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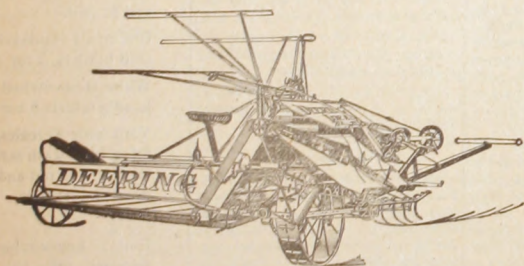
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Present Status of Negotiations in Progress for Settlement of Chinese Question.

OFFICIAL NOTES ARE MADE PUBLIC.

United States Favors Withdrawal of Troops from Peking Under Certain Conditions--All Must Unite in Action to Bring About the Result So Greatly Desired.

Washington, Sept. 1.—The state department has just made public the text of the Russian proposal and its own response, as follows:

Department of State, Washington, Aug. 29, 1900.—The Russian charge yesterday afternoon made to me an oral statement respecting Russia's purposes in China, to the following effect:

"That, as already repeatedly declared, Russia has no designs of territorial acquisition in China; that equally with other powers now operating there Russia has sought safety of location at Peking and to help the Chinese government to repress the troubles; that, incidentally to necessary defensive measures on Russian border, Russia has occupied Niuchwang for military purposes, and, as soon as order is re-established, will re-occupy the town; that if action of other powers be no obstacle thereto; that the purpose for which the various governments have cooperated for relief of legations in Peking has been accomplished, that, taking the position that, as the Chinese government has left Peking, there is no longer any reason for its retention; that Russia has directed Russian minister to retire with his official personnel from China; that the Russian troops will be withdrawn from the city; that the government of China shall retain the reins of government and afford an authority with which the other powers can deal, and will express its desire in negotiations, the Russian government will also name its representative. Holding these views and purposes, the Russian government hopes that the United States will share the same opinion."

Reply of United States.

To the department of state reply has been made by the following memorandum: Memorandum in response to the Russian charge's oral communication, made on August 28, 1900, and to the Russian minister's statement, touching the purposes of Russia in China: "The government of the United States receives with much satisfaction the reiterated statement that Russia has no designs of territorial acquisition in China, and that, equally with the other powers now operating in China, Russia has sought the safety of her legation in Peking, and to help the Chinese government to repress the existing troubles. The same purposes are also expressed by the Russian government of the United States, and the frank declarations of Russia in this regard are in accord with those made to the United States by the other powers."

Should Not Be Difficult.

"All the powers, therefore, having disclaimed any purpose to acquire any part of China, and now that adherence thereto has been rendered since relief has reached Peking, it ought not to be difficult by concurrent action through negotiations to reach an amicable settlement with China by which the treaty rights of all the powers will be secured for the future, the open door assured, the interests and property of foreign citizens conserved and full reparation made for wrongs and injuries suffered by them."

Greater Part of China at Peace.

"So far as we are advised, the greater part of China is at peace and earnestly desires to protect the life and property of all foreigners, and in several of the provinces active and successful efforts to suppress the Boxers have been taken by the viceroys, to whom we have extended encouragement through our consuls and naval officers."

"This present good relations should be promoted for the peace of China."

"While we agree that the immediate object for which the military forces of the powers have been cooperating, viz.: the relief of the legations at Peking, has been accomplished, there still remain other purposes which all the powers have in common, which are referred to in the communication of the Chinese charge, and which were specifically enumerated in our note to the powers of July 3."

Further Need of Troops.

"These are: To afford all possible protection everywhere in China to foreign life and property; to guard and protect all legitimate foreign interests; to aid in preserving the spread of the disorders to other provinces of the empire; and to secure recurrence of such disorders; and to seek a solution which may bring about permanent safety and peace to China, preserve Chinese territory and administrative entity, protect all rights guaranteed by treaty and international law to friendly powers, and safeguard for the world the principle of equal and impartial trade with all parts of the Chinese empire."

Favor Joint Occupation.

"In our opinion these purposes could best be attained by the joint occupation of Peking under a definite understanding between the powers until the Chinese government shall have been re-established and shall be in a position to enter into new treaties with adequate provisions for reparation and guarantee of future protection. With the establishment and recognition of such authority, the United States would wish to withdraw its military forces from Peking and remit to the process of peaceful negotiation our just demands."

Will Order Withdrawal.

"The result of these considerations is that, unless there is such a general expression by the powers in favor of continued occupation as to modify the views expressed by the government of Russia and lead to a general agreement for the continued occupation, we shall give instructions to the commander of the American forces in China to withdraw our troops from Peking after due conference with the other commanders as to the time and manner of withdrawal. No obstacle in this regard can arise through any action of the United States, whose policy is fixed and has been repeatedly proclaimed."

"ALVEY A. ADEE,
"Acting Secretary, Department of State."
"Washington, Aug. 29, 1900."

You will communicate the foregoing to the minister of your country and invite early consideration and response.

Total Coinage.

Washington, Sept. 3.—The monthly statement of the director of the mint shows that during August the total coinage at the United States mints was \$7,774,100, as follows: Gold, \$5,050,000; silver, \$2,530,000; minor coins, \$188,100.

Whipped by a Mob.

Charleston, Mo., Sept. 6.—Elijah Davis (colored) was taken from the jail here by a mob and lashed until the blood ran down his back for an assault on the city marshal.

Engineer Killed.

Freeport, Ill., Sept. 1.—Engineer Ryan was killed and nine passengers injured in a wreck here on the North-western railroad.

ILLINOIS STATE NEWS.

Almost Killed.

With his features distorted beyond all human semblance and his hands and arms swollen and scarred, Andrew Schlake, a farmer living north of Nashville, was found wandering about in the swamps along the Okaw river. Myriads of mosquitoes hovered over him and covered his face and body. Schlake was taken to his home by friends and it was found that he was suffering from thousands of mosquito bites. Schlake had become lost while hunting and had fought mosquitoes all night. His case was considered serious.

Horse Thief Confesses.

Samuel Sanders, arrested in Christian county, confessed that he was from Indiana and one of an organized band of ten horse thieves. Frank McLean, son of a well-to-do farmer, who had been arrested, being one; that during the last few months the gang had stolen 50 animals, marketing them in Terre Haute, and that members of the gang were responsible for the fires which occurred recently in Tower Hill and the vicinity.

Crop Conditions.

The weekly crop report issued by the Washington weather bureau says for Illinois:

Good rains in northern and central districts, dry south; much plowing done in rain area; oats in shock badly damaged by rain; corn prospects excellent where rain occurred, but greatly deteriorated in dry area; cutting begun in some localities; broom corn harvest in progress, slight damage by rain; pastures and meadows fine in north, applying manure to corn, but poor in south, many still dropping.

A New President.

The trustees of Knox college at Galesburg met and elected Dr. Thomas McClelland, now president of Pacific university at Forest Grove, Ore., as president of Knox college, to succeed John H. Finley, who resigned the presidency about a year ago to accept an editorial position on McClary's Magazine, and has since accepted the professorship of politics at Princeton university.

Verdict Overruled.

Silas Riggs was found guilty in Mount Vernon of the murder of John Sommers and was sentenced by the jury to 14 years in the penitentiary. The murdered man was charged with abducting the defendant's 17-year-old daughter, and was shot while in the custody of an officer. A new trial was granted and Riggs was let go on a \$2,000 bond.

Aged Couple Murdered.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bobb, an aged couple living alone on a farm 12 miles north of Freeport, were murdered and all the money there was in the house, about \$100, which the aged couple had saved up for their funeral expenses, was stolen. Mr. Bobb was 92 years old and his wife was 87, and both were in feeble health.

Lived Over a Century.

Mrs. Katherine Rice celebrated her one hundred and third birthday quietly at the home of her step-daughter, Mrs. Sarah Rice, in Mount Morris. "Aunt Kittie" received many callers, giving each a kind word. The aged lady continues in good health, and showed no sign of fatigue after the day's excitement.

Told in a Few Lines.

Five-horses were electrocuted in Havana by a live electric light wire being dragged to the ground by a falling limb.

The school census shows Waukegan's population to be 2,280, against 2,245 in 1898, a gain of 335.

Post office officials in Chicago passed a rule barring employment to any boy who is addicted to the use of cigarettes.

There is considerable excitement in the north part of Johnson county over the discovery of gold on the farm of John Craig.

Mrs. Charles Glockner's baby died of starvation in a courtroom in Chicago while the mother was testifying against her husband for abandonment.

Loren E. Wheeler, mayor of Springfield, and Miss Maud Hoffman, a well-known teacher in the public schools, were married at the bride's home.

Edgar Spratt, aged 16, was killed a mile from Galena. A double-barrel shotgun exploded and his head was blown off.

W. L. Mink, aged 70 years, was gored to death by a vicious bull in Rockford.

Chicago employment agents report that they are experiencing great difficulty in obtaining men to fill orders for out of town.

Dr. Ernest Schmidt, for 40 years a prominent physician of Chicago, died at his residence.

The business portion of Trilla was almost wiped out of existence.

Samuel Jaynes, an old-time printer, 65 years of age, an insane patient at Kankakee hospital, deliberately walked into the river and was drowned.

Fire destroyed the Commercial hotel at Marshfield, the loss being \$10,000.

Rev. William Mitchell, for 20 years in the ministry, died at Arcola.

Adam Wolf charges his wife in Alton with trying to kill him with a hat-pin. Wolf weighs 250 pounds and his wife barely tips the beam at 100.

After an absence of 13 years, Mrs. Zoll returned to Morris to claim a \$18,000 estate.

In an attempt to arrest Mrs. C. W. Weight, a doctor at Gilman accused of killing a girl, two men were killed and three wounded and Mrs. Weight fatally shot.

H. H. Stridron, a wealthy Chicago lumber merchant, was shot in a hotel in New York by J. H. Esson, also of Chicago, who afterwards killed himself. No cause is known for the deed.

Rev. Samuel Lauer, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church at Naperville, died at the age of 53 years.

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