

St. John, N. B., March 1, 1905

TERMS ON WHICH JAPAN WILL MAKE PEACE

Said to Have Been Submitted to Secretary Hay--Denied by Foreign Office-- Fighting Continuing Fiercely.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 28, 2.15 a. m.—The report cabled here from New York that Japan has intimated to Secretary Hay terms upon which she is willing to make peace...

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 27.—It is semi-officially announced that in view of the appearance of Japanese troops in the rear of the Russian army west of the railway, Russia will address a circular to the powers protesting against Japan's persistent violation of Chinese neutrality.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 28, 2.15 a. m.—The Russian naval programme still hangs fire on account of the failure of the ministry of finance to allot an appropriation which may not be made until a new loan is floated.

FOR SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

Provinces Have no Power to Enact Laws.

Federal Government is Responsible

According to Supreme Court Judgment.

OTTAWA, Feb. 27.—The supreme court has decided a provincial legislature has no power to regulate the hours of labor on Sunday.

DECISION OF NORTH SEA COMMISSION ANNOUNCED.

Commissioners Are of Opinion That Admiral Rojestvensky was Not Justified in Firing on Fishing Fleet.

PARIS, Feb. 25.—The decision of the international commission of inquiry into the North Sea incident was publicly announced at the closing session of the commission this afternoon.

The majority of the commission consider that Admiral Rojestvensky's orders were not excessive in time of war, particularly under circumstances that he had every reason to consider the situation very alarming.

The decision further says that the Russian commissioner did not share in the latter opinion. "In any event," the decision continues, "the commissioners are glad to recognize unambiguously that Ad. Rojestvensky personally did all he could from commencement to end to prevent the trawlers from being the object of fire by the Russian squadron."

TO THE QUESTION IF A PROVINCE HAS POWER TO RESTRICT A COMPANY OF ITS OWN INCORPORATING TO THE SIX BUSINESS DAYS OF THE WEEK; NEGATIVE TO A QUESTION IF A PROVINCE CAN FORBID SUNDAY WORK BY A DOMINION CORPORATION, BANKING, INSURANCE OR LOAN COMPANY; POSITIVE AS TO POWER TO PROHIBIT PARKS AND PLEASURE GROUNDS, SUNDAY HUNTING OF GAME, ELECTRIC RAILWAYS, BARBERS AND BAKERS.

BRICKLAYERS: \$67 A WEEK. New York Workmen Get Wages Raised to 70 Cents an Hour, \$1.40 For Overtime.

NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—Over 8,000 bricklayers in this city, in accordance with their agreement with the Mason Builders' Association, will have their wages raised from 65 to 70 cents an hour on Wednesday, the highest wages ever paid to bricklayers in this country, says the Times.

TWO MEN ARRESTED. Suspected That They Killed a Woman on Outskirts of Town.

NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—Two men have been arrested by the police of Paterson, N. J., in connection with the killing of a young woman whose body, almost nude, was found Saturday at the foot of a railroad embankment on the outskirts of that city.

THE CALVIN AUSTIN CASE. OTTAWA, Feb. 27.—There was a novel incident in the supreme court this morning in connection with the Calvin Austin case.

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ELEVEN KILLED in a Church.

By Collapse of a Flooring Were Attending Funeral Services of Aged Member of the Congregation—Others Injured.

NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—Eleven persons were killed and upwards of fifty injured, some probably fatally, by the collapse of the flooring of the Fleet street African Methodist Episcopal Zion church in Brooklyn tonight.

Arrangements had been made tonight to hold funeral services of Sydney Taylor, one of the older members of the church, and the auditorium, which is on the second floor of the building, the ground floor being used by the Sunday school, was crowded with an audience of upwards of 300 persons.

A great volume of dust for a few moments hid the victims from view. The remainder of the audience, finding themselves cut off from the door and expecting every instant that the rest of the flooring would collapse under their weight, made a dash for the windows and in some instances persons leaped from them and sustained serious injuries.

STOPPED THE FUNERAL. A Dusky Ventriloquist's Joke on His Brethren.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 26.—Sam Johnson, a dusky ventriloquist, broke up a funeral procession in Denton, Md., last Sunday afternoon.

ARRESTED FOR LARCENY. Upon Warrants Issued by Jordan, Marsh & Co. of Boston.

BOSTON, Feb. 26.—Upon warrants charging them with the larceny of \$30,000 from Jordan, Marsh & Co. department store proprietors, during the past five years, John F. Keefe, aged 34 years, of 806 Bluehill avenue, and Charles H. Greisinger, 51 years, of 233 Tremont street, were today arrested by headquarters inspectors.

A FATAL EXPLOSION. BLUEFIELD, W. Va., Feb. 26.—As a result of an explosion in shaft No. 1 of the United States Coal & Coke Co. at Wilcox, today, 43 miners are supposed to have lost their lives and it is possible that the number will exceed this.

A HEAVY GALE. LONDON, Feb. 26.—A heavy gale prevailed over the British coasts Saturday and today, resulting in several casualties. A boat put off from Holyhead in response to signals of distress but was capsized and five of her crew were drowned.

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ONE DEATH IN HALIFAX CAUSED BY SNOWSTORM.

HALIFAX, Feb. 26.—The snow storms in this city have caused at least one death. Alderman T. J. Barry, who has been a member of the city council for four years, was on the roof of his home near the water front, when a mass of snow that had found a lodgment there. In doing this he fell to the ground, and tonight died as a result of the injuries sustained.

A SACKVILLE REPORT. SACKVILLE, Feb. 25.—For the first time this winter Sackville had no mail east or west today. Ice boats have not crossed between Capes Tormentine and Traverse since Thursday. All boats are now on the island side. An attempt was made to cross from Traverse today, but the men were compelled to turn back.

MAILS BROUGHT BY TEAMS. PARRISBORO, N. S., Feb. 25.—The regular train for Parrisboro which left Springhill Junction on Thursday, arrived here this afternoon. The trip was made by the aid of two engines, one of which became disabled, a snow plough and much shovelling. The train, with its passengers, spent most of Thursday night within two miles of the town. The mails were brought by team Friday morning.

A NARROW ESCAPE FROM DEATH. There are now six engines, two ploughs and two expresses on the line between Sydney and Point Tupper. One of the engines was derailed today near Georges River and Engineer Dan Matheson badly injured. He had a narrow escape from being killed. The engine lies across the track, and the auxiliary train crew is trying to clear the road. On the Dominion Atlantic railway the fears of distress were dispelled tonight by the getting through of a train from Kentville to Halifax, and the line is also reported open for some distance west of Kentville. On the eastern end of that road they had another storm today. The slightest fall of snow is sufficient now to block the road and a sudden frost will again encase the rails in ice and make

TABLET UNVEILED. By Rev. G. M. Campbell in Memory of Mrs. S. W. Kain in Exmouth Street Church.

The Rev. G. M. Campbell preached to a large congregation last Sunday in Exmouth street church. After the sermon Mr. Campbell said he had been invited to participate in the suggestive ceremony of unveiling a tablet to the memory of the late Mrs. S. W. Kain.

THE WORK OF THE MASTER. Her memory will be ever dear to those who were fortunate enough to have come under her influence. The choir sang Isaac Watt's old and familiar hymn, Give Me the Wings of Faith, after which the tablet was unveiled. The inscription is as follows:

In loving memory of Gussie Allison, wife of Samuel W. Kain. Born January 18, 1862. Died April 28, 1901. "Blessed are the pure in heart for they shall see God."

Mrs. S. W. Kain was the daughter of Mrs. Harriet and the late Samuel Allison of this city. Mrs. Kain taught in the Sabbath school of Exmouth street church for many years. She was also a prominent member of the Women's Missionary Society, and took an active part in all departments of church work.



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