

## Changed His Plans

### Li Hung Chang Has Decided to Go to the Chinese Capital.

### Had a Long Conference With Russian Minister Before Announcement Was Made.

### The French Government Has Addressed Another Note to the Powers.

(Associated Press.)  
Washington, Oct. 5.—The British government has authorized Sir Claude Macdonald, the British minister at Peking, to enter into relations with the Chinese officials just as our government did in the case of Mr. Conger. It has left its minister discretionary power to pass upon the sufficiency of the credentials of Li Hung Chang, Prince Ching, and other Chinese envoys.

### French Note.

Paris, Oct. 5.—The following official note was issued this afternoon: "The French minister has instructed representatives of France to sound the powers whose troops are co-operating with ours in the extreme east, regarding the adoption of a common programme for the negotiations with China. Our representatives accepted themselves of the mission and left with the various foreign ministers a copy of the following note: 'In sending their forces to China the powers proposed first of all to deliver their legations. Thanks to their union and the value of the troops this aim has been attained. It is now a question of securing from the Chinese government, which has given Prince Ching and Li Hung Chang full power to negotiate and treat in its name, suitable reparations for the past and serious guarantees for the future. Penetrated with the spirit which inspired the previous declarations of the different governments, the government of the Republic believes it sums up their real sentiments in the following points, which it submits as a basis for negotiations to be entered upon immediately after the usual verification of the powers: First—The punishment of the principal culprits who will be designated by the representatives of the powers at Peking. Second—The maintenance of the prohibition of the import of arms. Third—Equitable indemnities to states, societies and individuals. Fourth—The formation of a permanent guard for the Peking legations. Fifth—The dismantling of the Sixth—The maintenance of the occupation of two or three points on the road from Tien Tsin to Peking, which would thus always be open to the legations wishing to go to the sea, or to forces proceeding to Peking from the sea. Presented collectively by the representatives of the powers and supported by the presence of the international troops, it appears impossible to the government of the Republic that the conditions, which are so legitimate, would not be accepted by the Chinese government at an early date."

### To Visit Peking.

Tien Tsin, Oct. 3, via Shanghai, Oct. 4. Li Hung Chang and M. de Giers, the Russian minister at Peking, had a lengthy conference to-day after it was announced that Li Hung Chang would depart for Peking to-morrow. Li Hung Chang will be accompanied by the Russian admiral, a Russian guard and his own bodyguard. Peaceful conditions prevail.

The failure of the Russians to rebuild the railway to Peking is causing talk among the commanders of the restoration of the line to English owners for reconstruction and operation.

The sick among the Americans are being sent to the hospital ship Maine, which will sail soon for Nagasaki and Yokohama.

### The Indemnity.

Shanghai, Oct. 4.—The astonishment of the Chinese was great when they received to-day official notification from the viceroys to the effect that foreign pressure had necessitated the degradation of prominent members of the court.

The new German cable from Chee Foo to Tsin Tau has been opened.

It is reported that the allies will demand an indemnity which will aggregate \$200,000,000.

### Conditions in the Capital.

Peking, Oct. 1, via Tien Tsin, Oct. 4. A small body of Imperial Chinese troops appeared at Peking yesterday. They informed the British garrison that their purpose was to disperse the Boxers. They were not molested by the British.

It is announced that the Germans will winter 8,000 men in Peking.

The British are reducing their forces in preparation for the winter. One thousand coolies will start for India soon, as the Indian cavalry will probably be withdrawn.

The volume of business being done is steadily increasing.

### Germany Controls Railroads.

Tien Tsin, Oct. 3.—Orders given to Yang Lu (the commander in chief of the northern armies, and one of the most influential men in China) to join Li Hung Chang have been given.

for the immediate delivery of a plant for the construction of a branch railroad from Tang Ho, on the Gulf of Liao Tung, to Ching Wan Tao. Also for the erection of a pier to which ships may be moored. It is expected that the work will be completed within two months, thus securing facilities for a winter port.

It is reported that the Russians are moving from Shan Hai Kuan towards Chin Chau.

The Germans have demanded possession of the railroad between Tien Tsin and Peking, and the Russians have agreed to let them have it. The Germans will shortly begin to repair the road between Yang Tsun and Peking.

### Russians Occupy Mukden.

Berlin, Oct. 5.—The Naval Societies' news bureau in China cables that the Russians have occupied Mukden, capital of the province of Liao Tung.

### Anti-Foreign Appointment.

Berlin, Oct. 5.—The Lokal Anzeiger's Shanghai correspondent says that Lu Chuan Lin, recently appointed president of the grand council, is a tool of Prince Tuan.

London, Oct. 4.—The papers here but little to say about the new German note.

The Daily News, which describes it as "clear, straightforward and manly," expresses a hope that all the European powers and also the United States will agree with Emperor William's latest proposal.

The British correspondents in China continue to complain of the weak attitude displayed by Great Britain and the United States, as well as the other powers, in withdrawing from Peking and in displaying generally a yielding mood.

The Morning Post's correspondent at Taku asserts that the persecution of Christians has been revived in the province of Shan Tung. It is reported from Chinese sources that the imperial court has already been removed to Si Ngan Fu.

A dispatch to the Daily Express from Hongkong reports a serious rising of "Triads" in Canton, and the country to the south is said to be in a ferment.

The Hongkong correspondent of the Times, writing Wednesday, says: "A thousand braves have left Canton to suppress a rebellion instigated by 'Triads' at Wai Cau, in the Sa Non district. There is grave unrest in the two Kwang provinces, and precautions have been taken to Koon Lou."

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### Withdrawing Troops.

Pekin, Sept. 30, via Tien Tsin, Oct. 2. The withdrawal of the British force from Peking will begin next Wednesday, October 3rd. The marines, Major William Biddle commanding, will march to Tien Tsin, and the 14th Infantry Regiment will follow them closely. The United States garrisons at Ho Si Wu and Pei Tsang will also be withdrawn. Most of the allied generals are opposed to the campaign of revenge, which it is supposed the Germans have in view. The Germans are planning a movement east of Tung Chow to capture the arsenal.

The Russian and Belgian ministers arrived here on October 1st. The German minister remains here. About 1,800 United States troops are to stay in north China. The missionaries will probably petition Washington to increase this number.

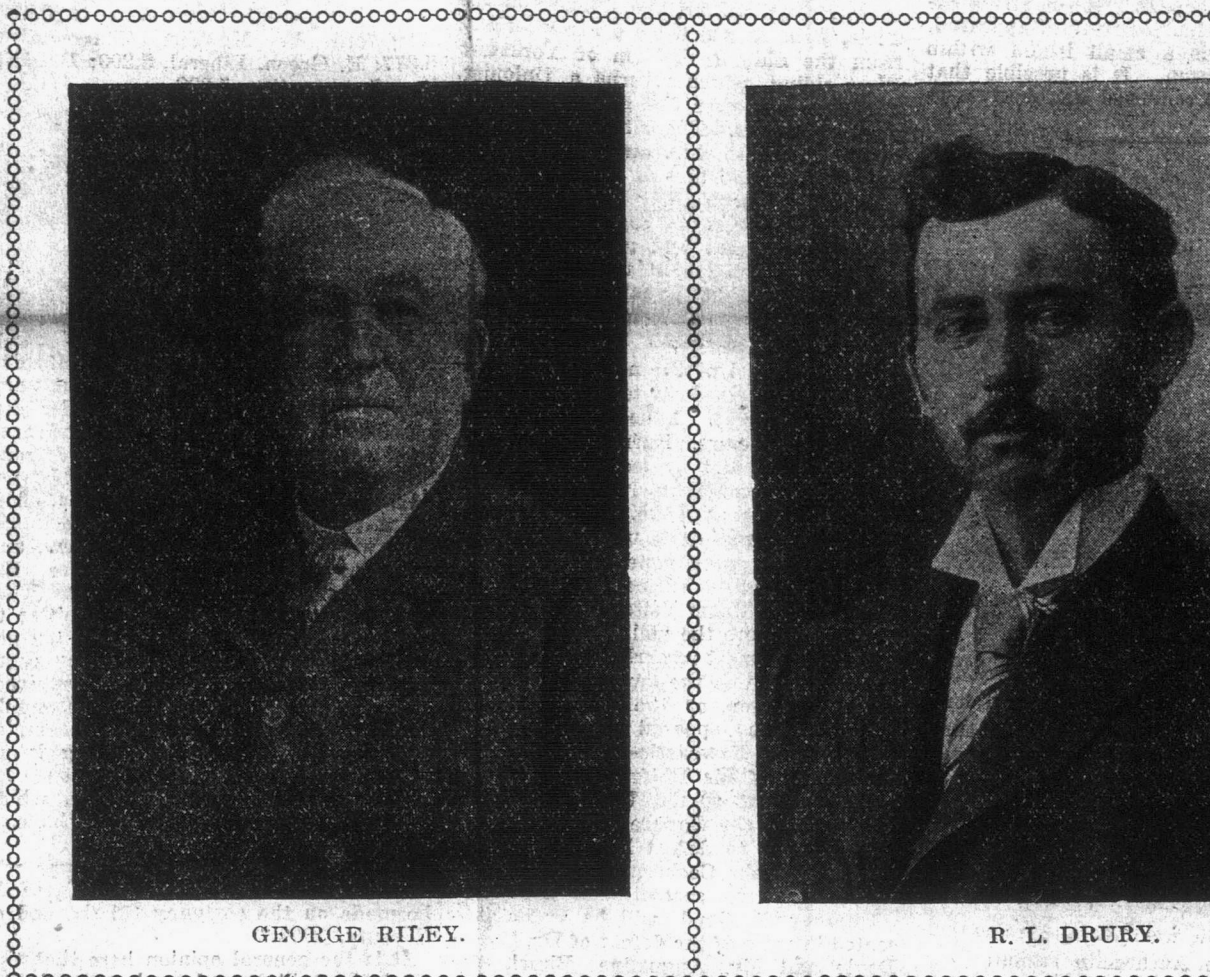
### Honoring the Dead.

Taku, Oct. 1.—The Dowager Empress has deputed the highest official of the Empire to make all necessary arrangements for a most imposing funeral in honor of Baron von Ketteler, late German minister to China. She has also ordered the erection of a suitable temple at the capital in his memory.

The superintendent of trade at Tien Tsin has been ordered to meet the body on its arrival here and the highest officials at other ports will pay the greatest honor to the dead.

An imperial edict degrades from all ranks and offices Prince Tuan, Li Yen Kang Yi, Tung Fuh Siang, and others concerned in the Boxer movement.

## THE LIBERAL CANDIDATES.



GEORGE RILEY. R. L. DRURY.

Taku forts, and for the maintenance of a line of communication between Peking and the sea.

The impression here in advance of action of these propositions by the United States is that they contain nothing essentially unfitting them for consideration in a final settlement. The difficulty which is likely to arise lies in the placing of proper limitations upon the scope of each head.

Following is the reply of the United States government to the German note relative to the punishment of the Chinese offenders:

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Formosa has attempted to engage the Russian armored cruiser Rurik, but the latter's speed frustrated the plan.

The correspondent says it is probable that the allied squadrons will force the Chinese fleet to capitulate or will destroy it.

Shanghai telegrams announce that the Imperial edict dated September 30th, ordering the court to be removed to Si Guan Fu, was issued owing to the famine at Tai Yuan Fu. They also express the opinion that the object of the recent edicts regarding the degradation of Chinese personages of high rank is merely to gain time and to enable China to be in a better position to defy the powers, as the new capital will be virtually inaccessible from the coast. They say that the Chinese firmly believe in the existence of a Russo-German agreement under which Russia will take all the territory north of the Great Wall, and Germany the provinces of Chihli and Shan Tung.

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## Financial Returns

### Statement for Past Three Months, Issued To-Day, Makes Pleasant Reading.

### Revenue Increased Over One Million Dollars Compared With Last Year.

### Over Six Hundred Thousand Dollars For Dominion From the Yukon.

(Special to the Times.)  
Ottawa, Oct. 5.—A statement issued by the finance department to-day shows the revenue for the three months of the fiscal year ending September 30th last, to be \$12,758,088, as compared with \$11,664,829 for the same time last year, an increase of over \$1,000,000. The expenditure was \$8,851,000, leaving a surplus for the three months of nearly \$6,000,000. There was an increase in the capital expenditure of about \$200,000. Finances are certainly in a flourishing condition.

The total expenses in connection with the Yukon district from July 1st, 1897, to December 31st, 1899, were \$3,215,765, and the revenue was \$3,369,930, or a balance to the credit of the government of \$654,165.

### HOW PARTIES STAND.

The Elections in Great Britain Still in Progress.

London, Oct. 6.—At 5:30 p.m. to-day 478 members of parliament had been elected as follows: Ministerialists, 321; opposition, 157. The respective gains of the parties had not changed at 2:35 p.m. When 471 members had been elected, the returns were divided as follows: Conservatives, 271; Unionists, 47; Liberals and Laborites, 89; Nationalists, 64.

The Liberals had captured a seat in Westmorland, where Sir Joseph Stovort, Conservative, the former Lord Mayor of London, suffered defeat. Sir Robt. Reid, Liberal, who was connected with the Venezuela arbitration, had been re-elected for Dumfries by a slightly decreased majority, while the Imperialist, Mr. A. H. Asquith, formerly secretary of state for the home department, had been returned from East Fife, and had doubled his previous majority.

The ministerialist's gain remained 23, and the opposition had won 16 seats.

### METAL CAUSED THE MISTAKE.

(Associated Press.)  
Chicago, Oct. 6.—A special to the Record from New Whatcom, Wn., says: "In the present dispute of the international boundary line location near Mount Baker, it is stated on authority, that a peculiar phenomenon transpired during the survey at that point. When the line was being run along in the early days, the course of the needle was deflected, it was supposed afterwards, by the metal in Mount Baker, and the survey was inaccurate. This made the line several miles out of the way before the mistake was rectified."

### GOLD FROM NOME.

(Associated Press.)  
Seattle, Oct. 6.—The steamship Centennial has arrived in port with 325 passengers and \$150,000 of treasure from Nome. Nome is demanding more supplies, and from a business standpoint it is scarcely considered could be in a better condition.

## Chinese Commission

### Messrs. Clute and Munn Present at First Session at Ottawa Yesterday.

### Next Meeting of the Commissioners Will Be Held on the Pacific Coast.

### Investigation Into Oriental Immigration Will Be Thorough and Complete.

(Special to the Times.)  
Ottawa, Oct. 6.—The first meeting of the royal commission to investigate and report upon certain statements and representations, relating to Chinese and Japanese immigration into Canada, was held here yesterday. There were present R. C. Clute, Q.C., and D. J. Munn. The other commissioner, Ralph Smith, M. P., is busy with his election at Nanaimo. George Simpson, of the Hansard staff, was appointed stenographer to the commission.

Arrangements were made to make a full and exhaustive inquiry into the whole subject. The commission then adjourned to hold its next meeting on the Pacific coast.

With such men as Messrs. Clute, Smith and Munn the work will be thorough and therefore remedy must follow. Mr. Clute's work in connection with the Crow's Nest Pass and great mining strike, and in the latter case he was assisted by Ralph Smith, is a guarantee that nothing will be left undone to place the grievances in regard to Chinese and Japanese immigration among those burning questions already settled by the Laurier government.

### STEAMER CATCH FLOATED

And Towed to Juneau—Storekeeper Burned to Death at Skagway.

(Special to the Times.)  
Vancouver, Oct. 5.—Steamer Dolphin, arriving from Skagway last night, brought news of the raising of the wrecked Vancouver steamer Catch, which was towed to Juneau. Jacob Solomon, storekeeper, was burned to death last Sunday afternoon at Skagway. The freight blockade on the upper river has been raised.

American Consul Dudley has been asked to make representations to Washington over the boundary dispute at Mount Baker. A deputation of miners is now coming in.

Sir Louis Davies has written a letter to Sir Hilbert Tupper, conceding the right of the local park commissioners to administer all Stanley Park affairs. This has been clothed with important bearing on the Deadman's Island question.

### THRILLING STRUGGLE

On the Roof of a Railway Car—A Man Shot.

(Associated Press.)  
St. Louis, Mo., Oct. 6.—On the top of a Chicago & Alton passenger train, moving at the rate of forty miles an hour, Wan Burke, of this city, and an unknown man, fought a duel to the death yesterday. The two men were beating their way to Chicago. After the train left East St. Louis the stranger drew a revolver and demanded Burke's money. Burke refused to comply with the request and grappled with his antagonist. During the struggle which followed the unknown shot Burke in the side, but the latter finally managed to push him from the top of the coach. He was picked up with his skull crushed in and otherwise horribly injured and barely alive. Burke will recover.

### GARDEN WILL RUN

It \$4,000 Are Subscribed to Conservative Campaign Fund in Vancouver.

(Special to the Times.)  
Vancouver, Oct. 6.—It is understood that Major Garden's acceptance of the Conservative candidature last night was based upon the absolute subscription of \$4,000 to the campaign fund in Vancouver.

A rich find of steel galena has been made near Britannia, Howe Sound.

### EXPLOSION OF POWDER

Causes the Death of Two Men—Another Fatally Injured.

(Associated Press.)  
Shamokin, Pa., Oct. 5.—An explosion at the Burey powder mills near here last night caused the death of two men and fatally injured another. The dead are Daniel Burke, died in the hospital here last night; Daniel Hale Busch, died this morning; Richard Dewitt was so badly burned he is not expected to recover.

### COOK ISLANDS.

New South Wales Government Protests Against Annexation by New Zealand.

(Associated Press.)  
Sydney, N. S. W., Oct. 5.—The government is preparing to protest strongly against New Zealand's annexation of the Cook Islands, on the ground that the large trade of New South Wales with the islands would probably be diverted to New Zealand were to arrange a tariff intended to accomplish that object.