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MORE BRITISH SHIPS SEIZED

Also the Hamburg-American Liner Scandia.

CZAR PROMISES IT WILL CEASE

Great Britain Officially Informed That Merchantmen Will Not Be Halted by the Volunteer Fleet.

St. Petersburg, July 23, 3:45 p.m. — The Associated Press is able to announce that Russia has informally notified Great Britain that orders have been issued to the Russian cruisers in the Red Sea not to arrest any more merchantmen, and it has been agreed between the two powers that if, pending the receipt of these orders by the captains of the St. Petersburg and the Simolensk, any other ships should be stopped and held as a prize, these acts shall be regarded as not having taken place and the ships concerned at once released.

London, July 23, 1:16 p.m. — Count Benckendorff, the Russian ambassador, has received official notification from St. Petersburg, reporting the capture of two more British ships in the Red Sea, and instructions from his Government to notify Great Britain that the same procedure should be followed as in the case of the Malacca, namely, the vessels will be taken to a neutral port for examination by the consuls of the two nations concerned.

Didn't Search This One.

Port Said, July 23. — The Peninsular and Oriental Company's steamer Ceylon, homeward bound, from Yokohama and Penang, has arrived here. She reports that the cruiser St. Petersburg, of the Russian volunteer squadron, signaled her July 18 from 20 hours from Suez, asking her where she was from and where she was bound, after which the Ceylon was allowed to proceed. The St. Petersburg at that time was conveying a German merchant ship.

Here's More Trouble.

Suez, July 23. — The steamer Scandia, in charge of a Russian prize crew, has entered the canal. The officials of the Hamburg-American Line declare that the seizure of their steamer Scandia by the Russians in the Red Sea is inexplicable, as her manifest showed she did not carry any war material for Japan. The company has asked the foreign office to take up the matter and secure an explanation.

May Do the Samba.

Suez, July 23. — The Hamburg-American Line steamer Scandia, seized by the Russians in the Red Sea, has just arrived here. She flies the Russian naval flag, is commanded by a Russian naval officer, and is manned by a naval crew. She will enter the canal, her destination is not known.

Germany Wants to Know.

St. Petersburg, July 23, 1:50 p.m. — The Russian Government has given formal assurance to Germany that there will be no repetition of the Prince Heinrich incident. Whether this includes a definite notification that converted volunteer fleet steamers now in the Red Sea are not yet clear, although it is believed it does.

Will Advise Neutrals.

St. Petersburg, July 23, 5:40 p.m. — While not admitting the illegality of the Russian action in converting vessels of the Red Sea, it has been stated after they had reached the Red Sea, it is probable, in view of the fact that neutral ships did not receive previous notice that the Red Sea, in order to remove the shadow of a cloud upon their right to float the flag, will formally notify the powers of their conversion into warships, thus putting all neutrals upon their guard. In the meantime, the ships seized will be released, unless the captors refuse to show their manifests, in which event the procedure in the case of the Malacca probably will be followed.

NEWFOUNDLAND WILL PADDLE HER OWN CANOE, SAYS PREMIER BOND

He Tells British Government She Has No Desire to Enter Confederation.

London, July 23. — The Associated Press learns that Sir Robert Bond has given the British Government a frank expression of his views regarding the suggested confederation with Canada. When questioned on this subject Sir Robert replied:

SIR JOHN SIMON DEAD

Was Former President of the Royal College of Surgeons.

London, July 23. — Sir John Simon, K. C. B., former president of the Royal College of Surgeons and of the Royal Society, is dead. He was born in 1816.

MISSIONARIES MURDERED

Outrage by Chinese on Foreigners Reported From Sigan.

Shanghai, July 23. — A report comes from Sigan to the effect that a rumor is current there that the French bishop, a priest, and two converts, were killed, and three chapels burned, at Sigan, near Sigan Pa. Two hundred soldiers have been dispatched from Ichang for the scene of the outrage.

A STREET SHOOTING

One Man Dead, Another Dying, and a Third Wounded.

New York, July 23. — One man is dead, another may die, and a third man has a slight bullet wound, as a result of a row over a woman on Third avenue east today. Herman Miller, 22 years old, who is under arrest, according to the police, has confessed that he shot the man to avenge an insult to his woman companion, Mary Whalen, who is held by the police as a witness. The dead man is John Mar, aged 29 years, a driver. Dennis Healy, aged 20, a blacksmith, and Frank O'Brien, aged 20, a printer, were wounded. All the parties to the affair were residents of the upper east side.

WOMAN FAINTS; FALLS ON LAMP

House Takes Fire and Inmates Leap From Window to Escape.

Toronto, July 23. — Flames were discovered at 11:30 last night in the premises at 72 Kensington avenue owned by Jos. King and occupied by E. Malone and his wife. It seems that a lamp in the room was overturned and the fire spread to the furniture. The fire broke out in the kitchen and spread to the living room. The inmates were awakened and fled to the windows. Some jumped out, while others were rescued by the fire department. The fire was extinguished by 1:30 a.m.

THE EMBRO SHOOTING

High Constable Bound Over to the Next Assizes.

Woodstock, Ont., July 23. — Magistrate Ball today gave a verdict in the case against High Constable William M. Tisdale, charged with unlawfully shooting W. N. Swartz, an Embro hotelkeeper, and discharging a revolver on an assault charge. Tisdale was required to give bond to appear at the next assizes, provided an indictment is preferred against him. Swartz, the complainant, thereupon gave a bond binding himself to prefer a charge against the officer at the assizes.

WITHIN A MILE OF PT. ARTHUR

Rumored That the Japanese Have Captured Western Forts.

London, Saturday, July 23. — It is rumored from Shanghai that the Japanese have captured the western fort at Port Arthur, and are now within a mile of the main defenses, which they are bombarding.

DROWNED NEAR BERLIN

Fred Elliott, of East Toronto, Reported to Be Dead.

Berlin, July 23. — A drowning accident took place in the Grand River, about three miles above Bridgeport, on Thursday evening. The intelligence reached Berlin by phone from the two young men who left town Thursday afternoon to go up the river with the victim, who is Fred Elliott. His home is over the Don River, and he was in the employ of James Reid, of Stratford, a photographer and picture engraver. He was one of Mr. Reid's staff at present working in Berlin, and as he has been working only three days, his employer does not know much about him. About 4 o'clock on Thursday evening, Elliott and two fellow-employees named Rutledge and Clymer, from the vicinity of London, left Berlin to go up beyond Bridgeport for a swim. They did not return at night and yesterday Mr. Reid received a telephone message, that while in a boat Elliott had been drowned, three miles above Bridgeport, and up till near noon his body had not been recovered.

RABBI AS DANCE MASTER

Owing to Misfortunes He Steps From Pulpit to Ballroom.

Paris, July 23. — The new professor of dancing engaged for the summer season at the Casino de la Ville, was the Rabbi, formerly a well-known Jewish rabbi. Professor Sylva, as he is styled, is really M. Molina, at one time chief rabbi of the synagogue in Paris. Owing to a series of misfortunes he left his position, but two years ago, at a Free Masons' lodge, he met General Andre, minister of war, who sympathized with his position, and appointed him dancing master at the military cadet school of St. Cyr. In the summer the school is closed, and Professor Sylva has now been engaged by the manager of the Casino.

AGED DANISH MONARCH IS TAKEN III AT SCHWERIN WHILE VISITING RELATIVES.

Copenhagen, July 23. — Professor Schou, body surgeon to King Christian, was summoned this morning to Schwerin, where the King is staying. Professor Schou left before noon. King Christian is visiting — Schwerin, capital of the Grand Duchy of Mecklenburg-Schwerin, at the relatives of his grandson, Prince Christian, eldest son of Crown Prince Frederick of Denmark. Prince Christian married the Duchess Alexandrine, eldest sister of the reigning Grand Duke of Mecklenburg-Schwerin.

SUES FOR DIVORCE.

Ottawa, Ont., July 23. — Arthur H. Hersey, merchant of Montreal, has made application for divorce from his wife, Eliza Jane Barry, also of Montreal.

AGED LADY DROWNED.

Hamilton, Ont., July 23. — Mrs. Margaret Howe, aged 80 years, widow of the late Jacob Howe, who lives with her son, Lewis, near Beamsville, was drowned by falling into a well yesterday, when no one was in the vicinity to assist her.

SUDBURY LINE

COST \$8,000,000

Work on New C. P. R. Branch To Begin at Once.

THE GEORGIAN BAY PORT

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Montreal, July 23. — Mr. F. S. Darling, the Canadian Pacific Railway engineer in charge of all construction work east of Winnipeg, who has just returned from a trip to the proposed Toronto-Sudbury branch, says:

"The proposed Canadian Pacific Railway line from Toronto to Sudbury will be a level track on almost the entire route, and no curve higher than 4 per cent. The reason for saying that a three-tenths grade will have to be constructed, and for saying that a level track is equal to a level track, is that an elevated track over it as over a level track. This will make it equal to any section on any line in Canada. Before the end of the month 2,500 men will be at work on the portion of the line between Toronto and Byng Inlet, where the rocky nature of the country makes it cost over \$35,000 a mile. In addition, a large number of bridges will have to be constructed, the cost of the French River alone to cost \$200,000.

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EIGHT FAMILIES HOMELESS

Bad Fire at Hamilton Cleans Out a Row of Houses.

Hamilton, July 22. — Eight families, consisting of about 80 persons, were rendered homeless this evening by a fire that broke out about 5:30 in a row of frame houses on North Caroline street. The row occupies practically the whole block between Mill and Harriet streets. The trouble started at the corner of Mill and Caroline streets, and the fire crept up from the back sheds under the roof. The row was covered by one roof and there were no partitions. The fire was confined to the roof and eaves, but the lower floors suffered considerably from water.

NEXT MOVE IS UP TO UNCLE SAM

Bond Says Newfoundland Will Go No Further

IN MATTER OF RECIPROCITY

If U. S. Fails to Ratify Bond-Treaty, Tariff Will Be Put Up Against Her.

London, July 23. — Sir Robert Bond, Premier of Newfoundland, sailed here today on the steamer Buenos Ayrean from Liverpool, after having settled up Newfoundland's share in the Anglo-French treaty. Interviewed by the Associated Press on the subject of the Hay-Bond treaty, which is awaiting the ratification by the United States Senate, the Premier said:

"It has been my duty to give the British Government any hope that the treaty, to which it lent support, will be ratified by the United States. Newfoundland is and has been anxious to secure reciprocity upon a mutually advantageous basis with our great and friendly neighbor. To secure that end I have made every effort consistent with the dignity and interest of the colony. More than this, Newfoundland has given American fishermen, during fourteen years, rights which it has power to withhold. It has been a matter of comment in connection with Joseph Chamberlain's campaign that Newfoundland gives America greater privileges than the mother country.

"The next move in the matter must be on the part of America. Newfoundland has not so far adopted this preferential tariff because it was thought that sooner or later the United States, both from the viewpoint of self-interest and in return for a material sign of genuine friendship would enact legislation favorable to Newfoundland. It would be absurd for me to say this, as, in any sense, threatening a tariff war. It is not a question of reprisals, but the people of Newfoundland cannot be expected to let this remain an open question forever, when every day the people of Newfoundland are trading under advantages not allowed by any other British colony, and while Newfoundland products entering the United States are taxed to almost a prohibitive degree."

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