard at the naval training station to join the expedition which is to leave Washington in a few days for China, the quota being restricted to men who already have been in the corps six months and have two years of enlistment still to serve. The desired number of volunteers was obtained without difficulty and many more could have been secured. Twenty-five marines also will be selected from the Massachusetts and Indiana, and the two detachments, the one from the station consisting of twenty-four privates and four non-commissioned officers, will leave tomorrow morning for Washington, and thence go to San Francisco.

UNDER SECRET ORDERS.
SEATTLE, Wash., July 18.—The cruiser Philadelphia sailed today from Bremerton naval station under secret orders, presumably to China.

TO EXTERMINATE FOREIGNERS.
LONDON, July 18.—The Shanghai correspondent of the Daily Express asserts that he has ascertained from an unimpeachable source that when the question of an alliance between China and Japan was under consideration at Peking, the empress dowager sent a commissioner to Tokio with a secret communication to the mikado.

HAPPENINGS THAT LED UP TO THE MURDER OF GOEBEL.
GEORGETOWN, Ky., July 18.—In the trial today of Caleb Powers, charged with complicity in the Goebel shooting, John A. Black, of Barbourville, a banker of that place, and a Republican of prominence, was the first witness. He said Powers came to him in January to advise him as to the propriety of the mountain organization which he said Powers was getting up.

TERTIMONY IS SENSATIONAL.
Looks Black for Caleb Powers—Names of Charles Finley and Republican Gov. Taylor Connected With Story.

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Tells of the Relations That Existed Between Prisoner and Himself—Other Testimony Damaging to Miss Morrison.

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BULLETIN OF IMPORTANT NEWS OF THE DAY

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- 1—Latest From China. Sensation in Murder Trial. Mixing Taylor In. General Political News.
- 2—Test on the Charter. Grocers' and Butchers' Picnic. Miss Gould's Visit.
- 3—Minneapolis Matters. Anoka Murder Case.
- 4—Editorial. Short Story of the Day.
- 5—Sporting Page. Results of Ball Games. Local and State Politics.
- 6—News of Railroads. Northwest News. Popular Wants.
- 7—Markets of the World. Chicago Sept. Wheat, 70 1-8c. Bar Silver, 61 1-4c. Stocks Stagnant.
- 8—In Local Labor Field. Board of Equalization. Policemen Get Their Pay.

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SECRETARY WALSH GIVES OLD ANNOUNCEMENT FOR GENERAL PUBLICATION

POPULISTS MAY JOIN IN EVENT

Gold Democrats and Anti-Imperialists Meet and Decide to Invite Independents to a Conference.

CHICAGO, July 18.—Secretary Walsh, of the national Democratic committee, at the request of Mr. James T. Richardson, gave the following official notice today to the press:

"The notification meeting to notify presidential and vice presidential candidates named by the Kansas city convention will be held at Indianapolis, Ind., on Aug. 8, 1900. All members of the two notification committees are requested to meet at the Grand hotel, Indianapolis, on the morning of that day."

LINCOLN, Neb., July 18.—Vice Chairman J. H. Edminster, of the Populist National committee, said tonight that he did not know when the committee appointed at the Souix Falls national convention would officially notify W. J. Bryan of his nomination. He thought it possible the notification may occur at Indianapolis at the same time the Democrats met.

GOLD DEMOCRATS

Meet and Decide to Call Independents in Conference.

NEW YORK, July 18.—In response to a call issued a few days ago a number of gold Democrats and anti-imperialists met in this city tonight to discuss the methods of bringing a third party ticket before the public.

An address was adopted assailing President McKinley for his Philippine policy, and "his scandalous appointment" of federal officers, characterizing Gov. Roosevelt as "the frank embodiment of militarism," and declaring that the Republican party stands for all forms of special privileges.

Mr. Bryan, the address says, is an objectionable as President McKinley. "A vote for the Democratic ticket," says the address, "means a vote for free silver; it means a still further debauching of the civil service, a packing of the supreme court with men to be governed by the will of the executive."

The address asks independents to unite in the support of candidates upon some such satisfactory policy, as follows: First—The return to the political doctrines of the Declaration of Independence and the constitution. Second—The recognition that not only Cuba and the Philippines, but Porto Rico and Hawaii, are independent.

Third—Genuine monetary reform. Fourth—Civil service reform. Fifth—The abolition of special privileges, whether of race or any other origin.

We are not concerned solely with this selection, but with the selection of American political life. We are ready and anxious to join with others in forming a party which shall adopt a platform presenting these issues.

Speeches were made on the address by Dr. Everett, of Massachusetts; George Ripley, of Michigan, and others. A resolution was adopted authorizing the chair to appoint the committee to issue an invitation to supporters of the third ticket movement to meet in Indianapolis on July 25, to take such steps as may be necessary to place such a ticket in the field.

STEUBENBERG DEFEATED.

Idaho Democratic Convention Seats the Woods Delegation.

POCATELLO, Idaho, July 18.—After a bitter contest the Democratic state convention late this afternoon seated what is called the Woods delegation, from Shoshone county (the County of Valene district) by a vote of 22 to 10.

This delegation is opposed to Gov. Steunenberg, and it was supported by those who favor the nomination of Fred T. Dubois for United States senator. The governor opposes the nomination of any candidate for senator. Dubois was joined in the fight by J. H. Hawley also a candidate for senator. The result indicates that Dubois will be nominated. The other silver convention did practically nothing today.