

INSTRUCTIONS FOR CONGER.

They Have Been Sent and Are Comprehensive.

DEMANDS TO BE MODERATE

It is said There is a Secret Agreement Attached to Article Three of the Anglo-German Alliance.

New York, Nov. 1.—Comprehensive instructions bearing upon the indemnity this government will demand of China have gone to Minister Conger, says a Washington special to the Herald. Administration officials decline to discuss their character but the demands this government will submit will be moderate. They will comprise reparation for injuries suffered by Americans and the damage to their property and reimbursement of expenses incurred in sending the expedition to China. It cannot be learned that this government has determined upon the exact amount to be demanded, but whatever it is will probably be accepted in Chinese bonds, which are to be taken up by China in installments.

It is likely that Germany will file a claim of several millions for the death of Baron von Ketteler, the German minister.

So far as the information of the state department goes satisfactory progress is being made by the ministers in reaching agreements as to demands to be submitted to China.

A SECRET AGREEMENT.

New York, Nov. 1.—The London correspondent of the Tagblatt, says a hurried dispatch to the Herald, learns from a source which he cannot disclose that an Anglo-German agreement does not contain a secret arrangement which has been added to article 3. It refers to China and Africa. The paragraph regarding China could be published without causing any difficulties, but on account of the paragraph regarding Africa this is not possible for the moment.

Jones Has Nothing to Confess.

New York, Nov. 1.—Frederick B. House, counsel for Charles F. Jones, and Albert T. Patrick, who are confined in the Tombs charged with having urged the will of William Marcy Rice, the millionaire, to be carried out in sight of a reprieve in regard to the rumors that he had made a confession. He said he did not believe the reports were true. He seemed greatly surprised to learn that Jones had been taken to the district attorney's office and kept there several hours. He continued:

"When I visited Jones at the Tombs in the afternoon he told me that Assistant District Attorney Oskar, Captain Baker and a representative of the firm of Horne, Byrne, Miller & Peter visited him at 8 o'clock on Tuesday night and stayed with him until 3 a.m. yesterday morning. I think such a proceeding an unusual one. I asked Jones what was the nature of his business and he said that they wanted him to confess. 'What did you tell him?' I asked Jones and he replied 'Why, I told them I could not make a confession as I had nothing to confess.'

Members of the firm of Hornblower, Byrne, Peter & Miller refused to say anything about Mr. House's statement.

OSSIFIED HEAD AND TRUNK.

Workmen in a Brooklyn Cellar Come Across Them in a Trunk.

New York, Nov. 1.—While workmen were clearing up a cellar formerly occupied by the late Dr. Thos. S. Holmes, who had a drug store in Brooklyn, they came across a box securely fastened, which was found to contain the petrified head and trunk of a girl about 12 years old. The police made an investigation, and became satisfied that the victim had been killed and dismembered. The police made a formal charge against Holmes, who, it is said, experimented with an embalming process which he had used during the civil war and the secret of which he died with without revealing. It was Dr. Holmes' boast that he had discovered a process of embalming that would last forever. He was at work on the process when he died. Dr. Jones or Dr. Holmes embalmed the bodies of many soldiers. He also embalmed the body of President Lincoln.

VICTOR MINERS' UNION.

Executive Board Meets Mine Management and Settles Matters.

Victor, Colo., Nov. 1.—The executive board of the Victor Miners' Union was in session for five hours last night with Manager Shipman and Assistant Manager of the Independent Mine, discussing the question of the independent miners as account of the recent personal search order of the mine management. It was announced that all difficulties had been settled and Mr. Grant states that the 3 o'clock shift will go on as usual today. The men will strip to their underclothing and if any are detected of stealing ore they will be suspended and some of their comrades under the eye of a witness. Another feature of the agreement is that the mine management will give preference to members of the union wherever possible. The 300 men affected by the strike have been out five days.

Preparing for Election Returns.

New York, Nov. 1.—Joseph H. Manley of Augusta, Me., and Senator W. B. Scott of West Virginia, both of whom are in the eastern Republican national headquarters in this city, have arranged with Democratic leaders of this city, will receive the returns on election night at the headquarters in Madison avenue. Mr. Scott is paired with a bank clerk who has just left Philadelphia. Both have made an affidavit that they will not vote. Manley is paired with a Democrat who always votes the party ticket, no matter what it is. Returns will be received by wire and by long distance telephone. The telephone is in direct connection with Senator Hanna's office at the Chicago headquarters.

Whalers Have Been Successful.

San Francisco, Cal., Nov. 1.—Captain George J. Humphrey of the Pacific Steam Whaling company has arrived here from New Zealand. He reports that the whalers have been quite successful this year. The catch to October 1 was as follows:

Grimpuk, 15; Alexander, 7; William Bayley, 7; Newhol, 2; Rowhead, 1; Pearies, 2; Beluga, 1; Karuk, 8½; Jannette, 7; Belevere, 1.

The fleet is now due and may be expected daily. Three of the steamers have sailed for Herdell Island, and will spend the winter in the ice. They are the Norwhal, Bowhead and Belevea. The rest are coming home.

The Beluga arrived at Bailey Island with the schooner Sophia Sutherland in

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