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IS UNWILLING TO LEAVE PEKIN

feither Honor Nor Interest Will Permit Her to Follow Russia's Example.

LONDON, Sept. 3, 4 A. M.—The publication of the text of the Russian proposals has intensified, rather than diminished, the suspicions entertained by England of Russia's proceedings. The rupture of the European concert is considered an accomplished fact. Opinions differ, however, as to the way in which the powers will now group themselves. Some papers think that Great Britain, Japan and the Triple Alliance will stand together in refusing to leave Pekin.

The Dally Telegraph, which expresses regret that "President McKinley has committed the United States to follow the Russians," considers that Japan, "whose

mitted the United States to follow the Russians," considers that Japan. "whose consistent policy since the war of 1894 has been to conciliate the effects of the rapproachment with China," will throw her lot in with Russia and will be reluctantly followed by France, who does not dare to risk a divergence with Russia. "Events have therefore conspired," says the Daily Teiegraph, "to throw the balance of diplomatic power into Lord Salisbury's lomatic power into Lord Salisbury's hands, for Italy and Austria must side with Germany, who will probably pro-pose some compromise and be supported

The Times feels perfectly clear, it says, that neither honor nor the interests of England will permit her to follow Russia's example. Its trusts that Germany also will refuse to leave Pekin, and ex-presses the hope that the report that the State Department in Washington disap-

Other morning papers express similar views, and decline to believe in the sin-cerity of Russia's promise to evacuate

#### FIGHTING HAS CEASED. British Residents Preparing Leave Pekin.

LONDON, Sept. 3.—The Shanghal cor-espondent of the Times says: "Two American correspondents who left Pekin, August 21, with a party of missionaries, arrived here yesterday. The British residents at the time the Americans left were preparing to proceed to Tien Tsin. Fighting had entirely ceased and hardly any Chinese were met en

"An official telegram from Ching Tu Fu reports that Kwel Chun, Viceroy of Szechuan, and the Tartar General of Fu reports that Kwel Chun, Viceroy of Szechuan, and the Tartar General of Szechuan have both been dismissed by imperial edict, showing that the Empress Dowager is still guided by vindictive re-

actionaries."

News has been received in London that Sir Robert Hart, Director-General of the Chinese Imperial Maritime Customs, was still in Pekin on August 20.

It is again asserted that Prince Tuan is with the Empless Dowager on the borders of the Province of Shan Si, and that he was responsible for sending Chao Shu Chiao, now President of the Board of Punishment, to investigate the pro-for-Punishment, to investigate the pro-for-eign tendencies of Liu Kun Yi, the Viceroy of Nankin.

There is no confirmation of the report that the Chinese attacked the allies at Kank Chung, which is six miles south of Pekin. Various dispatches from Shanghai con firm the reports of the fallure of the

crop in the Nankin district, and assert that foreigners are being molested in Nankin, the British Consul having been insulted According to a dispatch from Tien Tsi

dated August 25, to the Standard, an the Chinese in Pekin, where entire fami lies are hanging themselves.

## EARL LI INTRIGUING.

Says the Russians Have Promised to Leave Pekin.

SHANGHAL Sept. 2-LA Hung Chang still remains in Shanghai. He is thoroughly discredited, but is intriguing to get the foreigners to quarrel among themselves. Today he told the American and English diplomats that the Russians had promised to withdraw from Pekin re-gardless of the policy of other nations. His statement is not believed. On the contrary, it is thought probable that he is simultaneously assuring the Russians that the Americans and British have ised to withdraw

Li Hung Chang visited the French Co sul this morning and had a long interview with him. The subject-matter the conference has not been divulged. It is understood at Tien Tsin that United States Minister Conger insists that Li Hung Chang shall be allowed to proceed to Pekin for a conference.

Conference With Rockhill. LONDON, Sept. 3 .- Li Hung Chang had conference at Shanghai yesterday with William W. Rockhill, United States Special Commissioner. Li Hung Chang's party is said to be jubilant at the present aspect of affairs. The Shanghal correspondent of the Daily News says Earl Li's manner has be "objectionable and blustering."

## SITUATION AT AMOY.

Government Officials Do Not Appear

to Be Concerned. WASHINGTON, Sept. 2.-Government officials, apparently, are not concerning themselves over the situation at Amoy, notwithstanding the press reports that great numbers of the Chinese are leaving because of the fear of impending trouble. Consul Goodnow, at Shanghai, has reported to the State Department that the incident referring to the landing of marines by the Japanese there was closed, and this presumably has satisfied the officials here. The gunboat Castine dispatched to Amoy several days since by the Navy Department, it is believed will not tarry here long. Her destination was the Cavite Naval Station in the Phil ippines, and the State Department, taking advantage of this knowledge, had orders given that she should stop at Amoy on the way down to report upon conditions

# EMPEROR'S MOVEMENTS.

His Return to Pekin Would Facili-

tate Peace Negotiations. WASHINGTON, Sept. 2.-An interesting bit of information regarding the Dowager Empress came to Washington in a round-about way today. It was to the effect that the British Government had received word that the Empress was going from Tyan Fu, in the Province of Shan Si, to which place she had fled after her escape from Pekin, to Tsinan Fu. Tyan Fu is west than Tsinan Fu, indicating that the Empress is moving still farther

# sway from the Chinese capital. The report says nothing of the Emperor's movements. It is suggested as a possibility that he may have left her entourage, and that he may have lett her entourage, and that he may have decided to remain where he is, or to return to Pekin. His return to the capital city would probably completely change the situation. He be-

longed to the progressive party before he was compelled to sign the imperial re-script of 1898, and, if restored to power, peace negotiations would undoubtedly be facilitated. The powers would have more confidence in him than in the reactionary party. Despite the Empress's coup of two years ago, diplomats here familiar with Chinese affairs, say the Chinese people regard him as their rightful ruler.

#### REGENT FOR CHINA. Unconfirmed Rumor at Pekin of

Prince Ching's Appointment. ST. PETERSBURG, Sept. 2.—The Offi-cial Gazette publishes the following dispatch, dated Pekin, August 20, from the Russian Minister, M. de Giers: "There is an unconfirmed rumor that Prince Ching has been appointed regent, but is afraid to return here unless the foreign Envoys will guarantee his liberty. Ten dignitaries remaining in Pekin oration of the situation to invite Prince Ching to return to Pekin and give ex-planations."

#### OREGON SAILS FOR SHANGHAI. Will Assist in Landing Marines if

Any Are Neede WASHINGTON, Sept. 2.—Word was received at the Navy Department today that the battleship Oregon, which has just come out of a Japanese drydock, where she has been undergoing uppairs, had sailed from Nagasaki for Wu Shung, the man-of-war anchorage at She shal. The assignment to that place is supposed to have been made by Admiral Remey, but the reason for sending her there is not stated here. In that vicinit, however, she will be of assistance in Ending marines if for any reason the nocessity for this should arise.

#### AMERICANS INVITED TO VACATE. Germans Need Land in the Conces

aion for Their Own Troops. TIEN TSIN, Aug. 20, via Taku, Aug. 30 The Germans have formally demanded for themselves, all the buildings and grounds of the camp of the United States troops, explaining that these will be needed by the large German forces soon to arrive. As the American camp lies in the German concession, the demand will probably be complied with, and a new camp for the United States troops will be established outside the city.

#### DISPOSITION OF AMERICANS. roops to Be Divided Between Pekin Tien Tain and Taku.

THEN TSIN, Aug. 29, via Taku, Aug. 30.—Orders received from Washington direct that the 5000 American troops be divided between Pekin, Tien Tsin and Taku for the Winter. Abundant supplies are now arriving and all that is necessary to be a second of the transfer of the tr sary is being rapidly forwarded to Pekin

#### PINANCIAL PANIC AT SPA SHAL Money Rate Goes Up to 30 Per Cent

Month. SHANGHAI, Sept. 2.-There is a financial panic in Chinese business circles here. Probably an important factor is the money rate, which is now 26 per cent per month. The traders are trying to get the ear of the officials.

## BRITISH SQUADRON COMING

New York Arrives at Bar Harbor to Receive the Guests.

HARBOR, Me., Sept. 1,-The United States cruiser New York, the flag ship of the North Atlantic squadron Rear-Admiral Farguhar Commander-in Chief, anchored in the outer harbor wes of Bar Harbor at 1 o'clock this morn ing, after a day and night run in clear weather from Newport. The other ships comprising the squadron to arrive tomorrow are the Texas, Indiana, Massa-chusetts, Kentucky and Kearsarge. The Dolphin may also join the squadron, Rear-Admiral Farquhar will order all his essels to anchor outside Bar Island, leaving the inner harbor clear for the the British squadron, which is expected to arrive Tuesday morning. The hotels and cottages are gay with British and American flags.

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Filipinos Incapable of Comprehending New Conditions.

WORK BEFORE PEACE COMMISSION

If American Troops Are Withdrawn Defensive Force Must Be Provided to Protect Friendlies.

MANILA, Sept. 2.-The Filipinos seem incapable of realizing the scope and pur-pose of the legislative functions of the Commission of Peace: There is no pos-sibility of separating the legislative from the executive branches of the Government, and, therefore, the commission's announcement yesterday of its assump-tion of power has met with childish comments at the hands of the Spanlards and foreigners, who sneer at the new arrangements, as they are apt to do, at every beneficial innovation on the part of the United States authorities.

The commission enters upon the gov-ernmental field under the following conditions: A majority of the islanders de-sire peace and the resumption of busi-ness under American rule, but they are so cowed by a long series of murderous atrocities and destruction of property by their armed countrymen, that they dare not actively show their feelings, especially because experience has taught them what such an expression of sentiment will bring upon them from the mercilessly revengeful rebels. A genuine reign of terror is exercised by insurgents and ladrones over receptul counter folk in order to over peaceful country folk in order to collect the revenues and recruits their operations require, and widespread vengeance is wreaked in the vicinity of gar risoned towns. For example, the insur-Laguna, put to death the President and officeholders of the town of Bay, on La-guna de Bay, officials who had been installed by the Americans, and gave order that a similar fate should be meted out to other adherents of the American cause. He also ordered that all Filipino soldiers who sold their rifles to the American should be killed.

Any change of policy involving the withdrawal of the United States troops without substituting for them an ade-quate defensive force is certain to result in fear of retailation at the expense of the "friendlies." The approaching return of the volunteers tends to influence the situation unfavorably. In Northern Luzon the satus quo is fairly well maintained and the people in that quarter are quiet and engaged in planting, except in the Provinces of Nueva Ecija and Bulacan, Provinces of Nueva Ecija and Bulacan, where there has been a recent outburst of rebel and ladrone activity. But in Southern Luzon conditions are far less satisfactory. Life there is not safe outside the garrisoned towns. Travelers are subject to ambush by guerrillas. Rarely does a day pass without an encounter between the United States troops and the insurgents or ladrones, resulting in casualties. There are 18.000 troops in that district, General Bates commanding, and in three regiments over a third of the men are sick. The activity of the enemy increased last month. There is evidence that the insurgents have come into possession of new rifles and that they wish session of new rifles and that they wish to annihilate some small American gar-

Conditions in the Visayas continue virtually unchanged. The lack of troops prebate, Sibuyan, Tablas and Bohol are tranquil, all desiring civil government. Min-danao also is tranquil, except the dis-tricts of Teagayan and Surigam, where occasional encounters with the Filipinos occur. The enemy's fighting force there is limited but it has a number of rifles The surrenders, although they have no ticeably decreased since May, continue. The experience of Northern Luzor shows that the American occupation of any locality tends to its pacification and well-being. An unsettled American policy retards the investment of capital. Never theless, the imports for the last quarter and a half were greater than during any period of the Spanish regime. No doubt the needs of the army of occupation are responsibile for a very considerable portion of this. Theinternal revenue collections are a third greater than those made by Spain. This is due to an honest system of ac counts, to a lack of favoritism and to impartial enforcement of the law. The military officials will turn over \$5,000,00 (Mexican) to the commission, and the will probably be expended in public im-provements, notably in harbor developments, the need of which is greatly hampering the shipping industry.

The commission will first organize municipalities in the provinces, notably in Pampanga Province. Subsequently it will turn its attention to needed reforms in the civil and criminal codes, passing, in due time, to other features of its in-structions, with the idea of establishing central civil government during the next 18 months.

Twelve Americans, including two Cap-

tains and two Lieutenants, have been killed during the past two weeks. The official reports of the encounters in which these casualties occurred are meager.

# MOVING OF TROOPS.

GLENWOOD SPRINGS, Colo., Sept. 2

Sante Fe Railroad Not to Be Blames for Its Position.

-Today's session of the conference or railroad officials who have been her for several days discussing the outlines of a transcontinental passenger associa committees at work upon a plan were not ready to report and the meeting ad-journed until tomorrow at 10 o'clock, Discussing the question of the handling of Government troops, and the recent or-der of the Quartermaster-General of the United States Army to the effect that all troops to be carried to the Pacific Coast must go via the Southern Pacific from Ogden to San Francisco, George Nicholson, representing the Santa Fe Railroad at the meeting, said that matter would have to be submitted to the headquarters of his company before he could enter into any agreement that would bind the Santa Fe people.

The representative of one of the largest lines here said emphatically tonight that he believed the Santa Fe would see its way clear to become a member of the association. He said: "The Santa Fe has a complete line from Chicago to San Francisco, and could handle the troops without a break from Chicago to tide water. The Government's order deprives the Santa Fe, not only of the through haul, but even the haul over its prairie lines, and forces business to which the Santa Fe is entitled to go to the Northern routes. Mr. Nicholson can therefore not be blamed for claiming some restitution through the association for this loss of

Simon Kelley.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 2.—Simon Kelley, an early settler of California, who played a prominent part in the developthe Northwestern States, died multiply,

in this city today of paralysis. He founded the principal stage lines which tapped the region lying west and north of Idaho in the early days. He also established several mining camps and owned large cattle ranches.

## ODELL FOR GOVERNOR.

Probable State Ticket of New York Republicans.

SARATOGA, N. Y., Sept. 2.- The consen sus of opinion here tonight makes up the following Republican state ticket to be nominated by the convention which will meet here Tuesday: Governor, B. B. Odell, Jr., of Orange;

Lieutenant-Governor, Timothy Woodruff, of Kings; Controller, William J. Morgan, Erle; Secretary of State, John T. Mc-Donough, Albany: State Engineer, Edward A. Bond, Jefferson; Attorney-General, John C. Davies, Oneida; State Treasurer, John P. Jacket, of Cayuaga.

#### BRYAN'S SUNDAY.

By Request, He Writes a Sentiment

on Labor Day. CHICAGO, Sept. 2.—W. J. Bryan spent the day at the Auditorium Hotel, with Senator Jones and other Democratic pollticians. He will deliver a Labor day ora-tion tomorrow, and leave at 8 P. M. over the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad for Cumberland, Md., where he will open the cam-paign in that state Tuesday night. The Cumberland meeting will be followed by a two days' tour of West Virginia, ar-ranged by National Committeeman Me-Graw. September 15 he will make an address in St. Louis. From St. Louis Mr. Bryan will return to Lincoln, where he

will rest two weeks. In response to a request from the press for a sentiment on Labor day, Mr. Bryan wrote the following: "The laborer is worthy of his hire." On this day, set apart for the consideration of the wageworkers' interests, let each one inquire whether the man who tolls enjoys a fair share of the proceeds of his labor, and if not, let him apply a remedy."

Before leaving South Bend today, Mr. Bryan paid a visit to Notre Dame versity, and was shown through the institution.

#### ROOSEVELT AT CHICAGO. Western Campaign Tour Will Take

Up About Six Weeks, CHICAGO, Sept. 2.—Governor Roose velt arrived in Chicago today from New York and proceeded at once to the Auditorium Annex. He was met by a commit-tee representing about 150 labor unions, under whose auspices he is to speak at Electric Park tomorrow. An understand-ing was arrived at by which the pro-gramme, as far as Governor Roosevelt is concerned, is to be carried out as announced. The Governor will make the first address in the afternoon, so as to enable him to reach the train for Saratoga, where he is to make a speech on September 5, opening the campaign in New York State. His Western campractically six weeks.

#### IDAHO FUSIONISTS. Matter May Be Settled One Way or

the Other Today. BOISE, Idaho, Sept. 2.—The managers of the proposed fusion between the Populists and Democrats took a rest today. There is a belief prevailing among them that they can settle the matter one way or the other tomorrow, but there is noth-ing to indicate what the settlement will

John G. Woolley, Prohibition candidate 'Christian Citizenship. He devoted himself largely to the duty of voters, saying he admired any party that could organize church members and liquor sellers to support the same ticket.

## VERMONT READY TO VOTE.

Republicans Admit That the Majority Will Be Less Than in 1806, MONTPELIER, Vt., Sept. 2,-The cam paign in Vermont closed last night with political gatherings in nearly every city and town in the state. This year the canvass has not been quite so vigorous as that of four years ago, although the Democrats have done a larger amount of work. The Legislature fight and the IIcense Issue will enter into Tuesday's balot to some extent. The Republicans, it is understood, do not expect to equal the plurality of 40,000 which they secured four

Wisconsin Social Democrats. MILWAUKEE, Sept. 2.-The Social Democratic State Convention today nom-inated the following state and Congres-

sional ticket: Governor, Howard Tuttle; Lieutenant-Governor, George Dicke; Secretary of State, Charles G. Meler; Treasurer, John Doerfler; Attorney-General, Richard Els-ner; Superintendent of Public Instruction. August F. Buelow; Railroad Commission-er, Frank Ellis; Commissioner of Insurance, Max Goeres. For Congressmer Fourth District Robert Meisner: Fit Fourth District, Robert Meisner; Fifth District, Dr. H. C. Berger.

#### NO DISCOURTESY AT PARIS. Arthur Valois Defends Commission er-General Peck.

NEW YORK, Sept. 2.- The French line steamer La Touraine arrived from Havre In the cabin was Arthur Valois United States Commissioner to the Paris exposition. He defended Commissioner-General Peck in the cabled charge that he had acted discourteously to state representatives at the exposition. Speaking of the story that Mr. Peck had secretly worked to prevent Mrs. Manning and Mrs. Potter Palmer from being decorated by the French Government, he said:

"That is impossible, for I know how such things are done. The names for the Legion or Honor are handed in and passed on their merits. I know that Mr. Peck presented the names of Mrs. Man Mrs. Potter Palmer and M. H. de Young for the order. As to the criticism over there because of so much report from the United States of the difficulty of supplying all with invitations to entertainments, all I can say is that there always is troub when a big enterprise like the exposition

Lieutenants F. C. Brumby, T. P. Howard, W. F. Moale, Jr., and J. W. Chann, U. S. N., returned on the La Touraine. They are on their way from the Asiatio station to report to the Navy Departmen Miss Reilly, a daughter of Captain Reilly, who was recently killed in China, and her aunt, Mrs. Rice Smith, also arrived.

# **ELECTRIC TRAMWAY IN CHILE**

Santiago System Opened in the Pres ence of President Errasuris.

SANTIAGO DE CHILE; Sept. 2.-In the presence of President Errazuriz and the local authorities, the electric tramway system of Santiago was formally opened today. The public was greatly delighted at the outcome, and the installation of similar methods of transport will rapidly

# WILL FOLLOW RUSSIA

Probability That Germany WIII Withdraw Her Troops.

SHRINKS FROM SINGLE-HANDED WAR

Austria, First Indignant, Now Realizes the Possibility of the American Solution.

LONDON, Sept. 3.—The Shanghai corre-spondent of the Times, wiring yesterday, says: "Li Hung Chang has received a telegram from the Chinese Minister in Berlin asserting that Germany is prepared to act in concert with Russia, with a view to a settlement, and that, there-fore, it is probable that Germany will

follow Russia and withdraw her troops from Pekin." "It is not doubted here," says the Vienna correspondent of the Standard, "that Russia's proposals will in the end be accepted by Germany, who cannot but shrink from a single-handed war with China. The Austrian newspapers, though at first indignant, are now beginning to realize the possibilities of an accept of the Russo-American solution."

#### WHY RUSSIA WITHDRAWS.

Financial Reasons Believed to In-

fluence Her Decision. SHANGHAI, Sept. 1.- The reports from European capitals that Russia has deleave Pekin caused amazement here when first heard through Chineso Officials here are especially in o'Ined to treat them with incredulity, as every step in connection with Russia's occupation had apparently been taken with a view to permonency. The theory was that in the railroad Russia held the key to the situation, and that when Taku harbor was closed by the ice the other powers would be dependent upon Russia to provision their treons in Pekin. The officers of the other armies have coly predicted that the Russians intended to keep the railway and to hold the line of forts and arsenals to Pekin, thus securing the stronvest foothold of any nation. The assumption is now that financ'al reasons, possibly, influence Russia to her present decision. She has her hands full to maintain her troops, and part of the army has sometimes lacked proper rations.

# AMERICAN-RUSSIAN PROPOSAL.

Washington Government Withholding Replies of the Powers.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 1.-So far as can be ascertained, there were no important developments in the Chinese situation here today. The officials maintain unusual reticence. They say they have no information to make public regarding the replies to the American-Russian proregarding the withdrawal of the military forces of the powers from Pekin. Mr. Adre, the Acting Secretary of State, has decided, for the present, not to make any statement of the names of the powers which have answered, or to indicate whether the replies are of an affirmative or a negative character, on the ground that the publication of the attitude of the powers might embarrass the negotia tions at this time. It is therefore imssible to learn definitely to what extent answers have been received. The opinion prevails, however, that none of a onclusive character has as yet come to hand, such communications as have been received being merely of a preliminary

In diplomatic circles the opinion prevails that none of the great powers has as yet reached a final determination as to the course it will pursue. It is recognized here that some of them, at least, will want sufficient time to permit comm cation with their diplomatic and mi itary representatives in China, with a view to determining the exact condition of affairs from their own point of view, before undertaking to make any reply to so important a proposal as that involved in the American memorandum. Owing to the interruption of telegraphic communication between Pekin and Tien Tsin, it is believed here that some days may before final answers are received. cials are watching with intere t the editorial comment of the European press as indicative of the sentiment prevailing in

No cablegram from China was given to the press by any of the departments to-day. Acting-Secretary Adee was at the State Department during the day, but he said tonight that no telegrams of consequence had been received. The interruption of communications with Pekin is presumably responsible in part for this, as some days have now elapsed since any

word was received from Mr. Conger. Mr. Wu, the Chinese Minister, still remains at Cape May, but at the legation it was said there had not been a dispatch sceived during the day. The latest word concerning Li Hung Chang's whe was contained in the Associated Press cable from Shanghai tonight, stating that he was still there. The report that the foreigners there generally discredited him was read with interest in diplomatic circles. The suspicion of his motives there seem to be shaded by many of the diplomats here.

#### TO OPPOSE GERMAN EXPANSION. Governor of Shan Tung Has 20,000

Men Ready for Service. SHANGHAI, Sept. 2.—Two French priests have reached Klao Chou from the far interior, escorted the whole way by Chinese soldiers furnished by Yuan Shi Ki, Governor of Shan Tung. They assert that Yuan Sh! K! has 20,000 troops beyond Kiao Chou disposed, apparently, view to opposing any attempt at German expansion.

#### CUTCH SURVIVORS AT SEATTLE Steamer a Total Loss-Bouanza King Wrecked.

SEATTLE, Wash., Sept. 2.-Twenty-one of the crew of the Britist, steamer Cutch, wrecked on Douglas Island, arrived here They say the steamer will be a total

The Yukon River steamer Bonansa was wrecked in Fifty-Mile River, August 25, by striking a rock. Her 45 passenger and the crew escaped to the shore in safe ty. A large merchandise cargo is a total oes. The steamer may be saved. Skagway printers have formed a union

of 17 members, the first in Alaska. Skagway advices are that the placers of Porcupino district are turning out very rich. Justice Martin, of Victoria, is at Skagway on his way into the district to settle disputes arising between American miners and the new British officials forced upon them by modus vivendi.