

## MADE GOOD IMPRESSION

## COMMISSIONERS REPORTED ON THEIR VISIT TO WASHINGTON.

Only a Few Radicals in the Cuban Convention Will Oppose Its Acceptance.

HAVANA, May 7.—The special commission of the Cuban Constitutional Convention, which returned here from Washington May 5, at the secret session presented an extensive report of its conference with President McKinley and Secretary Root and a glowing account of the banquet and reception tendered the members. Senator Ghera objected to incorporating an account of the social programme in the report, but the commission insisted upon this point. In reference to the third clause of the Platt amendment, the report stated that the United States would not intervene under Cuba is attacked by a foreign power and there exists in Cuba a condition of affairs similar to that which existed under Spain at the time of American intervention. Regarding the canal, the report set forth that the places so desired by the United States were Cape May and San Antonio and another point connecting the entrance to the Gulf of Mexico. These would be definitely determined upon when drawing up the treaty. The object of these stations would be the maintenance of the independence of Cuba as well as the protection of the United States. The report also said that the United States would in no way interfere with the local government and that President McKinley had promised to appoint a commission to meet a Cuban commission to discuss the economic question and to draw up a commercial treaty as soon as the Republic is established, and that he advised the Cubans in the meantime to study the situation in this respect. The representatives announced that Secretary Root had said that there was nothing in the Platt amendment to prevent Cuba from having diplomatic representatives in foreign countries.

The report has evidently made a good impression and only a few radicals will continue to oppose its acceptance. The convention will meet Thursday and is expected to take definite action Saturday.

## RECEPTION OF KRUGER.

The President Communicated With on the Subject.

NEW YORK, May 7.—The denial in positive terms in official circles that the President stated to anybody claiming to represent "Oom Paul" Kruger that he would not receive him, and that the White House was made in a way, says a special to the Tribune from Washington, which seems to indicate that the President has been communicated with on this subject, since he left Washington, and desired to become known that he is being misrepresented in this matter. In point of fact, various persons authorized to speak for the President declared that on more than one occasion when the subject has been referred to in his presence the President has said that he would be glad to receive Mr. Kruger on the same terms and with the same hospitality as he would other distinguished foreigners.

This could be done without compromising the Government in any way. It is pointed out that when the Boer envoys were in Washington, they were treated with marked courtesy and consideration by the President and every member of his Cabinet with whom they came in contact. It is further pointed out that if ex-President Kruger comes here he will appear in a strictly private capacity, not being invested even with the official character with which the Boer envoys were clothed, and therefore the President would have no possible reason for refusing to meet him.

## LORD KITCHENER'S REVIEW.

Deals Chiefly With the Invasion of Cape Colony.

LONDON, May 7.—Lord Kitchener's first long review of the South African operations, dealing chiefly with the invasion of Cape Colony and dated March 2, was published in the Gazette today. He says it has been his constant endeavor since taking over the command to improve the soldiers and make them a line of communication, thus reducing the guards, also evacuating the garrisons remote from the railroads, thereby obviating the need of long marches. He has commanded more than 200,000 men in Cape Colony since December. Lord Kitchener favors the retention of 200,000 non-commissioned officers and men.

## Boer Prisoners for Bermuda.

HAMILTON, Bermuda, May 1.—A number of Boer prisoners are reported to have sailed for Bermuda April 29 with a white regiment to guard them. Working parties of soldiers are actively clearing sites at Darrell's Island for the erection of buildings and large tanks to hold water. The lack of water is likely to be a serious matter, as there are no streams on the island and the only water supply is rainwater caught on the roofs and run by stone or wooden gutters into stone tanks adjoining the houses. The naval authorities at the island are anxiously asked how much water they could furnish, replied: "Not a gallon." The white regiment will be quartered at Prospect and the black regiment will be sent to St. George.

## No Change in Imperial Policy.

CAPE TOWN, May 7.—Sir Alfred Milner, the British Minister, addressing a mass meeting today, said there was absolutely no reason for the anxiety felt in some quarters, lest any change be introduced in South Africa that would in any way weaken the imperial policy. Such a change is impossible. Great Britain has made up her mind and will carry out the policy she has laid down.

## Mrs. Botha's Health Broken.

LONDON, May 8.—The Daily Chronicle says it learns that the health of Mrs. Botha, wife of the commandant-general, has broken down, owing to worry and her constant journeys between her husband and Lord Kitchener, and that she is about to sail from Delagoa Bay to visit Mr. Kruger and to appeal to him to persuade the Boers to surrender.

## Miller Sails for England.

CAPE TOWN, May 7.—Sir Alfred Milner will sail tomorrow for home on the steamer Saxum. The Cape Argus understands that the Utrecht, Vryheid and probably the Wakarusa districts will be annexed to Natal.

## More Boers Captured.

LONDON, May 7.—The Daily Chronicle reports the capture of another 100 Boers, one 12-pounder, one 3-pounder, one Maxim and a quantity of ammunition.

## Johannesburg Mine Started.

JOHANNESBURG, May 4.—(Saturday)—The Meyer & Charlton mine has been started again.

## MINERS DIVIDED.

Conference Adjourned Until Today Without Acting on Strike Question.

LONDON, May 7.—The miners' conference met in executive session today, and adjourned until tomorrow after considerable discussion of the proposed Mr. Fenwick, a member of Parliament, and formerly a working miner, said to a representative of the Associated Press after the meeting: "No resolutions were presented and it is

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There has always been a close community of interests between us. Considerable difference of opinion developed in the course of the discussion, the inland miners opposing and the seaboard delegates supporting the suggested strike. It is understood that the mine-owners will be represented at tomorrow's meeting. Many of the delegates expressed the opinion that the employers had deserted the miners after urging them to strike.

## EDUCATIONAL BILL INTRODUCED.

Passed Its First Reading in the House of Commons.

LONDON, May 7.—In the House of Commons today, Sir John Gorst, the vice-president of the committee of the Council, introduced the educational bill. Sir John explained that the bill was intended to bring the chaotic educational system of the United Kingdom into unity. Mr. Bryce, Liberal, called it a complicated scheme. The bill passed its first reading without a division.

The Indian secretary, Lord Hamilton, answering a question, said the senior Government Inspector of the Burma Railways, in a report dated August 5, 1900, announced that he had noticed certain defects in American locomotives in use there. The information received, however, did not warrant Lord Hamilton in thinking the American locomotives on Indian railroads had been found generally unsatisfactory. Lord Crambourn, the Under Secretary, said Lord Cramer, the British agent in Egypt, had been asked

## CHINA SEEKING A LOAN

## WILL REQUEST THE POWERS TO OBTAIN ONE FOR HER.

Secret Societies at Nankin Have Joined Issue With the Reformers—Trouble Is Expected.

PEKING, May 7.—China will request the powers to obtain for her a loan sufficient to pay the indemnity as soon as the amount thereof is made known. She will also ask for an extra 20,000,000 taels to be provided annually, according to the proposition of the foreign ministers. The foreign ministers today decided to address a collective note to the Chinese Government informing it that a joint indemnity of 20,000,000 taels would be demanded and asking what method of payment is proposed. A reply is expected at the end of the week which will probably propose to meet the indemnity by raising the customs tariff. It is considered likely that the powers will assent to some measure in return for concessions on the part of China in the shape of a total abolition of the Likin, the placing

and defeated the enemy's cavalry 200 kilometers west of Kalgan, in Pei Chi Li Province.

## Italian Missionary Burned Alive.

LONDON, May 7.—According to a dispatch from Shanghai to the Daily Express, Father Paul, an Italian missionary, was burned alive in the Province of Shen Si.

## Yang Yu Going Home.

ST. PETERSBURG, May 7.—Yang Yu, Chinese Minister to Russia, has started to China with his family.

## TABLETS IN HALL OF FAME

National Organization Will Unveil Them.

NEW YORK, May 7.—At a meeting of the New York University Council, last night, Chancellor MacCracken said that so far as possible national organizations will have charge of the unveiling of particular tablets in the Hall of Fame on

## EASTMAN ON THE STAND

## DECLARED THAT THE KILLING OF GROGAN WAS AN ACCIDENT.

Wife of the Prisoner Contradicted Much of the Former Testimony Introduced at the Trial.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., May 7.—The climax in the Eastman murder trial was reached today, when the defendant himself took the stand to tell his own story. He went into no elaborate details and answered only the questions put to him by his lawyer. For two hours he was on the stand giving his testimony as to his relations with Grogan and the incidents on the day of the shooting. He declared that the shooting was an accident and that up to last October he had always

believed that it was the old rim-fire pistol that discharged the bullet which killed his brother-in-law.

Mrs. Eastman was on the stand most of the forenoon. She was vividly affected by the minute examination as to the incidents immediately preceding the tragedy and regarding certain statements made by previous witnesses. At times she wept. Mrs. Eastman said she did not remember any such incident as that related by Mrs. Grogan, Sr., who testified that Eastman had said Grogan's days were numbered. Witness never said that Eastman had been drinking, nor had she ever heard Mrs. Grogan, Jr., say he had been drinking. Mrs. Eastman also testified that in June the lock on the tomb containing Grogan's body had been tampered with, but no one had asked permission to open the tomb. Attorney-General Knowlton declined to cross-examine Mrs. Eastman.

The defendant, Charles R. Eastman, then took the stand to testify in his own behalf. He confirmed his testimony to answering the questions of his attorney. He said his relations with Grogan always were pleasant, and that from the Fall of 1898, when he was on terms of great friendship, he denied that any quarrel took place in November, 1899; that any jealousy existed because Grogan had undertaken the business left by their father-in-law, or that he had ever said in the presence of Grogan's mother that Grogan's days were short. Witness recalled the incident of the target practice on the morning of July 4, of dining and going to swimming races in company with Grogan. Eastman said he found the races slow, and started back home with his wife. He said that he urged Grogan to return with him, but said Grogan overtook him on the way home. Eastman could not tell whether it was Grogan or himself who suggested a resumption of target-shooting.

In the main Eastman's story of the shooting of Grogan was as it has been repeated by witnesses during this trial, the honor of which was attached to him immediately after the event. He said that his recollection of what happened after he and Grogan clinched was very indistinct.

"There was," he said, "a struggle for the possession of the gun. There was confusion, exclamations, noise and cries, and Grogan burst out with something like 'Damn it, I am shot!' Finally I got possession of the revolver after a struggle and Grogan was brought to his knees. I do not know exactly what happened after that, because of the light and horror and the agonized cries. I cried out to him to let go, while on his part he said in the most agonized tones, 'Oh, oh, oh.' I next remember that we were running, and that we came together again for another struggle. Some weapon, I don't know what, lay on the ground, and I tried to kick it out of the way."

Eastman testified that he had never entertained a feeling of malice or jealousy toward Grogan, and had never had any thought of injury.

## PAROLE OF THE YOUNGERS.

Recommended by the Board of Prison Managers.

ST. PAUL, May 7.—Coleman and James Younger, the most noted convicts in the state prison at Stillwater, today won the first step toward freedom from that institution, to which they were sentenced to life over 25 years ago. For 20 years their friends have been working in their behalf, each Governor being importuned frequently for a pardon. The first brother, Bob, died in the Stillwater prison a few years ago, but the efforts for the liberation of the now old men have never ceased. Ten years ago a pardon board, composed of the Governor, Attorney-General and Chief Justice, was created, one of the arguments in its favor being the relief it would give the Chief Executive from the friends of the Youngers. Since then the pardon board has been asked repeatedly to act favorably on applications for pardon of the Youngers, but the required unanimous vote could never be secured. Two years ago a bill was presented to the Legislature, providing for the parole of life prisoners. The bill was passed by the Senate, but killed in the House. This year a similar bill, after several hard counters on the floor of the two houses, got through, and secured the approval of Governor Van Sant, an amendment to it required the unanimous approval of the Board of Pardons before parole of life prisoners could become effective. The opponents of the Youngers let the bill go through in this shape, believing nothing could come of it. Under the provisions of this law a board of Prison Managers today unanimously recommended the parole of the Youngers. This recommendation will be at once presented to the Board of Pardons, but none of the members of the board will be under a special meeting would be held to consider the matter. The next regular meeting will be held in July. Before final action it would be necessary to have the legal

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## FIENDISH CRIME IN KANSAS.

## A Young Woman Is Assaulted and Thrown Into an Old Well.

LEAVENWORTH, Kas., May 7.—Miss Bonnie, an employee of the State Penitentiary, while gathering mushrooms near Lansing, was struck on the back of the head by an unknown person and rendered unconscious, after which she was assaulted and then thrown into an old well. The young woman regained consciousness and after repeated attempts reached the surface and went home, where she told of the crime. She stated that she had caught a glimpse of her assailant and would be able to identify him. Miss Bonnie died soon afterward. Searching parties are scouring the country.

## Violet Jones Is Sick.

NEW YORK, May 7.—It was said at the house of detention today that the condition of Charles F. Jones, the principal witness in the case against Albert T. Patrick, charged with the murder of William M. Rice, is no worse than it was last night. Jones will probably be removed to a sanitarium, where he will be treated by means of injections of food. The disease from which he is suffering is catarrh of the stomach, and he is unable to take any nourishment, except milk and seltzer. He has not taken solid food for five days.

## Caleb Powers' New Trial.

FRANKFORT, Ky., May 7.—Ex-Secretary of State Caleb Powers' attorneys were today granted an additional extension of 30 days' time in which to file a petition for modification of the Court of Appeals' decision granting him a new trial. As this petition cannot be passed until September, Powers' next trial cannot come up earlier than February, 1902. The case of James Howard, the alleged Geibel principal, will be retried here in October.

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## The relief committees are now located

near the center of the city in large tents and the relief association has been suitably for the emergency. Clouds of smoke still envelope the city from the smoldering embers of the conflagration, but many of the buildings have been sufficiently cooled off to allow the safes to be opened and books and papers of a great many concerns have been found only slightly scorched. The safe of the city, which was the last that iron safes failed to protect the money or papers.

Twelve carloads of provisions arrived tonight from New York and are now at the depot, where they will be unloaded and stored, ready for delivery in the morning. No more dead bodies have been found, although a systematic search has not yet begun.

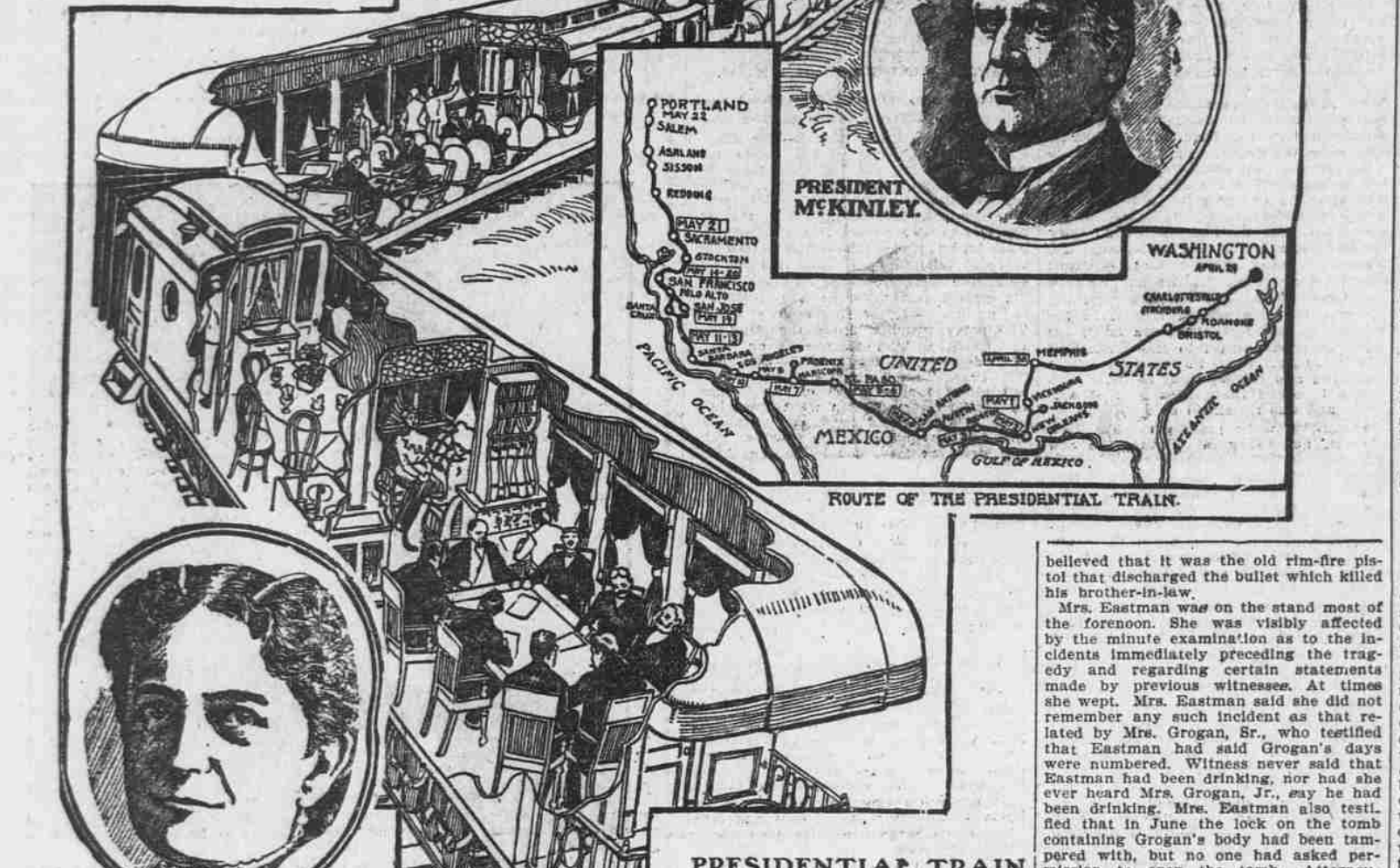
## The following appeal has been issued by Jacksonville transportation men:

"Jacksonville, Fla., May 7.—To the Railway and Steamship Transportation Commission: 1000 acres in the heart of the residence, business and most populous portion of Jacksonville were completely destroyed by fire May 3. About 30,000 of our people are homeless among whom are many railway and steamship employees and their families. We therefore issue this appeal for our unfortunate brethren, as they are able to give without embarrassment to themselves or families, assuring the donors that it will be expended to relieve real distress among the families of the railway and steamship employees. Contributions should be sent to F. M. Ironmonger, Jr., Florida passenger agent Clyde Line, chairman Jacksonville Transportation Men's Relief Association, Jacksonville, Fla. By mail, A. O. McDONALD, J. H. BURNS, J. H. RAFFERTY, F. M. JOLLY.

## Relief Supplies for Jacksonville.

NEW YORK, May 7.—Carloads of provisions and clothing for the sufferers from the Jacksonville fire started for Jacksonville this afternoon over the Pennsylvania road and will be unloaded through in quick time.

## WASHINGTON, May 7.—The revenue



MRS. MCKINLEY

for a report on the American locomotives in Egypt.

## Dispute Over a Flag.

LONDON, May 7.—A dispute has arisen as to the ownership of the flag which Queen Victoria presented to the hospital ship Maine. Mrs. George Cornwallis-West (Lady Randolph Churchill) asserts that it belongs to her, and Bernard Baker, owner of the vessel, declares that it is his property. The flag is now in Lady Randolph Churchill's possession. It seems that while the Maine was still in service as a hospital ship, Mr. Baker gave orders that the flag should be surrendered to no one without an order from himself. The officer in charge of the ship later sent it to Lady Randolph Churchill on her written request. The flag was discussed in disquietude, and Mr. Baker requested Lady Randolph to return the flag to him, which she, in spite of more important requests and demands, has failed to do. Lady Randolph Churchill claims the flag as her own, but has intimated her willingness to send it to the United States Government to be placed as a relic in some National museum.

## The Emperor Thanks Von Miquel.

BERLIN, May 7.—The Reichsanzeiger today publishes the text of a letter from Emperor William to Dr. Von Miquel expressing regret at the latter's resignation from the post of Finance Minister of Prussia, in which he had deserved so well of the King, royal house and fatherland, alluding to Dr. Von Miquel having created a new and solid financial foundation for Prussia, thanking him for his fruitful service and informing him of his elevation to the upper house of the Diet.

## Sir Reginald Beauchamp Divorced.

LONDON, May 7.—Sir Reginald Beauchamp was awarded a divorce from his wife, Violet (daughter of the Fifth Earl of Roden) today and £10,000 damages. The co-respondent was Hugh Watt, an ex-member of Parliament, who is well known in financial circles.

## Rioting in Barcelona.

MADRID, May 7.—The Government has decided to suspend the constitutional guarantees in Barcelona, where serious riots have taken place among the strikers and anarchists. The cavalry, which was called out, repeatedly charged the mob.

## Military Balloon Descended Safely.

COLOGNE, May 7.—The military captive balloon, with two men in the car, which ascended here Sunday afternoon, broke loose in a gale and was lost to sight in the clouds, has descended safely. The occupants of the car were not injured.

## Snow in England.

LONDON, May 7.—There was a heavy fall of snow in North Devonshire and Dartmoor today, endangering the Spring crops. The change from the almost tropical heat of the past month is most marked and promises to continue for some time.

## Yokohama Spinning Company Fails.

YOKOHAMA, May 7.—An important spinning company of this city has failed. The failure is traceable to the insolvency of the banks of Osaka, announced April 25. The panic feeling continues.

## Committee Passed Sugar Bill.

BERLIN, May 7.—The Reichstag committee today passed the saccharine bill by a vote of 30 to 7.

## Swedish Minister Resigns.

STOCKHOLM, May 7.—Gerrard Dryden, Minister of Finance, resigned. He was appointed October 21, 1898.

## Memorial Day. So far as acceptances

have been received, these organizations will unveil tablets as follows: Washington, The Society of the City of Cincinnati; Franklin, The Colonel Darnott; the vice-president, Miss Gillespie, a descendant of Franklin, acting for the society; Jefferson, Sons of the American Revolution; Webster, Daughters of the American Revolution; Lincoln, The Military Order of the Loyal Legion, represented by General Schofield; Asa Gray, the Botanical Society of America, represented by Professor D. H. Robinson, president; and Asa Gray, professor of botany at Harvard; Marshall, the American Bar Association, through Edmund Welmore, president; Farragut, National Association of Naval Veterans; Lee, the United Daughters of the Confederacy, represented by Miss Mary F. Mears; Gilbert Stuart, National Academy of Design; Morse, the American Institute of Electrical Engineers; Whitney, the American Society of Mechanical Engineers; Jonathan Edwards, the Christian Endeavor Society; Beecher, the National Organization of the Young Men's Christian Association; Peabody, the Peabody Education Fund, presented by the second vice-president, Dr. J. L. McCurry, of Washington.

## THE DEATH ROLL.

## Well-Known New York Lawyer.

NEW YORK, May 7.—Clarence M. Foster, a well-known lawyer, died at his home in this city last night. He was a graduate of Dartmouth College and the Columbia Law School. In 1878 he went to San Francisco, where he practiced law for two years. In 1879 he returned to this city and took up his profession here.

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## A Wrong Assumption.

BERLIN, May 7.—The Lokal Anzeiger, commenting upon the announcement from Washington that the United States Government is working toward the opening of all China to the trade of the world, assumes that the plan includes Manchuria, and adds: "Here we have new points of friction, which do not concern Germany, inasmuch as she has no interests in Manchuria."

## Chinese Cavalry Defeated.

BERLIN, May 7.—Field Marshal von Waldersee, in a dispatch from Peking, dated yesterday, stated that Lieutenant Kummer and a cavalry patrol attacked

## Several Persons Missing.

## Midnight Fire in New York Apartment Houses.

NEW YORK, May 8.—Fire which started last night before midnight on the ground floor of the five-story apartment house at 76 Lexington avenue, drove 20 or more families into the street and many people had narrow escapes. The police and firemen, aided by citizens, rescued several persons. Two were injured and taken to the Presbyterian Hospital, and several are reported missing. The fire started in a better and one store. It spread rapidly and in a few minutes had eaten through the four other houses, all five-story apartments.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Young, who lived on the fourth floor of one house, jumped from the window of their apartment into a life net. Mrs. Young received severe contusions and internal injuries and was taken to the hospital, as was her husband. A man was seen at the window of one of the third floors as if he were about to jump. Then he disappeared, and it is feared he was either burned or smothered to death. Miss Waldron attempted to jump from the fourth floor into the life net. She missed it, falling into the arms of a policeman and a fireman. She was injured and taken to a hospital, as was one of the men holding the net. Mrs. Wansmaker attempted to jump into the net. She struck the fire escape on her head, and sustained a terminal injury. She was removed to a hospital. Carrie Johnson, a servant girl, is reported missing.

## Manitoba Government Bill.

OTTAWA, May 7.—The House of Commons discussed the Manitoba Government bill until 1:30 this morning, when it divided on an amendment to send the bill back to the Manitoba Legislature. It was lost, 6 for and 99 against. The bill reached the committee stage when the House adjourned.

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