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MCKINLEY'S CALLERS. Trifling Matters Laid Before the President.
 CANTON, O., July 23.—President McKinley had many business calls today from persons who came on personal matters, such as pensions or little matters before one or another of the departments, hoping by the President's aid to secure prompt or more satisfactory results. For the most part these were greeted on the porch, where the President met them with a hearty handshake and listened attentively to their statements. Much time was spent in the library, where the official business is conducted, but not an inkling of news in regard to China or to any other subject was given out.

TROOPS WILL REST IN HAWAII.
 SAN FRANCISCO, July 23.—It is reported in Honolulu that from 600 to 10,000 United States troops will be allowed several months' rest on the military reservation at Laidlaw this winter to recuperate from their Philippine service before being returned to San Francisco to be mustered out.

ESCORT TO THE SEA

China Promises to Deliver Peikin Ministers Safely. NOTHING PROVES THEY ARE ALIVE

Another Account Comes Through of Their Massacre—Rumors About Li Hung Chang's Mission.

LONDON, July 24, A. M.—The Chinese Minister, Sir Chih Chen Lenh Feng Lok, has communicated to the press the following dispatch from Shenao, Director of the Chinese Railways and Telegraphs, and Tao Tai of Shanghai, dated Shanghai, July 23:
 "Information from Peikin, dated July 18, says that the Tsung Li Yamou deputed Won Ju, an under-secretary of the department, to see the foreign Ministers, and he found every one well, without any mistaking the German accepted. General Yang Lu is going to memorialize the throne to send them all under escort to Tien Tsin, in the hope that the military operations will be stopped."

At the beginning of the month the foreign missionaries made several attempts to send messages out of Peikin, but, thanks to the strict watch kept on the city, the bearers were all caught and executed. On the 4th inst. only 60 foreigners were left alive in Peikin, and one night when the big guns were incessantly fired, it was known that the missionaries and foreigners were finished, although pretended telegrams contradicted these facts."
 The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Daily Mail asserts that there are different opinions in the Russian council of war. The Minister of War, General Kuropatkin, wishes to send 100,000 men to clear the rebels out of Manchuria. On the other hand, according to the operations, Emperor Nicholas wishes the operations limited to the defense and pacification of the frontier districts. Let two strong armies, one of the allies in the south and the other of Russians in the north, confront the Chinese, and the rising—the Czar is said to argue—would be bound to collapse. "We want no conquests," he is reported to have declared at the conclusion of the sitting of the council. "What we desire is to protect our frontiers and to steer into smooth waters the Chinese ship of state, now buoyed by the way of civil war."

It is nothing further this morning that throws any light upon the mysterious situation. Two urgent dispatches were addressed yesterday by the Chinese Minister to the Peikin Government and the Administrator of Telegraphs, strongly recommending the restoration of telegraphic communication, so as to establish a direct channel of communication with the foreign Ministers. These such proposals are secured, no one here is inclined to alter the opinion that the Chinese are playing the old game of the Sublime Porte by putting forward proposals which will appear in different degrees and ways to benefit the powers. "President McKinley has been asked to mediate, and his request is facilitated by the care which has been taken in Washington not to commit the United States to any very thoroughgoing policy."
 Indian troops are daily arriving at Hong Kong. Three transports reached there yesterday. Two others have left Hong Kong for Taku.

Belgium's Demand.
 BRUSSELS, July 23.—In reply to the demand of the Belgian Government, the Chinese Charge d'Affaires says he has transmitted indirectly to the Tsung Li Yamou a view of placing the Belgian Minister at Peikin, Baron de Vinck, in communication with Belgium.

CASE OF NEELY.
 Hearing Resumed Before Judge Lacombe.
 NEW YORK, July 23.—The further hearing in the case of Charles F. W. Neely, of the Cuban Postal Service, to extradite him under the law passed at the close of the Congress, resumed before Judge Lacombe in the United States Circuit Court, Judge Lacombe, in a decision handed down last week, decided that Neely should be extradited, but further testimony must first be heard.
 George W. Marshall, of the Bureau of Posts in Cuba, testified that money was kept in a safe; that Neely signed the receipts which witness made out, and that Neely also received the money, and in most cases opened the envelopes himself. Neely had entire charge of the receipt and disbursement of money. Mr. Marshall went into details concerning the keeping of the ledger, and said the last time he had seen it was in April, before Neely left for the United States.
 The exhibit which was started up, through the books and tell one by one in whose handwriting each entry was.

THE DEATH ROLL.
 Fred Puffer.
 NEW YORK, July 23.—Fred Puffer, for several years the champion burlesque and broad-jumper of the United States and Canada, is dead.
 Mr. Governor Carr.
 RALEIGH, N. C., July 23.—Ex-Governor Elias Carr died today in Edgecomb County.
 Yellow Fever at Pinar del Rio.
 HAVANA, July 23.—Yellow fever has broken out in the barracks of the Seventh United States Cavalry and the First United States Infantry in Pinar del Rio. There had been nine deaths during the last month, and it cases are now under treatment in the hospital. Today General Lee moved the camp, three miles into the country, and the quarantine will be strictly enforced.

MCKINLEY'S ANSWER

Will Mediate Between China and Powers Conditionally. THE BOXERS MUST BE SUPPRESSED

Protection Must Be Given Foreigners Before Any Steps Are Taken by the President.

WASHINGTON, July 23.—The President has intimated to the appeal of the Chinese Government, as transmitted through Minister Wu, and has signified his willingness to mediate between the Imperial Government and the powers, but only upon conditions which first must be met by the Chinese Government. The exact nature of the terms proposed by the State Department cannot be stated until tomorrow when it is expected that publication will be made of the text of the Chinese appeal and of the President's message. It is known, however, that the answer is entirely consistent with the statement of principles laid down by Secretary Hay in his identical note to the powers, and moreover, it is as strict as the Chinese statements relative to the safety of the foreign Ministers at Peikin. It would not, of course, be possible to take initial steps toward mediation, were either party to the negotiations to distrust the other. There must be confidence between them.

The United States answer does not go to the length of the French answer, or to a similar application in laying down conditions which the Chinese Government could not meet, even if so disposed. It is really an attempt to bring about an immediate relief of foreigners in Peikin, and, moreover, to the protection of all foreigners, missionaries and traders in China, and to the restoration of order. With this much accomplished, the State Department feels that it can properly approach the powers with the Chinese propositions for a settlement for what has occurred.

Officials Are More Hopeful.
 Administration officials are more hopeful over the situation in China as a result of the dispatches which have come in the last few days, more particularly the European advices of tonight asserting that the Ministers are safe. If an answer is received to the second telegram which has been sent through the Chinese Minister here to Mr. Conger, and that answer should bear internal evidence of better intelligence, it will be immediately improved and the Government, with the additional information which Mr. Conger may transmit, will be able to make intelligent decisions on the rescue of the beleaguered foreigners. It seems probable from the Brussels dispatch, that the note of Mr. Hay to the United States representatives abroad, directing them to urge upon the governments to which they are accredited the opening of communication with Peikin, is bearing fruit, and the officials hope that under action by the powers generally on this matter may be taken. Dr. Hill, the First Assistant Secretary of State, is acting secretary in the absence of Mr. Hay, and he said tonight that there were no fresh developments in the situation.
 Mr. Wu, the Chinese Minister, is busily engaged in preparing for transmission to his Government the reply of the Secretary of State to China's request of the United States to mediate. He declined to say tonight whether the reply was satisfactory to him or to his Government; nor would he indicate in any way what his nature was. There is considerable work to be done on the reply before it can be transmitted. It is to be reduced to cipher. In addition to this the Minister will prepare a communication to accompany what the President has to say. He expects, however, to receive the document ready for transmission early tomorrow.

DETAILS OF THE OUTBREAK.
 Missionary Writes of Captain McCalla's Determination.
 BOSTON, July 23.—The American Board has received a letter from Rev. George D. Wilder, dated Tien Tsin, June 12, which gives details concerning the outbreak of the Boxer movement and makes known the readiness and determination with which Captain McCalla, of the United States Navy, responded to the call for aid. Rev. Mr. Wilder says: "Tien Tsin. The Boxer movement has reached a climax. Murder and arson are filling the province from Kangan to Lin Ching, apparently with Tien Tsin, Peikin and Pao Tsin as a great central triangle where the fire is hottest. In the triangle many minor outbreaks were committed on Catholics and Protestants during May and great numbers of Boxers assembled. At

the last of the month the word came from the throne for them to 'create disorder' as rapidly as possible. They gathered in great force north of Cho Chou and Monday morning, May 23, began work on the railroad stations of Lin Li Ho, Chang Hsiao Tien and Lu Kou Chiao that day. Two men, a woman and a child, were brutally murdered. The Boxers went on looting station after station, burning the Tain to Peikin. "We reported to the Consul and he sent for troops. The Japanese landed a few Tuesday afternoon and the Newark sent 113 marines and blue-jackets and two machine guns and a 3-inch mortar under the energetic lead of grand old Captain McCalla. The railway refusing to bring them, they came on a tug and lighter, reaching on Tuesday night. All nationalities gave them a rousing reception. Their prompt arrival doubtless prevented an attack on the settlement by thousands of Boxers. In two or three days other nationalities arrived and Tien Tsin was protected. But, alas for those in the interior. After the trains stopped, frantic appeals came for protection to the Minister at Peikin. "Last Sunday night the various Consuls here had a stormy meeting until 12 o'clock midnight. The French and Russian representatives were openly opposed sending troops to relieve Peikin. They withdrew for consultation several times. Consul Cart (English) held steadily for that action, backed by the American and Japanese Consuls. Finally, Captain McCalla said: "We have talked a good deal. Now I will tell you what I will do. Our Minister telegraphs that he is in danger. It matters not what others do or do not do. My entire force of blue-jackets will take a train and start for Peikin tomorrow morning."
 "The British, Japanese and Germans followed this lead, the French and Russians refusing. Early the next morning, when the train was made up, they went in large force, which had to report to Captain McCalla and then, partly for a second section, twenty-four hundred men out that day, and the next day 800 Germans. Today another train with officers has gone. The first train pushed ahead two guns with seven cannon and machine guns and material for track construction. We do not know how far they have gone. The Chinese tracklayers deserted and American sailors took up the work."

CARTER A BONDHOLDER.
 Facts Brought Out at the Gaynor-Greene Hearing.
 NEW YORK, July 23.—The hearing in the case of the Gaynors and Benjamin Greene, looking toward their removal to Georgia for trial for alleged conspiracy with ex-Captain Carter in connection with the Savannah Harbor frauds, was continued before United States Commissioner Shields this morning.
 George Gibson, of the firm of Watson & Gibson, the first witness, stated his firm had transactions with Captain Carter in purchasing securities for him. Mr. Gibson identified a check drawn by Captain Carter to the order of Watson & Gibson for the sum of \$400, for payment of certain securities purchased for him. A copy of the transaction of Carter with the firm, as shown by the books of the latter, was allowed in evidence. It showed that in 1893 and 1894 Carter had purchased over \$3,000 worth of bonds. "George Greener, account of the Knickerbocker Trust Company, identified seven checks drawn by Captain Greene. It came out from the testimony of the witness that in July, 1897, Captain Greener had purchased \$15,000 of United States five per cent bonds, paying for all in one check.
 SUMMARY OF INPORTANT NEWS
 China.
 At London and at Paris it is reported from Chinese sources that the Ministers in Peikin are safe and that the government is taking steps to send them to the coast. With these come the usual stories of massacres of all foreigners in Peikin.
 President McKinley has replied to China, signifying his willingness to mediate between the Imperial Government and the powers on condition that anarchy in the empire be suppressed and foreigners be given complete protection.
 European governments, following the lead of Secretary Hay, have insisted upon being allowed to communicate with their Ministers in the Chinese Capital.
 Brigadier-Generals who will serve under Chinese General Barry and Wilson.
 Admiral Bessmer's report of the outbreak of the Peikin riot confirms the sensational story that he killed his wounded to prevent their falling into the hands of the Chinese.
 Foreign.
 The Kumasi relief column has returned to Fumso, bringing the defenders of the town. The besieged were on the point of giving up when rescued.
 General Dewet has cut Lord Roberts' communications and captured 100 Highlanders.
 Political.
 Chairman Babcock, of the Republican Congressional Committee, predicts McKinley's election by a large vote as four years ago. If they refuse the agreement may be broken and in that case an entirely new deal will have to be arranged. For Governor John W. Brienhead, of Topeka, is the most formidable candidate.
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 For Lincoln Visitors.
 LINCOLN, Neb., July 23.—So many persons of National reputation have been in Lincoln recently that the Commercial Club met this evening and extended to William J. Bryan and the Democratic endorsement committee an invitation to use the clubrooms for the social entertainment of out-of-town guests. A similar invitation was extended to the Republican State Central Committee.
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CONGRESS IN DOUBT

Babcock Says Republicans May Lose the House. UNLESS THEY GET DOWN TO WORK

Chances of Success of the National Ticket Are Favorable—Towne's Intentions.

WASHINGTON, July 23.—Chairman Babcock of the Republican Congressional Committee, after a somewhat extended tour of the East and Middle West, says that the situation, as far as the National ticket is concerned, is entirely satisfactory, and that McKinley will poll at least as large a vote as he had four years ago. He says the Republicans seem to be equally contented with the Democratic ticket, and perform, which considers the best that could have been named to strengthen the Republican cause.
 Mr. Babcock is more apprehensive about the Congressional campaign, for while the Gold Democrats will support the National Republican ticket, many of them will desert the sound-money party on the Presidential campaign, scheduled in order to retain control of the next House, he says, every Republican should vote. While this is a discouraging outlook which the Republicans must face, it is yet the fact, and the sooner they get to work the better. Attention is called to the fact that many states, such as New York and Pennsylvania, which will give their electoral vote to McKinley, have a large number of Democratic Representatives in Congress, which, added to the Solid South, makes the prospect for victory but a narrow margin.
 Mr. Ehrlich, who is the Colorado member of an anti-imperialist league, called to tell of the progress being made in the West. He told Mr. Bryan that while he voted with the Gold Democrats four years ago, he was for him now.
 General Weaver was on his way home from Idaho, where he had attended the national state convention. He said Mr. Bryan were together some time.
 A story circulated here today, though not credited to Mr. Bryan or his managers, is to the effect that Charles A. Towne will remain on the ticket as Populist candidate for Vice-President for the good his candidacy will do in the strongly Populist states of Kansas, Nebraska and South Dakota. Mr. Towne's resignation of acceptance or withdrawal will be held back, it is asserted, until the National committees of the Democrats and Populists have discussed the matter. A conference will be held in Chicago early in August.

FUSION IN DANGER

Three Parties in Kansas May Not Agree.
 FORT SCOTT, July 23.—A vague uncertainty characterizes the probable actions of the Democratic, Populist and Silver Republican conventions, scheduled to meet here tomorrow. While there is a strong influence working for the fulfillment of the agreement of the state committees months ago, as to a distribution of the offices in order to effect fusion, there is also an opposition of considerable proportions to this arrangement, caused by the candidacy of a number of men whose nominations must necessarily be in violation of the agreement. An open conference of Democrats and Populists was held this morning at which a general feeling in favor of standing by the agreement was displayed. However, the Populist committee, insisted on suggesting that the Democrats nominate State Senator John Martin as their candidate for Governor. Mr. Martin is not a Democrat and the office is to go to the Democrats under the agreement. If the Democrats nominate him an enthusiastic fusion will be effected beyond doubt. If they refuse the agreement may be broken and in that case an entirely new deal will have to be arranged. For Governor John W. Brienhead, of Topeka, is the most formidable candidate.

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