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The SS. Lake Michigan Badly Damaged Below the Waterline.

London, Feb. 22.—The steamer Lake Michigan, which collided with the bark Matterhorn, Friday, is still ashore near Dungeness. Owing to a heavy wind it is feared that the vessel will become a wreck. Tugs from Dover have succeeded in getting water aboard for the cattle, but they are unable, owing to the heavy sea, to supply the Lake Michigan with pumps. Forty-six members of the crew were landed at Dover, where they were supplied with clothing. The crew returned to the vessel. It is believed the Lake Michigan is damaged below the water line amidships.

AND YET ANOTHER.

Mary Malcolm Had Bright's Disease and Hope Was Abandoned—Dodd's Kidney Pills Again.

Toronto, Ont., Feb. 22.—Following the cures of Mrs. Adams and Mrs. Philip of Bright's Disease comes another yet more remarkable cure of the same terrible disease by the same old reliable Dodd's Kidney Pills. Miss Mary Malcolm, who lives with her parents at 190 Marlborough avenue, this city, was ill with Bright's Disease from May till September. She was so swollen with dropsy that she was almost unrecognizable. Her death was expected to be a matter of days, if not hours. Preparations for the funeral were already commenced when it was resolved to try Dodd's Kidney Pills. Within a week the young girl was able to be out. Today she is as healthy as any one could wish to be. Dodd's Kidney Pills did it.

UNCLE SAM BOMBARDS.

Paris, Feb. 22.—A dispatch from San Domingo says the United States cruiser Columbia and the training ship Hartford have bombarded Duarte, which is occupied by the insurgents.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 21.—Late tonight the American state department received a cablegram from United States Minister Powell, dated at San Domingo, Feb. 16, saying: "A decisive battle has been fought between the government forces and the insurgents. It extended over two days and resulted in a victory for the government. The siege has been raised and the insurgents are in retreat."

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THE IROQUOIS INQUIRY

Five Indictments Issued by the Chicago Grand Jury.

Chicago, Feb. 22.—The special grand jury summoned to investigate the Iroquois Theater fire and the charges made against persons indirectly connected with the tragedy of Dec. 30, completed its labors Saturday by voting indictments against five men and no bills against four others. The formal report of the jury will not be made public until next Tuesday. Those who were indicted are: Will J. Davis, part owner of the Iroquois Theater; Thos. Noonan, business manager of the theater; and James E. Cummins, stage carpenter, all of whom are charged with manslaughter; George Williams, city building commissioner, and Edward Laughlin, city building inspector, charged with culpable omission of official duty in office. "No bills" were voted against Mayor Harrison, Fire Marshal Musham, Fireman Wm. H. Sellers and Wm. McMullen, operator of the flood light, which set fire to the asbestos curtain. Although the indictment was voted by the grand jury, the report of the jury will not be made public until Tuesday afternoon, when the report of the jury will be formulated.

SPECULATOR'S RUSE

False War Rumors on Rome Exchange Causes a Flurry.

Rome, Feb. 22.—Rumors of warlike preparations by Italy having been circulated, a semi-official communication has emanated from the German Government to the effect that stories of alleged armaments and movements of warships and troops for service abroad are entirely false. Indications exist that this false news is connected with stock exchange speculation, and those responsible, have been brought before the law, with imprisonment before the law courts to be punished according to law, with imprisonment from three to thirty months. The communication evidently alludes to the insistence by a portion of the press that Italy will be antagonistic to Austria in the Balkans, and to predictions of international complications thus causing a fall in Italian bonds, and a rise in the exchange on gold.

FIRE AT WOODSTOCK

A Clothing Store and Contents Completely Destroyed.

Woodstock, Ont., Feb. 22.—At about 8 o'clock yesterday morning fire was discovered in the fine brick store on Dundas street, owned by Mrs. Kendall, and occupied by J. O. Trotter, clothier. Before the fire could be subdued the store and contents were completely destroyed. The total loss on stock, estimated at \$15,000; insurance, \$7,000. Loss on building as yet unknown; insurance \$5,000. The fire burned fiercely for a couple of hours, the burning clothing making it impossible to locate the seat of the flames, which originated in the basement, caused by an explosion of gas. The second floor was occupied by the public library, the division court, A. S. Ball's law office, H. V. Knight's law office, T. B. Coverdill's stock exchange and several other business offices, all of which were badly damaged by fire, smoke and water.

KING EDWARD TO THE RUSSIANS

His Majesty Said To Be Willing to Mediate.

IF THE CZAR IS AGREEABLE

Chinese Authorities Order Russian Gunboat From Neutral Port—Kodama to Command Japs.

London, Feb. 22.—A Port Arthur dispatch dated Feb. 21, says: Sounds of desultory firing at sea were heard almost nightly, and this morning firing was again heard. This is doubtless due to the attempted approach of Japanese torpedo boats, but nothing serious has developed. The garrison is in excellent spirits, and is firmly convinced of the ultimate success of the Russian arms.

The Paris Petit Parisien's London correspondent says that during an interview preceding the departure from London for St. Petersburg yesterday of Count Benckendorff, the Russian ambassador, Lord Lansdowne, the British Foreign Minister, intimated to him that King Edward was willing to offer his mediation in the war in the far east if the Czar thought he could accept it.

ORDERED RUSSIANS AWAY.

A Shanghai dispatch says: Urged by the Japanese consulate here, the local ordered the Russian gunboat Mandajur to leave the harbor before five o'clock this afternoon, but the order was ignored. It is reported that a Chinese squadron has been ordered here to enforce the local's demand and to enable Japanese steamship companies to resume service between Japan and Shanghai.

THE FOREIGN SESSIONS.

A Paris dispatch says: "While France has acceded to the British proposal for the extension of neutrality by China to all points in China, the action in no wise impairs the rights of powers under their leases. The question has been brought up that the British proposal tended to reaffirm Chinese sovereignty over the points occupied, as well as to foreign municipalities, but the view of French authorities that there is no change in the status of these territories in consequence of the extension of Chinese neutrality."

KODAMA IN COMMAND.

The announcement that General Kodama has been replaced in the Japanese Cabinet by Mr. Koshikawa is regarded as meaning that General Kodama is about to take command of the Japanese land force, Kodama, who is Japan's leading general, has been working during the China-Japanese war. It is said that Viceroy Alexieff has asked the ministry of marine to send him officers who are not too old, of whom he already has too many. The viceroy has issued orders to the Chinese throughout Manchuria, seeking to enlist their sympathy and their assistance in maintaining the railway intact. It is reported that to them Japan's treacherous methods in beginning the war.

ON INDIA'S ROBERTS.

The Standard's Kiev correspondent hears that the Caucasus and Turkestan armies are to be mobilized. He adds that the rumor is not confirmed officially, but says if it is true it can only be interpreted as a veiled threat against India in certain emergencies. The Tsin Tsin correspondent of the Standard reports the attack by five hundred Chinese brigades on the Russian post at Foo Chow as probably an attempt to reach the sea. The correspondent of the Times at Tokio announces that the Mikado has issued a decree appointing him to the duties of adviser, thus giving him direct access to the sovereign.

The Awful Distress Of Irritable Nerves

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THE DREYFUS CASE.
Paris, Feb. 22.—M. Boyer, reporter of the court of cassation, submitted his report on the Dreyfus case on Saturday. The court will take it up next week and it is expected will complete its examination early in March.

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CIVILIANS FLEE FROM PT. ARTHUR

Russia Is Prepared for a Siege of Two Years.

THE RAILROAD WELL PROTECTED

An Enormous Consignment of Artillery En Route From Russia—275,000 Troops in Manchuria.

Yin Kow, Feb. 22.—By means of a special permission obtained from Major Gen. Plig, Viceroy Alexieff's chief of staff, a newspaper correspondent succeeded in passing the lines under official escort and visited Port Arthur, which is closed to all civilians. The correspondent gives the following description of conditions generally: "Only 30 per cent of the population remains at Port Arthur, and many of these are leaving. The trains are still crowded with refugees. Railroad conditions are excellent, and trains are running on schedule time. The peninsula of Lao Tung is quiet. Adequate guards are maintained at all culverts and bridges, and preparations for defense are being continued. The troops in the vicinity of Kiu Chou are active. A strong force is guarding the narrowest section of the peninsula. The authorities have mitigated war conditions at Port Arthur by fixing the prices of foodstuffs. The prices of other commodities, however, have advanced. The authorities have taken possession of all food supplies in stores which were deserted by Chinese and other merchants. They are providing for a siege by sending wheat milling machinery to Port Arthur, and claim that there is a sufficient food supply there for a resistance of two years. Japanese refugees, under the personal supervision of the viceroy and Gen. Plancon, are leaving Port Arthur on two leased ships. The local agents of two leased steamers, the Foxton Hall and another, which were despatched during the Japanese attack, are endeavoring to induce the captains of these vessels to return and reclaim them. The Brand, the only ship now remaining at Port Arthur, will leave there on Feb. 21 with refugees and dispatches. Although the harbor on the Lao Tung Peninsula have been reopened, the authorities do not expect further arrivals. The Japanese fleet, which is sighted at intervals from Golden Hill, completely controls the gulf, and under the imperfect police system all incoming are treated as spies. The repairs to the Russian fleet are proceeding. The cruiser Novik has been docked, but the condition of the battleships Czarevitch and Retzian remains unchanged. Engineers say that the Retzian will be floated in a few days. The official reports commend Capt. Essen, of the Novik, and Capt. Bersian, of the Boyarin, for gallant conduct on Feb. 8, and indicate that, in spite of the fact that no Japanese losses were reported, the Russians did some damage. Capt. Stepanoff, who was in command of the torpedo transport Yenisei (which was reported to have blown up from an accidental contact with a mine), is declared to have met a heroic death in trying to save his crew. Shippers are of the opinion that the harbor of Dally will be unsafe for years to come, on account of stray mines from the Yenisei, some of which are reported as drifting in the open sea. The Novik has suspended publication, and only issues bulletins. The city is darkened every night, but Viceroy Alexieff's house is lighted, although the people understand that he is at Harbin. Gen. Valkoff is in command of the non-combatant force at Harbin. Gen. Linch and Gen. Dretsch have left Liao Yang (about half-way between New Chang and Mukden). When the Tenth Regiment is near Kin Chow, the Twelfth Regiment near Liao Yang, it is intended to commence a simultaneous advance toward the Yalu River. While Major-Gen. Plig is advancing the troops from Mukden to the Yalu River, he will, at the same time, be strengthening his center and preparing to defend the railroad and the north gulf coast in force. The military authorities are thoroughly unprepared to rush reinforcements. An enormous consignment of artillery is reported to be en route from Russia, and it is said without hesitation that there were not over 25,000 troops in Manchuria and at Vladivostok when the war began. The administration authorities of Port Arthur assure that the Japanese have landed in Korea only."

A WIARTON MYSTERY

Aged Woman of Means Found Dead in Her House.

Warton, Ont., Feb. 22.—What appears to be a case of death by freezing or foul play was discovered at Oliphant, six miles west of here yesterday morning. An old lady named Mrs. Cochrane was found dead by her bedside, frozen stiff for years the old lady has lived a secluded and some say a miserable existence in a little shanty in the woods. She was the possessor of a good bank account, but it was generally supposed she did not keep any of her wealth in the cabin. The severity of the recent storm and her helplessness make it probable that she was the victim of the weather, there was no wood and little to eat in the house. An inquest will be held.

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At Plymouth—Blucher, from New York.
At Flume—Aurania, from New York.
At Genoa—California, from New York.
At Southampton—New York, from New York.
At Queenstown—Umbria, from New York.
At Marseilles—Perugia, from New York.
At Genoa—California, from Liverpool.
At Southampton—New York, from New York.
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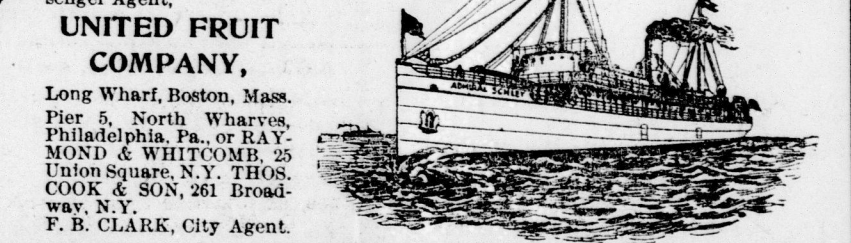
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