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RUSSIANS STILL RETREATING; LOSS NOW PLACED AT 2,000

Stakelberg's Force Crippled by Japs at Vafangow Is Hurrying to the North.

RUSSIANS MOVING TO HEAD OFF GENERAL KUROKI

St. Petersburg, June 18—1:43 p.m.—About 1,100 men wounded at the battle of Vafangow, including 55 officers, have reached Liao Yang. The total Russian losses are about two thousand.

Gen. Stakelberg's force is marching north, the railroad being unable to transport more than a few thousand men.

Special dispatches say the Russians at Vafangow had 42 battalions against 44 Japanese battalions. The Japanese had great superiority in artillery, having more than two hundred guns.

TO HEAD OFF KUROKI.

Gen. Kuroki's Headquarters in the Field, via Fu San, June 17. — Delayed in Transmission. — Gen. Kuroki is quietly awaiting the results of the fighting on the Liao Tung Peninsula, on the result of which, according to a high officer, the future movements of the first Japanese army largely depends. The Russian reoccupation of the town northwest of the Japanese front is believed to indicate a plan to prevent Gen. Kuroki from attempting a junction with the Japanese forces on the Liao Tung Peninsula.

Correspondents with Gen. Kuroki's army have been promised greater liberty and have been given permission to visit the outposts of the army.

Heavy rains prevail.

SURVIVORS OF TRANSPORTS.

Tokio, June 18. — 11 a.m. — A total of 509 survivors of the Japanese transports Sado and Hitachi, destroyed by Russian warships, have arrived at southern ports.

The Russians permitted 610 non-combatants to leave the Sado, but their whereabouts are unknown. There was apparently no chance given the non-combatants on board the Hitachi to leave, and the Russians raked the crowded decks of the crippled transport with shrapnel. The Japanese denounce this action as barbarous, indicating the clear intent of the Russians to kill defenseless men instead of a simple desire to destroy ships.

ABUSE OF RED CROSS.

Tokio, June 16 — 3 p.m. — The Japanese Government may decide not to make any formal protest through France against the alleged violation of the Red Cross flag at the battle of Telissu, on the ground of its uselessness. It is believed that Russia will deny whatever the facts may be, creating a discussion which would only involve a waste of time.

MAY DELAY ASSAULT.

Che Foo, June 18. — 3 p.m. — Japanese officials here believe that the loss of the transports Hitachi and Sado will delay the proposed combined attack on Port Arthur.

The taotai of Che Fo has protested to the Russian consul against the use of wireless telegraphy between Che Foo and Port Arthur, but the consul has not yet made any reply to the taotai's representation.

JUST AS ORDERED.

Stakelberg's Advance and Naval Raid in Accordance With Russ Plans.

St. Petersburg, June 18, 1:40 p.m.—It transpires that the simultaneous raid of the Vladivostock squadron and Gen. Stakelberg's march southward were the direct outcome of a plan agreed upon by Viceroy Alexieff and Gen. Kuropatkin at Mukden, immediately after the battle of Kin Chou, to relieve the tension at Port Arthur. The authorities apparently are satisfied with the results of Stakelberg's mission, he having compelled the dispatch north of detachments of the third Japanese army, commanded by General Nodzu, delaying the siege to that extent, while at sea the raid of the Russian squadron has rendered the further transport of troops from the Japanese mainland impossible.

The admiralty has no direct news from the Vladivostock squadron and has not intimated what its further mission is. The papers are all rejoicing at its exploits, the Novoe Vremya describing the raid as a marvel of dash and pluck.

The war office has received important news regarding Gen. Kuroki and the reason why he is at Siu Yen with three divisions of about 20,000 men and without reserves. But dispatches dated yesterday do not mention his advance. It is believed Kuroki really contemplated combined operations to cut off and pocket Stakelberg, but that he delayed too long. It is understood that Kuropatkin sent a strong Russian force south of Liao Yang to meet Kuroki's move. It is possible that a general engagement may be precipitated in the neighborhood of Hai Cheng.

A JAP BOND ISSUE.

London, June 18. — A dispatch to the Central News from Tokio announces that the total subscription to the second issue of exchequer bonds amounted to $160,246,762.

The bonds are issued at 92, bear five per cent interest, and are to run for seven years.

JAPAN THANKS BRITAIN.

Nagasaki, June 18. — Thirty more survivors from the transport Hitachi have arrived at Hakata (70 miles from here), and it is probable that more survivors have reached the adjacent islands. The authorities are reticent about the extent of the losses.

The Governor of Nagasaki has officially thanked the British Consul here for the services rendered by the British steamer Dunbar in rescuing the survivors of the Hitachi.

LORD DUNDONALD SHOULD EXPLAIN

At One Time Issued Orders That Experience Was Required in Appointments.

Ottawa, June 18. — Attention was called yesterday morning to regulations promulgated not long ago by General Lord Dundonald with reference to militia appointments. One clause in this declares:

"The first appointment of a person as an officer of the militia shall not be other than that of provisional lieutenant, unless such person has the qualification which may from time to time be prescribed for the rank or appointment he seeks. No person shall be appointed or promoted to any command, rank, or appointment in the militia unless such person has the qualification which from time to time may be prescribed for such rank or appointment. No officer shall be promoted to higher rank than the one next above that which he holds. No officer shall be promoted unless he has served at least two years in the rank which he then holds."

This makes it all the harder to understand how Lord Dundonald should have desired to raise to the rank of major a man like Dr. Pickell, who had never had any military experience whatever.

The Government, in taking Mondays from this on to the end of the session, means that the anti-cigarette bill promoted by Mr. Maclaren, M. P., of Huntingdon, has little or no chance of passing into legislation this year.

FIVE CASES OF APOPLEXY

All but One in the Same Family and All Since Last Sunday.

East Moriches, N. Y., June 18. — The strange sequence of cases of apoplexy at Eastport was added to today. Another of the Gordons, Charles T., who is keeper of the Moriches life saving station, was stricken with the disease. He is a son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. William Gordon.

The first case was that of Mrs. William Gordon, who died last Monday night almost immediately after being stricken. That of her husband was the second. Mrs. E. F. Howell who was assisting in preparing Mrs. Gordon's body for burial when she was stricken, was the third victim. Isaac Gordon, a son of the first, was the fourth, and now the son-in-law is the fifth.

RELEASED THE ENGLISHMAN.

Tokio, June 18. — 4 p.m. — The Vladivostock squadron has disappeared off the west coast of Aomori Prefecture. The Russians recently searched two merchantment and to one of them they transferred the Englishmen taken from the Japanese transport Sado. They then permitted the vessels to depart uninjured.

COTTON MILLS TO CLOSE DOWN

The Leading Companies Suspend Operations for at Least Two Weeks.

Montreal, June 18.—"While all the leading cotton companies here decided to close down for at least a fortnight, we want it clearly understood that the united action of the companies has not been taken as a means of making any protest against the Dominion Government."

The above official statement was made yesterday by Mr. James Crathern, president of the Merchants' Cotton Company, in confirming the announcement made by the Montreal Cotton Company yesterday that all the mills had decided to close down for at least two weeks.

Continuing, Mr. Crathern pointed out that it was usual for the different mills to close down for repairs for a week, and that the further suspension was caused by the conditions prevailing in the raw material market. He pointed out that the orders of the different companies here were steadily falling off owing to the consumer being satisfied with inferior goods from England, but he hoped that with the installation of more modern machinery they would be able to reduce the cost of operation. The companies that have decided to close down all their mills a fortnight, and perhaps even longer, are the Montreal Cotton, the Dominion Cotton, the Canadian Colored Mills, and the Merchants' Cotton Company.

Mr. R. B. Stevenson, of the Montreal Cotton Company, stated to a correspondent that it was the enormous importations of cotton goods during the past season that have compelled the different cotton mills to ease off in their production. He insisted that while the cotton markets in all parts of the world are upset on account of the vagaries of the raw cotton market, yet the fundamental trouble in Canada was caused by the low price at which goods could be laid down from England.

RADIUM ONLY $500,000 A POUND.

Philadelphia, June 18.—Dr. George F. Lee, a chemist, has announced that he has discovered a method of producing radium which will reduce the cost of the element from its present price of $16,000,000 a pound to $500,000 a pound.

BORDEN AT MONTREAL.

Montreal, Que., June 18.—Hon. R. L. Borden arrived in the city today from Ottawa, accompanied by Mrs. Borden, and this afternoon is holding a reception at the Club Lafontaine. Tonight the leader of the Opposition will be the guest of the Club Jacques Cartier at a banquet in honor of his 50th birthday, at which many of the leading Conservative members of the Senate and Parliament will take part.

WRECKING THEIR HOUSES

Amherstburg Folks Suffer From Blasting Operations.

Amherstburg, Ont., June 18. — People who live in brick houses say that their residences are in danger of being demolished by the explosions of nitroglycerine carried on by the United States engineers engaged in deepening the Canadian channel between Bois Blanc Island, directly opposite here, and the mainland. They say that the plaster in their houses is being dislodged and that the walls are becoming cracked and otherwise injured. Complaints have been made to the engineers in charge of the work.

A THIRD VICTIM

Engineer Dies From Injuries Received in Paris Collision.

Brantford, Ont., June 18. — Engineer Michael Scanlan, who was injured in the railway accident at Paris yesterday, died at the Brantford hospital about midnight. His remains will be removed to Stratford, where his home was, today.

CALLED BACK TO LIFE

Condemned Man Reprieved Two Minutes Before Execution Time.

Chicago, June 18.—A prisoner condemned to death in the Ohio penitentiary was saved from the electric chair by a margin of two minutes last night. Gov. Myron T. Herrick, from the union League club in this city, reached the warden of the state prison by long distance telephone at 11.58 p. m. and announced that he had granted a reprieve.

The prisoner was prepared for death and was to have been electrocuted at midnight. Another man, to whom no reprieve had been granted, was put to death in the chair shortly after 12:30.

The warden told the governor that the word had been received in time to save Stimmell, but that he and his assistants were busy arranging for the electrocution of Michael Schiller, a wife murderer from would have to "excuse him from a long conversation."

COLLINGWOOD TRAGEDY

Bodies of the Boys, Harry Andrews and Edmond Carroll, Found.

Collingwood, June 18. — The bodies of Harry Andrews and Edmond Carroll, two of the victims of the drowning accident on Saturday night, were found at noon yesterday by Percy Lavais, who was assisting in the search. The bodies were together and a short distance from where the boat was picked up.

ELEPHANTS IN A PANIC

Fool Prank of Students Breaks Up a Circus Parade.

Ann Arbor, Mich., June 18.—As a circus parade was passing along Main street Friday morning a crowd of students, who were lined up along the walks, threw a quantity of firecrackers in the midst of a herd of sixteen elephants.

In an instant the unwieldy creatures became frightened and began to sway from side to side and to trumpet. The keepers did their utmost to pacify them, but, as the crackers continued to explode under their bodies, they became unmanageable, and at last charged the crowd on the east side of the street. A panic ensued, and women and children were thrown down in the mad scramble for safety.

The big animals ran upon the walks and then upon the lawns of the residences. The biggest of the herd ran around back of the houses and the smaller ones scuttled down an alley. The keepers followed in desperate haste, and, after much shouting and prodding with the sharp hooks they carried, induced their huge charges to return to the street and resume their places in the line.

BIG FIRE AT RAT PORTAGE

Lumber Yard and Dwellings Licked Up by Flames.

Rat Portage, June 18. — About noon yesterday fire broke out in the Rat Portage Lumber Company's yard, caused by a boiler explosion. Before the fire brigade from the town could lend assistance the fire spread with terrific speed to the planer and dry kiln, also to the lumber and residences on First street. Among the number who suffered loss of dwellings were Messrs. Fitzgerald, McPhail, Young and Heap, of Cameron & Heap. Every express and dray in town was helping to remove furniture from the burning buildings, while the C. P. R. yard engine was kept busy carrying cars of lumber from the yard, some of it in a burning state. At 2:45 the fire was under control, assistance being sent from Norman and Keewatin.

NOOSE GRABBED HIM

And He Came Near Death From Accidental Hanging.

Indianapolis, Ind., June 18.—Dangling at the end of a rope, with a noose firm about his neck, A. McDoel, a workman on the new College avenue bridge, came near being executed by accident yesterday.

McDoel had thrown a heavy rope, lopped on one end, over plank that was to be raised from a trench. The rope was hanging from a crane over his head. Before he had a chance to step aside the rope dropped lower and the noose closed deftly about his neck.

An instant later he was being drawn swiftly skyward when the man operating the crane saw him.

McDoel was too weak to help himself when released from his perilous position, but an hour later he was at work.

FIRE AT BURFORD

Two Shops and a Private Residence Were Destroyed.

Burford, Ont., June 18. — Fire here this morning destroyed shops occupied by G. W. French, butcher, and by T. P. Taylor, implement dealer. Contents mostly saved. Mrs. Jarvis, who lived over one of the shops, lost most of her goods. The flames quickly spread and swept away the beautiful home and stables owned by Dr. Johnston, the contents of which were mostly saved. The doctor's property was valued at $5,000. All losses were partly covered by insurance.

A. M. E. CONFERENCE.

Windsor, Ont., June 18. — The annual conference of the A. M. E. Church of Ontario will be held here in August. Bishop Handy, of Baltimore, will preside.

ANOTHER "CHAIR" HORROR

Five Terrific Electric Shocks Necessary to Kill Murderer.

Columbus, Ohio, June 18. — The electrocution of Moses Johnson, a negro murderer in the Ohio Penitentiary today was almost as harrowing as that of Michael Schiller yesterday. Johnson was strapped in the chair and the first shock of 1,750 volts was administered at 12:05. It failed to kill. Five shocks in all were administered before the condemned man was pronounced dead. After each shock, except the last, the attending physicians found evidences of heart action, which made the repeated applications of the electric current necessary. The prison authorities are mystified at the failure of the electric current to do its work quickly.

THE WAR NEWS.

General Stakelberg's force, badly crippled from the terrific three days' fighting at Vafangow and vicinity, is still retreating northward. Over one thousand of his wounded have reached Liao Yang by train, and the total losses are now placed at 2,000 men killed and wounded, and many guns lost.

It is reported that a Jap army is hurrying south to cut off the Russian general's retreat. If this is the case, Stakelberg will probably be compelled to surrender. A dispatch from Russian sources says that his advance south simultaneously with the successful raid of the Vladivostock fleet was a splendidly-executed coup of Alexieff and Kuropatkin, to create a diversion in favor of Port Arthur. They claim that this object was attained and that the Russ defeat was really a success.

Refugees from the fortress say the garrison realizing its mobility to hold out, are preparing to destroy the city. They report continuous fighting about the fortress.

The Vladivostock fleet, after sinking and crippling several Jap transports, in one case it is charged, with ruthless slaughter of non-combatants, has again disappeared. Admiral Kamimura is in pursuit.

DOG HELPED CATCH MEN

In Court Offered Growls as Evidence Against Prisoners.

Cleveland, Ohio, June 18.—Two prisoners shook with fear yesterday morning when the dog which they had attempted to steal was introduced as evidence. The dog was a very large mastiff, and used to advertise a chiropodist by carrying his sign on his back. When the dog came into court he espied the two men and the rumblings of a growl escaped him. As he neared the men he growled more sharply and showed his fangs, at which the men sprang to the witness stand for safety.

Both tried to climb on to the witness chair at one time, and in their frantic efforts to get away almost rolled back into the very jaws of the dog. By the very ferocity of the beast the men were frightened into pleading guilty to the charge of petit larceny.

The discovered the dog walking along the Lake Shore tracks Saturday afternoon. Both cried "Pretty doggy," and then tried to lead it away, but the dog lay down and the two men could not budge it. They cut off its collar, bearing the name of its master, and then showed it a piece of meat. Patrolman Newman saw the performance, and when he appeared the men ran. The dog joined the patrolman in the chase, and after running a few blocks caught the men.

McCORMICK ENTERTAINS.

St. Petersburg, June 18. — United States Ambassador McCormick gave a dinner last night to Sir Charles Hardinge, the British ambassador, and Duke D'Arcos, the Spanish ambassador. The guests included the principal Government officials and the members of the diplomatic corps now in St. Petersburg.

INTERCOLONIAL PENSIONS.

Ottawa, June 18.—There is to be a pension system for the employes of the Intercolonial. It will be similar to that in force in some of the leading American railways. The yearly allowance will be in proportion to the length of service and other conditions. Hon. Mr. Emmerson has been at work for some time upon the details of the scheme. In view of its importance it is perhaps probable that there may not be sufficient time for the consideration of the measure this session.

WEATHER BULLETIN.

TOMORROW—WARM, SHOWERY.

London, Saturday, June 18.

Sun rises..4:35 a.m. Moon rises..10:02 a.m.
Sun sets...8:02 p.m. Moon sets...11:37 p.m

Toronto, June 17 — 8 p.m. — Thunderstorms have occurred today in the Lake Superior district and locally in Manitoba, but the weather in Canada has been generally fine. The temperature continues above 80 in the Northwest Territories and Manitoba.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Dawson, 36-56; Victoria, 52-52; Kamloops, 58-80; Calgary, 48-80; Qu'Appelle, 60-84; Winnipeg, 56-86; Port Arthur, 46-68; Parry Sound, 40-68; Toronto, 46-74; Ottawa, 48-76; Montreal, 52-74; Quebec, 42-74; St. John, 50-68; Halifax, 46-74.

FORECASTS.

Moderate variable winds; fine and warm.

Sunday—Moderately warm and showery.

TEMPERATURES.

Stations.	8 a.m.	Min.	Weather.
Calgary	52	48	Rain
Winnipeg	68	58	Clear
Parry Sound	62	54	Fair
Toronto	64	58	Cloudy
Ottawa	66	58	Fair
Montreal	64	58	Fair
Quebec	62	56	Cloudy
Father Point	58	48	Cloudy

WEATHER NOTES.

The weather continues very warm in Manitoba and the Territories, and fine and moderately warm in Ontario and Quebec.

Local temperatures: The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the observatory on Friday, June 17, were: Highest 75, lowest 43.

RUSSIA FEARS CHINESE RISING

Has Asked France and Germany to Watch Frontier.

CZAR SENDS AUTOGRAPH NOTE

The Republic, in View of Agreement With Britain, Not Likely to Accept Suggestion.

London, June 18.—The Times has the following from Paris: A Marseilles telegram says the Russian Gen. Klokotcheff, the prefect of Kertch, arrived last night on a mission from the Czar to the French Government and the German Emperor. The general said he was the bearer of an autograph letter from the Czar to President Loubet, and after handing it to the President he would proceed to Germany. He said he did not come to ask the support of France in the pending conflict, as Russia had absolute confidence in her own final success.

"I have come," he said, "to ask your country, in the name of the engagements which unite us, to watch closely the frontier of China in case of a general rising, which is to be apprehended, and in order that you should be ready to second our efforts." He went on to say that Russia was well informed of the maneuvers of certain Japanese agents, dispersed all over China, who preached revolt, declaring the yellow race must annihilate the white races. He believed the Chinese would soon rise, and consequently energetic measures must be taken by Russia, France and Germany.

Assuming this intelligence to be correct, it is well to state that the engagements referred to by the Russian general do not involve French intervention in the far east, even in the form of preventive measures such as he indicates. After the publication of the Anglo-Japanese treaty a Franco-Russian note was communicated to the press, in which it was stated that in the event of troubles in China the two allied Governments reserved to themselves the right of considering the eventual means of insuring the defense of their interests. There is no other engagement between France and Russia in regard to the far east. France would loyally execute the engagements of the Franco-Russian treaty, but she has no reason whatever to give them a wider interpretation than she did before the recent agreements with other powers were concluded.

WILL THE FINNS BE PUNISHED?

The Senators Taking Steps to Head Off Harsh Treatment for Assassination.

St. Petersburg, June 18. — A solemn memorial service for Gen. Bobrikoff, Governor-General of Finland, who was shot Thursday at Helsingfors and died yesterday as the result of his wounds, was held at the ministry of the interior today.

Much interest is manifested in the political results of Gen. Bobrikoff's assassination, and some of the Finish Senators have arrived here for the purpose of considering the subject with the authorities. The papers continue to discuss the subject with the authorities. The papers continue to discuss the matter with great earnestness, with the exception of the Svet, against harsh measures.

Helsingfors, Finland, June 18. — No disturbances have occurred in any part of Finland as the result of the assassination of Governor-General Bobrikoff, nor do the authorities believe that there is danger of any demonstrations of sympathy in the act of Schaumann. The conservative class of Finns deprecate the deed, but because it is calculated to alienate the sympathy of the outside world, which is essential for their campaign. Members of the senate are apprehensive that it might lead to a curtailment of their powers. Several Finnish senators have already gone to the Emperor to express their regret and endeavor to prevent the adoption of harsh measures, which they fear would further alienate the Russians and Finns.

Although Schaumann left a letter saying he had no accomplices and that he acted entirely on his own initiative, the authorities firmly believe that a plot existed. The assassin had been on bad terms with the police for a year.

ALL ON ACCOUNT OF HAT

Young Woman Plays the Heroine for a Tugman's Derby.

New York, June 17. — The Herald today says: Startled by the cry that a person had accidentally fallen overboard from Canarsie pier in front of the Sunset Hotel last evening, a well-dressed young woman, pushed her way through the excited throng of men and women, leaped in to the rescue, without waiting to remove her clothing. She was Mrs. Kathryn Van Houten, aged 27, of No. 90 Stone avenue.

The young women swam to where a Derby hat could be seen floating. Several men manned rowboats and quickly followed her, but the young woman displayed her ability as a powerful swimmer, leading them by several yards. She dived several times near the spot, where the hat floated, but failed to find any one.

Just then it was announced that the report of a man being overboard was a mistake, that the hat had simply blown from the head of a fisherman, who had come in on a sloop which was being moored at the pier. Declining the aid of a boatman, Mrs. Van Houten swam back to the pier. She was pretty well exhausted when she reached a nearby float.

As she was being dragged from the water, Mrs. Van Houten suddenly screamed, as her leg struck the point of a sharp nail at the end of the float. Ambulance Surgeon Dooley, of the Bradford Street Hospital, dressed the woman's injury and she was removed to her home.

THE CANADA EASTERN

Cabinet Decides to Purchase Road for $800,000.

Ottawa, June 18. — At yesterday's meeting of the cabinet it was decided to purchase the Canada Eastern Railway, New Brunswick. The price is in the neighborhood of $800,000. The line will be operated as part of the Intercolonial system. Mr. Emmerson, upon whose recommendation the purchase was made, will introduce a bill to give effect to the Government's decision.

SAM AND THE SULTAN

The U. S. Fleet to Sail Shortly for Turkish Waters.

Washington, June 18.—The American battleship squadron, commanded by Rear-Admiral Barker, has sailed from Lisbon on a visit to the ports of Greece and Austria. It is reported that after spending a few weeks there, Admiral Barker will be reinforced by the European squadron under Rear-Admiral Jewell, and this formidable fleet will pay a visit to Turkish waters about the time Mr. Leishmann, the American minister, takes up in earnest again his negotiations with the Porte to insure for Americans in Turkey the same rights as are enjoyed by citizens of some privileged European nations.

MORE MEASURES FOR COMMONS

Amendment to the Election Act Will Be Introduced.

ALSO TO THE ALIEN LABOR ACT

Conservative Whip Objects to the Payment of Ministers' Cab Hire—Private Measures.

Ottawa, June 17.—The House made little progress today, and the conduct of the Opposition gave color to a corridor report that business will be burked until the nature of the election act amendment are disclosed. What blocking may follow their presentation remains to be seen. Sir Wilfrid Laurier announced a considerable budget of Government bills yet to be introduced, including the election bill, an amendment to the alien labor act and other bills of lesser importance. In the discussion in committee of supply Mr. George Taylor led in a spirited attack on the custom of ministers charging cab hire, and moved an amendment to strike out a sum equal to Mr. Prefontaine's bill last year from the marina and fisheries vote then under consideration. The discussion drifted off to the subject of lobsters and the amendment was lost sight of and never presented.

Mr. Calvert introduced a bill this afternoon respecting the Rio de Janeiro Light and Power Company to allow them to construct railways outside of Canada.

Dr. Sproule asked why the House should grant that.

"It is growing time; we are expanding outside of Canada," responded Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

Mr. Uriah Wilson asked when the House was going to stop the introduction of private bills; was it going to go on to the end of the session?

"I am sure the House does not want to draw the rule too strictly when it gives the company power to build railways in Brazil," Sir Wilfrid replied.

THE ELECTION LAW.

In moving a resolution taking Mondays for Government business the Prime Minister made announcement of the Government business yet to be introduced. Hon. Mr. Fitzpatrick would on Monday or Tuesday introduce some amendments to the election law.

"What do you propose?" Mr. Haggart asked.

"I cannot say for certain." Sir Wilfrid replied, "though I think it relates to the list in certain provinces. I think it makes provision for the list where it is not prepared by the provincial or municipal authorities."

Dr. Roche (Marquette) asked if the new act would mean the laying aside of the present list now being prepared by the Manitoba Government officials, and the substitution therefor of a list prepared by Dominion officials.

Sir Wilfrid replied, in the absence of the Minister of Justice, who is in charge of the bill, that he did not like to give any precise information. All information would be given in a few days. Continuing, he said Sir William Mulock would introduce amendments of a light character respecting the civil service act. There would also be an amendment to the alien labor act. Mr. Emerson would introduce a bill providing for the transfer to the Intercolonial of the Canadian Eastern Railway, also probably a bill adopting for the Government railways the pension system in operation on the G. T. R. and C. P. R. in Canada. There might be other departmental bills of a minor character, but not contentious.

Dr. Sproule asked what would become of many public bills introduced by private members, such as the cigarette bill.

PRIVATE MEASURES.

The following private bills were considered this evening and passed through the final stages: Respecting certain patents of Siegfried Gironcoli, Mr. MacKinnon; respecting the Huron and Ontario Railway Company, Mr. Rozs (Ontario); to incorporate the Kingston and Dominion Central Railway Company, Mr. Harty; respecting certain patents of Edwin R. Cahoone, Mr. German.

A PAPAL AUDIENCE.

Rome, June 18. — The Pope today received in private audience Monsignor Falconi, the apostolic delegate in the United States, who arrived in Rome on Tuesday.

DR. DOWIE SAILS.

Liverpool, June 18. — John Alexander Dowie, accompanied by his wife and son, arrived here last night and immediately went on board the Cunarder Lucania. He will sail today for New York.

KING PETER'S BOAST.

Belgrade, June 18.—On the occasion of the anniversary of his proclamation as King of Servia, King Peter made a speech yesterday in which he expressed regret that attempts had been made to discredit him as a ruler. But he rejoiced that such attempts had failed and that the Servian nation had learned to love his dynasty.

DIVER MAKES GHASTLY FIND

Discovers Hole in River Bed Packed With Slocum Dead.

LACK HEARSES FOR FUNERALS

So Great Is the Demand That Neighboring Cities Have Been Drawn Upon for Burial Carriages.

New York, June 18.—A diver who today renewed the search for victims of the steamer General Slocum disaster found a deep hole in the bed of the river practically filled with bodies. Within an hour after the search was begun eight bodies had been brought to the surface and when he was forced to abondon work for a time because of the swift current, he stated that between 30 and 50 bodies still remained in the hole. The diver was searching along the river bottom when he found several bodies lying together. At first there appeared to be about half a dozen bodies in the pile, but upon investigation the diver found a great hole in the river bed literally packed with dead. He says at least 30 more bodies will be found when the tide turns and permits a resumption of work. This number, he says, may be greatly exceeded. After the lapse of three days since the disaster the most carefully collected data shows that 568 bodies have been recovered up to this time.

So far as could be learned plans had been made for the burial of 111 bodies from homes in the vicinity of St. Mark's Church. The plans included services in 37 churches, of all denominations in that neighborhood.

Considerable difficulty had been experienced by undertakers in securing a sufficient number of hearses, and it became necessary to call upon the neighboring cities in order to supply the demand. In accordance with a German custom the people who were obliged to be out of doors passed through the streets of the stricken parish with bared heads. Business was practically suspended and stores were draped in black, and lines of hearses filled the streets. The funerals began at an early hour and at times the streets were completely blocked and traffic of other kinds was impossible. Every church in the vicinity was filled to its capacity. Clergymen from all parts of the greater city had left their own congregations and come to the bereaved district to give spiritual consolation to the afflicted.

SEATS COLLAPSE IN CIRCUS TENT

Horses Plunge Into Crowd and Many Are Injured—Treasurer Decamps With the Funds.

Chicago, June 18. — Nearly 100 persons were sunk in a struggling, yelling mass through splintered boards in a collapse of a reserved section of seats during the performance of a circus here. It is known that one man, six women and two children were seriously injured, and it is supposed that scores more were hurt whose names were not reported to the police.

The panic among the 2,000 people in the tent was intensified by the plunging of two horses that broke from the ring in which they were performing and ran into the crowd. During the excitement the treasurer disappeared with over $600 of the show's money.

It is supposed that the accident was caused by the removal of the back props, outside the tent, by boys. The side props were found to have broken off and some of them were rotten.

THEY BLAME FRANCE

Critical Situation at Tangier Credited to the Republic.

London, June 18.—The correspondent of the Times at Tangier says: A Moorish official, replying to criticisms on the sending of fresh troops here at this time, said the Moorish Government had no other course. These troops were sent, he said, in consequence of the pressure on the Sultan by the secretary of the French legation, who urged and practically insisted upon this course in order to lessen the chance of the disembarkation of British or American marines, and doubtless also with the idea that France could find in the presence of Moorish troops at Tangier sufficient excuse for postponing the carrying out of the clause of the Anglo-French agreement in which France undertakes to restore order in Morocco. It can scarcely be imagined that the French legation is aware of the type of troops sent, or the fact that they were arriving before the liberation of the captives, but in any case the inopportuneness of the whole proceeding and the unnecessary secrecy with which it was carried through will not increase confidence in the future.

FEELING THE PINCH

Lockout at Sydney Works is Showing Effect on Men.

Halifax, N. S., June 18. — The protracted lockout at the works of the Dominion Iron and Steel Company at Sydney is beginning to show its effects in the large number of applications that are being made daily at P. W. A. headquarters for relief. Single men are paid $3 a week; married men $5.

The run upon the defense funds is heavy, but the association officials say that it is being replenished handsomely by levies from lodges. The company have about 200 men on the plant, and yesterday they started the air compressor and hydraulic pump for handling and preparing billets.

The company is now making small shipments daily of stock that has been lying in the yards.

OFFICIALLY ANNOUNCED.

Ottawa, Ont., June 18. — The dismissal of Lord Dundonald is officially announced in today's Gazette. Lord Dundonald is expected home today.