

WILL THEY DECIDE ON SOMETHING?

Great Britain's Position Re Indemnity

Demand of China May Be Agreed To This Week—Germany (and Every-one Else) Tired of the Wrangle.

Pekin, May 25.—It seems probable that Great Britain's proposition limiting the indemnity to be demanded from China to 450,000,000 taels will be agreed to by the end of the week. United States Special Commissioner Rockhill thinks this may be considered an American victory. Though his proposition limiting indemnity to \$310,000,000 was not accepted, still it was the cause of the other powers considering the idea.

The only point likely to cause further delay in a decision by all the powers except America is that regarding the raising of the foreign customs of 5 per cent. Mr. Rockhill, however, the ministers at a recent meeting that rather than take this step America would relinquish all claims to indemnity and even make a money present to China, as American commercial interests would suffer far more thereby than from any other power, with possibly one exception.

WALDERSEE'S POSITION USELESS

New York, May 25.—Oukhtomsky, president of the Russo-Chinese Bank, who is described as knowing the Chinese, as having studied them, and as having lately spent four months at Pekin, is quoted at some length, on the Chinese situation in a St. Petersburg dispatch to the Herald. In the course of an interview he said:

"I did not see Count Von Waldersee at Pekin, but everyone there knew that he felt the uselessness of his position. The Kaiser thought Pekin could be taken with a battalion. So it could, but the battalion could not stop there. This is what he did not understand. He did not comprehend the character of the Finlander and the characteristics of the Turanian blood. The Chinese will never forgive and never forget. There is no fear with them. The spirit of fatalism among them is far too strong. They would not care even if as many more of them were sacrificed."

"Do they hate Germans particularly?"

"No; they dislike us all about equally, and now more than ever."

"What would have been the right course to pursue?"

"Retire at once after the legations had been rescued and treat the Chinese as barbarians with whom we would have no more intercourse. Had that been done, Li Hung Chang and the rest of the mandarins would have come running after us. Instead of that—and I look upon it as a shame that Russian representatives should be in such a position—ministers are running after them. The spirit of fatalism among them is far too strong. They would not care even if as many more of them were sacrificed."

Berlin, May 25.—The feeling throughout Germany of tiredness of the China war still continues, and now even includes the emperor, who has agreed with the chancellor that it is best to effect the withdrawal of the German forces as quickly as possible and reach some understanding regarding the mode of paying the indemnity.

The German naval division in the far east concert of the battleships Kurfuhrer, Friedrich Wilhelm, Branburg, Weissenburg and Goerz, and the dispatch boat Hela, has been ordered by cable to return home.

Emperor William has ordered the German command in China to be broken up, and that preparations be made to reduce Germany's forces there.

A GERMAN-AMERICAN UNPLEASANTNESS.

London, May 27.—A Pekin dispatch, dated Sunday, says: "The U. S. legation guard has had its first trouble."

The legation street is being repaired near the legation, and an American sentry was placed at the point with orders to direct people around by a side street. Everybody obeyed with the exception of the Germans, both officers and soldiers, who have caused the American sentries much trouble. One of the German officers drew his sword and charged an American soldier who brought his bayonet to "charge," whereupon the officer derided charged past the sentry, who fired, hitting another German soldier near the German legation, a quarter of a mile off. This, fortunately, was only a light flesh wound. The sentry has been placed under arrest, and Major Robertson has instituted an investigation.

SPAIN AND ITALY GET A SHAKING

Houses Destroyed and the Inhabitants in a Panic—Wounded in a Stage Duel.

Madrid, May 27.—An earthquake shock was felt in several districts of Spain Saturday. At Metril, in Granada, a number of houses were destroyed, but no lives were lost. The inhabitants were panic-stricken. The shock lasted sixteen seconds. The shock was felt at Granada, City and Malaga, where many houses were damaged and the people fled in terror from the buildings to the streets. At Puebla in Badajoz two persons were drowned in floods and a number were injured. There was a violent earthquake at 5 o'clock a.m. in the Conit district, and a severe cut in the face, whether from the sword or the edge of his helmet is not known.

BLOODSHED ON THE STAGE.

London, May 27.—During the performance of "Lohengrin" at Covent Garden, Saturday, the sword contest between Lohengrin and Telramund resulted in M. Mohwinkel, who was singing the latter part, receiving a severe cut in the face, whether from the sword or the edge of his helmet is not known.

Instead of falling before the Lohengrin, who was impersonated by M. Knote, in accordance with the traditional rendering of the part, M. Mohwinkel took refuge among the soldiers, with the blood streaming down his face. The police officer who was summoned found that the wound was not a serious one, but M. Mohwinkel was unable to continue his part, and was replaced by M. Muhlmann.

MAY BE FINED \$1,000,000.

New York, May 25.—Two thousand partridges, quail, grouse and other game birds were found in a storage company's establishment by a game warden yesterday. If the storage company can be convicted under the law the fines will run up to an enormous amount, some estimating the figures at \$1,000,000.

SONGWRITER'S SON A BEGGAR.

New York, May 27.—H. Graham, the 10-year-old son of the late Charles Graham, writer of "Two Little Girls in Blue," and other songs, was a prisoner in police court Saturday on a charge of begging. The boy's mother said she was so poor that she had been obliged to go to work as a janitor's support herself. She had not told the boy to beg, but she was unable to take proper care of him. The boy was sent to the Catholic Protectory.

THE STEIN CASE.

Montreal, May 27.—The Cathedral congregation has sent a formal protest to Archbishop Norton against the treatment of Prof. Stein, and demanded an explanation. The document, signed by 25 of the leading members, takes the ground that the college board has no rights to veto in the matter, and that the professor has been treated unjustly. The archbishop declares he does not know the reason for the archbishop's course.

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lar 35c, for 25c.

A Few Other Specials

15c box of Perfumed Soap for 10c.

25c box of stationery for 15c.

\$1.25 Dictionary (Webster's), for 85c.

WOODS' FEAR

ANTECEDENTS OF MRS. LULU BONINE.

Her Father a Well-to-Do Merchant in
Macon, Missouri.

Macon, Mo., May 27.—Mrs. L. T. Bonine, of Washington, who is charged with killing James A. Ayrault, a clerk in the census office, was born in this town, where she lived with her parents the first years of her life. Her father, James E. Henmi, was a merchant, and fairly well-off financially. Mrs. Bonine's maiden name was Lulu Ida Henmi. She met L. T. Bonine while he was here as representative of a St. Louis wholesale drug company, and after a short courtship they were married. Soon after the marriage they went to Richmond, Kan. When Mrs. Bonine was a girl she was very pretty and had a host of admirers. She could have married nearly any of the young men of Macon, several of whom offered her themselves, with small fortunes. She preferred the traveling man, however.

COAL COMBINE

Involving the Operation of Ohio, Indiana
and Illinois—Mark Hanna & Co. Go Into
a Big Speculation.

Indianapolis, Ind., May 27.—The proposed trust of the coal operators of Indiana is in line with similar movements now in progress in Ohio and Illinois, and the prospects are that a gigantic combination will be formed, with capitalization of probably \$50,000,000. The trusts in the three states will be under different organizations, but they will be financed by the same capital. It will probably be known as the Indiana Consolidated Coal Company, and will have headquarters somewhere near the center of the fields. The minimum capital stock will be \$10,000,000, so it is likely the capitalization will be somewhere near \$15,000,000. It will be incorporated under the laws of this state.

It is expected the formation of the trust will mean that the mines will be closed down temporarily, as the large operators assert that there is at this time an over-production.

MARK HANNA'S SCHEME.

A Toledo dispatch says: M. A. Hanna & Co. have secured options on almost the entire Massillon coal district. The output of the properties included in the deal amounts to over 1,000,000 tons per year.

A POOR DAY FOR THE PAN-AMERICAN.

Rained Steadily on Sunday—The Grounds
Practically Deserted.

Buffalo, N. Y., May 27.—A steady downpour of rain from early morning until late last night made the Pan-American exhibition ground look like a deserted city yesterday. Those who did have the courage to brave the elements spent their time in the exhibit buildings, some of which were open a part of the day, or in the Music, where music was being given. A fair-sized crowd listened to the melodious strains of the mammoth pipe organ. The organ has about 4,000 pipes and 32 speaking registers.

Alabama's exhibit in the agricultural building has been finished. The display is of an elaborate character and many features of especial interest. One is a reproduction of the state capital in corn. There is also an extensive exhibit of preserved fruits and rye and barley. Capt. Stoum's Spray arrived at Park Lake, in the grounds, after its long trip around the world and through the Erie Canal. The formal launching of the boat will take place today.

CROOKS THREATEN INVENTOR EDISON

With the Kidnapping of His Daughter Unites
He Lets Them Have a Handsome
Pile of Money.

New York, May 27.—Thomas A. Edison, the inventor, who lives in a handsome mansion at Llewellyn Park, N. J., has received a letter threatening to kidnap his beautiful young daughter, 12, Madeline, 12 years old, unless he had a handsome sum of money left in a lonely spot in the Orange Mountains.

The letter was received, Mr. Edison said, on Monday, May 6, and was signed "Remember" as was the letter received by Mr. Cudahy when the latter's son was stolen. The police of West Orange were immediately informed and the letter was turned over to them. It was not written but printed, evidently with rubber type.

Mr. Edison has engaged private detectives to run down the sender of the letter, and extra watchmen have been employed for the two Edison children, Madeline and Charles.

On the same day that Mr. Edison received the letter another one was left at the home of J. Warren Smith, cashier of the West Orange Bank, telling Mr. Smith that unless the sum of \$15,000 was left behind the Orange Memorial Hospital by Wednesday, May 8, his son Paul, 15 years old, would be kidnapped.

TOOK OVER THE N. P. R.

Winnipeg, Man., May 27.—The Manitoba Government took over the Northern Pacific Saturday. Bonds were signed and delivered at noon Saturday. The Northern Pacific will occupy their present positions till June 1.

How to Cure a Corn

It is one of the easiest things in the world to cure a corn. Do not use acids or other caustic preparations, and don't cut a hole in your foot. It is simply to apply Putnam's Pain-Expeller and don't look for it in three days the corn can be removed without pain. Sure, safe, painless. Take only Putnam's Corn Expeller.

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ANOTHER STEAMER LINE.

Direct Connection Between Manchester and
Philadelphia To Be Made.

Philadelphia, May 27.—Edgar B. Griffiths, treasurer and general superintendent of the Pennsylvania Warehouse and Safe Deposit Company, of this city, returned home yesterday from England, where he went as representative of the Reading Railroad, and Charles M. Taylor's Sons, of this city, to establish a direct steamship connection between Manchester and Philadelphia. Mr. Griffiths said: "It is definitely agreed that the Philadelphia and Manchester Steamship Line will begin operations during the early part of July. The plan is to have sailings from both ports every ten days, and the initial trip from Philadelphia will be made by the steamer Manchester Corporation, which is expected to reach this port about July 1."

With the Workers.

CAR WORKERS' OFFICERS.

Buffalo, May 24.—The delegates to the convention of the car workers of North America have completed their organization by the election of the following officers: International president, A. T. Fish, Buffalo; first vice-president, P. L. Anderson, Chicago; second vice-president, B. A. McCloskey, New Orleans; third vice-president, E. C. Potts, Dover, N. J.; general secretary and treasurer, A. D. Wheeler, Buffalo. The general and main headquarters of the association will be in this city. The organization will be known as the International Association of Car Workers.

SYMPATHETIC STRIKES.

At Easton, Pa., 100 boiler-makers, employed in the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company's shops here, struck because they had been ordered to repair a locomotive wrecked on one of the upper divisions of the road. The boiler-makers at Buffalo and Wilkesbarre, where they work for the upper division is done, are on strike, and the local men declare they would be faithless to their fellow workers if they worked on the road.

Part of the men employed on the rapid transit tunnel at New York went on strike Friday. The strike leaders claim 1,500 men of the 5,000 are already out, and that the strike will be general.

The strike at the tube works of the Reading Iron Company, inaugurated some three weeks ago, is now general. The entire Massillon coal district is concerned in this city. A general increase of 10 to 15 per cent in the wages is demanded. Altogether 2,500 men are on strike.

THE DETROIT STREET RAILWAY

MEN.

A committee of the Detroit Street Railway Employees' Association have received a positive refusal from General Superintendent Stanley, of the Detroit United Railway, to grant the request of an increase of wages from 21 cents an hour to 23 cents, the work day to be nine hours and to be completed, as far as possible, within twelve hours. Business Agent Tupper, of the employees, says that the refusal will be considered at a meeting of the employees next Monday night. He cannot tell what the men will do.

A STRIKE CALLED OFF.

Pittsburg, May 27.—The strike of window glass workers in Belgium and France has been declared off and the strikers will return to work at the manufacturers' terms. The men have been on strike for eleven months for recognition of the union and an advance in wages and during that time the glass workers of this country have sent them \$35,000. The strike affected 8,000 men in Belgium and 2,000 in France.

Questions Answered.

Tales of Raccoons, Fish and Tin Cans Told
by Florida Fishermen.

WYOMING.—Can the owner of land take up and remove surveyor's stakes, planted to fix the boundary, against the wishes of the owner of adjoining land, or for the purpose of putting down a post fence? Has not the post fence been removed by the owner of the corner stake, except by mutual consent? Is the removal to be restrained by a civil suit, or is it a criminal offense and liable to five years imprisonment who willfully removes any land mark, post or monument? The stake cannot therefore be lawfully removed. The fence post should not disturb the surveyor's stake, but by mutual consent it might be substituted for it. A criminal prosecution is the proper remedy, but a civil suit for an injunction might also be brought before the removal actually took place.

MERLIN.—A owns a small piece of land which he verbally rented to B for one year at a time; but for 1901 B put in field of fall wheat without any rental of lease or agreement; balance of land is meadow. Should A sell the land to C, can B hold land for this year on former agreement, and take off the wheat crop at last year's rent? Can B claim share in crop of grass as well as the wheat? What shares, if any, can C claim in wheat and grass respectively, should he be tenant and can hold the land till the expiration of the current year for the crops until the end of his term. C can only become the owner subject to the tenancy of B, and can therefore not claim any share in the wheat or grass.

CHARGED WITH EMBEZZLING

Kansas City, Mo., May 27.—Utley Wedge, receiver of the Siegel-Sanders Live Stock Commission Company, of which Frank Rockefeller is the principal shareholder, has made an affidavit, charging Frank Siegel, late president of the company, with embezzling a total of \$145,486 of the company's money.

A BRAVE RESCUER.

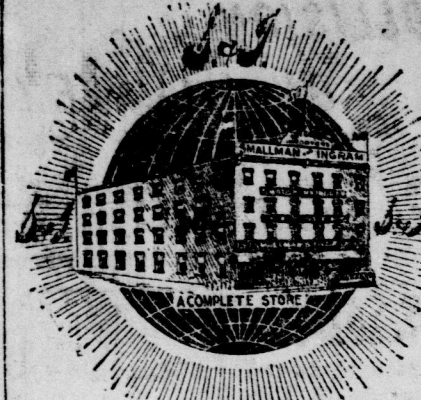
Toronto, May 25.—Commodore C. M. Ellis, of the National Yacht and Skiff Club, Toronto, while racing in the 16-foot class, was thrown from his boat, the Caterpillar, and went under. His crew, after him, and extricated him from under the canvas, and was in turn rescued and drawn up on the hull until one of the competing yachts came to the rescue.

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Of Dark Gray Homespun, 7-gore flare, four rows of stitching on each seam, three graduated strappings of black taffeta silk, lined, for \$6 50
Of fine quality Black Homespun, unlined, one-inch taffeta straps at top of a deep graduated flounce, bottom of skirt finished with three-inch velvet facing and six rows of silk stitching, for \$7 00
Ladies' Bicycle Skirts, of two-toned homespun, deep facing, full width, neatly finished, for \$2 75
Ladies' Bicycle or Tally-Day Skirts, of good all-wool black or gray homespun, double-stitched raised seams; unlined deep facing of goods, with ten rows of silk stitching; dressy, serviceable skirts, for \$5 00
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