

The Semi-Weekly Telegraph

VOL. XLIII

ST. JOHN, N. B., WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 9, 1905

NO. 92

ARMED GUARD NOW ON CHAMBERLAIN LAKE

Maine State Troops May Be Called Out to Protect Dam

Lumbermen Blow Up Obstruction With Dynamite, But Breach is Repaired and Not a Drop of Water is Escaping--More Trouble Feared if Attack is Renewed--Lumber Operators Claim That Water is Diverted from St. John River by the Dam.

Chesuncook, Me., Aug. 7.—A messenger who arrived here tonight from Chamberlain Lake, in the wilds of Northern Maine, stated that a more serious condition of affairs than was first supposed exists in that section as the result of last week's hostilities between men supposed to represent lumber companies along the St. John river and the Marsh & Ayer Company, whose interests are identical with the East Branch Improvement Company of Maine.

The first report stated that the employees of a St. John river company had used violence in interfering with a man in charge of a dam at the lake. It was stated that a rifle carried by the man had been taken away and the gates at the dam had been lifted to release water alleged to have been diverted from the St. John river, in spite of his emphatic protest.

Tonight it was learned that late on Friday the men blew up the dam for a distance of twenty feet near the gates with dynamite. The break was speedily repaired by an employee of the East Branch Company, and the dam is now closed so tightly that no water whatever is now running over it. A large number of men employed by the Marsh & Ayer Company are patrolling the locality. The messenger says that two men, supposed to be of the Chamberlain Lake, were seen in the vicinity this morning, and the lumbermen there expected serious trouble should a further attempt be made to release the water.

LOWERS ST. JOHN RIVER.

The present difficulty is not altogether a dispute between Maine and New Brunswick lumbermen, as the East Branch Improvement Company of this state, whose operations are largely confined to the east branch of the Penobscot river, are operating by the use of lumber interests along the St. John river over the Canadian border, but also by several Maine corporations operating mills at points in Maine from the source of the east branch of the Penobscot. By the construction of this dam, the mill owners on the St. John claim that the waters of the lake are diverted from their natural outlet, the St. John, to the Penobscot, thereby lowering the St. John stream and injuring the lumbering interests along its course.

HON. MR. EMERSON AND I. C. R. OFFICIALS ON INSPECTION TOUR

Party at Summerside, P. E. I. Monday -- Minister Says G. T. P. Eastern Section Work Will Begin in the Spring.

Summerside, P. E. I., Aug. 7.—(Special)—Hon. H. R. Emerson, minister of railways; M. J. Butler, deputy minister; D. Pottinger, general manager of government railways; W. B. McCreary, chief engineer; E. T. H. general manager; manager; and G. R. Douglas, superintendent of motive power, and their secretaries, arrived in Summerside tonight. They were met by Hon. George Godkin, John M. Clark, Capt. Joseph Read, M. L., Root, Holman and other prominent men. After inspecting the terminals they listened to representatives from the board of trade regarding the station site, improvements in time table, the need of an additional train east, reduction in freight rates, more railway yard room and other matters.

ROYAL ARCANUM SUPREME COUNCIL TO HOLD SPECIAL MEETING ABOUT RATES

Boston, Aug. 7.—W. O. Robson, supreme secretary of the Royal Arcanum, chief of tonight that the supreme council will meet at Put-In-Bay, Ohio, on August 30, to consider the developments growing out of the establishing of new rates. Forty-two representatives from the Grand Council have signed a request made to Supreme Recent Wiggins that a special session be held.

OUTLOOK FOR PEACE IS NOT CONSIDERED BRIGHT

Feeling is That Japan's Terms Are Likely to Be Too Harsh

Russia Almost Certain to Reject Paying Indemnity and Yielding Territory—Conference Tuesday Will Settle Language in Which Discussions Are to Be Made—Witte Arrived at Portsmouth Monday Night—Linevitch Sends News of Slight Success.

Portsmouth, N. H., Aug. 7.—(Special)—There are many bluffs in the diplomatic game and the envoys in the present conference may do all kinds of seemingly erratic things before any result is obtained. Those who are watching the peace conference need not be surprised at startling performances. They will be a part of the game.

That the game is going to be seriously played here is now the prevailing belief. It is true that the outlook for peace is not regarded as bright, but the pessimism arises solely from the tone of the Japanese statements that they want everything and will stick out for it and from the Russian's declarations that though beaten they will give nothing. These are the words of the peace conference, but the interests at stake are too great for that. It is no easy matter to bring representatives of two warring nations together at a table, and when they do get together it seems hardly possible that they should end their conference with a presentation of demands and a refusal to accept them. The tone of the discussion regarding a successful conclusion of the negotiations is pessimistic, but the pessimism has its grounds solely in a refusal to accept what has thus far been made by the members of the two commissions.

Japanese Demand a Great. It is believed that the Japanese demands are great but that does not preclude the possibility of concessions. The East Branch Company contends that the St. John people had no right to claim the water of Chamberlain Lake exclusively for the St. John river. The scene of the trouble is more than 100 miles by river from the New Brunswick water, and is nearly 200 miles by that route from VanBuren, the place where the dam is being constructed. The St. John river empties into the Penobscot.

Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F., OPENS ON WEDNESDAY More Than 300 Delegates Expected—Grand Encampment Began Session Tuesday Morning.

Halifax, N. S., Aug. 7.—(Special)—A large number of delegates to a meeting of the Grand Encampment and Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F., of the maritime provinces, which will open Tuesday and Wednesday, respectively, arrived here tonight. The city and Dartmouth lodges have made extensive preparations for entertaining the visitors who will number more than 300. The Old Fellows' Temple, Buckingham street, has been handsomely decorated with flags and bunting in honor of the occasion. The Grand Encampment will open its session tomorrow morning and conclude business by the evening; the Grand Lodge opens Wednesday morning and will be in session two days. Grand Master Sampson, who arrived from Fredericton (N. B.), today, was tendered a reception at Orient Lodge tonight; the attendance was large, including many of visiting brothers.

BIG STRIKE OF IRON WORKERS ORDERED

Cleveland, Aug. 7.—The Main Dealer tomorrow will say: "Orders were issued Monday afternoon from the headquarters of the International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers by Secretary J. J. McNamara for a general strike against the American Bridge Company from California."

Peary's Steamer Sighted?

St. John's, Nfld., Aug. 7.—The steamer Kite returning from Rossella Harbor, Northern Labrador, reports sighting on Aug. 3 a large three masted steel colored steamer with funnel about the waistline, in the mouth of Makovitch Bay, bearing north with numerous icebergs in the vicinity. It is believed she was the Peary steamer Roosevelt.

DISASTROUS FIRE DESTROYS STEAMERS AND DOCKS IN NEW YORK HARBOR; LOSS \$500,000

New York, Aug. 8.—Inside of three quarters of an hour late last night, fire swept across the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad Company's terminal in Hoboken, seized upon two ferry boats and a tug, and for half an hour threatened a conflagration of the entire water front in the vicinity, including the big Hamburg-American and North German Lloyd steamship docks at which several big ships were lying. The property damage is estimated at \$400,000 to \$500,000. So far no known lives were lost.

ANGLO-FRENCH AMERICAN ALLIANCE LOOKED FOR

General Feeling That Some Such Scheme is Contemplated

Recent Manoeuvres of These Nations' Fleets and Visits to Each Other's Waters Point to the Friendly Feeling--Coming Visit of British Squadron to United States Ports Causes Lively Satisfaction.

(From Our Own Correspondent.) New York, Aug. 7.—When the world history of this period of peace is written the name Portsmouth will stand out bright and clear. At the new world Portsmouth where the breeze blow from the pines of Maine, the representatives of Japan and Russia will meet in an endeavor to bring to a peace the greatest war of the epoch.

As was the case recently at Brest, the ships are lined up, not in separate squadrons, but those flying the tri-color alternate with those flying the Union Jack and the strains of the Marseillaise hymn mingle with those of the English national anthem. By an interesting coincidence a powerful squadron of armored cruisers under command of the British admiral, Prince Louis of Battenberg, is on its way across the Atlantic to join the North Atlantic squadron of the United States and the combined fleets will be seen at anchor in New York harbor before the end of the summer.

Anglo-French Entente Suits the Americans. The Anglo-French entente or understanding of alliance is the most significant fact in the Europe of today. But it would not be so significant as it is were it not for the other fact that Americans regard the ranging of France and England together with as much satisfaction as do the subjects of King Edward and the fellow citizens of President Loubet.

French Squadron at Cowes. Cowes, Isle of Wight, Aug. 7.—The French fleet, consisting of eighteen battleships, cruisers and torpedo boat destroyers, under the command of Vice-Admiral Collard, dropped anchor in the Solent this afternoon to spend a week as guests of King Edward and the British navy. Heavy showers throughout the morning drenched the decorations ashore and over the water.

WORLD-WIDE PENNY POSTAGE MOVEMENT

Henneker Heaton Fathers the Scheme and Many are Helping Him

Allan Linn Virginian Left Mobile Friday with the Largest Mail Ever From That Place--Bringing United States Mails with Canadian.

Montreal, Aug. 7.—(Special)—A special London cable states: A new movement to secure penny postage in all parts of the world has been instituted by Henneker Heaton. More than 500 persons and members of parliament have already given their adhesion to the scheme.

MONCTON DELEGATES TO MARITIME BOARD OF TRADE MEETING

Opens at Yarmouth August 16th--Knights of Pythias Leave for St. Stephen.

Moncton, N. B., Aug. 7.—(Special)—At a meeting of the board of trade tonight, delegates to the Maritime Board at Yarmouth, on the 16th instant, were appointed as follows: L. H. Higgins, E. C. Cole, J. T. Hawke, Senator McSweeney, Joshua Peters, Hon. C. W. Robinson, F. W. Sumner, J. H. Harris, J. W. Y. Smith, Hon. F. J. Sweeney, W. F. Humphrey.

More Suspects at New York. New York, Aug. 7.—One passenger and two of the crew of the steamer Comus, which arrived from New Orleans this morning, were transferred to Hoffman Island for observation, all of them showing a high temperature.

EXCURSION BOAT SINKS AND NEARLY 200 HAD A CLOSE CALL

Overweighting of Steamer Caused it to Turn Over, But Luckily Near the Shore--Five Injured.

Indianapolis, Ind., Aug. 7.—The excursion steambot Sunshine sank this afternoon at Broad Ripple Park, ten miles from the city, with 180 passengers on board, all of whom were men except one, a woman, who was rescued by a launch.

Destructive Hail Storm. Winnipeg, Aug. 7.—A hailstorm did considerable damage in various parts of Manitoba and eastern Assiniboia on Friday evening. Glenboro, Arnaud, Lyleton, Moccasin and Broadview all report loss, although confined in each case to comparatively small areas. In Arnaud 300 acres were totally destroyed. Near Moccasin a strip nine miles long and two miles wide was badly hammered, but may be worth cutting.

CHINA GETS \$450,000

Canadian Pacific to Pay for Warship Their Steamer Sunk.

Victoria, Aug. 5.—A cable from London says the Privy Council has sustained the Chinese government in its libel action for \$450,000 against the Canadian Pacific Railway for the loss of the Chinese warship Hwang Tai which was sunk by the steamer Empress of India about two years ago off the Chinese coast.

DALHOUSIE IN GALA ATTIRE

People Turned Out in Force to Welcome Viceregal Party

EARL GREY PLEASSED

Grateful to Mill and Factory Owners for Closing Places and Giving Employees a Holiday--Hon. Mr. La Billois Read an Address and Governor General Made Happy Reply.

Dalhousie, N. B., Aug. 7.—(Special)—Notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather early this morning the reception given to the vice-regal party by the citizens of Dalhousie was a great success.

The party were met at the wharf by Hon. Mr. La Billois, chairman of the town board of commissioners; James Reid, M. P.; Dr. Murray, mayor of Campbellton; Timothy Robinson, high sheriff; Warden Amesen and other leading citizens and were driven to the court house where very appropriate arrangements had been made to receive the distinguished guest. Earl Grey was accompanied by Lady Grey, his daughter Evelyn Grey, two lady friends and his staff. Pretty bouquets were handed to Lady Grey and Lady Evelyn Grey as they climbed the steps of the court house by Miss Marjell Bates and Miss Alma La Billois. An address was read on behalf of the citizens of Dalhousie by Hon. Mr. La Billois.

World-wide Penny Postage Movement. Henneker Heaton Fathers the Scheme and Many are Helping Him. Allan Linn Virginian Left Mobile Friday with the Largest Mail Ever From That Place--Bringing United States Mails with Canadian.

Witte at Portsmouth. Portsmouth, N. H., Aug. 7.—Mr. Witte arrived here at 11:15 o'clock tonight from Boston, coming in a special car. He was enabled to avoid a crowd of several hundred people assembled in the railroad station, by leaving the train stopping at a cross-bench about a quarter of a mile from the station. Three automobiles were in waiting and the party were about four miles distant. There was considerable disappointment among those assembled at the station when the distinguished foreigner failed to appear after the arrival of the train.

Disastrous Fire Destroys Steamers and Docks in New York Harbor; Loss \$500,000. Famous Hoboken hostelry. The hotel was a frame structure, and was a ready prey for the flames.

Moncton Delegates to Maritime Board of Trade Meeting. Opens at Yarmouth August 16th--Knights of Pythias Leave for St. Stephen.

Excursion Boat Sinks and Nearly 200 Had a Close Call. Overweighting of Steamer Caused it to Turn Over, But Luckily Near the Shore--Five Injured.

China Gets \$450,000. Canadian Pacific to Pay for Warship Their Steamer Sunk.

More Suspects at New York. New York, Aug. 7.—One passenger and two of the crew of the steamer Comus, which arrived from New Orleans this morning, were transferred to Hoffman Island for observation, all of them showing a high temperature.