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viously heard the Gospel in Amoy, being present to keep the Sabbath. In the afternoon the doors were scarcely opened when a band of about a dozen men simultaneously entered with evident mischievous intent. They pressed forward to the inner part of the hall, and attempted to pass the barriers where the helpers stood, in order to reach the inner apartments of the house. Being withstood, however, they retired a little, and immediately began to raise a tumult by howling, swearing, &c., while, with a crowd of others who had joined them, they kept surging backwards and forwards in the hall. Mr. Douglas and I were immediately present, but our voices were continually drowned in the tumult. We at once set ourselves to disperse the audience, and after great difficulty got them all out. By this time, however, there were literally thousands collected in the street in front. They had gathered from all quarters within and without the city at the union of an attempt to rob the foreigners' house. Having shot, bolted, and otherwise secured the door, against which the crowd kept pressing, we commended ourselves, our helpers, and those who had stood by us since the riot commenced, in prayer to God, and waited as patiently as we could for some news from the Mandarin, to whom we had sent repeated urgent messages for assistance. After about two hours from the beginning of the disturbance, he at length appeared, and with his attendants entered the chapel. He at once declared that this was a matter of the people; that the people were opposed to us; and as the people ruled in Tai-wan-foo, that it was impossible for him to protect us, and that we must leave the city. No sign of attempt either to reassure the people before of our sincerity of purpose, and of our innocence of the evil charges circulated against us, or even to protect us now, having been given, we were not surprised, though much grieved, at this demand on his part for our retirement from Tai-wan-foo. We pressed our treaty-right, and the fact that nothing yet had been done to help us, but it was useless; and, under protest, we were constrained to promise to leave the city within three days. In the meantime, the Mandarin promised a guard to protect us for

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