THE CHINESE WAR COMPLICATIONS IMPORTANT TESTIMONY RULED OUT.

the Powers, as Yet.

FOR LEGATIONS

Chinese Are So Persistent in Declaring That Foreigners in Pekin Are Safe That They Are Beginning to Raise the Hopes of Many-Action Delayed on Account of Jealousy Felt Among the Allies Regarding the Japanese Commander-The Russians Accused of Barbarity the Chinese-British Courtesy to Li Hung Chang Regarded as an Evidence of Weakness-The Siberian Railway Closed.

London, July 20, 4 n. m .- "The Washington idea of sending Mr. Rockhill to China," says the Standard editorially this morning, " is an excellent one, and might be advantageously imitated by the British and other governments."

The Standard then proceeds to comment upon the great ignorance prevalent in Europe, not only of recent events, but of Chinese affairs generally.

The cabinet council convened by Lord Salisbury yesterday came one day eartier than usual and it is expected that it will be followed by a statement throwing light upon the situation. The Chinese assertions that the members of the foreign legations are still safe have been so often repeated that they are beginning to raise hopes in some quarters. According to the Daily Telegraph's St. Petersburg correspondent, however, the Russian government is already in possession of definite news that all the foreigners in Pekin were massacred on July 6.

Russians Accused of Barbarity.

Delecasse's circular only goes to prove that so far the powers have failed to arrive at any concerted plan of action. this morning. The Yokohama correspendent of the Daily Mail repeats his among the allies on the subject of a general lack of unity among them, tained heavy losses.

"The Japanese correspondents charge the Russian soldiers with appalling bar- boxers and armed peasants. Here barity towards the Chinese. They declare that the Pol Ho is full of the corpses of women and children, and ing 700 of their assailants. The Chinese that the Russians loaded 300 bodies on have completely demolfshed the raila junk and burned them." Shanghai reports that three mission

stations on Po Yank lake have been

destroyed, but it is believed that the missionaries escaped. All the missionaries at A-Sho-Ho, Kerin and Kuan Theng Tsu, in Chinese have arrived in safety at Vladivostock, It is rumored that Yu Lu, the missing vicercy of the province of Chi Li, has committed suicide. Various conflicting stories are published of the manner of General Nieh's death. It is stated that when the allies entered the native city of Tien Tsin they found the Chinese dead piled breast high and was feared that this would result in an outbreak of postilence. Sixteen of the captured guns are quite modern

The Shanghai correspondent of the Times expresses doubt that the southern viceroys will be able to withstand the pressure of the provincial officials to join the anti-foreign movement. He. thinks that already there are signs of wavering on the part of the viceroy | C. Megonegal, A. B. Penney, H. A. of Nan Kin, Liu Kun Yih, and says: "It is admitted at Nan Kin that Liu's

authority is now insufficient to guaran tee the maintenance of the law and order north of the river. Hence the consuls at the Yang Tse ports are arranging for the departure of the women and children.

"It is inevitable that the mandarins as a body should sympathize with

Prince Tuan's movements." Signs of Weakness.

This correspondent confirms the statement of the correspondent of the Daily Express regarding the Indignaof Li Hung Chang at Hong Kong. He says it is interpreted by the natives as weakness on the part of the allies and he asks why Li Hung Chang could not have been detailed until information had been received from Pekin.

The Times understands that the chief representatives of the Mohammedan clergy in Constantinople have issued a strong protest, based upon the Koran, against palace sympathy with the Chinese massacres.

According to the Canton correspondent of the Daily Telegraph, six Chinese soldiers have been beheaded for saulting an American medical mission-

The Russians, according to the latest news from St. Petersburg, have now completely defeated the Chinese, and have occupied Biagovestschenk, capital of the Amur government, with large force. Since General Gribski (not Gribovski), chief of staff at Port Arthur, has taken over the supreme command in Manchuria, reinforcements have been rapidly pushed up and the general situation has been greatly improved.

Siberian Railway Closed.

The Russian minister of the interior

No Concerted Action of There is little doubt that the Russian authorities were not prepared for such an organized Chinese movement in Manchuria, but they have taken brisk measures, and they believe that China will soon be too much pre-occupied with military operations around Pekin to conduct serious operations in the

The Daily Mail's Shanghal corrependent says: "Advices from Vladiaostock state that the Chinese invasion f eastern Siberia has stopped the Rusian advance from the north on Pekin. The Russians have burned the Chinese own of Helamp, and are adopting very igorous measures."

Berlin telegrams dwell upon the imnense German interests in southeastrn Siberia. They say that the many Jerman merchants, the numerous German employes and the immense stores f merchandise belonging to Germans n that territory will compel Germany to co-operate with Russia in resisting

General Sir Arthur Power Palmer, ommander in chief in India, said, in he course of an interview in Simla esterday, that no more British troops could be sent from India for China. unless they could be replaced from South Africa.

Li Believed to Be the Originator. London, July 20 .- The Shanghai cor-

espondent of the Dally Express says: "Intense indignation is felt here at he honors which the British in Hong Kong have accorded to Li Hung Chang, who is looked upon in Shanghai as the originator of the whole fiendish anti-foreign plot.

"A Chinese merchant who has just arrived from Pekin gives horrible details of the massacre. He says he saw European women hauled into the street by shricking boxers, who stripped them and hacked them to pieces. Their dissevered limbs were tossed to the crowd and carried off with howls of triumph. Some were already dead, having been

shot by foreign civilians. "He says he saw Chinese soldiers carrying the bodies of white children aloft on their spears, while their companions shot at the bodies. He gives other details too horrible to be particularized here.

"Some Boxer leaders had organized plan including the offering of rewards and rich loot for the annihilation of Europeans throughout China and Prince Tuan's generals have been emphasizing the opportunity the soldiers have of seizing the bodies of

Russians Hard Pressed.

publishes the following from Chefoo, dated vesterday:

"The Russians are hard pressed around Niu Chwan and have been exstatements regarding the jealousy felt pelled from Tien Chwang Tal, the Owens asked how it happened that the scene of a great fight during the Chino-Japanese commander in chief and the Japanese war, where they have sus-

They have also been compelled to abandon Tsraichau by a large body of again the Russians lost heavily, but it is reported that they succeeded in killway north of Tshalchau. The Russians are now moving on Niu Chwang.'

Tien-Tsin Casualties.

Washington, July 19.-The navy department this afternoon received from Admiral Remey a list of casualties on the marine corps in the fight at Tien-Tsin. It is as follows: Killed-Captain Austin R. Davis.

Sergeant C. J. Kellock, Corporal Thomts Kelly, Privates J. E. McConkey, I. W. Partridge. Henry Leonard, Corporal J. A. McDonaid, Privates J. J. Kelleyer, C. D. Mil-

Wounded-Captain Charles G. Long, Captain William B. Lemly, First Lieutenant Smedley D. Butler, First Ser-Winters, Corporal Joseph W. Hunt, Privates W. S. Chapman, James Coo- General Wheeler gave Major Davidson to proceed to St. Louis after the adney, Roderick Desmond, E. G. Egelser, a note to be delivered to General Laurin Larsson, George E. Mciver, J. Miles in Washington, while Miss Gould

WU ENCOURAGED.

Rickers.

The Chinese Minister Still Has Hopes for the Legations. Washington, July 19 .- Minister Wu

was one of Secretary Hay's first callers today. He remained only a few minutes. He had no news from Pekin or from any other quarter and regarded the situation as unchanged. minister was encouraged by the confirmatory reports that Prince Ching had taken the foreigners to his palace tion caused by the British reception at Pekin, where he is giving them his personal protection. To the minister, who is personally familiar with the household of Prince Ching, this idea seemed not only reasonable, but it agrees exactly with his own theory expressed to the Associated Press two lays ago. At that time he stated that Prince Ching would defend the foreigners even with his life, and, although he had no official information that this course was being pursued, yet he gathered from various reports that was the situation most likely to have arisen. The cable dispatches from Belgium now appear to strength-

Mr. Wu has been a guest at the home of Prince Ching, and is quite familiar with its capabilities for affording proection. It is in the western part of the cty, near the west gate, inside the walled town, and on the opposite side of the city from Legation street, where the foreign institutions are located Like all houses of important Chinese personages, it is surrounded by a high wall, and within this wall are spacious buildings and a considerable spread of ground. As in the case of other noblemen, Prince Ching has a large force of retainers and guards, even in times of quiet, and under the present conhas issued a notice that the Siberlan ditions he would doubtless have the railway is closed to private traffic, assistance of a large number of troops. | stable in fear of rables ever since.

CULTON'S EVIDENCE AT POWERS' TRIAL

Cartridges Are Examined and Declared to Be Like Those in Possession of Youtsey-Powers Anxious That the Witness Should Keep Off the Stand-Attorneys Ask Pointed

Georgetown, Ky., July 19.-Today's ession of the trial of Caleb Powers, charged with complicity in the Goebel shooting, started off with a long debate on the admissability of matters transpiring between the date of the shooting of Goebel and his death. The point was raised by a question put by the prosecution to Witness Culton re garding a conversation between him and Henry Youtsey before Goebel died. The court ruled that this evidence must be excluded.

After the assassination Culton said Powers came to him and told him to write to the parties who were in con-ference and tell them they had better be very careful and do no talking, as they were liable to be connected with the murder. Witness told him it would be dangerous to write and Powers said he would do it himself. The prosecution produced a box of cartridges for the witness to inspect Culton said the cartridges were like those Youtsey showed him when talking about killing Geebel.

Powers gave witnesses badges for the mountain men who remained in Frankfort so they could distinguish their own men from the others. Culton declared that while in jail with Powers at Frankfort Powers begged him not to go on the witness stand in the hearing of his (Culton's) motion for bail. Witness told Powers he wanted to get ball, as his family need-

Powers told him he would see to it that his family was provided for if witness would agree not to go on the stand. Witness refused.

Pointed Questions.

"Is it true," asked Attorney Owens, for the defense, "that you used over \$1,000 belonging to the funds in your charge while a clerk in the auditor's office, and that Auditor Stone was compelled to make your shortage good?" "It is not true, I was not short, and Auditor Stone did not have to pay anything on my account. There was question about the legality of some claims allowed in my district,"

Culton was asked if he had not been indicted for forgery in Jackson county. He answered that he was indicted for the technical offense of signing another man's name to a petition for the building of a new court house. Witness was asked about visiting Colonel Camp-London, July 20 .- The Daily Mail bell and others of the prosecution. He denied that he had been promised iminity. In becoming a witness vice of his father, Judge Culton, Mr. witness, although in jall at Frankfort, is here merely under guard. Culton said the commonwealth consented that he might remain under guard appointed.

Colloguy followed the defense attempting to show intimacy between Culton and the prosecution, and that a discrimination was being made between Culton and the other defendant. A number of questions were asked by the defense to show that Culton's evidence now is at variance with that given in his application for ball at

MORSELESS ARTILLERY TEST. Rapid Fire Gun Will Be Mounted on an Automobile.

Chicago, July 19 .- A piece of "horseess' artillery, otherwise a rapid fire Seriously wounded-First Lieutenant | gun mounted on an automobile of special construction, started from Fort Sheridan today on an experimental

ler, C. J. Mathews, John Stokes, J. Van | trip to Washington. The carriage, besides the gun, carried Major A. Davidson and three cadets from the Northwestern military academy. Miss Helen Gould, accomgeant James Murphy, Sergeant E. T. panied by General Joseph Wheeler, saw the party set out from the fort. wished them good luck and remarked that if the automobile could be used for carrying guns, it could be used for Red Cross work.

The route mapped out leads through Toledo, Cleveland, Buffalo, New York and Philadelphia. The trip is expected to take two weeks.

ON LOOKOUT FOR CRANKS.

The Chinese Legation in Washington Is Guarded.

Washington, July 19.-Some days ago Major Sylvester, chief of the District police force, purely as a precautionary measure, detailed a detective to watch the Chinese legation and prevent cranks harming Its inmates. Today call on Secretary Hay by Major Sylvester gave rise to rumors that the guard at the legation was to increased. It was ascertained, however, that the purpose of the call was simply to ascertain if the detail made had been agreeable to the minister and to

him that it was satisfactory to all. The police beats in the precinct in which Minister Wu's home is located have been shortened scmewhat so as to permit of more precuent patrols in the vicinity of the house.

the department officials, who assured

Steamship Arrivals.

York, July 12 - Arrived: Victoria, rilles: Germanic, Liverpool. Sailed: La Bre Arrived: Lahn, New York, Cherhearge-Salled: Majestic, New York, Cherhearge-Salled: Grosser Kurfurst, New York, Arriver, Columbia, New York for Hamburg (and pro-Rotterdam-Sailed: Masslam, No. York via Boulogne.

Died of Hydrophobia.

Reading, Pa., July 10.-Mrs. Prank Romp, age 7, wife of a well-to-do farmer, in Cumru, this county, died today of hydrophobia atter fearful agony. Her husband's hunting dog bit her eight



STREET SCENE IN PEKIN.

GENERAL CHAFFEE PROMOTED. Will Have Charge of Troops in China as Major General.

Washington, July 19.-The president today appointed Brigadier General A. R. Chaffee, U. S. V., who is to commard the American forces in China, a major general of volunteers, in order that his rank should be commensurate with his command. This action was received with great satisfaction at the war department and in official circles generally, where General Chaffee is held in the highest esteem. He is considered by his brother officers as one of the most capable and thoroughly equipped soldiers in the service.

Although General Miles recommended that Major General Bates, now in the Philippines, be assigned to the command of the troops in China, he is well pleased with the promotion of General Chaffee. His recommendation made on the ground that the service called for required an officer of the rank of major general and he named General Bates for the reason mainly that General Chaffee held only the rank of a brigadler general.

Adjutant General Corbin has sent a cuble message to General Chaffee notifying him of his promotion and he will receive the cablegram on his arrival at Nagasaki about the first of the

Among other subjects of the cabinet meeting the question of instructions over at considerable length and a cablegram was drafted which will be at Nagasaki. These instructions are of | a diplomatic as well as of a military nature, and indicate the line of policy not disclosed, but it can be stated on for the Bois De Boulogne. good authority that they follow the ready outlined in statements from the state department.

ommander of the Chinese expedition | behind, will necessiate the presence of two, or, perhaps, three, brigadier generals in China. These in all probability will chosen from the officers of that rank now in the Philippines, but General Chaffee will be given considerable latitude on the selection of his staff. The caldnet had no direct news from China that has not already been made public. Secretary Root and General five entries. conard Wood, who was present at the cabinet luncheon, remained at the White House with the president until

would start for Havana on Saturday. LABOR LEADERS AT ST. LOUIS. They Are Expected to Restore Order in That City.

almost 4 o'clock. Upon leaving the

White House General Wood said he

Dover, July D.-The executive committee of the American Federation of Labor, teday instructed President Gompers and Vice President O'Connell journment of the council and "take steps to secure the adjustment of the

street car employes' difficulty.' Amalgamation of the American Federation of Labor and the Western Federation of Labor was discussed to day at the meeting of the executive committee of the American Federation. The Western association has 80,000 members. The executive council of the American Federation made an appropriation of \$1,000 and levied an assessment of two cents per member on all unions affiliated with the federation for the benefit of the locked-out clgarmakers of New York City, members of the International Cigarmakers union. The assessment will affect 750,000 union members, realizing the sum of \$15,000 i minute, 52 seconds. to aid the striking cigarmakers,

ENDEAVORERS AT WINDSOR. They Are Allowed to See Queen Victoria.

London, July 19 .- Several thousand of the Christian Endeavorers visited Windsor today, en route for Oxford and Stratford. This afternoon a large assembly gathered in the royal grounds hoping to see Queen Victoria, and reeived word that her majesty would ppear in the quadrangle of the custle. Here the queen shortly arrived, attired in white, and accompanied by Princess Henry of Battenberg, ready for a drive.

A thousand voices united in "God Save the Queen," which was followed by the Christian Endeavorers' anthem. as her majesty drove down the ranks, acknowledging the plaudits, bowing and smiling.

DEATHS OF A DAY.

Easton, Pa., July 19 .- Thomas McReen Aurews, 58 years of age, one of Easton's leading merchants and business mee, died last night at his bome here. His death resulted from allments following a shock caused by the destruction by

MICHAEL WINS THE MARATHON RACE

THE AMERICAN RUNNERS WERE FAR BEHIND.

A Circle of Paris Made in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutes-Edmond J. Minahan, of Georgetown University, Takes the 100 Metres Handicap - Through Misunderstanding the Americans Are Not Allowed to Take Part in the Pole Vault.

Paris, July 19.-Excessive heat atended the sports held in connection with the exposition today, making the Marathon race of forty kilometres, in the form of a complete circle of Paris, a most trying ordeal. Three doctors vere stationed at various points along the route, in order to render assistance to the sufferers. The start was made at 2.30 p. m. There were thirteen runners, as follows: Americans, A. L. Newton, of the New York Athletic club; Dick Grant, of Boston, and Mac-Donald; Frenchmen, Fluquel Denis, Champion Emile, Theatro Michael, Bessamire and Marchais; Englishmer to Major General Chaffee was gone John Pool, Saward and Rondall; Swedes, Nystrom and Fast.

The race opened with four turns on forwarded to reach him on his arrival a track and the competitors then traversed the Bois De Boulogne to Passy, whence a circle of Paris was made.

forty-nine minutes. Champion Emile

Edmond J. Minahan, of the George- having been secretary with the Ameritown university, with six metres start. William J. Holland, also of Georgetown university, was second, with four metres start, and N. G. Pritchard, the news from Pekin soon; in fact, the champion 100 yards runner of India, was third, with three metres start. Time, 10 4-5 seconds. There were sixty-

Champion of India Wins.

In the final heat of the 400 motres handleap hurdle match, N. G. Pritchard, champion of India, with fifteen metres start, won: Walter B. Tewkes. bury, of the University of Pennsylvania, with four metres, fifty centimetres start, was second, and Lewis, of Syracuse, with ten metres start, was third. Time, one minute, six seconds. In the 2,500 metres steeplechase handicap, Kraschtil, an Australian, with 230 metres start, finished first. Duhnoe, a German, with 240 metres start, was second, and Edward R. Bushnell, of the University of Pennsylvania, with 175 metres start, was third. Time, 7 minutes, 17 2-4 second.

George W. Orton, of the University of Pennsylvania, was on scratch; Alexander Grant, also of the University of Pennsylvania, who had fifteen metres handicap, and John Bray, of Williams college, who had fifty metres handicap, also ran in this event.

The final heat of the 800 metres handlcap flat race was won by Christensen, a Dane, who had a handleap of seventy-five metres. Howard W. Hayes, of the University of Michigan. with forty-five metres handicap, was second, and Harvey H. Lord, of the Chicago unitersity, with thirty-five metres handicap, was third. Ting. 1

When the pole vault, a handicap ontest, was about to be called, the American entries, who were not aware of the fact that the competition was bout to start, failed to answer to the call of their names and none of them vere, therefore, permitted to take part. A special scratch pole vault, however, vas added for their benefit. Kauser, a Hungarian, won the hand-

cap event with a vault of two metres, ninety-five centimetres. The scratch pole vault was won by Horton, of Princeton, who cleared three metres, forty-five centimetres Charles Dyorack, of the University of

Michigan, was second, with three me-

West Point Cadets Appointed.

tres, forty centimetres,

Washington, July 19.-A number of cadets for cent legislation have been appointed doring the past week from the states at large. The Penn-sylvania appointments are John K. Cochran, Mercer, Pa.; Edwin E. Riebmack, alternate, Phil-

Hypnotist to Be Hanged.

Lexington, Neb., July 19.-Frank L. Densm merchants and business mee, died last night at his home here. His death resulted from aliments following a shock caused by the destruction by the anniversary of his marriage. Denomore has been confined at Kearney. He received his enday.

THE NEWS THIS MORNING

Weather Indications Today,

LOCAL RAINS

1 General Russia Severs Official Relations with Con plications Over the Chinese Situation, Day's Record of Paris Sports Testimony in the Powers' Trial.

The Tribune's Educational Contest. Northeastern Pennsylvania, Financial and Commercial,

Local-Coroner's Jury Saya Signal Lights Were Tampered with at Old Forge. Constable Davis Sued.

Editorial

5 Local-Removed Patrolmen Entitled to Pay. Statesman Chitrenden Again Feoled, Soo Kee Has Not Decamped.

Local-West Scranton and Suburban. Round About the County,

Local-Live Industrial News.

ROCKHILL'S MISSION.

He Has Been Appointed to Investigate the Chinese Situation and Prepare a Case for the United

Washington, July 19.-The cabinet meeting to-day developed nothing of impotrance regarding the Chinese situation beyond a decision to send W. W. Rockhill, ex-secretary of the legation at Pekin, and assistant secretary of state and now director of the bureau of oolicy The runners kept fairly well together American republics, to China to in-er of at the beginning, going at an easy vestigate the situation and report to the United States forces in China. The pace, with the two first named French- the authorities here. Mr. Rockhill will exact nature of the instructions was men leading when they left the track | go as a special commissioner to ascertain the extent of the responsibility The race was won by Theatro of the Chinese government, if any, for same line of policy that has been at- Michael. His time was two hours and the existing disturbances, and otherwise furnish the administration the inwas second, arriving twelve minutes formation upon which the case of the The rank of major general for the later. The American runners were far United States against China for indemnity and reparation will be based The 100 metres handicap was won by He is well equipped for the mission, can legation in Pekin for several years He speaks and writes Chinese fluently. The administration expects authentic president and his advisers can hardly understand why some absolutely reliable news has not arrived before this time. In the absence of any additional information the discussion in the cablect today took wide range, After the cabinet meeting the president entertained the members at an

informal luncheon. For some reason the officials did not care to have it known that Mr. Rockhill had been selected for this responsible duty. Within a week he will have a final conference with the president and Secretary Hay, and then will leave for China. He probably will go to Vancouver and there take the Japanese ine steamer for Yokohama, proceeding from that point to Shanghai. Not until he arrives at Shanghai will Mr Rockhill undertake to outline his further course. His position is a eculiar one; he will be actually as imbassader in powers, and so in the ope of his functions will be akin to President Cleveland's paramount commissioner to Hawaii, Mr. Blount.

NATIONAL GUARD ORDERS. Dates for General Inspection at Mt

Gretna Are Fixed. Harrisburg, July 19.-General orders ere Issued today from the headquar ers of the National Guard of Pennsylvania, fixing the following dates for general inspections at the division enampment, to be held at Mount Gretna

m August 4-11: First brigade, August 7; Second briade, August 8: Third brigade, August to begin at 7 a. m., and regiments to report at intervals of two hours. The inspection of the artillery will be under the direction of Colonel Sheldon Potter, ordnance officer, who will arrange the time and scope with battery commanders. Inspector General Sweeny will inspect the cavalry on August 9 at 8 a. m.

Charles Cross Executed.

Hartford, Conn., July 10.—Charles B. Cross, the 18-year-old boy manderer, was executed at the state prison, Wethersheld, Just after mid-night this morning. Cross killed Mrs. Sarah C. King, 50 years old, his benefactress, near Stamord, November 7, 1809. He was addicted to the ignrestic habit, his purcots and grandparents were epileptic or weak-minded and a strong efort was made to save the boy from the gallows

as a moral degenerate and not respon-Corporations Chartered.

Harrisburg, July 10,-Charters were issued by he state department today to the following cor-sorations: United States Macaroni Manufacture ing company, Pittsburg; capital, \$20,000. Citi-gens' Light, Heat and Power company, New Castle; capital, \$10,000.

Looks Like Beckham.

Lexington, Ky., July 19.-The Democratic state evention was still in session at midnight lisening to speeches. The indications point to the renomination of Governor Beckham.

RUSSIA FOR WAR

Chinese Envoy at St. Pctersburg Is Given His Passports.

FIGHTING ON THE BORDER

Condition of Parts of Amur Territory-An Official Statement from St. Petersburg-Belief That This Trouble Brewing in the South. Rumor of Russian Intrigues-Sir Francis Grenfall to Command British Forces.

St. Petersburg, July 19 .- Having satefied itself that the imperial government of China is not only countenancing the acts of the Boxers, but directing their movements, and that regular Chinese troops have invaded Siberia, the Russian government yesterday handed the Chinese envoy at St. Petersburg his passports and requested him and the members of his mission

to leave the country.
London, July 19.—The action of Count von Buelow, the German mister of foreign affairs, in informing the Chinese legation at Berlin that all telegraphic messages must be in plain language and submitted for approval by the censor, and the suggestion of M. Del-casse, the French minister of foreign affairs, that the exportation of arms to China be prohibited, which are generally regarded here as long steps in the direction of treating China as a state engaged in war, have been supplemented this morning by the official announcement from St. Petersburg that certain portions of the Amur territory, including parts of the Khaba. rovsk district and the coast territory, as well as the towns of Blagovest-chensk, Khabarovsk and Nikolskussuri have been declared in a state of war

since July 17. Russia's announcement is regarded in London as at least foreshadowing a speedy, unconditional recognition of the fact that a condition of war exists between China and the civilized world. and the general opinion seems to favor such recognition as the best means of meeting the barbarian upheaval, while at the same time endeavoring to iso late the independent viceroys from the general conflagration. The revelation of the ability of the Chinese forces in the international forces is producing the inevitable results in the south. At Shanghai it is announced officially that foreign women and children have been

requested to leave the ports along the river.

Rioting at Po-Yang. Serious rioting has occurred at Po-Yang Lake, near Klu-Klang, Several missionaries have been killed and chapels burned. The telegraph between Kiu-Kiang and Hankow is interrupted. In connection with the story Prince Tuan's forces have been ordered to march to Wel-Hal-Wei, it is considered as significant that Indian troops arriving at Hong Kong have been ordered to proceed to Wei-Hai-

A Shanghai dispatch reports that Russia has been in secret negotiations with Prince Tuan's government, with

the connivance of Li Hung Chang. In a dispatch from St. Petersburg It is stated that Russia's anxiety to minimize the alarming nature of the news from Manchuria is dictated by fears of the injury the confirmation of such news might cause in the matter of arrangements alleged to have been made in the United States for money with which to complete the Manchuria rail-

A dispatch from Shanghai received ere today reports that the losses of the Chinese in the fighting at Tiens Tsin were upwards of 3,000,

LI EXTREMELY RETICENT.

Claims That Foreigners at Pekin Were Safe July 8. Hong Kong. June 18.-Li Hung Chang and his suite arrived here yes-

terday evening and landed this morning. He was received with a salute of seventeen guns and with a guard of honor from the Welsh fusiliers and a band, proceeded to the government rouse, where he was received by the governor, Sir Henry A. Blake, Generals Caselee Barrow and other officials. Li Hung Chang was extremely retient. He stated that he had received definite news that the ministers and foreigners at Pekin with the exception of Baron Von Ketteler, the German

minister, were safe July 8. The imperial ediet recalling him to Pekin, he viceroy said, was due to the empress and emperor and not to Prince Governor Blake exerted all possible ower to induce the Hung Chang to remain in Canton, but the Chinese vicercy proceeded, ostensibly Shanghal. The governor of Canton is regarded as an exceptionally weak official, and the natives fear he will never succeed in maintaining order.

Transports, with a portion of the Bengal lancers, a native field hospital and Generals Caselee and Barrow have proceeded to Taku. The deck protected cruiser Didi has gone to Woo Sung.

+++++++++++++++ WEATHER FORECAST.

Washington, July 49 .- Forecast for Friday and Saturday: Eastern Pennayl-vania, local rains Friday and cooler in the interior; Saturday generally fair;
 light >> fresh northerly winds.