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CHINA SUES FOR PEACE.

Imperial Edict Transmitted For Consideration of the Powers.

FOR CESSATION OF HOSTILITIES. Li Hung Chang Appointed by the

Chinese Government to Bring About Satisfactory Terms-Safety of Legationers Must Be Assured.

Washington, Aug. 13.-Indications of the desire of China for a peaceful settlement of her present difficulties have been multiplying for several days. Official evidence of that desire was presented to the department of state yesterday. It was in the form of an edict promulgated by the emperor, Kwang Hsu, appointing Earl Li Hung Chang as envoy plenipotentiary to negotiate with the powers for an "immediate cessation of hostilities," pending a solution of the problems which have grown out of the anti-foreign uprising in the empire. Earl Li is to act di-rectly for the emperor, and a fair inference is that whatever terms of settlement he may reach with the powers will be approved by the imperial gov-

The imperial edict, as transmitted by the privy council, is as follows: "In the present conflict between Chinese and foreigners there has been some misunderstanding on the part of foreign nations and also a want of proper management on the part of some of the local authorities. A clash of arms is followed by calamitous results and caused a rupture of friendly relations which will ultimately do no good to the world. We hereby appoint Li Hung Chang as our envoy plenipoat once by telegraph to the govern-ments of the several powers concerned for the immediate cessation of hostile onstrations pending negotiations, which he is hereby authorized to conduct for our part, for the settlement of whatever questions may have to be dealth with. The questions are to be severally considered in a satisfactory manner, and the result of the nego-tiations reported to us for our sanc-

While it is conceded by the Washington officials that the conference of plenary authority upon Earl Li to negotiate with the powers for a settlement of existing troubles is a step in the right direction, it by no means is assured that the United States government will consent offhand to open negotiations with the distinguished viceroy. The demands of this government upon China have been made plainly and without equivocation. They annot be misunderstood. Assuming that the Chinese government is acting in good faith, the demands are reasonable and can be complied with readily. As transmitted to the imperial government by the acting secretary of state through Minister Wu, the de-

mands, in brief, were: "That the Chinese government give assurance that the foreign ministers are alive, and if so, in what condi-tion; that the ministers be placed in free communication with their gov ernments, firing upon the legations cease and all dangers to their lives and liberty be removed; that the imperial authorities place themselves in ommunication with the relief expedition, so that the legationers may be and George Worth, with their wives liberated, foreigners protected and order restored."

Until these demands have been acceded to it is regarded as highly improbable that the government of the United States or any of the European governments, all of which have made practically the same demands upon China, will consent to a "cessation of hostfle demonstrations," which are being conducted, at least so far as this government is concerned, with the s purpose of succoring the besieged legationers in the Chinese capital.

During the day the war department officials awaited anxiously additional news from Gen. Chaffee. One dispatch was received from him, transmitting a message he had received from Minister Conger. Evidently the message had been delayed long in reaching him and his own dispatch was dated four days ago. The dispatch was as fol-

'We will hold on until your arrival Hope it will be soon. Send such information as you can."

While the message of Minister Conger contains nothing new, it was en-couraging to the officials to have renewed assurances of his ability and determination to "hold on" until relief reached him. Mr. Conger's expression of hope that the long looked for relief may soon reach him simply adds to the determination of the government to press forward to Pekin as rapidly as may be possible.

Last night Secretary Adee by directo Minister Wu for transmission to his government the reply of the United States to the imperial edict appointing Li Hung Chang envoy to negotiate with the powers for a cessation of hos-tilities. In effect it is a reiteration of the demands previously made by the United States upon China, coupled with a vigorous intiration that no regotiations will be entered into until the ment shall have compiled with those smands.

John T. Cerran was murdered Saturday night in the wealthiest quarter of Halling, N. S., and William Cox, aged 22. is held for the crime

KILLED AT A CROSSING, ROBBERS RUN TO DEATH FITZSIMMONS' VICTORY, MURDERED MESSENGER, CAPTURE OF YANGTSUN.

Injured Near Slatington, Pa.

but Three Escaped Uninjured-Were Returning From a Funeral When the Train Cut the Coach in Twain. Fire-Three of the Posse Wounded.

Slatington Pa Aug 13 - Eleven persons were instantly killed and 11 others, several of whom will die, were seriously injured last night in a grade crossing accident three miles east of fight which followed both of the this city, by a passenger train on the crashing into an omnibus containing hotel, of Goodland, and George Cul-25 persons. All the dead and injured lins, were severely, but not fatally were in the omnibus and but three escaped uninjured.

The dead are: Eli Remaley, aged 70, daughter, aged 32; Samuel Hummy, aged 60, of Walnutport; Mrs. Samuel Hummy, his wife, aged 58; Mrs. Elias sisted, was killed. The robbers drop-ped off the train at Hugo and escaped Squrwine, a widow, aged 53, of Slatington; Mrs. William Kane, aged 51, Mrs.

of whom may die: Miss Distler, of Goodland to get the Denver papers Walnutport; 3-year-old son of Mrs. Kern; Harry Minnich, aged 10, of Slatington; Mrs. William Resch, Louis Kuntz, Miss Clara Nagle, George Cullins, E. C. Biddison and several Minnich, Bryan Walp, Miss Lizzle others, heavily armed, went over to Jones, Miss Alice Nagle, Walnutport.

One unidentified. dead and injured were nearly all relatives of Sophia Schoffer, at whose obsequies they nad been present. The whirred at a lively rate. The robbers bus came along at a good rate of speed, the occupants unconscious of any im- dozen paces he fell. pending danger. As the 'bus swung around the curve, the engine and car the four horses to cross the track ahead of the train, the latter crashed into its middle. The occupants were thrown in all directions, bruised and bleeding. The 11 dead were killed outwere sent for and the injured were the house drew his fire.

About 4 o'clock some men crawled taken to South Bethlehem.

New York, Aug. 13.—Nine persons, who hurriedly sought shelter under some trees and bushes in the "woods," in the Bronx section, during the storm this afternoon, were struck by the same flash of lightning. The persons injured were: James Brown, a Hungarian tailor of this city, his wife and five children, and Bertha Lescowitz and dren and Bertha Silverman cannot pos-sibly live. The Silverman girl was the worst injured of all Of Bertha Lescowitz the physicians said she would and two valises were burned. either die or be hopelessly insane.

Riot in a Polish Church.

Wilmington, Del., Aug. 13.-Opposttion to Rev. John G. Lucz, rector of St. Hedwigs Polish Catholic church here, yesterday resulted in a small sized riot.
The opponents of Father Lucz took posession of the church and attempted to prevent him from conducting serthe disturbers and were attacked by about 50 women, who threw pepper in foundation. He declared that the war their eyes. Reinforcements arrived and | would last a long time yet. hurch was cleared. Se

Prominent Man Found Dead. St. Louis, Aug. 13.—The dead body of John R. Young, superintendent of excavations for the Imperial Electric Light and Power company, of this city, was found vesterday in a dense growth of weeds, close to the bank of Dead creek, three miles from East St. Louis, suicide. Ills. It is not known when, or how, he died. When last seen alive he said he was in fear of two men who were fol-lowing him. It is claimed that a young woman of his acquaintance had caused him much annoyance. Young was

about 35 years old.

Disastrous Fire in Hanover, Pa. Hanover, Pa., Aug. 13.—Sixteen buildings were destroyed by fire here yesterday, the loss being estimated at from \$40,000 to \$50,000, partly insured. The heaviest losses are the Hotel Obald, the J. C. Tanger Hardware company's warehouse and Shriver's livery stable. The other structures destroyed were dwellings, stables and warehouses Thirteen horses were roasted alive in Shriver's stable and it is rumored that death in the Hotel Obald.

Refugees From China. San Francisco, Aug. 13.—The steamer Gaelic, which arrived from the Orient Saturday night, had on board a number of refugees from China. Among them were Revs. C. W. Pruitt and families. Mr. Pruitt was at Shan Tung, whence he was summoned by an urgent warning on July 8, sent by Consul Fowler, from Chefoo. The missionary and family started at once, and they were on the way none too soon.

Cheering News From Manila Washington, Aug. 13.—The war department has received the following dispatch containing cheering news from Gen. MacArthur at Manila: "Col. Grassa, Aug. 12, in vicinity of Tayug surrendered command to Col. Free-man, Twenty-fourth United States infantry, consisting of one major, six lin arranging connections for an excaptains, six lieutenants, 169 men, 100 change of books with European lirifles and 50 bolos."

Eleven Dead and as Many More Two Men Who Held Up a Union Pacific Train Pay the Penalty.

WERE OCCUPANTS OF AN OMNIBUS | MADE A DESPERATE RESISTANCE.

Of the Twenty-five in the Vehicle After His Pal Had Been Killed the Remaining Robber Took Refuge in a Sod House, Which Was Set on

Goodland, Kan., Aug. 11.-Two men who on Sunday last robbed a Union Pacific train in Colorado and killed a passenger, were surrounded in a ranch use near here vesterday. During the hers were killed. Two posse men-Lehigh and New England railroad B. Riggs, owner of the Commercial wounded. Another of the pursuing party was wounded slightly.

The train was robbed between Limon of Slatington; Mrs. Eli Remaley, his Junction and Hugo, Colo., 90 miles or Statington; Mrs. Ell Remaiey, his east of Denver, many passengers re-daughter aged 22. Samuel Hummy and W. J. Fay, an aged man, who re Wednesday, it is learned, they went to the ranch of D. E. Bartholomew, James Minnich, aged 33, Miss Carrie three miles out from Goodland and James Minnich, aged 33, Miss Carrie
Smith, aged 22, Mrs. Tilghman Kuntz,
and lodging for a few days. They aged 35, of Walnutport. One yet unaccounted for.

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and toughn for a few days. The following are the injured, most day night a boy whom they sent to

ne unidentified.

The accident occurred about 5 Riggs dismounted and proceeded to the house. One of the robbers caught o'clock. The omnibus driven by a man sight of them and gave the alarm. named Peters was returning to Slatington from a funeral the occupants had door he was met by a volley of shots been attending at Cherrysville. The from inside. The remaining members train was a special and consisted of an engine and one car. At the point at soon fell, hit in the breast and back. which the collision occurred there is a sharp curve in the road and the omniture of the robbers jumped through a window and made off in the smoke. Before he had gone half a

Sheriff Walker meantime had forced his way toward the house, and was incame in sight. It was too late to stop either the omnibus or the train and as the griver of the former whipped up of Walker's gun and was shot in the back and seriously wounded. While the posse were removing Cullins the remaining robber made his way to a sod kitchen nearby and barricaded bleeding. The 11 dead were killed out-right. Physicians and a special train a rifle and every attempt to approach

through a cornfield unobserved to a shed near the house. With great accuracy they threw two railroad fuses upon the roof of the shack. In a few minutes it was in flames, but the robber made no sign, and, if he was not struck by one of the hundreds of bullets fired at his retreat, he met death in the flames.

Both bodies were brought here last night. Their identity as the men who Bertha Silverman, neighbors of the did the job near Hugo was thoroughly Browns. Mrs. Brown, two of her chilestablished. On the body of the one shot in the morning was found a watch, two masks, a ladies' watch chain and charm. A large roll of bills Riggs and Cullins, the wounded

posse men, will recover.

KRUGER WILL NOT YIELD. Report of President Steyn's Suicide

Persistently Rumored. London, Aug. 11.-According to the Lorenzo Marques correspondent of The Daily Express President Kruger, A squad of policemen under Ser- in the course of an interview last Wedgeant Tucker made an effort to oust nesday, said that the report that he

policemen were severely handled dur- respondent, "announces a big battle between Lydenburg and Middleburg, in which the British had 500 killed and wounded. It also announces the recapture by the burghers of Heilbron,

Devilliersdorp and Frankfort."

It is persistently rumored in Lorenzo Marques, according to a dispatch to The Daily Telegraph, dated yesterday,

Boer reports by way of Lorenzo Marques lately have proved worthy of little credence.

New York's Heat Victims. New York, Aug. 11.—Eleven persons died here yesterday from the excessive heat, which has been torturing humanity in this locality for some days and still continues with little prospec of a let up. The thermometer reached 94 yesterday. The greatest suffering is endured by the people of the lower east side districts. In these neighbor hoods numerous families occupy a single apartment, and many of them sleep on the pavements in front of the build ings in hope of obtaining a little fresh air. Horses are perishing all over the city, and the mortality among them threatens to equal that of the record breaking August hot spell of 1896, when so many died that business was

seriously crippled. NUGGETS OF NEWS.

In Philadelphia yesterday the intense heat resulted in five deaths and 20 prostrations. Djevad Pasha, the former grand

vizier of Turkey, died in Constantinople yesterday. The next Pennsylvania state fair will The be held in Wilkesbarre, the necessary

funds having been raised. Miss Flossie Swetland, a prominent society belle of Fredonia, N. Y., was drowned yesterday at Put In Bay while bathing.

Nine deaths and 15 prostrations resulted from the excessive heat in Chicago yesterday. The temperature reached 95. Mr. Herbert Putnam, librarian of the United States congress, is in Berchange of books with European li-

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He Knocked Gus Ruhlin Down and sylvania Train Out in the Sixth Round.

DESPERATE FIGHT THROUGHOUT.

The Clever Ring Tactics of the Old Man, Together With His Marvelous Solar Plexus Blow, Was Too Much For the Ohio Giant.

New York, Aug. 11.—Bob Fitzsimmons, of Australia, but now an American citizen, met Gus Ruhlin, the Akron giant last night before the Twentieth Century club at Madison Square Gar-den and won by knocking the Ohioan down and out in the sixth round. Be fore the fight and for some weeks past there have been many reports to the effect that Fitzsimmons was too old to cope successfully with his younger op ponent. It was argued that Fitzsim mons' well known knowledge of the game and his capability of hard hit ting would not be able to counter balance the youth and strength, well as the recently acquired ring tactics of the Ohio man. However, all this has changed. Fitzsimmons did the trick cleanly and cleverly. It was a fierce and bloody battle while is lasted, and at times it looked as it Ruhlin would get the better of the older man, but Fitzsimmons at the proper time would cut loose with his fearful body blow.

The betting all along had favored Fitzsimmons, many wagers at the rate Last night, however, at the ringside there was a flush of Ruhlin money which forced the odds to take a turn in Ruhlin's favor at the rate of 100 to 90. This state of affairs did not last long, however, and by the time the men put up their hands for the opening round they were equal favorites, even money being the rule.

out with that terrible solar plexus blow, which whenever it landed shook Ruhlin from head to foot. From the word "go" the men started in with hurricane like force. Both men were wild at times, but Fitzsimmons was always the quicker to steady himself. Ruhlin clinched a good deal, and for three or four rounds was the aggressor. He landed some hard straight lefts on Fitzsimmons' face and swung his right to the body and head with fearful force. Several of these blows staggered Fitzsimmons, but none of them landed on the mark, as Fitzsimmany of Ruhlin's were dodged in the cleverest manner. Fitzsimmons forced Ruhlin to break ground, and in hot mixups the Ohio man was always the first to ease up and take refuge in a

Time and time again Fitzsimmons forced Ruhlin to the ropes, from which position Ruhlin got away rather clumsily, while Fitzsimmons was always very quick in his foot movements. When Ruhlin's nose began to bleed from a stiff punch the sight of the blood seemed to have a deterrent effect on him, and Fitzsimmons was quick to see this. On the first signs of weakness on Ruhlin's part Fitz began his attack on the body, and each blow which he landed there made Gus wince with pain.

In the sixth round Ruhlin was slow in coming to time, while Fitz jumped at his man. Fitz got around Ruhlin, and while the latter sent straight lefts for Fitz's head Bob sidestepped safely and landed lefts on the body and right to the head. With a volley of lefts and rights to the head and neck, and with a fearful left on the solar plexus, Fitz sent Ruhlin in a heap to the floor. This was the beginning of the end that soon followed. Ruhlin, after taking nine seconds of the count, arose to his feet groggy from the effects of the blow. Fitz knew he had his man and was ready for him. As soon as Ruhlin got up Fitz rushed, sending two lefts to the face and then shot his right with fearful force to the point of Ruhlin's jaw. Gus pitched forward as if struck with an ax and fell on his face to the floor, where he was counted out, and had to be carried

to his corner. Wild scenes were then enacted in and about the ring. It seemed as if every one in the building wanted to greet the winner or sympathize with the loser, and the police officers had a busy quarter of an hour in getting the people out of the building. Fitz left the ring five minutes after he had delivered the winning punch, but it took Ruhlin 12 minutes to come around sufficiently to be able to walk to his dressing room.

Billy Madden, Ruhlin's manager, declared that Gus' defeat was due to overtraining. James J. Corbett, who acted as one of Ruhlin's seconds, also declared that Ruhlin was overtrained. Charlie White, who refereed the bout, when asked what he thought of the fight, replied: "It was a hard and fierce battle, in which both men fought fairly. Fitz clearly demonstrated that he is not a has been, and still has the punch that wins. Ruhlin lacks experience, which will be remedied in time, and I have no doubt that he will be heard from to much better advantage later on."

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Robbed the Express Safe of a Penn- Allies Will There Mobilize For the

TO START ON WEDNESDAY NEXT. AND CONFESSED HIS CRIME.

A Former Employe of the Adams Express Company Now in Prison-Cold Blooded Act to Get Money For Approaching Wedding.

Columbus, Aug. 13.—Charles R. H. Ferrell, a former employe of the Adams Express company, was arrested yes terday afternoon in this city and has confessed to the killing of Messenger Charles Lane and the robbery of the way-safe of the Adams Express company on the Pennsylvania east bound train which arrived in this city at mid-night Friday. One thousand dollars of the money which he had stolen was recovered. Ferrell was to have been married Thursday next to Miss Lillian Costlow,

daughter of Patrick Costlow, an enhad been discharged from the employ of the Adams Express company about two months ago and had not since been able to secure employment. He confessed that the motive of the robbery was to secure money of which he felt in great need on account of his approaching marriage. The money recovered he had given to Miss Costlow to keep for him, saving that it was money he had saved from his earnings He was at the home of his affianced of 100 to 80 on Lanky Bob being made. and in her company when placed under

Ferrell is but 21 years of age and has a splendid physique, being six feet in height, with dark hair and an at-tractive face. When the officers took him into custody he assumed a non-chalant demeanor, but when he found that he could no longer deceive the ofreven money being the rule.

Fitzsimmons conceded about 32
pounds to Ruhlin, and this in itself of Police Tyler and he was led to a cell was a serious handicap. But, as the result showed, Fitzsimmons was equal to the tash he had set himself and won given that he be watched closely to prevent him doing himself bodily in-

The confession of Ferrell disclosed a premeditated and blood curdling crime that seemed almost impossible of belief. cause of his inability to secure employment. The robbery had been carefully planned, and it included the murder of Express Messenger Lane. He had no accomplices and no confidants. He knew Lane well. In fact, they were friends and relied upon Lane's confidence to help him execute the crime. Having provided himself with a Smith mons was too shifty. At times both and Weston six shooter, 38 calibre, he missed swings with either hand, but went to Urbana Friday morning and waited for No. 8. When the train arrived there Ferrell went at once to the express car and told Lane that he was out of money and asked permission to ride to Columbus with him. Lane consented, never for a moment suspecting the treachery of his pretended friend. For a short time after the train left Urbana they chatted pleasantly. Lane sat in a chair in the end of the car with his back slightly turned.

When Ferrell had finally nerved himself for the crime, he drew his re-volver and stepped up behind Lane unobserved and fired three shots in rapid succession into the messenger's back. Lane rolled off the chair on the floor on his face and Ferrell quickly fired the remaining shots at the prostrate body. Lane was unconscious, but Ferrell, fearing that the wounds already Lane's revolver and fired two more bullets from it into the body.

Ferrell then took the key to the way safe from the pocket of the dead mes senger, opened the safe, and laid reach it easily in case he was detected he had taken out all the sacks contain ing the money packages, money or-ders and way bills, he placed them in a small satchel and waited until the car arrived at Plain City, when he slipped off the train. He secured a room in the hotel and retired for the night without registering, a fact of which the land-lord took no notice at the time, as he was half asleep. Once in his room, Fer rell proceeded to go through the packages and take out all the cash. The re-

mainder he tied up in a bundle. The question of how to get rid of the debris of his plunder and his revolver then confronted him. Lifting up the mattress of the bed, he placed the re-volver in a secure place in the springs. Ferrell arose early the next morning and sauntered down to the railroad station and sat there for a time reading a book. Then he expressed the package which he had addressed to C. W. Coyler, Lockport, N. Y., bought a ticket and took the train for Columbus

The detectives of Plain City set to work to ran down the mysterious stranger who, they had become convinced, was an ex-employe of the Adams Express company. Suspicion soon rested on Ferrell. After learning of the express package, the detectives at once telegraphed to Columbus and had it intercepted. The package was opened and the stolen sacks containing the money orders, checks and other things which Ferrell desired to get rid of, were found. The detectives first went to his

boarding place in this city and were informed that he was probably at the home of his sweetheart on the east side. They at once went to the Costlow residence where they found Ferrell. It was a trying duty for the detectives when they were ushered into the room where Ferrell sat conversing with the young lady. Ferrell appeared annoyed at the intrusion. The detectives did not broach the subject of the train robbery but told him that he was suspected of a burglary and that they wished him to accompany them to the police station where the chief of police wanted to interview him. Thinking that perhaps the detectives were on the wrong scent, Ferrell nerved himself and said with apparent composure: "I guess there must be some mistake."

He excused himself to the young

lady and accompanied the detectives to the city prison. On the way to the station the detectives told Ferrell what he was wanted for and what they knew, and he reluctantly admitted that he had committed the crime. At the police station a written confession was taken by

the chief of police. As soon as it was learned that Fer-rell had given the money to his sweetheart, Inspector Barron went to the house and secured it. The young lady had never doubted his story that the money which he placed in her keeping had been earned and saved by him as he stated.

Ferrell's home is in Steubenville, O. His father is said to be a bridge car-penter and a highly respected citizen of that place. It is believed that all the cash taken by Ferrell, except about \$150 which he had spent, has been recovered. The amount in the hands of the police is \$1,600.31. A minister in Pekin, it will presumptive-bundle of money orders, which Ferrell iy be unable to protect him upon a says he threw into a vault, have not journey from Pekin to the coast.

The use of the word "demand" i

Real March to Pekin.

Japanese General Says That Fifty Thousand Allied Troops Will Be Ready to Leave Yangtsun-The Allies' Loss at Yangtsun Two Hundred

Washington, Aug. 10.-The capture of Yangtsun, the first objective point of the international forces, was the supreme news of importance received yesterday on the Chinese situation The first word of this capture, effected last Monday, came in a brief dispatch to the signal office at the war department from Col. Scriven, the signal officer at Chefoo, dated Aug. 6, saying:
"Yangtsun captured today. Wire

cablegram came from Gen. Chaffee that it would incite the anti-foreign giving additional details of the capture, and showing that it had been at the cost of 60 casualties among the American troops. Gen. Chaffee's dispatch, dated Yangtsun, Aug. 6, is as

ed, Frank R. Long, Ninth infantry, tect its citizens or their interests when moderate. Casualties about 60 men, Ninth United States infantry, Fourteenth United States infantry and Battery F. Fifth United States artillery. Nearly all from Fourteenth infantry.
Names later. Many men prostrated from heat and fatigue."

Hardly less important was a dis-

patch from Gen. Terauchi, second in command of the Japanese staff, sent to the war office of Japan, and transmitted to the legation here, stating that the international army would total 50,000 men on Aug. 15, at which time the real advance on Pekin would

Gen. Terauchi's dispatch stated that on the 4th, when it was forwarded, the advance had not yet begun. This was



at first incomprehensible, in view of the fact that fighting had actually occurred. But the later statement that the international force would total 50,-000 men on the 15th appears to make clear Gen. Terauchi's meaning and to reconcile it with Gen. Chaffee's dispatches. The present movement, of some 16,000 men, doubtless is viewed in the light of a reconnaissance in force, the main movement of the army of 50,000 to follow on the 15th.

This makes clear the meaning of Gen. Chaffee's dispatch that Yangtsun was the objective point. The war de-partment here has been considerably puzzled over this statement of an objective point, far short of Pekin. It would appear, however, from Gen. Terauchi's dispatch that the first force of 16,000 men, having opened up communications to Yangtsun, brought forward supplies and established this advance base, the way would then be clear for the advance of the larger force on the 15th. The capture of Yangtsun is, therefore, an important strategic branch of the fast maturing military plans. The place is about 18 miles beyound Tien Tsin, and little

less than a quarter of the way to Pekin. Col. Scriven's statement "wire up" contains much meaning, as it is accepted as showing that there is direct telegraphic communication with the army in the field. Aside from the assurance this gives of speedy transmission of news from the front, it gives the additional assurance that the line of communication is intact back to the first base of operations. The capture of Yangtsun on the day following the battle of Pietsang is regarded as a highly successful military achievement, especially in view of the fact that it was looked upon as a stronghold whose capture might give the foreigners considerable trouble.

Aside from the military developments of the day, the diplomatic aspect of the crisis was made more clear by the publication of the demand made by the United States on the imperial government of China, and transmitted to Minister Wu Wednesday evening. The document is in substance as fol-

"We demand the immediate cessation of hostile attacks by imperial troops upon the legations, and urge the exercise of every power and energy of the imperial government for the protection of the legations and all for-

eigners therein. "We are advised by Minister Conger that, in his opinion, for the foreign ministers to leave Pekin as proposed in the edict of Aug. 2 would be certain death. In view of the fact that the imperial troops are now firing upon the legations, and in view of the doubt expressed by the imperial government in its edict of Aug. 2 as to its power to restore order and secure absolute The use of the word "demand" in the

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| American note thoroughly indicate the urgency of the message. In th technical parlance of diplomacy it dif fers from an ultimatum, which usuall fixes a date, or sets a time within which there must be compliance, the lack of compliance during the stated time being a ground for war. a demand is less specific as to time of compliance, it none the less asserts a positive right which the government will enforce, if the right be not con-ceded. Owing to the difficulties of communication with Pekin, it is ex-pected that some days must elapse before an answer can be received, and there is a disposition to grant al reasonable time for this transmission

Late in the day the state department received an important dispatch from Consul General Goodnow, at Shanghai announcing the landing of British troops at that point. The consul gen eral did not state that he had tested against this action, and the state department judged from this that no protest would have been made by "Yangtsun captured today. Wire up. Need own transportation. All well." Half an hour after this message a the landing of British troops, fearing ment at Washington has taken no ac tion will be taken. On the contrary the United States government reco "Yangtsun occupied today. Wound- nizes the right of any power to pro they are supposed to be in jeopardy.

The subject of the appointment Count Waldersee to command the in ternational forces in China has been presented to the United States govern turned. A member of the cabinet said to the acquiescence of this govern ment in the selection of Field Marsha Waldersee, if the count's appointment to command the German troops means such selection. The same official add ed that in all probability the allied forces would be in possession of th Chinese capital before Count Walder see could land in China.

> ALLIES LOSE TWO HUNDRED. Chinese Driven From Defense Work

After Heavy Fighting. London, Aug. 10.-In the capture of Yangtsun the losses of the allies, ac cording to a dispatch to The Daily Express from Chefoo, dated Aug. 8, purporting to give an account of that en gagement, were 200, the majority of these bein killed.

"The allies marched on Yangtsun,"
says this report, "at dawn Monday The position, held by 1,500 Chinese, was well entrenched to the east of the river. After four hours' heavy fight-ing the Chinese were driven from their

defense works." Another dispatch to the same paper dated Tien Tsin, Aug. 6, recounts a reconnaissance that morning by the Jap anese beyound Hsi Ku, the result be ing that the enemy was developed in strong force, well fortified, at Wei Ho. The Chinese were superior in num-bers, and, after facing the fire of seven guns the Japanese retired on Hsi Ku. with three killed and 27 wounded, but having captured 200 horses

With the exception of these messages Gen. Chaffee's report is the only account published by the London morning papers telling of the capture of Yangtsun.

The editorials incline to view the progress toward Pekin as thus far splendid, but one which cannot be maintained at the present rapid rate, as the concentration of supplies and the establishment of bases will causinevitable delays.

The commissioner of customs at Shanghai has received a routine message from Sir Robert Hart, director general of imperial customs, showing that the latter is still conducting the business of imperial customs-a rather curious condition of affairs when taken in conjunction with the words: pily still alive," which he included in the dispatch, which was dated Pekin, July 27.

* COMMANDER OF THE ALLIES.

German Foreign Office Says the Powers Have Accepted Waldersee. Berlin, Aug. 10. — Field Marshal Count Von Waldersee, recently appointed to the supreme command of the German forces in China and look ed upon in some quarters as likely to be chosen as commander-in-chief of the international troops, was interviewed last evening by spondent shortly after his arrival in

"My appointment," said Gen. Vor Waldersee, "is due entirely to the initiative of Emperor William. shall start for China, going, probably by way of San Francisco, in a short time. I am fully aware of the great difficulties I shall have to meet in China and of the extreme delicacy of my position there, but I can only say that I shall do my best to prove self worthy of the honor and of the confidence placed in me by the kaiser Countess Von Waldersee will accom pany me to the United States.

press correspondents last evening that the consent of the other powers had been virtually secured to the selection of Count Von Waldersee as commander-in-chief. Countess Von Waldersee is a native of the United States, her maiden name having been Mary Esther Lea.

The German foreign office told th

Alleged Anarchist Attacks a Witness Richmond, Va., Aug. 11.-Alexande Bracchi, the alleged anarchist, who was arrested here on suspicion and upon complaint that he had threatened to blow up St. Peter's cathedral during the Italian demonstration in honor o King Humbert, created a sensation i the police court yesterday by spring ing upon and striking the first witness against him. This incident practically ended the examination, as the police justice sentenced Bracchi to jail i default of \$1,000 security. The wit that Bracchi told him three days be fore the assassination of King Hum bert that the crime would be commit ted, and said further that two years ago Bracchi told him that he had two barrels of dynamite stowed away near Richmond.

Vanderbilt Led, But Ruled Out. Cottage City, Mass., Aug. 11.—The squadron run of the New York Yacht club from Newport to Vineyard Haven a distance of 37 miles, yesterday was an interesting test of the yachts in strong wind and run of sea. The Vir ginia, of the seventies, sailed by he owner, W. K. Vanderbilt, Jr., finishe first in her class, but was disqualified for going inside the middle ground in violation of the instructions governing second boat to reach the finish line nearly two minutes, but the Mineola is adjudged the winner. The Rainbow takes second place and the Yankee third.

Forest Fires in the Catskills. New York, Aug. 11.—A special dis patch from Haines Falls, N. Y., says There is much alarm here over fores fres that have been burning in thi vicinity since early yesterday mornin and that now threaten the big hote and the cottages of this section of the Catskills. The Kaaterskill woods an the woodlands surrounding the Laure House are ablaze, and men employ about the hotels have been aiding th farmers and the city owners of coun try houses within the threatened dis-trict in fighting the blaze. There are reports that many of the fire fighters | say. Vin de Cinchona Co, have been cut off, and are in danger of death from flame and smoke



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