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## EMPEROR'S NARROW ESCAPE FROM ASSASSINATION.

Numerous Arrests Have Been Made—The Conspiracy Revealed by a Traitor—Terrorists Rob Railway Office

ST. PETERSBURG, May 17.—Further details of the plot at Tsarskoye-Selo, against the life of his majesty, the emperor, which came to light yesterday, were obtained yesterday, and indicate that the emperor's escape during the past week was very narrow. The plot was deep laid, and the conspirators were members of the emperor's personal escort. The arrest of one man, a Cossack sergeant, has made it possible to trace the conspiracy back four months, and shows that preparations were being made on the second of February when the secret police issued orders to trace the conspiracy back to the purchase of a uniform of his majesty's own Cossack escort, which had been found during a raid. The use of the regulation uniform is a favorite device of the Terrorists and the Cossack garb is an open sesame to the precincts of Tsarskoye-Selo. The Cossack sergeant, who was a gate-keeper at one of the entrances of one of the palaces voluntarily confessed. He betrays a plan according to which he was to let into the palace a number of conspirators dressed in the Cossack uniform. A brother of Premier Stolypin confirms the report that numerous arrests have already been made. He declares that the existence of the plot was known from the beginning and that it was not ferreted out until the entire plan was uncovered. Witnesses were secured and the arrests were finally made on order of the district attorney, who will prosecute the case in open court.

The lower house of parliament is taking the keenest interest in the story, and it is reported that the leaders of the Constitutional Democrats only await official confirmation to take a motion to the house expressing joy at the preservation of the Emperor's life.

WARSAW, May 17.—A band of Terrorists held up the city office of the Victoria railroad in Długa street today and got away with \$5,000 after a severe fight in which four persons were killed and nine others were injured. The office was full of people at the time and soldiers were guarding the premises, but the Terrorists attacked them with revolvers, killing two and wounding four of the guards before they reached the place where the money was kept. Then snatching up a bag containing \$5,000 they ran out of the office. The soldiers fired a volley at the fleeing Terrorists, but only succeeded in hitting some bystanders, two of whom were killed and five were injured.

LODZ, Russian Poland, May 17.—Forty-five officials and workmen of Kutners Spinning Mill were shot down this morning by a patrol of Cossacks because a band of terrorists attacked a mail wagon in the neighborhood, killed a Cossack guard and wounded another Cossack and two post office officials.

While the wagon was passing through Londkova, the Terrorists suddenly appeared from a side street, opened fire on the Cossack escort, whom they shot, seized \$1,000 from the wagon and escaped. A moment later a patrol of Cossacks arrived on the scene and infuriated by the fate of their comrades they rushed into the Kutners factory which was near the spot where the robbery occurred and began firing indiscriminately, killing 15 and wounding over 30 persons.

The greatest indignation prevails here and it is ascertained that the employees of the factory had nothing to do with the attack on the mail wagon.

**HALF A MILLION DEAD FROM THE PLAGUE IN SIX WEEKS**

SILMA, May 17.—The government returns published here today show that the deaths from the plague throughout India for the six weeks ending May 11, reached the appalling total of 493,821 in the Punjab alone 288,777 deaths occurred.

**MIKE SULLIVAN MATCHED TO FIGHT JOE THOMAS**

NEW YORK, May 17.—A despatch from Philadelphia says: Joe Thomas was matched last night to fight Mike Sullivan in Denver, Colo., on May 20. They will battle ten rounds in the afternoon at the Bull Park there.

NEW YORK, May 17.—Kid Stinger of Philadelphia, was decisively beaten by Rouse O'Brien of Boston, last night in the main bout at Longview Athletic Club. The Boston boy was too clever for his opponent and landed at least a hundred blows while he received only a few in return.

Advertisements are news—news that is valued and searched for.—Jackson, Mich., Patriot.

## HUSTLING THE WORK ON 'THE NEW I. C. R. SHOPS'

MONCTON, N. B., May 17.—With over two hundred and fifty men employed, work at the I. C. R. new shops is going on rapidly. The freight-car repair shop, the first building started, is now nearing completion, and will, it is expected, be ready for occupancy in the course of a few weeks. The most interesting of the buildings are all of concrete, with steel reinforcements. The foundations of the planing mills are well under way, the stores and offices building walls are partially done, and on the passenger car repair shop the walls are built as far as the windows. Excavations are nearly finished for the foundations for the mechanical shop, which will be an immense building containing locomotive repair and erecting shops, machine shops, boiler shops, and blacksmith shop, each apparatus departments in themselves. There is a vast quantity of machinery on the grounds, and the scene is one of humming activity.

## TIMBER LANDS IN NOVA SCOTIA SOLD

Several Important Deals Have Been Put Through Lately.

HALIFAX, N. S., May 17.—Some big timber land deals have recently transpired in this province. The Berlin, New Hampshire Pulp and Paper Co., one of the largest concerns in the world in the United States, and which operates extensively in Quebec province, has purchased a very large tract of timber land near Sable River on the line of the Halifax and Southwestern Railway. The timber thereon is small and only suited for pulp wood, but it is a good one. The tract will be converted into pulp on the spot, but shipped direct to New Hampshire mills by construction of the Southwestern railway. The price paid for the property has not been stated, but the figure is said to be a good one. The most important deal, however, is the sale of the Owen-Kaulbach pine timber limits, on Sable River, to H. W. Anderson, representing an Exeter, N. H., concern. The property embraces 27,000 acres of splendid pine lands, and the construction of the Southwestern railway has rendered the timber a mercantile commodity. Mr. Anderson was in Halifax yesterday, and it is said, expressed himself as well pleased with the purchase and prospects. The company intend using everything in sight. Small stuff will be converted into box shooks, laths, etc. The price is reported to be \$22,000.

## NEW GOVERNOR FOR JAMAICA ARRIVES

Sweetnam's Successor Assumed Office at Kingston Yesterday

KINGSTON, May 17.—The steamer Port Kingston arrived here yesterday from England with Sydney Olivier, the new governor of Jamaica on board. Mr. Olivier succeeds Sir Alex. Sweetnam resigned.

There was a great gathering of officials and the populace at the wharf to welcome the new administrator, and he was received on landing by a guard of honor from the West Indian Regt.

Mr. Olivier went at once to the Government office, where the commanding officer of the troops administered the oath of office.

## WENT ON THE REEF WHILE RUNNING AT FULL SPEED

Lake Steamer Will be a Total Loss—Another Vessel Had a Narrow Escape

SAILT STE MARIE, Mich., May 17.—The steel steamer Saxon, owned by the Pittsburgh Steamship Company, stranded Wednesday night during a fog on the north side of Caribou Island, Lake Superior. It is said she will be a total loss.

"We were running a short distance ahead of the Saxon," said Capt. Brown, of the str. E. W. Oglesby, "and my steamer must have missed the reef which the Saxon struck by only a few feet. The Saxon was going along at full speed and struck the rocks with terrific force. I tried to get near enough to take the Saxon's crew aboard my own ship, but was unable to do anything because of the danger of running my own steamer on the rocks in the storm. The Saxon men were able later to reach the island in small boats."

The wrecked steamer registered 248 tons and is valued at \$110,000. She was built in 1892.

## MACAULAY BROS.' DRY GOODS HOUSE VERY BADLY DAMAGED IN FIRE TODAY

Small Blaze in Cellar Assumed Serious Proportions—Great Damage Done by Smoke—Female Employees Taken Out of Windows—Immense Stock is Seriously Damaged.

At noon today a small fire which at first did not give promise of being anything serious was discovered in the forward end of the cellar in Macaulay Brothers' and Co.'s large dry goods establishment on King street, but at the hour of writing, two o'clock, the flames threaten to consume a large portion of the interior of the building, and with the dense smoke the entire stock appears to be damaged to a most serious extent.

## ALD. BAXTER CRITICIZES POLICEMAN CRAWFORD

In a Case Which Was Heard in the Police Court This Forenoon.

In the police court this morning the case of Currie charged by Policeman Crawford with having used profanity, attempting assault, resisting the police and using abusive language, was taken up. J. B. Baxter appeared for the defendant. Officer Crawford testified that yesterday afternoon he was helping a lady move her furniture. He engaged Mr. Brophy to do the hauling and in company with Brophy he drove to the I. C. R. freight shed with a load. There was an altercation between him and Currie and witness told the policeman that Currie was the defendant. Officer Crawford testified that yesterday afternoon he was helping a lady move her furniture. He engaged Mr. Brophy to do the hauling and in company with Brophy he drove to the I. C. R. freight shed with a load. There was an altercation between him and Currie and witness told the policeman that Currie was the defendant. Officer Crawford testified that yesterday afternoon he was helping a lady move her furniture. He engaged Mr. Brophy to do the hauling and in company with Brophy he drove to the I. C. R. freight shed with a load. There was an altercation between him and Currie and witness told the policeman that Currie was the defendant.

## P. E. ISLAND ASSAULT MAY END IN MURDER

American Schooner Arrives and Reports the Loss of Two Seamen

CHARLOTTETOWN, P. E. I., May 17.—The American schooner A. G. Wyland, Capt. A. Morrissy, is anchored off Georgetown harbor with her flag at half mast for the loss of two of her crew, Frank and Edwin Landry, of Tusket, N. S., who were enveloped in thick fog off Point Angu Real while attending their trawls and could not find their ship. Fifteen miles from them was a number of French vessels and it is hoped they may have been picked up.

An affair that was feared will have a serious ending occurred at Wellington. A young man, Albert Perry, while under the influence of liquor, entered a house and created a disturbance. The owner of the house struck him on the head with a stick and followed up the onslaught with kicks and blows. The victim was terribly injured and at latest accounts it was feared he would not recover.

Ontario flour advanced ten cents a barrel today and Manitoba flour twenty-five cents a barrel.

## TOO LATE FOR CLASSIFICATION

WANTED—A cook. A woman preferred. Good wages. Apply LOUIS GREEN, King street.

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An alarm from box 23 was rung in almost upon the discovery of the fire and the city departments were promptly in their response. Despite the resumption of the old waterworks service because of repairs, the water supply was good, and four steamers were kept pumping throughout the course of the whole fire. A tremendous crowd assembled on King, Germain and South Market streets, but the fire police and Chief Clarke's men did wonders in preserving order.

At no time during the blaze was it possible to get an approximate statement from any of the Macaulay Bros. and Co. firm, their whole effort and attention being kept on directing the fire losses in checking the gradually creeping flames, for the fire came upon the house with such swiftness that a panic practically resulted.

Many of the employees, both male and female, had gone to lunch before the fire started, and did not know of the blaze until they returned at one o'clock to resume their duties. Those who would have left work at one o'clock were stampeded by the smoke and women belonging to the dress-making staff on the third floor, were so cut off from escaping by the stairway that firemen Walter Evans and John LeLachar enabled them to reach South Market street by means of the big extension ladder placed to the top floor.

The ladies thus rescued from the suffocating wreaths of smoke were Miss Stevens and Miss Brown, and had they not been taken out promptly they might have lost their lives, for the increasing heat, smoke and wild excitement had wrought a panic, which suggested window jumping.

At one o'clock the fire was not a bit abated, in fact in the opinion of the chief and the assistants it had got a complete hold upon the cellar and was apparently working its way through the elevator shaft to the floors above, devoted to ready-to-wear cloth garments, millinery, ladies' underwear, office, storage, etc. Though the augmented staff of fire fighters—all of them having had nothing to eat since breakfast—struggled doggedly with the flames, the smoke and heat increased, and every once in a while would seem to break forth in an unexpected quarter.

Inside the building was veritably a smoke-house. The light brown clouds filled every corner of the large handsome structure and filtered through to adjoining buildings somewhat. Firemen with grimy faces and reddened eyes would rush into the open air every few minutes to re-fill the rubber and sponge muzzles which they wore when working inside. Flat glass was sacrificed by the hundreds of dollars worth in order to facilitate the operations of the men, and no effort was spared to save the building from worse than smoke damage.

The Star was informed at 1:15 that the safe door on the third story of the store was not closed, and that several unsuccessful attempts had been made to close it. It was thought this would save the hundreds of dollars worth in rather scattered stock as the water was being concentrated on the spot to prepare the way for other attempts.

Messrs. Macaulay Bros. & Co. were right in the midst of their spring and summer selling. The change in weather conditions has brought about a boom in all lines of trade and this popular house was enjoying its share. That a fire should strike them at this season makes the blow especially serious. Every department was enriched with a handsome stock of the latest goods, which it is only reasonable to suppose are next thing to a total loss, if not quite so. Several dry goods men, when asked, stated that such a continuous flood of smoke, also water and excessive heat, as well as the rather scattered stock, would make terrible havoc among textiles, particularly the sheer filmy goods for warm weather.

Sympathy for the enterprising and public-spirited firm is general throughout the city. Only a few months ago the same house suffered considerable loss in a leakage from an overflowed pipe.

At 2:15 the fire was under control, and the firemen and salvage corps men had access to nearly every part of the building. The clerks employed at the store assisted the salvage corps men in removing goods from the building. Hundreds of rolls of dress goods were taken to the street and a large quantity of goods in the millinery line were saved. Shortly after 2 o'clock the large plate glass windows in the front of the store were smashed and the smoke came out in volumes.

The following are the companies with which Macaulay Brothers had the larger portion of their stock insured: Connecticut Fire Insurance Co., Vroom & Arnold, agents, \$4,000. Phoenix Ins. Co. of Brooklyn, \$2,500. Commercial Union, \$1,000. Royal Fire Ins. Co., \$3,500. Norwich Fire Ins. Co., \$6,000, on stock in lower store, \$1,000 on stock in upper store, and \$500 on fixtures in upper store. Traders Fire Insurance Co., \$1,250. Queen Ins. Co., \$8,750. North American Ins. Co., \$1,500. Quebec Fire Ins. Co., \$2,500. Atlas Ins. Co., \$1,500. New York Underwriters, \$3,500. Phoenix of Hartford, \$1,000. Making a total of nearly \$40,000.

## SAYS JAPAN AND BRITAIN MUST SUPPORT FRANCE

In Case of a European War—Report That This is in the New Treaties

ST. PETERSBURG, May 17.—The Paris correspondent of the Russ in a despatch to his paper published today, announced that he had obtained information from alleged authentic sources to the effect that the Franco-Japanese agreement now in course of negotiation will contain secret conditions applying to the eventuality of a European war and binding Japan to place at the disposal of France 200,000 men, while the British will land a contingent of 100,000 to 150,000 men. Great Britain and France, it is added, will only guarantee the inviolability of Japanese territory but also engage to float several loans. The statements made are received with incredulity in diplomatic circles here.

## TEN YEARS AND LASHES FOR BRUTAL ASSAULT

HALIFAX, N. S., May 17.—Ira Carter and Thomas Walters were sentenced today in the police court to ten years in Dorchester and ten lashes for a murderous assault on George G. Carter, a saloon keeper. After sentence was pronounced Carter drew off and hit Walters a blow full in the face, falling him to the floor, at the same time blaming him for the trouble.

## P. W. A. SEEKS BOARD OF CONCILIATION

HALIFAX, N. S., May 16.—In regard to the labor disputes at Springhill Mines, where there has been constant trouble between the men and management with recurring strikes for several years past, an application for a board of conciliation was made a week ago by the P. W. A. Lodge of Miners, who named R. B. Murray of Springhill as their representative. The application having been granted, the company named P. S. Archibald, C. E., of Moncton, formerly chief engineer of the Intercolonial Railway, as their representative. The arbitrators met today and selected Judge Graham of the supreme court of Nova Scotia as chairman of the conciliation board, which will hold its first session next week. This will be the first time the act has been brought into requisition in Eastern Canada. The matter for inquiry concerns the "dead work" term applied to any work outside of actual coal mining. The men claim that certain work has been done by a number of men for which they receive less pay than the rate formerly agreed to by the company and the lodge for similar work. They claim payment for this at the rate paid in the past. In consequence of changes in the mode of working this particular class of labor has not been called for to any considerable extent until recently. It is said by printed schedule of rates and prices for miners has been in use in Springhill. The aim of the men is to gather up rates and prices now paid for different classes of work and establish them in book form as a basis of operations between the company and men. On this party the board will adjourn.

## FORTSMOUTH, N. H., May 16.—At the closing session of the annual convention of the New Hampshire Federation of Women's Clubs here today the following officers were elected:

President, Mrs. Florence E. Webster, Plymouth; first vice-president, Mrs. Harriet P. Burlingame, Exeter; second vice-president, Mrs. N. G. Woodward, Nashua; recording secretary, Miss Martha S. Kimball, Portsmouth; corresponding secretary, Miss Helen Russell, Plymouth; treasurer, Mrs. Persis C. Green, Littleton; auditor, Mrs. Ella J. Founsbury, Exeter.