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ROJESVENSKY IS TOGO'S PRISONER

FLAGSHIP STRUCK MINE EARLY IN THE BATTLE TWO FUGITIVES REACH VLADIVOSTOCK

Cruiser Almaz and Destroyer Grozny Reach Port. Say Two Japanese Battleships Went Down—Torpedo Boats and Submarines Played Havoc.

According to the latest reports from Vice-Admiral Togo to his government, the loss to the Russians in ships sunk or captured now numbers twenty-two, while full particulars are not yet known. The admiral says that none of his fighting ships was seriously damaged. Interesting news comes from Vladivostock, sent direct by the correspondent of the Associated Press, who reports the arrival here of the torpedo boat destroyer Grozny. The officers of the Almaz say they witnessed the sinking of two Japanese battleships, and that two Japanese cruisers were being badly and seriously about to sink when the fog obscured further view of the battle. There seems to be great confusion as to the fate of Vice-Admiral Rojesvensky. It is reported that he arrived at Vladivostock on the torpedo boat Bunin, badly wounded, and that his wife has received a telegram from him, while a report received from Tokyo late Tuesday night at the Japanese legation at Washington says that the admiral was heard the Russian destroyer Bledyov with another admiral, both severely wounded and with several staff officers of his flagship, the Kniaz Suvoroff, the sinking of which is confirmed by the officers of the Almaz.

Vladivostock, May 30.—Two ships of Vice-Admiral Rojesvensky's powerful fleet, the swift cruiser Almaz, and the torpedo boat destroyer Grozny, lie at anchor here today in the harbor of Golden Horn, they having separated from the rest of the fleet in the early stage of the battle which began in the Korean Straits Saturday, and headed in obedience to orders, with full speed to Vladivostock. Up to 4 o'clock this afternoon, no other vessels of the fleet had yet arrived, and the signal station at Asokid and Rimsky, Koroffoff Islands reported no other sight. Officers of the Almaz and Grozny say that both fleets had already sustained terrible losses when the Almaz and Grozny broke through the hostile line. Of the Japanese, two battleships had gone down before their escape, and several others, their sterns high in the water, seemed ready to plunge foremost to the bottom of the sea. The Russian fleet, they say, was even in a sadder plight. Rojesvensky's flagship, the Kniaz Suvoroff, and her sister ship, the Orel, and the cruisers, Orel and Ural, were utterly destroyed.

The fleet of the Almaz and Grozny, when the fog closed down and hid the scene of the battle from sight northward of the opposing ships, a third Russian battleship, the Alexander III, seemed in sore distress, but limping northward, putting up a valiant fight against throngs of torpedo boats, and still continuing her advance. The Almaz and Grozny were also clung around the other ships of the fleet in a desperate struggle, separate flotillas darting in again and again to launch their weapons.

The Almaz, which arrived at her anchorage here Monday evening, bears scars of the battle. Her mizzenmast is away and one of her smokestacks is pierced by a cannon shot. But the Grozny, who engaged for several hours in a running fight at short range with a large Japanese destroyer, shows no signs of the fray.

Grozny a Winner. After her commander, Capt. Andrievski, had been wounded, and an officer of the crew had been killed, the Grozny succeeded in sinking her opponent with a lucky placed shot, and escaped to Vladivostock without further adventures at 11 o'clock this morning.

The inhabitants clustered in the streets, and the Almaz and Grozny, and the other ships of the fleet, were seen to be in a state of confusion. The Almaz and Grozny, and the other ships of the fleet, were seen to be in a state of confusion. The Almaz and Grozny, and the other ships of the fleet, were seen to be in a state of confusion.

As the anchor chain rattled in the water, the vessel heaved itself in a lurch, and the Almaz, in honor of Rear Admiral Von Jessen, scarcely had the boom of the last cannon begun to echo from the surrounding hills, when Von Jessen's flagship, the cruiser Orel, answered the salute, and a minute later the guns of the fortress took up the cannonade. Excited spectators who, with frantic throats, beyond description, seized the Almaz and Grozny, and the other ships of the fleet, were seen to be in a state of confusion.

Early in the battle, an officer of the Almaz, while watching Rojesvensky's flagship, the battleship Kniaz Suvoroff, for a signal, saw the flagship shudder from stem to stern, as if under a blow from a gigantic hammer, and hesitated for a moment, while the waves rose high at her armor plates. The ship continued to list and sink. The officers believe that the blow was from a submarine boat as an effective agent in naval warfare, or perhaps a large mine, cut and the disaster that befell the Almaz. The damage, however, was so extensive that the flagship soon went down, leaving the deck officers and many of the crew struggling in the waves. One of the Russian torpedo boats, either the Bledyov or the Bunin, ran in and picked up a number of the survivors, as an admiral, was recognized through a grueling attack of the Japanese warships, and the Russian battleships, Orel and Ural, were placed out of action and followed the flagship to the bottom.

TOGO SAYS 22 SHIPS SUNK HIS OWN CASUALTIES 400

Says Rojesvensky Is His Prisoner—Oushakoff Would Not Surrender and Was Sunk, the Crew of 300 Being Rescued—Fifth Official Report.

Washington, May 30.—The Japanese legation tonight gave out the following telegram from Tokyo: "Fifth report from Togo, received at 10:30 p.m. 'The main force of our combined fleet, upon accepting surrender of the remaining Russian main force, near Damsour Rocks, on the afternoon of May 28, as already reported, stopped pursuit and while engaged in the disposition of surrendered ships found in a southwestern direction the Admiral Oushakoff, a coast defence ship. Thereupon Iwate and Yakumo were immediately despatched in pursuit and Iwate was immediately overtaken and fired on vigorously by our fourth division and second destroyer flotilla. She was sunk at 6 p.m. Her crew of over 300 men were rescued.

Cruiser Dmitri Donkoi was also found in the northwestern direction at 4 p.m. and was immediately overtaken and fired on vigorously by our fourth division and second destroyer flotilla. She was attacked that night by second destroyer flotilla and the next morning was found aground on the southwestern shore of Urieung Island, off the Korean coast. Our destroyer Sazanami captured toward the evening of May 27 in the south of Urieung Island the Russian destroyer Bledyov, wherein were found Admiral Rojesvensky and another admiral, both severely wounded, together with eighty Russian staff officers from the flagship, Prince Suvoroff (Kiaz Suvoroff), which was sunk at 5.20 p.m. on May 27. They were all taken prisoners. Our cruiser Chitose, while cruising to the northward on the morning of May 28, found another Russian destroyer. Our cruiser Niyataka and destroyer, Sazanami at 11:17 George Smith of this city was this afternoon selected as the nominee of the Liberal party in the coming by-election in North Oxford. His opponent in the convention was E. W. Nesbitt of Woodstock. He moved that the nomination be made unanimous. Thus the fight in North Oxford will be between Mr. Smith and J. C. Wallace the Conservative nominee.

The campaign of the Conservatives opens to-morrow night, when Hon. Foster will address a mass meeting at the convention hall. At first Mr. Smith hesitated to agree to abide by the convention, but, in the presence of the audience, he consented to do so. He said that the Liberal party had a right to be heard, and he would support the nominee his whole hearted support.

100 MEN HANG AN ELEPHANT. Buffalo, May 30.—(Special.)—A gigantic elephant was put to death today in the Yammerrathau quarry. The beast had shown signs of madness and his owners decided to kill him. It took one hundred men with block and tackle 30 minutes to put the pachyderm out of existence. Stakes were driven into the ground on both sides of the elephant. Hawsers 1-1/4 inches thick were fixed to each stake with block and tackle. The ropes ended in slip nooses, which were placed around the elephant's neck. A gang of 100 men then began to haul on the ropes. Twice the hawsers broke and the dangerous operation of replacing them had to be undertaken by the trapper. Prince offered no resistance, submitting quietly to the commands of his trainer.

Methodist W.M.S. Annual. Twelfth Annual Meeting of Toronto Conference in St. Paul's. The 12th annual meeting of the Women's Missionary Society of the Toronto District Methodist Church was held in St. Paul's church yesterday. Delegates from all parts of the province, some 105 being in attendance. Rev. R. Whitney conducted the opening exercises at the afternoon session, during which a number of routine reports were presented. At 7 p.m. a conference on the Young People's work was conducted by Miss MacCallum. At the evening session Rev. G. M. Brown, president, presided. The report of the corresponding secretary, Mrs. William Briggs, showed marked property, as did that of the treasurer, Mrs. E. A. Chown. The report of the supply committee and an address by Mrs. (Dr.) Carman concluded the session. Three sessions will be held to-morrow at 9.30 a.m., 2.30 p.m. and at 7.30 p.m.

House to Adjourn. Ottawa, May 30.—(Special.)—Before the house adjourned, at 11.45 p.m., Mr. Fielding announced that, taking into consideration the wishes of both sides it had been decided to adjourn to-morrow night until Monday. To-morrow estimates will again be taken up.

Two W. Kent Commissioners Removed After an Inquiry Refuse to Quit Their Jobs. Successors Appeared With Telegrams of Appointment at Chatham Which Ousted One Wouldn't Recognize. Chatham, May 30.—(Special.)—There was a hot time at the meeting of the West Kent license board this afternoon. T. A. Smith of Chatham and Dr. Mitchell of Walkersburg appeared with telegrams from the chief officer of the license department announcing that they had been appointed to succeed Messrs. Baxter and McKibbin, against whose serious charges were recently investigated, but the latter held the fort, in spite of telegrams received by them from the department, alleging that they must have formal notice of dismissal. They had lawyers O'Flynn to look after their interests, while Ward Stanworth represented Inspector Mas-

MILITIA STRENGTH CHANGES

RURAL REGIMENTS COULD BE Government Goes Back to Uniform Establishment as It Was Prior to Dundonald.

Ottawa, May 30.—(Special.)—There is no intention of decreasing the number of the rank and file of the Canadian infantry," said Sir Frederick Borden when spoken to this evening regarding contemplated changes in the militia. It is certain, however, that the number of officers will be considerably reduced when the new scheme goes into effect. Before the days of Lord Dundonald, a battalion of infantry consisted of 877 men of all grades, being 284 rank and file, 32 officers, 33 sergeants, and eight buglers. Under Lord Dundonald a change was made, by which 81 officers and non-commissioned officers were added to the strength, thus making the total 1418. The idea of this arrangement was that in time of war there could be the two sets of officers, and the regiment could be raised to live battalions, each being composed of the rank and file or one set as a base for recruiting purposes. All of these new officers were required to be men who had qualified themselves by a proper course of study. The government has decided to abolish this arrangement and again to reduce the common standard by which 337 of all grades form a battalion. The arrangement of the infantry regiments will thus be uniform through Canada. Country regiments will not be affected by the changes. Strength, if ever, reaches the maximum of 337. Country regiments are required to go to camp each year, and this is found more of a deterrent than the annual drill in cities.

Firemen to Fight Railway. G.T.R. is at Odds With the Waterloo Council. Waterloo, May 30.—A fight between the Grand Trunk and the Town of Waterloo is on, Acting under orders, the Grand Trunk sectionmen commenced to-day to haul up the Waterloo street, crossing on Caroline and Erb-streets, so as to shift their tracks to the new street. The Waterloo warehouse, which would further delay or entirely block the C.P.R. train, is now being demolished. Mayor Litchman and the town council, backed by the firemen, who have been sworn in as special constables, with for use, balked the Grand Trunk's effort. The town's solicitor subsequently secured an injunction restraining the Grand Trunk from further tearing up Erb-street without permission. A strict watch will be kept and any violation of the order is obeyed.

Orangemen in Session. Pass Strong Resolution Condemning the Antisocial Bill. Owen Sound, May 30.—(Special.)—The opening meeting of the Grand Black Opening of British North America was held here last night. The convention was held to-day. The only business of unusual importance was a strong resolution drafted by a speaker, the aggregate number of delegates from the Grand Trunk, who have been sworn in as special constables, with for use, balked the Grand Trunk's effort. The town's solicitor subsequently secured an injunction restraining the Grand Trunk from further tearing up Erb-street without permission. A strict watch will be kept and any violation of the order is obeyed.

Earl Grey was Pleased. Writes G. G. B. G. re Dinner and Praises Commitment on Core. The parade of the G. G. B. G. next Tuesday night will be the final one before the opening of Niagara Camp, on June 13. Last night there was a satisfactory turnout of 140 men, and it is expected that the corps will be able to present a good roster when the time comes for embarkation for the annual training. The commanding officer has, it was announced, received a communication from Earl Grey, expressing his pleasure at the luncheon tendered him on the 18th inst. by the corps, and conveying his compliments on the smart turnout. The special class examination has resulted in the following: Troopers O. J. Crawford, J. Sharkey and H. Charbonnel, and corporals by Troopers D. Evans, W. Gannon, A. Usher and F. McBride. The officers of the corps have been granted permission to hold their annual meeting at home during training on Saturday afternoon, June 17.

Elks' Excursion to 1000 Islands. Str. "Kingston," Leaving Toronto Saturday, June 3rd, at 9 a.m. Arriving Monday, 6 a.m. Tickets on sale at King Edward Hotel. "England Expects, &c." Gets a New Reading. Togo, the twentieth century Nelson, is said to have sailed into the recent action with the following signal flying: "Get there—like sliche gas."

Shows Confidence. Major Beattie, president of the Western Ontario Conservative Association, introduced the first speaker, the Conservative candidate, William Gray, who referred to him as "your future representative." Mr. Gray, who was enthusiastically applauded, said if the issues had been the same as those before the people in November last he would have been satisfied to allow Mr. Hyman to have the seat by acclamation. He believed that if the government had let the people know it intended to introduce the present legislation it would have been swept from power. "I stand for one thing, and only one thing, in this country."

Deaths. On Monday, May 29th, at her residence, Toronto, Mrs. M. J. Borden, widow of the late Mr. Borden, died at the age of 82. She was a native of New York and had resided in Toronto for many years. Her husband died in 1887. She is survived by several children and grandchildren.

Positive of Jap Losses. The fog which had raised and lowered intermittently during the morning now began to settle down. The distance of the Almaz was estimated at 100 miles.

Ballard's Store Coming Down. The old store will shortly be pulled down and will therefore have a slaughter sale of pipes in cases, also surplus of iron, steel, and other goods. The store is located at the corner of King and Queen streets.

HOW CAN HE GET OVER IT?



Mr. Hyman is face to face with a wide party split and a burnt party plank.

LEAD UP TO FREE OR BND IN DECIDING WEST'S FATE

Gray Opens Campaign Before 3000 Workmen—Rifles if Necessary, to Fight Coercion, is Message of Western Speakers. London, May 30.—(Special.)—Three thousand people in the Jubilee Rink to-night registered an emphatic protest against the coercion of the government of the west. It was a laboring men's meeting, thory in earnest and wanting nothing in enthusiasm. If any doubt existed about the issue that will have to be met by the government candidate it was dispelled, as the other question was discussed or even referred to. Coercion or educational freedom must be the choice of the electors of London. The issue was fairly stated. From the great west came R. B. Bennett to demonstrate that the new provinces do not consent to be shackled. "We will take our rifles if necessary," said Mr. Bennett, "to secure our liberties, and we will use force if the temper of the meeting can be judged by the applause London will have no part in the crime of sending two new provinces out into the world with their hands tied behind their backs. George E. Foster made an effective address, pointing out the difference between the Liberal and Conservative parties to-day and that of the Conservative government of 1886 with respect to the Manitoba school question, and expressed the belief that the people of London by defeating Mr. Hyman would speak the autonomy of the province. Mr. Gray, the candidate, clearly defined his position, which is one of underlying opposition to coercion. He met with a splendid reception. They call him the workman's candidate and his opening meeting in the east end of the city was a happy augury of success. On Saturday night E. L. Borden will speak in the Princess Rink. Sir William Mulock will be here on Thursday night.

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THE WEATHER. Lower Lakes, Georgian Bay, Ottawa Valley and Upper St. Lawrence—Light to moderate variable winds; fine, and a little warmer. STEAMSHIP MOVEMENTS. May 30. At From Montreal to London ... Liverpool ... Glasgow ...