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BRITISH TORE DOWN THE RUSSIAN FLAG

Russian Commander Now Rejects Proposal For Compromise Until the English Withdraw From the Concession:

Brawling Continues Between French and British Soldiers.

French Demand the Court-Martial of Captain Bogler For Using His Fists.

Paris, March 20.—A Tien Tsin, despatch says that Col. Wogack, the Russian commander in rejecting the proposal for a compromise in the railway siding dispute, told Von Walderssee that he would decline to discuss the matter until the British left the concession. General Lorne-Campbell approached and said he couldn't leave. The deadlock therefore continues.

Wogack made the statement to a correspondent that the point in dispute was not whether the disputed ground was Russian or Chinese, but whether the British had made good the trespass. When the British advanced to take possession of the ground it was protected by a Russian flag and the boundary was clearly defined. The flag was torn down and thrown away by the working party of Bengal pioneers and their coolies who continued to work until driven off by the Russian guards. If the British had asked for authorization it would have been immediately granted but they tried to use force and they must now withdraw before there can be any discussion as to the ownership of the ground.

The despatch adds there has been much brawling without serious results, between the French and British soldiers.

Paris, March 19.—A despatch from Tien Tsin says the French have demanded the court-martial of Captain Bogler for knocking down the French soldier who compelled him to leave his rickshaw.

Tien Tsin, March 19.—The British and French commanders here have arranged to prevent a recurrence of the trouble between the French and English soldiers. The French commander, General Voyron has forbidden his soldiers to leave the French concession.

London, March 19.—Some of the afternoon newspapers say the Tien Tsin difficulty has been arranged. The misunderstanding was due to the Chinese authorities granting the same concessions to two nations.

The arrangement enables Great Britain to proceed with the construction of the railway siding, but if Russia's concession proves to be earlier than that of Great Britain's the latter is to acknowledge the claim of Russia.

The foreign office however, has no information tending to confirm the announcement of an arrangement having been reached and officials are in doubt that such an arrangement has been arrived at. They say the original concession was given up by Russia.

Replying to Sir Edms Ashman Bartlett, conservative, Mr. Balfour, the government leader, said in the house of commons yesterday that the government did not possess any information indicating any decline in British influence in the Yang Tse province. As to the Russian claim for the waters of Blonide and Elliot islands, the British government had certainly not accepted this claim. The government had received no communication on the subject from Russia. The Russian admiral had remonstrated against the presence in the waters of Elliot island of H. M. S. Plover, which was engaged in pursuing pirates. But British ships had a perfect right under the treaty of Tien Tsin to go there.

Questions regarding the dispute at Tien Tsin were parried by the under secretary for foreign affairs, Lord Cranborn, in refusing to answer them without notice.

William Redmond asked why Great Britain had hoisted the white flag and backed down after threatening to use force or arms.

Lord George Hamilton, secretary for

India, replying to a question in the house of commons today, said no other disturbances are anticipated at Tien Tsin, and that sentries remained in their previous position with strict orders not to assume the aggressive pending a settlement of the immediate cause of the difficulty by the military authorities on the spot.

Lord George Hamilton reassured Sir Edms Ashman-Bartlett that no instructions had been sent to the British officer at Tien Tsin, either by the government or by Sir Ernest Satow, to resist the seizure by Russians of the land required for a siding.

Tien Tsin, March 19.—The excitement and anxiety here as to possible developments in the Anglo-Russian siding dispute do not abate. A company of British troops and a company of Russian soldiers remain encamped on either side of the trench looking at each other. The Russians have orders to fire on any one commencing work.

General Wogack says the trouble was caused by the unwarrantable interference of the British in the affairs of the Russian concession, and adds that the siding will not be continued unless he received orders from his own superiors.

Field Marshal Von Walderssee is expected here today. Both sides will appeal to him, but both consider the matter beyond his authority and will await orders from Europe.

Paris, March 19.—A despatch from Peking to the Havas agency says:

"The Chinese negotiations will soon permit a reduction of the French forces of about 10,000 men, who will be repatriated."

IS RUSSIA IN THROES OF A REVOLUTION?

Riotous Students Shot Down by Police—Attempts on the Czar's Life.

London, March 20.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Daily Mail says that rioting there was renewed Monday on the occasion of a mass in the Kazan cathedral for the murdered minister of public instruction, Bogolyepoff. The students created a disturbance outside the cathedral. The police fired several volleys from revolvers, killing five students and wounding eighty. Over a hundred were arrested. The rioting was resumed at night and the police arrested many disturbers.

EMBEZZLED UNION FUNDS.

Treasurer of Switchmen's Union Charged With Larceny
Buffalo, March 19.—The grand jury has reported three indictments against John E. Tipton, secretary-treasurer of the Switchmen's Union of North America, each charging grand larceny in the second degree, in having appropriated money belonging to the union as follows: February 8, \$249; February 18, \$224, and March 4, \$151. The total shortage in accounts is said to be \$2,659.

SUIT AGAINST ERIE RAILWAY.

New York, March 19.—Richard Pine Coffin has begun suit in the United States circuit court against the Erie Railway company and J. P. Morgan, citing them to appear and explain why Mr. Morgan, as controlling trustee of the Erie road, compelled the purchase of the Pennsylvania Coal company, in which transaction the complainant alleges Mr. Morgan made a profit of \$9,400,000.

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GERMANY CONCERNED

The Chinese Situation Discussed Yesterday in the Reichstag.

Greatest Interest in Preventing Friction Between the Powers Now Negotiating.

MANY INTERESTS IN ASIA TO SAFEGUARD

GERMANY HAS NO INTENTION OF ALLOWING THE CHINESE TRADE TO BE MONOPOLIZED BY ANY ONE.

Berlin, March 19.—In the course of the debate in the Reichstag today on the third reading of the budget replying to Prince Bismarck's criticism of Count Von Buelow's recent speech in which the chancellor insisted on Germany's interests in Manchuria and that Germany's interests would have suffered even if Chou had not been leased. Count Von Buelow said Germany had the greatest interest in preventing friction between the powers now negotiating in China. Moreover, in eastern Asia, Germany had many interests to safeguard. In Shan Tung province she had millions invested. Above all Germany had to insist on adequate compensation being given for the murder of Baron von Ketteler. That was a question in which the honor of Germany was engaged and in which she had vital interests.

In the further course of his speech the chancellor said: "I have left no room for the slightest suspicion that German politics exist in Manchuria, but at the same time I have stated that it must naturally be our desire that China shall not to purposely diminish her capacity for satisfying the just claims of the powers

TODAY'S GAZETTE.

FIRST PAGE: The Anglo-Russian Trouble in China. Students shot down in St. Petersburg. Mutiny Among Convicts.
SECOND PAGE: The Markets by Telegraph. People's Column (Went Adv'ts.) State News Items.
THIRD PAGE: Miscellany.
FOURTH PAGE: Editorial. City Personals.
FIFTH PAGE: Clay Pigeon Shoot. The Impeachment Trial. Local and Telegraphic News.
SIXTH AND SEVENTH PAGES: Miscellany.
EIGHTH PAGE: City News.

for compensation. This is not misunderstood in any quarter. Two hours ago I received a despatch from St. Petersburg according to which Count Lamsdorff, the Russian minister of foreign affairs, has expressed his satisfaction to the German Ambassador with my statements in regard to the Chinese question.

The chancellor gave figures illustrative of the importance of commerce between Germany and East Asia amounting to 80,000,000 marks, 100,000,000 marks are invested in Shang Tung province. Germany, therefore, has the greatest interest in preventing the Chinese trade from becoming the booty of a single power or several powers without our participation.

Count Von Buelow also declared that the center of gravity of Germany's policy remained in Europe and that he had no intention of allowing it to be displaced while protecting her interests in Asia. Subsequently Prince Bismarck declared he had been misunderstood. He really desired to assist the chancellor. It was obvious that German honor must be vindicated.

The chancellor jokingly thanked Prince Bismarck for the way he had supported him in his Chinese message (student's duty). Later the house agreed to the proposal of the budget committee to include in the next budget a credit for 20,000 marks towards insulating chambers of commerce abroad, although Baron von Riechhofen, the foreign secretary, deprecated their institution, declaring that if the establishment of such chambers in America would be of any appreciable value Great Britain would have long since established them.

GEN. HARRISON'S WILL BEQUEATHING \$375,000

All Divided Among Family, But Russell Gets Only Remittance of Debts.

Indianapolis, March 19.—Ex-President Harrison's will was filed this afternoon. It disposed of property valued at \$375,000. It leaves a home in the Adirondacks, a residence in New York state with nearly all the furnishings, horses, carriages and \$15,000 to his widow. It further provides \$125,000 to be held in trust for her, she to receive the interest thereon during her life. At her death it reverts to the estate.

Ten thousand dollars is set aside for the education of his daughter, Elizabeth, and \$10,000 is directed to be invested for his grandson, Benjamin Harrison McKee, the principal and interest to be turned over to him on his becoming of age.

A number of small bequests are made for other grand children, relatives and local institutions. All debts due from Russell are remitted. The remainder of the estate is divided in equal shares. The daughters, Mary and Elizabeth are bequeathed a share each. The third share is given in trust to Russell for Russell's children.

RETURNED TO WASHINGTON.

Washington, March 19.—President McKinley and party returned to Washington this afternoon from Indianapolis and Canton. President and Mrs. McKinley seemed a trifle fatigued. There were only two white house attaches, a squad of police and a few strangers gathered at the depot. Secretary Root came down but left on finding the train late. There were no special incidents during the trip.

INAUGURAL BALL VICTIM.

New York, March 19.—Mrs. Stuart N. Chisholm is dead at her home in this city as a result of a bad cold she contracted at the inaugural ball two weeks ago.

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MUTINY IN PENITENTIARY

Convicts in Mine Overpower Guards and Hold Them as Hostages.

Issue Ultimatum to Warden and Threaten to Wreck Mines Unless He Complies.

PRISONERS DEMAND DECREASE OF WORK

ALSO A CHANGE IN THE BILL OF FARE—MOUTH OF MINE BEING GUARDED.

Leavenworth, March 19.—Convicts employed in the mines of the penitentiary at Lansing mutinied at noon yesterday, overpowered fifteen guards and held them as hostages in the workings of the mine, which is 750 feet deep. The convicts number 248, some of whom are desperate life prisoners. After overpowering the guards the convicts refused to allow anyone to enter the mines and sent a written ultimatum to the warden threatening to wreck the mine unless he acceded to their demand for "three square meals" daily and agreed to call the mining of two carloads a day's work instead of three cars as now required. They also declared that corn, corned beef, peas, turn bread, liver and pigs feet must be erased from the bill of fare hereafter.

Several communications passed between the warden and the convicts with a view to adjusting the difficulty, but as the warden insists on unconditional surrender nothing was effected. A communication was received from one of the guards at noon today saying so far as he could learn all the guards were alive. The warden expects to tire out the men. He points out that the could shut off the air supply and suffocate the men, but this would result in the same fate for the guards, and therefore he will not resort to that extremity.

The mouth of the mine is within the prison walls and this is guarded to prevent a rush of convicts.

BAD BEHAVIOR OF THE FRENCH IN CHINA

Insult Women and Abusive to American and English Troops.

Tien Tsin, March 19.—Speaking of the attack made by a number of excited French soldiers on some members of the British Sikh regiment Sunday in the French concession, General Lorne-Campbell says it was merely a childish outbreak against the orders of their own general who had forbidden French soldiers to enter the British concession.

The order followed a request made by General Lorne-Campbell after almost every resident had complained of the behavior of the French in insulting women, refusing to pay for purchases, acting riotously and abusing American and English soldiers.

General Voyron, the French commander recognized that this must stop and ordered the French soldiers to keep in their own concession. Gen. Lorne-Campbell is perfectly satisfied that General Voyron is in harmony with himself and is anxious to maintain order.

Major Foote of the Ninth United States Infantry, says the French soldiers are frequently abusive to American troops, who are unarmed while on pass, while the French are armed with swords and bayonets.

On one occasion an American diarmed a Frenchman and turned over his weapon to the sergeant of the guard, explaining satisfactorily his reasons for the action taken.

BREAKS THE RECORD.

San Jose, Cal., March 19.—Burtown Downing of the Garden City Wheel club has broken the world's five mile amateur straightway road record over the Gilroy course. His time was 8.48. The record of 9.01 was formerly held by Bunt Smith.

HEAVY SEAS ON THE BAR.

Pensacola, March 19.—The flagship Kearsarge and the battleships Alabama and Massachusetts proceeded to the navy yard today but will not go out owing to heavy seas on the bar.

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