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WEATHER:--Easterly winds increasing to Gales; snow turning to rain tomorrow.

SITUATION AT MUKDEN.

Has Kuropatkin 300,000 Men? Both Sides on Alert--Capt. Cullen's Statement--Kamimura Goes Back.

Tokio, Jan. 24.--In well-informed quarters here it is said that the Russian army at Mukden was recently reinforced by four divisions. Its present strength is estimated at nine army corps, or 300,000 men of all arms. General Kuropatkin's headquarters are at Fong Mountain in close touch with the Mukden-Pushun line. The Russians lately have been heavily strengthening their defences. At present two and a half divisions are facing General Oka, two corps are before General Nodzu, and the greater strength of three corps confronts General Kuraki and guards the coal mines in the vicinity of the Fuhua valley. Between the opposing armies is a network of trenches. Kuraki's outposts are within 500 yards of the Russians, entrenched along the line of ridges near Kwan-tai Mountain. Cannonading and rifle firing are constantly taking place, but owing to the intense cold, there seems to be no immediate likelihood of a great battle.

Kamimura Goes Back. Tokyo, Jan. 24.--Vice Admiral Kamimura left yesterday to rejoin his fleet. It was recently announced that the Russian fleet in the Yellow Sea was believed to have been repaired and it was thought it might come out at any moment. The navy department is strenuously preparing for the second stage of the war.

Is This a Fairy Tale? Victoria, B. C., Jan. 24.--(Special)--Captain Cullen has received advice that a steamer from Puget Sound, believed to be either the Tacoma or the Wyefield, was seized carrying contraband for Russia by a Japanese cruiser. The Russian agents here offered Captain Cullen fifty thousand dollars to go to Paris to testify before the North Sea commission that Russia had reason to fear torpedo boats or submarines, but he refused.

OPERATION ON EDISON. It Was Performed Last Night at His Home in West Orange.

New York, Jan. 24.--According to the Times a critical surgical operation was performed on Thomas Edison, the inventor, at his home, Gleamont, in Llewellyn Park, a suburb of West Orange, N. J., last night. Great secrecy was maintained by the family in regard to the affair and few details could be obtained. The operation was for a mastoid abscess behind the ear and very close to the brain. Mr. Edison is generally known to have been very deaf for many years and the affliction has been growing worse. He has been confined considerably for about a week and the matter of an operation was broached several days ago. The operation was for a mastoid abscess behind the ear and very close to the brain. Mr. Edison is generally known to have been very deaf for many years and the affliction has been growing worse. He has been confined considerably for about a week and the matter of an operation was broached several days ago.

Called Dr. Buller. Sydney, N. B., Jan. 24.--(Special)--J. J. Buller, managing director of the Dominion Iron & Steel Co., is ill at his residence, Greenwald, this city. Dr. Buller, Montreal, was called in consultation with local physicians. Mr. Buller has been unwell for some days. He is reported better this morning.

New Appointment. We note by the last issue of the Insurance and Finance Chronicle, of Montreal, that Mr. S. S. de Forest of this city has been appointed Manager for New Brunswick of the Provident Savings Life Assurance Society of New York with headquarters in this city, to take effect February 1st, on which date he will take possession of the company's new offices in the new Ogilvie Building on Market Square, which are being prepared for them. The Provident Savings Life is one of the strongest companies in existence and have at present a large business in force throughout the Maritime Provinces, and Mr. de Forest being so well known and popular throughout the province of New Brunswick, we anticipate that his efforts to secure business for the Provident Savings Life will be crowned with success.

The Ladies' auxiliary of the Y. M. C. A., met this morning at the Y. M. C. A. rooms. The president, Mrs. McClellan, was in the chair. The secretary's and treasurer's reports were read. The membership fees for the year amounted to \$8550, and the golden year collections \$488.60. Mrs. McClellan was re-elected president, and Mrs. A. Benning secretary. Delegates were appointed to the local council of women.

RUSSIAN REVOLUTION IS THREAT TO C.

St. Petersburg is uneasy in Anticipation of Further Trouble --- Ten thousand Men on Strike in Moscow--Newspapers Suspend Publication and Printing Works Close --- Residents Fleeing For Safety---More Strikes.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 24.--2 p.m.:--St. Petersburg wears a less martial aspect today. Everywhere troops have been drawn into court yards. Only pickets are left outside and small squads of Cossacks are patrolling the streets. The stores along the principal thoroughfares are mostly closed and barricaded. The correspondents of the Associated Press drove up the Nevsy Prospect and with the help of daylight realized that the damage done to store fronts was more considerable than appeared last night. A large number of such premises were wrecked, the mob having devotedly and principally to confectionery and pastry shops. Enormous crowds of strikers were pronounced in the sidewalks this morning and the streets were again in operation. All has been quiet up to this hour.

Proclamations. The correspondent of the Associated Press, noticed several men distributing proclamations. The people formerly were shy of accepting such documents, now they eagerly accept them and have nicknamed them "Lantotke" (swallows) an allusion to the spring which has become a synonym of revolution. The correspondent assured a number of copies. They were all signed by "The Russian Social Democratic Labor Party." One proclamation dated January 23, reads: "Comrades--So long as autocracy exists no improvement in our condition is possible. Therefore we continue to inscribe on our banners the following demands:-- "The immediate cessation of war. "The summoning of a constituent assembly of representatives of the people elected by universal and equal suffrage, and direct universal ballot. "The removal of race and class privileges and restrictions. "The inalienability of the person and domicile. "Freedom of conscience, speech, the press, meetings, strikes and political operations. "A second proclamation dated Jan. 23:--"The proletariat of all countries are united. Citizens who yesterday witnessed the official proclamation of the autocratic government. You saw blood flowing in the streets. You saw hundreds slaughtered defenders of the cause of labor. You saw the death of heard the groans of the wounded, women and defenseless children. The blood and brains of workmen were spattered around where their heads had been laid. You directed the soldiers to aim their rifles and fire bullets at the breasts of the laborers? "It was the emperor, the grand dukes, the ministers, the generals the nobles of the court. They are the ones who have done this. "To arms, comrades. Seize the arsenals and the arms at the depots and at the gunsmiths, say 'low the prison walls. Liberate the defenders of freedom. Demolish the police and gendarmerie stations and all government and state buildings. We must throw down the emperor and the government and must have our own government. "Long live the revolution. Long live the constituent assembly. "A third proclamation appeals to the people not to attempt to injure private property.

10,000 Out in Moscow. Moscow, Jan. 24.--Employees of the tanneries who are out on strike remain quiet. The police have ordered all arms to be removed from the windows of the gunsmiths, a majority of whom have closed their shops. The strikers here at noon today totaled ten thousand.

Austrian Opinion. Vienna, Jan. 24.--The occurrence of the Russian Revolution here made the deepest impression here up on all classes and are practically the whole topic of discussion in the principal cafes, club and diplomatic and official circles. The feeling prevails in anti-Russian quarters that open revolution has begun and that there is no telling when it will end. Diplomatic circles here are deeply concerned over the St. Petersburg news. It is believed however, that the present disorder will soon be put down by the troops now in St. Petersburg but in some quarters it is thought that so doing will only increase the bitterness of the people and in a no way improve the situation or put a stop to the growth of the revolutionary spirit. All the newspapers comment on occurrences at St. Petersburg as extremely serious and deeply significant and the movement of the people of St. Petersburg toward the winter palace is compared to the march of the people of Paris on Versailles in 1789, it is declared the Emperor's answering the people's petition with the bullet and sabre of his soldiers will irrevocably bind the breach between him and his subjects.

American Sympathy. New York, Jan. 24.--Sympathizers with the Russian revolutionary movement gathered Lincoln Hall last night for a lecture into a revolutionary meeting. The lecture was to have been given by Mr. Chas. Schildowsky. A number of speakers urged active sympathy with the revolution. There is no confirmation of the report that the emperor, the empress and their children are going to Copenhagen or on any other hand the emperor has decided to appoint a mixed committee of officials, employers and workmen to consider the strikers demands, notably the question of eight hours per day and to make an investigation of the shooting of the strikers. All sorts of rumors are circulating in both official circles and among the workmen. A curious report spread among the men last night that the Emperor had given in and that three white flags had been displayed over the Winter Palace, signifying that His Majesty had consented to reduce the maximum legal hours of work from eleven to eight. According to this legend the Emperor would have displayed a red flag if he had decided to refuse the strikers request. Many workmen are deceived by this rumor shouted: "Hurrah! in token of victory and this is possibly the reason that the strikers, believing that they had already won, the day refraining from committing excesses yesterday.

Another Strike. Vilna, Russia, Jan. 24.--A strike has commenced here. The town is quiet.

Japan Watching. Tokyo, Jan. 24.--The Japanese are keenly watching the developments at St. Petersburg. The newspapers publishing extras with accounts of the riots are eagerly read. The people were shocked at the death roll and there is a widespread feeling that the bureaucracy will be powerless to stem the tide of reform and the downfall of the bureaucracy system must end the war. A member of a foreign legation said: "The war is over unless the

result in a victory for liberty over despotism." A Thief Did It. London, Jan. 24.--A big brass plate at the entrance of the Russian embassy here was wrecked off at two o'clock this morning. A special constable on duty at the embassy witnessed the act but was unable to get to the spot in time to arrest the man who eluded pursuit. The incident is regarded as simply the act of a common thief.

Russian Funds Higher. Berlin, Jan. 24.--On the bourse today prices in all departments were firmer. Russian funds were 2 higher.

More Factories Closed. Moscow, Jan. 24.--A body of strikers at noon today forced their way into the works of the firm Hippo and compelled 500 men to join the strike. Simultaneously factories and shops were closed throughout the districts adjoining Daniloff street.

Earl Grey in Montreal. Civic Reception Being Tendered to Their Excellencies This Afternoon--Will Stay Three Days. Montreal, Jan. 24.--(Special)--The Earl Grey and his wife, who are in their 70th year, arrived in Montreal this morning, in a chilling temperature, but with great enthusiasm. The viceregal party, consisting of the Governor General, Countess and Lady Sybil and Lady Evelyn reached Montreal by the C. P. R. train from Ottawa about noon. Receptions to their Excellencies were tendered by the civil and military authorities. A guard of honor being composed of the 5th Royal Scots.

Movement Spreads. Moscow, Jan. 24.--Employees of the Behrnsch, Michailoff, Linder and Schraeder factories have joined in the strike.

The Official Story. St. Petersburg, Jan. 24.--An official account of yesterday's events was as follows: "During Monday there was no collision between the rioters and the troops. Detachments of soldiers had no need to use their arms as the crowds dispersed when the troops appeared in the courtyard of the day. An attempt was made to attack Gostynny Doker market but it was repulsed. Workmen at the electric stations joined the strikers in the evening.

street, he urges them to stand pat and they will win, just as the street laborers' union did. The teamsters were their whips and shout, "Down with the scales." 10.52 a. m.--Director Cushing has sent his snowshoes and has hurried to Aid. Christie for further instructions. 11 a. m.--The deputation that waited on Mayor White has left City Hall. His worship offered to submit all differences to arbitration, but the deputation said they had no authority to negotiate. 11.07 a. m.--Mutterings were heard on Dock street. It is believed Aid. Christie is approaching with a Big Stick. The teamsters are hurriedly completing a barricade. 11.13 a. m.--There is another cloud in the sky. Three aidmen were seen near City Hall, but escaped. 11.15 a. m.--Aid. Holder has put himself at the head of the strike movement. Alarm is spreading. 11.20 a. m.--A teamster with a red necktie is now haranguing a crowd on Market Square. It is feared the mob will proceed to wreck the clock snowplow. Consternation prevails. Director Cushing has not yet returned. 1.39 a. m.--Mayor White has consented to receive a deputation of strikers. 10.45 a. m.--Director Cushing has ordered his snowshoes. 10.48 a. m.--The foreman of the street workers is haranguing a crowd of teamsters at the foot of King

to Casleton to enlist the services of the bag-drivers in quelling the threatened riot. 12.15 p. m.--The strikers are becoming threatening. One of them threw a snowball at Supt. Winchester. He is now behind a telegraph pole, shouting for the police. Excitement is intense. 12.16 p. m.--The mob at Market square is cheering for Aid. Holder and shouting "Down with Christie." 12.30 p. m.--The situation is unchanged. 12.38 p. m.--The Mayor and aidmen have returned to City Hall and are in anxious consultation. The gravity of the situation appeals them. Unless the streets are cleared they will be unable to use their passes on the street cars. The walking is dreadful. 12.50 p. m.--Another deputation of teamsters has gone to City Hall. Others are executing a flanking movement on Supt. Winchester, whose situation is critical. 1 p. m.--The inspector of vehicles was recognized by the strikers and is fleeing up King street, pursued by a mob, shouting, "Now we've got him where we want him." 1.39 p. m.--Aid. Holder is urging the men to die behind the barricades rather than earn a dollar today. There are now ten clouds in the sky. The situation is becoming momentarily more critical. Several of the teamsters' horses are pawing the ground,

P. E. I.'S NEW CABINET.

Reconstruction of the Provincial Administration Completed This Morning --- Members Sworn in.

Charlottetown, Jan. 24.--(Special)--The provincial administration has been reconstructed as follows: President of the executive and Attorney General, Arthur Peters', Commissioner of Public Works, James H. Cumiskey; Provincial Secretary Treasurer and Commissioner of Agriculture, Samuel E. Reid; Excise-Speakers, Members without Portfolio, Peter McNutt, George Simpson, George E. Hughes, Francis L. Hazzard, George Godkin, Benj. Gallant. Dr. A. E. Douglas will be the speaker of the new house which will be called in an early date when a new election will be held in the St. Peters' district, where Hon. Arthur Peters' premier and H. D. McKean had the same number votes. The new members of the cabinet are Reid, Hazzard, Gallant and Godkin. Capt. Joseph Reid, a former member retired owing to the appointment of his colleague S. E. Reid, a minister of agriculture. The writs for the latter's election will be issued at once. The members of the new cabinet were sworn in this morning. He was first elected in 1898, re-elected in 1900 and 1904. The speaker has been elected since 1902. Also since 1902 he is the house since 1902. He is a farmer and woollen manufacturer and resides at Tryon.

NEWS FROM THE CAPITAL.

Death of Mrs. J. V. Magee--Appraising Insurance Losses--Snow in the Woods.

Fredericton, Jan. 24.--(Special)--Mrs. Elmina Magee, wife of J. V. Magee, barrister, died at her home, St. Marys, last night after a week's illness from a complication of diseases. She was Miss Gaudet daughter of V. S. Gaudet of Moncton and was 29 years of age. She was married about eighteen months ago, and leaves a husband but no children. E. L. Philps and Edgar H. Fairweather of St. John are here today adjusting fire losses to the west end mill property.

R. A. Estey who has been in the Tobique lumber woods for some weeks returned home last night. He reports two and one half feet of snow in that locality. Three Scott Act cases were acknowledged in the police court here this morning. The fourth case is being contested.

The Farmers and Dairyman's Association of New Brunswick meets in annual session here tomorrow.

STRICKEN WITH PARALYSIS. St. Stephen, N. B., Jan. 24.--(Special)--While driving from Calais on Monday evening, James Green was taken with a paralytic stroke. Mrs. Green, who accompanied her husband drove to Smith's drug store, where help was received and Mr. Green taken to his home. Mr. Green is a native of St. John and for years had been in the employ of the N. B. Southern Railway as freight agent.

TO TAKE OVER TWO HARBORS. Ottawa, Jan. 24.--(Special)--The cruiser Canada starts from Halifax on Friday for the British West Indies. It goes on a navy school cruise and will return in April. The Department of Marine and Fisheries engaged in preparing two bills for parliament. One is to take over the harbor of Three Rivers and the other the harbor of Montreal.

IRON WILL BE HIGHER. Montreal, Jan. 24.--(Special)--Canadian steel and iron prices are likely to be increased by the German coal strike. This view was expressed today by a Montreal man prominent in the iron and steel circles, who stated that English prices had already risen in price owing to the same cause. We have to announce the retirement from business in this city of Mr. B. Myers, who for many years has carried on an extensive dry goods business on Main St., north end, in favor of his son-in-law, Mr. Samuel Romanoff, who will continue to carry on the business in his own name. Mr. Romanoff takes this opportunity of thanking the public for the support they have always extended to him during the past when in partnership with Mr. B. Myers, and hopes they will accord to him the same kindness and assistance which he will always endeavor to merit as before. "We leave here next Saturday," said Mr. Geroline. The South African steamship Wyandotte moved over to the west end this morning to receive the balance of her cargo. She will take away coal cargo from here. More freight for South Africa has been offered than can be forwarded owing to the lack of steamship accommodation. Among the freight to go from Sand Point is a lot of fresh meats from Swift & Co. and Cudahy of Chicago.

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of the board of trade, and other prominent citizens. Upon their arrival their Excellencies went to the Windsor Hotel where they will stay while in the city. This afternoon the civic reception takes place in city hall, when the imperial service order medals will be presented to Messrs. Carault, Johnson and Charland. The council chamber and city building are beautifully decorated for the occasion. Their Excellencies will spend three days in Montreal. The fortnightly club met last night at the residence of Mr. Brodie on Duke street. Aldermen Macrae read an interesting paper on the position of Quebec in Canada, which evoked considerable discussion. 12.15 p. m.--The strikers are becoming threatening. One of them threw a snowball at Supt. Winchester. He is now behind a telegraph pole, shouting for the police. Excitement is intense. 12.16 p. m.--The mob at Market square is cheering for Aid. Holder and shouting "Down with Christie." 12.30 p. m.--The situation is unchanged. 12.38 p. m.--The Mayor and aidmen have returned to City Hall and are in anxious consultation. The gravity of the situation appeals them. Unless the streets are cleared they will be unable to use their passes on the street cars. The walking is dreadful. 12.50 p. m.--Another deputation of teamsters has gone to City Hall. Others are executing a flanking movement on Supt. Winchester, whose situation is critical. 1 p. m.--The inspector of vehicles was recognized by the strikers and is fleeing up King street, pursued by a mob, shouting, "Now we've got him where we want him." 1.39 p. m.--Aid. Holder is urging the men to die behind the barricades rather than earn a dollar today. There are now ten clouds in the sky. The situation is becoming momentarily more critical. Several of the teamsters' horses are pawing the ground,