

CHINESE PRICES

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STEAMER FOUNDERS OFF FRENCH COAST

More Than One Hundred Persons Perished - Majority of Victims Were Drowned While Asleep.

(Associated Press.) London, Nov. 19.—The London Southwestern Railway Company's channel steamer Hilda foundered off the French coast this morning with a loss of more than one hundred passengers on board.

Paris, Nov. 20.—Special reports received here of the wreck of the London & Southwestern Railway Company's steamer Hilda, which left Southampton on Saturday night for St. Malo, France, and was totally wrecked on Lesport reef, three miles from St. Malo yesterday morning, with the loss of over a hundred lives, give a graphic description of the disaster.

RAILWAY SCHEME FOR THE ISLAND

PROPOSITION TO BE MADE TO GOVERNMENT

Remored that Another Great Corporation Has Scheme For Reaching Port of Victoria.

With the approach of the annual sitting of the legislature comes rumors of applications for aid from various projected railways in the province.

A land subsidy was secured from the Government for the proposed line to connect the E. & N. line to the north end of the Island.

Those interested in the scheme represented that the finances were all provided for and that there could be no question of the ability to complete the work and to do so on very short notice.

It is learned that upon the return of Premier McBride and the Chief Commissioner, Hon. R. P. Green, the government will again be approached on the subject with a proposal to build from Victoria to the north end of the Island in return for a land grant.

It is therefore presumed that the same scheme was put forward about a year ago is still in the minds of the promoters. It is said, in fact, that when A. A. Arthur and Mr. Schmidt, of Onawa, two of the most prominently identified with the project were in the city this summer they went carefully over the ground and made investigations personally as to the harbor facilities.

AT THE MERCY OF RUSSIAN CAPTORS

Interview in London With Findlay and Grant Who Were Captured in Far East.

It is a harrowing story that is told by R. S. Findlay and Charles Grant, the two Victoria seafarers, who fell into the "tender" care of Russian captors, to-wit, Admiral Essen and his pusillanimous bunch on the Gromobol and Russia, about five months ago in a Russian durance vile.

On the desolate shores of the Gulf of California near a deserted Indian village, a border found the trappings of Miller and Olander, a book of practical science which belonged to Olander and a pair of human hands which may have been those of one of the men.

THE UPRISING AT VLADIVOSTOCK

CRUISER LENA WARNED NOT TO ENTER PORT

Three Persons Killed and Four Wounded by Troops at Lodz—Flight From Capital Continues.

Honolulu, Nov. 20.—It is reported that the Russian cruiser Lena, which unexpectedly came here, went near enough to Vladivostock to get into wireless communication with that port and was warned to keep away unless in sympathy with the people in their uprising against the government.

It was impossible to confirm the report because the captain of the Lena will not be interviewed, and the officers will not discuss the voyage.

Thirty-nine men burned to death in Glasgow, Nov. 19.—A cheap lodging house on Watson street was burned this morning, and thirty-nine lodgers perished in the flames.

She left San Francisco for Vladivostock with enough coal to carry her to her destination, and at a time she was due to be in port she was steaming into Honolulu harbor with very little coal in her bunkers.

Will Resume Work. St. Petersburg, Nov. 18.—The central labor committee has decided on the resumption of work to-morrow.

Blooded at Lodz. Lodz, Nov. 20.—About two hundred persons were arrested by the military police in the city of Lodz.

SEA LEVEL CANAL. Decision of Consulting Engineers of Isthmian Commission.

Washington, Nov. 18.—The board of consulting engineers of the Isthmian canal commission to-day declared itself by a large majority in favor of a sea level canal.

ONE THOUSAND FOR LUNCHEON. Pittsburgh, Pa., Nov. 18.—Fred Fleck, an old locomotive engineer of the Pennsylvania road, has received a letter from Andrew Carnegie enclosing a cheque for \$1,000 to pay for a luncheon which Mr. Carnegie ate in Fleck's engine cab years ago when he was riding in the engine.

ENTERS ACTION. St. Paul, Minn., Nov. 18.—The North American Life Assurance Co. of Toronto, Ont., has brought suit in the District court here to compel State Insurance Commissioner O'Brien to surrender securities to the amount of \$312,401 deposited by the company for the security of policy holders.

LABOR CONVENTION. The Resolution of Censure on President Gompers.

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BOUNDARY MINES. Phoenix, Ariz., Nov. 18.—More than 200,000 tons of ore have been treated by district smelters this year.

DEEP LEVEL DEVELOPMENT OF THE LE ROU-ORE SHIPMENTS.

Rossland, B. C., Nov. 18.—One of the features of the week's mining news is the finding on the 1,000-foot level of the Le Rou of the Black Bear chate.

TRUSTEE HUGGETT HAS POSTED A NOTICE OF MOTION at the city superintendent's office to the effect that a special committee be appointed to consider the advisability of adopting a thorough drawing system. The committee is to report to the board.

KOREA YIELDS TO JAPAN'S DEMANDS

Exciting Times at Capital—Emperor Still Holds Out—Court and Cabinet Guarded by Japanese Troops.

Seoul, Nov. 18.—(Delayed.)—The conference of nearly a week between the Japanese envoys, headed by Marquis Ito, and the Korean cabinet ended yesterday, and was followed early this morning by a nine hours' sitting at the palace with the Emperor.

At the beginning of to-day's session Baron Hayashi declared his determination not to withdraw until the four demands made by Marquis Ito were signified.

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Suspense Was Ended at 1:30 o'clock this morning when the cabinet, with the exception of the minister of foreign affairs, having yielded to the Imperial seals and signed the desired agreement.

1. The appointment of a Japanese administrator of Korea under the Emperor.

2. The appointment of a Japanese administrator at all treaty ports.

3. The transfer of Korean diplomatic affairs to Tokio.

4. No arrangements to be made with other powers without the consent of Japan.

Three thousand Japanese soldiers maintained a demonstration all yesterday on the esplanade before the old palace. Japanese troops patrolled the streets all night. The Emperor's palace was also surrounded by troops and Japanese lodged the police in the palace grounds.

Minister Pakcheun and the minister of agriculture continue to hold out with the Emperor against the action of the Japanese.

Minister Pakcheun held out against the signing of the demands of Marquis Ito, and adjured the Emperor with the most powerful argument possible to a superstitious, benighted sovereign.

After the refusal of the Emperor to receive the first visit of Marquis Ito, the Marquis remained in the background.

The conference between Baron Hayashi and the Korean cabinet which led to an agreement began yesterday morning at the Japanese legation, and was so violent as to attract attention on adjacent streets. It resulted in Pakcheun and the minister of agriculture dramatically denouncing the proceedings and withdrawing to the palace and secluded themselves with the Emperor.

The Emperor then ordered that the

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MEMO DEMONSTRATION COMMENCES TO-MORROW TUESDAY, NOV. 21 AT DIXIE H. ROSS & CO. CASH GROCERS 111 GOVERNMENT STREET