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Footnotes

Assembled by Col. Evelyn William Medows Norie (1862-1915) of the Duke of Cambridge's Own (Middlesex Regiment), whose *Official account of the military operations in China 1900-1901* was published by the War Office's Intelligence Department in 1903.

Images include: Chief of the German staff in China, General von Schwartzkopf, in the antique-filled rooms in the Winter Palace, wherein he perished in a fire in April 1901; General Sir Alfred Gaselee and staff; various other military groups including the 1st Sikhs; memorial service for Queen Victoria

staff, various other military groups including the 1st Sixths, Memorial Service for Queen Victoria, February 1901, outside the South Gate of the Forbidden City (2); dragon screen within the Imperial City (3); various gates at Peking; American HQ and French railway station; Legation Quarter; ruins of two cathedrals burnt by the Boxers; Dowager Empress' miniature railway; the Summer Palace, ruins, a "Porcelain Pagoda [which] was blown down during a storm a few days after this photograph was taken"; troops marching through the Nan-kou Pass (Juyong Pass), and the Cloud Platform there; Qinhuangdao port and railway construction.

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Gen. Schwartzoff, Chief of the German Staff in China, in his rooms in the Dowager Empress' Palace, Peking. He was burnt to death in these rooms when the Palace was accidentally burnt down during the winter of 1900 - 1901.

