

RUSSIAN STAMPEDE ACROSS THE YALU Beat Hasty Retreat On Approach Of The Japanese, and Hundreds Reported Drowned Crossing Stream.

SPECIAL CABLE TO THE LONDON TIMES AND VICTORIA COLONIST. New Chwang, April 22.—A messenger from the Yalu river reports that the Japanese outposts are near the Russian outposts, with large bodies of troops five miles distant. He also states that the Russians are fleeing north across the river in overcrowded boats, losing hundreds by drowning. The messenger himself met only a few Japanese, but they were reported to have shown themselves in force on various occasions, afterwards quickly disappearing. The newspaper correspondents accredited to the Russian forces left for Mukden yesterday. They blind themselves not to divulge news respecting the results of engagements with the enemy, losses suffered by the Russians or any information which may awaken public suspicions. The Russians have issued placards in Chinese explaining why the Japanese victories, detailing Russian successes and the Russian strength and propelling victory for the Japanese. The Chinese are not misled, but still believe that the Japanese will conquer in Manchuria. The Russians are sending a number of troops across the Yalu river, and have sent forty parties consisting of fifty Cossacks each.

Bombarding New Chwang. Special Cable to the London Times and Victoria Colonist. St. Petersburg, April 22.—Reports have been received that the Japanese have begun the bombardment of New Chwang. It is further reported that the Japanese have landed troops on one side of New Chwang and that these will try to effect a junction with the force which is supposed to have landed on the other side of the Yalu three days ago.

Clearing Ground For Building Leveling the Ruins of Toronto's Warehouses Preparatory To New Constructions.

Toronto, April 21.—Work of leveling insecure portions of the ruins resulting from Tuesday night's fire began, this morning. Already a number of independent firms have secured temporary offices and will start business. While many business men are stunned and bewildered by the catastrophe, the majority of them take a hopeful view of the situation. The general impression among bank managers and capitalists is that the fire will necessarily entail a very severe setback to the whole business community of the city, but not followed by any financial panic. The losses for the most part are sustained by the wealthiest men in the city, while the fact that the largest losses among insurance firms are English and Scottish companies and the great bulk of the eight millions of dollars which have been lost in Great Britain will tend largely to relieve the financial market and prevent a panic here. It is expected that the great amount to be spent in rebuilding warehouses will almost put an end to speculative building this summer, with the consequence that rents will go up and the city will be a better place than it is now. There is not a great influx of labor from the outside districts, but the number of men employed in the city is being maintained by the fact that there is a scarcity of building material. Brick is especially scarce.

AMERICAN APPROPRIATIONS. Washington, April 21.—The pension appropriation bill for the year 1904, which provides for \$137,000,000, and an emergency river and harbor appropriation bill, which provides for \$10,000,000, were passed today by the Senate, leaving only the general deficiency and the military deficiency bills to be considered. The list of supply measures still to be considered by the Senate.

REED SMOOT CASE HAS BEEN OPENED Interesting Evidence Taken Before U. S. Senate Committee Yesterday.

Washington, April 20.—With the reopening of the investigation of the Reed-Smoot case before the senate committee on privileges and elections, the prosecution devoted considerable time to the drawing from William Roberts the character of the oath which are said to be necessary for a Mormon to take in order to have the support of the church for political office. Members of the committee have a witness of interest in the obligation which are said to be taken by Mormons who go through the ceremony of being sealed. Along both lines much evidence was brought out. It was shown by Mr. Roberts' attorney that a witness of the Mormon church, in which election he took a witness, and later with the church records, his candidacy was elected. In relation to the endorsement house obligation Mr. Roberts was extremely reticent. He said that the sacredness of the ceremony was such that he would not reveal it to the world. Portions of the testimony given by Mr. Roberts, especially in regard to his reasons for maintaining polygamous cohabitation with his plural wives, were almost a repetition of the testimony given by other polygamists who have been on the stand, and that the moral obligation of the wife was greater than both the laws of God and man.

Japanese Officers Are Executed Arrested in Manchuria Disguised as Workmen and Are Court-martialed.

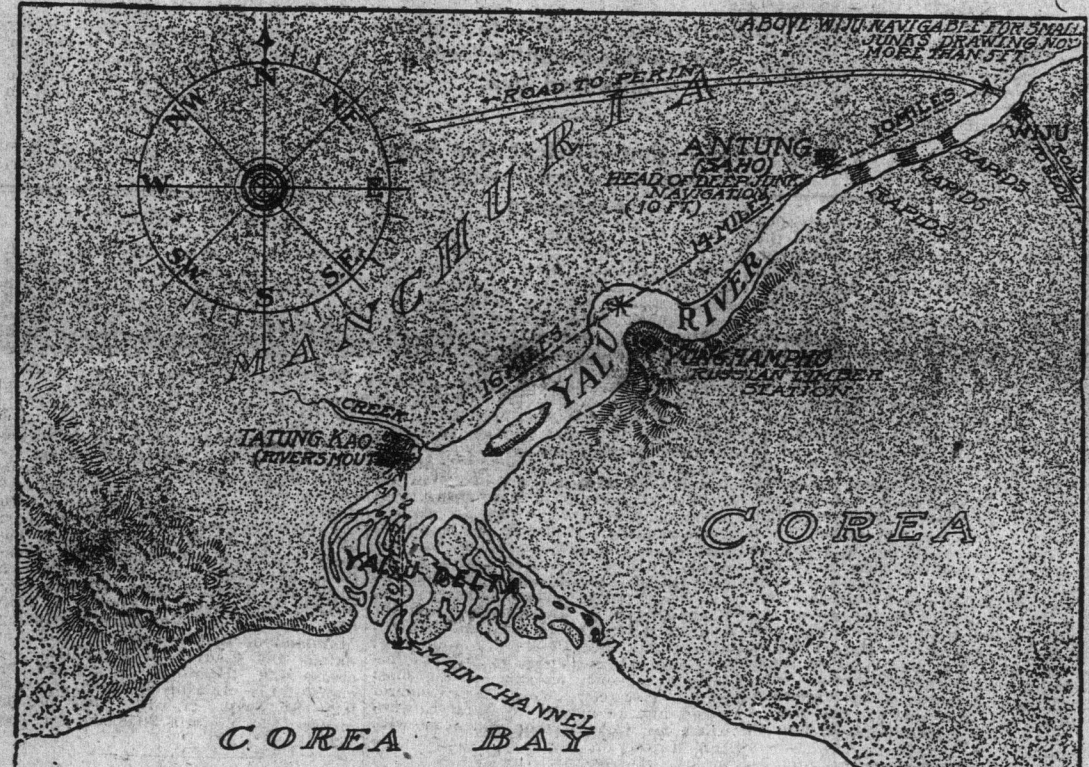
St. Petersburg, April 21.—The Emperor has received the following telegram from General Karoputin, under the date: "All was quiet on the Yalu river on the 20th and 21st and there was no change. On the night of the 19th, opposite Cape Tower Hill, west of Kal Chju, a steamer was observed sending off boats evidently for the purpose of crossing the river. The boats soon returned. In another telegram to the Emperor, General Karoputin says: "I respectfully report to your Majesty that two Japanese officers, named Sirova Yuki and Gaijika Oki, were arrested near the station of Tzu Chi Kha. In their possession were found three cases of Blakford fuse, a French trench, dry amine cartridges, ten gas far railings, a half pound of pyroxilin, gold maps of Manchuria and northern Korea, and a number of notes. A court-martial held at Harbin, April 20th, found them guilty while belonging to the Japanese army operating against Russia, and in order to gain success for their army by destroying or damaging telegraph and railway communication by means of pyroxilin, and for the possession of the same. The court sentenced them to death by hanging. The Emperor has had a long interview with the Emperor, and it is considered probably, now that the situation is the subject of public discussion, that a way may be found to smooth matters over for the present in order to preserve appearances. The Academy of Fine Arts proposes to confer a free holding in memory of the late Emperor, the painter, who died at the time of the Petropavlovsk disaster.

RESIGNATION OF ALEXIEFF DENIED Russian Officials Anxious To Preserve Appearances For The Present.

St. Petersburg, April 20.—So far as can be learned, no action has been taken in regard to Alexieff's resignation. It is not officially admitted that such an application has been received. Rumors of the victory's approaching return have gained wide circulation, but further than admitting the fact of the existence of friendly relations between the two men, the official world did all in its power to discredit the idea that Alexieff's resignation was a result of the Emperor's appointment to command the Russian fleet at Port Arthur could lead Admiral Alexieff to take a hasty step. Alexieff himself has had a long interview with the Emperor, and it is considered probably, now that the situation is the subject of public discussion, that a way may be found to smooth matters over for the present in order to preserve appearances.

VETERAN ACTOR DEAD. London, April 21.—The veteran actor and playwright, John Coleman, died today. He played with Macready.

THE MOUTH OF THE YALU RIVER



INSURANCE MEN DISCUSS THE FIRE Meeting of Underwriters in Toronto and Proposal to Raise Rates

Toronto, April 21.—There was an important meeting of the leading underwriters here today when the fire was discussed. The most important question discussed was that of increasing the rates. On the report of the committee, the underwriters decided to increase the rates 40 per cent. in the congested districts in Toronto. In the congested districts 40 per cent. They will consider tomorrow the question of a general advance throughout Canada. The meeting discussed the question of appointing arbitrators who will probably be selected from insurance men in Toronto and Montreal. One gentleman present remarked: "You will find the total insurance loss in the recent fire will be near \$10,000,000, but it will take the companies fully twenty years to overtake these losses."

ROMAN ANTIQUITIES BROUGHT TO LIGHT An Interesting Discovery Made In Excavations in the Forum.

Rome, April 19.—Signor Giacomo Boni, the famous archaeologist, while directing the excavations of the Roman Forum, made today what is considered the greatest discovery of many years. He came upon a place where there was a vestigial Roman wall, who, in 362 B. C. to place the temple of Juno, completely armed on horseback. The wall had been opened in the Forum and which the archæologist discovered could not be filled except by the sacrifice of the chief wealth or strength of the Roman people. The discovery has, according to tradition, says the chronicler, been made by the Emperor Augustus. The Emperor is formed by twelve large stones roughly sculptured. The archæologist also found a wall which contains an inscription in later years to young Curia on the altar. The great importance of the discovery lies in the fact that it confirms an event which many historians looked upon as mythical. "They are mere nobodies," "Puck."

EMPEROR WILLIAM CLIMBS MOUNT ETNA Makes the Ascent on Foot and Afterwards Entertains Leading Socialists.

Catania, Sicily, April 20.—Amidst the greatest enthusiasm and showers of flowers on the part of the populace, Emperor William today made the ascent of Mount Etna. When the Emperor and his party arrived at Mount Etna, which the Emperor had climbed in three hours, they found the Emperor declined the use of them, saying that he would not shoot any one who attempted to take him, but that he would rather order from Government a white man. The Emperor was surrounded by thirty men, and placed in the hands of a soldier. A telegram was sent to D. C. Copley, a member of the Executive Board of the Western Federation of Miners, who is in Kansas, requesting him to take the Emperor immediately and charge at Federation headquarters.

Again Embarking Dotted Bandits Await Their Fate Three Carabera Outlaws Will Be Executed in Chicago Today.

Chicago, April 21.—For a crime without parallel in Chicago's history, the penalty of the law will be exacted on the three "car bandits," Vandine, Marx and Neidermeyer, who were captured on February 9, and were to be executed today. The exact hour of the execution has not been fixed, nor has it been decided whether it will be carried out in the morning or the afternoon. The three murderers were sentenced to hang by a jury of twelve men, and were held in the city jail until they were taken to the gallows. The execution will be carried out in the city jail, and the three murderers will be executed by hanging.

RUSSIAN CLEMENCY. St. Petersburg, April 20.—Ladnik Romanoff, one of the members of the fighting organization of the Russian revolutionists who was tried with Dr. Guerschlovic, Aaron Whinnick, Michel Meisnikov and Faen Grigorief, April 20th on the charge of complicity in the assassination of several important officials, including the Minister of the Interior, who was killed in 1902, has been released from custody.

RUSSIAN ADVANCE. Paris, April 22.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Petit Parisien has learned that General Kurouchin has ordered the advance of the Russian forces which are engaged in the northwestern Korea, and that a brigade of one hundred versts of the banks of the Tumen river.

Winnipeg Warnings. Winnipeg, April 21.—Unas Hancock, a wealthy rancher living near Brimley, north of Stonewall, Man., for the past twenty years, killed himself at 6 o'clock this morning at the residence of his brother-in-law, John Berry in Stonewall. He was sleeping with Mr. Berry's son, and while lying in bed reached for a revolver and shot himself in the head. He had been in ill-health for some time and intended leaving in a few days for British Columbia to visit relatives. He leaves a widow and one young child.

GREAT BRITAIN MAY ENTER A PROTEST Treatment of the Wireless Telegrapher Disapproved By Lord Lansdowne.

SPECIAL CABLE TO THE LONDON TIMES AND VICTORIA COLONIST. London, April 22.—The British government is giving careful consideration to the action of Russia in reference to the use of wireless telegraphy by warships. The return to the writ presented by Attorney General Miller set forth that Mr. Moye is lawfully restrained of his liberty and pursuant to the express command of the governor and commander in chief of the military forces as a military prisoner of war. The court heard arguments on a motion of the petitioner to be admitted to bail pending a decision on the question of the court's jurisdiction, and took the matter under advisement. The court heard arguments on a motion of the petitioner to be admitted to bail pending a decision on the question of the court's jurisdiction, and took the matter under advisement.

MARTIAL LAW FOR COLORADO STRIKERS Armed Soldiers Guard Court House—Miner's Official Boycotted.

Denver, April 21.—President Charles Moye of the Western Federation of Miners, who arrived in Denver today in custody of the Colorado National Guard, where martial law is in force in consequence of labor troubles, was taken on before the state supreme court this afternoon on a writ of habeas corpus. Armed soldiers guard the entrance to the court room while the proceedings were in progress. The return to the writ presented by Attorney General Miller set forth that Mr. Moye is lawfully restrained of his liberty and pursuant to the express command of the governor and commander in chief of the military forces as a military prisoner of war. The court heard arguments on a motion of the petitioner to be admitted to bail pending a decision on the question of the court's jurisdiction, and took the matter under advisement.

DOOMED BANDITTS VICKSBURG'S CAPTAIN IN CHEMULPO FIGHT Commander Of U. S. Cruiser Reports That The Variag and Koreitz Were Sunk By Their Own Officers and Men.

Washington, April 21.—A report by the U. S. Navy, dated April 20th, states that the Vicksburg, giving an account of the engagement at Chemulpo between the Japanese and Russian naval forces on February 9, was received by the United States Navy department. The Vicksburg's commanding officer, Captain Marshall, reports that the Vicksburg was engaged in a battle with the Japanese cruiser Variag and the Japanese cruiser Koreitz. The Vicksburg's commanding officer reports that the Variag and Koreitz were sunk by their own officers and men. The Vicksburg's commanding officer reports that the Variag and Koreitz were sunk by their own officers and men.

Report Received From Baron Toll Lost Arctic Explorer's Last Documents Found By The Relief.

St. Petersburg, April 21.—The last documents of Baron Toll, the Arctic explorer, from whom nothing has been heard directly since he left the Cape Zaremka in 1891, and started for the North Pole, have been found. The documents, which are in the possession of the Russian government, include a list of names of the crew, a map of the Arctic region, and other valuable information. The documents were found by a relief party in the Arctic region.

NO WORD OF THE MISSING EXPEDITION SINCE IT STARTED OVER THE ICE.

Accompanied by Astronomer Seeburg and two traders, I left the winter quarters of the Zaria in Nimpip on June 10. The ice was rather bad and we carried up on our course, but bearing off we were in 70 degrees north, 145 degrees west, 23 miles to the north of the ice. The document includes the result of Astronomer Seeburg's survey of the Arctic region, which is shown to be an offshoot by which it is shown to be a continuation of the main coast of Russia. It is composed of the old maps of the region, and is of great value to the explorers.

BLUEFIELDS MAY BE BOMBARDED British Cruiser Will Demand Release of Prisoners Under Penalty.

Kingston, Jamaica, April 21.—The British cruiser Retribution which under instructions from the imperial government, sailed from Kingston April 11th, to a Neargagan port in connection with the seizure of six Cayman turtle schooners and the arrest of their crews, returned to Port Royal today after ascertaining that the vessels were in the Neargagan port. The captain of the Neargagan commandant under whose orders the schooner was seized, returned to Port Royal for coal. The Neargagan commandant under whose orders the schooner was seized, returned to Port Royal for coal. The Neargagan commandant under whose orders the schooner was seized, returned to Port Royal for coal.

WERE COMMITTED TO STAND TRIAL Murder Charged Against Two Indians By Jury at Barkerville.

Barkerville, B. C., April 21.—The coroner's jury brought in a charge of wilful murder against the Indian Sali and his kiltoman, Amelia, in connection with the death of James Kelly, a well known young man of Barkerville. During the inquest a sensation was caused by Amelia declaring that she had struck Kelly three times on the head with a club, and that the club had been quite a different thing from what she had said it was. Several witnesses were called in support of the belief, and it was clearly shown that the kiltoman had run from the scene and declared Sali was scuffling with a white man. The belief here is that the victim, who was known to have been drinking, was heading for home, but made a mistake and entered the wrong cabin, and thus was cruelly done to death.

ALEXIEFF DID NOT OBJECT. Paris, April 22.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Echo de Paris says that, notwithstanding the emnity between the two men, Alexieff did not object to the appointment of the latter to the command of the fleet. The Echo de Paris reached the Russian attack and Chinese laborers are now declining to work for the Japanese.

FEARFULLY EFFECTIVE. Shimose Powder One of Most Terrible Explosives Known.

The efficiency of the Shimose powder invented by Dr. Shimose, a Japanese engineer, is being applied for by the Japanese government. The Shimose powder is a new explosive which is said to be much more powerful than any other explosive known. It is a mixture of nitrocellulose and other chemicals, and is said to be much more powerful than any other explosive known. It is a mixture of nitrocellulose and other chemicals, and is said to be much more powerful than any other explosive known.

Buying Horses For Jap Army. An Agent of the Mikado's Government Arrives on the Sound. Ten Thousand Needed Immediately for Cavalry and Artillery Service.

For the purpose of arranging for the purchase of 10,000 horses for use by the Japanese cavalry and artillery during the war with Russia, an agent of the Mikado's government arrived on the Sound. The agent is a Japanese official who has been sent to the Sound to purchase horses for the Japanese army. The Japanese government is in need of 10,000 horses for its cavalry and artillery service. The agent is expected to purchase the horses in the Sound region.