

MINERS ARE OFFERED AN ADVANCE

MAY BREAK STRIKE.

The National Executive of the Union is engaged in an effort to resume work at Collieries.

The following notice, bearing date of Monday, has been posted in the vicinity of all the collieries of the Philadelphia and Reading Coal and Iron Company in the anthracite region:

"Philadelphia and Reading Coal and Iron Company, October 1, 1900. This company will pay an advance of 10 per cent. on the wages of all men and boys employed at its collieries. This advance takes effect at once.

(Signed) "R. C. Luther, Gen. Supt."

Beneath this notice another was posted which read as follows:

"Fellow Mine Workers—United Mine Workers of America: Do not pay any attention to this notice posted by Mr. Luther, of the Philadelphia and Reading Coal and Iron Company, but wait until you hear from President Mitchell, of the United Mine Workers of America, or until you have decided by your own local what is right for you to do.

(Signed) "C. B. Potter."

Mr. Potter is an officer in the district branch of the United Mine Workers of America. The regular Reading Company advance for the last half of September and the first half of October had previously been fixed at 6 per cent. above the \$2.50 basis. The scale for the preceding 30 days was at the \$2.50 basis. The advance of 10 per cent. offered in the posted notice by the Reading Company, is separate and distinct from the natural scale increase, and hence the total increase to the miners would be 16 per cent.

HURT UNITED STATES TRADE.

War With China Causes Exports to Fall Off \$3,000,000 in One Month.

The war in China dealt a stunning blow to the United States export trade in the east during the month of August. According to a report just issued by the treasury department of statistics the trade fell off nearly \$3,000,000 during that month. Another reason for the poor showing is the fact that the merchants of the Pacific coast refuse to make any statement of their trade with Hawaii to the government officials, claiming that the islands are now United States territory and business with them does not come under the jurisdiction of the treasury department. Notwithstanding these adverse conditions the report continues:

"Our exports to Asia and Oceania will show during the eight months ending with August an increase of more than 20 per cent. over those of the corresponding months last year. To Japan our exports during the eight months ending with August amount to more than \$21,000,000 as against \$12,000,000 in the corresponding months of last year.

"To China, our exports in the seven months ended with July up to which time the disturbances had not seriously affected the exports, showed an increase over the corresponding months of 1899 and 1898, to Hong Kong our exports for the eight months amount to nearly \$6,000,000, as against a trifle more than \$5,000,000 in the corresponding months of last year and to the Philippines, our total exports for the eight months amount to \$1,826,000, against \$391,850 in the corresponding months of last year."

CONTRIBUTIONS TO TEXAS.

Governor Sayers Has So Far Received \$642,476—All Being Cared For.

Regarding the contributions for the Galveston flood sufferers, Gov. Sayers has made the following statement:

"The amount of money received by me up to noon of Saturday, is \$672,476. This sum includes \$3,802 that remained of the fund contributed for the relief of the Brazos valley sufferers last year. It also includes all drafts and authorizations to draw and which are in transit and are yet uncollected. This only embraces moneys and remittances that have been made to me directly and amounts for which I have been authorized to draw. During the present week I will submit a full itemized statement of the entire fund that has come into my hands, giving the amount and source of each contribution and the manner in which the sum total has been expended and distributed. Every portion of the storm-stricken district is being provided for."

BENT ON DISFRANCHISEMENT.

Second Attempt Before the Georgia Legislature Will Be Made This Fall.

An effort will be made at the first session of the Georgia Legislature, which will be elected on the first Wednesday in October and will assemble on the fourth Wednesday in November, to submit a franchise amendment to the State constitution like that which has recently been adopted in North Carolina. The proposed amendment was offered in the last Legislature, but though it was permitted to pass to a third reading and all the time desired for debate was allowed, it received only three votes out of 175 in the popular branches of the general assembly, where it originated. The author of the measure, however, will be a member of the new Legislature, and he has announced already that he will make another effort to secure the submission of his amendment.

Murdered For His Money.

Charles F. Peck, of New York, a wealthy real estate dealer, was found dead on the sidewalk in West Seventeenth street. A large sum of money and a costly watch and chain were missing, and there is no doubt that he was murdered and robbed.

Race War Threatened.

Monday morning at 12:50 o'clock Gov. McSweeney, at Columbia, S. C., received a telegram from Mayor W. D. Morgan, of Georgetown, appealing to have the militia ordered out to suppress a threatened race riot. The governor immediately wired Col. Sparkman, of Georgetown, to have his cavalry troops hurried there. The trouble was caused by a negro killing a white man. Georgetown is on the coast and the negroes outnumber the whites overwhelmingly.

LATEST NEWS NOTES.

The Fiji islands are taking steps to federate with New Zealand.

Dowdies at Chicago still refuse to stay away from Mansfield, O.

The Viola Coal Company of Mounts-ville, W. Va., has been chartered.

Miners at Oak Hill, O., will strike unless operators agree to pay the scale.

The Bank of the Republic of Rio Janeiro has passed under government control.

The Twelfth regiment, N. G. P., stationed at Shenandoah, Pa., has been ordered home.

Henry Werdman's grist mill, sawmill and dwelling were burned at Allentown, Pa.; loss \$12,000.

In Idaho the Ontario and Burns stage was held up by a lone highwayman and robbed of the mails.

A pickpocket reaped a harvest from a party of West Virginia Methodist preachers on a train.

The steamer Alameda has sailed from Sydney, N. S. W., for San Francisco with £800,000 in gold.

South Morgantown has declared for annexation to Morgantown, W. Va., and other suburbs will follow.

Because of lack of patronage the Dominion Government will close the Canadian canal at the Soo.

James Howard, convicted as a principal in the murder of Governor Goebel, has moved for a new trial.

Lorenzo Snow, president of the Mormon church at Salt Lake City, has been sued for non-support of his wife.

Judge Lacombe, of New York, has appointed three receivers for the United States Flour Milling Company.

The health of Secretary of State Hay is so improved that he will be enabled to resume his duties next week.

The Wisconsin State board of medical examiners will prosecute every doctor of osteopathy in Milwaukee.

The price of anthracite coal in New York has fallen \$1 a ton in consequence of reports of the strike settlement.

One hundred and four engravers of the Duerber Watch Company, Canton, O., are out, demanding higher wages.

The navy department has ordered an inspection of the cruiser Baltimore. She will probably be sent into dry dock.

Lient. Hobson has applied to the navy department for six months' leave of absence, because of trouble with his eyes.

A hurricane at Offord, Ireland, September 20, drove fishing smacks ashore, razed houses and killed several people.

A crusade against illegal hunting and fishing has been started at Connellyville, Pa. Many warrants for arrest are out.

Lieutenant General Miles has issued a general order intended to improve the moral and physical condition of the army.

The Trinity river has reached 35 feet Friday and many people were driven from their homes. No loss of life is reported.

Dr. Lazar, one of three medical experts who went to Havana to study yellow fever, died Wednesday of that disease.

L. E. McWhorter, of Parkersburg, W. Va., has been appointed receiver of the Montgomery Banking and Trust Company.

Two hundred men employed by the Page Boiler Company, Norwich, Conn., are out on strike because of a 10 per cent. cut.

Because of the employment of three non-union men 1,000 cigarmakers at Tampa, Fla., went out on strike Wednesday.

Fifty per cent. of the 5,000 coke ovens in McDowell and Mercer counties, W. Va., have been put out of blast within the past week.

The postoffice at Bowling Green, Ky., was broken into Saturday night and robbed of between \$4,500 and \$5,000 in money and stamps.

A rebellion against the government of President Jimenez has begun at Moca, Santo Domingo, and is led by the vice president of the republic.

The Shenango furnace at Sharpville, Pa., has been closed on account of a strike. Several employees were discharged and colored men substituted.

John Bosing, proprietor of a drug store at Louisville, Ky., killed Miss Grace Preston Thursday and committed suicide. Jealousy was the cause.

A recent operation for cataract performed on the eyes of Judge James G. Jenkins, of the United States circuit court at Milwaukee, Wis., has been a complete success, and the jurist's sight so long threatened is restored.

At Fond du lac, Wis., the Helmer milling plant and elevator, containing 30,000 bushels of grain, have burned. Loss, \$65,000; insurance, about \$35,000.

The Canadian Pacific Railway Company is about to make the experiment of hauling Nova Scotia coal from St. John, N. B., to Montreal and the West.

The quarterly statement of the commissioner of navigation shows that 308 sail vessels were built in the United States for the quarter ending September 30.

Detective William L. Foulkes was shot and instantly killed at Cleveland, O., while trying to put a stop to a shooting affray between union and non-union molders.

Crews boring out the tunnel two miles in length through the Cascade mountains in Oregon have met from the east and west. The tunnel will cost \$5,000,000.

Congressman-at-large S. A. Davenport is framing a bill asking Congress to appropriate \$10,000 to raise the Niagara. Commodore Perry's flagship, in Erie bay.

A Chinese squadron of 15 vessels is now hovering off Shanghai and a naval battle with the allied fleet is regarded as imminent. The Boxer forces in the vicinity of Shanghai are estimated at 130,000.

The 11-year-old son of H. W. Barker, of Thomas, W. Va., who was kidnapped by gypsies from his home at Peoria, Ill., six years ago, has just been restored to his father.

Fayette county (Pa.) auditors refuse to allow the bill of \$2,100 for removal of bodies from the old Connellyville graveyard site of the proposed Carnegie library.

The Ingrain department of the Bigger Carpet Company at Lowell, Mass., will shut down for two weeks, beginning next Monday. About 500 hands will be affected.

LORD ROBERTS HAS BEEN PROMOTED

BULLER TO SUCCEED.

Victor of the South African War Becomes Commander-in-Chief of the British Army. Canadians Sail Homeward.

It is officially announced that Lord Roberts has been appointed commander-in-chief of the British army, succeeding Gen. Wolsley. Sunday was Lord Roberts' sixty-eighth birthday.

The announcement is hailed by the Unionist party as a welcome pledge that army re-organization will be carried out in the most effective manner.

It was beginning to be recognized that something was needed to give strength to the Unionist campaign. Accordingly semi-official announcements are out that George Wyndham, parliamentary under secretary of state for war, in his speech at Derby Monday evening, will outline the government's scheme of army reforms and the war office is arranging with Lord Roberts for the return of a large portion of the army in South Africa.

The Canadian contingents, under Col. Telford, sailed Sunday on board the transport Idaho. The people of Cape Town accorded them a splendid impromptu reception, the mayor voicing the thanks of the city for their brilliant services in the field.

A report comes from Komati Poort that Mr. Kruger, in a letter to his wife, announcing that he is going on a six months' holiday, said that after the capture of Machadodorp he knew the struggle was hopeless and counseled moderation, but that Mr. Steyn's "arbitrary behavior" overruled his counsels.

EMISSARY FROM AGUINALDO.

The Rebel's Former Secretary Comes to Tell What the Filipinos Desire.

Saxto Lopez, formerly secretary and confidant of Aguinaldo, arrived at New York Sunday on the Campania. He is said to have come here at the invitation of Fiske Warren. He gave out this statement:

"My object in visiting the United States is not to interfere in American politics, but solely to tell the American people what the Filipinos desire in reference to the future government of our country. It has been said that my coming to America is in the interest of certain persons and parties. We, as Filipinos, know no parties in the United States. We have only one desire. To seek justice for our country. Those who desire to give us justice will no doubt be glad to know the wants and conditions of the Philippines. All we want is peace with honor to both parties, and I hope to be able to show that the conditions of our country are such as to fit us for the maintenance of that independence."

ENGLISH ELECTIONS OVER.

Returns Show Great Victory for Government Now in Power.

The elections throughout Great Britain show a great conservative victory, the liberals being almost snowed under and lost to sight, their returns being only three to the tory's five. It is a distinct and emphatic endorsement of the government now in power, and Lord Salisbury, Mr. Balfour and Mr. Chamberlain may regard their African war and other extreme measures of the past year as overwhelmingly sustained by the English public.

It is possible that some of the weaker members of the cabinet will be dispensed with, but this is not likely to happen until it gets far down beyond Mr. Chamberlain's name. His waning popularity at the time of Gen. Buller's repeated defeats has long since been forgotten and he is now known only as one who added new territories to the imperial government.

FILIPPINOS ACTIVE.

Two Americans and Many Natives Killed in Engagements Monday.

On Monday night vigorous insurgent attacks were made upon the United States outposts in the district 12 miles south of Manila, the scene of the fighting last October. It is estimated that the rebels numbered 400. The Americans dispersed the enemy, killing and wounding 50.

A party of scouts belonging to the Twenty-fifth infantry landed on the island of Samar, the inhabitants and insurgents fleeing to the mountains. They met with but slight resistance and burned a town.

It is reported that an American scouting party encountered a body of insurgents in the province of Nueva Ecija, two skirmishes ensuing, in which 12 of the natives were killed. Similar brushes have taken place near Indang and Silang, in Cavite province, and near Iba and Subig, in Zambales province, the Americans having two killed and three wounded.

Great Sale of Stamps for Year.

The annual report of Third Assistant Postmaster General Madden for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1900, soon to be published, will show a largely-increased use of the postal system. The total number of postage stamps of all kinds issued, including ordinary stamps, postage-due stamps, stamped envelopes and postal cards, reached the enormous total of five and one-third billions, valued at \$68,000,000, an increase of over 400,000,000 stamps over the preceding year.

An Immense Massacre.

A telegram from the convent of the Holy Soul, in Shanghai, says that 45,000 Chinese Catholics have been massacred in various parts of the empire. Other dispatches state that Bishop Fantosai was horribly tortured to death in Yun Nan province and that Father Quirine was killed at the same time.

Wounded by Burglars.

Charles A. Collier, one of the most prominent men in the South, was found Thursday lying at the foot of the stairs in the back yard of his residence in Atlanta, Ga., with a bullet hole in his left side in the region of the heart. He uttered but one word, "burglars," and became unconscious. His condition is regarded as critical.

Mr. Collier was a former mayor of Atlanta, one of the 12 United States commissioners to the Paris exposition and a member of the Lafayette Monument association.

DIPHTHERIA IS ALARMING.

Fifty-four Cases Reported in Altoona—Disease is Raging in Blair and Bedford Counties—Schools Closed.

The epidemic of diphtheria continues to spread in Altoona, Pa., and unless it is soon checked the death rate will far exceed any previous year in the history of that city. To guard against the spread of the disease the Millville schools have been closed, and it is likely that the Fifth ward schools of the city will close in a day or two. There are now 54 cases of the disease known to the local board of health, which is using all its power to prevent a spread of the epidemic.

An epidemic of diphtheria has been raging for the last week in the small town of Favia, Bedford county, Pa., 20 miles from Johnstown. Nine children have so far died with the disease, and more than twice that number are now suffering from it, besides many grown persons. The public schools have been closed and a town board of health organized, and everything possible is being done by the citizens to combat the disease.

The diphtheria epidemic continues to spread at Altoona and the situation has become alarming. Twelve new cases were reported Thursday, making a total of 76 cases reported to the health board this week. Three deaths occurred as the result of the disease. The Millville and Ninth ward schools and churches have been closed to prevent the disease from spreading.

J. R. ADAMS SUICIDES.

The Well-Known Philadelphia Politician Kills Himself Friday by Shooting.

Josiah R. Adams, a prominent clubman and lawyer of Philadelphia, Pa., committed suicide Friday in the Hotel Flanders by blowing out his brains with a revolver. He has given his wife no intimation of such an intention and left no note to show that the act was premeditated. The couple had been living at the hotel for some time.

Mr. Adams was about 52 years of age and about a year ago the nominee of the Republican party for judge of the supreme court of Pennsylvania. His candidacy met with much opposition within his party, led by one of the anti-Quay Republican morning papers. He finally resigned as a candidate and ex-United States Senator John I. Mitchell, of Tioga county, was named in his place and elected.

He was a graduate of Princeton and was admitted to the bar in 1874. He was a member of the University, Art, Clover and Philadelphia Yacht clubs. He was recently commodore of the latter.

CHINA MADE A BLUNDER.

Appointment of Tuan Likely to Block the Peace Parleys.

Apprehensions of delay in peace negotiations with China, caused by the appointment of Prince Tuan, the Boxer chief and father of the heir apparent to the throne, as grand secretary to the emperor, were strengthened, when the State department received from Sheng, taotai of Shanghai, announcement that the appointment had been made. Sheng says nothing of the reported designation of Tuan as president of the privy council, but it is according to Chinese forms for a prince of Tuan's rank to fill both posts simultaneously.

The State department has taken steps through Minister Wu to impress upon the Chinese government the undesirability of the appointment of Prince Tuan as grand secretary, and the painful impression this appointment has created throughout this country. The effect of his appointment, if persisted in, might be to retard any negotiations.

MRS. HENROTIN HAS FAILED.

One Who Won Fame Telling Women How to Succeed, Wrecked Financially.

Mrs. Ellen M. Henrotin, of Chicago, former president of the National Federation of Women's Clubs, and now a vice president of the organization, has failed in business. She attracted attention for two years by her speeches and pleas for "Women in Business."

Mrs. Henrotin held that an up-to-date woman was well qualified for conducting business enterprises. When the routine of the household became irksome all she had to do was to go into business and shine resplendently. Thousands of women all over the land applauded and looked for business openings.

Mrs. Henrotin went into business, Sad to say, the business has gone to everlasting smash. She was a partner, in the firm of Ulric G. Peters & Co., stock brokers. Peters & Co. have failed, with liabilities \$73,244 and assets at \$2,967.

James Howard to Hang.

The motion for a new trial in the case of James Howard was overruled by Judge Cantrill, and Howard has been sentenced to hang December 7. It was agreed that the attorneys should be allowed to file their bill of exceptions in the appeal to the court of appeals any time between now and the third week in October.

Howard did not weaken or appear agitated when the solemn sentence of the court consigning him to the gallows was pronounced upon him, but in answer to the usual question of the court if he could show cause why sentence should not be pronounced, he said in a firm, clear voice: "I am innocent."

Government Advances Silver.

Owing to the advance in the price of silver Director of the Mint Roberts has increased the price to be paid by the Government for silver purchased from 55 to 57 cents a standard ounce.

The Government at present purchases only such silver as is contained in gold deposits from the Klondike, and other gold-producing sections. Under the existing statute all silver in gold deposits is paid for at the market price. The price has advanced steadily since 1895, when it touched 47 cents for a standard ounce. The new price went into effect on Monday.

Prof. T. R. Bell, principal of the West Alexandria (Pa.) schools, broke both bones of his ankle in a football game.

BOXER LEADERS WILL BE PUNISHED

PRINCE DEGRADED.

Tuan, the Boxer Leader, to be Tried by the Highest Chinese Court—Opens the Way for Peace.

Consul General Goodnow, at Shanghai, cables to the State department at Washington that Sheng, director of railroads and telegraphs, has handed him a decree from the empress dowager and the emperor, dated at Taig Nan, ordering the degradation of four princes and depriving Prince Tuan, leader of the Boxers, of his salary and official servants. Tuan is to be brought to trial before the imperial clan court.

This court is the supreme judicial tribunal of China, and is presided over by Prince Li, with Prince Ching, friend of the foreigners and co-peace envoy with Li Hung Chang, as first vice president. This action is very satisfactory to the United States government, which regards it as a long step forward toward a final settlement.

Princes Chwang and Yih, who are reported to have been dismissed from hereditary rank and all offices, were prominent advisers of the throne and have given anti-foreign advice. Secondary Prince Tsai Ying, also said to have been degraded, and Duke Tsai Lan, whose penalty for anti-foreign action is now pending before the board of war, are Tartar generals in command of Manchu battalions. Grand Secretary Kank Yih, said to have handed over to a board of war for the fixing of penalty, is a member of the privy council and a virulent anti-foreigner. Chao Chui Chen and Secondary Prince Tsai Lien are conspicuous anti-foreign leaders.

Mr. Wu, the Chinese minister, expresses his strong approval of Li Hung Chang's suggestion that the United States act as mediator between China and the powers.

STUDENTS FIERCE FIGHT.

A Class Rush at the Western University Results in Broken Heads.

Broken heads, bruised faces, bloody noses and ruined clothes figured in a desperate battle between students at the Western university, Allegheny, Pa., Wednesday morning in the annual rush of the freshman and sophomore classes. Three students are confined to their beds with serious injuries, and a number of others are nursing painful bruises.

The conflict was precipitated by the sophomores' successful attempt to tear down the "ou" pennant, which the freshmen raised before the regular exercises. The flag had been unfurled on the pole above the university building after the sophomores had gone to their class room. At lunch the sophomores saw the flag and several started to climb the pole to tear it down. The freshman class came out at this stage and a fight among 100 students followed.

Prof. Daniel Carhart, dean of the university, and Prof. A. B. Frost made a futile effort to prevent trouble. The battle lasted nearly an hour.

Wednesday evening shortly before midnight, Col. Pavon, of the Cuban army, was killed in the cafe Comercio, at Santiago, by Octavio Mena, formerly a clerk in the office of the captain of the port.

Mena and one of his companions were intoxicated and had been breaking furniture. It was proposed that they should practice revolver shooting at a quarter of a dollar tossed into the air. Col. Pavon intervened and a sharp controversy ensued. This quickly developed into a furious quarrel and Mena, snatching the revolver of one of his party, shot Col. Pavon in the back of the neck. The officer turned to face his assailant and received two bullets in the head, being instantly killed.

In civil life Pavon carried on the business of a tobacco merchant at Holguin. Mena is in jail and incommunicado.

JIM HOWARD CONVICTED.

Verdict Unexpected—Jury Disagreed on Penalty, but Finally Agreed.

James B. Howard, who has been on trial for the past ten days at Frankfort, Ky., charged with being a principal in the assassination of William Goebel, has been found guilty, the jury fixing his punishment at death.

W. H. Culton, who is under indictment as an accessory to the Goebel murder, and who gave damaging evidence against both Howard and Caleb Powers, was released on bail and his case was continued until the January term. His bond was fixed at \$10,000.

Jim Howard, as he is commonly known in the mountains, was the leader of the Howard-White faction in the Baker-Howard feud in Clay county, in which numerous lives were taken. He had killed George Baker and was suspected of the assassination of Tom Baker, who was killed after the same fashion as the Goebel murder, and Howard's friends believe that these facts had very much to do with the making of the verdict sentencing him to the gallows.

The trial of Henry E. Gutzey, of Newport, will be called next at Georgetown, next Monday.

STRUCK A GREAT GUSHER.

The South Penn Oil Company has made a tremendous strike in a new oil well in Lewis county, W. Va. The well is flowing at the rate of 200 barrels an hour, or 4,800 barrels a day. The tanks provided are too small to hold this great flow and the oil is being allowed to run into a creek and is there dammed up, with a view of pumping it out later.

Tuesday the well made a tremendous spurt and increased its outflow to 250 barrels an hour, or 6,000 barrels a day. Unfortunately, there is no tankage for this large volume of oil, and much of it flows on the ground and is dammed up.

Two Dead From Explosion.

A blaze generated by the brisk application of gasoline to an article of clothing and communicated to a tub of the liquid standing near partly wrecked and burned a cleaning and dyeing establishment at Pittsburg, Pa., Friday afternoon, destroyed two lives and injured others.

PROGRAM OUTLINED.

Both the Kaiser and the Empress Dowager Seem Eager for the Fray—A Secret Edict Issued by Prince Tuan.

Telegrams from London, dated Tuesday, say: News from China indicates that events are rapidly drifting in the direction of war between China and Germany.

There is the best reason for believing that Count von Waldersee, on arriving at Taku, will present an ultimatum demanding the surrender of five leaders of the anti-foreign uprising. After a few hours' grace he will formally declare war, and, taking advantage of Germany's position as a belligerent, will proceed to seize everything available with the German forces and fleet.

It is expected Germany will take the Wu-Sung forts and Kiangnan arsenal, thus dominating Shanghai. It is also believed she will attack the Kiang-Win forts on the Yang-tse from the land and endeavor to seize the Chinese fleet, including the valuable new cruisers. Failing this, she will at least occupy all the province of Kiang-Su north of the Yang-tse-kiang.

The French will support Germany. This is no rumor, but reliable information, and will probably be confirmed at the foreign office. Prompt action is necessary to prevent a coup, which will constitute a serious menace to British interests.

Chinese officials report that Prince Tuan has issued a secret edict in the name of the empress dowager to the effect that the imperial court has decided to continue the war against the powers at whatever cost. The edict threatens that any official failing to support the Manchus will be beheaded as a traitor, his whole family executed and the tombs of his ancestors demolished.

It is reported from Chinese sources that the dowager empress has issued a secret edict commanding Li Hung Chang to raise an army and recapture Peking.

AMERICA WILL INSIST

On the Death of Prince of the Blood and Prominent Boxer Chiefs.

Deprivation of the yellow jacket or imprisonment in the cases of General Tung-Fu-Siang and Prince Tuan will, it is authoritatively stated, not be adequate punishment. While no statement to that effect is to be had on the subject the general understanding is the death penalty for Tuan, a Prince of the blood, Yung-Lu, Tung-Fu-Siang and Chuang will be exacted by the United States as well as the rest of the powers. The only disagreement with Germany on that point is as to when those men shall be decapitated, before or after negotiations are formally resumed.

There was undisguised satisfaction at the State department over the announcement that Great Britain has answered Germany in the same terms as the United States. At the department it was protested that no intimation as to Great Britain's position had been received before the press dispatches were received. Britain's answer instead of showing America's isolation shows that Germany is practically alone.

WITDRAWAL FROM PEKIN.

Only an American Guard to Remain in the Chinese Capital.

The United States government Tuesday took the first step toward the redemption of its pledge made to the Russian government August 28 by a cable dispatch of instruction to Gen. Chaffee to reduce the American forces in China to the proportions of a legion guard. This small force will not be included in any military operations which may be conducted by the allied armies, and so will not fall subject to the direction of Field Marshal Count von Waldersee, the commander-in-chief.

It is stated at the quartermaster's department that there are enough transports available to bring off the force which will come out of China. Three or four vessels will be at Taku by the time the troops are ready to move.

Talk of Settlement.

President Truesdale, of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western railway, says, referring to the meeting at J. P. Morgan & Co.'s office:

"I was at the meeting Thursday and at other previous meetings. I know of no settlement having yet been made, but it