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Tien Tsin Situation

Arrangements For Simultaneous Withdrawal of Troops From Disputed Territory.

The Affair Will Not Disturb Relations Between Britain and Russia.

London, March 21.-In the House of ster at Pekin, Sir Ernest Satow, Great Britain was ready to refer facts to Field Marshal von Walder-on the understanding that if either St. Petersburg and London. on the understanding that if either de was found to have committed an

ruction of the siding should be connarshal thought fit to impose. He rd Lansdowne) was glad to say he heard this morning from the British n foreign minister, Count Lans-nad proposed that they should be reserve all questions of title and tary rights for the two governwith sent for the withdrawal of ps on both sides from the dis-ots. Great Britain had entirely thought withdrawals carried out to Field Marshal

in the House of Commons to-day ed Sir Ellis Ashmead-Bartlett that government considered the stategovernment considered the sate-its of the Russian foreign, min to the Russian foreign, min to the sate of the Russian foreign, min to the ruary 17th, as applicable to an element in regard to Manchuria, thern Russia and China.

Withdraw To-day. Pekia, March 22 (2 a.m.)—Count von Valdersee, Gen. Barrow and Gen. Wothave been in consultation, and
Wogack has agreed to withdraw
Russian troops from the disputed
at Tien Tsin, provided the Britalso withdraw. He insisted also guarantee that work on the rail

Gen. Barrow and were ac will be withdrawn at 5 o'clock riday) morning, thereby averting s have been issued, however, that

ish officer shall "sleep out" at go to dinner without furnishing ress to the adjutant. The mawill return to the ships.

Russians have ordered a regiment eed from Port Arthur to Tien pletely satisfactory, and all collision between the British ench is considered obviated.

Fighting Robbers. March 21.-The officer nts of the inhabitants, a robbers has been dispersed by iss with a squadron of cavalry ge 48 kilometers from Pao Ting of the robbers were killed and handed over to the Chinese

Muhlman started for Pac ready.

m, March 22.—A pessimistic view by the foreign office of the imfuture in the Far East, in spite settlement of the Tien Tsin incident entertains grave fears that tions between Japan and Russia ortly reach the danger point. In a from information obtained in official quarters in London, has confided to at least some of sers her determination to oppose. issued a mandate forbidding meetings and secure territorial or antages contiguous to Corea. She government has received no infirmation that the Japanese obligious but it would not be obligious but it would not be contiguous to Corea. She government has received no infirmation that the Japanese obligious but it would not be contiguous to the core of the

placed British official said to All Japan wants is a free awn into a war between as the Ophir steamed out of the harbor

Japan and Russia. If Japan sees nothing for it but to fight, she would have the moral support of objections committed to paper by at least two other wers against secret treaties with ina. That is all, but Japan seems consider it sufficient to provide against

interference."

Confirmation of the foregoing definition of the situation was afforded by the secretary of the Japanese legation, who said in the course of an interview: "While rejoicing at the fact that Britain and Russia have reached a pacific settlement over the minor issue, the main question—the integrity of the Chinese empire—remains unsettled. In response to pressure brought by Japan upon Russia, it was announced that Russia's secret treaties with China has been modified, but the terms have been withheld. Until we see the treaties, we will not be satisfied that the modification does not satisfied that the modification does no Lords to-day Lord Lansdowne, discussing the Tien Tsin trouble, said that on March 20th the alleged removal of the Russian boundary pillar occurred, and the government instructed the British minister at Pekin. Sir Ernest Satow

> Pekin, March 22 .- At the meeting of mittee of ministers has been appointed to discover China's resources and report on her ability to pay the indemnity to be demanded by the powers. Many minbe demanded by the powers. Many ministers are strongly opposed to China's having to pay to keep an army of ten or twelve thousand men here for the next two years, thinking this is entirely unnecessary. Even those ministers who were here during the siege are tired of seeing Pekin a military camp. They hope China will be put upon her feet as soon as possible.

Berlin, March 22.-The war office has | March 22.—The war office has been waldersee's satisfaction.

It also down added that Count doubt have been to two governments and since the receipt of Count doubt have been the similar y authorities to carry the similar y authorities to carry withdraway of the similar y are some proposal the similar y authorities to carry withdraway of the similar y are some proposal to the similar y authorities to carry withdraway of the similar y are some proposal to the parties at a conference factory to both parties at a conference of the military authorities to carry withdraway and salutes have been exchanged. changed.

"The British declare that no offence to the Russian flag was intended and that the alleged removal of the Russian boundary marks was neither by the command nor with the knowledge of the

have reached an agreement as to

Gzar's Life Is in Danger

Extraordinary Precautions Have Been Adopted For Protection of Emperor Nicholas.

had been diplomatically adjusted.

The proposal and stipulation were sat
thorities in St. Peters-

Berlin, March 22.-The St. Petersburg orrespondent of the Cologne Volkszeitung, under the date of March 17th, forwards by mail news to the effect that there is evidence in St. Petersburg of the ill return to the ships.

ral Seymour objects to any of the ian naval brigade who volunteerservice on the railway remaining. Illitary authorities say he does not are being distributed to the factory tand the situation; that his interes is uncalled for, and that the lian marines are just the men induce them to join the disaffected students. It has not been learned whence this money comes, but indications point to high sources about the court. The fact is, the correspondent continues, the secret police no longer trust even the righest entourage of the Czar.

New precautions for the protection of the Czar's life have been taken, namely, a mechanism which allows no one to the German troops in Pekin the war office here that owing the Czar happens at the moment to be. The Czar has now five desks in his study which he uses one after the other. The walls of the Czar's study and bedroom are lined with steel. The correspondent finds evidence of the plots is general. Orders were given Saturday keep all the troops in St. Petersburg

with three companies of in-a squadron of cavalry and a at mountain artillery for a place astward of Tao Makuan. He is ang against a large band of rob-great ulct similar to the Whillette against way of Lamberg, to the effect that the Karpovitch investigation has revealed a great plot similar to the Nihilistic con-spiracy, with Kieff as a centre, the

tion with the riots here the prefect has issued a mandate forbidding meetings

RESUMED THEIR JOURNEY. Duke and Duchess of Cornwall Have Sailed for Malta.

(Associated Press.) All Japan wants is a free stranger of the powers mentioned on or imagine for one money of the powers mentioned the

THE PEACE **NEGOTIATIONS**

Parliamentary Papers Issued To-Day Giving at government depots or elsewhere, His in our interview at Middleburg, Febru-Majesty's government is prepared at any 28th, it will certainly not surprise Details of Steps Taken to End the War.

KITCHENER WOULD NOT DISCUSS INDEPENDENCE

Gen. Botha Seemed Anxious That Hostilities Should Cease-The Terms Offered to the Boers by the British Commander.

ary papers giving details of the negotia-Africa, issued this morning, begin with ence. a telegram from Sir Alfred Milner to "I declined to discuss such a point,"

Referred the Matter to His Generals,

Mr. Chamberlain replied that he was glad to hear of Gen. Botha's desire to treat, and hoped it was genuine. "He fecting his individual position."

On February 27th Milner cabled Kitch- disfranchised." On February 27th Milner cabled Kitch- disfranchised."

Botha the terms the government was ener informing him that Gen. Botha Gen. Botha seemed satisfied with these prepared to adopt. These were the same at 10 o'clock a. m., February 28th.

PRICE BAKING POWDER CO. CHICAGO.

London, March 22 .- The parliament- their arms in

tions between the Boer commander-in- He said they could go on for some time, chief, Gen. Botha, and Lord Kitchener, and he was not sure he would be able to the extent a creditor proves he has commanding the British forces in South to bring about peace without inlepend-

Colonial Secretary Chamberlain. The said Kitchener, "and said a modified is granted." dispatch is dated Pretoria, February form of independence would be most dispatch is dated Pretoria, February dangerous, and would lead to war in the as those in Lord Kitchener's replies to 22nd, and states that Mrs. Botha had future. Replying to Gen. Botha's in- Gen. Botha. Sir Alfred Milner and the control of the co band, bringing a letter in reply to duiries, I informed him that when hostilated that he agrees to the above except as to the desires for modification regarding Gen. Botha and discuss a means of end- placed by a Crown colony administra- British subjects in Cape Colony ing the war on the express understand- tion, consisting of a nominated executing that he would not discuss the ques- ive and an elected assembly to advise liable to be dealt under the laws of tion of the independence of the Trans- him, followed after a period by a repretion of the independence of the Transvaal and the Orange River colony. Mrs.

Botha assured Sir Alfred Milner that be licensed to have rifles to protect themthe natives, the Dutch be licensed to have rifles to protect them to concede much in order to strengthen the licensed to have rifles to protect them to concede much in order to strengthen the licensed to have rifles to protect them to concede much in order to strengthen the licensed to have rifles to protect them to concede much in order to strengthen the licensed to have rifles to protect them to concede much in order to strengthen the licensed to have rifles to protect them to concede much in order to strengthen the licensed to have rifles to protect them to concede much in order to strengthen the licensed to have rifles to protect them. Botha assured Sir Alfred Milner that be licensed to have rines to protect that selves against the natives, the Dutch and the English languages were to have submit. equal rights, Kaffirs would not have the franchise until after representative g v- is not, in my opinion, a point which His take place at Middleburg.

Is not, in my opinion, a point which His ernment had been granted, church pro- Majesty's government can afford to contake place at Middleburg.

be imposed on farmers, Assistance Would Be Given will find us," said the colonial secretary, to repair the burned farms, and to enable modify the terms on a number of points.

had written that he would be in Pretoria conditions. Among the questions 10 as given, except on the following parand written that he would be in Pretoria conditions. Among the questions to the late of the late republics, but is prepared, as of the late republics, but is prepared, as office dated Pretoria, February 28th re- would return, and regarding the taking an act of grace, to set aside a million ports a long interview with Gen. Botha, over of debts of republics, including pounds to repay the inhabitants for goods who showed good feeling and he was those legally contracted since the begin-requisitioned by the republicans. anxious for peace. He asked for infor- ning of the war. Botha was reported 000, they are liable to reduction pro rata mation which he said he would submit to be making a strong point of this. He The Kaffir franchise, when given, shall to his government, generals, and the referred to notes which had been issued be so limited as to secure a just people. If they agreed, he would visit amounting to less than a million pounds. Predominance of the White Race. the Orange River Colony, and get these | Lord Kitchener arranged to communi- The legal position of the colored inhabit-

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cate Botha's views to his government. ants will be similar to that now held by All that he said was qualified by being them in Cape Colony." subject to confirmation from the home The latter concludes: "I must inform

On March 3rd, Sir Alfred Milner are not accepted after a reasonable are not accepted at cabled Kitchener suggesting the following replies to Gen. Botha: "I beg to inform you that on the cessation of hos- ceived Gen. Botha's acknowledgment of tilities and the complete surrender of the receipt of the letter. arms, ammunition, cannon and munitions in the hands of the burghers in the field but after the mutual exchange of views

To Grant Amnesty

in the Transvaal and Orange River Colony for all bona fide acts of war during the hostilities are well as to more to.

I may add that my government and my the hostilities, as well as to move the chief officers here entirely agree with governments of Cape Colony and Natal my views." to similar action, qualified by the disonce be brought back to their country.

Military law shall at once we replaced by a civil administration, but it is the

Byng has brought in 300 refugees, 16,000 cattle and 40,000 sheep from the open with the industries of Ladysmith at an early date.

Weepener and Smithfield districts. Col.

Bethuse has sent in seventeen prisoners. desire of His Majesty's government, as soon as circumstances will permit, to establish a representative government, on the cessation of hostilities a high court.

NANATHO NOTES the cessation of hostilities a high court, independent of the executive, shall be established to administer the laws; land, church property, trusts, and orphan Senior Lacrosse Club. funds shall be respected. The English and the Dutch languages shall be taught in the public schools, and allowed in the law courts. The legal

Debts of the State

to the amount of £1,000,000, shall be uged several newspapers. He leaves a paid, even if contracted during hostilities given value. The government does not intend to extend the franchise to Kaffirs in the Transvaal and Orange River Coltine water to Golden Eagle mine, Alberni. Work has started, and the mine expects to ship heavily. ony before a representative government

The conditions regarding assistance to senior lacrosse club will be reorganize the farmers, fire arms, etc., are the same to-night. Natal in the Boer army; who, if they returned to those colonies, would be those colonies passed to meet circum-

would not be touched, no war tax would effect upon Cape Colony and Natal to obtain peace by such concessions."
Mr. Chamberlain, in reply, dated who had joined the republics should be March 10th, that he had written Gen. war office, under the date of Pretoria.

Foundry at your honor that if the terms now offered

toria Firm_Plenty

your excellency to know that I do not Report That a Shipbuilding Yard feel called upon to recommend the terms is Also to Be Established

Prisoners Sent to Bloemfontein. franchisement of any British subjects Blomfontein, Orange River Colony, implicated in the war. The military pri-March 22.—Military operations in the by a Victoria firm. It will be on a large soners in St. Helena, Ceylon and else- scutheastern part of the Orange River scale, and it is reported the firm have where, on complete surrender, shall at once be brought back to their country.

Colony are progressing. Major Julian plenty of orders already.

Byng has brought in 300 refugees, 16,
It is also reported that a shipbuilding

and were shown over the company's mines and workshops to-day. The halibut fishing steamer New Engand filled her bunkers here this morn

NO COUNTER PROPOSALS

Gen. Botha Made No Specific Objections to the Peace Terms

London, March 23.-Colonial Secretary Chamberlain, in the House of Commons to-day, said no specific objections had been made by Gen. Botha, who had made no counter proposal. The only informaoutside of that published in the papers was contained in a private telegram from Gen. Kitchener, saying Gen. Botha had

Disastrous

"anxious to meet him on all points af- the farmers to start afresh, and colonists Eventually Kitchener reported to the Shushwap Milling Company's Sawmill at Kamloops Destroyed Last Night.

NANAIMO NOTES.

Nanaimo, March 22.-Robert W. Mac-

Four crack Eastern lacrosse players have taken up residence here lately. A

PLEADED GUILTY.

Tipton, late secretary of the Switch-nen's Union of North America, to-day

leaded guilty to an indictment charging

him with grand larceny on the second degree. It was one of three indict-ments against him in connection with

Buffalo, N. Y., March 22.-John

widow and family.

Fire Brigade, Unable to Save the to show the island to be, agriculturally, Building, Prevented Spread

Kamloops, March 22.-Many times long distance.

The fire raged with great fierceness for nearly two hours, during which time Island of Cayagan and other islands the buildings close to the mill were get-near the Philippine group. The payting very hot, and it was feared that the good work done by the fire department prevented a serious conflagration. signed exchanging the final ratifications To-day the mill is wiped out com-To-day the mill is wiped out com-which confirm the title to the United pletely. There is said to be \$15,000 in-States to these islands.

School House Destroyed.

Binghampton, N. Y., March 22.—The Bevier street school house, in this city, was totally destroyed by fire shortly be-fore noon to-day. The fire was discovcred by the principal of the school, and he sounded the alarm for the fire drill, the five hundred children, with perfect composure, marching simultaneously dismissed the injunction suit of Lyman from the several rooms to safety out-side the building. The roll was called, the Italian inventor. Learned asks furand several pupils failed to answer. It was feared that they had perished, but Learned brought the suit as the as-

Fort Wayne, Ind., March 22.—Fire of the system of wireless telegraphy. this morning destroyed a large part of the plant of the Kerr Murray Machine Works in this city. The loss will exceed \$50,000.

FLOODS IN SPAIN.

Have Collapsed.

Ladysmith

It Will Be Operated by a Vicof Orders

started on the erection of an iron

ing on her way to Queen Charlotte Sound for a fishing cruise. It is reported here that Hon. J. Duns-

Carter, postmaster at Errington, died last night, aged 67, of neuralgia of the heart. He is a native of the Island.
Mr. MacCarter was a printer, and manthat the latter would never garding the Extension road and bridge presumably on the score of high cost. vidow and family.

Contracts have been let for a \$6,000

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kamioops, March 22.—Many times established by Gen. Otis in 1899. Some natives have urged that when the new called out for an incipient blaze at the Shuswap Milling Co.'s saw mill in the the officers thereof be elected, instead of last ten years, and always succeeded in mestly appointed as provided by the new putting the fire out, until last night, saw. when they were called out at 11.45 p. m., the whole building seemingly ablaze New York, March 23 .- Advices from and illuminating the surroundings for a the Philippines are so encouraging for

ation in quickly, and decided that it was ment is considering the advisability of utterly useless to endeavor to save the reducing the garrisons in the archipelago. property, and directed the whole of its attention to preventing the fire from spreading to the city buildings and suc-

Nanaimo, March 23.-Work has beer

Funston in Pursuit of the Filipino

Manila, March 23.-Gen. Funston has gone to Isabella province with ten nen and a company of native scouts in a daring attempt to capture Aguinaldo. Dissatisfied With Self-Government.

Bacolod, Island of Negros, March 23. -The United States Philippine commis sion has listened to a quantity of testimony in the conditions in the western part of Negros Island, which tended the richest in the Philippines, Negros has lately been afflicted with a plague of locusts, and has been dissatisfied with the administration of public offices under the plan of self-govern provisional government is organized that

May Reduce Garrison.

ong distance.

Peace, says the Washington correspondent of the brigade took the situation of the Press, that the war depart-

Money For Spain. Washington, March 23.-Secretary ter, the Duke of Aricos, a treasury warrant for \$100,000 in payment of the ment was made in accordance with the terms of a treaty negotiated last November. To-day protocols also were

INJUNCTION REFUSED. Marconi, the Italian Inventor, Denies That He Infringed Dolbear's Rights.

New York, March 23.-Justice Cox,

after they were accounted for. The loss can the building is estimated at \$18,000.

Fire in Machine Works.

Learned brought the Suit as Suit as Jearned brought the Suit as Patents had been issued to Dolbear in December, 1882, and October, 1882. Marconi's invention, he said, by reasons of fault in construction, was not fitted for commercial uses and Marconi had made use of Dolbear's system.

Several Towns Inundated and Many Houses tents had been issued to Dolbear, but said there had never been a practical Grenada, Spain, March 23.—Several towns in the province of Granada have been inundated. The floods have done great damage, part of the crops are ruined and many of the cattle have perished and a number of houses have collapsed. At Ilahero half the town is surrounded by water and some of the houses have fallea. At Grenada a little of Technology, were witnesses for Marconi. demonstration of the commercial value