PRICE TWO CENTS

# Japanese Rousing Boxers To Anti-Foreign Acts

Said To Be Fostering the Agitation in Manchuria-Oyama's Forces Appear on Mongolian Frontier and East of the Railroad-Jap Prisoners Commit Hari-Kari.

Gunshu Pass, March 31.-Reconnais- , mits, fearing that the town may be desances disclose especial activity on the part of the Japanese on the west near the Mongolian frontier. It is reported that an anti-foreign propaganda is being conducted among the Chinese, who are being stirred up to a renewal of the "Boxer" disturbances. The Hun Yuan Mynn Societies of Mukden and Kirin and the Tsai Li Society, which is strong in Tsitsihar and Northern Manchuria, are said to be working to spread this agitation among the Manchurian population, and Japanese success is doing much to augment the movement. Many Chinese bandit chieftains are leaders in nusecret societies extending throughout China, and their influence may have a powerful effect on the attitude of the Chinese Government

#### Jap Prisoners Suicide.

and population

St. Petersburg, April 1, 12:20 a.m. The Bourse Gazette prints a report that a number of Japanese prisoners at Medved have kiled themselves by hari-kari and with arsenic. Gossip in some circles in St. Petersburg attributes the suicides to ill-treatment, The United States embassy has not been advised on the subject. A short time ago, at the request of Japan, the embassy sent a representative to Medyed to investigate complaints by prisoners of war, and reported that, with the exception of a few minor details which the Russian Government undertakes to correct, the Russian arrangements were admirable,

#### A Line From Linevitch.

St. Petersburg, March 31. - A dispatch from Gen. Linevitch, dated "There is no change in the situation. The enemy is displaying activity east

of the railroad. "Heavy snow fell during the night." A telegram from Gunshu Pass, 108 miles north of Tie Pass, Manchuria, says Gen. Linevitch has forbidden the inhibitants of Harbin, with the exception of the

A 50-FOOT BANK

Experience in the Dryden

Derailment.

Winnipeg, March 31.-At 1:35 o'clock this

morning the special homeseekers' excur-

at the depot anxiously awaiting their arrival, and cabs were on hand to convey

any whose injuries were bad enough to

require such assistance, as well as an ambulance for the conveyance of an old

man whose leg, it is said, was badly frac-

so few were seriously injured. Speaking

of the accident a passenger said: "We had just pulled out from Dryden, and luckily were going very slowly, when the accident occurred. Suddenly there was a jolt and breaking couplings, and five cars were derailed. Two were thrown on their sides on the south side of the track. One

sides on the south side of the track. One was pulled across it, and the two others

went rolling down the right embankment. It was an awful moment for those in those two cars, and I know, for I was among them, but it was all over in a

position, although there was not much left inside that was not broken."

Lost His Arm.

the farm of Mr. Chute, con. 10, of Wal-

singham, yesterday afternoon, when W.

Leforge, son of Mrs. Peter Leforge, had

was assisting Mr.Chute in cutting wood

with a steam saw, when in some way

his arm came in contact with the saw,

sultation was held by the doctors in

attendance, when it was thought neces-

sary to amputate the member to save

his life. Much sympathy is felt for

his widowed mother, as he was the

main support of the family.

which almost severed his arm. A con-

Langton, Ont., March 31. - A very sad and painful accident happened on

nuded of workmen.

#### May Be Congress of Powers.

St. Petersburg, March 31. - 4:40 p.m. -It is very difficult to shed additional light on the peace pourparlers. From all the information obtainable, it is regarded as certain that actual negotiations between the belligerents are not yet under way, but the task of bringing them together is proceeding formally through the United States and France, in the persons of Presi-dent Roosevelt and M. Delcasse, the French foreign minister, who have been apprised of Russia's irreducible mininum, which, in addition to no cession of territory, or indemnity, is believed to include a guarantee of the right of way over the Siberian Railroad to Vladivostock through Northern Man-churia. It is possible that there may be a pause before the next move oc-Added significance is now attached to President Roosevelt's desire to have Ambassador McCormick proceed forthwith to Paris, where, being familiar with the conditions at St. Petersburg, he could render great assistance to Ambassador Porter in any negotiations, it being now known Gen. Porter will remain in Paris until the end of April. The fact that the President's instructions were sent to Mr. McCormick ten days ago gives some color to the reports from abroad that Japan took the initiative by approaching the President, but the idea with which this is coupled, that the Presi-

The diplomatists here generally believe that the negotiations, once be-gun, will be conducted directly between

One very prominent diplomat, however, expressed to the Associated Press the opinion that all the powers are ikely to be drawn in, and that there might be another Congress of Berlin He pointed out that all the powers interested commercially in China were vitally concerned in safeguarding the open door policy, to which they pledged, and must be consulted as to the future status of Manchuria and collateral questions, such as the possi-ble internationalization of the Eastern Chinese Railroad, etc. He desired to be understood, however, that he did not mean that the powers would attempt to rob Japan of the fruits of Such a congress might be leave that place without special per- cluded peace.

Will Not Cause France to

Modify Policy.

Paris, March 31.-Foreign Minister Del-

casse made a significant speech in the

with moderation, but his closing declara-

tion that resistance in interested quarters

would not cause France to modify her policy, brought out vigorous applause.

"France's Moroccan policy," M. Delcasse said, "continues on the same conditions as it was begun. The Sultan's

situation, without allowing our action to awaken the suspicions of other nations.

France does not pretend to base her interests on disregard for the interests of others. Thence arose negotiations result-

ing in agreements proclaiming that

Morocco is aware both of our

icy. It therefore appears that France will succeed in assuring its future in the western Mediterranean without offending

Killed In the Bush.

well, a farmer on the 4th concession of

limb falling on him from a tree that he

was in the act of chopping down in his

sion arrived from the east, consisting of Senate today, which evidently was de-

seven coaches bearing those who were in the wreck yesterday morning on the Canadian Pacific near Dryden. A number to with the visit of Emperor William

who had friends among the injured were today to Tangier. The minister spoke



HAVE YOU NOTICED WHAT HARD WALKING IT IS, THESE MORNINGS?

#### GROCERS' GUILD SUED

#### Charged With Combining to Make Refineries Sell to Them Alone.

commenced action against the Dominion CARS WENT DOWN M. DELCASSE TALKS

Passenger Tells of a Thrilling German Interference in Morocco

### THAT ROCKEFELLER GIFT

#### These Who Object to It Will Indeavor to Have It Returned.

Boston, March 31, - The committee which heads the protest of Congrega-American board of committee for foreign missions, in accepting a gift of \$100,000 from John D. Rockefeller, to-day issued a statement inviting all tured. Bandages and handkerchiefs were very much in evidence, and in appearance many strongly testified to their exciting adventure.

Casse said, ditions as it was begun. The Sultan's weakness and the anarchy resulting therefrom were prejudicial to everybody, and especially to France in Algeria. We had to seek a remedy for the intolerable persons, whether clergymen or laymen, who wished to record themselves as in defrauding his creditors, called on leader, Hon. G. W. Ross, on his resympathy with the protest, to send their names to the chairman of the committee, Rev. Daniel Evans, of Cam- tion into his financial affairs. bridge. One of the officials of the committee today said that the protestants gested to Mr. Robinson, Mr. Hill's had a plan to present to the prudential committee, which would be offered at the proper time.

France possesses a special standing in Morocco. The Anglo-French treaty recog-nizes that it is France's task to assist in It is understood that if the protesting clergymen fail to bring about a return opening Morocco to civilization, and also that from the economic point of view all nations have an equal footing there. The of the money already used, and a repudiation of the gift, they will aim to what was happening. The embankment down which we rolled was about 40 or 50 feet deep, and both cars rolled over three times before reaching the bottom, one of them landing upside down. The one I happened to be in landed in a correct position, although there was not much left inside that was not much state of the Algerian frontier. However, from friendship for Morocco and a clear conception of her own interests, France merely pointed out the necessity for establishing order. That a declaration as will, in the future, any third party. In other words, he is staying at Kingston, Jamaica. He prevent the possibility of such a con-

#### ROOSEVELT DENIES IT

in maintaining the present anarchical condition of affairs leaves no room for illusion, but that will not modify our the Role of Mediator. goodwill and our strength, and also that we do not seek to expand a maturely thought-out programme of Moroccan pol-

cosevelt and the members of his largely the sentence to be passed on cabinet conferred together today for Mr. Hill. the last time before the President goes | It was expected that Mr. Hill would away on his southern and western be tried at the assizes in St. Thomas trip. Little beyond routine matters next week before Chief Justice Falwas taken up.

It was stated authoritatively that Chesley, March 31. - Joseph Max- matters in relation to Venezuelan af- traversed to the general sessions of fairs were not mentioned, nor was Elderslie Township, near Chesley, was there any discussion of the European Judge Winchester's court, where Mr. instantly killed this afternoon by a rumor that President Roosevelt is to Hill was recently tried and convicted. be designated as mediator in the peace In counties outside of Toronto, it is negotiations between Russia and customary for a man who has been Japan. Authority was given for the committed to be tried at the first denial of this report.

#### A MONSTER STEEL PLANT

#### Over Ground at Sarnis.

Sarnia, March 31, - With a view to establishing an immense steel plant, twelve millionaire officials of the United States Steel Trust visited this city this morning. The magnates came spected the river front property. For some time the steel trust has been lishing a monster steel plant.

#### Kennedy Takes the Oath.

Rainy River in the Legislature, signed the roll and took the members' oath,

# Newfoundland Prosperous; Future Looks Hopeful

St. Johns, Nfld., March 31. - The brought large returns and the prices Grocers' Guild, with H. C. Beckett and the price committee as co-defendants, Governor MacGregor, in the speech today. He had commenced action against the Dominion Grocers' Guild, with H. C. Beckett and the price committee as co-defendants, Governor MacGregor, in the speech cept in the whale fishery, which was the price committee as co-defendants, develop like the price co-defendants and develop like the price co-defendants are co-defendants. The price co-defendants are co-defendants are co-defendants and develop like the price co-defendants are co-defendants. The price co-defendants are co-defendants are co-defendants are co-defendants are co-defendants. The price co-defendants are co-defendants are co-defendants ar THE PREMER

that the Canadian Grocers Company, organized by H. C. Beckett, formed a combination of ten large wholesale houses, with the object of compelling the sugar refineries to sell only to them, and to refuse to sell to the plaintiff company. The ten companies alleged to be in the companies alleged to be

# claiming \$100,000 damages. They allege that the Canadian Grocers Company, or ganized by H. C. Beckett, formed a combination of ten large wholesale houses, with the object of compelling the sugar with the object of compelling the sugar with the object of compelling the sugar with the object of the plaintiff company. The ten companies alleged to be in the combine are: Balfour & Co., Lucas, Steele & Bristol, John Stone & Co., James Turner & Co., Lucas, Steele & Bristol, John Stone & Co., Davidson, Hay & Co., Warren Bros, & Co., J. P. Smythe & Co. The defendants ridicule the charge. The price committee as committee as the province would also shown good regand almost represent to the last depressed by over-production. Mining that were demanded by the Territorial four representation of such as some good results. The governor also announced start with an income from the Dostatr with an income for the Dostatr with an income for the Dostatr with an income of \$2,207,875. This would rise and also in the current year, despite the reduction of \$2,00,000. New was to self-the was but INTO HILL CASE HON. MR. ROSS

### Thomas Merchant Failed a Poor Man.

St. Thomas, Ont., March 31. - J. B. Toronto, March 31.-Liberal mem-Richard Lee, assignee, yesterday, in

counsel, that the defendant give the how there comes to be a deficit of then letters received state that he is \$100,000. The judge wishes to be satthe business and was not diverted to change. Almost all his time is spent wished to ascertain exactly whether or not Mr. Hill failed a poor man.

expressed his willingness to give the what form the reception will take. If be already in progress, and a report be presented. If this is not ready will probably be made to Judge Win-Washington, March 31. — President nature of them will depend very

conbridge on a similar charge, but it is understood that the case will be the county, the court corresponding to court after his committal, and which in this case happens to be the as-

size court for Elgin county.

The expected transfer of the case to another court recalls the bogus ballot box conspiracy cases at Belleville. have been tried by the general sessions, and not by the high court judge. The presiding judge, however, that he had the necessary jurisdiction.

#### OVERDOSE OF LAUDANUM

#### Decker, Who Served Term for Counterfeiting, Dies at Toronto.

Toronto, March 31.-Anthong Decker, aged 63, died tonight in the hospital from an overdose of laudanum, which he had been taking recently for sleep-Toronto, March 31.—Mr. H. W. Kennedy, the member for Port Arthur and Rainy River in the Legislature, signed the roll and took the members, each for counterfeiting at Woodstock, and previous question, explained that seems.

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The Tablet says the more narrowly the government and the less feasible it previous question, explained that seems.

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#### Judge Wighes to Learn If St. Opposition Chief Will Soon Be Back From the South in Splendid Trim.

Hill, the St. Thomas merchant, who is awaiting sentence on a charge of defrauding his creditors, called on defrauding his creditors, called on defrauding his creditors, called on leader Hop C W Ross on his return from Jamaica, to take up the leadership of the Opposition. At the leadership of the Opposition. At the leadership of the other day no word had been diverted by strong parusansing was convinced that this bargain was better for the new provinces than if the land were doomed, but it is so, None this side of heaven can help you and may God have mercy on you? connection with the further investiga- turn from Jamaica, to take up the caucus the other day no word had been received as to the health or probable assignee assistance in explaining to return of the former Premier, but plans the satisfaction of Judge Winchester. for a reception were mentioned. Since school legislation in Canada, pointing heard the plaintive wail of a weeping isfied that this money was absorbed in resting well and benefiting by the ant minority of Quebec, and he be- had made her a widow. He fell upon secure from the American board such private channels, or passed over to on the piazza of the hotel at which he expected to be the Protestant major-cried. will also spend some time at Colorado this matter, he would be ashamed of of the Russian ministers, attended the It is understood that Mr. Hill con- Springs before returning the first himself and ashamed at some of the funeral at Moscow. He appeared in curred readily in the suggestion, and week in May. It is not yet known This further inspection of the bank- possible the fund which has been in thing that Protestants stood for in the identity had been concealed, Officially Stated He Is Not to Take rupt firm's affairs is understood to process of collection for some time will past. Where was any religious inbe presented. If this is not ready some other means of welcome will be adopted.

past. Where was any rengious inequality to be found in the proposal of the Government? The law was for Protestant minorities in school districts as well as for Catholic minorities. If the west was being throttled, then two-thirds of the people of Canout being killed, We desire to make work lighted in provinces that were lighted in the proposal of the proposal of the graph of his desk before him:

"Monsieur: We regret that you were put to so much trouble in devising a means of escaping from Moscow with-



# MEASURE PLEASES | SLAYER SPURNS PEOPLE OF WEST

Member for Assiniboia on the Sergius' Wife Offers Forgive-Autonomy Bill.

Measure and Shows Up Real Motives of Mr. Haultain.

Ottawa, March 31. - Mr. Scott, the arried on the debate on the autonomy oill in the Commons today. He held that the people of the west were more concerned in having efficient schools and in having sufficient funds for makng them so than in the narrower issue which had been raised by the bill, and debated at considerable length by the House, and which, after all, was largely a matter of sentiment. There vere many other questions of greater importance to the west, or, if not greater, at least pressing for more immediate consideration. For instance, there was the transportation problem and the question of better highways. As regards Mr. Haultain's draft bill, Mr. Scott claimed that the Prime Minister of the Territories did not expect to get all he had asked. Mr. Scott hought that the friendship of the Conservatives for the Territories was of a sentimental character. When it was a question of money it was another matter. As, for instance, when last session it was suggested that autonomy should be granted so that the Dominion might be free from giving aid to railroads. In regard to C. P. R. ex-emptions, he thought that the bills gave the territories less than justice. she told him who she was. It was in For the reason that this matter was strange contrast to the harsh notes unsettled he would have been glad to he had heard constantly since his arsee autonomy not dealt with this session, but he found himself alone in this fire of vengeance and harsh with the view, and at the same time the objec- notes of hatred, there appeared before tion had been lessened by the recent he Premier's intimation that some-kind. thing might be done in the future to ognize the impossibility of making one yours." opposed to extending Manitoba west-ward. As to the boundary line his advice was that the line should be the present eastern boundary of Albertar He thought this would have been "Oh, no, I had never seen your huster in view of the probable distribution in view of the view

basis, and this he believed had been you." done fairly enough. The particular The scene did not unnerve the prethat from the beginning the new provinces had an assured revenue, whereas if the land were handed over to them, and they pursued the same land policy as the Dominion, the provinces would as the Dominion, the provinces would. much attention had been given to what have mercy on you."
was after all only a phrase of the question of education. Mr. Scott reno longer and asked to be led away. out that it was in fact inserted in the man, If she had inquired she would ity in the west. Speaking as a Prot- On the day of the interment of the because they had the power, they the revolutionists. When he returned should use that power to deny the home he congratulated himself that his ada were living in provinces that were your mind easy on that score. You also throttled, and they didn't seem to be feeling very bad about it. Practi- in the theaters or in any of the public cally all the complaints that had been places. You will be killed in your own made were based upon misconception. As to Mr. Haultain's complaint that he was not consulted, it was clear that Mr. Haultain, on his own showing, was consulted on everything except education. What was there to Government Minister Promises Stateprevent Mr. Haultain himself bringing up this question in his conferences with the Government? There was no prohibition on him, but Mr. Haultain had followed the same policy at Otcation. When the draft bill was prehad any intention of asking for more statement. freedom in education than they had The Tribune tonight says that it is up been enjoying for the last fourteen to Hon. Robert Rogers, Minister of Pubopen letter of Mr. Haultain could only and most partisan misrepresentation rier has long held a threat over the Local ever witnessed in the Dominion of Government that, if it did not abandon its national school policy and adopt sep-Mr. Haultain was in the position of daries extended.

erying for a power, and at the same time protesting that he would not use it if he had it. Such a position was ridiculous. There was no use in asking Detroit, March 31.-A general order will KING ALFONSO OF SPAIN,

the minority he would not consent to that there is no work for the men. Sagithis clause being cut out, because he naw, Grand Rapids, Ionia and St. Thomas, believed that if it were, sooner or Ont., where shops are located, are aflater it would mean the kniel of the fected by this order. It is expected that separate school. But as things stood the men will not be needed again before now the Territories were satisfied.

# PLEA OF WIDOW

ness to the Assassin.

#### SATISFIED WITH LAND POLICY MEETS TERRORIST IN HIS CELL

#### Mr. Scott Makes Strong Defense of Doomed Man Ricules to Repent, but Collapses at Close of the

Paris, March 31.—One of the most dramatic episodes connected with the tragic history of the recent revolutionary acts in Russia was the visit made by Grand Duchess Elizabeth to the cell of the prisoner who assassinated her husband, Grand Duke Sergius. It had been her desire to to meet, to listen to the man who had taken the life of her husband.

She got the prefect of police to accompany her. He is tall, fierce of eye, ommanding of figure, square-shoul-

bearing. The grand ducal visitor was in deep mourning. The gorgeousness of flashing harness buckles was abandoned when her carriage drove to the prison, Her dress was black-severely so, a ing veil of mourning falling from her

dred, red-cheeked, soldierly in his

head almost to the ground. The doors of the gloomy prison opened. Through winding halls, the noise of dripping water the clanking of swords, the awakening of prisoners fell upon their ears. There can halt. A single yellow electric appeared high above the 6 by 8 room which the assass n was confined n a cot the prisoner lay. He was On a cot summoned to the door. stood up, rubbed his eyes and sullenly

confronted his visitors. The widow's voice was strained when rest. Instead of a figure, red with the him a soft, tear-stained woman, the judgment of the supreme court and by incarnation of all that was gentle and

"Oh, how could you have killed my relieve the incubus. The decision to husband?" she cried almost choking. reate two provinces was generally ac- "Had he ever harmed you? Tell me if ceptable. Personally he would have he ever said a thing unkind or commitavored one, but was compelled to rec- ted an act ungenerous to you or

province of the territories and leaving | The prefect of police stood by her side Manitoba its present size. The people as the unabashed assassin looked both of the territories were unanimously squarely in the face. If the giances of

better in view of the probable distrib- band until that fatal day. He had

Saskatchewon would be ened now, "if you repent of what you drawing \$1 10 per head. He had come have done, I will give you my husto the conclusion that it was better to band's forgiveness. He is dead-I shall have the lands administered by the not see his face again, But I speak for central Government, provided the new his spirit; I am his wife; I come as if provinces were placed on an equitable he were living and standing before

benefit of the Government plan was fect of police. He interrupted the con-

as the Dominion, the provinces would before the prisoner calmly replied: have difficulty in getting along at all. "Certainly, I know you as well as

constitution primarily for the Protest- have learned that he was the one who heved also for what was at that time his face the instant she was gone and estant, and in view of the history of Grand Duke's body, Gen. Trepoff, one

Protestant majority in this country, if, civilian dress that he might not attract

have nothing to fear in the streets or

#### bedroom." THE MANITORA CRISIS?

#### meet Re the Boundaries.

Winnipeg, March 31.-As a result of the tawa as in the west, where Mr. Haul- council meeting of the Manitoba Governtain had been discussing autonomy ment this morning, on the authority of for years, but had carefully avoided one of the ministers, it is announced that any reference to the question of edu- the Government will make a statement in pared by Mr. Haultain, neither Mr. a few days concerning the proposed dis-Haultain nor the Territorial Legisla- solution of the house. None of the ministure, nor the people of the west, ever ters, when seen today, would make any

ears. In view of all the facts, the lic Works, to give out the information he can letter of Mr. Haultain could only is holding back, hinting that the probe classed as a piece of the rankest able information is that Sir Wilfrid Laurier has long held a threat over the Local

#### Pere Marquette Reduction.

the minority to trust to the generosity of the majority. That was a question for the minority to settle for the minority to settle for the minority if he were of the minority he would not consent to that there is no work for the men. Sagithis clause being cut out, because he may Grand Rapids Lonia and St. Thomas

# English Boys and Youth Rushing to the Dominion Party of U. S. Capitalists Looking On that occasion, W. R. Riddell, K. C., asserted that E. G. Ruttan, should London, March 31. - Four hundred prior to the colonial conference in

his arm taken off above the elbow. He any right or clashing with any interest.

Alexander, of the Torrey-Alexander

mit to the colonial conference any what the growth would be if fiscal en-proposals for a joint scheme of emi-

boys from Dr. Barnardo's home, their 1902 there were informal pourparlers ages ranging from 8 to 18, upon the subject of a colonial preference between the Colonial Secretary between the Colonial Secretary sailed today for Canada. Before and the colonial premiers, but no releaving London they sang the "Glory cord was kept, and there was no car- on their own train, and met a delega-Song," and were addressed by Mr. respondence in existence which could tion of Sarnia business men. They inspected the river front property. For

Bonar Law, in reply to Sir Howard mission. Fifteen hundred emigrants Vincent, writes that the declared to Canada sailed by the Bayarian, values of imports from Canada in and has opened negotiations for estabseven hundred of the number being 164; exports in 1896, £5,352,029; in 1904, voung men. Will Crooks, M. P., on Monday, will able information supplied to Vincent ask Premier Balfour if he will sub- will set many minds wondering as to