nent was free from the tinies
...shore ...
very fury of the external turmoil
as a lullaby to the girl. She was
asleep, and the sailor was left to
oughts.

p he could not. He smoked stead-
ith a magnificent prodigality, for
all stock of tobacco was fast di-
ing. He ransacked his brains to
r some method of escape from
nchanted island, where fairies
with demons, and hours of utter
ess found their bane in moments
ntful peril.
ourse he ought to have killed
ellows who escaped. Their sam-
ght have provided a last desperate
nt if other savages effected a
. Well, there was no use in be-
e after the event, and scheme as
ht, he could devise no way to
disaster during the next attack.
he felt certain, would take place
nt. The Dyaks would land in
rush the cave and hut, and over-
him by sheer numbers. The fight,
there was, would be sharp, but
. Perhaps, if he received some
g. Iris and he might retreat in
kness to the cover of the trees.
stand could be made among the
s on Summit Rock. But of what
o purchase their freedom until
t? And then——
er man wrestled with desper-
blem, Jenks wrought that night.
oked and pondered until the
assed,, and, with the changeful-
a poet's muse, a full moon flood-
sland in glorious radiance.
se, opened the door, and stood
listening for a little while to the
of the surf and the crash of
ken coral swept from reef and
the backwash.
etty strife of the elements was
to him.
are snarling like whipped dogs,"
loud. "One might almost fancy
ship the Moon appearing on the
a Uranian Venus, cowing sea
m by the majesty of her pres-

d with the conceit, he looked
at the brilliant luminary for
e. Then his eyes were attract-
e strong lights thrown upon the
ace of the precipice into which
n burrowed. Unconsciously re-
s tired senses, he was idly won-
hat trick of color Turner would
pted to convey those sharp yet
beautiful contrasts, when sud-
uttered a startled exclama-

ve!" he murmured. "I never
hat before."
ture which so earnestly claim-
ention was a deep ledge, direct-
e mouth of the cave, but some
from the ground. Behind it
of rock sloped darkly inwards,
g a recess extending by hap-
mputation at least a couple of
occurred to him that perhaps
in the interior of the tun-
ts outcrop here, and the deod-
fluence of rain and sun had
the weak point thus exposed
ld panoply of stone.
veyed the ledge from differ-
s of view. It was quite in-
and most difficult to estimate
from the ground level. The
s a man of action. He chose
t tall tree and began to climb
ot eight feet from the ground
veral birds flew out from its
ses, filling the air with shrill

il take them!" he growled, for
that the commotion would
is. He was still laboriously
his way through the inner maze
es when a well-known voice
m from the ground.
nks, what on earth are you
here?"
those wretched fowls aroused
replied.
ut why did you arouse them?"
n fancy to roost by way of a

be serious."
more than serious. This tree
variety of small sharp thorn
es a maximum of gravity—be-
akes the next step."
y do you keep on climbing?"
heer lunacy, I admit. Yet on
onlit night there is some rea-
ound for even a mad excuse."
ks, tell me at once what you

e to be severe, but there was
anxiety in her tone that in-
de the sailor apologetic. He
out the ledge, and explained
med notion that here they
e a safe retreat in case of a
ack—a refuge from which
defy assault during many
ys, he said, absolutely impos-
hit until the morning. He
nce satisfy himself whether
was impracticable or worthy
investigation.
irl only enjoined him to be
he vigorously renewed the
last, some twenty-five feet
ound, an accidental parting in
s enabled him to get a good
edge. One glance set his
g joyously. It was at least
in length; it shelved back un-
h was lost in the blackness
ows, and the floor must be
y level or sloping slightly in-
e line of the fault.
was a perfect eagle's nest. A
ld not reach it from any di-
became accessible to man
ns of a ladder or a balloon.
ted by this discovery than he
is to know, he endeavored to
ncerned when he regained the

he said, "tell me all about it."
ed the nature of the cavity
e understood it at the mo-
mphasized his previous ex-
f its virtues. Here they
ably hope to make a suc-
d against the Dyaks.
feel sure that those awful
ll come back?" she said

sure, unfortunately."
orseless poor humanity is
meer is stripped off! Why
leave us in peace? I sup-
ow cherish a blood feud
Perhaps, if I had not been
ould not have injured you!
seem to be bound up with
unes."

ot have it otherwise were it
" he answered. For an in-
unchallenged the girl's as-
t she was in any way re-
the disasters which had
s career. He looked into
almost forgot himself. Then
fair dealing that dominates
entleman rose within him
is wavering emotions with
Was this a time to play
-strung sensibilities of this
ghter of the gods, to seek
er a confession of love that
ays or weeks might prove
pasmodic, but momentarily
gratitude for the protection
er?
e aloud, striving to laugh,

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Trollies Run Into a Train

Brakes on Street Cars Refuse to Work and Smash Up Results.

Four Persons are Killed and Twenty-Three Others Receive Injury.

Members of the Train Crew are Put Under Arrest Pending Investigation.

Chicago, Aug. 17.—Four persons were killed, another fatally injured and 23 slightly injured in a collision this afternoon between an express train on the Chicago Great Western railway and a train of three trolley cars bound for the Hawthorn race track. The train was coming into the city, and, according to some witnesses, was running at a high rate of speed.

The trolley train approached the crossing at a rapid rate, just as the train came around a sharp curve. The motor car struck the train between the engine and tender. The motor car was torn to splinters. The car behind turned over, smashed nearly to pieces and dragged along the track for 100 feet. The third car was not dragged from the track, and but for the fact that the couplings between it and the second trailer broke, the list of the injured probably would be larger, as all of the cars were filled with passengers.

Motorman Ryan remained at his post and was fatally hurt. To those who came to aid him while he lay on the ground he said: "The brakes would not work; that's what caused it. When I saw that they would not work, I reversed the current." His skull was fractured and his death is a matter of hours only.

The scene of the accident is in the suburbs, and it was some time before ambulances and physicians could reach the place. All of the persons killed occupied seats in the front of the first car. The members of the Chicago Great Western train crew and the conductors of the trolley cars were placed under arrest pending an enquiry.

WINNIPEG WIRINGS.

Winnipeg, Aug. 17.—The following is Manitoba's rifle team for the Ottawa matches: H. Walford, Civilians' Rifle Association, Winnipeg; Pte. D. McInnes, 90th; Sergt. W. B. Simpson, 90th; Quartermaster-Sergt. McKay, 90th; A. M. Blackburn, Imperial Service Club; Capt C. N. Mitchell, retired; Lieut. Durand, 90th; Color Sergt. W. Hogsill, 90th; Capt. J. R. Wynne, 90th, in command.

EMPEROR MEETS KING.

Marienbad, Bohemia, Aug. 17.—Emperor Francis Joseph reached here today from Vienna to visit King Edward. The monarchs greeted each other with marked cordiality. After the presentation of the respective suites their majesties drove to the Hotel Weimar. The route was lined with soldiers and gendarmes and immense crowds greeted the sovereigns.

THE ROYAL CITY NEWS IN BRIEF

Popular Young Society People Wed—Federal Minister's Visit.

From Our Own Correspondent.

New Westminster, Aug. 17.—The Hon. Raymond Prefontaine, minister of marine and fisheries, accompanied by Col. Gourdeau, deputy minister, was in the city yesterday. The Hon. Mr. Prefontaine came over from Vancouver at 10 o'clock on a special car provided by the B. C. Electric railway, the trip being made in the remarkably fast time of 29 minutes. On the arrival in Westminster of the party which included Aulay Morrison, M. P., R. G. McPherson, M. P., General Manager J. Buntzen and Local Manager F. H. Glover of the B. C. Electric railway, Mayor Keary of this city and Mr. R. Jardine, they boarded the D. G. S. Georgia and proceeded to the Bonaccord hatchery, where Fisheries Agent C. B. Sword piloted them about. The return to New Westminster was made about noon, and after luncheon in the club the party, augmented by a number of members of the Board of Trade took the steamer Transfer for a run down river. Memorials were presented to the minister by the Board of Trade and the city council, calling his attention to the needs of the river. The Hon. Mr. Prefontaine and party returned to Vancouver from Stoveston by the train.

A popular society wedding took place here at the hour of noon today in the Holy Trinity Cathedral, when Miss Blanche Brown, eldest daughter of Mr. H. O. Brown, Second street, was united in marriage to Mr. Arthur Melville Malins of the Dominion Lands Office. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. A. Shildrick, rector of the cathedral. There was a large attendance of friends of both parties at the wedding. After the ceremony a reception was held at the residence of the bride's father. Mr. and Mrs. Malins left later in the afternoon for a short honeymoon in Victoria and the Sound cities.

Permission has been received by Mr. J. H. Vidal, secretary of the Westminster Kennel Club, from Julius Redelsheimer, president of the Western Kennel league, to hold the local bench show from October 4th to 7th. The president has also offered a plate which is to go to the kennel winning the most points.

At the regular meeting of the city council on Monday evening a communication was read from Dr. Manchester, medical superintendent of the Provincial Hospital for the Insane in this city, protesting against the charges for water for irrigation purposes which were made to that institution for July and part of June. Dr. Manchester hinted that if water rates continued to be heavy the asylum would be forced to look for a private supply such as the penitentiary has. The water committee will act in the matter.

General Manager Buntzen of the B. C. Electric Railway yesterday received a telegram from the Eastern directors of the company, authorizing him to proceed immediately with the rebuilding of the car shops which were totally destroyed by fire on Saturday afternoon last. It is understood that the new premises will be larger to accommodate the growing work. They should be in working order ten weeks after building operations are commenced.

AMERICAN JOCKIES.

London, Aug. 17.—Maher, the American jockey, rode four winners, finishing third in another of six races at the Stockton summer meeting today. Another American jockey, Madden, rode two winners and one second and one third horse. Maher's best win was the Stockton handicap plate of $2,000, a mile and a half, which he won by a short head, owing to good riding on Lord Ellesmere's Gower, the favorite.

GRAND TRUNK PACIFIC.

Party of Officials Leave Montreal on Terminus Hunting Expedition.

Montreal, Aug. 17.—A party of Grand Trunk Pacific officials and directors left here tonight in a special Grand Trunk train for the Pacific coast. They go via Toronto and North Bay over the G. T. R.; from the latter place they travel over the C. P. R. to Vancouver. Their trip is for the purpose of deciding on a Western terminus for the new transcontinental road. Included in the party were the following Grand Trunk Pacific officials: Chas. M. Hays, president; Wm. Wainwright, second vice-president; R. Philips, secretary; Frank Scott, treasurer; H. W. Walker, general auditor; J. Robson and J. S. Stephens, engineers; and the following directors, W. H. Biggar, Hugh A. Allan and Premier Parent of Quebec, who has been mentioned as the government representative on the board. Hon. E. R. Wood, of Toronto; John Bell, of Belleville, and J. H. Booth, of Ottawa, are expected to join the party as they proceed.

The Battered Cruiser Askold

Derelict Battleship Was Perforated by Two Hundred Japanese Shells.

The Huge Shells Riddled Deck Houses and Hull But Killed Few.

Shanghai, Aug. 18—A Japanese squadron is expected here today. Japan is determined, it is stated, that the protected cruiser Askold and the torpedo boat destroyer Grozovoi shall leave port promptly or dismantle.

A correspondent of the Associated Press went to the Askold today for the purpose of inspecting her, but at first it seemed impossible to obtain permission to do so. The armed sentry at the gangway answered every request to come aboard with a stern refusal, no matter in what language the request was couched. Finally an appeal was made to Captain Grammatchchikoff, who with the consent of Captain Seiberstein, gave permission for the correspondent to come on board.

On reaching the deck of the cruiser everything was found to be in confusion, and it was noticed that no attempt had yet been made to put things in shipshape. There were many evidences of hurried flight and a running fight. The correspondent had expected to notice a universal feeling of depression, and gloom on board the warship, but, on the contrary, he soon became aware of a remarkable spirit of cheerfulness and confidence on all sides. The members of the crew generally appeared to be healthy, strong and in good spirits, although some of the men seemed to be downcast and absent minded. From all hands, however, the correspondent received a hearty hand grip in answer to his kind words, showing the appreciation and sincerity of the men with whom he spoke.

Many of the men on the Askold spoke highly of the bravery of the Japanese and of their readiness to fight. They have no misgivings as to the ultimate result of the present conflict, however, and this in spite of the disastrous first six months. They consider it impossible for "Great Russia" to succumb before "Little Japan." They say that for every man who dies another comes out; that for every ship lost another will come over the seas, and that ultimately victory is certain. It was surprising to find men on board the Askold who knew either a little French, English or German.

When questioned concerning their present losses they simply answered, "It is fate," and say they did not consider it hard to die for their country.

Twelve men and one officer were killed on board the Askold and about 50 men were wounded. Those who are badly wounded have been taken to a hospital here, and the captain of the cruiser has told them to be ready to sail in a week's time.

Upon noticing the condition of the Askold, which has nearly 200 shell holes in her, it is difficult to understand why her casualty list is not greater.

The work of repairing the cruiser is now proceeding night and day. The crash of hammers and the noise of men working on metal is audible all night long. In ten days' time she can be sufficiently patched up to render her seaworthy, but full repairs would take much longer. Her first and third funnels are riddled with machine gun bullets, and the base of another funnel has been almost entirely blown away at the deck level by a big shell. The after funnel was cut in two and telescoped on itself, and the remains of it are held up now by guy ropes only. An eight-inch armor piercing shell entered the Askold forward on her starboard side, about two feet above the water line, and lodged in a coal bunker.

A 12-inch shell exploded in her starboard hammock netting amidships, the fragments riddling and destroying four metallic life boats. Another 12-inch shell entered a stateroom on the starboard quarter, cut its way across the deck and exploded in the officers' quarters on the port side of the vessel, destroying everything within reach. The deckhouse on the superstructure under the forward bridge was riddled by the fragments of a shell which exploded in the forward funnel. All the searchlights on the cruiser are damaged beyond repair. The torpedo netting was cut up by a shell and is practically useless. The bottom of the Askold has several old and new injuries.

LADYSMITH NOTES.

Ladysmith, Aug. 17.—George Burke came up before Stipendiary Magistrate George Thompson yesterday charged with breaking into the house of Charles Freeze and stealing the sum of $24. For want of evidence the case was dismissed.

A serious charge was brought against a man named Southern, namely, with an attempted assault upon a young lady of Nanaimo. The case will, in all probability, be tried on Friday, as will also another case of common assault arising in the same suit.

The police are looking for a man who is said to have shot as many as eight deer out of season.

The steamship Otter arrived last night, and after coaling left again for Victoria.

TO MOVE CHINESE TROOPS.

Pekin, Aug. 17.—The Chinese railways have been asked if they have sufficient rolling stock and how quickly they can transport 40,000 to Shanhaitswan.

A FLAG INCIDENT.

Insult to Dominion Ensign the Cause of Formal Complaint.

Ottawa, Aug. 17.—The Canadian government has lodged a formal complaint with British authorities regarding the indignity offered to the flag of the Dominion by a British consular officer in a South American port a few weeks ago. The flag was torn and trampled on and the consul said he knew nothing of a Canadian flag.

JOE JEFFERSON IMPROVES.

Noted Actor Slightly Ill at Buzzards Bay Home.

Buzzards Bay, Mass., Aug. 17.—Jos. Jefferson, the actor, has been ill for a day or two at Crows Nest, his summer home here. A doctor, called from Boston, stated that the trouble was a severe attack of indigestion, which remedies soon relieved. This morning Mr. Jefferson was said to be much improved.

ENGLISH BUTCHERS COMING.

Union Men Protest to New York Immigration Commissioner.

New York, Aug. 17.—The managers of the packing houses in this city affected by the butchers' strike have prepared to import butchers from England to take the places of the strikers, according to a charge made today by officers of the Amalgamated Meat Cutters and Butchers' Workmen's Association. They assert they have positive information that thirty English butchers have already sailed for this city. The facts have been placed in the hands of the acting commissioner at this port.

Encountered New Danger

The Japanese Sowing Floating Mines Was Unexpected By Withoff.

Could Not Navigate Ship With Required Speed and Was Caught.

Great Naval Battle Was Mostly Confined to The Use of Big Guns.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 17.—The Novoe Vremya's naval expert, reviewing the incidents of the sea fight of August 10, says:

"Admiral Togo's first division sailed out of the Elliott islands, or Talienwan, and arrested Admiral Withoft's progress, utilizing the enormous superiority of the Japanese in torpedo boats to attack the Russian vanguard and sowing floating mines in its course, a stratagem hitherto unknown, which paralyzed Withoft's movements, as it was almost impossible to detect the floating mines without stationing a lookout in the bows, which necessitates exposing the men to almost certain death. This presumably caused Withoft and his staff to leave the conning towers and stand on the bridge, whence they could better detect the treacherous obstacles.

"Thanks to the courage and self-sacrifice of the admiral and other officers, the squadron successfully avoided a danger such as never before encountered, but the remainder of Togo's fleet came up, compelling a general engagement, in which the Japanese were favored by the superiority of their torpedo boats, 30 to 8. Their artillery also was stronger by half as many guns, and their secondary batteries by a third more than their main batteries. The Russians had the advantage, however, of the disposition of the big guns on the Czarevitch, Poltava and Sevastopol, the strong force of their fire aft enabling them to punish the enemy behind.

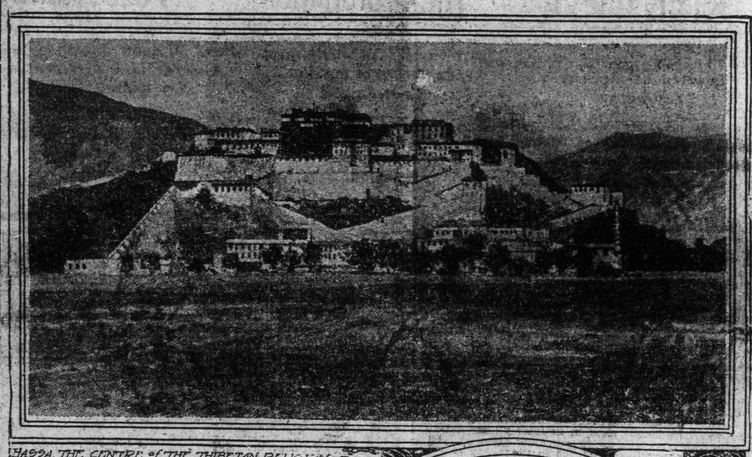
"The battle at this stage was limited to a long-range firing, in which the 12-inch guns had a monopoly. It was at this time that the Czarevitch was crippled and the others gathered around to protect her. It was the crucial period. The Japanese, according to their custom, concentrated their fire on the flagships, the Retvizan and Czarevitch, which were both crippled."

The writer adds that he believes the Russian flagships were put out of action, and he is convinced that the Japanese sustained severe loss, and recalls the fact that many Japanese vessels were crippled at the naval battle of the Yalu by the Chinese warships.

He does not expect Admiral Togo was in a position to follow up the Russian warships, which, he claims, escaped and probably are heading for Vladivostock.

IN THE BOUNDARY.

Grand Forks, Aug. 17.—Jay P. Graves, general manager of the Granby Consolidated Mining Company, has arrived from Spokane. He was accompanied by Dr. W. W. Vanbaum, of Philadelphia, a large shareholder in the company. They left this afternoon for Phoenix to inspect the mines. Barclay Beethron, representing the Earls syndicate, a London, England, mining corporation owning extensive mining interests in the Slocan, Mexico and Australia, is here on a tour of inspection of the mines and smelters of Boundary district. He had an interview today with Mr. Jay P. Graves, of the Granby company.



LHASSA, THE CENTRE OF THE THIBETAN RELIGION—THE GRAND LAMA'S RESIDENCE.

PANTCHEN-LAMA-RIMPOTCHE
GRAND LAMA of TACHI-LAMPO, SPIRITUAL SUPERIOR OF THE DALAI-LAMA

Japan Proposes To Stand Pat

Will not Restore Ryeshitelni as Destroyer Had Infringed China's Neutrality.

Great Britain's Suggestion of an Apology not Welcome To Her Ally.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 17.—4 p. m.—Information received in St. Petersburg foreshadows that Japan will decline to restore the Ryeshittelni or make any reparation, and that on the contrary she will contend that Russia in sending the destroyer to Chefoo on an important military mission herself became responsible for the violation of China's neutrality, which at the opening of the war Japan promised to respect to the extent which Russia did. Nevertheless it is understood that Great Britain, as the ally of Japan, has advised her to apologize. It is believed that Japan realizes this course will please the western power, but that she will not follow it because it would mean a loss of prestige in China, which concession has always been translated to mean weakness.

THE PARAGUAY REVOLT.

Buenos Ayres, Aug. 17.—Refugees from Asuncion, the capital of Paraguay, declare that the conditions there are insupportable. All business has been suspended, the streets are deserted and only the patrols are visible. The refugees say that the revolution is spreading and it is believed that the government will offer no serious resistance to an attack on the capital. German Ferreira, the leader of the revolution, will probably be declared president. Cannonading was heard last night near Asuncion, but there is no definite news that that capital is being bombarded.

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY.

Fort Francis, Aug. 17.—A distinguished party of United States and Canadian geologists arrived here last evening from Tower, Minn., via Kettle Falls. They form a joint commission to investigate the geological formation and conditions of the northern states of Michigan, Wisconsin Minnesota and also of New Ontario, with the object of having a uniform geological map covering the formations on both sides of the line and bearing the same names and colorings. Dr. Robert Bell, director of the Canadian geological survey, Ottawa, is in charge of the party. Other members of the commission being Dr. Adams of McGill University, Montreal; Prof. Miller of the Kingston School of Mines; Prof. C. W. Hayes, head of the United States geological survey; Prof C. R. Vanhise, president of the University of Wisconsin; Prof. C. K. Leith of the United States geological survey; Prof. A. C. Lane, state geologist of Michigan; Prof. A. E. Seamen, Michigan School of Mines, and L. D. Burling, official stenographer. This morning the party chartered the steamer Mohican and will make a three days' cruise of Rainy lake and Northwest bay to study the various formations and note the iron deposits.

The Lost Are Found.

London, Aug. 17.—A despatch to the Central News from Vladivostock, dated August 17th, says the cruisers Rossia and Gromoboi, of the Vladivostock squadron, have returned there.

JAPANESE CREW MASSACRED.

Landed to Obtain Water for Schooner and Were Shot by Russians.

London, Aug. 17.—The Tokio correspondent of the Times referring to the statement from Nomuro, Japan, that Russian soldiers at Kamchatka, massacred seven of the crew of the Japanese schooner Teichi, says that the schooner sent a boat with twelve men to procure water, and that the Japanese were attacked by Russian soldiers who killed seven of the crew and wounded five. The wounded died of their wounds.

RUSSIANS DENY MASSACRE.

Declare Boat From Schooner Was Attacked and Part of Crew Killed.

London, Aug. 17.—The Tokio correspondent of the Times, referring to the statement from Nomuro, Japan, that Russian soldiers at Kamchatka massacred eighty-seven of the crew of the Japanese schooner Teichi, says that the schooner sent a boat with twelve men to procure water, and that the Japanese were attacked by Russian soldiers, who killed seven of the crew and wounded five. Three wounded died of their wounds.

The correspondent says that the statement that eighty-seven of the crew were killed is incorrect.

Commissioner Not Yet Selected

Cabinet Unable to Select Ontario's Representative on New Commission.

Printing Office Staff Working Over Time on the Voter's Lists.

From Our Own Corespondent.

Ottawa, Aug. 17.—The government is experiencing the greatest difficulty in selecting the Ontario representative on the transcontinental railway commission. Mr. Duffield, of London, having refused, Hon. Mr. Cartwright favors the appointment of Mr. Folger, of Kingston, while Sir William Mulock and Mr. Hyman have George Reid of London in view. F. B. Wade, M. P., Alfred Brunet, Montreal, and C. A. Young, Winnipeg, have geen decided upon, with Mr. Lumsden as engineer. Although the French Canadians are still urging the appointment of Mr. Doucet, engineer of the Quebec, Atlantic & Lake St. John railway, and English speaking Catholics of Montreal, led by Dan Gallery, M. P., are pressing the claims of E. J. Walsh. Premier Laurier insists that the final selection be made at tomorrow's council, as he is anxious to go to the seaside for his holidays.

The staff of the printing bueau is working overtime on the voters' lists and today half the force employed in setting the patent office record was taken off that job and also put on the voters' lists.

DISAPPEARANCE EXPLAINED.

Skeletons of Horse and Mule Tied to Tree a Clew to Owners' Fate.

Divide, Colo., Aug. 17.—The mysterious disappearance of Frederick Smith, of New Orleans, and Jackson Wilson, of Nashville, Tenn., who suddenly dropped out of sight in this vicinity four years ago, is believed to have been explained by the finding on a hill near Clyde of the skeletons of a horse and mule tied to a tree with bridles and saddles clinging to them. It is now believed that the two men met death by falling over some high cliff in the vicinity where the skeletons were found.

HELD PINS IN HER MOUTH.

When About to Sneeze One Went Into Trachea.

New York, Aug. 17.—A sudden fit of sneezing has caused the death of Rose Biggio, a candy maker. The girl was dressing at her home in Roosevelt street, and, after the custom of her sex, had several pins in her mouth. Suddenly she was seized with an irresistible desire to sneeze. With the drawing of her breath the largest of the pins, a brass one with a black head, slipped down her throat, lodging in the trachea. An incision was made in the girl's throat and the windpipe opened by the doctors, but in some manner the pin slipped from its position and could not be removed. A second operation followed and the same thing happened again, the pin dropping still further down, this time into the left lung. Oedema of the lung set in, and the girl died in less than three days.

Japan Threatens More Seizures

Warns China That There Will Be Another "Cutting Out."

Will Repeat Ryeshitelni Incident on Cruiser Askold and Consorts.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 18.—The report that Japan had sent an ultimatum to China threatening to repeat the Ryeshitelni incident in the case of the cruiser Askold and torpedo boat destroyer at Shanghai, especially after it was understood, as cabled to the Associated Press this morning, that Russia had already agreed to the disarmament of the vessels, is regarded here more as a political than a military move, the purpose of which is to overawe the Peking government and to compel it to henceforth turn a deaf ear to Russia and to recognize Japan as the dominant power in the Far East, it being inconceivable that a western power would permit Japan to carry out her threat to engage in hostilities in the neutral waters of China. The Russian authorities, who understand thoroughly the effect of a display of force upon the Peking government, appreciate how greatly China has already been impressed by the unbroken record of Japanese successes on sea and land, and are inclined to believe that the Japanese action is designed to compel China to stand firm against Russian demands in the Ryeshitelni affair to which China's first reply was unsatisfactory. Should Russia then regard China as the active ally of Japan the purpose of Great Britain and the other powers in seeking to limit the area of the war to prevent disorders and to preserve the neutrality of China is defeated. The whole situation is considered to be fraught with possibilities of ugly complications unless Japan listens to the friendly counsel of the powers whose advances in the case of the Ryeshitelni it is understood she has declined to follow.

London, Aug. 18.—The Shanghai correspondent of the Morning Post says it is reported that a Japanese squadron is coming there in consequence of the failure, as yet, to comply with the Japanese demand that the Russian cruiser Askold and the torpedo boat destroyer Grozovoi be disarmed or quit the port. Commenting on the foregoing, the Morning Post says it thinks the Japanese are not in the mood to stand such nonsense and points out that there are now 18 foreign men-of-war at Shanghai, eight of which are American.

"If it comes to a scrimmage," says the Post, "it will be the duty of the men-of-war to keep the peace and force the Tuotai to do his duty. A gentle hint from the American admiral will doubtless have a quieting effect."

The Shanghai correspondent of the Times, under date of August 17, sends the following: "The Chinese have again changed their front. The Tuotai today received instructions from the Waiwupu, the Chinese foreign board, that the cruiser Askold and the destroyer Grozovoi are to be allowed a reasonable period for the execution of repairs. At the expiration of which time they must either depart or disarm. The Japanese consul yesterday intimated that Japan will take strong measures should there be any further delay."

KILLED IN WAR EAGLE.

Rossland, Aug. 17.—James Kowalsk was instantly killed in the War Eagle mine this morning. He was employed as timberman, and in stepping off the cage at the hundred-foot level lost his footing and was jerked upward by the ascending platform. His body was crushed against the side of the shaft. The coroner decided that death was purely accidental and dispensed with an inquest. Kowalsky was about twenty-four years old, and came here in May last from Nelson, and lived at Peel, Wash., where his father is a rancher.

PITIFUL HELPLESSNESS.

Victims of nervous diseases are most to be pitied because their ailment usually terminates in mental or physical helplessness. Paralysis, locomotor ataxia and insanity can only be avoided by building up the nervous system at the first signs of trouble and there is no preparation so well suited for this purpose as Dr. Chase's book author, are on every box.

DEATH RATE APPALLING.

Provinces in Russia Threatened With Extinction Because of Child Mortality.

Moscow, Russia, Aug. 16.—The Russ calls attention to the infant mortality in Russia. Of all the children born annually in fifty provinces of Eastern Russia, one fourth die before they reach the age of a year, and another fourth never reach 15. There are certain districts in central provinces where 75 per cent of the children die before they reach the age of 2 years. In the provinces of Tambov, Voronesh and Kursk, for example, child mortality is so great that in spite of the large number of births in proportion to the population the people are already threatened with extinction. To officers of high military command, it is likewise pointed out that an increasing number of recruits are annually rejected for physical defects which are directly traceable to semi-starvation.

Minister of Marine Arrives

Hon. Mr. Prefontaine Reaches Victoria Last Night on the Kestrel.

Arrangements For His Entertainment Today and Tomorrow Are Completed.

Address to Be Presented By Public Bodies to Minister.

Last evening the Dominion government steamer Kestrel arrived from Vancouver with the Hon. Mr. Prefontaine, minister of marine and fisheries aboard. Owing to the steamer arriving considerably ahead of the time at which she was expected, there were not many at the wharf to welcome the statesman as he landed. Hon. Mr. Prefontaine proceeded at once to the Hotel Driard, where he will stay during his visit to Victoria.

The programme for today consists of an excursion given by the members of the Board of Trade on the steamship Princess Victoria, to Sooke harbor, to enable the minister to inspect the newly erected fish traps. The Princess Victoria will leave her wharf at nine o'clock promptly, and it is earnestly requested by Secretary Elworthy of the Board of Trade that only gentlemen possessing the cards of invitation attempt to board the steamer. No others will be recognized as entitled to go aboard the vessel. Attention to this notification will save a great deal of annoyance to all concerned.

It is expected that Hon. Mr. Prefontaine will make an important deliverance on the subject of the traps during the excursion, and this verdict is looked forward to with no little anxiety and curiosity by the business men of the city. The Princess Victoria is expected to arrive from her trip to Sooke about 5 o'clock in the evening, in good time for dinner.

The arrangements for Friday are in the capable hands of the officers of the Victoria Tourist Association. The Tourist Association will present their memorial to the minister in the Driard hotel at half-past nine o'clock tomorrow morning. After that Hon. Mr. Prefontaine will accompany the members of the association on a trip up Victoria Arm as far as the Gorge by steam launch. At the gorge the party will transfer to carriages and drive to the head of the Arm and into the contiguous country. This combined steamer and carriage excursion will occupy the time until about 4 o'clock, when a return to the city will be made.

This evening at half-past eight o'clock in the Board of Trade hall an address will be presented to the Hon. Mr. Prefontaine, and it is earnestly requested that all members of the board who can possibly manage it be present on that occasion. A meeting of the committee will take place prior to the general meeting of presentation. Members of the committee are asked to note this.

BIG SAWMILL FOR NANAIMO

Coal City People Hopeful of An Ambitious Project Maturing.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Nanaimo, Aug. 17.—About a year ago some men interested in the logging business came to Nanaimo and talked of sawmills of anything from 30,000 to 300,000 feet a day capacity. And the Board of Trade listened to them and busied itself about sites and frontages being under the impression that the visitors had some connection with the E. G. Wood Co. of Bellingham bay, and that therefore their financial backing was sound. Not that the logging men ever told anybody that that was the state of the cose, but the idea somehow permeated the atmosphere. One fine day, however, the dream of becoming a centre of the milling industry was rudely dispelled. Mr. F. J. Wood, of the Bellingham firm, came through to see about some logging contracts out French creek way and he promptly denied that his people were considering building a mill here, or that they were likely to consider it. Nevertheless, having once had the idea presented to his mind, Mr. Wood reverted to it on subsequent visits. Gradually it became evident to him that this was an ideal place to build a mill, and after a while he began to look at sites. Tackled by a newspaper representative he would not say anything definite, but he allowed it to be understood that there was quite a chance that his company would build here. What adds to the impression that serious business is now a definite possibility the Free Press states, is the fact that Mr. Wood visited Genoa, Cowichan, recently, where there is a plant which has not been operated for ten years. The machinery is somewhat dilapidated and out of date, and would require alterations and additions, but with these would make a good mill if placed on a suitable site.

Bush fires continue to do considerable damage in the outskirts. On Tuesday one crept up to the old village of Northfield and destroyed a hotel and several residences. For a time the old pithead and the fine four-room school house were in considerable danger. The Western Fuel Company sent out a force of men and saved the property. The fire department is almost continually being called to the suburbs to put out bunch and grass fires, which have come too close to town to be comfortable.

A baby seal which was caught in the harbor yesterday was sent this morning to Victoria, where it will find a home at Beacon hill. Its cries for its lost dam caused its capture.

The government is making special efforts to stamp out hog cholera in this district. Dr. Tolmie, provincial inspector of live stock, and Constable Halhed are now scouring the ranches and insisting upon hogs being kept in pens and sanitary pens at that. A number of hogs have already been destroyed.

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