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OUR ANSWER TO GERMANY

Will be Cordial Endorsement of Principles of Anglo-German Agreement

Formal Reply Will Follow in a Few Days.

Correspondence Between the United States and France.

Suggestion for the Maintenance of the Open Door in China.

PECULIAR FEATURE OF AMERICAN ANSWER TO FRANCE—VIRTUALLY SAME AS BRITISH-GERMAN AGREEMENT.

Washington, Oct. 22.—The American answer to the invitation from Germany to acquiesce in the purpose of the British and German agreement will be a cordial endorsement of the principles contained in the agreement. Hay today informed the German charge d'affaires, who presented a copy of the agreement to him that his government was in accord with the principles of the agreement; that the action of Germany and England was pleasing to the United States, and that a formal answer would be handed the charge d'affaires in a few days.

Washington, Oct. 22.—The state department made public today the correspondence which has taken place between itself and the French government since the original French note respecting China which laid down the terms suggested by France as a basis of negotiation for a settlement. This last correspondence consists of two notes exchanged between Secretary Hay and M. Thiebaut last week, putting in formal shape certain verbal statements of importance respecting the negotiation.

An interesting and important feature of the United States note is the closing suggestion that the powers bind themselves again to preserve Chinese territorial integrity and to maintain the "open door" exactly the objects aimed at in the British-German agreement or alliance, which was made public last week. While this note by Secretary Hay bears date of October 19, and the British-German agreement bears the date of October 16, the action of this government was taken in ignorance of the agreement and it is entirely possible that it may have been the means of bringing about a disclosure of its purposes. Our suggestion indicates a favorable response by the United States government to the invitation to join with Great Britain and Germany in the objects specified. The correspondence is as follows:

CORRESPONDENCE—CHINESE AFFAIRS, OCTOBER 17-19.

In further relation to the proposals of the government of the French republic respecting the basis for the settlement to be negotiated by the powers and the Chinese government.

The French charge d'affaires to the secretary of state. (Handed to the secretary of state by the French charge d'affaires, M. Thiebaut, October 17, 1900.)

(Translation). Embassy of the French republic to the United States, Washington, October 17, 1900.

"The government of the republic has highly appreciated the response which the government of the United States has made to its note of the 4th of October; it has been especially gratifying to it to observe the sentiments of sympathy for France which have evidently inspired that reply.

"All the international powers have adhered to the essential principle of the French note. In so far as concerns the points which have called forth comments on the part of certain cabinets, they could, it would seem, be discussed among the powers or between their diplomatic representatives at Peking in the course of negotiations and

receive such modifications as might be judged necessary in order to more surely and speedily attain the common end. "The essential thing now is to show the Chinese government which has declared itself ready to negotiate, that the powers are animated by the same spirit; that they are decided to respect the integrity of China and the independence of its government; but that they are none the less resolved to obtain the satisfaction to which they have a right.

"In this regard it would seem that if the proposition which has been accepted as the basis of negotiations were communicated to the Chinese plenipotentiaries by the ministers of the powers at Peking, or in their name by their dean, this step would be of a nature to have a happy influence upon the determination of the emperor of China and his government.

"It goes without saying that this collective step would in no wise interfere with the examination of the points in the French proposition to which the reservations named by certain governments relate.

"The ministers of foreign affairs would be particularly happy to learn that this is also the opinion of the president of the United States and of the honorable secretary of state and that they have thought it opportune to send to the minister of the United States in Peking instructions in this sense."

UNITED STATES' REPLY.

"The secretary of state to the French de'affaires. (Sent to M. Thiebaut, October 19, 1900.)

"Memorandum in response to the memorandum in regard to the bases and conduct of negotiations for a settlement of pending questions between the powers and China delivered to the secretary of state by the French charge d'affaires, October 17, 1900.

"The government of the United States is gratified to learn that all the interested powers have adhered to the essential principle of the French note of October 14, and trusts that such reservations as they have suggested will, like those mentioned in the reply of the United States, prove no embarrassment to the progress of the negotiations, in the course of which they can be frankly discussed with a view to a common agreement.

"Holding as it does, in accord with the French government, that the essential thing now is to prove to the Chinese government that the powers are ready to meet in the path of peaceful negotiation and they are united in their repeatedly declared decision to respect the integrity of China and the independence of its government, while equally united in the resolve to obtain rightful satisfaction for the great wrong they and their nationals have suffered, this government has instructed its minister in Peking to concur in presenting to the Chinese plenipotentiaries the point upon which we are agreed as the initial step toward negotiations and towards the re-establishment of its effective power and authority of the imperial government.

"The government of the United States believes that the happy influence upon the determination of the Chinese emperor and of his government which the government of the French republic anticipates as the result of this step would be still further induced if the powers were to include as a part of their initial declaration a collective manifestation of their determination to preserve the territorial integrity and the administrative entirety of China, and to secure for the Chinese nation and for themselves the benefits of open and equal commercial intercourse between the Chinese empire and the world at large."

Department of State, Washington, October 19, 1900.

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EX-SECRETARY SHERMAN DIES IN WASHINGTON

The End Came Peacefully Early Yesterday Morning—Arrangements for the Funeral.

Washington, Oct. 22.—Hon. John Sherman, who, for a period of forty years, occupied a prominent place in legislative and administrative United States affairs, died here at 6:45 this morning of brain exhaustion, aged 78.

Death came to the aged sufferer peacefully after almost thirty-six hours of nearly complete unconsciousness. A number of relatives and friends who had assembled at Washington in response to summons were at the bedside when the end came. The most devoted of them was Mrs. McCallum, the adopted daughter of Secretary and Mrs. Sherman.

The funeral will be held at the Sherman residence early Wednesday afternoon, Rev. Alexander McKay-Smith, rector of St. John's, officiating. The interment will at Mansfield, Ohio, the secretary's old home. Services will be held there on Thursday and the president will attend. It is known that Mr. Sherman left a will but no information as to its contents or even when it will be probated will be obtainable until after the funeral.

Funeral services over the remains will be held in this case and the interment will be at Mansfield, Ohio, the secretary's old home.

The secretary was a large holder in real estate in this city, having invested extensively from time to time. Conservative estimates of his wealth place it at \$1,000,000. Other investments consist of securities, and it is stated that the old family home in Mansfield remained in his possession, notwithstanding reports that he had disposed of it prior to his return to Washington last month.

Among Mr. Sherman's former associates in the senate, his demise will be sincerely felt, without reference to party. In this field of activity his service had been particularly able and successful. He had served so long that experience was added to his natural talents. He was recognized as a master of all public questions, past and present, and he had at his finger's ends all the facts, figures and precedent to give a complete elucidation to the subject. He was regarded as a guide rather than a party leader, for his conservatism, caution, innate good judgment and power of effective execution inspired confidence in any line of action which he devised.

This was particularly true in the latter years, when he held the leading place in the senate on questions of finance and foreign affairs. Amid the most heated arguments and the widest differences the entrance of the venerable Ohio senator into the debate was the signal for a period of calm and dispassionate consideration of the serious arguments of the case. His appearance in debate was often like the sudden entrance of a schoolmaster into a room full of unruly pupils.

Sherman was not regarded as a great orator. His forte was more in the cool analysis of a proposition appealing to the judgment rather than to the emotions and carrying conviction. He presented the simple facts without any attempt at ornate diction. As a debater he had few equals. Of late years he seldom entered into daily discussions on the lesser topics, but reserved his efforts for the greater questions.

Senator Sherman was a brother of General William Tecumseh Sherman, the eminent American general, who succeeded Grant as commander in chief of the army in 1869.

The president this afternoon issued the following proclamation:

Death of the Honorable John Sherman.

By the president of the United States of America.
A proclamation.
To the people of the United States.
"In the fullness of years and honors, John Sherman, lately secretary of state, has passed away.
"By among our citizens have risen to greater or more deserved eminence in the national councils than he. The story of his public life and service is, as it were, the history of the country for half a century. In the congress of the United States he ranked among

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7 Room House, unfurnished, per mo. 25
8 Room House, unfurnished, per mo. 20
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the foremost in the house and later in the senate. He was twice a member of the executive cabinet, first as secretary of the treasury and afterwards as secretary of state. Whether in debate during the dark hours of our civil war or as the director of the country's finances during the period of rehabilitation, or as a trusted councillor framing the nation's laws for over forty years, or as the exponent of its foreign policy, his course was ever marked by devotion to the best interests of his beloved land and by able and conscientious effort to uphold its dignity and honor. His countrymen will long revere his memory and see in him a type of the patriot, the upright and the ideal that go to moulding and strengthening a nation.

"As a fitting expression of the issue of bereavement that affects the republic, I direct that on the day of the funeral the executive offices of the United States display the national flag at half mast, and that the representatives of the United States in foreign countries shall pay in like manner appropriate tribute to the illustrious dead for a period of ten days.

"Done at the city of Washington, this 22d day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand and nine hundred, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and twenty-fifth.

"WILLIAM M'KINLEY."
By the president, JOHN HAY, Secretary of State.
In diplomatic circles the news of Mr. Sherman's death brought many expressions of heartfelt regret, as the foreign representatives have been brought into intimate association with him during his service as secretary of state.

CONVERTED BY BRYAN TO M'KINLEYISM

Ex-Postmaster General Dickinson's Attitude—Will Vote Against Bryanism.

Washington, Oct. 22.—Ex-Postmaster General Don Dickinson, in a letter to a friend, says that since the adoption of the Kansas City platform and Bryan's nomination he never entertained a thought of voting for him. He hoped to remain away from the polls, but Bryan's recent speeches convinced him he must vote at the coming election. He declares that Bryan is preaching the gospel of hate and his "postulates are boxer and his propaganda boxer."

With regard to imperialism he says the theory of our government cannot be changed in form or substance unless congress and the supreme court are parties with the executive in a treasonable conspiracy. The Philippine question, he declares, is a problem to be solved by congress. "But," he says, "in no place on earth must our flag be hauled down under fire." With regard to the finance question he says it may be admitted that the man who proposes to have the nation make a dollar out of fifty cents of silver is sincere, but so is the anarchist when he adopts assassination as the proper political method. He says that while the republicans have many evils when the "house is on fire we must help our fellow occupants to put it out."

He concludes by declaring that he conceives it his solemn duty to vote against Bryanism.

WHEELER AND HOBSON.

Atlanta, Oct. 22.—General Joe Wheeler and Lieutenant Hobson were the guests of Atlanta today, the occasion being "veterans' day" at the southern interstate fair. A parade composed of the various military and civic organizations escorted the guests to Exposition park, where General Wheeler spoke in the afternoon.

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STRIKE SAID TO BE OVER

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On These Terms Mitchell Decides to Call Strike Off.

President Nichols' Statement at the Conference Last Night.

Closing Down of the Grassy Island Coal Washery.

RIOTING AT WASHERY IN WHICH SEVERAL NON-UNION MINERS ARE SERIOUSLY INJURED—POLICE RESCUE THEM.

Scranton, Oct. 22.—It is learned from an authoritative source tonight that the strike is over. Word has been received here that Mitchell has decided to call the strike off provided all the operators agree to post notices of the 10 per cent advance with reduction in the price of powder to be figured in. There was a conference of local operators and strike leaders tonight at which President Nichols of the district union, asserted that all the operators were were about to post notices in the morning with the exception of the Pennsylvania company.

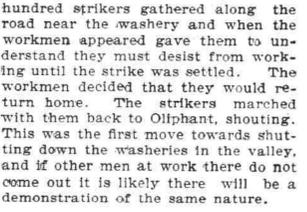
Wilkesbarre, Oct. 22.—A riot occurred at the Empire washery tonight, where a dozen men were working a culm bank. They were attacked by strikers as they left work, and despite all the police could do to protect them three of them were so badly beaten that they had to be removed to a hospital and the others were more or less injured. Several policemen were injured and a number of strikers hurt. The police and strikers fired a number of shots in the air. The police finally formed a ring about the men and succeeded in escorting them out of the crowd. The police tried to make arrests but the strikers repelled them and rescued the prisoners. The strikers, who are in large numbers, are still in possession of the field.

Mitchell, in an interview at Hazleton tonight, declared that the prospects of an early settlement were brighter than ever. He believed that the dispute in regard to the powder reduction would be overcome.

CLOSING DOWN THE WASHERY.
Scranton, Pa., Oct. 22.—The first hostile demonstration of the miners' strike in the Lackawanna region was made today at Oliphant, near here, where it was determined to close down the Grassy Island coal washery, operated by the Delaware and Hudson company. The place had been working a force of thirty men during the past two weeks, and was daily turning out a thousand tons of the smaller sizes of fuel for the market. Today several hundred strikers gathered along the road near the washery and when the workmen appeared gave them to understand they must desist from working until the strike was settled. The workmen decided that they would return home. The strikers marched with them back to Oliphant, shouting. This was the first move towards shutting down the washeries in the valley, and if other men at work there do not come out it is likely there will be a demonstration of the same nature.

REPUBLICANS AT GREENSBORO.

Charlotte, Oct. 22.—After attending the conference of the republican leaders at Greensboro today ex-State Chairman Holton stated that they expected McKinley to carry North Carolina. The Pritchard and was largely attended. conference was called by Senator



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