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VOI. 34. DOWAGER EMPRESS IN WARLIKE MOOD

DETERMINED TO FIGHT FOR MANCHURIA

Foreign Control Would Lead to Destruction of Empire—The Russian Japanese Situation.

London, Jan. 22.—A special dispatch from Seoul, Korea, dated to-day, says Japanese railway men have been attacked by Koreans at several points along the Seoul-Fusan railway, and that the Korean authorities have been notified that unless they prevent a recurrence of these affairs necessary steps will be taken by Japan to prevent them.

The Dowager Empress has, according to the Globe's Shanghai correspondent, determined to fight for the freedom of Manchuria from foreign control. Confessions between the dowager and the leading statesmen, it is added, have convinced her that any other policy would be tantamount to dynamic suicide, as the result that the whole world would be impregnated by foreign domination would be unpalatable in the eyes of the Chinese, and unless a vigorous effort is made to restore the Manchurian situation to its former state, the complete destruction of China.

The Russian minister at Peking, the correspondent continues, has learned the result of these conferences, and is convinced that in the event of war, China will be forced to participate, with the result that the whole world will practically be involved.

Paris, Jan. 22.—Information reaching the foreign office during the last twenty-four hours shows a definite improvement in the Russo-Japanese situation. The Russian minister at Peking, it is stated, has been despatched to the city within two days. The question of the limitation of Japanese settlements in Manchuria has been one of the most difficult under consideration.

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when it comes. These are the Pacific Northern and Omnica Company, which holds a charter for the line, and the Coast-Yukon company, of Vancouver, which is seeking incorporation this session. The former company is opposing the latter's incorporation.

London, Jan. 23.—A dispatch to the Central News from Tokyo says: "An extraordinary issue of the Gazette has been published containing an imperial ordinance approving the various coast defense regulations and forbidding under stated penalties the navigation of private vessels and fishing within specified limits. The decree is regarded as being highly significant."

St. Petersburg, Jan. 22.—The czar has not called the council to consider the Japanese reply, but it is said at the foreign office that the summit may be issued any day.

Chicago, Jan. 23.—The Inter-Ocean today says: "Chicago millionaires are organizing a railway. It is the Chicago and North Western, which is to be built from Chicago to the coast. It is the Chicago and North Western, which is to be built from Chicago to the coast. It is the Chicago and North Western, which is to be built from Chicago to the coast."

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WOMEN WISHED TO REMAIN ON SHIP

John Davis, Witness at Inquest, Says Many Protested Against Going in the Small Boats.

Port Angeles, Wash., Jan. 22.—Edward Norton and Wm. Patterson of this city, about noon to-day found a body of one of the Clallam victims on the outside of Ediz spit, opposite this city.

When the first descriptions arrived from the survivors of the Clallam disaster, the opinion was that it was her body which had been found. James Murray, of the post office inspector's department, was of the opinion that it was her body which had been found.

Some important evidence was given by John Davis, one of the passengers of the ill-fated steamer Clallam. He gave the details of the conversation between Capt. Roberts and the passengers who had requested to be put aboard the tug Zoelyke, and again said that the captain stated the ship would last for three hours, twenty minutes before she foundered.

Orders had then been given by the purser to the captain to have the boats lowered from the engine room. Many women protested against going in the boats. One lady, who was bleeding from the mouth and nose, had objected strongly to going aboard, but it was insisted on and she was lifted in.

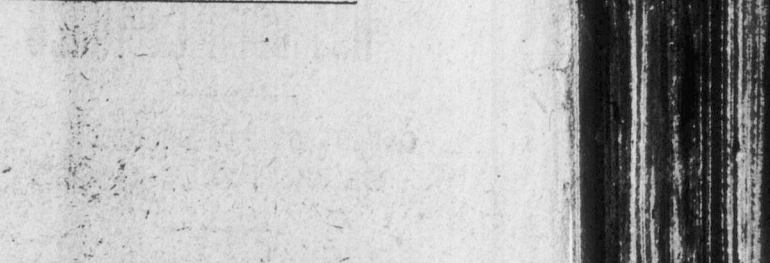
At this time the water was about four feet from the deck. The balling continued until about 12:30 o'clock, when the purser ordered all on deck again. Arriving there some had asked the captain why orders had been given to stop balling. The captain had replied that if they wanted to ball they could do so.

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to Mr. Blackwood telling him he was sorry the Maude would be unable to go to the assistance of the Clallam. He thought that Mr. Blackwood had replied that he would endeavor to get tugs. He had heard after this that tugs had been ordered from Townsend.

Replying to Mr. Blackwood's statement that the Clallam had displayed a flare signal of any kind at the time the Maude was off Trial Island it would have been seen. In this case she could have reached the distressed ship between the time the Holyoke started towing and the time she foundered.

Questioned by Mr. Lugin, he said that by his statement to Mr. Blackwood that the Maude "worked under Lloyd's rules," he meant that the Maude would go out in any event whether it was a case of salvage or towage. If the Clallam had been displaying distress signals the Maude would have been sent out in any event.

Questioned by Mr. McPhillips witness said that Mr. Blackwood's statement that "it wouldn't be a case of salvage," conveyed the impression that it wasn't a case of a great deal of importance. He was aware that the Maude was without her ballast tanks when volunteering her services. He did not think himself that the Maude was sufficiently strong to prevent her going out. It would have been possible to go out in three hours.

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Over Fifteen Thousand Tons of Ore Sent to Smelter During the Past Week.

Phoenix, Jan. 23.—The six mines that have been sending out ore from the locality lately sent down to the local smelters something over 15,000 tons this week. The different shippers and the amount sent out by each being as follows: Granby mines, to Granby smelter, 11,820 tons; Mother Lode mine, to Greenwood smelter, 1,206 tons; Emma mine, to Granby smelter, 792 tons; Senator, to Granby smelter, 122 tons; Oro Denoro, to Granby smelter, 1,023 tons; Athelstan, to Granby smelter, 284 tons; total tonnage for the week, 15,327 tons; total for the year to date, 47,899 tons.

London, Ont., Jan. 23.—A murderous assault was made on Mrs. Parker, an aged woman, who keeps a small grocery at the corner of Colborne and Simcoe streets, last night. A young man stepped into the store and asked for a plug of tobacco, and when Mrs. Parker turned to get it he dealt her a heavy blow on the back of the head with a large iron bolt. When Mrs. Parker turned round and faced the would-be-murderer he struck her another blow on the forehead, and becoming frightened apparently fled. Mrs. Parker is in a serious condition.

New York, Jan. 23.—The Tribune says: "Two priests of the Dominican priory, Lexington avenue, long associated in the work of their order, died almost simultaneously yesterday. They were Father Peter A. Dinahan, 56 years old, and Father O. Pius Conley, 57. Father Dinahan, after a long illness from cancer, died at the priory at 12:10 p. m., and 10 minutes later Father Conley, who was at the dining table in the convent of the Sisters of Mercy at White Plains, was struck by apoplexy and fell dead to the floor. A double funeral will be held to-day in St. Vincent church. Both priests were natives of the United States. Father Dinahan was a native of London, Canada, and Father Conley of Ohio."

Continuing he told of telephoning back