

CHINESE TROOPS LOOT TIEN TSIN

Few Police Loyal While Soldiers Set Fire to Houses and Murder and Rob.

BREAK INTO PEIYANG MINT

Destroy Vast Amount of Most
Valuable Machinery.

GERMAN PHYSICIAN IS KILLED

Mutineers Murder Him While He
Seeks to Aid Friends.

BRITISH TROOPS ARE ON GUARD

Soldiers Lined Up at Feng-Tai with
Loaded Guns Hold Fifteen
Hundred Chinese at
Bay.

TIEN TSIN, March 3.—Rioting of a serious nature took place here last night. The outbreak had been feared and precautions were taken as far as possible to prevent residents from harm. Between 5 and 6 o'clock the soldiers mutinied, set fire to a number of buildings and then began looting from house to house. They were joined by the rabble. Shops and banks in all the important streets were looted, and some of them were wrecked. In order to intimidate the populace the soldiers kept up a continual gun fire. The rattle of musketry could be heard throughout the night. Only a few police remained loyal and they were outnumbered and powerless to suppress the disorders.

No fewer than fourteen fires were raging simultaneously in various parts of the city. The soldiers broke into the Peiyang mint, which was set on fire. Machinery to the value of many thousands of dollars was destroyed. The looters forced the silver stores, wrenching off the iron shutters and even making holes in the walls. The mint was looted of everything portable and the ground was strewn with empty cartridge clips and cases.

German Doctor Shot.

The German consul dispatched a guard to protect German residents in the city, composed chiefly of the engineering staff of the Tien-Tsin-Pukow railway. A German doctor named Schreiner, who entered the city to assist German friends, was shot dead by looting soldiers. Foreigners generally, however, were not molested. A company of the Somerset regiment was sent to the British station at midnight to protect the property. The damage done cannot be estimated. The city was quiet this morning, although hundreds of carts laden with household belongings and loot were leaving for other parts. Further disturbances are expected.

British Troops Ready.

An Associated Press correspondent, while proceeding from Peking to Tien-Tsin today, witnessed a critical incident at Feng-Tai, which was in the hands of the mutineers. The train pulled in between lines of troops of the Somerset regiment, who were crouching with guns loaded and bayonets fixed. One hundred yards away groups of Chinese soldiers were sulkily discussing the action of the Britishers. It was explained that the Chinese had stopped the train and had threatened not to let any pass. They were given one hour by the British commander to vacate their positions. Just about that time 70 of the British fusiliers arrived and began to detain a quarter of a mile away.

The Chinese, who numbered 1,500, did not move until the British marched up and took their positions. Then they scurried away in all directions as the train continued on to Tien-Tsin.

Peking Missionaries Safe.

BOSTON, March 3.—Assurances of the safety of the foreign missionaries stationed at Peking came today in a cablegram to the headquarters of the American Board of Commissioners of Foreign Missions. The cablegram read:

"All Peking missionaries and mission buildings safe."

Knox Fails to Notice Slight Earth Shocks

SAN JOSE, Costa Rica, March 3.—The American secretary of state, Phillander C. Knox, had quite as cordial a reception here as at Colon and Panama. His Panama speech, which was published here, created an excellent impression and the morning papers devoted pages to the details of Mr. Knox's visit. All the editorials were couched in friendly language.

Two slight earth shocks occurred during the night, but they did no damage and most of the American visitors, including the secretary, were not conscious of them. A great crowd marched in National park last night, opposite the residence occupied by the secretary, and the national band serenaded the visitors, alternating between the Star Spangled Banner and the Costa Rican national hymn. Secretary Knox appeared on the balcony, where he was enthusiastically greeted.

The Weather

FOR NEBRASKA—Fair.
FOR IOWA—Fair in west portion.
Temperature at Omaha, Yesterday.

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1 p. m.	52
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Comparative Local Record.

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