

ACTION DEFERRED ON OBJECTIONABLE TERMS

Questions of Indemnity and Cession of Territory
Side-tracked for a Time.

Peace Conference Debated Four Hours Saturday Over
Status of Korea—Witte Declares Japanese Are Dishonest
in Their Designs on Hermit Kingdom—Russian
Answer to Peace Terms Read and Business Proceeded
—Feeling That Rupture May Come Not So General—
Japanese Press Criticism.

Portsmouth, N. H., Aug. 13.—No progress has been made with the peace negotiations over Sunday. They stand exactly where they did last night. The session of the plenipotentiaries which was to have been held this afternoon was postponed by mutual agreement out of deference to the fact that this was the Holy Sabbath which is universally observed in Russia as a day of rest. The Russians had not been anxious for a session today and this morning the Japanese took the initiative and, through the intermediary of Mr. Deane, it was decided to postpone the sitting until tomorrow morning. The situation therefore remains the same. It would perhaps not be too much to say that the general feeling is more hopeful in spite of open predictions made by persons connected with both sides of the negotiations that before next Sunday the plenipotentiaries will reach an impasse where a rupture will become inevitable. This pessimistic view is based upon the fact so far as known the two big barriers to an agreement—indemnity and Sakhalin—remain as high and insurmountable as ever.

The real struggle is only postponed. The main problems are no nearer solution than when the plenipotentiaries met. The principal reason for this is the fact that the plenipotentiaries are not yet ready to take up the consideration of the conditions of the peace. From this it is argued that the plenipotentiaries are not yet ready to take up the consideration of the conditions of the peace. From this it is argued that the plenipotentiaries are not yet ready to take up the consideration of the conditions of the peace.

An intimation comes from a high source that very strong outside influences are at work upon both sides and that for the moment the effort is to gain time. The plan of having Russia practically satisfy Japan's claim of reimbursement for the cost of the war by the Japanese military evacuation of Sakhalin continues to be advanced. Such a condition would permit Russia to say she had paid neither indemnity nor ceded a foot of territory.

Witte Protests About Korea.
The debate in yesterday's conference over the first condition—the recognition of Japan's "preponderant influence" over Korea, involving her right to control the administration of the Hermit Kingdom, was a remarkable character. Indeed, the position taken by Mr. Witte was entirely new in the history of the negotiations. His attitude reveals plainly the Russian tactics. They propose to raise before the world the spectre of the "yellow peril." Russia claims that Japan's present purpose is to get a foothold on the Asiatic continent from which to extend her influence and dominion.

Mr. Witte made no objection but he declared the words "preponderant influence" did not adequately describe the situation Japan proposed to do and he insisted that the language used should show Japan's true purpose—which he contended was to make a Japanese province of Korea. His argument might be summarized as follows: Russia has no objection to Japan taking Korea but you must agree to let us have it as to be taken to secure for herself in Korea the commercial and industrial position to which she was entitled to aid in the civilization and development, and to protect the kingdom from administrative anarchy.

Korea the Bone of Contention for Years.
The fact that the Korean question should be the first to be discussed in the peace conference is strangely fitting as it was over Korea that the long struggle between Russia and Japan which culminated in the present bloody war began. After Japan was forced out of Port Arthur and Liao Tung in 1905 each became suspicious of the intentions of the other's influence in Korea and first in the Lohanoff agreement of 1906 and later in the Nishi-Rosen agreement of 1907 they entered upon mutual obligations. In the former Japan secured

forth a bill, and the one hundred and twelve women and eight gentlemen who, besides the envoys made up the congregation, were given an impressive illustration of the liberality of the Russians.

Mr. Witte was a keen observer of every feature of the service. He did not take his eyes from the procession of altar boys and choristers in their white robes and red sashes. His gaze, however, was rather that of reverence than of curiosity.

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WIFE WITNESSED HUSBAND'S DROWNING

Halifax Business Man Went
Down While His Children
Played on Shore

Halifax, Aug. 13.—(Special)—While bathing in the Arm Saturday afternoon about 12.30 o'clock Harry W. Cox, son of J. P. Cox, commission merchant, was drowned. With his wife and children and two lady friends, Mrs. and Miss Gordon, of Ohio, he went out about noon intending to spend the day on the shore of the Arm. Cox was seen to throw up his hands and call for assistance. Miss Gordon heroically responded but before she reached him he sank.

Mrs. Cox and Miss Gordon, who had remained on shore with the children, seeing what had occurred, rushed into the water and nearly lost their lives. The ladies were removed from the water in an unconscious condition and it took a long time to resuscitate them. Mrs. and Miss Gordon were then removed to the V. G. Hospital for further treatment and are greatly improved.

Cox's body was recovered soon after and everything possible done to resuscitate him, but he had died. Deceased was about 35 years of age and a member of the firm of J. P. Cox & Co. He was highly popular in business and social circles and a member of Burns Lodge A. F. and A. M.

He brought in. He sent for Mr. Shipoff and Mr. Fokloff and the lights were still burning at midnight, in their rooms.

Russians Haven't Asked of Armistice.
Portsmouth, N. H., Aug. 12.—Prospects of a successful outcome of the peace negotiations are not greatly improved. When the plenipotentiaries met this morning they found no change in the conditions of the peace.

Some sort of private understanding arrived at by Komura and Witte during the recess at the navy yard to a committee of the plenipotentiaries. No evidence of a change of the uncompromising attitude on the part of the plenipotentiaries was observed.

Russian Answer Handed Japs.
The Russian reply with its non possumus as to indemnity and Sakhalin has been presented in the morning, yet in spite of this fact at 3 o'clock the plenipotentiaries met and after agreeing to discuss the conditions of the peace they adjourned.

"Russian Bluff," Says Jap Paper
Tokio, Aug. 13.—The Nippon this morning in reference to the peace negotiations said the following:

"Reports from abroad purporting to come from Russian authority to the effect that the plenipotentiaries of Russia refuse the cession of territory and the payment of indemnity are nothing but mere bluff."

The Russian diplomacy has shown itself to be full of bluffing and intimidation, particularly so during the period preceding the present hostilities.

Whatever differences may exist between the plenipotentiaries of Russia and Japan, they are not of the kind that would lead to a rupture of the negotiations in view of the reported refusal of Russia to cede territory.

French Press Comment.
Paris, Aug. 12.—The French press uniformly retained from commenting on the Japanese peace terms until acquainted with the Russian opinion in Russia. Most of the journals today agree with regard to the severity of the concessions as set forth by the Associated Press cablegram.

The Temps editorially analyzes the terms dividing them into three categories: the first comprising the acceptable conditions, the evacuation of Manchuria, the evacuation of Sakhalin, and the evacuation of the Harbin railroad and the recognition of Japan's preponderance over Korea.

Father Savage Ill.
Moncton, Aug. 13.—(Special)—Rev. Father Savage, the new pastor of the Holy Trinity Church, who was expected to take charge of the services today, was taken ill yesterday and was unable to be about. The congregation had intended to tender a reception to the new pastor at the close of the evening services, and French but the ceremony had to be postponed.

Sackville Farm Sold for \$10,000
Sackville, N. B., Aug. 12.—(Special)—Albert T. Fawcett, of Sackville, today sold his farm here to Fred B. Doncaster, the price being in the vicinity of \$10,000. The farm is by far the best in Sackville. Mr. Doncaster takes possession at once. Mr. Fawcett has been obliged to give up active duties in consequence of ill health and will spend the coming winter in California.

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GAVE BABY CARBOLIC FOR CASTOR OIL WITH FATAL RESULTS

Digby, N. S., Aug. 13.—(Special)—A fatal accident occurred at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Forest, Bay Road, yesterday, when Mrs. Forest gave her only child, a two weeks' old baby, carbolic acid instead of castor oil. When the mistake was discovered Mr. Ford was summoned at once but arrived too late to save the child's life.

An inquest was held before Coroner Daly and a verdict returned according to the facts.

St. Martins News.
St. Martins, Aug. 11.—Robert Ferguson, manager of S. H. White's mill at Little Salmon River, was in this village on Thursday in search of men to work on the dam in course of construction at Little Salmon River.

The Baptist Sabbath school went from here by train to Upland and held their annual picnic on the grounds of H. H. Sherwood.

Harry Colpitts, of Moncton, is visiting relatives here.

Miss Grace Ewing, of St. John, is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. McIntyre.

Miss Bessie Charlton, of St. John, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. C. Miller.

John Power, of Roxbury (Mass.), is spending a short time here with friends and relatives.

Mr. Cullen, of Boston; Mr. and Mrs. O'Reilly, and Miss O'Brien, of St. John, are guests of the Commercial House.

Mrs. Keenan and children of Boston, are visiting Mrs. Keenan's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. Burchill.

Miss Ethel Collins, of St. John, is the guest of Miss Helen Carson.

Mrs. Fred McLean, of Woodstock, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Bourke.

Mrs. Fred Black and daughters, Ethel, and Essie, are visiting relatives and friends at Smithtown, and Salina, Kings county.

John Parker, of New York, is here visiting relatives.

The Sabbath school of St. Martins held their picnic on Tuesday afternoon at the lighthouse grounds. Charles Brown, who has charge of the lighthouse, entertained the school with some choice phonograph selections.

John Patterson, of St. John, is visiting his parents Mr. and Mrs. George B. Patterson.

Fred McConner, artist of Boston, who spent a short time here with relatives, returned to his home on Thursday.

Hopewell Hill News.
Hopewell Hill, Aug. 11.—Mrs. Alfred Fales, of Hopewell Hill, was called to Pleasant Vale on Saturday on account of the death of her mother, Mrs. James Colpitts.

Alfred Fales and George Milton, of Pleasant Vale, who went west last spring, returned home on Monday.

Laurie M. Colpitts left by today's train for Lunenburg, Saskatchewan, where he will take the principalship of a school. Mr. Colpitts is a B. A. of Mount Allison '03, M. A. '04, and for the past year has been principal of the Brunswick Superior school.

Miss Marie Stewart gave a very enjoyable party to a number of her friends last evening.

The schooner Free Trade, which loaded plaster here this week, was arrested yesterday for neglecting to enter at the custom house at Hopewell Cape, but was released on a deposit of \$100 being made in their behalf.

White, of the Free Trade, claims that he went to the customs office at the Cape three different times and couldn't get in. The vessel will probably sail today.

Gagetown News.
Gagetown, Aug. 11.—Hot weather prevails at present.

We had a sharp thunder and lightning storm last evening with a good fall of rain.

Some of the haymakers are now on the intervals, having finished their highland haymaking which was a good yield.

Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Clark and Mrs. Crookshank, of Fredericton, with their children, are at the hotel here, the guest of Miss Mollie Oddy.

Dr. Geo. Simpson, Boston, is home for a vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Bacon are spending a few days at Sackville, guests of Mrs. Bacon's brother, Mr. J. M. Palmer.

Mrs. A. W. McDermott, St. John, and Mrs. Mabel Hamilton, Boston, are visiting at their respective homes.

Body of Roy Northrup Recovered.
Roy T. Northrup, 17 years old, pantry boy on the river steamer Crystal Stream, was drowned Saturday at Cole's Island, near the mouth of the Saint John, while Queens county.

The body of the father is mate of the bathing. The body of the mother is mate of the bathing.

The body was recovered half an hour after the accident. Although there was a crowd near, it was impossible to render assistance to the boy while he was drowning. The body will be brought to St. John for interment. There is much sympathy with his parents.

Boy Drowned at Campobello.
At Welchport, Campobello, Monday, the five-year-old son of Wellington Parker had been under the wharves picking up chips when he did not come home to supper his parents became alarmed. His body was found under a wharf, he having apparently been caught by the rising tide.

The sluice gate at Latimer Lake was opened yesterday for a short time and a stream of water admitted to the ditch which leads through the dry lake to Ellerslie brook. It was found that there was a slight overflow in the direction of the contractors' works, and the flow was stopped for certain alterations to be made. It is expected that the water will be again turned on today. Every care has been taken to prevent pollution of the water, and the contractors have been notified. If any trouble should be met with it is probable that arrests will be made.

Reports from the Head of Millstream indicate that the root crops are suffering from lack of rain. Root crops are also said in need of a shower.

Henry Harvey, the smallpox patient at the Isolation hospital, was discharged last Friday. He has fully recovered.

NEW LIGHT FOR GANNET ROCK

Ottawa Official Here Tells of
Many Improvements on
Atlantic Coast

**POWERFUL LIGHT TO
BE PUT ON CAPE RACE**

List of Places Along Coast Where New
Lights Are to be Placed—Other
Plans for Aiding the Mariners.

J. F. Fraser, commissioner of lights, of the department of marine and fisheries, Ottawa, was at the Royal yesterday. Mr. Fraser and R. J. Harding, agent of the department at this port, returned yesterday morning on the steamer Landsever after a tour of inspection to Yarmouth and the Lunenburg lighthouse, seventeen miles from Yarmouth.

While at the Lunenburg they visited the new automatic buoy recently placed near the lighthouse and found that it had sunk and was not working. The steamer Lady Aberdeen, which was also at the Lunenburg, took the buoy in tow Sunday and left for Halifax. Another buoy was put in its place. It is thought that when the new automatic buoy was put down that it was not given enough chain, and the test therefore proved unsatisfactory. The light-house will be supplied soon with larger lanterns.

Gannet Rock Improvements.
The work on the new Gannet Rock lighthouse and gun signal station is progressing favorably. The concrete wall is about half finished and will be all up in about two weeks. The fog has been very dense, and caused great inconvenience in getting material to work with at the rock. John Tennant is superintending the work, with Richard Fitzgerald, who is a local carpenter.

A second order double flashing dioptric light will be installed at Gannet Rock. This is the first of the new lights to be put in the new department scheme for lighting the river and Gulf of St. Lawrence and the Atlantic seaboard. It is expected that the work will be far enough advanced to commence installation in about five weeks, and that the apparatus is now stored in the city in charge of Mr. Harding. The lantern and apparatus is worth approximately \$15,000.

A similar light, but one of greater candle power, will be erected in the near future at Cape Race (Nfld.) With the exception of ten or twelve electric lighthouses in foreign countries the new Cape Race light will be one of the most powerful in the world. The candle power of one single light of this type radial light, though such a light is difficult of accurate measurement, will be about 700,000 c. p.

Lights of this class will be installed at Cape Race, Cape Bonaventure, Cape Norman (Nfld.), Greenly Island, Straits of Bellefleur, Heath Pt., Anticosti, Pame Pt., Cape Macdougall, Matane, Metis and Min River (Que.), Byron Island, Gulf of St. Lawrence, Cape Esmont, Sea Cow Head, Cape Tison, Pictou Island (N. S.), Miramichi Beach at Miramichi, and Seal Island (N. S.). Others will be installed in British Columbia.

To Light the Signal Buoys.
It is also the intention of the department to light the coast signal buoys. The light at Pictou Island will be improved by the substitution of acetylene gas for the present system.

Several places along the Bay of Fundy, Mr. Fraser says, will be lighted, and it is highly probable that before long they will be installed, but the matter has not yet been officially considered.

Mr. Fraser left last night for Halifax, where he will continue his investigations into the further aid to navigation needed in the maritime provinces.

Central Contract Not Yet Closed.
It is generally understood, in fact, it has been stated upon excellent authority, that Brown Bros., contractors, who let the contract for the work on the Central Railway, have not yet closed the contract.

The contract for the work on the Central Railway, which was let by the provincial government, will be carried out in the Fredericton plant.

The Telegraph learned last night from an authoritative source that the contract for the work on the Central Railway has not yet been closed.

Do Not Wait for Sickness.
Do not wait until your good health is impaired, but take steps to keep it up to the mark. Remember that ailments, apparently trifling, may very soon develop into serious diseases.

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