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of Twenty-four Hours

that spectacular manoeuvre for ertisement warranted to draw, wd, John Smith, according to oniclers of the press, ran away thoma and joined the circus. Joing trapeze stunts that after the edification of his first au-Smith fell a distance of eighty the ground. But not even that rate he was reported as having rate he was reported as having

evel, and might have continued the end of his capacity. The Government, without running the interests of other Powers, to support his action; and the less that this support would be not frequently enabled his dations to be carried even by were opposed by the most we methods of the Chinese ob-All this was changed when ctor-General unwisely accepted All this was enanged when tor-General unwisely accepted the position of British Minis true that the offer of the one extremely flattering to the ousness of anyone, however revious position; and had Sir art previously been free of his its with the Chinese Governight have been a wise appointit was, it was evident to anywas, it was evident to any-

nately acquainted with the of the position that its accumust lead to endless misunuss, and could not be condustribly interests. As a fact so the friction induced that from beginning the appointment fiasco, and it became necessary between Sir Robert as Britter and the occupancy of the ate by a British subject. More tely still, it was subsequently that the Minister, with his pped, and his power for good y ruined, should go back to er office of Inspector-General at time the Inspector-General at time the Inspector-General at time the Inspector-General at time the British Governas similar reason were unable him adequate support. This un a curious but instructive when Sir Nicholas O'Conor, yen appointed Minister, an initrigue was started amongst her Ministers then at Peking, it was suggested, probably particle of reason, that the General and the British Mine playing into each other's d so powerful was the pressible to bear that the Minister, to all precedent, was at once mbassador to St. Petersburg, time till the outbreak of the an war British influence has eclined at Peking, and with fluence also that of the Inneral, who gradually, from trusted adviser of the Peking sank into the position of bemble dependent. To such an a this carried that in the f the spring of 1900 the Inneral, to whom the British tt, clinging fast to memories g ago past, trusted for inforwhat was going on around d to be the absolutely worst-ndividual in the capital. uestion of Sir Robert Hart's must arise within the immere, and as his retirement is pted, we have unwillingly usual reserve. It is true that ion of recent events has in measure restored the weight councils at Peking, by pointant on the whole they have ted by a greater regard for its of the Chinese Governthose false but loud-tongued who only sought their own nent, utterly regardless of aim. It is well that the vernment should boldly face on and this the more advisoration of the majority of ies in China, have been continued the proper in the proper in the proper in the proper in the pro

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