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# Divided

The Russia-United States Proposals Cause Much Discussion in Europe.

Americans Think Their Government Has Played a Shrewd

In Great Britain Distrust of the

In Germany especially these proposals note and rather expect an early answer from that government. France has not been heard from on this point, her last note alluding solely to Li Hung Chang's ly in earnest and which caused quite a last note alluding solely to Li Hung Chang's ly in earnest and which caused quite a last note alluding solely to Li Hung Chang's ly in earnest and which caused quite a last note alluding solely to Li Hung Chang's ly in earnest and which caused quite a last note alluding solely to Li Hung Chang's ly in earnest and which caused quite a last note alluding solely to Li Hung Chang's ly in earnest and which caused quite a last note and rather expect an early answer from that government.

It is recognized on all sides that Germany's decision is the pivot of that mstmuster hand in the Chinese settlement. Rrssia has taken the wind out of that

friend and protector of China.

The morning papers express the greatest suspicion of the intentions of Russia. The Times editorially represents the opinion of all. The Times says:

"The advantages of Russia's policy are not manifest, and it is very doubtful whether it will recommend itself to powers like England and Germany, that have large commercial interests in the establishment of a stable and progressive government to replace the re-actionary clique which has impeded all progress and development in China in recent years.

advantages gained by the occupation of Pekin.

"Much mischief may already have been done by hesitation to enter the Earthidden City. To withdraw from Pekin would be interpreted as proving not only that all the allies are cowards, but that they are hopelessly divided. It may be that some of the others are bound to leave Pekin and acquiesce in the restoration of a government guilty of gross international crime."

Vienna specials show that the Russo-American proposals have caused extreme annoyance there. It is believed Austria-Hungary will follow in Germany's steps, but it is recognized both in Berlin and Vienna that the withdrawal of Russia and the United States from Pekin would leave the other powers little option but to follow.

The Daily Mail says: "Russia has forced the hand of the United States against the better judgment of the latter. At the same time the United States government has adduced such walid reasons why the Russian policy is a bad one that it will hardly be expected that the other powers will concur."

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From Our Own Correspondent.

New Westminster, Aug. 31.—The deport of the Liberal Conservative in the properties of the Liberal Conservative in the properties of the Liberal Conservative in the province of the Liberal Conservat a bad one that it will hardly be expected that the other powers will concur."

The Daily News, which complains bitterly that the British government does not communicate a particle of information respecting the important negotiations, calls Mr. Adee's despatch "very able," and asks what the British government is doing in the matter.

The Daily Telegraph remarks: "The Russian proposals are among the most

Russian proposals are among the most extraordinary coups attempted of recent years, even by Russia. The upshot will probably be the acceptance of Li Hung Chang to negotiate some kind of a compromise with the Empress Downson? "Germany's attitude toward the Chi-

"Germany's attitude toward the Chinese crisis," says a despatch to the Times from Tokio, dated yesterday, "is causing much perplexity in Japan. The Chinese authorities at Amoy guaranteed the security of life and property. The Jazanese will now withdraw."

The Shanghai correspondent of the Times, wiring August 30, sends a special that an important edict was recently issued ordering Chauo Shu Chiao, ecminissioner of the railway and mining bureau, and Hsui Kung, guardian of the heir apparent, to proceed south to investigate the conduct of the Yang Tse viceroys, and that they have already started from Pae Ting Fu.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 31.—Official despatches confirm the report of the occupation of Tai Tsi Kar, which leaves only Mcukden to be captured in order to place the whole of Manchuria in Russian possession. Aug. 31.—The Russian

Stockholm, Ang. 31.—Captain Grendahl of Tai Tai Kar, which leaves only Moukden to be captured in order to flace the whole of Manchuria in Russian possession.

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In may be noted, in connection with the funited States withdrawal statement, that whereas Russia proposed to withdraw from China, the United States offer is to withdraw only from Pekin. A significant fact in this connection is that General Chaffee, who is well advisage ben directed to prepare for just such an emerging as that precipitated by the Russian actions, continues his preparations for wintering the American troops in China. Indeed, unless the men are aftent and out of the Pie Ho within the next six weeks they are likely to remain in China perforce, being ice-bound.

General Chaffee was further advised of the developments in the situation, a compendious statement of the points in the Russo-American correspondence being cabled to him for his guidance.

As bearing further on the prospects of the future, it may be noted that the war department has stated that the government has not considered the question of the evacuating of China.

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London, Sept. 1.—(4:10 a. m.)—In the absence of further news from China, the papers are again filled with discussions of the Russe-United States proposals, which, so far as may be gathered from the representations of opinions in the various European capitals, are calculated to subject the unity of the allies to an exceedingly sewere and dangerous test.

In Germany especially these proposals, and the capital services are described in the content of the capital services are described in the capital services.

Woodstock, Aug. 31.—Sir Richard Cartsuriant in the composition, it is carcely the question of the cables a complete accord the question of the cables a complete accord to the last proposition. The official day only the two telegrams had been received through the United States embassy, stating that Lord Salisbury was absent from London and merely promising consideration on the note. The German response indicated a wish on the part of the German government for time to consider the propositions. The officials here say that they are satisfied that Japan as least is fully in accord with the United States' objects set out in the note and rather expect an early answer that the question of the question of the cables a complete accord that even with the aid of the cables a complete accord the question of the succession of the cables accomplete accord the question of the cables accomplete accord the question of the cables accomplete accord to the aid of the cables accomplete accord to the cables accomplete accord the question of the cables accomplete accord to the dail of the cables accomplete accord to the cables accomplete accord to the dail of the cables accomplete accord to the dail of the cables accomplete accord to the dail of the cables accord to the dail of the cables accorded to the dail of the cables accorded to the dail of the cables accorded to the dail of the

Tsu. This may have an important bearing on the spbject, as it opens up the authority of the Empress Dowager since the coup d'etat of September 9, 1898, when she took the reins of power from the hands of the Emperor. It involves also the issues between the Empress Dowager, who is anti-foreign, and the Emperor, who is pro-foreign. Still a further consideration is the Russian sympathies entertained by the Empress Dowager, as against the British sympathies held by the Emperor. Thus far, however, there has been no questioning of the credentials on any personal grounds mentioned, although they are forcible in shaping the action of the several powers.

Although the event whoreabouts of Id.

liberations of the Liberal-Conservative convention were brought to a close this afternoon by the passing of a hearty vote of thanks to the retiring officers.

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The following officers were elected:
President, Hon. R. McBride, Westminster; vice-president, R. Beid, New Westminster; secretary, J. C. South, Vancouver; treasurer, F. S. Barnard.

Charles Wilson, Q. C., was mentioned for leader of the Conservative party in British Columbia, and on a vote being taken on the suggestion Mr. Wilson was the choice of the convention as the party standard-bearer.

A vote of confidence in Sir Charles Tupper was enthusiastically carried.

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A resolution was introduced that hereafter the British Columbia Conservatives be known as the Conservative party, the word Liberal being dropped. Many were in favor of the resolution, but as the mover saw that if he pressed matters it would create ill-feeling, he withdrew it. Kamloops and Revelstoke were mentioned as the next meeting places of the convention and on a vote Revelstoke won by three votes. by three votes.

The convention will be held the second Thursday in October, 1901.

A MESSAGE FROM ANDREE. Buoy Number Four is Found at Skjervoe.

# A Liberal Rebellion

Tells Why.

Gives Sir Richard Cartwright Some Pla.n Talk and Causes Sensation;

sensation in the convention. He told Sir Olivier Was produced something like consternation.

As the Daily News editorially remarks:

"Count von Waldersee was assuredly not sent to assist in restoring the Empress Dowager."

It is recognized on all sides that Gerial to the sphiert as it oness un the subject as it oness un the sphiert as it oness un the sphiert as it oness un the sphiert as it oness un the sent to make a sensation in the convention. He told Sir Richard in plain words that the interests ful consideration which officials have given to Li Hung Chang's credentials that they were issued by the Empress Dowager."

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Although the exact whereabouts of Li Hung Chang continues to be in doubt, it is understood that he is now in continuous communication with the imperial household and thus is enabled to convey to them the prospect of a return to the Chinese capital. The expected return of Prince Ching to Pekin is said to be a result of this communication between Li Hung Chang and the imperial family and to be the initial move of responsible while in the country they got only \$20 or so a month.

Sydney, C. B., Aug. 31.—At the Conservative convention in Roslyn rink to night Sir Charles Dupper thanked the mande a strong political speech.

Sir Charles attacked Sir Wilfrid Laurier for having given up the principles of preferential trade and unstead adopted a policy of parliamentary federation of the British Empire. He thought the surest and to be the initial move of responsible

Convention Two Vancouver Men Pass Away Without Warning.

BOERS ARE SCATTERING. Kruger and the Burghers Retreat Before

London, Aug. 31.—The following despatch has been received at the war office from Lord Roberts:

"Belfast, Aug. 31.—About 1,300 Brit-Me of the Old School Are Not Satisfied With Laurier Government.

Mr. Ficht Declines Nomination In South Oxford and

Viscount Ennismore.

"The prisoners report that Kruger,
Steyn, Botha, Lucas Meyer and Schalkburger left Nooitgedcht on August 29
for Nelspruit. The Boers seem to be cattering."
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# Absence of Chinese News

Shanghai Reports That France is Landing More Troops at Taku.

The British Troops Will Not Withdraw From Pekin Just Yet.

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"We have occupied Watervalhoven it is not surprising that couriers are no able to reach Tien Tsin.

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Ottawa, Aug. 21.—The general commanding to Natal army reports the following casulaties among Strathcona's Horse:

Severely wounded, 551—Pte. P. H. Switzer, of Carberry, Man., through the lungs; R. H. Tanner, London, foot.

Valentine Ficht, one of the most prominent Liberal workers in the county and a man of considerable influence, was one of those whose name was put in nomination. Mr. Ficht declined the honor in a speech which showed him to be desperately in earnest and which caused quite a speech which showed quite a speech quite a speech which showed quite a speech which showed quite a speech quite a speech

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Eight Colonials Capture the Boer Leader and Iwenty—
Eight Men.

Canadians May Return By England is not prepared to withdraw her troops, It is announced that the embassy has forwarded to the foreign office a circular containing the proposal for the withdrawal of the allies from Pekin.

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heartened. Gen. Botha, before his day that no answers has been received from any source, other than those of a preliminary and inconclusive character heretofore announced. Moreover, it is stand at Machadodorp, but they would not fight again, running away out of shame.

London, Sept. 1—A Queenstown despatch, dated yesterday, describes dramatically the capture of General Olivier and the capture of General Olivier and that the last answer in the path was compatch, dated yesterday, describes dramatically the capture of General Olivier are now bending. Much interest

### EMMERSON RESIGNS. New Brunswick Government Record structed With Mr. Tweedie as Premier.

Fredericton, N.B., Sept. 1.-Hon. H. R. Emmerson, premier of New Brunswick, has handed in his resignation to is stated, to either go to the Supreme is stated, to either go to the Supreme court of the province or contest a constituency for the House of Commons. Mr. Emmerson is succeeded by Hon. L. J. Tweedie as premier and provincial secretary, who announces the following as his cabinet: Attorney-General, Hon. Wm. Pugsley; commissioner of public works, Hon. C. H. Labillois; commissioner of agriculture, Hon. L. P. Farris; surveyor-general, Hon. A. T. Dunn; ministers without portfolios, Hon. S. H. A. H. McKeown and G. A. Hill.

LUMBER YARD BURNED.

Montreal, Aug. 31.—The lumber yard owned by Alex. McLaren, of Buckingham, caught fire and with several houses was burned; loss, \$30,000.

Montreal, Aug. 31.-Elder, Dempster & Co, will acquire a fleet of twenty-five steamers belonging to the British & Anerican Steamship Company, at a cost

The Transport Looked Like a Circus Procession on the Road.

Reached Pekin

The Generals Took Chances Once the Chinese Had Become Demoralizer.

Laurier Government Busy Filling Knight-Smith says he supposes his arrest is desired on the grounds that he stole that \$1,000 expense money. Vacancies in Public Service.

Ottawa, Sept. 1.-The Cabinet was

busy to-day filling vacancies in the pubis a full meeting of the council on Tues-

# Premier Is

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Lieut.-Governor McLellan, intending, it Lord Salisbury Quietly Watches While the Turmoil Rages Over China.

> Diplomatic Circles Are of Opinion That Tension Will Soon Relax.

Likely Too There Will Be a **Better Understanding** 

London, Sept. 1.-Diplomatic circles London are of the opinion that signs that discernable that the tension will soon be relaxed and that the jealousies will be so allayed that the powers will be enabled, in conjunction with the restituting of a government in China in conformity of the will of the people and of the authorities of China. They emphasize the necessity of taking the advice of the great Yangtse viceroys, whose attitude during the present crisis whose attitude during the present crisis-has shown there are men in China who can govern when free from the influence of the Manchu clique, and who, it is thought, would gladly aid the powers in the re-establishment of the govern-ment, perhaps of deposing the Dowager Empress and reinstalling the Emperor. Of course, it is realized that many ugly snags are liable to still disturb the smoothness of the current, but the opinsmoothness of the current, but the opinion in the best informed circes appears to be that the latest developments have materially cleared the course. This opinion is shared by Mr. John W. Bookwalter, who is the author of recent books on Siberian and Asiatic problems and who, previous to his departure for the continent to-day, drew attention to the practical fulfillment of his prediction on the subject of Russian action.

"The Washington government," said Mr. Bookwalter, "is taking exactly the right stand, though certain circles in England will exert every effort to discountenance the Russo-American reapproachment. Forty dollars of Chinese

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