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KUROPATKIN'S FATE A MATTER OF HOURS.

May Be Recalled From The Front.

If so His Successor Will be Either Grand Duke Nicholas or General Dragomiroff Both Experienced Officers

LONDON, March 2. — The Times' Russian correspondent telegraphs that he hears a war council will be held at St. Petersburg about March 5 to decide whether General Kuropatkin shall be called. He adds that Grand Duke Nicholas or General Dragomiroff, the hero of the Russo-Turkish war, are mentioned as possible successors.

A STUBBORN FIGHT.

SAKHETUN, Manchuria, Wednesday, March 1.—(Delayed in transmission).—A stubborn fight is waging on the left wing. Vigorous attacks of the Japanese on the village of Kudaza have been repulsed and the Russians maintain their position by reason of the intervention of a relief column which attacked the Japanese from the west after two passes had been occupied. This column was hard pressed by the Japanese and suffered great losses. It advanced in detachments to the neighborhood of Ubenupusa and was attacked thrice during the night, but repulsed all the Japanese onslaughts. To the westward the Japanese made a night attack on Kutal Pass. Some of the assaults were repulsed, but at 9 a. m. the Russian advance guard vacated two outward forts which had been destroyed by Japanese artillery, and retired to better fortified positions. The Japanese attacked Nanshanpu in the Khandsien district at 6 a. m., but were repulsed.

DESPERATE FIGHTING.

GENERAL OKU'S HEADQUARTERS, Feb. 28, 4 p. m., via Fusan, March 1.—Last night five companies of Russian infantry attacked Lantin, aided by a terrible artillery fire.

After desperate hand to hand fighting which lasted for an hour and a half the Russians were repulsed, leaving sixty dead. Many tropies were taken as well as ome prisoners. The Japanese loss did not exceed sixty. Small detachments of Russians also attacked at many other points, but in every case they were repulsed.

A VERY ANGRY WOMAN.

Mrs. Nairn, of Erin Street, Does Not Approve of Her Stepson's Choice.

"The Star is requested to state that the woman who has been going around begging alms in the name of Mrs. John Nairn, 44 Erin street, is not Mrs. Nairn but a person by the name of Sadie Ray."

This notice was left in the Star office early this morning, but everything did not seem quite right and a reporter stepped down to see Mrs. Nairn.

When it was read to her she became highly indignant. "I don't know anything about it," she said, "I don't know any Sadie Ray, and I am sure I haven't been begging."

Asked if anyone would be likely to play such a trick, a light burst upon her and she exclaimed, "It's Josie Duplessis, who lives with my stepson, Herbert, who did this, she and that worthless husband of hers, and I'll have them in jail for it as sure as there is a living God.

"I'm a decent, honest, hard working woman, and I can show many proofs of it, but I married into a bad family, and I have had nothing but trouble ever since. The stepchildren have been trying to get into this house and live on us, but my husband and I have kept them out."

When the reporter left the house, Mrs. Nairn was preparing to go out and fully investigate the affair.

HAS BEEN NO DELAY.

Mayor White Says the Draft of the Bill for the Water Extension is Nearly Completed.

Mayor White, in speaking to the Star this morning, said that the report in the morning papers to the effect that the bill for the extension of the water system to Loch Lomond had been relegated to the background was incorrect. Much work has been done upon the bill, and the provisional draft is about completed along the lines suggested by Engineer Barbour and his worship, and will be ready shortly for the water and sewerage board.

The reason that it was not brought up at yesterday's meeting was owing to the mayor's unavoidable absence, and it was deemed better to wait until a complete draft had been set before the board, so that something definite could be discussed.

The mayor does not wish the public to think that those in charge have been at all lax, on the contrary, the recorder is making the best of progress with the work.

GENERAL BOOTH'S TOUR.

LONDON, March 2.—General Booth, of the Salvation Army, started today on his first visit to Jerusalem, where he will hold an open meeting on Mount Calvary. Thence he will go to Australia and New Zealand on a farewell visit. Hundreds of Salvationists gathered at Victoria railroad station at the time of the general's departure and bade him an enthusiastic goodbye.

SENATOR'S WIDOW POISONED.

Horrible Death of Miss Jane Lethrop Stanford of San Francisco

HONOLULU, March 1.—Mrs. Jane Lathrop Stanford of San Francisco, widow of United States Senator Stanford died at 11.40 o'clock last night, forty minutes after she was taken ill at the Moana Hotel here, under suspicious circumstances, pointing, in the opinion of the physician who attended her in her dying hour and seemingly in that of others, to poisoning by the administration of strychnine in a vial of bi-carbonate of soda.

Mrs. Stanford herself, when found by a guest of the hotel who had heard her groaning in her agony and suffering from convulsions, declared: "I have been poisoned," and her last words were: "This is a horrible death to die."

The physicians say that between convulsions Mrs. Stanford repeated the assertion that she had been poisoned and said it was the second time the attempt had been made, the first time being in January at her San Francisco home, and that it was this attempt that caused her to come to Honolulu.

An autopsy on the remains showed the cause of death was tetanus of the respiratory organs, but how this was brought about will not be known until after an examination of the contents of the stomach, the result of which examination will probably be known tomorrow.

HONOLULU, March 1.—The bottle containing the bi-carbonate of soda bears the label of Charles Felle & Co., 60 King William street, Adelaide, Australia, but it is believed that it has been refilled since it was purchased there. Miss Bertha Berner, Mrs. Stanford's secretary, said today:

"We went to a picnic yesterday and were planning to go today to Haleiwa, a suburban resort.

"We returned to the hotel at four o'clock and Mrs. Stanford retired to her room for a rest. Later she dressed for dinner. When the soup was served, she said that would be sufficient, as she was not hungry.

"At 8.30 Mrs. Stanford sent for her maid, May Hunt, whom she had recently employed. She then said to me, 'I shall retire and take my medicine; please get it for me.'

"I got a teaspoonful of bi-carbonate of soda, one purgative tablet and a bottle of mineral water. Mrs. Stanford forgot to take the medicine and lay down and slept. As soon as she awoke she took the medicine and again retired.

"Mrs. Stanford soon thereafter was seized with convulsions which threw her out of bed. The maid and myself came in answer to her call, as did also the guest of a nearby room.

"She said 'I am poisoned.' The convulsions continued in spite of the efforts of her physician. The bi-carbonate of soda was purchased by me at Adelaide some years ago, but I think it has been refilled for Mrs. Stamford at San Francisco—I don't know by what druggist."

HONOLULU, March 1, 3 p. m.—The chemist's report of the analysis of the bi-carbonate of soda, of which Mrs. Stanford took a dose shortly before her death, states positively that the soda contained strychnine.

HONOLULU, March 1, 10.10 p. m.—(Delayed in transmission.) Mrs. Highton, wife of Henry E. Highton, the well known San Francisco lawyer, says that Mrs. Stanford cried when telling her of the attempt which had been made to poison her in San Francisco, and that she could not conceive why anyone should try to do so. During a discussion of spiritualism, Mrs. Stanford said she believed in spirits and intended to establish a department at Stanford University for the investigation of psychic phenomena. Miss Berner, her secretary, says in regard to the alleged attempt at poisoning in San Francisco, that Mrs. Stanford drank a glass of mineral water with the bi-carbonate of soda, the strychnine of which made her violently ill, so much strychnine being absorbed that the stomach rebelled and she finally recovered. Miss Berner says Mrs. Stanford's maid, Mary Hunt, agrees with her in their statements to the police that the bottle containing the strychnine was packed in San Francisco five weeks ago, preparatory to coming here and that it remained untouched since then until it was opened last night by Mrs. Stanford, before taking the dose.

On arriving here from San Francisco on the steamer Korea, Mrs. Stanford said that she had left San Francisco unexpectedly and in a great hurry.

Keep yourself continually before the public.—Geo. H. Flint, R. H. White Co., Boston.

Y. M. C. A. BUILDING FUND.

Movement to Raise the Balance of the Sixty Thousand Needed.

A determined effort will be made to raise the remainder of the $60,000 required for the new Y. M. C. A. building, and plans are now being formulated for a monster affair. It is not yet known what form of entertainment will be decided upon, but it is likely that a sale and fair in the large rooms of the association will meet with the most general approval.

Lady Tilley is at the head of the movement and the idea is to have all the city churches assist in the affair.

A general committee will be formed by representatives from churches in the city, four or five delegates being sent from each church. This committee will meet next Wednesday afternoon and will decide definitely in regard to the form of entertainment and the date for holding it.

Already several churches have selected their representatives, and favorable replies have been given by nearly all the others in response to the appeal.

In advertising, like in all other things, persistency wins.—M. V. Kelley, Majestic Mfg. Co., St. Louis.

LAURIER'S TROUBLES ARE INCREASING.

Report That Hon. W. S. Fielding Has Resigned.

General Belief However is that Laurier Will Make Changes in the Autonomoy Bill that Will be Satisfactory

OTTAWA, March 1.—It is currently reported in government circles that Fielding has handed in his resignation, conditional on the withdrawal of the lands act plank of the antonomy bill. Laurier in his extremity will possibly swallow Fielding's medicine.

OTTAWA, March 2. — Around the corridors this morning the sole topic is: Has Fielding resigned? The finance minister is not opening his mouth and Laurier is likewise dumb. It is generally believed that Fielding will stick to the ship and that some changes will be made in the school and land clauses of the autonomy bill to let the kickers down easy.

Last night's conference over the autonomy bill was renewed this morning, but so far the modifications proposed have not been broad enough to win back Sifton or satisfy the Toronto Globe.

DOING THE BEST POSSIBLE

Little Time Being Lost in Repairing the Burst Water Pipes—Water Supply is Short.

The work of repairing the breaks in the Britain street main is being pushed as fast as possible. The four inch main between Sydney and Charlotte streets has been abandoned, and the service pipes are being extended to the ten inch main. The process of digging the frozen ground involves considerable expense, between seven and eight tons of coal is consumed in a day.

Up to the last of February about 190 pipes were reported frozen, as against 90 for the same time last year. Thawing by electricity has proved very successful. The city supply of water seems to be getting low. It is thought that many people are letting the water run to waste to prevent their pipes from freezing. Since November last there has been but a little over three inches of rain.

WILL PLAY FRIDAY.

An Interesting Game of Curling to be Played on the Thistle Ice.

Friday afternoon the Thistle lady and gentlemen players will play a match of twelve ends. The rinks have selected as follows:

Ladies.	Gentlemen
Mrs. Williams,	A. G. Golding,
Mrs. Widden,	A. P. Patterson,
Miss B. McLaren,	C. J. Milligan,
Mrs. J. W. Holly, skip.	J. Fred Shaw, skip.
Mrs. Thorne,	A. H. Campbell,
Mrs. Peters,	J. S. Gregory,
Miss Armstrong,	F. D. Miles,
Mrs. F. D. Miles, skip	J. S. Malcolm, skip
Mrs. Patterson,	F. J. Likely,
Mrs. Pullen,	R. S. Orchard,
Miss T. McLaren,	C. E. Merritt,
Miss L. Robertson, skip.	S. W. Palmer, skip.

THE BRITISH COMMONS

LONDON, March 2.—After defeating by a majority of 49, an amendment proposed by T. R. Buchanan (liberal) to the address in reply to the speech from the throne, declaring that the national expenditure is excessive and burdensome, the house of commons last night debated another Irish amendment proposed by A. J. C. Donelan, regretting that the speech from the throne contained no promise to deal during the present session with the pressing needs for improvement of the condition of laborers in Ireland. Several speakers bitterly attacked Chief Secretary Wyndham, who was defended by Mr. Atkinson, attorney general for Ireland. John Redmond declared that it was a disgrace that the government could not provide money at a reasonable rate to carry out a much needed reform. When the division was called the Ulster unionists left the house amid nationalist jeers. Mr. Donelan's amendment was rejected by a vote of 228 to 184. Premier Balfour then moved closure under which the address in reply to the speech from the throne was adopted 235 to 175.

TODAY'S CASUALTIES.

ALEXANDRIA, Va., March 2.—One man was killed and from fifty to sixty people were more or less hurt in a head-on collision between two trains on the Washington, Alexandria and Mount Vernon railway at Spring Park station last night. The man killed was Frederic Schneider of Marietta, Pa. So far as ascertained, the condition of none of the injured is serious.

INNESBRUCK, Austria, March 2.—Six children were killed today by an avalanche, which overwhelmed the house of a peasant near Ausser, Villgraten. The other occupants, who were injured, were extricated alive.

NICHOLLS-WOOD.

Pretty Wedding at Sackville This Afternoon—Some St. John People Present.

(Special to the Star.)

SACKVILLE, N. B., March 2.—The marriage of Dora Beatrice, second daughter of Senator and Mrs. Wood, takes place at 4.30 this afternoon, to Edw. Nicholls, assistant editor of the Toronto World, Rev. Geo. Steel officiating. There will be about fifty guests, including Mr. and Mrs. White, of Toronto, and Mrs. Dr. Daniel, of St. John.

The bride will be handsomely gowned in white hand-made Brussels lace over chiffon and silk. The bridesmaids will be Hester, sister of the bride, and Lena, daughter of H. A. Powell, gowned in pink crepe de chine, carrying bouquets of pink roses. A. A. Lefurgey, M. P., Summerside, supports the groom. Florence Webb, of Mt. Allison conservatory of music, plays the wedding march.

After lunch the couple will leave on the Maritime Express for Montreal and Ottawa. The present are especially elaborate.

ALEXANDER BLOCK DEAD.

(Special to the Star.)

FREDERICTON, N. B., March 2.—Alex. Block died at his residence at an early hour this morning at the age of 65. He had been in ill health for a long time past. He is survived by six daughters, Mrs. Plant, of Edmundston; Mrs. Redfern, the well known nurse; Kate, Martha, Alice and Ella, and one son, Hugh. The deceased was Fredericton's oldest mason.

JOHN L. WON EASY

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich, March 1.—John L. Sullivan, ex-champion heavyweight pugilist of the world, knocked out Jack McCormick, of Galveston, Texas, in the second round of what was to have been a four round boxing match here tonight. Sullivan was the aggressor all the way through. Sullivan weighed 273, McCormick 196.

BIG FIRE IN BOSTON

BOSTON, March 2.—A fire which started in the extensive lumber plant of Blacker and Sheppard, 354 Albany street, just before 11 o'clock today, quickly assumed dangerous proportions. The concern occupies a number of buildings in the centre of what is known as the lumber district.

WILL BE A CHANGE.

LONDON, March 2. — Despite official denials, the rumor persists that Mr. Wyndham will resign the Irish chief secretaryship. Lord Selborne's appointment to the high commissionership for South Africa, will leave a vacancy in the cabinet and it is regarded as not unlikely that there will be some re-arrangement there involving the transfer of Mr. Wyndham, perhaps to the admiralty, though it is more likely that Lord Selborne's successor will be sought among the peers and that possibly Lord Salisbury may be the man.

HAT FACTORIES SHUT DOWN.

NEW YORK, March 2.—A practical shut-down of six big hat factories in Orange, N. J., has grown out of a dispute with a few women employed as trimmers. The latter have been idle for two days, but the men in the different departments were at work finishing the work in hand. This is done and today 6,000 or 7,000 men and women will be idle. The question at issue is the date upon which the wage scale shall take effect.

The steamer Westport III left Westport this morning and will arrive here tonight.

WHAT 25c. WILL BUY AT
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3 bottles Worster Sauce for 25c.; 3 bottles Lemon or Vanilla for 25c.; 2 bottles Lemon or Vanilla for 25c.; 8 bars of Soap for 25c.; 1 lb. Pure Cream Tartar for 25c.; 4 pckgs. Chinese Starch for 25c.; 2 bottles Barker's Liniment for 25c.; 3 bottles U. N. O. Shoe Polish for 25c.; 3 lbs. Mince Meat for 25c.; 1 lb. Good Coffee for 25c.; 6 lbs. Rice for 25c.; 3 boxes Smoked Fish for 25c.; 1 lb. can Baking Powder for 25c.; 2 bottles German Mustard for 25c.; 4 lbs. Mixed Starch for 25c.

THE WEATHER.

Forecasts—Moderate to fresh west to northwest winds; fine and cold today and on Friday.

Synopsis—The prevailing fine, cold weather promises to continue. Winds to Banks and American ports, moderate to fresh west to northwest.

Highest temperature during past 24 hours, 18.

Lowest temperature during past 24 hours, 6.

Temperature at noon, 18.

ONLY THIRTY-ONE MILLIONS.

WASHINGTON, March 1. — The house tonight passed the general deficiency appropriation bill, the last of the great supply measures to be acted upon during this congress. The total amount carried is $31,224,079.

The temper of the house regarding the Swayne impeachment verdict was shown when amendments were attached to the bill restricting the $10 a day limit for expenses of U. S. judges so that expenditures above $5 a day shall be certified upon proper vouchers, with the further proviso that in case a judge presents a false claim for expenses, he shall be fined not less that $100 and imprisoned for not less than ten days.

An appropriation for $10,000 was voted for mileage for senators and members for attending the second session of the present congress.

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HEMP CARPETS, 13c, 16c, 17c, 18c, 22c, 25c yard.
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