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Fourth and Washington Sts. The Chinese Embassy in London says that communication with Pekin is practically re-established, and that messages from the Ministers there may be expected at any time. The English, however, do not be-lieve this, attributing the alleged disputches and edicts to the Chinese desire for delay THE PORTLAND

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COLOMBIA'S MERRY WAR.

Both Colon and Panama Are Now in They Made Determined Attack, but Hands of the Rebels.

KINGSTON, Jamalca, July 22-Captain Moller, of the German steamer Flanderia. which arrived here today from Colombia. reports that the government troops entered Colon from Panama, July 15, the latter city having failen into the hands of the rebels. He also asserts that Colon also is now in possession of the rebels, having been easily taken on July 16 without a fight. ght. Sabanilia, in the Department of Solivar, is surrounded by the insurgents. The government proposed to the cap-

tain of the Finnderia that he should take 1000 soldiers to Colon, but he declined on the ground that Colon was in the hunds rebels and that the troops could not land.

BOERS BEATEN OFF.

King of Servia Engaged.

Accomplished Nothing.

STARL STREET

Between Seventh and Fast

is feared.

Lower Columbia. berg, which they attacked with three shows a heavy increase in deposits. guns and a pompoin and surrounded. They were, however, beaten off after a Commercial.

Texas woolgrowers are holding about 4,000'000 pounds of wool for better price. Business conditions in Germany are improving.

BELGRADE, July 21-King Alexander, of Servia, has proclaimed his bethrothal to Mme. Draga Meschin, a widow, who off a log boom in Albina.

ness interpreter expresses faith in his gov-ernment's ability to protect Ministers' lives. Chir

e Shanghal correspondent of session of his imperial functions the Daily Express pretends to have au-thority for the assertion that Great Brit-ain will repudiate any credentials Li July 9. "As soon as the Russian General, Lone

"As soon as the Russan General, Lane-vitch (reported from Vladivostock to be marching to the scene of hostilities with an army corps and a complete artillery brigade), arrives at Tien Tsin, the ad-vance on Pekin will begin."

Emperor of China to the Kaiser.) PARIS, July 22.-The Berlin corre-pondent of the Temps says: "It is asserted in Berlin that the Em-

peror of China has sent a telegram to Emperor William, deploring the assassination of Baron von Ketteler, by the robels, and declaring that the murderars robels, and declaring that the murderers are being actively sought and will be punished. He also expresses a hope that the relations of China with Germany would not suffer from this state of things.

China and Japan Cannot Unite. YOKOHAMA. July 22.-The Corean

Government continues to send troops to the frontier, a collision with intruding Chinese having alrendy occurred. The Japanese papers express sympathy with the unfortunate Emperor of China, but are unanimous and emphatic in de-claring that an alliance between China and Japan is quite impossible

State of Siege in Siberia.

ST. PETERSBURG, July 22-An perial ukase issued today ordered that a state of slege be proclaimed in the mil-itary districts of Siberia, Turkestan and Sementrichenk, and that all reservists in those districts be called to the colors.

German Missionaries Safe.

BERLIN, July 22 .- The German Consul at Swatou telegraphs under date of July 21 that all the German missionaries in the interior of the Province of Kwang Tung have arrived there safely

Forces Collecting at Hong Kong. HONG KONG, July 22-The Second Indian Brigade has been ordered to remain here. The British first-class battle-ship Goliath and two Indian transports have arrived off. Hong Kong.

TO HOLD FOR BETTER PRICE

Texas Woolgrowers Have About 4,000,000 Pounds in Store.

have been broken up, and the government will offer them inducements to return to HOUSTON, Tex., July 21 .- The Post tonerrow will print reports from various points in Texas showing that 2,000,000 unds of wool are being held in the state because the growers refuse to ac-cept current prices and that there is perhaps as much more held at uncounted points and on ranches. The growers have held a conference and agreed to hold the entire clip indefinitely.

No Politics on Sunday.

LINCOLN, Neb., July 23,-William J. Bryan today followed his usual Sunday programme of attending church with his family. The remainder of the day was spent in driving and entertaining friends and neighbors. There were no political visitors. Mr. Bryan will make a short trip with his brother-in-law, T. S. Al-lea, to Northwestern Nebraska, tomor-row. The visit will have no political significance and no speeches will be

Nicaragus Won't Participate.

MANAGUA, Micaragua, July 22, via Galveston, Tex., July 22-The Govern-ment of Nicaragua has addressed a com-munication to the directors of the Pan-American exhibition, declining to participate.

not been made known here, it is believed sionaries of the various nations residing that the dispatch to the President is in the open ports are being protected, and aimilar in terms. In our case, the communication was made through Minister Wu to the State Department. Thus far a final answer has not been returned. The Orders also have been sent to the pro-French Government answered at once. but that answer will not serve us. The United States Government is proceeding upon an entirely new line of policy in the treatment of the question. Unfortunately the State Department finds itself alone, ance with treaties, and must not fail to in this, but nevertheless it is convinced its plan is the best, and it has behind it the consoling assurance that at present all of the European governments have tacitly admitted that an error was made German Minister was murdered while rein the beginning in not following the common sense advice of the United States Naval Commander at Taku. The point of difference between the

deepest sympathy on account of his death, and asserts that stringest instructions State Department and the European gov-ernments is that the latter are proceeding who must be caught and severely pun-ished, after the termination of the present on the belief that all of the foreign Min sters and missionaries and guards a Pekin have been killed and insist in deal hostilities, together with those who have murdered foreigners and missionaries or ing with the Chinese Government on that basis, thereby assuming a hostile atti-tude that tends to destroy the last chance language of the edict as given by Mr. Fowler, on this subject, is very much of availing of whatever friendly sentiinvolved, but it appears to exempt from punishment those who have killed foreignment may yet exist among the powerful Chinese Viceroys and the Imperial Gov-ernment itself. Thus, the French reply, as indicated in the four conditions laid down by M. Delcasse yesterday, sets The Governor of Pekin and the Viceroy of Chi Li are charged to issue instrucan impossible task for the Imperial Govto drive it at once to make terms with the Boxers and Prince Tuan's party. On tions to investigate and then to deal in-telligently with each case of wrongdoing. The edict states that recently evil the other hand our Government, while not guaranteeing the truth of the advices doers created riots, deliberately rebelled and murdered good subjects; certainly, it says, & deployable state of affairs. from the Chinese Government as to the safety of the foreign Ministers, is willing to accept the statements temporarily, in the meantime remitting none of its ef-forts to get access to Mr. Conger, through the use of military force if need be. By details, presumably of the outrages com-mitted by Chinese, and to make such seizures and take such action as the cases warrant, in order to stop the disfallowing out this policy the State De-partment argues that it retains two chances instead of one. It may reach Mr. Conger with troops and also may secure his deliverance through the friend-ly offices of some of the powerful Chinese the uprising, the significant feature of the edict is the underlying expression of the desire of the Imperial Government officials, which the powers are not likely to obtain for their own people by follow-ing out their present policy. of China not only to protect the foreign-ers, but to make reparation for the in-

No Right to Be Relinquished.

It may be stated also that the United States Government has not and does not intend to relinquish any part of its claim for compensation and reparation in the ultimate settlement. Its position in that respect, it holds, will not be affected unfeavorably by prosecuting its efforts to make use of the friendly sentiments of the Chinese officials. A particularly de-plorable effect of the reasoning of the European governments on this point, in the estimation of our Government, is the bandcompart of the idea that there is abandonment of the idea that there is particular need for haste and for taking even desperate chances in the effort to get the international relief column get thro through to Pekin. It is true that the latest advices from Taku indicate that whereas it was originally estimated by the foreign commanders that the expe-dition could not be started before August 15, it is now regarded by them possible to make a beginning about the first of August.

But the military experts here, who have been closely scanning all the reports from Tien Tsin that appear to be worthy of credit, feel that even now the way is open to Pekin and that the march should begin with the force at present on the Pei Ho, leaving the powers to bring up reinforcements to reopen the base, should the first expedition be cut off. According to the latest official reports the country around Tien Twin is clear of hostile Chiness. The flower of the Chinese Army in that section has been defeated at Tien Thin and the army experts calculate that its power is so broken that that particu-lar army can never be reorganized in sea-

my Government is willing to supply you with arms and ammunition. "Fllipino-We are very thankful to you for this new generosity of the American people, and you may be sure that we are ready to fight at your side for the indevincial authorities to protect the mission-aries. While hostilities have not yet ceased, the Chinese officials are directed

stding in the capital, conducting interna-

tional affairs. The edict expresses the

would be issued to seize the murderer.

taken their property without cause. The

Viceroys, Governors and high military au-

thorities are ordered to obtain accurate

Besides the reference to the selaure

the Taku forts as one of the causes of

juries they have sustained. That would

seem to be the meaning of the instruc-tions to the Chinese Viceroys and Magie-

trates, to take steps to ascertain the ex-tent of these injuries. Otherwise the edict

is mainly argumentative, and appears

to be an effort to extenuate the course of the Imperial Gevernment. As such, it

the final reckoning, and such will be the

course of the State Department. The Administration is determined to

keep alost from any movement that would unnecessarily entangle the Gov-ernment of the United States in Chinose

affairs. It, of course, must join heartily with the other powers in the effort to get

to Pekin, but it does not follow from that

co-operation that it will be led into tak-ing part in the bickerings or dissensions

that ensue over the future of China after

our people have been taken care of. It is the intention of the Administration to

relieved, and wash its hands of Chinese

affairs, looking only to the preservation of such privileges as it has a right to re-

A brief cablegram was received by Sec

retary Long today from Rear-Admiral

Kempff, at Taku. He announced that the Newark was going over to Nagasaki to be docked and cleaned. Although he did

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tain for Americane.

to be taken up for consideration in

may be properly laid aside for the pres

ers "connected with the war." To Deal With Wrong-Doers.

turbances.

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pendence of the Philippines, even with-out arms, as we have done during the reant revolution "Admiral Dewey-America is rich in evance with treaties, and must not fail to obey. The edict rafers to the killing last ery respect; she has territories sparsely inhabited. Besides, our Constitution pre-vents 'territorial expansion' outside of month of the Japanese Chancellor, Sugi Yama, which it characterises as startling. It mays that a short time thereafter the America: therefore, the Fillpinos may be

sure of their independence, and not a bit of their land shall be taken from them. "After these conclusive and formal statements, the conversation turned to other details concerning the state of the

The letter is signed "K. Alexandrino." He is a Filipino General who recently surrendered to the American forces.

WEEK IN THE PHILIPPINES.

Dozen Americans Killed-Amnesty Resolutions Sent to Aguinaldo.

MANILA, July 22.-It is officially 'reported that last week 200 insurgents were killed and 190 surrendered or were cap-tured. One hundred rifles were taken. Twelve Americans were killed and 11 unded. This includes the casualties of Colonel William E. Berkhelmer's engage-ment with a force of the Twenty-eighth Volunteer infantry, who attacked 300 in-surgents entrenched two miles east of Taal, killing 28.

A detachment of the Signal Corps, while repairing wires, was twice ambushed. Captain Charles D. Roberts, of the Thirty-fifth Volunteer Infantry, who was captured by the Filipinos last May, has arrived here on parole. He will not re-

turn to eaptivity. Senor Buencamino last Thursday sent to Aguinaldo by means of Aguinaldo's mother the annesty resolutions adopted by the meeting of representative Filipinos on June 21, together with General Mac-Arthur's answer to them and other documents bearing upon the restoration of peace. It is understood that Aguinaldo will summon his advisers, and that a reply may be expected within a month. Filipinos here will give a banquet next Saturday in celebration of President Mc-Kinley's order of amnesty.

Trade of the Philippines.

WASHINGTON, July 22-The monthly bulletin on the trade of the Philippine Islands for the six months ending December 31, 1999, shows the total value of merchandise imported into the islands for this period was \$11,405,500, of which \$382,245 worth was admitted free of duty. The total amount of import duty collected was \$2,071,705. The total exporta-tion from the archipelago amounted to \$2,545,625. The export duty collected was \$237,856. Total importation of both gold and silver is \$1,251.357; exportations, \$1,297,416.

Cleared Track and Saved Lives. THREE LAKES, Wis., July 21.-A labor-er early today removed a pile of ties from Northwestern tracks, that had been withdraw our forces, military and naval, after the Americans in Pekin have been placed there during the night, just in time to prevent the passenger train due hero at 4:30 A. M., from striking them. He also removed a number of rocks from a bridge a short distance away. His actions probably saved the lives of 30 members of a local gun club, who were on the train.

Will Pipe Gas to St. Louis.

PANA, Ill., July 22.-Natural gas has been discovered in Shelby township. An Ohlo oli operator has leased 5000 acres of land in the vicinity and will pipe the gas to St. Louis and intermediate points.

not say so, it is assumed that he is going with her. Five hundred United States marines

LONDON, July 22.-The War Office has received the following dispatch from Lord 'Pretoria, July 22-The Boers made a determined attack yesterday to destroy a post at Trail Head, 13 miles east of Heidel-

Pacific Coast. The fishermen's strike on Fraser River has assumed a critical phase, and grave trouble

Hampshire coast.

run of salmon taxes the capacity of the facilities for handling the fish on the The report of the state banks of Washington

Hung Chang may bring from the Em-

terms with Li Hung Chang, whose real mission is to sow dissensions among the powers. The British, German and Ameri-

can representatives were resolute against

Frightened by Fall of Tien Tain.

The Shanghal correspondent of the Daily Mail declares that the Chinese of-

ficials are thoroughly frightened by the fall of Tien Tain, and desire to open ne-gotiations. "Therefore," he continues,

although all are sware of the horrible

SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT NEWS

China.

President McKinley has received what purports

The American policy of proceeding as if the good faith of the Chinese Government were not doubted, while in no wise relaxing ef-

fort to reach our Minister, is believed to

hold two chances of success to the one chance of the other foreign governments. A Hung Chang got a cool reception at Hong

Russia has called on the border provinces of Siberia for the reserves. Pive hundred marines left Washington rester-

day for China, via San Francisco. The Eighth Infantry is returning from Cuba to go to China. Heavy artillery has been

Foreign.

The Cunard liner Campania cut in twain a bark, which mank at once, carrying down 11 men.

The King of Servis proclaims his engagement

to a widow, formerly lady-in-waiting to bi

The Taqui Indians, of Mexico, are reported to

Domestic.

both Colon and Panama.

ordered to leave Fort Riley for the Orient.

mbian rebels are reported to have taken'

to be a direct appeal from the Emperor of Chins to use his good offices in favor of the

selving him.

and confusion.

Kong.

Chinese Government.

Bassis, however, is willing to make

sharp engagement, before reinforcements summoned from Heidelberg had arrived." Local

Well-known packer mays he fours salmon will soon be exterminated. Eight-year-old son of Charles Craft drowned was formerly a lady-in-waiting to Queen Nathalle, the King's mother.

Senator Pettigrow has a letter from a Filipin General, purporting to give the terms of an interview with Dewey at outbreak of the Spanish War, in which the Admiral promised Philippine independence. On account of failure of Indiana gas, giass factories will remove to Pittsburg. The new reulaer built by the Gramps for Rus-sia has gone for her trial trip off the New