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ther diseases.

situation in the far east is that China is at war with the entire world. The rea-Ladies' Hermsdorf Black sons for which steps are not taken to declare a formal state of war is that it is still impossible to communicate with will give passports to the Chinese representatives until the fate of its own minister at Pekin is ascertained. As far as knowledge of the situation at the

> week has been the most anxious time Europe has known for many years. Nowhere has anxiety been so profound over the fate of many beings in official and private life who are practically at the mercy of the fanatics, but there is is the final settlement of the trouble to gain and much to lose.

There are already proceeding diplomatic changes of opinion on the question of the dismemberment of China. It signment of the Monadnock is espeis in regard to this matter that an is feared that England will find herself in the minority and powerless unless other purpose. she resorts to force.

It is particularly embarrassing that England is unable to send white troops. In fact the South African struggle was such an unredeemed calamity as it is Kruger instead of persisting in his demand for unconditional surrender. The attitude of Germany is of paramount importance in the eastern war problem. Should the kaiser's symathies be even slightly pro-Russian Salis- sible eventualities. bury's anxiety may well take a despondent turn.

#### CHINESE ARMY-NOT BOXERS.

Washington, June 23 .- The navy department this morning received an important despatch from Admiral Kempff, stating that an engagement is now in marine and other forces against the erestimated. Chinese army outside of Tien Tsin The following bulletin has been issued by the department: "Acting Secretary Hackett has this morning received a garrison force. It is doubtless convey-Chefoo, June 23, to the effect that marines under Major Walker, together garrison. with 400 Russians, have had an engagement with the Chinese army near Tien Tsin. They could not break the Another force, numbering 2,000 line. the admiral reports, is now ready to

tment for: Nervous, Rheumatic nese army, and not the boxers, who are mann. Probably Commodore Lans fighting the foreign troops.

troops and six more warships have been ropeans from the latter place had sucordered by the war and navy depart- ceeded in reaching Mong Tse without ment respectively to proceed from the having encountered great obstacles. Philippines to Taku. These large rethe Chinese government, and no power inforcements are to go as soon as possible. It cannot be definitely ascertained when the necessary orders were issued

but there is reason to believe they were sent to MacArthur at Manila and Rem-Chinese capital is concerned nothing ey at Cavite soon after the cabinet has been heard for nine days. The past meeting yesterday, and had no relation to the news which came from Admiral Kempff today that the column of Russians and Americans had been repulsed Ends Sale price, one-half doz. as in England. There is not only alarm at Tien Tsin. The designation of the two additional regiments to compose the brigade-one the Ninth infantry having been · previously ordered-was the gravest apprehension in regard to left to MacArthur. Three of the ships the general peril which menaces Brit- are the Monadnock, Marietta and the ish interests throughout the world. It Princeton, all of which are supposed to be at Cavite. These will give Kempff that England fears, for she has nothing a squadron of thirteen vessels. Six warships ordinarily compose a squadron and more than that number a fleet. So that Kempff will have a fleet. The ascially significant on account of her agreement is almost impossible, and it adaptability for attacking fortifications and armored ships more than for any

HAS DECLARED WAR.

London, June 23 .- The announcement that Prince Tuan has assumed active command of the Chinese troops and never in its darkest days recognized as the bombarding of Tien Tsin seems conclusive evidence that the dowager felt to be at the present moment by the bined European powers and that the empress has declared war on the com-English government. There is good whole military strength of China is to reason to believe there is sound basis be employed in behalf of the Boxers. of truth for the reports that Roberts is It is considered significant that the willing to discuss terms of peace with Chinese rerchants of Shanghai are realizing on their effects in specie and retiring into the interior. Evidently they anticipate a spread of the trouble. Consequently it is urgen that the forts at Woosung should be seized by the force the demands upon China besides international forces in view of the pos-

Possibly as a preliminary to some action of this kind the consuls at Shanghai today addressed a note to the Chinese admiral asking him to remove his fleet from Shanghai. In compliance with this request two Chinese warships are to sail today and the rest tomorrow. In the meanwhile the gravity of the sitprogress between the United States uation at Tien Tsin can hardly be ov-

The critical state of affairs seems plain from the haste with which the small force of 2,000 men was despatched from Taku to the relief of the Tien Tsin despatch from Admiral Kempff, dated ing ammunition, the absence of which adds so sensibly to the straits of the

A late message from Tien Tsin warns the relieving force to beware of Chinese ambuscades outside of the town It appears from a telegram sent by the German consul at Chefoo that Commander Lans of the Iltis was really make another attempt." The import- wounded at the Taku fight, together ance of this despatch is Admiral with fourteen other Germans, while sev-Kempff's disclosure that it is the Chi- |en were killed, including Lieut. Heltelegram to his relatives at Wesel

and that four Chinese convicted of participating in the burning of a church and five European houses June 16 had been executed.

## RUSSIA'S CAME.

London, June 23 .- Foreigners and commercial men at all of the treaty ports are of the opinion that the Chinese government has been wrecked beyond repair and that the only solution of the existing anarchy will be the establishment of a new government controlled by the civilized nations. Attempts to restore the empress on the basis if her fore-ordained promise of good behavior would make the position of foreigners worse than ever. A popular plan is the restoration of the emperor, if found alive. With liberal advisers he could be held subject to strict supervision by some council representing the foreign powers. The personal punishment of the highest officials concerned in the anti-foreign movement is considered essential. Interest is focussed on Russia and Amer-

ica. It is the universal belief that Russia instigated the rioting, expecting to march an army to Pekin and proclaim herself protector of China under the guise of restoring order, but achieved a flasco on account of the prompt action of the other powers. America is considered to be in the best position to take the lead in making proposals for a permanent settlement. There is a practical Anglo-American alliance in China. The local organizations of both nationalities are urging their respective governments to hurry more troops. The presence of enough soldiers to enbeing a check to the ambitions of rival powers is deemed vital. There is an insufficient number of English troops available to protect the interests at stake in the treaty ports. The English and Americans confidently expecthat several regiments will be sent

#### CUBAN TOBACCO PRICES DOWN.

from the Philippines.

Havana, June 23 .- Complaints are be ng made by country newspapers of the fall in the prices of tobacco. The secretary of agriculture attributes this to the fact that the buyers have formed two large trusts, one English and the other American, and are holding back until a low rate is reached.

See advertisement of a big reduction sale in Clothing at 'The Outfitter," 11 Patton ave. of age and reputed to have considerable money about her place. The murderer was a white man named Frank Gilmore, who lived about two miles from her house down the river. It is presumed that his original intent was robbery.

G. R. Kempe captured the man at the point of a gun. About twenty-five or thirty men gathered later in the evening while Gilmore was still being held at the Coates house under examination and took him out in the nearby timber. He has not since been heard from .but it is certain he has been hanged or has met even a worse fate.

### BRYAN DISAPPROVES OF THE REPUBLICAN PLATFORM

Milwaukee, Jung 23 .- Bryan passed hrough this city today. In an interview he said that the Philadelphia platform shows their platform of '96 a, deiberate fraud so far as the promise of international bimetallism is concerned. He declared that the party's attitude on trusts is insincere. It was not willing to state its attitude on the Philippines. He denied the report that he would not make speeches in the coming campaign.

#### **ROBERTS SANTENCED.**

Salt Lake City, Utah, June 23 .- Ex-Congressman Roberts was sentenced to pay a fine of \$150 or go to fail that number of days for unlawful cohabitation.

CLOSE OF Y. W. C. A CONFERENCE

#### Monday at Noon This Year's Sessions Will End.

Dr. Eardman, of Philadelphia, spoke at the Y. W. C. A. conference last evening on the last of his series of talks on the Holy Spirit. He spoke of it as something every Christian should have and not something gained by a sudden experience, as a great many people seem to believe.

At 11 o'clock this morning Rev. R. G. Pearson, of Asheville, will speak. Robert E. Spear. of New York, will speak at 4 in the evening. There will be a service for the leaders and members of the conference alone.

The conference closes at noon tomorrow and Dr. Spear will speak during the morning.

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tory from a British point of view. Trains ought soon to be running between Durban and Johannesburg. According to a Pretoria despatch General Botha possesses full powers to conclude peace and it is reiterated that he is willing to surrender but it seems

President Kruger remains obdurate. The fact that a deputation from Pietersburg, in northern Transvaal, has approached Lord Roberts with an invitation to send a force to receive the submission of the town is regarded as important, for Pietersburg is far removed from the scene of warfare.

London, June 23.-General Steyn's forces in the Orange River colony are for the time drawing most of the attention of Lord Roberts, rather to the neglect on Commandant Louis Botha

and President Kruger. The severance between the Transvaal and the Orange River colony was completed yesterday as Lord Roberts said it would be by the arrival of General Buller's advance. KRUGER'S CONDITIONS.

Lorenzo Marques, June 23 .- President Kruger's principal condition for immediate peace is that he be allowed to stay in the country. There are 500 Britsh sick and wounded now at Pretoria.

### A TIDE WAVE ROUTE.

#### Said to Have Been Found for Nicaraguan Canal.

New York, June 23 .- In a letter to a personal friend at Belle Fonte. Pa., Dr. G. F. Wickes, formerly physician at Bellevue hospital, New York and at present surgeon of the Nicaraguan canal commission, conveys an idea of the results which may be expected of the work of the commission. Dr. Wickes gives the interesting and startling information that the commission discoverede a tide water level route for a canal across the isthmus. The latter also shows some of the hardships and dangers which the commission encountered.



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