

OVER TEN THOUSAND SLAIN IN ASIA MINOR

Massacres by Mohammedan Fanatics Continue-- Whole Country Around Adana Is Now Smoking Wilderness--Horrible Torture of Victims.

Smyrna, April 22.—Reliable information to-day indicates that yesterday's estimate of 10,000 dead as the result of the massacres in Asia Minor was far too low.

Some figures to-day show a probability that the number of victims may be nearer 20,000 than 10,000. Disorders have increased and the butchery and horrible maltreatment of defenseless victims is reported from a number of different points.

It seems impossible to check the outrages until the situation at Constantinople is settled and some definite form of government is established.

Entire Villages Wiped Out. London, April 22.—A special dispatch from Athens says that telegrams received there from Mersina set forth that fully 19,000 persons were killed in the anti-Christian rioting of the last few days in the Adana and Tarsus districts.

Entire villages were razed and the country is a smoking wilderness. Another Town Destroyed. Smyrna, April 22.—Messages from Ayas say that rioters broke into the jail there to-day and released 400 prisoners.

Pillaging, rioting, robbery, arson and murder is general, and the town is under a reign of terror. At Tarsus 5,000 are homeless and not less than 200 have been murdered by the rioters. More than 250 houses have been burned at that place.

Kirikian, southeast of Alexandretta, has been utterly destroyed by fire. Missionaries in Danger.

Five American women are in danger of being murdered or tortured by the Armenian fanatics at Hadjin. Miss Lambert, one of the missionaries, sent a telegram to-day, saying that the town was filled with troops and that they were threatening the lives of all there.

Yesterday's riots at Aleppo were resumed to-day with increased fury.

KITCHENER WILL INSPECT FORCES

INSTRUCTED TO REPORT ON CANADIAN DEFENCES Will Come to Victoria After Going Over Battlefields of Manchuria.

(Special to the Times.) London, April 22.—Lord Kitchener leaves India early in August. He goes to Japan first, then to China. Accompanied by experienced Japanese officers, placed at his command by the Mikado, he will go over the battlefields in Manchuria made famous in the Russo-Japanese war.

SENATOR AND MEMBER CLASH

SCENE IN CORRIDOR OF QUEBEC CHAMBER Armand Laverque Threatens to Slap Choquette's Face.

(Special to the Times.) Quebec, April 22.—Armand Lavergne and Senator Choquette had an altercation in the corridors of the legislative chambers last night and almost came to blows. Lavergne, who had taken umbrage to references in Choquette's newspaper, "Leocler De Montagny," marched up to Choquette saying: "You mentioned my wife in your paper; I'll slap your face."

SNOW COVERS THE PRAIRIES

COLDEST SPRING IN THIRTY YEARS Unfavorable Weather Adds to Anxiety of Farmers and Grain Men.

(Special to the Times.) Winnipeg, April 22.—Western Canada awoke this morning to find the ground covered with snow and to experience a biting northwest wind. It was seven above this morning here, zero at Prince Rupert and four above at Qu'Appelle. It has put another damper on seeding operations.

Southern Alberta is the only part of Western Canada where favorable weather conditions for seeding were reported yesterday. In that district about sixty per cent of spring wheat seeding is done but it requires a week of warm weather to warm the ground and bring the fall wheat along.



MR. JOS. MARTIN IN BRITISH POLITICS. (NO. 4.) The Candidate—Gentlemen, I am proud to be your candidate. Now, when I was in the Colonies, I despised "White-shirted Hoboes" and told them so. Of course, Charles Sechin, Francis Lacy and Carter-Cotton had me thrown out of the government for it, but if you gentlemen support me I'll go to London and repeat the remark on the very spot where Francis Lacy got his accent and his hyphen.

PREPARING TO ATTACK PALACE

YOUNG TURKS COMPLETE INVESTMENT OF CITY Germany Reported to Have Promised to Support the Sultan

(Times Leased Wire.) Vienna, April 22.—The Young Turks are preparing to attack the Sultan's palace, according to private advices received from Constantinople to-day. At the last moment, the informant says, the proposed agreement between the Sultan and the invaders was nullified.

GETTING "BIG MONEY."

Like a chastened truant I made my way back to Tankton by the first train going in that direction. The "Muley" Brighton arrested and in jail. As a simple statement of fact this news gave me no small pleasure. But upon further contemplation, which I indulged in, during the two hours the combination freight and passenger required to cover the distance of fourteen miles from Blankville to Tankton, I was beset with uneasy thoughts that this legal action might establish a precedent and be regarded as the proper form of concluding contests in Tankton.

ROOSEVELT FEARS JUNGLES ARE GONE

Finds All the Comforts of Home and Evidences of Civilization. (By Francis Dawson, staff correspondent of the United Press.) Mombasa, British East Africa, April 22.—"There are so many evidences of civilization everywhere that I am beginning to be skeptical as to the existence of the jungles," said Colonel Roosevelt at a dinner in his honor. The former president and party arrived here yesterday.

PROPOSES TO INCREASE DUTY ON LUMBER

(Times Leased Wire.) Washington, D.C., April 22.—Senator Piles has introduced an amendment to the tariff bill restoring the lumber rate to the Dingley schedule. The bill, which passed the house, provided for dollar-lumber, while the Piles amendment puts a 32 rate on lumber. The amendment also provides for a tariff of 50 cents on shingles.

TOO EXTRAVAGANT.

Residents of Oregon City Sign Petition Asking For Recall of Mayor and Council. Estacade, Ogn., April 22.—Lively scenes in the political and municipal affairs of this city are predicted because of the recall petition signed by 50 per cent of the residents and directed against Mayor W. A. Heyman and the entire city council. The recall was served last night and it is thought will be made within a few days. The charge against the city executive and the councilmen is that they have been too extravagant with the city's funds.

RECEIVED WHEAT KING RECEIVES THREATENING LETTERS

Strain of Recent Fight in Pit Has Affected Health. Chicago, April 22.—It was learned to-day that James A. Patten, who disappeared from this city during the heat of his battle in the wheat pit, has fled in fear of his life. During the past few days he received many letters conveying threats of death. The criticisms that have been heaped upon the wheat king by pulpit and press are known to have caused him much worry. Since the receipt of threatening letters he has been extremely nervous, and his friends feared a general collapse.

CANADA'S PART IN IMPERIAL DEFENCE

Subject Discussed at Rousing Meeting Under Navy League Auspices--Resolution Passed Favoring Contribution in Some Shape.

That Canada should make an immediate and unconditional gift to the imperial navy was the opinion expressed by resolution at a large meeting held in the Victoria theatre last evening under the auspices of the local branch of the Navy League. There was not an empty seat in the house, and the gathering was a most enthusiastic one. The stage and auditorium had been fittingly decorated with bunting under the supervision of Captain Crawford of the Shearwater. At the back of the stage sat twenty handymen from that vessel, splendid types of the men who have made the power of the empire felt around the world, and who keep the ways open for all mankind to travel in peace. Their presence was very appropriate to the occasion and they evoked cheers when they stepped to the front to join in the chorus of that grand old anthem, "Rule Britannia."

SIX KILLED BY TORNADO IN OHIO

OVER FIFTY PERSONS SUSTAIN INJURIES Property Valued at More Than Million Dollars Destroyed.

(Times Leased Wire.) Cleveland, O., April 22.—As a result of the tornado that swept this city and northern Ohio yesterday afternoon, six persons are known to have lost their lives, fifty or more seriously injured and more than \$1,000,000 worth of property destroyed.

DOUKHOBOR SOCIETY BUYS MORE LAND

Has Purchased About Six Thousand Acres in This Province. Phoenix, April 20.—J. A. Kinney, W. H. Gage and H. B. Landers have sold to the Doukhobor society a tract of two thousand acres of land located in Pass valley, which lies about four miles north of Castlegar. The consideration is \$20,000. It is the intention of the society to clear and improve this land and use it as a pasture for stock.

WAS BUILT IN BRICK AT GRAND FORKS

Four Large Brick Business Blocks Are Now Under Construction. Grand Forks, April 20.—The building boom can now be said to have been fairly inaugurated in this city. The work of replacing the buildings destroyed by the disastrous fire last summer with more imposing and substantial structures has been started in earnest, and when the blocks now in course of construction, together with those contemplated, are completed, Grand Forks will have the appearance of solidity and permanency. The frame buildings destroyed by the fire are being replaced by two and three story blocks, constructed of brick, stone and cement.

FOUR HUNDRED IDLE

Canonsburg, Pa., April 21.—The Canonsburg Iron & Steel Company closed its plant to-day, throwing 400 men out of work. The company has offered to start the plant up again if the men will accept a reduction of ten per cent in wages.



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his time-tried ACTION FOR EACH OF PROMISE

ria, of Ladysmith, Five Thousand ars Damages.

April 16.—Miss Lusino Finnish maiden living in was launched an action for breach of promise of marriage. A little fellow-countryman, Alexander Lijsa, now said in Greenwood, Lijsa was king as a miner on Van- and it was there he met and according to her made her a promise of a in a specified time. In- illing it he drifted away now denies that he prom- her at all. A. R. Creagh, his. Brown & Creagh, is the plaintiff.

to the claim of \$5,000 for breach of promise, the also a claim for the re- which in too confiding a at her fickle lover.

spaw," a play which was esultful in St. John's hall, by a local company on d of February, will be st. John's hall on the 27th, change in the third act.

ing social for the season ill claim in connection with Episcopal Sunday school on Friday evening. A or a generous spread, the ulged in various games, pleasant evening was vice-president, Keith B. as unfortunately unable a letter from him from read and greeted with

mbell, of Kamloops, has s intention of coming to settling down here. Mr. be an addition to musi- city. He was at the Dumbell orchestra in the ry, and it is understood arrival here he intends as- self with a number of unizations, including the ant band.

wing donations have been received at the Aged Wo- s during March: Mrs. e, fresh eggs; Mrs. W. R. e, brown bread and ham; mith, preserved fruit and J. Heald, fresh eggs; the circle, King's Daughter, dressing jackets; Mrs. (snowdrift), fresh milk G. Rudlin, cash \$5; Mrs.

pany will give the play in Monday evening of the 20th st is as follows: Messrs, on, T. Pemberton, Felix, Ard Etheridge and T. Misses Glen and Viola ry, Bone and Minnie Plowright mandolin and tra, which rendered such stance at their previous it will be present again on- ing.

of a series of lectures to the interests of the So- Prevention of Cruelty to be given next Wednesday at the Eastmaburgh school room E. G. Miller, Jr. A. The be illustrated by stereon- All interested in the sub- made heartily welcome. begins at 8 p. m. It is the society to have this tures given in different city in order to stir up in- ainf of the dumb animals.

CREASED DUTIES. el 16.—Alarmed over the bill, now in its final ashington, a deputation of the manufacturers waited tinal government to-day an increase in the stump- exported articles. Mem- putation were not agreed at mode of campaign, se- ment among themselves in.

VICE EXAMINATIONS. il 17.—Civil service com- tations for vacant clerk- ship service will be held at bouwer and Nelson on May