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RUSSIAN SHELL KILLS TWENTY-FIVE MEN ON JAPANESE DESTROYER.

London Times Finds Floating Mines Let Lose from Port Arthur Within Six Miles of Wei Hai Wei—Kuroki Waiting for Reinforcements to Guard His Lines of Communication—Jap Transports Travelling Without Escorts.

Tokio, May 22, 5.30 p. m.—During the reconnaissance of Port Arthur made by Admiral Togo on Friday of last week a shell hit the torpedo boat destroyer Akutsuki, killing one officer and twenty-four men.

Russians Sowing the Waters With Mines. London, May 22.—The correspondent of the Times on board the paper's steamer Haimun, which is still excluded from the real theatre of war, gives a review of the present position of affairs and says: "Reserves from Japan are being brought to reinforce General Kuroki's line of communication, which are being harassed by Cassacks.

General Kuroki appears to be waiting for the landing and co-operation of a third army. It was while holding the Miao Tai steamer against torpedo attacks from Port Arthur for the passage of transports with the third army that the Japanese met with disaster.

"Realizing that they were effectively blocked the Japanese warships and transports. The mines drifted to the high seas and to Chinese waters, constituting the gravest danger to neutral shipping.

"Yesterday the Haimun passed two sailing mines within six miles of Wei Hai Wei.

"Even if the act of a desperate garrison in this must be in violation of the law of nations."

Ports Fortifying Feng Wang Cheng. St. Petersburg, May 22.—A second detachment of General Kuroki's army to the front is in the hands of the Japanese.

"Our patrols and cavalry detachments are reconnoitering this side of the Feng Wang Cheng, 75 miles northeast of Feng Wang Cheng.

"The Japanese cover their dispositions with small advance guards consisting of as much as a regiment of infantry with a battery and cavalry posted along the high seas and as little as two companies at important points. Japanese cavalry are in front.

"Front reports received yesterday have indicated that the first Japanese army is concentrated as follows: "Two divisions at Feng Wang Cheng in the environs and one division at Hainan half way between Su Yen and Feng Wang Cheng.

"It is stated that Feng Wang Cheng is being fortified."

Truth in Port Arthur Despatch. London, May 22.—A despatch from St. Petersburg to Reuters' Telegram Company, says that the report of a sortie by the

Port Arthur garrison has not been confirmed. It appears, says the despatch, the rumor originated in the account of Lieut. General Stessel's report of the fight at Kai-chau. This together with the fact that General Stessel commands at Port Arthur, giving rise to the rumor that the garrison had made a sortie.

Russian Losses at Takushan. Tokyo, May 22, 5 p. m.—A supplemental report was received here today covering the opposition encountered by the Japanese force which landed at Takushan about fifty miles west of the mouth of the Yalu river on May 20.

The Russians consisted of a squadron of the independent Transbaikalian Cossacks. They vigorously resisted the Japanese advance at the bridge and only retreated after one officer and nine men were killed and a number of men wounded. One Russian officer and four men were captured. The Japanese lost one man killed. The Russians retired in the direction of Hsia Yen and Shalichai.

Japanese Transports Going Without Escort. London, May 22.—The correspondent of the Daily Mail at Kobe, Japan, cables the following: "Returning from Korea through the Yellow sea this (last) week, I saw Japanese transports in every direction. They were traveling without escort. Sometimes as many as ten at a time were counted.

Russian Officials Set Fire to Cover Up Villainy. Berlin, May 22.—The Rheinische Westfaelische Zeitung claims to have authentic information that corrupt Russian officials started the recent fire in a Croststadt storehouse in order to conceal the fact that a large number of uniforms of officials scheduled to be among the naval stores there never existed. The paper estimates that several high officers are suffering from the effects of poisoning and that one of them has fled abroad.

Russian Battleship Sinks, But Is Floated. Cronstadt, May 22.—The battleship Orel, which was brought here some days ago to receive her main battery and to be given the finishing touches before going into commission, suddenly sank at Cronstadt on May 20. Vice-Admiral Rojdestvensky, commander-in-chief of the Baltic fleet, was on board. The ship was damaged, but under his supervision the work of pumping out and raising the Orel was begun.

"The ship was raised this morning, and was found to be undamaged, save that the interior was filled with dirty salt water. An examination showed that her main battery had been opened, permitting the water to rush in. It is suggested that the carelessness of a workman might have been responsible for the opening of the valves, but an investigation into the affair is progressing.

While proceedings from Galesy Island, St. Petersburg, where the Orel grounded in Cronstadt, the Orel grounded in the Neva, and was hauled off only with considerable trouble. Some of the plates in her hull were found to be damaged.

M. Nisard and Cardinal Merry De Val before the former's departure, are incorrect in both form and substance.

Papal Nuncio Will Remain in Paris. Paris, May 22.—The recall of M. Nisard, French ambassador, to the Vatican, continues to be the absorbing topic. The nuncio is expected to arrive here tomorrow morning when he will confer with Foreign Minister Delcasse and go over the details of the rupture between France and the Vatican preliminary to the meeting of the council of ministers on Tuesday, when a further line of action will be determined upon.

Contrary to general expectations, Mr. Lorenzelli, the Papal Nuncio at Paris, will not leave his post.

Vatican Hopes French Ambassador Will Return. Rome, May 22.—Vatican authorities continue to be agitated over the conflict with the French government growing out of the protest against President Loubet's visit to Rome and the recall of M. Nisard, the French Ambassador to the Vatican.

The Pope said mass this morning in the presence of sixty-four Italians and foreigners and gave up the rest of the day to the consideration of the difficulties with France, reading clippings from the newspapers on the subject.

The Vatican authorities hope that M. Nisard will soon return to Rome, being influenced by the fact that his family is still here.

BARRELS OF GOLD ASTONISH PARISIANS. A Payment of \$9,000,000 from New York in Shipment of Panama Canal Purchase.

Paris, May 21.—The arrival of enormous quantities of American gold here in payment of the Panama canal purchase excites the wonderment of the Parisians. A large crowd gathered at the station to see the freight train of four cars carrying 178 barrels of gold, a shipment of \$9,000,000 by the steamer Lorraine which arrived at Havre Thursday from New York.

A large force of gendarmes guarded the quays at Havre while the barrels were rolled off, and each freight car carried guards until the gold was turned over to the Credit Lyonnais.

A MANIAC FROM VACCINATION

Sydney Girl in Critical State as Result of Board of Health Order.

ALLAN LINER DOOMED.

Bottom Out of Stranded Hibernian and She Will Be a Total Loss—Cargo and Cattle Being Brought to North Spdney, Where It Will Be Transhipped.

Sydney, N. S. W., May 22.—(Special)—Hattie Raymond, a bright and intelligent 21 year old girl, formerly belonging to Halifax, is at the Brockton hospital this city, a ravine maniac from the effects of vaccination. As far as can be learned Miss Raymond was vaccinated under orders issued four weeks ago, by the city board of health, that compulsory vaccination must be enforced and fear of imprisonment led her to submit to the operation. For some four weeks she was very ill, the illness finally shattering her nervous system. She cannot be seen at the hospital and it is understood that she is being kept under the influence of narcotics in order to induce quietness and sleep.

The steamer Wain, with eighty head of cattle and the Harlaw with a full cargo of cheese, ham, lard and ornamental wood, arrived today at North Spdney from Stormy Point, near Codroy, where the Allan liner Hibernian was wrecked on Wednesday last. They report the steamer as a total loss. The grain cargo is under water and the engine rooms are full. The bottom is practically torn out of her.

The steamer Regulus is leaving the scene of the wreck tonight with 400 cattle and hay. The steamer Amphitrite and Viking are loaded and the Baines Hawkins will load next. Several schooners are loading there now, so that altogether most of the cargo will be saved though some of it will be in more or less damaged condition. The steamer Algerine is reported aground at the wreck.

The Harlaw, Viking and Baines Hawkins all touched but were uninjured. A steamer will call at North Spdney for the cattle and the general cargo will be taken to Montreal by rail.

The government steamer Tyrant, that arrived at North Spdney Saturday, is proceeding tomorrow to St. Paul's Island to bring up the survivors of the ill-fated steamer Turret Bay.

TANGIER BANDIT CHIEF'S TERMS AGREED TO.

Sultan of Morocco Will Grant All Their Demands if Captive Englishman and American Are Handed Over.

Tangier, Morocco, May 22.—The Sheriff of Wazan left this morning to meet Raissuli, the bandit chief who is said to be at the head of the band of robbers in the district where the American and Cromwell Varley, the British captives are held over immediately. The soldiers already have been withdrawn from the district where the bandits are located.

BOY KILLS FATHER FOR ABUSING MOTHER

Westfield, Mass., May 22.—James E. Condon, aged 53, a mason tender, was shot and killed by his fifteen year old son, James A. Condon, early this morning. The elder Condon returned home intoxicated and was abusing his wife when the youth hearing the commotion came downstairs with rifle and fired a shot into the room, intending to frighten his father. The charge entered the man's back and he died in a few hours from internal hemorrhage. The boy, who is a student in the Normal training school, bears a good reputation. He was locked up on a charge of manslaughter.

\$50,000 POOR HOUSE FIRE; THREE INMATES MISSING.

Kingston, N. Y., May 22.—The Ulster County poor house, three miles from New Paltz, was totally destroyed by fire this afternoon. Three inmates who are missing are supposed to have been burned. The loss is placed at \$50,000.

LIVERPOOL, N. S., CHIEF OF POLICE ACQUITTED.

Liverpool, N. S., May 22.—(Special)—The trial of Chief of Police McAuliffe, accused of shooting and killing an Italian named John Alexander, April last, was concluded here Saturday and the charge dismissed.

NINE INJURED IN BOSTON SMASHUP

Two Trolleys on the Rosindale Section Collided Yesterday Afternoon; OPEN SWITCH DID IT.

And the Belief is It Was Tampered With—Both Cars Were Crowded; Flames Broke Out and Added to Horror of the Passengers—All Expected to Recover.

Boston, May 22.—Nine persons were seriously injured in a head-on collision between two trolley cars on the Rosindale section of this city this afternoon. Several others received minor bruises. It is believed that all will recover from their injuries.

The seriously injured were: Richard Koett, 52 years of age, injuries to chest.

Mrs. Carl Geppert, 50, Rosindale, contusions to right leg; suffering from shock.

Theresa McDonough, 23, South Boston, injured internally.

Kate Donovan, 36, Dedham, lacerations of face and suffering from shock.

Mrs. Elizabeth Gest, 29, Dedham, scalp wounds.

Max Pfeiffer, 31, Dedham, four ribs broken.

John H. Griffin, 35, Motorman, left foot crushed.

Albert Cass, Rosindale; ankle broken.

Mrs. Henry Schumacher, Arlington, suffering from shock.

All of the injured were taken to their homes.

The accident occurred near the corner of Washington and Ashland streets. An elevated Walpole car of the Boston Elevated Railway Company, ran into an open switch and crashed into an outward bound Delham car of the same company.

The imperial government has made arrangements for renewing the contract for the mail service for three years from January next by the Suez route. The Australian government has not yet arranged for its contract on account of the black labor on the Suez route. It was thought the Vancouver route would be favored by Australia, but no tender was submitted. Mr. Ross adds that with fast steamers on the Atlantic and Pacific the Canadian route may be adopted later.

BANK PRESIDENT ENDS LIFE WITH BULLET.

Head of Two Georgia Institutions Whose Fortunes Had Recently Waned.

Macon, Ga., May 21.—Robert H. Plant, president of the First National Bank, and owner of the I. C. Plant Sons' Bank, both recently placed in the hands of receivers, committed suicide today by shooting. He had been ill for two months, during which time the collapse of his financial institutions. He leaves wife and nine children.

Mr. Plant had insurance of more than \$1,000,000, of which about \$800,000 was for the benefit of his creditors. Letters written within the last two or three days indicated that he despaired of being able to leave his bed in time to repair his fortune. He had expressed entire approval of the employment of experts' accountants by the receiver.

ONLY A FEW POOL ROOMS IN NEW YORK WERE OPEN.

More Raids Resulted—Managers to Attack the Race Tracks in Revenge.

New York, May 21.—Fearful of a repetition of yesterday's raids, and deprived of their accustomed means of obtaining reports of the race, pool room managers kept their places closed in this city today. A very few were opened, the result being several raids. The handbooks of a thriving business and multiplied in number and against them Commissioner McAdoo announced that he will next direct his forces.

Former Governor Black has been employed as counsel by several of the men who have controlled the pool room syndicates. It is understood he will direct the movement which is to be made upon the race tracks if the attacks upon the pool rooms continue.

Mayor McClellan has called upon the corporation counsel to examine into the constitutionality of the Perry-Gray law under the provisions of which racing is now conducted in this state.

OTTAWA YOUNG WOMAN FOUND DEAD

Miss Martha Burke, Absent Three Weeks, Likely a Suicide.

SUNDAY DROWNING.

Three Men Sailing Had Upset in a Squall and One Was Lost—British Government Renew's Mail Contract to Australia Via Suez Route for Three Years.

Ottawa, May 22.—(Special)—The body of Martha Burke, a girl twenty years of age, who disappeared some three weeks ago, was found floating in the Ottawa river a little below the Chaudiere Falls last evening.

Miss Burke was the daughter of J. Burke, of the Ottawa Electric Street Railway. She left her home without any apparent cause one evening and no trace of her could be found, although her parents were confident that she had not committed suicide. The opinion of the police was otherwise, and this has turned out to be correct. At any rate there is no indication of foul play.

Three young men were sailing on a small craft on Dow's Lake near the experimental farm this afternoon when a thunder-storm arose and the boat was upset. H. Gougeon, a laborer living on Preston street, one of the three, was drowned. The body was found.

C. N. Bell, of Winnipeg, secretary of the transportation commission, is in the city. He is here making arrangements for the commission to meet in Ottawa on Wednesday. It is probable that Dr. Bell, of the geological survey, and others, will be examined in regard to Hudson Bay. The commission will leave for Depot Harbor on Thursday and will meet there on Friday.

After meeting on the Georgian Bay posts the commission will go to Montreal, Quebec and Three Rivers and from there to Port Arthur. Sometime during the fall the commission will go to the Pacific coast.

D. H. Ross, Canada's commercial agent at Melbourne (Australia), sends a report to the department. It shows that Canada's trade with Australia for the year 1903 was about the same as for the previous year. There was a falling off in the shipment of timber from Canada. Nova Scotia is making enquiries as to lobster.

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CHAMBERLAIN FEELS CONFIDENT OF SUCCESS.

He Believes British Electorate Understands the Trade Situation Better Now—Geo. E. Drummond Lunches With ex-Colonial Secretary.

Montreal, May 22.—(Special)—The Star's London correspondent cables: "George E. Drummond, the president of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, sailed today for Montreal. Mr. Chamberlain, hearing that he was here, invited him to lunch at Princess Gardens, to discuss the fiscal question."

"I understand that Mr. Chamberlain is most appreciative of Canada's general attitude towards the preferential movement and expresses confidence of success with the British electorate, now that the exact conditions of British trade are being more clearly understood and the British people are being shown the feasibility of some greater measure of inter-imperial cooperation, which all desire."

KIDNAPPED MEN, THEN SENT FOR THEIR CLOTHING

Bold Brigands of Morocco Now Have Soldiers After Them.

Paris, May 21.—A despatch from Tangier says that on the request of the French minister leading Moroccan officials have started for the mountains in an effort to induce the brigands to give up their prey. Perdicaris and Cromwell Varley, who were kidnapped May 18. The deputy correspondent at Tangier cites the authenticity of the brigands in sending back for the best clothing of the prisoners.

MANY KILLED AND MORE INJURED IN TORPEDO FACTORY EXPLOSION.

Hands Were Asked to Work on Sunday to Fill Orders for Fourth of July Celebration—More Fatalities Would Have Resulted if Disaster Had Occurred a Few Minutes Later.

Findlay, O., May 22.—As a result of an explosion in the two drying rooms of the Lake Novelty Co.'s plant here today, seven persons are known to be dead, five are so seriously hurt that recovery is believed to be impossible and twelve or fifteen are injured badly.

From reports of the physicians ten of the less seriously injured may die as a result of blood poisoning from the potato that was driven into their bodies.

The dead are: Joseph Sherwood, 21. Jay Sherwood, 24. Edith Dillon, 17. Dean Shaw, 18. Mary Snyder, 22. Estella Decker, 21. Frank H. Grant, 21.

The injured, who it is believed cannot recover: Maggie Logan, 19, injured by flying debris.

Thomas Book, arms and legs broken and internally injured.

Claude Shaw, twin brother of Dean, neck severely injured and ankle broken.

Edith Peterson and her brother Roy. Two employees are missing and are supposed to have been blown to atoms.

The Lake Novelty Works' plant covered nearly ten acres of ground in the southwest part of the city and employed nearly two hundred, women and children. Railroad torpedoes and fourth-of-July explosives were manufactured.

Owing to the large rush of orders the officials of the plant requested the employees to report for duty today. About thirty complied with the request.

This morning the residents of Findlay were startled by two explosions that shattered windows throughout the city. The concussion was felt for miles around. Two magazines, in separate rooms at the oven works exploded simultaneously, and an exact cause of the explosion is not definitely known. It is surmised that one of the Sherwood brothers, who were the only persons in the drying rooms, dropped a large box of torpedoes, but this theory cannot be confirmed.

The explosion occurred shortly before the employees assembled for duty. At least thirty persons were on their way to the factory at the time.

The bodies of the Sherwood brothers were found in drying room No. 1, mangled and almost unrecognizable.

The body of Edith Dillon was picked up 200 yards from where the explosion occurred.

The large plant is shattered into fragments, not a single wall remaining. Bricks and timber can be found for a half mile around.

WOMAN THE REASON WHY NEWS OF SCANDALS IS PRINTED IN PRESS

Head of Associated Press Declares This Before the Press Parliament.

If Women Set Themselves Against It, the Objectable in Journalism, He Said, Will Disappear—"The Women's Column" Attacked by Miss Egan.

St. Louis, May 21.—The General Federation of Women's clubs concluded the first week of its convention this afternoon and the press parliament finished its work and adjourned.

"The woman's column" was the subject of the address by Miss Lavinia Egan, of the World's Fair board of lady managers. She said "the woman's column" in the average newspaper is filled with "plaudits and platitudes, and pie crust and puddings." No woman is fit for the basest or so-called rights or equal rights with men so long as she permits a woman's column of the accepted type. Clear it of recipes and frivolities and let it express the woman's point of view."

Maryville H. Stone spoke on the influence of women on the newspaper. He said not a line of scandal would be printed in an American newspaper were it not for the women. "No large metropolitan newspaper can live without the support of women," he continued. "Newspapers today are edited for women and not for men. If the women of the General Federation of Women's Clubs will set their faces against scandal the objectionable in journalism will disappear. Women have a joint responsibility with the editors as to the class of news contained in the columns of the metropolitan dailies."

TURKS TO DESTROY ARMENIAN VILLAGES.

Constantinople, May 22.—It is said that the authorities contemplate destroying all Armenian villages in the Sasum district of Asia Minor in order to prevent the concentration of insurgents in the mountains and the installation of the villages on the plain where they may be better supervised.

Monks Expelled from Venezuela.

Caracas, Venezuela, May 20.—(Delayed in transmission)—The government has expelled from Maracaibo twelve Spanish monks who came from the Philippines. The action of the government was based on the ground that the policy of the monks is incompatible with the tendency of modern society.

OUTLOOK BAD FOR LUMBER DRIVES.

River Continues to Fall and Logs About at a Standstill.

Rafting Commences at the Mitchell Boom Today—Sons of England Have Annual Parade to Church—S. S. Convention Closes—Mass Meetings Sunday.

Fredericton, May 22.—(Special)—The Sons of England held their annual church parade this afternoon to St. Ann's church and listened to an eloquent and patriotic sermon by Rev. Dean Partridge. There was a large turnout and they made a good appearance. The band of the Royal Regiment led the procession.

Rafting operations at the Mitchell boom will commence tomorrow morning. There are about 25,000,000 feet of lumber at present in the booms at Lincoln.

The river here is still falling quite rapidly, and very few logs have been run into the booms for several days.

The prospects for the lumber that is in the streams is not good by any means, in fact there is but little chance of any proportion of it getting into the booms.

Such discouraging reports come from up river that W. H. Murray left this morning for three new logs have been run into the Allegash to look over the situation and see what can be done.

The lumbermen want to get the lumber-out, notwithstanding the fact that the state of the lumber market will use every effort to do so. If exceptionally heavy rains come, then a great deal of the lumber may come out. Without the rain a great many millions will surely be hung up.

Jones & Buritt will have an expensive job to get their logs to the mill as they had to wait until the other lumber passed by.

The roar of Scott's Keswick lumber is reported as carrying after a most successful two-day's session. Messrs. Day, Lucas, Tuffar and Meredith, who contributed much to the success of the convention, go to Newcastle tomorrow to attend the Northumberland convention.

The children's mass meeting, under the auspices of the York County Sunday School association, was held in the Baptist church here this afternoon and at the close of the regular service this evening, a successful public meeting was held in the Methodist church, Alfred Day, secretary of the Michigan Sunday school, was the principal speaker.

The steamer yacht Dawn, having on board S. P. Grew, B. Fowler, W. F. MacLaren and Harry Blake arrived here from St. John this evening.