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THE CZAR'S LIFE

Has Been Threatened Many Times of Late.

It is Feared There Will be Very Serious Trouble in Russia.

LONDON, March 26.—A despatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company from Paris states on the highest authority that a mine has been discovered beneath the palace of Emperor Nicholas at Tzarskoe-Selo, seventeen miles south of St. Petersburg. Several notabilities, the despatch further says, are implicated in the plot against his majesty. The Russian press was not permitted to mention the affair. ST. PETERSBURG, March 26.—A diroular issued by the unlistry of the interior blames the police for not crushing the demonstrations at the outset by the dispersion of the gathering crowd. It says the police force must learn when and where demonstrations are planned and mass their forces there, above all, order must be restored at any cost, and the authorities must not fear to use the necessary, force and severity. The military, the circular further says, can be called upon when firing action is necessary, and the cavalry may be summoned upon any occasion to clear the streets. The closing of the Russian society of authors was due to a protest of the authorities during the recent riots. Is-

The closing of the Russian society of authors was due to a protest of the authorities during the recent riots, issued a short time ago. A student at the St. Petersburg University, named Proskurikoff, who had been sentenced to two years military service and drafted into a regiment soon to leave for Turkistan, a woman named Smirnova, and Lieut. Kutness, of A battalion, have been found dead near Amburg, in St. Petersburg province. The student held a revolver, and it was evident that the three persons had committed suicide for some unknown reason.

The press is beginning to display uneasiness on account of the position taken by Japan with regard to Manchuria, though the Bourse Gazette expresses itself optimistical, declaring its confidence that this question will never become an apple of discord between the two mightiest Asiatic powers.

LONDON, March 26.—A despatch from St. Petersburg to Reuter's Telegram company says that in consonance with what is believed to be the czar's expressed wish, the minister of the interior has published instructions for the authorities of the towns and provinces, recommending preventive measures against disturbances as being more effective than severs repression after disturbances have braken out.

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The Birmingham Post, which is closely in touch with Joseph Chamberlain, says news received in high quarters in London indicates that the czar is in a very nervous state, owing to the condition of the political horizon. It is said that he fears the result of the policy of his ministers in the far east, while the student troubles and threats against his life, of which there are more than have been published, have completely unnerved his majesty. His medical advisors have strongly counselled a yachting cruise, but the czar has refused to follow their advice. Those behind the scenes in Russia take a very grave view of the prezent agitation, and think it is the beginning of more serious troubles.

The Russian Authors' Muthal Add.

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The Russian Authors' Mutual Aid association, founded by Russian literary society, has evidently been mixing up in political movements, as the prefect of the cty has ordered its premises to be closed.

revoit against Turkish rule in Yamen, one of the principal divisions of Arabia CONSTANTINOPLE, March 26.—The village near Monastir, which it was announced yesterday has been burned, is named Kruprik. One hundred and seventy houses in the place are reported to have been destroyed by the maranders and a number of the inhabitants made up of Mussulmans and Bulgarians are said to have been killed.

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TANGIER, March 26.—The United States armored cruiser New York, which is to convey the American embassy to Mazagan in connection with the settlement of the United States claims against Morrocco arrived here today.

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MARSEILLES, March 26.—The ship owners and master dockers committee has refused arbitration, owing to the allegation that the strikers had intimated that they would not abide by the decision unless it chould be favorable to them.

STEAMERS FOR PILOTS.

BOSTON, March 25.—The pilots salling out of Boston met today to discuss the matter of selling three of the schooners in the pilot fleet. This step was decided upon as a preliminary to the use of steamers for the pilots. Under the new combination six pilots will be on the boat of the Lightship, four on the Cape Cod station, four on the reserve boat, and two at the Boston Light station.

A MARTYR'S DEATH.

TIEN TSIN. March 25.—Inquirles show that the Rev. J. Stonehouse, of the London Mission Society, who was killed by brigands fourteen miles east of Tien Tsin was murdered at the ferry of the village of Whangalo on the Hun river, ten miles east of Tungan Hsien, while distributing relief to the starving villagers.

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SOUTH AFRICA.

LONDON, March 26.—The official casualty list issued last evening indicates a renewal of active operations since the failure of the negotiations between Lord Kitchener and General Botha. At Hartebeestfontein, March 22 and 23, two officers were killed and three wounded, and four men killed and tweaty wounded. There also seems to have been heavy fighting at a place near Gredgedacht March 18 and near Vantarsburg March 16. Ventersdorp, the scene of the defeat of Delarcy, is about twenty-five miles northeast from Hartebeestfontein. It is possible, therefore, that the advices as to fighting at these points really refer to the same engagement. The Presoria correspondent of the Daily Express, says he understands that Mr. Kruger has advised acting President Schalk-Burger to formulate peace terms. It is virtually certain that the government will decline to hear Messrs. Merriman and Sauen at the bar of the house of commons on the ground that, being ex-ministers, they have no locus standi.

STRIKE WILL NOT MATERIALIZE.

CLEVELAND, Oho. March 26.—The longshoremen and the dock managers concluded their conference here yesterday. The last matter dealt with was the rate for fueling boats. The rate agreed upon was eight cents a ton, either from car dumps or scows. The preamble states that any one discharged from the docks has a right to have his case investigated by a committee to whom the dock superintendent shall give the reasons. In case of any dock trouble the work is to proceed and the question raised to be presented to President Keefe and one member selected from the dock managers. The agreement puts an end to any possibility of a sympthetic strike throughout the longshoremen this year.

POLEDO, Ohio, March 26.—Three of the leading members of the Lake Cartlers' association in this city have withdrawn and have signed the long-shoremen's scale, which the Lake Cartlers' association refused to grant at a conference held in this city last Saturday.

COCAINISM SPREADING.

NEW YORK, March 26.—In a lecture before the New York school of Clinical medicine last night, Dr. Thomas D. Crothers, of Hartford, Conn., characterized cocalnism as one of the greatest scourges of the world, alcoholism and morphinism being the other two. Custom house reports, the lecturer said, showed an enormous increase recently in the importation of this drug, and not more than one-sixtieth part of what was now sold was used for legitimate purposes. The vice of cocalnism, he contended was spreading alarmingly among the poorer, as well as the rich, as the drug was becoming cheaper all the time. NEW YORK, March 26 .- In a lecture

THE WEATHER.

TORONTO, March 26.—Fresh to strong easterly winds, turning showery. Wednesday, moderate to fresh southerly winds; continued unsettled and showery.

WASHINGTON, March 26.—Eastern New York—Rains

WASHINGTON, March 26.—Eastern states and northern New York—Rains tonight, clearing and colder Wednesday, brisk and high southeasterly winds, becoming northwesterly, dimnishing Wednesday. Western New York—Rains tonight and Wednesday, colder tonight, except in extreme northwest portions, winds becoming brisk and high northwesterly.

CANADIAN SOCIETY.

CONSTANTINOPLE, March 26.—The well known Arab Shelikh Hamid Ed. Din, again has raised the standard of revolt against Turkish rule in Yamen, one of the principal divisions of Arabia CONSTANTINOPLE, March 26.—The village near Monastir, which it was announced yesterday, has been burned, is named Kruprik. One hundred and seventy houses in the place are

VERY CRAZY.

ATLANTA, Ga., March 26.—A special to the Constitution from Richmond, Va., says: "M. Bohler, en route from Louisiana to sall for his old home in Germany, became crasy on the train and tore up and threw away \$2,800, for which he had just sold his farm near Shreveport. He had to be put under restraint.

CHAMBERLAIN WINS.

LONDON, March 26.—Arthur Chamberlain, in his libel suit against the Star and the Morning Leader has been awarded £200 damages. After the verdict in the case of Arthur Chamberlain, Neville Chamberlain's libel set against the same papers was settled for £1,500. All imputations were withdrawn.

A LOST VOICE.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 26.—Madame Sembrich may never sing in public again. Her physicians have advised the famous soprano to retire to her home in Dresden for a rest. Manager Graff has disbanded the company, and the entire organization will return to New York. Mme. Sembrich's voice is said to have been over-taxed.

MISS MAY GOES HOME.

BUFFALO, March 26.—Miss May Paul of Toronto, who suddenly disappeared from the Vendome hotel here last Saturday afternoon and was found at Tonawanda Sunday, left for Toronto this morning in company with C. W. McMullen, her cousin, who was sent here to take her home.

Considering the Ability of China to Pay the Indemnity.

Russia Said to Insist Upon the Signing of the Manchurian

Convention.

PEKIN, March 25.—The special committee of ministers appointed to consider the question of China's ability to meet the indemnity claims is already well forward with the work of investigating the resources of the empire. Sir Robert Hart, director general of the imperial maritime customs, has been examined, as have also the managers of representative Chinese banks, many pawn brokers and other Chinese financiers. The consular reports for a number of years back have been closely read. It now appears that from all sources the annual revenue aggregates about \$55,000,000 gold, derived from the land tax, the grain tax, the likin, the customs, the opium tax and miscellaneous imports. The largest two items are the land tax, which brings in \$14,000,000 and the foreign customs, which yields \$12,000,000. In the opinion of all the foreigners who have participated in the examination, the land tax could be doubled and even tripled without much hardship and the salt tax could be raised from \$6,000,000 to \$20,000,000. It is believed that the total increase could be made to amount to \$150,000,000. It, therefore, the imperial expenses could be reduced to \$45,000,000. There would be left available for the liquidation of the interest on loans and the indemnity fund, the sum of \$105,000,000. Making all alowances it would be possible to pay the indemnity within twenty years.

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LONDON, March 26.—M. De Glers has emphatically declined, says Dr. Morrison, wiring to the Times from Pekin Sunday, "to grant an extension of the period for signing and further amending the Manchurian convention, which the Chinese court implored. Li Hung Chang continues to urge the expediency of immediate compliance. His hands were strengthened by Count Von Buelow's statement in the reichstag that the Anglo-German agreement does not apply to Manchuria. There is some reason to doubt the bonafides of the modified demands respecting Mongolia and Turkestan."

CRIMES OF A DAY.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., March 26 .- A; W MEMPHIS. Tenn., March 26.—A. W. Hogin, senior member of the broker firm of A. W. Hogin & Company, one of the best known future firms in the south, was shot last night by Dorris Noble in front of the Beale Street market house. It is not thought Hogin will survive. The woman was intoxicated. Hogin is 51 years old, prominent in social and businesss circles, and has a wife and two children in this city.

SOMERSET, Perry County, Ohio, March 26.—Seven bandits partially wrecked the state bank of Somerset early today by exploding a heavy charge of nitro-glycerine in the vault doors, secured \$500, appropriated two livery rigs, held a posse of citizens at bay and escaped in the face of a heavy fire. Bonds of securities to the amount of \$30,000 and \$5,000 in gold coin were overlooked by the bandits. The bank was fully insured, and its business will not be interrupted.

PINEVILLE, Ky., March 26.—J. C. Durham has been arrested here by detectives, who claim he is wanted in Santa Clara county, California, on the charge of murdering Mrs. R. P. McGliney, Hattie Durham, Minnie Schlessley, Colonel McGliney, James Wills and Robert Briscoe on the night of May 26, 1596. A reward of: \$10,000 is outstanding for the murderer's capture.

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CAPITAL PUNISHMENT ABOLISHED.

ALBANY, N. Y., March 26.—A bill abolishing capital punishment passed the assembly this morning by a vote of \$4\$ to 26. It fixes the punishment for murder in the first degree at life imprisonment, and in the second degree at not less than 30 years imprisonment. The bill, however, provides that in the case of conviction for murder in the first degree the jury shall recommend whether or not the punishment shall be death or life imprisonment; fikewise upon conviction of murder in the second degree the jury shall recommend whether it is to be life imprisonment or a term of 30 years.

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Dated the Sixteenth day of January, 1901. Dated the Sixteenth day of January, 1901.

C. N. SKINNER. Recorder of said City.

MORGAN AND ROCKEFELLER.

NEW YORK, March 25.—The anmouncement made last week that Messrs, J. P. Morgan & Co. have purchased what is known as the Rocke-feller interests in the ships, railways and mines of the Northwest, was confirmed today by Mr. Rockefeller's representative, F. T. Gates,