Latest Message of Minister Conger Throws No Light on Situation.

WASHINGTON OFFICIALS AND IN IN

Beason for Believing Two Communications Are of About Same Date.

China's Appeals for Mediation Are Not Now Taken in Ordinary Sense.

NEGOTIATION INSTEAD OF WAR WANTED complicated and dangerous.

Administration as Determined as Ever That Advance Shall Be Made on Pekin for Purpose of Rescuing Foreigners.

officers at Tien Tsin. Taku and Chee Foo, the present situation. has indeed served only to deepen the mys-Brooklyn, and is as follows:

"CHE FOO, July 24.-Navigation Bureau, Washington: Written message, signed the twenty-sixth year, (July 19, 1900.)" Conger, dated July 4, received Tien Tsin. 21st, says: 'Been besieged two weeks British legation. Grave danger general massacre by Chinese soldiers, who are shelling legation daily. Relief soon, if at City without government except by Chinese army. Determined massacre all foreigners Pekin. Entry relief forces into city probably be hotly contested."

#### "THOMAS." Situation is Unchanged.

The official conclusion remains unchanged, of course, but it is admitted that a caresented to be the same in each case, and as the powers concerned. Mr. Conger declares that relief must come quickly, if at all, there is ground for the supposition that conditions could not long have remained unchanged in such a crists, and are now safe in Vladivostock. The assumption that this reasoning is correct involves the further conclusion that gineer Krutseszki of the Manchurian rail-Mr. Conger's cipher message, if genuine, was redated as of the 18th of July, two have occupied Khailar, in northwestern weeks later than the date of actual writing Manchuria, near the trans-Baikalian and, of course, if redated at all, that was frontier. done by Chinese officials.

State department position, came today a are gathering for the relief of Khailar. message from another of the great Chinese viceroys, Tak, at Canton, he who took Harbin is considered to be in grave danger. charge after Li Hung Chang's departure. All is quiet at Blagovechensk and in the This also affirmed solemnly the safety of vicinity of that town and trade has been the legationers and coming from so many resumed different sources and from such important Chinese officials, these dispatches do claim attention. A pessimistic view of them. however, attributes to them all a common origin, namely, some one high Chinese personage at Pekin. It is noted that Tak's assurance brings the ministers one day further towards altimate rescue than has any preceding message, the fact that it allows only three days to cover the transmission over the great distance between Pekin and Canton has attracted attention here and appears to demand explanation if the message is to be accepted as of genuine

# Negotiations Instead of Arms.

"It was not known to the State depart ment until the publication of the fact in the news dispatches that the French government also had been addressed by the Chinese government in the effort to secure mediation. It now appears that still other powers were addressed in a similar strain. It is known that Great Britain and Germany and probably Rinsia have received such merseges. The larguage is not the same. but the animating idea is. The State department officials feel that generally speaking the idea is not so much to secure medistion, pure and simple, as to induce the powers to resort to the settlement of difficulties between them and China by the substitution of negotiations for forces. This appears more clearly from a comparison of the various notes than it did in the single note addressed to the prest dent. Being so, the chances of a successful outcome of this attempt of the Chinese govmuch dignified in the intimation that the

#### the movement toward Pekin. Chaffee Using All Energy.

"On the contrary, the United States War department is moving at present with lows: greater energy than at any time since the original orders for troops to get its contingent in position for the task before it. eral Chaffee reported to the department today from Nagasaki and there received the MAY BE SENT FROM PEKIN orders which have been sent by cable since his departure from San Francisco. An idea Chinese Government Arranging of their general character can be gathered from the general's report that he was about to push forward at once with his transpor Taku. He will not even stop at Foo and it is even doubtful whether he will detain the Grant at Nagasaki long enough to take on coal. He is also energetically taking steps in advance to meet the evil of which all the foreign naval commanders have complained, but none have remedied. the lack of landing facilities at Taku. To this end he has instructed Lieutenant Colonel Coolidge of the Ninth infantry at Tier Tain to secure at once all of the tugs and lighters necessary to a speedy landing o the reinforcements and stores that are being carried out by the United States transper

# Allies Will Advance on Pekin.

"In spite of the alarm with which the Chinese officials, including Li Hung Chang profess to view the advance of the allieforces on Pekin, so far as it affects the safety of the foreign ministers, it may be said that none of the powers have ever shown any tendency to abate their preparations or accept an escort of imperial troops for the ministers from Pekin to Tien Tair This government has acted all the while on the theory that the ministers are alive and has accepted the assurances of the Chinese Vicercy Tak Assures Consul McWade government, but it has never recognized in any way the suggestion contained in Sheng' cablegram of yesterday that the Chines government should furnish the foreigner escort out of Pekin. It was said at the minister is not to be delivered up by the

# States that is the Only Country

tpon Which It Can PARIS, July 25.-The emperor of China

has sent to President Loubet the following letter, transmitted by telegraph by the governor of Shang Tung, July 19: China has for several years been linked

ship with your honorable country. irs concerning our relations on the from of Quang Si and Funan have been discussed and settled by the way of conciliation. There exist no grievances between us. Recently the population and Christians found themselves in hostility and rebellious persons have profited by the TAK REITERATES SAFETY OF FOREIGNERS opportunity to induige in depredations, with the result that foreign nations have suspected the court of showing partiality oward the people and of jealousy toward the Christians. Subsequently, the attack upon and taking of the forts at Taku took place, after which military misfortunes ensued, rendering the situation still more

"As we think that in the international relations of China with other governments your honorable nation has most cordial relations with China, and as China is today pressed by circumstances up to the point of drawing upon itself universal wrath, in order to arrange these difficulties and to resolve these complications we think it ment is desirous of putting an end not only possible that it is solely upon your honorable country that we may count. Therefore, WASHINGTON, July 25 .- The receipt opening our heart to you in all sincerity, at Tien Tsin of an undoubtedly genuine we demonstrate to you our intimate sentiand autographic message from Minister ments, and we address this letter in the by the great western powers. The imperial ers by cunningly sending a lot of appar-Conger has done nothing to dissipate the sole hope that you will find, Mr. President government, therefore, trusts that its offer

We beg you at the same time to have the tery. The message comes from Captain goodness to address us a kind response. Charles M. Thomas, commander of the which we cannot help but await with extreme anxiety.

"Signed the 23d day of the sixth moon of

# VIEW TAKEN BY RUSSIANS

Only Thing for Powers to Do is to Suppress Rebellion in

CHICAGO, July 25.-A dispatch to the Record from Moscow says: Diplomatic circles in St. Petersburg attach no importance to the news that the Chinese government desires to secure the mediation of the United States with the powers, and that ful scrutiny of the autograph message in President McKinley has signified his willingcomparison with the famous cipher message ness, under prudent restrictions, to offer from Minister Conger admits of the be- such mediation. The Ruesian government lief that the two messages were written by takes the ground that no legal government Mr. Conger at about the same time. The exists in China and that a war for the supsituation at the British legation is repre- pression of rebellion is the only choice of

According to dispatches from Vladivostock the Danish missionaries in Manchuria, after suffering much hardship, have been relieved

A dispatch received there from Chief Enway at Algatschi reports that the Chineoe

The whereabouts of Colonel Yougovitsch On the other hand, and in support of the is unknown, but the Russian guard troops The rallway section between Tsitsibar and

# DISPOSE OF FIRST RUMOR

Story of Massacre on June Twentyseventh is Shown to Be Intrue.

WASHINGTON. July 25.-The message from Minister Conger, which came over the Li Hung Chang's interview in the wires from Captain Thomas this morning, was the first communication of unquestionable authenticity which has been received from the American minister at Pekin since his urgent appeal for help of July 12. It establishes clearly the fact that the American minister and probably the other legationers were alive on July 4, though in sore straits. Therefore, it completely and finally disposes of the first stories that were published from Shanghai of the massacre

It is true that it does not in itself negative the subsequent reports of the massacre on July 6, two days later than the day of the dispatch; but the officials here feel that there is quite as much reason to believe that the second report was false as in the case of the first report, now shown to have been erroneous.

# GEN. CHAFFEE HEARD FROM

armed Transport Grant Renches Nagasaki and Leaves Next Day for Taku.

WASHINGTON, July 25 .- Adjutant General Corbin today received two cable mesernment to secure an amelioration of the sages from Major General Chaffee, both the cablegram from Captain Thomas, United consequences of the Boxer uprising are dated at Nagasaki today. The first reads: "Transport arrived at this port on the powers are expected to refrain from pressing 24th. All are well. Transport will leave this port on the 25th, Taku. The second is General Chaffee's accent

ance and thanks for his promotion, as fel-"Accept promotion to major general

Thank president for me for honor and his confidence."

Guarantee Retirement of Foreigners to Tien Tain.

BRUSSELS, July 25.-The foreign office today received the following dispatch: SHANGHAL July 25 -- Li Hung Chang old me the Chinese government was arranging to guarantee retirement of foreign ers in Pekin toward Tien Tsin. DE CARTIER." (Signed)

E. De Cartier is secretary of Belgian legation at Pekin.

# COAST CITIES TO BE SHELLED

Sanguinary Orders of Conditional Nature Given to Admiral Skrydeloff.

LONDON. July 25 .- The Daily Express has the following from St. Petersburg: Admiral Skrydeloff, commanding the Russian squadron in Chinese waters, has received precise instruction to bombard the Chinese coast towns immediately on receipt of confirmation of the report of the massacre at Pekin."

# ALIVE ON TWENTY-SECOND

that Foreigners in Pekin Are Safe.

WASHINGTON, July 25 .- The State de ariment has received a cablegram from termaster. A pack train is being organized State department today that the American Consul McWade at Canton saying that here for service in China. Over one-half Viceroy Tak gives assurances that all the of the required number of men has been Chinese troops to the allied forces or to foreign envoys at Pekin were alive and well secured and the train will be ordered

Reiterates His Offer to Release Ministers if Allies Delay Their Advance.

Governor Insists That He Has Trustworthy News from Pekin of the Safety of All the Foreign Legations.

(Copyright, 1900, by Press Publishing Co.) LONDON, July 26 .- 5 a. m .- (New York World Cablegram-Special Telegram.)-The Daily Express Shanghai correspondent, wiring July 25, Wednesday, says: "Li Hung Chang, who keeps in constant telegraphic communication with the governor of Shantung, has issued the following pronouncement: 'The imperial government at Pekin is now prepared at any moment to give safe convoy to the ministers and other foreigners from Pekin to Tien Tsin. The imperial goverament would, however, require a guarancapital and that all matters in dispute with of interest with the other powers." the powers would be made the subject of friendly negotiations. The imperial governto the hostilities now prevailing among the Pekin, as do Germany and France. It cer-

and the western powers be renewed. "Li Hung Chang was informed that no China is unable to fulfill President McKinbasis for friendly negotiations can be disussed until undisputable evidence is forthcoming that the foreign ministers are all alive. Concul Warren (British) declined to French consul, Li Hung Chang undertook

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ister at Pekin." Russia is Ready to Fire. The Daily Express has the following from

St. Petersburg: "Admiral Skrydeloff, commanding the Ruseian squadron in Chinese waters, has received precise instructions to bombard the Chinese coast towns immediately on receipt of confirmation of the report of the massacre at Pekin."

The Express' Shanghai correspondent wires July 25: "The following is the more detailed message from the governor of Shan Tung to Consul Warren in simplification to the previous dispatch relating to the safety Pekin informed me by letter, dated July 18, that the messenger who left the British legation on July 13 had been arrested. Through this messenger communication was established by the Pekin government with the British minister and subsequently a member of the tsung li yamen, Wen Liu, visited the British legation. He reported that he found all the foreign ministers alive, but desirous of making negotiations for peace. The imperial government arranged that on the following day a plentiful sup ply of food should be sent to the ministers and that they be provided with an escort under a trusted imperial general and be sent in safety to Tien Tsin. The foreigners and Kwan Su troops then occupied in two bri gades opposite sides of the imperial canal outside the legation. Yung Lu was making all efforts to protect the foreigners."

Lose All Their liopes. Conger's second message has removed the favorable impression created by the first Ministers here steadfastly maintain, in facof all reports, that the foreigners have been massacred and complete distrust of all Chinese assurances prevails in official circles is largely quoted here and is regarded as bearing a sinister complexion. The Daily News, commenting on it, says: "The fact, if it be a fact, that the safety of the minis ters is used by Li as a means of warding off the allies from Pekin, many people will feel an additional regret that instead of be ing treated as an honored guest at Hong Kong he was not himself detained as a hostage until authentic communications with legations is established." The Times today publishes the interview

with Li developing the conditions on which his consent to proceed as mediator at Pekin as described in the London dispatch Monday. The powers have definitely refused to entrust Li with any power.

#### WAR IS NOT ONLY OUTCOME Secretary Hay Says Reparation Possible Even if Worst Fears

CLEVELAND, O., July 25 .- Secretary of State John Hay will leave Cleveland Thursday merning for Canton to confer with President McKinley on the Chinese situation. Late tonight Secretary Hay was shown

Prove to Be True.

States Navy, referring to the message presumed to have been received from Minister Conger and dated July 4. 'His message," said Secretary Hay, after

he had read Conger's transmitted message. KILLED IN TRAIN WRECK "does not necessarily contradict the mes sages supposed to have been sent by Mr. Conger July 18 in response to my message to him. The state of affairs represented in this message of the 4th may still prevail I hardly think Captain Thomas would have transmitted the message to the Navy department unless he were sure of its authen-

"Neither of the messages, however, chang the situation. Whether they are genuine of not the course of this government-the ourse now being pursued-must be the same. The State department is acting or the supposition that it has heard nothing from Minister Conger since June 12. China is at peace with the world so far as the official facts are concerned. As yet no cause for war has been proved. Russia

not at war with China. "It must not be thought that the only out come of the present situation is a war, eve f the worst that has been published is true There is always a possibility of evading war. the worst feared proves to be true there may still be reparation without war. situation is one of terrible uncertainty and nothing that has come or purported to comrom our minister at Pekin has lessened the danger or uncertainty. No one can say what may or may not be the outcome."

# HOME LEAVE IS CUT SHOR

aptain Ferdendall Ordered to Re port for Active Duty in China at Once.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., July 25.-(Special Telegram.)-Captain Ira L. Fredendall who has just returned home from a year' service in Cuba, received orders from the War department tonight to sail for China where he will be assigned to duty as assistant to General Humphrey, chief quar laway in about a week.

#### CHINA APPEALS TO FRANCE LI HUNG CHANG'S PROMISE STILL TALKING OF M'KINLEY BLOODY BATTLE IN PROGRESS German Papers Continue to Devote

Much Space to America's Chinese Policy.

BERLIN, July 25.—The German govern-ment gave out no Chinese news today and expressed no opinion regarding President COMMUNICATIONS FROM SHAN TUNG McKinley's answer to Emperor Kwang Su. as the government desires to await the resuit of Count von Buelow's conferences with the emperor at Bremerbaven. The Chinese legation here, however, gave

out a telegram from the vicercy of Nankin asserting that on July 18 the members of the legations were still alive in Pekin These continued Chinese statements do not meet with serious belief outside of political

Various opinions are expressed by the papers as to Mr. McKinley's reply to the Panama, but the former are still holding Chinese emperor. The semi-official Berliner Post points out that the answer does not insist upon redress and satisfaction for the agreed upon to attend the wounded and bury borrible outrages known to have been committed. The Berliner Tageblatt ridicules he Washington cabinet for credulity.

The Deutsche Tages Zeitung says: "President McKinley apparently will be quite satisfied if the American minister is safe tee that no advance would be made upon the and there is no mention of the solidarly The National Zeitung says: "President repaired today.

McKinley's answer shows that he virtually

views the situation in China, especially in

rebellious section of the Chinese people and tainly does not show any lack of solidarity." The Freissinige Zeitung says: "The Chiwhich has been demonstrated against China nese hope to break the concert of the powently favorable news to Washington, but doubt as to the situation at Pekin. The of the republic, means of arranging matters to escort safely the foreigners now in Pethe plan has been frustrated by the sound message, which was forwarded by the naval and will take the initiative to transform kin to Tien Tsin will be regarded as sense of the United States. Mr. McKinley's an earnest of its desire that the friendly reply, while in a form more conciliatory relations hitherto subsisting between China than the replies of France and Germany, means in substance the same thing, as

> ley's conditions for mediation. Count Von Buelow's reply to Emperor Kwang Su's dispatch is unanimously applauded by the German press. The Kreuz discuss the matter at all, but in reply to the | Zeitung emphasizes the "insincere and hypocritical nature of the Chinese emperor' to obtain within five days a satisfactory message and the willful misstatement it message from M. Pinchon, the French mincontains," adding that Count Von Buelow could not have given a different reply until the real facts regarding Pekin had become known

#### Chinn's Doublefacedness.

The Lokal Anzeiger says: "The dispatch expressing regret that Baron Von Ketteler was assassinated left Pekin over a month after the murder occurred. While asking Emperor William to mediate as the sole hope of Chipa, a similar request is sept to France and the United States, and it seems Su had asked Japan's emperor to enter into an alliance against the western powers of the legations: 'A trustworthy friend in This alone shows China's doublefacedness. She knows precisely what is needed to clear up the situation, namely, indubitable proof of what has become of the legations."

The Vossische Zeitung, while blaming President McKinley for breaking "the solidarity of the powers," lauds Count Von Buelow's answer.

The Kreuze Zeitung, which calls attention to the Chinese fleet, wys: "This fleet, same astonishing development in naval af- Joining Surat. fairs as in military matters since 1895."

# MR. WU CHANGES HIS TUNE

Chinese Minister is Yow Opposed to Advance of Allied Forces on

an Associated Press representative soon after it reached Washington. He read the communication with intense interest and seemed well satisfied with the information contained. He called attention to the fact that this was unquestionably a genuine communication, and proved that the legations, though in danger on the Fourth, were not in absolute extremity. This dispatch, he said, tended strongly to confirm the genuiness of the minister's cinher dispatch of the 18th. The situation since the 13th had changed decidedly for the better, he said, as regarded the strength of the imperial government in Pekin.

There was every reason to believe now that the imperial authorities had gotten the upper hand of the revolutionists in the cap tal; that they both could and would protect foreigners and safely deliver them into the hands of the allies.

When asked what the probable effect would be of a forward movement on the part of the allied forces Minister Wu said: "It is hard for me to speak on this subject without being misunderstood. I had all along been in favor of an instant advance on Pekin when we believed that the ministers were in desperate straits. In view of the information of the last few days, especially in view of Li Hung Chang's statement. cabled to this country yesterday, I have changed my epinion. I believe now that an advance of the allies at this late day would se apt to do more harm than good."

# Spreading Rails Result in Fatal Aceldent Near Benton in Illinois.

BENTON, Ill., July 25.-One man was killed and fourteen passengers were injured in the wreck of the Southern Illinois exrailroad near here today. The dead: OTTO MEINAL, Chicago, traveling sales-

Otto H. Blumhagen, Chicago, serious, Gus Chrisman, Chicago. B. Linhoff, Taylorville, Ill. Felix Gerber, Newark, N. J. Orpha Schick, St. Elmo, Ill. Frank Craig. -Henry Hoffman, Chicago

C. A. Lee, Terre Haute, Ind.

Amar Thulstrups, Chicago,

ruises, but all will recover.

J. H. Murray, Indianapolis, Mrs. J. A. Speed, Chicago. Bernice Benson, Chicago. Fannie Benson. Miss Eubanks, Springfield. Spreading rails threw the entire train on sindow and was killed instantly. Most of the injured sustained severe cuts and

# Indians Leave Reservation. DENVER, July 25.—A special to the Republican from Newcastle, Wyo... says: Sheriff Long and deputies are in chase after a party of Sloux Indians from the Pine Ridge agency who passed through here a few days ago in company with a band of Crows, en route to the Crow reservation in Montana, and who are reported to have killed a number of antelops. If overtaken the Indians will be rounded up and brought back.

Hope to Settle Labor Troubles. executive committee of the American Fed-eration of Labor to aid in settling the Chi-cago labor trouble arrived here today, and consists of President Samuel Gompers. Vice President James Duncan and Thomas L. Kidd. Vice President James O'Conneil

companied the committee.

Insurgents and Government Forces Fighting Near Panama.

REBELS ARE NOT MAKING HEADWAY

Belligerents Agree Upon Armistice of Four Hours in Which to Attend to the Wounded and to

Bury the Dead.

COLON, Colombia, July 25 .- A terrific en gagement still continues between the gov ernment troops and the insurgents around their ground. Many have been killed and wounded and a four-hour armistice was from Lord Roberts:

noon with reinforcements for the government, numbering 1,000. They were brought by General Campos Serrano, governor of the 22. This so completely surrounded the endepartment.

The steamer Bernard Hall arrived at

The cable between Colon and Jamaica was

Rebels Have Stronger Army. rived here today from Colon, confirms the cavalry, Flandria, to the extent that under an ar- of Wilge river. rangement that Panama was to have been formally surrendered July 23, the rebels were restored last night. had surrounded the city. The government

cause, the passenger said, is hopeless. The captain of the French steamer Souchet at Panama reported that the rebels had ing to move northeasterly. It was at 1.500 men at Carosol, 150 miles from Ha- Roodepoort, July 22, with Broadwood not vana, and 1,500 more nearer, splendidly far behind, and Little's cavalry brigade folaimed and disciplined, while the government | lowing Broadwood. had only 700 troops. The principal government generals had left Panama by the British steamer Leander. Since July 18 the Arey and Lushington, with 450 men, drove ployed at the British legation as a writer post and telegraph offices have been closed 1,000 Boers from a very strong position and and interpreter has escaped from Pekin to

at Colon and Panama by the rebel forces. ecattered them with considerable loss. Our The rebel generals, Herrera and Perras, casualties were six killed and nineteen who had asked and obtained an interview wounded." with Colonel Shaller, superintendent of the It is not clear whether the supply train tions of the others were hopeless. He says Panama railway, told him that all trains and 200 fusiliers mentioned in the above that Sir Robert Hart, director of Chinese conveying government troops would be held dispatch are identical with the train and imperial maritime customs, died on July 2. up. Colonel Shaller replied that if the road 100 Cameron Highlanders, the capture of was forced to carry troops the trains would which was reported by Lord Roberts in his be recognizable by a distinguishing flag by communication of July 22. day and a light by night. The rebel generals were satisfied with this arrangement. Colon and Carthagena are without troops

or government. With the fall of Barranquilla, which is exthat only a fortnight before Emperor Kwang pected to occur soon, the revolution will end in favor of the rebels.

#### PARTIAL RELIEF FOR INDIA Welcome Rains Give Opportunity for

Cultivation of Soil and Hope for Good Crops.

LONDON, July 25 .- The governor of Bombay presidency, Lord Northcote of Exeter, reports a general rainfall, sufficient for agricultural purposes, in Surat and in South which must be destroyed before it can do Jajarat. He saye that two and a half inches any damage, is quite considerable, contain- of rain has fallen since yesterday in Godhra. ing fifteen large and efficient cruisers and Ponchmahals, and in several parts of Ahmethirty torpedo boats. Moreover, it is quite dabad; over half an inch in parts of Kaira possible that the Chinese have made the and sufficient in the portions of Baroda ad-

In the remainder of Baroda no rain has fallen and an extensive failure of crops is inevitable unless there is immediate relief. In Okhamandahl the rainfall has been insufficient and cultivation is at a standstill in almost the entire province of Kathiawar. where cattle are dying of starvation and scarcity of water. There have been good WASHINGTON, July 25.-The Chinese rains in Bombay, Khandeish and the Dec ninister was shown the Conger message by can, where prospects are greatly improved. The death rate in Gujarat has decreased

> Fourth Term for Zelaya renomination of President Zelaya of Nicaragua. His election is practically certain.

He has held the office three terms already. Agninst Secret Courts Martinl. BERLIN, July 25 .- Emperor William's decree rendering the publicity of courts martial virtually illusory is severely

#### with South Africa. commented upon by the liberal organs. MOB ABOUT PARISH PRISON Enraged by Failure to Get Murderer

of Captain Day Crowd Seeks

for His Companion.

NEW ORLEANS, July 25 .- There may be serious trouble in this city before morning. Several suspects arrested proved to be not Robert Charles and the police have been unable to find any trace of the negro who killed Captain Day and Police Officer Lamb. A tip got out for a mass meeting at the Lee circle tonight and while there were no leaders or public citizens in the crowd, it attacking all the negroes to be found. A number were shot at and several were re-

ported wounded. Chief Gaster and every available policeman, as well as a company of militia, hastened to the vicinity and succeeded in preventing a general riot, though they could not suppress lawlessness and at 10:30 o'clock the crowd changed its course and began it march on the parish prison with the avowed intention of lynching the negro Pierce, who was with Charles on Monday night, when press on the Chicago & Eastern Illinois Officer Mora was shot. The prison is well entrenched and the attack will mean con-

siderable bloodshed. The mob reached the parish prison and ound the police ready. It satisfied itself by shooting into street cars, wounding a number of people, white as well as colored It is thought there will be no trouble tonight, although thousands of men are gathered around the prison

The police board has offered a reward of \$100 for the body of Charles, dead or alive At midnight the mob had left the vicinity of the parish prison and gone uptown, where it will doubtless d'sperse. It was composed largely of boys from 15 to 18 years of age Two negrees are known to have been killed during the mob's march. One was murlered in the tenderloin section, after pulling . pistol to defand himself. So far four a ts side. Meinal had his head out of the groes badly beaten up have arrived at the

> NEW ORLEANS, July 26 .- Acting Mayor Mehle has issued a proclamation calling or all good citizens to aid the authorities in preserving the peace and to let justice take ite course.

Draper's Resignation Received. WASHINGTON, July 25 .- The resignation of Ambassador Draper has reached the State department and been forwarded to President McKinley at Canton. So far as can be gathered nothing has yet been done toward selecting a successor.

One Company for Fort Yates. WASHINGTON, July 25 .- Orders have een issued for one company of the Eighth infantry, returning from Cuba, to take station at Fort Yates, N. D. The orders to post have been canceled.

# CONDITION OF THE WEATHER

Forecast for Nebraska: Fair; Warmer; Variable Winds Temperature at Omaha Yesterday: Honr. Den. 1 p. m..... 81 2 p. m..... 82 Hour Hour. Deg. 5 a. m..... 61 6 a. m. . . . . . 63 7 n. m..... 65 8 n. m.... 60 4 p. m. . . . . 83 5 p. m. . . . 81 6 p. m. . . . 83 9 a. m. . . . . 78 10 a. m. . . . . 77 11 a. m. . . . 78

#### ROBERTS REPORTS PROGRESS Moves Eastward from Positions Oc-

12 m..... 80

7 p. m. . . . . 82

8 p. m..... 80 9 p. m..... 79

cupied by Him Since June 12. LONDON, July 25 .- 12:45 p. m .- The War

office has received the following dispatch 'VANDERMERWE STATION, July 24,-We made a general advance yesterday from the positions we have been holding, east of Colon from Savanilla at 3 o'clock this after- Pretoria, since June 12. Ian Hamilton,

from the north, reached Rustfontein, seven miles north of Bronkhorst spruit, on July emy's line of retreat that they abandoned the strong position they had been occupying in front of Pole-Carew. Stephenson's brigade advanced yesterday, unopposed, to KINGSTON, Jamaica, July 25.—A reliable Elands river station. Our right was prounder French, and Hutton's statement of the captain of the steamer mounted infantry. The former crossed east "Railway and telegraphic communication

> "In the supply train captured at Rodeval were 200 Welsh fustliers, most of whom had been prisoners. Dewet's force is continu-

"Baden-Powell reports as follows:

The following dispatch from Lord Roberts | newspapers here published yesterday a dishas been received at the War office:

24.-We marched here today. This is the dent of a mining board in Pekin wrote to a place where the Ninety-fourth was attacked | relative in Shanghai under date of July 9, December 20, 1889. The graves of the of- saying: 'The foreign legations are still unficers and men are in fair preservation and captured, but owing to the daily fighting it will now be put in good order. The march is reported that only about 300 persons are was unopposed, but French's cavalry and left alive in the legations, and if there is Hutton's mounted infantry, making a wide any delay in the arrival of the relief force detour on our right, met bodies of the en- I fear none will be left to receive it." emy. There were driven back, leaving "This letter is regarded in Shanghai as several dead and wounded. A good many authentic. Strange enough, it says nothing were also captured. Our casualties were one killed. Broadwood reports that he captured five of Dewet's wagons today. He was waiting at Vredefort until Little joined

#### him. DEFENSE OF CHAMBERLAIN

Welcomes the Issue Raised by the Motion to Reduce His Pay.

colonial office vote led to a spirited debate retary. Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, and in- ing behind it a trail of burned missions and dulged in criticisms of the war in South murdered Christians.

Africa. Finally. Sir Wilfrid Tawson moved a

mark of censure of his policy. nearly one-half as compared with that of Mr. Chamberlain, replying, welcomed the issue raised by the motion, which he de- 300,000 men. clared, meant that the war was wrong and KINGSTON. Jamaica. July 25.-Private that, consequently annexation of the South | weeks must clapse before the Chinese prepadvices received here today announce the African republic was wrong and their in- arations are completed. It is reported that dependence should be restored to them. It his opinion, however, the war was just and ling sent to reinforce the garrison of the righteous and should not be judged by its had defended the civil war in America as Nankin. just and righteous, although the loss of

> Mr. Chamberlain charged the radicals restrain his troops for more than another with condoning rebellion. The policy of the ten days. He says he has thrown the breach government, he declared, however, was not blocks of the guns commanding Hankow vindictive, and, instead of subjecting the into the river. These signs of unrest in the cobels to the death penalty or imprisonment it only proposed to disarm them Hung Chang's presence in Shanghal. They politically for ten years. The opposition are supposed to be the beginning of a gendid not spare Mr. Chamberlain. Liberal eral declaration against foreigners. members simply interrupted him and charged him with misquoting other speakers and reminded him that the whole history of South Africa the last seven years day, sends the following important news: had furnished substantial ground for him to be suspected in all his actions.

Mr. A. J. Bulfour, first lord of the treasury and government leader in the house. moved closure, which was carried, 169 ayes swelled to several thousand persons, who to 100 noes. The motion on reduction of began a march to the scene of the crime. Mr. Chamberlain's salary was then lost, 208 noes to 52 ayes, and the colonial office vote was agreed to.

Kruger is going. A portion of the Boers remain north of Bushveldt, whence they attempt to interrupt communications on this The bridges here and smaller bridges

o the west have been destroyed. The British force comprises two brigades inder General French and a brigade and a half under General Hamilton. It is not likely that the advance upon Middleburg will se contested. The Boers remaining upon their farms state that most of the burghers are anxious to bring matters to a finish, but that the foreigners are persistent

Boer Delegates Received by Loubet. PARIS, July 25.-Messrs, Fischer, Wolmarans and Wessels, the Boer delegates, were received today by President Loubet in the palace of the Elyssee. They were agent of the Transvani.

# PERU IS FOR SOUND MONEY

Single Gold Standard Adopted, Silver Being Used in Subsidiary Capacity.

WASHINGTON, July 25 .- Mr. Roberts he director of the mint, has been advised by the United States minister to Peru that the latter country adopted the single gold standard and has issued a gold coin known as the libra or Peruvian pound, being identical in weight and fineness with the English pound sterling. The libra and the silver so are now received on equal terms by the banks of the country and circulate concurrently. The coinage of the former is free Troop F. First cavalry, to proceed to that and silver is used only in a subsidiary ca-

# TRIES TO GAIN TIME

China Thought to Be Preparing for War with Allied Powers.

MYSTERY AS TO PEKIN PART OF PLOT

Sir Robert 1" . . Reported to Have Died Over Three Weeks Ago.

ARMY OF 300,000 TO PROTECT CAPITAL

parties. Viceroys Declare Inability to Restrain Troops Much Longer.

CHINESE DUPLICITY EXPOSED IN EDICT

Situation in Manchurin is Believed Much Worse Than Censored Russian Disputches Seem to Indicate.

LONDON, July 26, 4 a. m.-Mr. Conger's letter, the substance of which has been transmitted to the United States secretary of the Lavy through Captain Thomas of the United States cruiser Brooklyn, has increased the belief in London that there is no hope for the foreign legations in Pekin, and that the elaborate fabric of the dispatches with which the Chinese are trying to persuade the civilized world that the ministers are still alive is only intended to enable them to gain time to complete

preparations for warfare. The Shanghai correspondent of the Daily " MAGATO FARM, July 22 -- Colonels Mail asserts that a Chinaman who is em-Niu Chwang and that he declares that at the time he left Pekin most of the members of the legations were dead and the condi-

The correspondent goes on to say: "No other dates are given in the message from Niu Chwang. The leading Chinese patch declaring that it was all over with "BRONKHORST SPRUIT (Tuesday), July the members of the legations. The presi-

of any assistance to the legations by Prince

#### Ching or General Lung Lu. China Preparing for War.

While these brief sidelights as to the fate of the legations leave little ground for hope. Shanghai sends a batch of reports indicative of preparations for hostilities on the part of the Chinese. It is believed that the Yang Tse viceroys have sent deputies to Shanghai to inquire as to the prospect of raising a foreign loan, ostensibly to pursue LONDON, July 25 .- Discussion of the military operations against the Boxers, whose movement is extending rapidly south in the house of commons today, in the ward with constantly growing strength and course of which liberals again aired most of had reached a point where the provinces of the old charges against the colonial sec- Shan Tung, Ho Nan and Shan Si meet, leav-

Simultaneously there is a movemen northward of southern Chinese troops to reduction of Mr. Chamberlain's salary as a join the main army gathered to oppose the foreign advance in Pekin. The strength of this principal force is now estimated at

It is believed that another two or three

3,000 Chinese troops and more guns are be Kian Ying forts, commanding the entrance consequences in loss of life. John Bright to the Yang Tse Klang, ninety miles east of Chang Chi Tung, vicercy of the Wu Chang life was as thousands to units as compared on the Yang Tse Kiang, telegraphs that he is apprehensive that he will not be able to

# southern previnces are coincident with Li

New Imperial Decree. In this connection the Canton correspondent of the Daily Telegraph, writing Tues-"Viceroy Tak Su today published the fol-

lowing mandate: An important imperial decree was issued on the 23d day of the sixth moon. It says: "We have lost Tien Tsin and great pre-cautions are taken in Pekin. No peace can be obtained without going through a war. In the time of Chung an agreement was made that no murder can be inflicted upon ministers from abroad. It is a month since the minister of Grad. BURGHERS WILLING TO QUIT

Foreign Contingent Favors Holding
Out—Retreating to the
Northeast.

BRONKHORST SPRUIT, July 24.—The
—Boers, having got wind of the British advance, have evacuated all their positions and are reported to be moving to the northeast, toward Leydenberg, whither President Kruger is going. A portion of the Boers being lost entirely through their delay and they are to take the consequences in case of any territory being lost entirely through their delay and being lost entirely through their delay and they are to take the consequences in case of any territory being lost entirely through their delay and being lost entirely through their delay and since the minister of Germany sinated by Boxers and strict

cing lost entirely through their delay nismanagement. Europeans here understand thoroughing the last part of the edict, which means that the viceroys and governors are commanded y the empress dowager to prepare Chinese war against the ailled powers. Vice roy Tak Su is bitterly anti-foreign and be is ncreasing his army and armaments, milltary and marine. He has lodged an objection through the perfect of Kwang Chau to four small gunboats, two French, one Amercan and one British, that are here to safemard the lives of the foreigners and he asked that they be moved beyond the Bogue

'His plans will be unmasked shortly after te allied powers ascertain definitely the facts concerning the massacre at Pekin. presented by Dr. Leyds, the diplomatic Chinese gunbouts infest the channel at the back of the Shameen and eighteen Chinese gunboats lie awaiting orders below the im-

perial government wharf. "The Cantonese are daily becoming more iostile and the situation is critical. Busi less is almost at a standstill and leprosy and plague claim fresh victime daily. "Native Christians assert that the

otorious Black Flag chief, Lao, who inlicted reverses on the French in the Tonquin war, now refuses to obey Li Hung hang's command to go north and fight the Soxers. His soldiers are here and compose he crews of the gunboats in the Shameen Hopes to Delay Advance.

According to the Shanghai correspondent of the Times Li Hung Chang to residing at the residence of Liu who was the envoy of the empress dowager in the secret mission to Japan. He has received secret instruc-