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REPEITION OF SPANISH ARMADA.

British Expert Naval Opinion Says This Will Be the Result of Meeting Between Rojestvensky and Togo--Where is the Russian Fleet?

AMSTERDAM, Holland, April 12.--A fight is now in progress near the Anambas Islands (east of the Malay Peninsula), according to a telegram from Batavia, Island of Java, to the Handelsblad (newspaper).

steamers and hospital ships and a tug. Taking Precautions. Singapore, Straits Settlement, April 12.--The German collier Hindoo, now at this port, loaded with 4,000 tons of Cardiff coal for the island of Tanjong Pandan (east of Banks Island) and between Borneo and Sumatra, has been ordered to clearance papers for Saigon unless her commander gives bonds to deliver her cargo through the British consul there.

New York, April 12.--A London despatch to the World says--Rear Admiral Gayley, a distinguished naval strategist, and expert, writes in the (London) Daily Telegraph: "We may expect that the whole passage of the Russian fleet to the North through the China Sea, will be marked by continual harassing by Japanese torpedo boat destroyers, whose supreme object will be to wear down the Russian fleet, ship by ship, and when the supreme moment arrives for action, the battle fleets, if at such an event should take place, Admiral Togo's superiority may even be greater than at present. It is probable that there will be little occurring in the way of a naval action while the Russians are so close to territorial waters. At present, they could seek sanctuary at almost any moment, if it were desired, and this is not what the Japanese wish. So that, if Admiral Rojestvensky does not go into Saigon (Fuking) but China absolutely refused."

Where is Rojestvensky? London, April 12.--The mystery of the whereabouts of the Russian fleet is still unsolved and speculation of the possibilities of the situation is of the keenest. The favorite hypothesis of the newspapers this morning is that his six battleships slipped past Singapore some night with lights out. The Daily Telegraph's Singapore correspondent, writing under date of April 11, says: "All reports to the contrary notwithstanding, only one battleship, the Bismarck, passed here Saturday. No ships of the Tarevitch type were with the squadron."

China Stands Firm. London, April 12.--The correspondent of the Daily Telegraph says: "A telegram from Peking states that Russian Minister Lesser asked China to lend Russia a port in Dolien (Fuking) but China absolutely refused."

In Manchuria. Tokio, April 12.--Reports received here from Manchuria indicate that the Russians continue concentrating their troops and strengthening the Changchun-Kerlin line. General Radnikoff's forces continue in the south of Manchuria. Skirmishes are frequent and may possibly develop into an engagement. It is reported that the Russians have armed the convicts of the Island of Sakhalin, promising money and freedom to those fighting bravely. This, it is added, brings the garrison of Sakhalin up to a total of three thousand men. It is doubted however, that Russia will attempt to hold the island.

Battle Yarn Not Confirmed. St. Petersburg, April 12.--4.36 p.m.--The admiralty has no information in regard to the alleged naval battle in progress of the Anambas Islands as reported to a newspaper of Amsterdam, Holland from Batavia, and does not credit the possibility of a general naval battle yet.

Report Not Confirmed. London, April 12.--No confirmation has yet been received in London of the report from Batavia, Java, of a naval battle of the Anambas Islands, and as there is no cable connection with these islands, it is difficult to see how Batavia could have got such news before Singapore.

French on the Alert. Saigon, French Cochinchina, April 12.--The French cruiser Desbarrie and five torpedo boats are cruising off Cape James, near here. The French gunboats Achiron and Sixx are also on the alert.

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POPULATE THE COLONIES.

Commander Booth-Tucker Talks on the Salvation Army's Colonization Plans--Last Year's Immigration to Canada Made Excellent Showing.

Cleveland, O., April 12.--Before leaving for the East yesterday, Commander Booth-Tucker, who, with H. Rider Haggard, the author, is making an inspection of the social colony work done by the Salvation Army in the United States, outlined the plan of the Salvation Army to relieve congestion in population in London by sending persons to Canada and other English colonies. He said: "Last year the Salvation Army carried 10,000 persons from England to Canada, which is starving for population. We carried them in our own ship. It will not be long before we shall be carrying Englishmen, not by thousands, but by tens of thousands, not only to Canada, but to New Zealand, Australia, India and South Africa."

In Quebec, as the United States government dumps them at Ellis Island, but dropped six here and eight there, and a dozen in another place wherever they were needed. "Every man who left England for Canada knew before he started where he was going, what he was going to work at and what wages he was to receive. The United States should revise its immigration laws. Through its consuls and other representatives, immigrants should be investigated before they start. Then you could get the cream of Europe, the yeomanry, the healthy, sturdy stock, and not the scum, the ne'er-do-wells. "The Salvation Army would like to co-operate with the United States government in a work of this kind. Then colonization could be made the basis of the immigration policy."

HUMORS OF HISTORY--10.



Bodicca. B.D. 61. "The Romans obtained possession of the country and retained it for 500 years, in spite of the numerous revolts against their rule. One of the best known British champions was Queen Bodicca, who defeated the Roman Commander-in-Chief Suetonius, and made 70,000 Romans into mince-meat. Ultimately she was, in turn, defeated, and poisoned herself."

MANY BILLS DEALT WITH TODAY.

The Inglewood Bill Withdrawn--Long Debate Over That Relating to the Miramichi Pulp and Paper Co.--A Busy Morning at the Capital--No St. John Bills.

Fredericton, April 12.--The Legislative Council held a meeting this morning, and passed the usual bills for extra during the session. The committee recommended that another question steno-grapher be employed by the House to attend upon members and do the correspondence. The Corporations committee disposed of all bills before it. An amendment was added to the bill appointing a royal commission to investigate the affairs of the Restigouche Pulp Co. that charges made by complainants may be amended or added to from time to time. The bill incorporating the Clear Station Water Co., was recommended with minor amendments. A long discussion took place over the bill relating to the Miramichi Pulp and Paper Co. The bill conferred an agreement made between George T. Keys, James Beveridge, Clarence A. Hight, Chas. W. Keys,

and A. H. Hanington, and other stockholders of the company and the Maritime Sulphite Fibre Co. The legality of the issue of bonds by the Maritime Sulphite Fibre Co., to the Bank of Montreal for \$200,000 had been questioned, and the bill confirmed such issue of bonds. Upon these two sections of the bill both parties agreed, but upon further sections there was difference of opinion. A. H. Hanington appeared for the Company, H. H. McLean for the Bank of Montreal, and the bill which provides that upon registry in the Northumberland record office of a mortgage described in the mortgage referred to was to become a first and preferential claim upon the property and plant of the company. This the committee refused to recommend. The promoters of the bill who de-

manded that the provincial secretary employ legal counsel to examine the title of the property mentioned in the trust mortgage, the expenses to be paid by the Bank of Montreal, and this the committee declined to recommend. The bill amending the charter of the Auto Road Co., was recommended, as was also a bill amending the act incorporating the Imperial Dry Dock Co. The bill relating to the South West E. Canada Pulp and Paper Co., as amended having been reached by the containing parties in both cases. The Municipalities Committee this morning recommended that the Town of St. Stephen and the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, also a bill to authorize the Town of Edmundston to provide a water system.

A NEW CHAPTER In the Lives of Oliver Hancock and Lillian Stafford.

A new chapter in the life of Oliver Hancock and pretty Lillian Stafford, was opened this morning, when the young English lovers were made man and wife. The wedding, which was solemnized at the Evangeline Home and Hospital, on St. James street, where Miss Stafford was taken yesterday, was a quiet, but needless to say, a very happy affair. The nuptial knot was tied by Rev. Canon Richardson, rector of Trinity church, the only witnesses being the assistant matron and one of the nurses connected with the home. The romances is already fresh in the minds of all readers of the Times. Any uncertainty as to the possible intervention of the bride's parents has now been forever dispelled, and Mrs. Hancock, attired in a becoming gown of white material, looked surprisingly happy this morning when Trinity rector wished her and her husband a happy voyage through life. The groom will stay at the Metropolitan with Adjutant Thompson for a few days, until arrangements have been completed for his sojourn in St. John, while Mrs. Stafford will remain at the Evangeline Home.

SALE OF CROWN LANDS.

Fredericton, N. B., April 12.--(Special)--Sixty-two and a half miles of crown land were sold at auction here, this morning, all going to the upset price. Fifty-eight berths aggregating 280 miles was advertised but there was no purchaser for the greater part of it. The total proceeds of the sales amounted to \$1250. Adams, Burns and Co. bought 24 1/2 miles on the Nepisiquit, William Richards Co., 2 1/2 miles, on the Restigouche. The Miramichi, and John O'Brien, 26 miles, on the Miramichi.

IN THE FAR NORTH.

Ottawa, April 12.--(Special)--It is the intention of the marine department to take over the mounted police department, the sailing of the Northern Straits and the Arctic ocean by the S. S. Arctic under the command of Capt. Bernier.

POLICE COURT.

Judgment in the Perkins Matter Held Over Until Friday. Arthur Jordan the only drunk at the police court this morning, was fined 48 or thirty days.

Mr. Machum identified Jordan as the man who entered his house on Canterbury street last night. Judgment in the case of Ebon Perkins against the Liquor License Commissioners, has been further postponed until Friday morning.

BROOKFIELD MAN JAMMED.

Truro, April 12.--(Special)--Forest Booder, son of Enoch Booder of Brookfield, was jammed between two cars while shunting this afternoon, and slight bones are entailed for his recovery.

WILL KEEP IT UP.

Ottawa, April 12.--(Special)--At the conservative caucus today, it was decided to keep up the debate on autonomy until after recess. No definite action was reached, about opposing Frank Oliver.

IT PROMISES TO BE LIVELY.

This Afternoon's Meeting of the License Commissioners--A Large Temperance Committee Will Be Present and State Objections.

The meeting of the Liquor License commissioners, which is being held this afternoon, in the inspector's office, promises to be a lively one. A large committee representing the temperance people and the moral reform committee of the Methodist churches in St. John, will be present, and will present their views. Rev. Thos. Marshall, Rev. Dr. Sprague and J. R. Woodburn, will act as spokesmen for the committee. One of the members said this morning that they would urge that the commissioners, as far as possible, restrict the sale of intoxicants, instead of extending licenses, as has been the custom in the past. They feel that the commissioners have given too much latitude to the liquor dealers in the past, and that too many saloons are allowed in certain districts.

Some of the applicants for licenses are objected to on the ground that they are too near churches, others because they sell after hours, and some because there are too many in a certain locality. It is probable that the matter will be fully discussed, and it is likely that some of those complained of will have representatives present to look after their interests.

A meeting of the temperance and moral reform committees of the various Methodist churches, throughout the city, was held last evening in the school-room of Queen Square church, and the following resolution was adopted:-- "This committee, representing the Methodist churches of the city of St. John, whilst not in favor of license laws as the best means of dealing with the liquor traffic, by appointing a committee to investigate the liquor traffic, and to urge upon them the necessity of...

talling as far as possible, the sale of intoxicating liquors, in the City of St. John. This committee trusts that the attempt made at the last provincial election in the city of St. John, to promote purity in elections, will be followed up on future occasions of a similar character, by earnest and successful efforts to that end, and would call the attention of all members of our churches, to the duty and aim of the course so generally followed out in the past. And further that all the members of our churches in this city, be urged to use their influence and vote to the attainment of an end so desirable and right. That this meeting of the various committees of the Methodist churches of this city, form itself into a permanent organization, for united action, and that meetings be called by the chair or on the request of any two members of the committee. The committees composing the meetings were chosen by the various churches at the last quarterly business meeting, so that the views expressed last evening, voice the opinion of all the churches. The resolutions, which were sent to the Dominion and provincial legislatures, recently were from the general conference, while in this case, the local committee is taking action. As the office of the inspector is too small for a gathering such as is likely to be present this afternoon, the hope was expressed by some of the members of the committee that an adjournment could be made to a larger and more suitable place, as that all who have business there might attend. Inspector Jones stated this morning that so far as he knew, the meeting would be opened at 2 o'clock in his office, as the law re-

SENT UP FOR TRIAL.

John Dukeshire Must Answer a Charge of Assault in the County Court. Preliminary hearing in the Riley assault case was resumed before Judge Ritchie this morning, and John Dukeshire will be sent up for trial at the next sitting of the county court. Dukeshire is charged with assaulting and kicking John Riley and threatening to kill him with a chair, in a house on Sheffield street. He is also charged by Kate Lambert with wilfully breaking windows in her house on Water street. Added to the above is a charge of violently resisting the police.

IMPORTANT AMENDMENTS To the New Brunswick Game Law--Logs Have Gone Adrift.

Fredericton, N. B., April 12.--(Special)--A large quantity of logs supposed to belong to the St. John Lumber Co., passed down river with the ice this morning. It is believed that several thousand logs belonging to Fredericton and St. John mill men have broken away from Sugar Island boom, and are being carried out with the ice. The river here has fallen about six inches since yesterday morning that the plaintiff went into the Dukeshire house on Tuesday the 4th instant. Dukeshire called him some very bad names, and struck him in the eye with his fist. He defended himself as best he could and Dukeshire seized a chair and struck, cutting and bruising his hand. He also received a violent kick on the leg and other injuries. Charles Leonard of Britain street, whose family has been reported as destitute, has secured employment as a permit from some game warden. The open season for partridges is re-established. In future game wardens will be required to pass an examination as to their knowledge of wood craft.

THE ST. JOHN RIVER

May Yet Be Included in the Scope of the International Waterways Commission --- To Be Heard Again at Washington.

Washington, April 12.--Among the several questions now pending between London and Washington regarding Canada, one of the most important effects the interpretation of the river and harbor act of 1900 providing for an American-Canadian commission to investigate and report on the problems of water level, water supply and navigation of the waters adjacent to the boundary line, including all lakes and rivers, whose natural outlet is by the St. Lawrence river. Some question has arisen as to the scope of the commission of six, which already has been appointed. The Washington government having taken the tentative position that its jurisdiction did not include the St. John river, where certain obstructions have been placed to the navigation of Canadians. It is the wish of the Canadians that this river be included in the investigation, and they hold that this was the intention of the act.

A similar interpretation was applied by Mr. Choate, the American ambassador at London, when he presented the invitation for the appointment of the commission. In view of this fact, the representations of the Canadian government will again be taken up at Washington and given careful consideration. Choate To Retire. New York, April 12.--A London despatch to the Times says that Joseph H. Choate, the retiring United States ambassador, will sail for New York on May 30, on the Carolina. He will go immediately to Stockbridge, Mass., and will spend the summer there, taking up his residence in New York in the autumn. Mr. Choate has no definite plans as to the manner in which he will occupy himself in his retirement into private life, but it is quite probable that he will again engage in the active practice of law.

The Times New Reporter.

UNFAIR CRITICISM. The street department, like the street railway company, is subjected to much unfair criticism. A rumor has been industriously circulated for some days to the effect that the department, since the ice has been melted, would immediately proceed to clean the streets and gutters, even if it became necessary to engage men and teams. Naturally much indignation was expressed by citizens, who would greatly prefer to slosh around in mud and filth. It was for that purpose many of them purchased new rubbers, at a high price, rubbers having lately advanced. The Times new reporter made enquiry this morning, and was assured that the department has no intention of entering upon any such reckless course as had been rumored. Of course if heavy rain should fall and wash the streets and gutters to some extent, the department would

hardly be justified in interfering, as the weather was granted the freedom of the city when the charter was made. So far as it can, however, the department will protect the citizens in the exercise of their rubbers. A NEW INDUSTRY. St. John is to have a new industry that gives every promise of being successful. The Times new reporter learned this morning on unimpeachable authority that a largely capitalized company is forming for the purpose of collecting and putting on the market a superior brand of "bearded ladies" for the use of circus, side shows, tents and lawns, parks and other similar enterprises. The supply is to be obtained from the reserved, "for ladies only" seats in King square, which past experience has shown are a favorite stamping ground for this peculiar species. The method of procuring them has not

yet been decided upon. Several plans have been proposed, but the one most generally favored is that a bear trap attachment should be affixed to the back of the benches in such a fashion that when one of the "ladies" occupies the seat, two claws will instantly grab him about the neck just below the beard, while a third arm will descend upon his jaw and pound him into insensibility. Then he could be shipped to order. The only objection to this plan was that more tender-hearted citizens might regard it as cruel, but when it was pointed out that it would be remarkably efficacious and was warranted not to injure the beard and thus affect the marketable quality of the product, the opposition was speedily overruled. Already the company has been organized and as soon as the first consignment of traps arrive business will be started in earnest. As its source of supply is inexhaustible and bearded ladies are scarce outside of St. John the prospects for big dividends are very bright.