

## THE MESSAGE.

### The Government of Our Acquired Territory.

#### CHINA MUST PUNISH AND PAY.

The enormous trade of the country—Sound financial condition and general prosperity—The army—Cuba's freedom—Porto Rico's needs.

President McKinley's message takes up first the matter of the Chinese question, on which he says:

The recent troubles in China spring from the anti-foreign feeling which has been fostered in the northern provinces. Their origin lies deep in the character of the Chinese race and in the traditions of their government. The Taiping rebellion and the opening of Chinese ports to foreign trade and settlement disturbed the homogeneity and the isolation of China.

Meanwhile foreign activity made itself felt in all quarters, not alone on the coast, but about the interior. The missionaries, the remoter districts, carrying new ideas and introducing new associations among a primitive people which had pursued for centuries a national policy of isolation. The telegraph and the railway spreading over the land, the steamers plying on their waters, the merchant and the missionary penetrating by year into the interior, became to the Chinese mind types of an alien invasion, changing the course of the interior trade, and with it the life of the interior. The Chinese, with vague forebodings of disaster to their beliefs and their self-control.

For several years before the present troubles all the efforts of foreign diplomacy, backed by moral demonstrations of the physical forces of fleets and arms, have been vain. The Chinese are not prepared to give up their rights of foreigners and to obtain satisfaction from the responsible authorities for the sporadic outbreaks upon their property and the unoffending sojourners, which from time to time occurred at widely separated points in the northern provinces, as in the case of the outbreak at Kiao-chow and Shantung.

The sect, commonly styled the Boxers, developed greatly in the provinces north of the Yangtze, and with the collusion of many notable officials, including some in the immediate vicinity of Peking, they became alarmingly aggressive. No foreigner's life outside of the protected treaty ports was safe. No foreign interest was secure from spoliation.

The diplomatic representatives of the powers in Peking strove in vain to check this movement. They demanded redress and demand by renewed protest to be met with perfunctory efforts from the palace and evasive and futile assurances from the Chinese government. The circle of the Boxer influence narrowed about Peking, and while nominally stigmatized as sedition, it was felt that its spirit pervaded the entire empire. The military forces were imbued with its doctrines, and that the immediate counselors of the emperor displayed a marked sympathy with the anti-foreign movement.

#### Our Policy, Peace.

The increasing gravity of the conditions in China and the imminence of peril to our own diversified interests in the empire, as well as the attitude of our governments, were soon appreciated by this government, causing it profound solicitude. The United States, from the earliest days of foreign intercourse with China, had followed a policy of peace, omitting no occasion to testify good will, to further the interests of all who sought to respect the sovereignty of its government, and to insure by all legitimate and kindly but earnest means the fullest measure of protection to its citizens and for the exercise of their legitimate callings among the Chinese people. Mindful of this it was felt to be appropriate that our policy should be pronounced in favor of such course as would hasten united action of the powers at Peking, and to promote the administration of justice, and to secure the most complete and equitable settlement of the long-pending question of the manufacture of armaments. A reasonable and equitable settlement was necessary for a government armory plant avoided.

I approve of the recommendations of the committee on the subject of the armory plant, and I have directed that the necessary steps be taken to carry out the plan.

At the end of the fiscal year there were on the pension roll 993,529 names, a net increase of 2,910 over the fiscal year 1898. The number added to the rolls during the year was 43,044. The amount disbursed for army pensions during the year was \$34,700,000 and for navy pensions \$1,500,000. The total of \$36,200,000 was covered by the treasury, which shows an increase over the year 1898 of \$1,000,000. There were 681 names added to the rolls during the year by special acts passed at the first session of the fifty-first congress.

The act of May 3, 1900, among other things provides for an extension of income to widows pensioned under said act to \$25 per annum. The secretary of the interior believes that by the operations of this act the number of persons pensioned under it will be increased. In the service annual payments for pensions will be between \$20,000,000 and \$100,000,000.

#### Hawaii.

Much interesting information is given in the report of the governor of Hawaii as to the progress and development of the islands during the period from July 1, 1898, to the date of the report. The joint resolution of congress providing for their annexation, up to April 30, 1899, the date of the report, the secretary of the interior for the territory, and thereafter.

The last Hawaiian census, taken in the year 1896, gives a total population of 109,180, of which 48,000 were Hawaiians. The number of Americans reported was 8,905. The results of the federal census, taken this year, show a total population of 145,000, showing an increase over that reported in 1896 of 44,920, or 41.2 per cent.

The progress marked progress in the educational, agricultural and railroad development of the islands.

#### SCAPES.

The Sunday schools in Spain are said to have only 3,200 pupils.

The czar has 27,000 wood police, who each cut 245 worth of wood a year.

A memorial bill of Chopin has been unveiled in the Luxembourg Gardens at Paris.

There are 994 creameries in Iowa, a net increase over those of a year ago of forty-six.

King Oscar of Sweden is the tallest reigning monarch. He is a little over six feet.

There are 300,000 French Canadians, of whom 25,000 are voters, in Massachusetts.

The baggage checking system, which is universal in America, is coming into use in England.

Thirty-six per cent of the area of the state of Washington is covered with merchantable timber.

The Argentine Republic exported only 205,105 bales of wool last year, as against 287,479 in 1898.

Australians hold a world's record in tea consumption, drinking nearly eight pounds a head yearly.

In Milwaukee recently during a rainstorm several trees were set on fire by diverted electric currents.

A new photographic machine takes five different views of a person at one sitting. This is done by means of mirrors.

An election judge in San Francisco cast his vote early, but forgot to mark it, and consequently it was counted as a blank.

China, prominent among these being Chang Yen Hoon, formerly Chinese minister in Washington.

The negotiation of the partial armistice of July 14, a proceeding which was doubtless promoted by the representations of the Chinese envoy in Washington, the way was opened for the Chinese to send Mr. Conger of a test message sent by the secretary of state through the kind offices of Minister Wu Ting Fang. Mr. Conger's reply, dispatched from Peking on July 18 through the same channel, afforded to the outside world the first tidings that the inmates of the legations were still alive and hoping for success.

This news stimulated the preparations for a joint relief expedition in numbers sufficient to overcome the resistance which for a month had been organizing between Taku and the capital. Reinforcements sent by all the co-operating governments were constantly arriving. The United States contingent, hastily assembled from the Philippines, or dispatched from this country, amounted to some 5,000 men, including the regulars and the volunteers. The Chinese contingent, after a conference at Choo Liao, and afterward of Gen. Chao.

The innocents. The acute disturbances were confined to the northern provinces. It is a relief to recall and a pleasure to record the loyal conduct of the viceroys and local authorities of the northern provinces, who directed to the Pacific coast the vast populations under their rule and to the scrupulous observance of foreign treaty rights. At critical moments they did not hesitate to memorialize the throne, urging the protection of the legations, the restoration and the assertion of the imperial authority against the subversive elements. They maintained excellent relations with the official representatives of the powers, and they showed a kindly disposition in removing many of the missionaries from the interior to places of safety.

In this relation the action of the consuls should be highly commended. In Shantung and eastern Chi-li the task was difficult, but the consuls, with the co-operation of American and foreign naval commanders, hundreds of foreigners, including those of other nationalities than ours, were rescued from imminent peril.

The policy of the United States through all this trying period was clearly announced and scrupulously carried out.

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all, being a number given to the Chinese government, as well as the largest number in each grade. This significant recognition of merit in cooperation with the chosen exhibits of all civilized nations and at the hands of juries almost wholly made up of representatives of France and other European countries, is only gratifying, but especially so, since it sets us to the front in international questions of supply and demand, and the stimulation of national culture by the prosperity that flows from natural products joined to industrial excellence.

A part from the exposition several occasions for showing international good will occurred. The inauguration in Paris of the Lafayette monument, presented by the children of the United States and the designing of a commemorative coin by our mint and the presentation of the first piece struck to the president of the republic, were all occasions of friendly relations. The Fourth of July was especially observed in the French capital.

#### Relations With Germany.

Good relations in our relations with the German empire. An amicable adjustment of the long pending question of the admission of our life insurance companies to do business in Germany has been reached. One of the principal purposes has already been re-admitted and the way is opened for the others to share the privilege.

#### Settlement of the Samoan Problem.

The settlement of the Samoan problem, to which I adverted in my last message, has been accomplished with results, peace and contentment prevail in the islands. An Imperial meat inspection law has been enacted for Germany. While it may not be perfect, it prohibits certain products, heretofore admitted, and is still a great uncertainty as to whether our well-known German trade goods will be able to enter the German market. Much will depend upon regulations not yet promulgated, which we confidently hope will be free from the discrimination which attended the enforcement of the old statutes.

#### Britain and the Boers.

Our friendly relations with Great Britain continue. The war in Southern Africa, which has been a source of interest and sympathy to our people, has been a source of interest and sympathy to our people. The war in Southern Africa, which has been a source of interest and sympathy to our people, has been a source of interest and sympathy to our people.

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#### National Finances.

It is gratifying to be able to state that the financial condition of the United States for the year ending June 30, 1899, was \$75,570,000. The receipts for the year from all sources, exclusive of postal revenues, aggregated \$229,551,523, and expenditures for all purposes, except for the administration of the postal department, aggregated \$147,714,717. The receipts from customs were \$22,510,571, an increase over the preceding year of \$7,335,333. The receipts from internal revenue were \$255,227,229, an increase of \$1,899,765 over 1898. The receipts from miscellaneous sources were \$33,748,633, as against \$33,976,372 for the previous year.

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