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The Chinese Situation.

It is still very difficult to tell how matters stand in China and what is the precise relationship of the Chinese Government to the commotions outside. The rumors are varied and conflicting, but one thing is certain, that China is face to face with a crisis may work untold mischief before the chaos le again reduced to order.

will be no one can forestell. The relationship of China to the rest of the world will be altered, though we cannot yet say in what way and to what extent. What effect it will have in China and the rest of the world, if that great nation can be really brought into the community of nations, so as to share the world's life in the spirit of "give and take." It is difficult to say.

Such a change can only take place gradually. The world, as well as China, will have time to readjust itself to the new conditions. But without looking that far ahead, we can see some immediate effects of the present crisis. Missionary work has received a decided setback. It will no doubt recover, perhaps more quickly than at present seems possible, but only through patient waiting and prudent, courageous effort. Commerce will be affected disastrously. Not only will the fortunes of those who deal in guns be affected, but also those who handle teas, silks and cottons will suffer.

Unless order can soon be restored, some near at home may suffer commercially from the disorders in the Far East. Then the diplomacy of the world will be so much taken up with China for some time that other less clamant interests must fall into the background. If recent accounts are true, Russia will have so much to do in that quarter that she will not be eager for anything else. Now that America is in it she will have to carry out her part, and stand on the side of justice, order, and opposed to any mere land-grabbing. Japan also will have to be recognized and come to a fair influence in the Orient.

that were confidently prophesied a few weeks ago are already out of date. When one thinks of all the turmoil and uncertainty, the first impulse is to of retreat that they abandoned the say: "Let them alone; shut the yel- strong position they had been occupyto the world." But that cannot be. to Eland's River station. Our right was fact that China has been isolated too long; shut away from the healthful and Hutton's mounted infantry. The reezes of civilization; shut in with former crossed east of Wilge River. her own ignorance, pride and bigotry. That has got, somehow, to be changed, and to change it is a task for the world, and will tax the highest skill and courage

We are not pessimistic. We believe that the movement is onward and upvard, though the price may be high. Ve watch with patience and interest hese events, because we are face to lowing Broadwood." ace with a great thing, the meaning of which we cannot yet fully understand.

The Position of Mr. Rhodes.

If there is one thing more than another upon which the best British pinion is thoroughly divided it is as to the character and capability of Mr. Pecil Rhodes. One thing is quite clear, ind that is that on the whole his reputation is much lower than it was ome years ago, and there are many able thinkers who concede his great abilities as a speculator and pioneer, who yet feel that he is no real empireuilder, and that the future peace of Africa depends upon a clear demonstration of the fact that Rhodes is not the incarnation of British policy.

In the July number of the Fortnighthat "the time has come to put aside he prejudices caused by the raid, and avail ourselves freely of the services If the British party, of which, in fact, not in name, Mr. Cecil Rhodes still emains the leader. We have a hard ask before us, and we need the help statesmen who, whatever errors hey may be deemed to have commited, have always been loyal in their llegiance to the mother country."

This is combatted by the Spectator, journal that has long exercised its ritical faculty on Mr. Rhodes as virally asking that the home governent should do its best to back up fr. Rhodes and support his influence South African politics. This is bad lvice, because there is no proof that fr. Rhodes, after all his political bluners, is capable of better things.

The Spectator's indictment against e South African millionaire includes such points as the following: That he hrew £10,000 into the lap of Mr. Parell, not inquiring whether it was to used for "bread" or "lead." Thus the great imperialist, helped those ho were trying to disintegrate the apire. Further, he encouraged the frikander Bund, which was distinctly ti-British in its secret motives and s. He was also responsible for meson's mad action, and, indeed, has otly appointed Dr. Jameson as his

factotum and representative. We shall only add one more instance. We believe that the foundation of the Chartered Company and the management of its affairs have shown the same foolish recklessness, the same want of judgment, the same lack of a sense of proportion. The aim has no doubt been good enough-the development of the empire-but the methods by which it has been pursued have been reckless, hasty and ill-considered."

Continuing, the Spectator gives its view of Mr. Rhodes thus: "He appears to hold that if your end is only big enough, and good enough, and sincerewithin the Empire, and to the Powers ly and honestly enough desired, you need not trouble about the means, but may plunge recklessly into any and every form of action. In truth, the end is usually, if not always, only a of immense importance to itself and coral island made up of minute cells, the rest of the world. There is a spirit which are the means, and if you are of unrest and suspicion in the air that careless about them you cannot build up a fabric that will last."

We are afraid that there is much China is likely to occupy the stage force in this criticism, and at any for some time. The far eastern ques- rate it is based upon a sound principle. tion has for some time been a sort of It will not do at this time of the day ghostly presence troubling the councils to say with some of Mr. Rhodes' deof the nations, but now it is a grim fenders that he is too big a man, and reality. What the full consequences his schemes are too grand to be measured by common moral standards. The best British statesmen have surely learned by this time that if you are to build well you must act righteously, and whatever Mr. Rhodes may or may not do in the future, we trust that there will be many strong men in South Africa who know their own minds and who seek the good of the country in their own way, without being enslaved by one big "boss," who represents the money power, and is too ready to sneer at conscience.

British and Boers Both on the Move.

Latter Evacuate Their Strong Positions.

Broadwood Captures Some of Dewet's Wagons - Gen. Carrington's Rhodesian Force Has Its First Fight.

London, July 25. - The war office has received the following dispatch from Lord Roberts:

"Vandermerwe Station, July 24 .- We made a general advance yesterday from the position we have been hold-All these things are clear, and near ing east of Pretoria since June 12. Ian at hand; but what will be the final Hamilton, from the north, reached esult of it all no one can say. Things Rustfontein, seven miles north of Bronkhorst Spruit, on July 22. This so completely surrounded the enemy's line low heathen up in their own land, and ing in front of Pole-Carew. Stephenson's do not let them escape to be a scourge brigade advanced yesterday unopposed All the fierce strife springs from the protected by the first and fourth brigades of cavalry, under French,

> COMMUNICATION RESTORED. "Railway and telegraphic communication were restored last night.

"In the supply train captured at Roodeval were 200 Welsh Fusiliers. most of whom had been prisoners. Dewet's force is continuing to move northeasterly. It was at Roodeport (30 Only for boys from 3 to 8 years, July 22, with Broadwood not far behind, and Little's cavalry brigade fol-

BADEN-POWELL HEARD FROM. Baden-Powell reports as follows:

"Magato Farm, July 22.—Cols. Arey and Lushington, with 450 men, drove 1,000 Boers from a very strong position and scattered them, with considerable loss. Our casualties were six killed and 19 wounded."

[It is not clear whether the supply train and two hundred Fusiliers, men-tioned in the above dispatch, are identical with the train and one hundred Cameron Highlanders, the ture of which was reported by Lord

Roberts on July 22.] HISTORIC SPRUIT. The following additional dispatch from Lord Roberts has been received

at the war office: Bronkhorst Spruit, July 24. - We marched here today. This is the place where the 94th was attacked on Dec. 20, 1880. The graves of the officers and men are in fair preservation, and will now be put in good order. march was unopposed, but French's cavalry and Hutton's mounted infany Review Mr. Edward Dicey tells us and met bodies of the enemy. These try made a wide detour on our right were driven back, leaving several dead and wounded. A good many were also captured. Our casualties

were one killed.

TOOK SOME WAGONS. "Broadwood reports that he captured five of Dewet's wagons today. He was waiting at Vredefort until Little

A NEW ELEMENT. London, July 25 .- A new element has

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The most effective skin purifying and beautifying soap in the world, as well as purest and sweetest for toilet, bath, and nursery. The only preventive of pimples, blackheads, red, rough, and oily skin, red, rough hands with rough, and only sain, red, rough mands what itching palms and shapeless nails, dry, thin, and falling hair, and simple baby blemishes, because the only preventive of the cause, viz., inflammation and clogging of the Ponks.

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Fine Muslin Lace Trimmed, double row insertion, regular \$1 25 each, special at 85c

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A Marvel, Fine Muslin, with ruff and embroidery trimmed, 75c gown for 45c

Corset Covers, 15c. Fine Muslin, Insertion trimmed,

special at 15c Corset Covers, 25c

60 only Very Fine Corset Covers, fine embroidery, 35c value, for 25c White Skirts, \$1.25

Deep Embroidery Frill, 4 clusters of tucks of 5 rows each, \$1 75 skirt, special at\$1 25

Sateen Underskirts

18 only Black Mercerized Sateens, corded with frill, also striped sateen skirts, were \$1 75 each, special at \$1 35

Papeteries, 16c Box

dozen Papeteries containing Note and Envelopes, cream laid, regular 25c box, special Friday... 16c

100 Boxes Toilet Soap, 8c

Box

Bouquet of Violet Toilet Soap, 3 cakes in box, Friday, box 8c

Handkerchiefs

10 dozen Ladies' Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, colored borders, very special, Friday 3 for 10c Ladies' Hemstitched Hand Embroidered Handkerchiefs, worth 121/2c and 15c each, special Friday 10c Ladies' Hemstitched Handker-chiefs, fine lawn, with Val. lace corners and edge, regular 10c,

Smallwares

fancy drawn work centers, regular 25c, Friday special, 2 for 35c

Hair Pin Cabinets, all sizes in assorted colored boxes, regular 5c, special 3 for Safety Pins, regular 5c and 7c per dozen, special Friday only, 3 dozen for 50 An Assorted Lot of Tortoise Shell Hair Pins, worth from 5c to 10c, special, Friday, 2 for Finishing Braid, in colors and White Silk Hat Elastic, worth 3c yard, special Friday, 6 yards for. 5e Leather Belts in green, tan and brown, regular 25c, special on Friday for Elastic, 6 yards for White Silk Hat Elastic, 3c quality, Studs, 2 dozen for 5c

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BLOUSE SPECIALS.

We offer three special lines of New Blouse Waists just cleared from manufacturer. These are not the remains of our season's selling, but new styles at half and less than half price.

LOT 1 AT 39c EACH.

14 dozen Fine Fancy Pique Blouses, detached collars, new straight backs, shades of blue, green and black, on white grounds, regular \$1 00 each, special 39c

LOT 2 AT 50c EACH.

A sample lot of 7 dozen, only 2 or 3 alike, white yokes, plain colors, fancy muslins and black sateens, all sizes, goods worth up to \$1 35 each, special at 50c

LOT 3 AT 75c EACH.

Also a sample lot of 5 dozen, white pique, with insertion, white muslin

25c, 35c and 40c HOSIERY, 15c PAIR.

A lot of 68 dozen Fine Maco Thread Black Cotton Hose, black cotton, with

HOSIERY AT 10c PAIR.

Fine Colored Cotton Hose, tan, brown, green and garnet, were 20c, for 10c; also Boys' Heavy Ribbed Cotton Hose, sizes 51/2 to 71/2, the lot at, per pair, special 10c

Print Bargain, 5c Yard.

1,728 yards best 32-inch Prints, new pastel green shades, at per, yard .. 5c 962 yards best Modder Print, in stripes, etc., regular 10c yard, special at 5c

Scotch Ginghams, 9c Yard.

29 pieces of these celebrated Scotch Ginghams, 28 inches wide, our regular price 15c yard, special 9c

10c White Cottons, 7c Yard.

2,798 yards 36-inch Whilte Cotton, finest 10c quality, in ends of 2 to 8

Men's Linen Collars at 2 for 25c.

48 dozen Men's 4-ply English Collars, in turn-down point and military styles, all sizes, 14½ to 16½. These are genuine English Linen Collars, worth 20c, to clear at 2 for

Linenette Lining, 15c, for 10c Yard. 476 yards best English Linenette Lining, black ground, with colored spots and bars, 15c quality, for......

Groceries and Grockery.

brown, regular 25c, special on	
Friday for 7c	
Elastic, 6 yards for 5c	18 pounds Redpath's Granulated Sugar for \$1 00
White Silk Hat Elastic, 3c quality.	2 packages of Grape Nuts for
special, 6 yards for 5c	6 pounds of Best Roller Oats for 15c
Good Quality Bone Shirt Waist	15c tins of Bartlett Plums, in heavy syrup, for 10c
Studs, 2 dozen for 5c	15c tin of Ocean Wave Baking Powder for
~~~~~~~~~~~	Our 25c Cook's Delight Baking Powder, per tin
the second section and the first an engine section in this con-	Our 40c Imperial Blend Black, Mixed or Japan Teas, for
Boys' Washing Suits	10 cakes of Ammonia Electric Soap, regular 5c cake, 10 for
	10 only Dinner Sets, in green, blue and pink, 97 pieces, regular \$7 00 per
30 Only for boys from 3 to 8 years,	set, sale price
fast colors, blouse and knickers,	97-piece Dinner Set, in gilt, three colors, good value, \$9 00 set, sale
regular \$1 and \$1 40 suit, Friday	price \$6 50
bargain 75c	Striped 10-piece Toilet Sets, in brown, pink or blue, regular \$3 50 per
50 Pairs Men's Fine Worsted	set, for \$2 50
Trousers, neat hair line, stripes,	6-piece Printed Toilet Sets, in assorted decorations, regular \$1 75, for\$1 45
all sizes, regular \$3 50 and \$3,	Just opened—Cask of Fancy China Tea Sets, 40 and 44 pieces, in assorted
Friday bargain	designs, \$2 50 per set, upwards

## Staple Department

62 yards only Unbleached Table Damask, all linen, extra weight, very special, per yard ........ 180 108 yards All-Linen Skirting Crash, our regular price 121/2c; special extra weight, regular 10c; spe-

on Friday \$1 25 dozen only Fine Damask All-Linen Table Covers, 2 yards long,

were \$1 25; special Friday ...... 950 Friday Shoe Bargains Women's Select Dongola Oxford hand-turn soles, toes

slightly pointed, regular price \$1 50 and \$2, sizes 2½ to 4½ only; 

Shoes, turn soles, dressy, stylish footwear, all sizes, regular \$150 and \$2; Friday bargain ......\$125

### Men's Straw Hats

Your choice of any Straw Hat, regular price \$1, 85c and 75c each; Friday ...... 50c

### Boys' Caps

Boys' Fancy Check Caps, leatherbound peaks, all sizes, regular 25c each; Friday ...... 15c

### Friday Furnishing Bargains

15 dozen Men's Zephyr-weight Balbriggan Underwear, all sizes 32 to 44, natural color, shaped wristbands, etc., regular \$1 the suit; 15c pair; Friday ...... 10c

### Boys' Blouses

25 only Boys' Galatea Striped Blouses, fast washing colors, sizes 20 to 25; Friday, special bar-

## Collars and Ties

15 dozen Ladies' Linen Collars, regular 5c and 10c; Friday, 2 for.. 5c Ladies' Fancy Stock Collars, slightly soiled, were 50c, 75c, \$1 each; special Friday ...... Ladies' Bow Ties, chiffon and ribbon trimmed, regular 20c and 25c colors and plaids; Friday, each ......15c and 25c

## Novelties in Stationery

French Crepon Note, in azure and cream, very dainty, per quire.... 15c Wedgewood Papeteries, containing note and envelopes, extra good and envelopes, cream-laid, lar 25c quality; special Friday, per box ...... 16c

Extra Special, Friday Only 18 pounds of Redpath's Standard Granulated \$1.00

# The Runians, Gray, Carrie Co.

entered into the South Africa campaign with the receipt of news that Gen. Carrington, with his Rhodesian force, has had his first fight, attacking the Boers and carrying their posi-tion on Selous Rive- Monday after a sharp engagement. Gen. Carrignton sharp engagement. Gen. Carrignton lost four killed and nineteen wounded. NOT YET.

Cape Town, July 25 .- In the Cape Assembly yesterday the government indignantly refused to accept a motion in favor of the repeal of martial law in Cape Colony, made by Mr. John Xavier Meriman, former colonial treasurer. Mr. Rose-Innes, attorneygeneral, expressed the readiness of the government to repeal the law whenver repeal should become practicable, but said that the time had not arrived. The house cheered the government's

## The Canadians.

CONDITION OF INVALIDS. Ottawa, July 25.-The following is a telegraphic report from the high commissioner, dated July 24, of the condition of certain Canadian invalided soldiers at Netley, England: SECOND SPECIAL SERVICE BAT-

TALION, R. C. R. 7,782-Pte. O. Mathison, 12th Field Battery, comminuted fracture, progressing favorably.

C. A., rheumatism. 8,852—Pte. H. Proulx, 65th Regiment, wound, left elbow, progressing favor-7,977-Pte. W. J. Raymond, 3rd Regiment, C. A., varicose, awaiting operation.

7,822-Pte. C. Harrison, 2nd Regiment,

REINFORCEMENTS. 7,990—Pte. P. Russell, Q. O. C. Hussars, enteric, mild, also wound; recov-

CANADIAN MOUNTED RIFLES. FIRST BATTALION.

W. Dragoons, fit for duty. 163-Pte. W. Woodward, England, enteric, seriously ill.

BRIGADE DIVISION, FIELD AR-TILLERY, E BATTERY. 486-Pte. W. T. Price, 15th Field Battery, died, enteric, 23rd.

STRATHCONA HORSE. 181-Pte. T. A. Callin, Whitewood, Assa., fracture, leg, progressing favor-290-J. W. Fuller, Rapid City, S. D.,

rheumatism, progressing favorably.

179—Pte. Nicholson, rheumatism, nearly convalescent. 489-Pte. Thompson, injury to ankle, progressing favorably.

[The two last named, Nicholson and

Thompson, have not been identified.] PRISONERS. Lord Minto received the following cable today from Sir Alfred Milner: "Cape Town, July 24.—Regret to report P. J. Biddell, second battalion, Can-adian Mounted Rifles, taken prisoner,

SENSATIONAL STORIES DENIED. London, July 26.-Both at the Imperial and Canadian Government offices a complete denial is given to the sensational stories set affoat in regard to the war office's treatment of 33 convalescnt Canadians inspected at Golder's Hill by the Prince and Princess of

Wales. The war office explanation takes this form: The Canadians returned from South Africa have, when convalescent, the option of going to a convalescent home or to any friends, if they prefer the latter, as they very often do. They receive an installment of their pay but are still entitled to arrears of their pay allowance. They frequently get rid of the money very quickly, but they have a printed statement with them, informing them that if they get sick they can report memselves at their own quarters or call upon a civil 154 Ptc. A. G. Willoughby, 3rd P. of for whatever services they render, so

ing in the parks or being left to starve or die are simply absurd. If wounds or sickness lead to their discharge, they appear at Chelsea and obtain from the service commander daily rates, varying from one shilling sixpence to two shillings sixpence, in case of wounds or physical injuries, and a somewhat lower rate in case of incapacity from sickness. Thus, there is ample provision, but there is nothing to prevent

a man from squandering his money. The military authorities do their best to urge the men to enter the convalescent homes, but it is hard to deny them the privilege of visiting their friends. Recently similar complaints were made, but the explanation proved entirely satisfactory to the House of Commons.

Gen. Eaton has made arrangements with Gen. Trotter, commanding the London district, to supply the needs of the invalided Canadians. Gen. Eaton was commandant at Bisley and has taken an active interest in the young soldiers from Canada who have been invalided from South Africa. The Canadians located at the Soldiers' Home have sent in their names, desiring to return to Canada. The Canadians short of funds must blame themselves, as they failed to exercise

## **BOERS ON THE RUN**

With Gens. French and Hutton in Hot Pursuit.

London, July 26 .- Lord Roberts reports to the war office, under date of Balmoral, July 25, as follows:

"We marched here yesterday without seeing the enemy. The Boers, on July 24, engaged French and Hutton I six miles south of Balmoral. While

that the statements as to their sleep- Alderson's Mounted Infantry attacked the Boers' right French made a turning movement around their left. Seeing their retreat threatend, the Boers broke and fled. French and Hutton followed, and proposed to cross Oliphant's River today, at Naauwpoort. Our casualties were one wounded."

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