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CITY WITHOUT A POSTMASTER. Blunder in Making the Appointment for Honolulu. WASHINGTON, June 22.—It has been discovered that through an error committed in the State Department there is now no Postmaster at Honolulu.

WASHINGTON, June 22.—Secretary Gage has nearly recovered from his recent indisposition, but for a few days before returning to duty. He probably will not return until after July 4.

BATTLE OF TIEN TSIN. Eight Hundred Americans Are in the Fight. FOREIGNERS ARE HARD PRESSED. Reinforcements on the Way Up From Taku—Tragedy in the Pekin Palace.

LONDON, June 22. A. M.—The silence of Pekin continues unbroken. Four thousand men of the allied forces were having sharp defensive fighting at Tien Tsun Tuesday and Wednesday, with a prospect of being reinforced Thursday. This is the situation in China, as set forth in the British Government dispatch.

"Eight hundred Americans are taking part in the fighting at Tien Tsun," says the Shanghai correspondent of the Daily Express, calling last evening, "and they apparently form a part of a supplementary force, arriving with Germans and British after the conflict started. It is impossible to estimate the number of the Chinese there; they had a surprising number of guns."

The English Consulate at Shanghai is said to have received from influential natives reports of a tragedy in the Palace at Pekin, though the exact details are not defined. The Consulate thinks that Admiral Seymour, commander of the international relief column, was misled from information from Pekin and, consequently, underestimated the situation in that city and the Chinese power of resistance with Maxim guns and Mausers.

A special dispatch from Vienna says: "Li Hung Chang has wired the various Chinese legations in Europe, directing them to inform the governments to which they are accredited that he is called to Pekin by the Empress to act as intermediary between China and the powers to negotiate a settlement of the points at issue, and he instructs them to beg the powers to facilitate his mission by ceasing to send troops to China."

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SAYS HE IS THE MAN. Li Hung Chang Thinks He Can Stop the War. WAS SUMMONED BY THE EMPRESS. He Will Decapitate the Boxer Leaders, Dismiss Their Followers, and Settle With the Powers.

HONG KONG, June 22.—Li Hung Chang, who was interviewed in Canton yesterday, said he would leave for Pekin June 27, in obedience to an order from the Empress to suppress the Boxers and to make peace with the powers. He endorsed the opinion that he was

the only man in China capable of coping with the situation. He said he believed the Boxers to be a "rabble led away by fanaticism and anti-Christian feeling," but he also declared that the native Christian leaders were to be considered as much as they engaged in litigation in the native courts.

WASHINGTON, June 22.—Reassuring views regarding the condition of affairs in Central China have come to Minister Wu of the Chinese Legation here. The Viceroy of the Provinces of Hunan and Hupeh has sent a cablegram saying that peace and order prevail in that section of the country.

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MOROCCO'S DEMAND. Formally Asks for Arbitration in Dispute With France. HER CLAIM TO OASIS OF TUAT. Has Papers to Prove It Was Recognized as Part of Moorish Empire.

LONDON, June 22.—The Times says this morning: "The Government of Morocco sent a formal demand to the French Government for European arbitration of the questions in dispute between Paris and Tangier. Morocco contends that she possesses a mass of correspondence with the Algerian Deys (Turkish Governors of Algeria before the French conquest of Tunisia) nearly equal distant from Morocco, Algeria, Tunis and Fezzan, formed part of the Moorish Empire and was so recognized by the predecessors of France in title."

BERLIN, June 22.—Comparatively few German papers comment upon the result of the Philadelphia convention. The National Zeitung, however, contains a well-considered article expressing the opinion that Governor Roosevelt's acceptance of the nomination of the Vice-Presidency is tantamount to re-election, since the great prospect of the United States will count in his favor.

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