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FORLORN HOPE TO SINK REBEL SHIP

Destroyer With Volunteer Crew Starts After Kniaz Potemkine

Government Afraid to Trust Any of Black Sea Fleet, and Ships Have Been Ordered Out of Commission--Mutineers Have Command of Sea and Ports, and International Complications Are Feared if They Are Not Rounded Up.

St. Petersburg, July 4, 2.25 a. m.--According to a despatch received by an official agency, the torpedo boat destroyer Sestriy, with a volunteer crew, has sailed from Odessa with the intention of sinking the Kniaz Potemkine.

Orders to Sink Rebel Ship

Odessa, July 3, 8.38 p. m.--The fact that the Kniaz Potemkine remains on the high seas in charge of the mutineers is causing so much apprehension and uneasiness to the population of Odessa that the government has resolved to take the matter in hand and to show no further hesitation, even though the measures adopted involve the loss of the battleship and the one torpedo boat destroyer here.

The torpedo boats received orders this afternoon to attack and sink the Kniaz Potemkine on sight. The torpedo boat destroyer now here was reinforced this afternoon by two torpedo boats and others are expected.

Sixty-seven mutineers from the Georgi Pobiedonosets were brought ashore and imprisoned in the citadel. The British consul general this evening released the five vessels which had been held in readiness to remove the British subjects. The consul general considers that all danger has passed. The Czarist incident is ended. The officials in the presence of the vice-consul, carefully inspected the vessel and found no trace of revolutionaries or the Russian officials espoused to the consul general.

Peasant disturbances in the neighborhood of Odessa are giving rise to much apprehension. The peasants are forcibly occupying lands and seizing live stock. Troops have been sent to suppress the disorders.

Destroyer Has Big Contract

St. Petersburg, July 4, 2.25 a. m.--With Kuznetsov and other unprotected points of Roumania, Bulgaria and Turkey at the mercy of the battleship's guns and with the inability of Vice Admiral Kruger's squadron to deal with her, it was recently admitted by the retirement of its ships from commission, the desperate effort of sending a destroyer to sink the Kniaz Potemkine was seized upon to prevent international complications and to rid the Black Sea of the mutineers.

This problem for a single destroyer, which is difficult and dangerous enough at best, as she will have to encounter both the Kniaz Potemkine and her attendant torpedo boats, is now complicated by the departure of the battleship from Kuznetsov and ignorance as to where she will turn up; but the despatch from Kuznetsov throws a gleam of hope upon the dark situation by intimating that a considerable number of the crew are anxious to desert their leaders and to escape the consequences of their mutinous actions.

The admiral, however, it should be stated, does not admit that the mutineers have gone on such an errand, though the officials say frankly that the Kniaz Potemkine must in law be regarded as a pirate.

Crews Refused to Fire on Comrades

Odessa, July 3, 1.10 p. m.--Interest here today centres in the whereabouts and doings of the Kniaz Potemkine and in what course the Russian authorities will pursue toward her. It seems to be incredible that the authorities will permit her to cruise freely in the Black Sea indefinitely. It is reported on good authority that she will be sunk as soon as a good opportunity offers.

The naval authorities here are of the opinion that the best and most effective way to deal with the mutinous battleship would be to send torpedo boats against her, especially as such craft could be operated by a comparatively small number of men who could probably be relied upon to execute orders to sink a vessel containing their countrymen and comrades more than could the larger crews of the larger vessels. It should also be remembered that the Kniaz Potemkine is a very powerful vessel and that if fought by cruisers or battleships she would be more than a match for any two or three of the other Black Sea ships.

The situation is complicated by the fact that the spirit of insubordination is by no means lacking on board other ships of the Black Sea fleet. It is reported, and the report is credited, that the crews of other warships declined to fire on the Kniaz Potemkine when she steamed out of Odessa last Saturday.

There is much other evidence that there is a spirit of insubordination to say the least, on board other Black Sea ships, stories concerning which took concrete form in a report from Sebastopol today to the effect that the crew of the Ekaterina II. were paid off and sent ashore to barracks there because they could no longer be trusted.

Mutineers' Situation Desperate. The situation of the men on board the Kniaz Potemkine is indeed desperate. They are practically pirates and their predicament offers only limited avenues of escape. If they do not surrender, it is believed they will go to some Black Sea port, not in Russia, leave the ship and take their chances of getting away overland. In doing so they will be confronted by the attitude of the power on whose shores they disembarked, but their situation being desperate a desperate course may well be expected of them.

It is reported that the mutineers found about \$10,000 in the ship's strong box, and that they are fighting among themselves, many being killed or wounded.

It is impossible to verify these statements. They emanate from persons who visited the Kniaz Potemkine while she was still here.

Recent developments concerning the mutiny on the Georgi Pobiedonosets seem to show that the men on board the battleship were coerced by those of the Kniaz Potemkine. In any event they ceased their mutinous conduct at the first opportunity, which probably in large measure accounts for the fact that the majority of the crew were pardoned on again swearing allegiance to the emperor. Sixty-seven of them have been imprisoned as ringleaders. They are mostly old men, evidently drafted from the reserves and thus taken from their homes, stores and farms against their will.

The Georgi Pobiedonosets will probably go to Sebastopol tomorrow. The general situation in Odessa has much improved, but there is still a widespread feeling of nervousness. Those best knowing the conditions are of the opinion that the greatest danger now lies in a possible anti-Jewish rioting. The Jews here number about 175,000 to 200,000, and for a variety of reasons they are deeply hated in Odessa.

Mutiny Work of Revolutionists

St. Petersburg, July 3--General Kahanoff, who is in military charge of Odessa, has reported to the emperor that a revolutionary committee of twenty was in control of the Kniaz Potemkine when that battleship and the Georgi Pobiedonosets sailed. The crew on board the latter, General Kahanoff asserted, were won over by this committee and together with a number of Jewish students who came on board and informed the party with the movement and advised the crew to throw their officers overboard. Against the latter advice the crew demurred, and later the officers were sent ashore.

A revolutionary committee was then organized on board the Georgi Pobiedonosets and the two mutinous ships sailed. They returned to the harbor Saturday night but the Kniaz Potemkine, having no pilot on board, put to sea again and sailed for Roumania, whereas the Georgi Pobiedonosets entered the harbor and, after a parley with the military authorities, the crew expressed a desire to return to their allegiance and take back their officers.

Mutineers on Verge of Starvation

Bucharest, Roumania, July 3--A sailor from the Kniaz Potemkine who came ashore today with his comrades to negotiate with the Prefect clipped away and escaped to the town. He reported that the battleships provisions were completely consumed, and that the crew had been in a state of starvation for the last two days. The sailor begged not to be returned to the ship, as he would be killed. He said there were only ten tons of coal on board the Kniaz Potemkine, and that the crew feared landing at Kuznetsov, while the other three wished to return to Odessa to bombard the city.

Damage at Odessa May Be \$10,000,000

Odessa, July 3, 5.21 p. m.--Outwardly the centre of the city of Odessa is beginning to resume its normal aspect, although comparatively few people are seen in the streets, but in the harbor district all is ruin and devastation. Shipping and trade are entirely at a standstill and thousands of dock laborers are walking around idle. The city continues under strict martial law. Soldiers everywhere cut off all the sea front portion of the city and use scant ceremony in stopping persons not provided with proper permits to enter these districts. The lamps are not lighted after 9 o'clock at night and persons out in the streets later, run considerable risk from irresponsible soldiers. The consulates, banks, public buildings and the principal offices are guarded by troops day and night. The social life of the city is entirely dead. The principal hotels on the boulevard are virtually closed, the visitors having all departed.

In the harbor lie the hulks of a dozen large and small ships burned in some instances to the water's edge. The large warehouses were burned out entirely and there is scarcely a house or other building in the neighborhood that does not bear the marks of fire. It is impossible to obtain accurate estimates of the amount of damage done, but it is variously estimated at from \$5,000,000 to \$10,000,000.

Rebel Battleship Sails Again

Bucharest, July 3--The Kniaz Potemkine left Kuznetsov this afternoon. It is stated that she is returning to Odessa.

BIG MAJORITY FOR SEPARATION OF CHURCH AND STATE

Great Excitement in French Chamber of Deputies When Vote Was Announced.

Paris, July 3--The bill for the separation of Church and State passed the chamber of deputies late tonight by the decisive vote of 341 to 223. The result was greeted by governmental cheering and opposition hisses and there was intense excitement.

BAD SMASH-UP NEAR HARTLAND

C. P. R. Trains Collide and Many Passengers Injured

SOME HURT SERIOUSLY

Dispute About Who is to Blame for Collision--One Train Crew Claims the Semaphore Flew Up Too Late and Brakes Didn't Work, But This is Denied.

Perth, N. B., July 3--(Special)--A very bad accident took place at Hartland, at 11.28 o'clock this morning. The up train, No. 170, in charge of conductor Walter Swift, Engineer Luther Dow, and Fireman George Boyer, had been standing in the Hartland yard waiting for the down train to cross.

Some teams wished to pass over the track and the engine moved up slightly beyond the semaphore, when the down train, No. 509, which was in charge of Conductor Herb, Cobwell, Engineer Tabor and fireman Derrah, crashed into the standing train and Dow and Boyer were dumped out of the engine and rolled down the bank, escaping with slight injuries. Among the passengers in the down train who were hurt quite badly was A. J. McLean, blacksmith of Bristol, who was on his way to Woodstock, hurt on chest. Mr. Burke and daughter, of Johnville, were cut about the face by being thrown over a stove.

A woman and two children were also badly injured. Daniel Kennedy was quite badly injured. G. W. Boyer and wife, of Hartland, were badly shaken up.

Your correspondent went up by train and arrived at 6 o'clock. Workmen had managed to separate the engines, but they are badly smashed and the track is torn up, the passengers had to be transferred from Hartland to a point above the wreck.

The steam pipes in the engines were broken, thus saving the boilers from explosion. The crew of the down train claim the semaphore was down until they got within 50 feet of the engine, when it flew up and they applied the brakes which would not work.

The crew of the up train tell a different story and Alexander, the station agent and his assistant claim that the semaphore was up. Supt. D. W. Newcomb is in Hartland superintending the removal of the wreck.

FLYERS GATHERING FOR MONCTON RACES

Well Known Horses on the Ground and More Coming--More Teams from I. C. R. Freight Sheds.

Moncton, N. B., July 3--(Special)--Nineteen horses entered for the Moncton races arrived in the city tonight from Springfield. Four Island horses will be over Wednesday, and Cowans' string is expected tomorrow or next day. Phoenix W. and all the St. John horses are here, as well as Simasse, Donnell, Annie Brevet, Pearl Edison, Re'a M., Daisy Dewitt and others.

A barrel of four and lamp chimneys were stolen recently from the I. C. R. freight shed at Calhoun. I. C. R. Officer Dryden went to Meadow Brook with a search warrant to look for the stolen goods, and obtained evidence upon which a pretty strong suspicion is based. Two half-barrels of flour were found in a certain man's house, and when asked to explain where he got them, gave the names of Moncton merchants, who have since denied selling him such.

P. E. ISLAND MAN LOSES HOUSE AND BARN; WORK OF INCENDIARY

Charlottetown, P. E. Island, July 3--(Special)--The dwelling and barns of Hugh A. McCormac, at Primrose, Kings county, were destroyed by fire at an early hour yesterday morning. Mr. McCormac was absent at the time. Nothing was saved with the exception of a mower and a wagon. The fire was the work of an incendiary.

The Church of England Convention will open tomorrow and close on Wednesday. Bishop Worrell will preside and deliver addresses. Rev. W. J. Armitage of Halifax, chairman of Diocesan Sunday School Committee will speak. The Church and Educational Ideals.

The corner stone of St. Pauls new Sunday school will be laid on Wednesday evening.

Held for Incendiarism. Sanford, Me., July 3--Napoleon Ouellette, who is charged with setting fire to a new building constructed for him, on June 27, was held for the September term of the Supreme court today. Bail in \$400 was furnished.

TERRIBLE WORK OF CLOUDBURSTS

As High as 1,000 Lives Estimated to Have Been Lost

\$1,000,000 DAMAGE

Houses Undermined and Inmates Crushed to Death--Many Sought Refuge on Roofs and Then Were Lost--Bands of Thieves Pillaging.

Guantajuato, Mexico, July 3--Loss of life variously estimated at more than 200 and less than 1,000 persons, and property damage to the extent of more than \$1,000,000, have been caused by the flood which swept over this town following a cloudburst. The telegraph service has been restored and the authorities are rapidly bringing order out of chaos.

Great distress is prevalent, but aid is being received from surrounding towns and assistance of moral condition, it is believed, will soon be restored.

Burial of the dead is progressing rapidly, although many bodies are thought to be among the ruins of houses and are difficult to locate. Guantajuato, owing to its situation in a great ravine or gorge, has been subjected to floods sweeping down from the mountains and much loss of life has been recorded, but the present storm, which began Friday night and continued throughout Saturday, was unprecedented in violence. Part of the river, which was built over with masonry, burst through, augmenting the flood, and the same became one of terror and consternation. The people made haste to gather their valuables and flee and many did so at the risk of their lives, for the streets in the lower part of the city were filled with rushing waters. Four houses and some of the river water rose rapidly, and the inhabitants went to the upper floors and even to the roofs, where they were caught by the full force of the storm. Many people sought refuge in the church under its falling walls. The priest who was addressing words of hope and consolation to the people was killed. The houses and some large shops were demolished or badly damaged and some of the handsome mansions in the city were wrecked with all their rich furnishings.

The second floor of Hotel Union is under five feet of water.

Officers are trying to preserve order and to comfort the bands of thieves who are at work pillaging shops and mansions. The Federal Telegraph lines were interrupted for some time, but the service is now being restored. The water stands two feet in the building.

It is probable that many bodies will be found under the ruins of houses.

San Diego, July 3--(Special)--The San Diego fire department is now working on the ruins of the city. Many people are still camping in the mountains.

J. J. HILL'S VICTORY NOW SEEMS CERTAIN

His British Columbia Railway Bill Ordered to Third Reading

Ottawa, July 3--(Special)--In the house today the Vancouver, Victoria and East coast railway bill, which had been so bitterly contested in the railway committee, comes up on Wednesday, for its third reading.

Upon motion of Mr. McPherson, of Vancouver, a new clause was added stipulating that the construction of the western section from Cloverdale, shall be commenced within two years and continuously prosecuted toward Princeton.

Mr. Foster had given notice of a proposed amendment that the company shall not be allowed to divert its line south of the international boundary unless it is necessary to overcome engineering difficulties, nor until satisfactory guarantees have been given that the line from Cloverdale to Princeton will be completed on Canadian territory within a reasonable time.

The minister of railways announced that the government did not think it necessary to impose these restrictions on the railway. In the committee the British Columbia members were agreed that Canadian interests are already sufficiently guarded by the bill as it stands.

In reply to a question by Dr. Sprague, the minister of justice stated that the government intends introducing legislation upon the Sunday question satisfactory to all parties interested, providing the judicial committee of the privy council decides that the Canadian parliament has authority to regulate this matter.

It was announced that the third reading of the Northwest autonomy bill will be moved Wednesday.

FOUR TALKED OF FOR HAY'S PLACE

Elihu Root Could be Secretary of State if He Wished

OTHERS MENTIONED

Senator Lodge is a Likely Man but President Needs His Aid in the Senate--Belief General That Secretary of War Taft will Eventually Be Chosen.

(From Our Own Correspondent.) New York, July 3--National interest in the United States centres upon the question of the successor to Secretary Hay. It is the opinion of your correspondent that President Roosevelt's personal choice for the place is Secretary of War Taft. For various reasons, however, including Taft's availability in his present position, the president may be constrained to select another man.

When the news reached Washington today, according to the Evening Post correspondent, that the president had requested Elihu Root to attend Mr. Hay's funeral in Cleveland as the representative of the state department, "many persons reached significance to the incident, and it is not until the last four weeks or so that the company felt the time had come to act.

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The detectives are also said to have made a point of looking up the record of the accused in the west some twenty years ago.

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CALVIN AUSTIN IN FATAL COLLISION

Schooner Yacht Cut in Two Off Boston Light, Monday, on Trip to St. John--One Life Lost and Four Survivors Picked Up and Brought to This Port.

Boston, July 3--The small schooner yacht, Chromo, of this port, was run down and sunk during a thick fog off Boston light this afternoon, by the steamer Calvin Austin, bound out for St. John, (N. B.). One man was drowned and four were rescued by the steamer which proceeded on her way east.

The Chromo was a small 8-ton vessel built in Gloucester in 1878. She was 22 feet long, 10.4 feet wide and 5 feet deep. A few miles from the scene of the accident the Austin spoke the pilot boat No. 3, and stated the name of the man who was lost was Fred Dennis, of 307 Saratoga street, East Boston. Those who were rescued by the steamer and taken on to St. John were George

NORTH SHORE HAS A SENSATION

A. & R. Loggie's Bookkeeper at Dalhousie Charged with Embezzlement

John Stohard Arrested on Evidence of Montreal Detective Employed as Clerk So That He Might Watch Him--Released on Bail for Examination Next Friday--Theft of Money and Goods is Charged.

Campbellton, N. B., July 3--(Special)--A sensational arrest was made in this county on Friday last and, though the facts have been kept very quiet, the story is now out. John Stohard, for nineteen years bookkeeper for A. & R. Loggie, the big canning men, was arrested charged with embezzlement from his employers at Dalhousie, and is now out on bail for preliminary hearing next Friday.

The story is lifted out of the commonplace by the prominence of the accused and the fact that a Montreal detective's sharp work was the means which led to the arrest.

As far back as seven months ago, it is said, there were suspicions that all was not right. But to confirm the fears was the difficulty. A watch was kept, but it was not until the last four weeks or so that the company felt the time had come to act.

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ENDORSE DOMINION REGISTRATION OF GRADUATE NURSES

Women's Council Passes Resolution to This Effect and Will Seek Aid of Medical Councils.

Charlottetown, P. E. Island, July 3--(Special)--At a meeting of the National Council of Women today, it was decided after a long discussion, that another edition of the hand book was necessary.

Miss Cary read a paper on registration for graduate nurses and as a result of the discussion, which followed, a resolution was passed that the council secure if possible co-operation of the medical councils of the several provinces and that they assist the graduate nurses association to secure registration under the Dominion government.

After a not discussion a resolution, moved by Mrs. Dignam, president of the Women's Art Association of Canada, that the dominion government purchase for the Ottawa art gallery, portraits of Miss Wallace, Canadian artist in Paris, passed by a vote of 28 to 50. This motion was strenuously opposed by many members on the ground that it was wrong to establish this precedent of discrimination.

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Stack, Henry Austin, Charles Robbins and Ernest Hall. The Chromo was formerly a fishing schooner, but two years ago she ran ashore in the harbor and was pulled off considerably injured. Subsequently she was converted into a yacht and yesterday three men, prospective purchasers decided to look her over and started a sail down the harbor with two men representing the owners, Betts & Co., of this city.

They were on their way back this noon when the Austin suddenly loomed up and the fog and moment later struck the little vessel amidships and cut her in two pieces.