

NEGOTIATIONS ARE CONCLUDED

Powers Finally Agree on the Joint China Note.

CHINESE QUESTION SOLVED

Detailed Narrative of the International Expedition to Pao Ting Fu for the Rescue of the Green Family and Party.

LONDON, Dec. 12.—The negotiations of the powers in regard to the joint China note were concluded satisfactorily yesterday, all agreeing to the conditions identically as outlined by Count von Bulow...

A GERMAN VIEW. NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—A special to the world from Washington says: Herr von Holleben, the imperial German ambassador, discussing the Chinese situation said: "The Chinese question, so far as vital issues are concerned, may be treated as solved."

The vital questions from this time will be the disposition of the various treaty rights and concessions. Germany stands for open ports and free access to the Oriental trade.

In this connection each power will carefully scrutinize the situation for its own interest. There is no reason, however, to apprehend any disagreement.

The sentiment so carefully fostered by certain interests that Germany is hostile to American progress or trade is to be regretted. The two countries have similar policies of protection to domestic industries and property.

On the other hand, the parcels post facilities, the desire to maintain the German steamship lines profitably and a kindly German desire to trade with the United States make the Atlantic commerce between the two countries practically reciprocal.

PAO TING FU EXPEDITION. (Correspondence of Associated Press.) TIEN TSIEN, Nov. 5.—The international expedition to Pao Ting Fu, by some deemed to be a necessary tactical movement, in quest of the unfortunate Gressu family, after repeated postponements has at length become a part of the history of the "yellow terror" of 1900.

The Tien Tsin columns were commanded by General Baellond of the French army and Major-General Lorne Campbell, the former taking a direct route to the north of the waterway to Pao Ting Fu and the latter a more circuitous route to the south of the same.

Returning on the 26th, we found the column under orders for Tien Tsin by a still more southerly route, where it was stated large Boxer forces had congregated and as heavy firing was heard during the afternoon to the southward every one was excitedly looking forward to the prospects of a battle.

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frustrate this action the command of Tien Tsin columns was offered to General Baellond and accepted on the distinct understanding that the French column alluded to be halted until the arrival of the allies who, on reaching their destination, would be commanded by General Sir Alfred Gaselee, commanding the column from Pekin.

The commands of General Baellond and General Campbell consisted of German and Italian troops and British India troops with a battery of royal horse artillery, a small number of the Austrian contingent and a battery of two pom-pom guns.

Accompanying Campbell's command the route lay southwest through Tu Lu, destroyed by the troops a month previously, to the walled city of Wen An Shen in the vicinity of which it was claimed the Chinese imperial troops had dispersed the Boxers some five days before our arrival, inflicting heavy losses.

On the 18th, Yen Chou Hsien was reached. On the 19th the rear guard of the column while leaving the city, having been delayed by baggage transport, was treated to a somewhat hostile demonstration. Some hundreds of the townspeople gathered about them, one man endeavoring to incite the crowd to action.

After a most disagreeable march on the 20th through a dust storm of unprecedented severity ending in a blizzard of rain and sleet, rendering the going heavy and dangerous, Pao Ting Fu was reached on the 21st of October, after a march of 150 miles through a country which but for an exceptionally dry season would have been absolutely impassable, many miles of the route being described on the Chinese and foreign maps as lakes and marshes.

Though Pao Ting Fu had been occupied without opposition it was plainly apparent to the most casual observer that the Chinese were in a very disturbed state. Europeans going through the city were received with insolent and insulting remarks and on several occasions were the object of spitting, a favorite form of insult.

The fan ti or provincial treasury official, the Manchu commander of the forces and the chief magistrate of Tien Tsin were found within the city and an international court of inquiry was instituted to determine their guilt in regard to the murders at Pao Ting Fu during the first week of July.

While this was going on, patrols were scouring the country west and south, and while engaged in this way on the 23rd inst., a patrol of the Sixteenth British Lancers was fired upon from a fortified village, Ku Shan, some 25 miles northwest of Pao Ting Fu and three of the men were wounded, one severely.

On the 24th of October a small force of some 250 men with one pom-pom, under the command of Lieutenant-Colonel P. H. Ayer, Third Bombay Cavalry, left Pao Ting Fu to take and destroy the village. Reaching Chu Cheng the same evening, on the 25th an earlier start was made and the pom-pom commenced shelling the town about 8 A. M.

On the 26th the detachment of the 20th Punjab Infantry afterward entering and the Third Bombay Cavalry executing a flank movement to the right and left. A few shots were fired from the town at the pom-pom and some firing took place on a small hill behind the town, and in the valley beyond a large jingal was fired upon by the cavalry. The losses to the Chinese must have been about 100 killed.

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WU TING FANG AGAIN. Explains His Address on Confucius and Makes Another Speech.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 12.—Wu Ting Fang, who came here to deliver an address before the Contemporary Club, made a statement in regard to his address before the Ethical Culture Society of New York last Sunday on Confucius, comments upon which have since been printed, in which he said: "I am afraid the scope of my address delivered at New York last Sunday at Carnegie hall is not made clear by the reports published in the newspapers."

REBELLION CRUSHED IN WEST. Colombian Rebels Defeated on Land and Sea. NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—A dispatch to the Herald from Panama says: Official advices from Buena Ventura indicate that the power of the rebels in the west has been broken.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Robert L. Tighe, who established the first telegraphic system in South America, is dead at his home here. He was born in Dublin. At the outbreak of the civil war he enlisted in the Fourth New York regiment.

NEGOTIATIONS REOPENED. University of California Very Anxious to Play Football With Columbia. NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—The University of California has reopened negotiations with Columbia University on the proposition to have a Columbia football team visit the Pacific coast and play the students of the Golden Gate during the Christmas vacation.

REVISION OF CREED FAVORED. BALTIMORE, Dec. 12.—At its sixty-third stated meeting the Baltimore Presbytery has gone on record as favoring a revision of the confession of faith by a vote of 47 to 24.

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RACETRACK SOLD. Property of Saratoga Racing Association Again Changes Hands.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—The Herald says: Once more has the Saratoga Racing Association property at Saratoga Springs, N. Y., changed hands.

NEW TEXAS RAILWAYS. Contractors Will Begin Work in January on the Rock Island's El Paso Extension. CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—A special to the Chronicle from El Paso, Tex., says: Incorporation articles have been filed at Santa Fe, N. M., for the El Paso & Rock Island railroad, from Carrizozo, Lincoln county, to Santa Rosa, Guadalupe county, to connect with the Chicago & Northwestern railroad and the Chicago, Rock Island & Mexico railroad of Texas.

ROBERT L. TIGHE DEAD. He Established the First Telegraphic System in South America. NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Robert L. Tighe, who established the first telegraphic system in South America, is dead at his home here.

M'KINLEY THREATENED. Lively Meeting of New York Anarchists in Hall Hired Under False Pretense. NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—The Herald says: Five hundred anarchists vociferously applauded last night at a meeting in behalf of the family of Bressel, the assassin, when one of the speakers threatened the life of President McKinley, "should he attempt to interfere with free speech."

ARGENTINE FLOUR. Report That American Minister at Rio Janeiro Asked for Discriminating Duties Against It. NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—A dispatch to the Herald from Buenos Ayres says: A sensation has been caused here by a report that the American minister at Rio Janeiro has requested the Brazilian government to increase the duty on Argentine flour.

GERMAN NEWSPAPER SOLD. CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—The Illinois Staats Zeitung was sold at auction today for \$200,000. The company will be reorganized at once. PRICE OF SILVER. NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Silver, 64 1/2.

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LICK OBSERVATORY. Prof. W. W. Campbell of the University of California Appointed Director. SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 12.—The regents of the University of California have formally appointed Prof. W. W. Campbell director of the Lick Observatory. Prof. Campbell has been acting as director since the death of Prof. Keeler.

WILLIAM E. WOOD DEAD. Vice-President of the Crocker-Walworth National Bank of San Francisco. SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 12.—William E. Wood, vice-president of the Crocker-Walworth National Bank, is dead after an illness of only a few days. He was 76 years old and was formerly associated in these enterprises with the late Charles Crocker, the railroad magnate.

ONE MILLION VACCINATED. Radical Measures Adopted by the New York Health Board. NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—In consequence of the cases of smallpox which have occurred in this city lately, the de-

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