RUSSIAN CABINET CRISIS IS OVER

STOLYPIN TRIUMPHS OVER HIS ENEMIES

Instructed by the Emperor to Prepare New Navy Staff Bill.

St. Petersburg, May 11.—With the official approval of the Czar upon his policy as president of the council of ministers, Premier Stolypin began to-day, under Nicholas' instructions, to draw up new regulations for the embodiment of a navy staff bill, and to submit the bill to the Emperor after it had been discussged by the council.

The sanction of the Czar to the acts and attitude of Stolypin is regarded here as proof positive that the cabinet crisis has passed and that Stolypin, triumphing over his enemies, will remain premier. Despite this victory, the health of Stolypin is so impaired as to cause a report that he will soon resign.

The letter of Nicholas to Stolypin reads:

"Finding it impossible to sanction the naval staff bill, I direct you, jointly with the ministers of war and the navy, to elaborate within a month new resolutions and submit them for consideration. The regulations in question must be submitted for my final sanction, after a discussion with the council of ministers.

"Your activity as president of the council of ministers, which has been directed toward to strengthening my government, has met with my full approval, and serves to guarantee the successful execution of my present orders.

"I remain yours ever well disposed,
(Signed) "NICHOLAS."

The solution of the cabinet question was reached at an early hour this morning. It is understood that Stolypin not only won a victory for himself, but that his ministers in the cabinet will retain their places.

The rejection of the naval bill has not affected their usefulness, and they will set to work to reframe the bill in accordance with certain points offered by the Czar.

CASTRO WILL TURN ATTENTION TO FARMING

Ex-President Plans to Buy Estate on Island of Teneriffe.

Santander, Spain, May 11.—Reports are circulated here to-day to the effect that ex-President Castro of Venezuela and his wife are planning to buy a large estate on the Island of Teneriffe, off the coast of French West Africa, and take up farming.

These reports are in direct contradiction of the general supposition that Castro was planning to return to Venezuela and regain control of that country. It has been thought here that he had formulated a plot to secretly return to his former home and start another revolution. In some quarters it is still believed that the rumors of the purchase of the Teneriffe estate are being circulated to cover some such attempt.

NOTED SCOUT ENDS LIFE BY HANGING

Boys Find Body Suspended From Limb of Tree in Woods.

Seattle, Wash., May 11.—Carrying out a vow that he never would live to become a pensioner, Fred Foy, aged 65, a noted scout during the early Indian wars of the frontier with Buffalo Bill, General Crook, General Custer and other famous foes of the red man, lies in the morgue here, a suicide. He hanged himself to a tree near Magnolia Bluff about two weeks ago. The body of the aged scout was found Sunday by a party of boys who were roaming through the woods. It depended from a rope that was fastened to a limb of the tree. Deputy Coroner Sheldon cut the body down and brought it to the city, but it was not until yesterday that Major I. T. Keen, a civil war veteran and a life-long friend of Foy, identified the dead man as that of his old intimate.

Foy was a Swiss and came to the United States in 1860. He received honorable mention from his superiors several times because of his bravery upon the field.

THE CALHOUN TRIAL.

San Francisco, Cal., May 11.—In an effort to learn the nature of the transactions of the board of directors of the United Railroads at their meetings from December 30th, 1905, to March 15th, 1906, Assistant District Attorney John O'Gara, for the prosecution in the Calhoun trial, yesterday resumed the examination of the company's secretary and controller, George Willcutt.

The witness recalled being present at a meeting of the directors December 30th, 1905, when Calhoun was chosen president of the company. He denied that a communication from Calhoun in which he accepted the presidency had been read.

Willcutt carefully weighed the answers which he made to the questions put by O'Gara, and frequently consulted the minutes of the directors' meetings, which he brought into court. Attorney Stanley Moorse, of the defence force, stood at his elbow and assisted him to find the desired data in the books.

REPORT ON THE NAVY IS ANXIOUSLY AWAITED

Findings of Sub-Committee Will Refute Admiral Beresford's Charges---But the Dissenters May Submit Minority Report.

London, May 11.—Great Britain is in suspense to-day awaiting the report of the sub-committee of the British committee of Imperial defence upon the charges of inefficiency brought against the navy by Admiral Lord Charles Beresford. While it is said that the findings of the sub-committee in the main will refute the charges brought by Admiral Beresford, there is known to be a difference of opinion among the committeemen, and a minority report by the dissenters would occasion no surprise.

The investigations are the result of criticisms laid before the cabinet by Admiral Beresford at the time of his enforced surrender of the command of the Channel squadron a few weeks ago. Beresford contended that the navy is wholly unfit for war services and that the disciplinary measures recently enacted by the board of admiralty were actuated by party motives.

Premier Asquith is acting as chairman of the investigation committee. The admiralty board, itself under investigation, of course is not represented on the committee. The body is composed of non-partisan members, and as a consequence, it will be impossible for its report to be colored by party loyalty.

The findings of the committee probably will bring to an end the long controversy between the admiralty board, headed by First Lord of the admiralty Sir John Fisher, and Admiral Beresford. A denial of Beresford's charges will end the political career he has mapped out for his declining years. His official life is ended already by the order which deprived him of the command of the Channel squadron.

Should the charges be substantiated, the board will be placed in a light of permitting the deterioration of the navy and the resignation of its members logically will follow. Such a finding undoubtedly would be disastrous to the hopes of the Liberal party in the coming elections.

The sea lords will not comment other than they are glad the investigation has been ordered.

ASSIZES OPEN WITH LIGHT LIST

MR. JUSTICE MORRISON TAKES SEAT PROMPTLY

Grand Jury Had to Be Charged Twice Because One Juror Was Late.

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

The spring criminal assizes opened in the assize court at 11 o'clock this morning before Mr. Justice Morrison.

There were in attendance Sheriff Richards, B. H. T. Drake, registrar of the Supreme court; H. B. Robertson, crown prosecutor; Supt. Hussey, of the provincial police force; Sergt. Redgrave, of the city police force. Outside of the grand and petit jurors there were none of the public present.

A feature of the morning sitting, and an unusual one, was the appearance from the grand jury room, after one true bill had been returned, of a thirteenth juror who had not been present when the others were sworn and charged. This was Geo. W. Fuggle who had just arrived in the city from up the E. & N. line, and was ready to be sworn and perform his duty.

"It is a pity that summonses to serve on jurors are not taken more seriously by those to whom they are addressed," said his lordship. "All over the province the judges find this sort of thing happening. The majority of jurors take their summonses seriously, and let no circumstances, short of disability or happenings over which they have had no control, prevent their attendance. If twelve business men, with important matters of their own to attend to, can be here on time, I do not see why the thirteenth man cannot be. There are certain penalties for this kind of thing which I do not intend to invoke, but I trust that there will be no recurrence of this dilatoriness or neglect."

The Grand Jury.

The following gentlemen composed the grand jury: John Cathcart, Walter Scott Chambers, Walter Stanhope Fraser, George William Fuggle, David Wm. Hanbury, Richard Layritz, Simon Leiser, Joseph James Lemon, Alfred Bruce Oldershaw, Joseph Despard Pemberton, Arthur Holmes Piggott, Frederick James Popham and Arthur Robertson. Simon Leiser was chosen as foreman, and all who were present were sworn in.

Addressing the grand jury his lordship said the calendar before them was not a long one, but it contained one very grave charge, that of murder. He briefly reviewed the nature of the charge and the crown's evidence in the three cases before the court, and explained the legal definition of the charges. The evidence in the charge of murder preferred against Alfred Taylor, he said, was mainly, if not almost entirely, that of the wife of accused. There were no eye-witnesses of the alleged crime, no nurses or doctors had attended Mrs. Taylor, and the jurors would have to rely on her evidence and some slight corroboration.

The McNown Case.

After a short absence the grand jury of twelve returned with a true bill on two counts of obtaining money under false pretences against Robert N. McNown. While the consideration of this was in progress the thirteenth grand juror turned up, and, after expressing his opinion as quoted above, His Lordship re-charged the grand jury on the other two cases, so as to avoid any possible future objection to the proceedings.

R. C. Lowe raised the preliminary objection that the indictment was bad in that it did not allege the cheques in the case were invalid or forged, the false pretences were not set out and there had been no preliminary investigation as to the charge of obtaining money from Simpson, of the Half-Way House.

Mr. Robertson said the crown was not going to proceed with the Simpson charge, and His Lordship over-ruled the contentions of prisoner's counsel.

It transpired that the indictment, which in the usual course was prepared over in the Attorney-General's department, is headed "County of Vancouver," in error. Apparently the influence of the Napoleon of the cabinet so pervades his department that even while he is far away from it his officers can only think Vancouver.

Just before adjournment the following jury was sworn to try the case: Lars N. Anderson, Herbert Bostwick, Richard Collier Bradley, Wellington Clayton Cronk, William Ferguson, Frederick Alexander Gilmour, Robert A. C. Dewar, George Bromley, William M. Cheeseman, Henry O. Brown, P. A. Babington and John Ferdinand Fisher.

A true bill was brought in in the Taylor case.

"STUPID CHURLISHNESS."

London, May 11.—Referring to the Vancouver council's resolution declining to vote money to entertain the crews of the Japanese cruisers, the Pall Mall Gazette says the refusal to exercise civility is sheer stupid churlishness.

RETURNS, BUT NOT WITH TREASURE

FAILURE OF COCOS ISLAND EXPEDITION

Capt. Brown, Who Set Out to Search for Riches, Reaches San Francisco.

San Francisco, Cal., May 11.—Bringing back a hard luck story, but no gold, Captain James Brown, who claims that he is the only man in the world who knows where to find the Cocos island cache of $60,000,000, has returned from the Antipodes.

Brown left Sydney March 5th in a 25-ton schooner with a crew of four to search for the treasure. The boat was wrecked and he and his crew were rescued by a French ship.

The secret hiding place of the famous Peruvian treasure was made known to Brown by Captain Smith of the schooner Sea Foam in 1850. Since then the money and jewels have been sought by adventurous treasure seekers. Brown says he is the sole survivor of the Sea Foam, and consequently the only man living who knows the location of the buried riches. He will make another effort to recover the booty, he says.

POLICE RAID OFFICE OF MONEY LENDER

Alleged to Have Been Conducting Business in Violation of Law.

Winnipeg, May 11.—The police raided the offices of Telman, lender of money on wages, last evening and secured damaging evidence in the books seized that Tolman was doing business contrary to the laws of Canada. Miss N. A. Glynn, of New York city, private secretary to D. H. Tolman, was arrested and held in jail, bail being refused. Former employees recently dismissed will give evidence, it is stated by the crown attorney, of a very damaging character.

GOVERNMENT LOAN.

Ottawa, May 11.—In the House of Commons on Wednesday, Hon. W. S. Fielding will move a resolution that it is expedient to authorize the governor general-in-council to raise a $50,000,000 loan for the purpose of paying maturing loans and obligations of the Dominion and for carrying on public work.

WEALTHY VAGRANT.

Worcester, Mass., May 11.—It was discovered to-day that Augustus Cleale, an aged man who applied last night at police headquarters for a night's lodging, had $11,000 in cheques and cash in his pockets when he consented to be booked as a vagrant.

Cleale was on his way from Oroville, Cal., to visit a sister in Sherburn. Three cheques in his pocket book payable to himself were drawn against the First National Bank of Oroville, and called for $7,046.09 and $4,000 respectively.

PROROGATION ON MAY 19TH.

Ottawa, May 11.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier stated that the House will prorogue on May 19th.

MANY MINERS TIRED OF FIGHT

DESERTIONS FROM RANKS OF STRIKERS

Leaders Unable to Secure Funds From International Headquarters.

Winnipeg, May 11.—Many of the coal miners who have been on strike in Southern Alberta and Eastern British Columbia are deserting the ranks of the strikers. The failure of the leaders to secure funds from international headquarters is the cause of the desertions.

ANOTHER OF BOWSER'S BILLS INOPERATIVE

Exchequer Court Sustains the Contentions of Dominion Government.

Ottawa, May 11.—In the exchequer court judgment has been given by Mr. Justice Cassels which sustains the contention of the Dominion government that the Water Courses Consolidation act passed by the British Columbia legislature is inoperative in so far as its application to waters within the railway belt in that province is concerned.

This belt extends for a distance of twenty miles on either side of the C. P. R. The decision was given in the case of the Burrard Power Co., Ltd. vs. Attorney General of British Columbia.

SWANSEA SCENE OF DESTRUCTIVE FIRE

Customs House Among Buildings Which Have Been Destroyed.

London, May 11.—A great fire is now raging on the docks at Swansea. The customs house and several other buildings have been destroyed.

Fires are devasting the Aldershot district of Hampshire and thousands of acres of woodland have been burned.

GUESTS FORCED TO FLEE FOR LIVES

Several Men Injured by Falling Timbers During Fire in Hotel.

Des Moines, Iowa, May 11.—A fire that threatened to destroy the State Central Hotel, drove the guests out of the building early this morning in their night clothes. Several other buildings nearby took fire and an explosion of powder added to the danger of the firemen. Several men were injured by falling timbers. The damage is estimated at $200,000.

KING EDWARD HONORS MONTREAL DOCTOR

Montreal, May 11.—Dr. Herbert Birket, of McGill University, will receive the appointment of physician extraordinary to King Edward on the retirement of Sir Felix Lemon.

FIGHT PISTOL DUEL.

Man Received Bullet in Neck and His Wife is Wounded in Arm.

Los Angeles, Cal., May 11.—After a pistol duel at three paces, Theodore Witts is at the city hospital, W. H. Hampton is in the city prison and Mrs. H. K. Smith, a witness of the pistol fusillade, is at her home with a bullet in her arm. The revolver battle occurred last night at the home of Mrs. Smith.

Witts, who had been ordered from the home of Hampton by Mrs. Hampton, followed the Hamptons to the home of the Smiths where they were calling. Scarcely had Witts entered when Hampton and Witts began a quarrel. Each man drew a revolver and at a distance of eight feet pumped lead at each other. Witts was struck in the neck and Mrs. Smith in the arm. The police arrested Hampton on Witt's charge that Hampton fired the first shot.

LOVERS FOUND DEAD IN VIENNA HOTEL

Legation Secretary Kills Young Woman and Then Ends Own Life.

Vienna, May 11.—The bodies of Ali Fahuy Bey, secretary of the Turkish legation at Belgrade, and Mlle Ludovica Milnecka were found in a room of a hotel in a suburb of this city yesterday. The couple were lovers. The secretary apparently shot the young woman and then killed himself.

KAISER ACCUSED OF ADVISING ABDUL HAMID

Young Turks Declare Publication of Correspondence Will Cause International Scandal---Agitators Advocate Dethronement of New Sultan.

Constantinople, May 11.—Correspondence between Abdul Hamid and one of the European monarchs will be made public shortly, and the Young Turks declare to-day it will cause an international scandal. By a process of elimination, certain Young Turks have decided that the monarch in question is Emperor William of Germany, and have openly asserted their belief.

Little can be learned of the nature of the correspondence, which was found in Yildiz Kiosk, after the deposition of Abdul.

Many rumors are afloat regarding its nature, and in some quarters it is said that the writer encouraged Abdul to arrange the plot for the uprising of the reactionaries.

During the final ceremony of the coronation yesterday there were many evidences that the Young Turks will not be satisfied with the administration of the new ruler, and political excitement has far from subsided here.

Although Mehemed V. has not given cause for such assertions, the discontented ones declare that he is weak minded and has decided despotic tendencies. Some of the more rabid agitators are already advocating dethroning the new Sultan.

WILL ESTABLISH NEW COLONY

Three Hundred Doukhobors Will Leave Saskatchewan for British Columbia on Friday.

Kamsack, Sask., May 11.—On Friday three hundred Doukhobors, men, women and children, will leave villages north of here and travel across country to Broadview, where they take train to southern British Columbia.

C. P. R. SUMMER SCHEDULE.

Winnipeg, May 11.—The new summer time card of the C. P. R. goes into effect on June 6th. There is little change in the running time of continental trains.

MUST PAY PENALTY.

Ottawa, May 11.—The cabinet has decided that Walter Blythe, who killed his wife at Agincourt, Ont., must hang on Friday.

HILL SURVEYORS ARE DEFEATED

MILWAUKEE EMPLOYEES WIN EXCITING RACE

Victors Will Receive Bonus of $10,000 From the Company.

Tacoma, Wn., May 11.—The news just received that the Milwaukee surveyors have won their exciting race with Great Northern surveyors through the Flat Head country means that the victors, numbering 22, will share in a prize of $10,000 offered by the Milwaukee line to its crew if it outdistanced its rivals.

Encouraged by this big bonus, the Milwaukee men worked like trojans, and not only broke all record for fast work in their line, but finished ten days ahead of the Hill crew. Major Gamble, who is in charge of the Milwaukee surveyors, wired here to-day that his men are within five miles of the Canadian border. The surveyors of the other road are 20 miles from the Canadian line.

SEVEN DROWNED BY CAPSIZING OF LAUNCH

Boat Strikes Sunken Piling and All the Occupants Perish.

Eau Claire, Wis., May 11.—Seven persons were drowned in the Chippewa river near here yesterday when a gasoline launch capsized. The dead are Geo. Hall, R. H. Sweel, Sweel's wife and four children.

The launch struck some sunken piling in midstream and went down with its passengers before aid could be be sent.

PREPARING FOR LONG BALLOON TRIP

Prof. Clayton Hopes to Travel From San Francisco to Atlantic Coast.

Boston, May 11.—Prof. Henry H. Clayton is making preparations to take a balloon trip from San Francisco to the Atlantic coast, which is to be preliminary to an air voyage over the Atlantic ocean from Boston to Europe.

Prof. Clayton, who recently resigned a meteorologist at the Blue Hill observatory, believes he can cross the ocean by taking advantage of an upper current, which he says experiment has demonstrated flows constantly eastward two miles above the earth. He expects to make the voyage in three or four days.

WRIGHTS ARRIVE FROM EUROPE

NEW MACHINES WILL BE TESTED NEXT MONTH

Aviators Have Arranged for Flight at Fort Meyer on June 5th.

New York, May 11.—More taciturn and impassive than ever, the Wright brothers, aviators, and their sister, Miss Catherine, arrived here to-day. The Wrights appeared far more interested in the accident which occurred to an Italian aeronaut who was operating their machine at Rome a few days ago than in the reception a delegation from the Aero Club tried to tender to them. In unison the famous aviators heaved sighs of relief when they learned that the accident was not due to any fault of their machine.

Refusing a score of invitations to social affairs the Wrights announced their intention of departing to-morrow for London, Ohio, where their work at shops are located and begin work at once preparing their machines for shipment to Fort Myer for trial.

It was almost impossible to secure any statement from the Wrights regarding their trip abroad. They had little to say and that little was marked by its depreciation of their own achievements. They denied that they intend to ask American army officers to witness secret tests of their machines at Fort Myer. They stated that the aeroplanes would be in condition to make all of the required tests by the time they are shipped from London.

The Wrights had intended to depart for Dayton later this afternoon, but when it was explained to them that arrangements had been completed by the Aero club for a luncheon in their honor to-morrow, they agreed to remain here one day longer.

An enormous crowd assembled at the Hoboken docks to welcome the Wrights. A mighty cheer arose as they came ashore and the aviators smiled their appreciation.

They denied the report that J. P. Morgan had arranged to finance the manufacture of their machines, but declared that their factory would be kept busy.

They announced that their first flight at Fort Myer would be made June 18, and that they would continue thereafter until the details of the government tests had been met.

Wilbur Wright in speaking of the accident at Rome said that he had warned the Italian not to undertake too much as he was not in good physicial condition.

Wilbur Wright appeared more disposed than Orville to talk. Discussing the future of the aeroplane, he declared that he knew positively that they could be built to carry more than two persons. As to their use in war he said:

"Military experts abroad have told me that 1,000 feet elevation will place a ship beyond rifle range. We demonstrated that this can be accomplished I believe."

He also referred to the interest the Kings of Spain and Italy are taking in aerial inventions.

WERE ALLOWED TO VIOLATE THE LAW

Montreal, May 11.—The feature of yesterday's sitting of the civic commission was the testimony of Capt. Beignet, who retired from the police force about a year ago. Beignet swore that the C.P.R. Stockyards hotel, kept by a man named Patenaude, was in his district, and that he reported the place on three occasions for selling liquor on Sundays. One day Inspector Lamouche came to him and notified him that the hotel had been taken out of his district, though it was located in about its centre, and placed in that of No. 14, and that he would not report upon it in the future.

A number of saloon-keepers were heard, and several of them testified to having subscribed towards the election of Alderman Prouix, chairman of the police committee. They had not subscribed towards the election of any other alderman, although several of them had sent cabs for us on election day.

One of them confessed that the reason he had subscribed towards the election was that they were told that if another man became chairman of police they would be closed up on Sundays.

OFFER MADE FOR GOLDSTREAM

COUNCIL WOULD GIVE $900,000 FOR WORKS

This is Considered a Fair Price to Pay Esquimalt Company.

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

Nine hundred thousand dollars is the sum which the city will offer to the Esquimalt Waterworks Company as a fair price for its Goldstream and Thetis Lake properties.

A recommendation to that effect from the special committee which has been dealing with the matter—Mayor Hall, Ald. Turner and Ald. Stewart—was approved by their colleagues, and the offer, in proper form, will be submitted to the council.

Ald. Fullerton thought the figure large and asked if the committee considered it was a reasonable one.

The mayor replied that they did. If the company accepted, it would put an end to the question of a future water supply for the city, and to the Victoria West question as well, so that the city would do well to give a little more than the plant was worth.

"When Ald. Turner moved two months ago to have a committee of representative citizens appointed to take up this matter he was told that he was talking through his hat," observed Ald. Humber. "We were told by Ald. Fullerton that the water question was settled. Apparently it is not settled yet."

Ald. Mable asked if this sum would be the basis for any possible arbitration as well.

Mayor Hall said the offer would be made without prejudice. In suggesting this figure the committee thought it well to take what they thought was the top figure. If there had to be arbitration the city would proceed to that at the lower figure. His worship pointed out that while last session's act mentioned six per cent. interest and twenty per cent. bonus on capital the city did not have to offer that much, these being maximum rates.

Ald. Ross suggested that the figure was more than what the expert put it at.

Ald. Turner replied that Mr. Adams considered if the city got the plant at this price it would be a good figure.

Ald. Henderson was of opinion that the council should see the offer in the exact terms it was to be set out in before it was sent.

Mayor Hall promised that this would be done.

The report was adopted and the water commissioner and city solicitor instructed to prepare the offer.

The company has two months' time to accept or reject this offer.

WILL ENTERTAIN JAPANESE OFFICERS

National Guard of Washington is Arranging Naval and Military Ball.

Seattle, Wash., May 11.—Rear Admiral Ijichi, in command of the Japanese training squadron, and his staff will be the guests of honor at the naval and military ball which will be given by the national guard of the state of Washington at the armory on the evening of June 3rd.

Besides the officers of the Japanese squadron and those of the national guard, there will be present 75 officers from the United States regular army, 15 from the revenue cutter service, 100 officers from the Pacific squadron and 10 officers from the United States navy yard at Bremerton. All of the army and navy officers will be in full dress, and the event is expected to be a brilliant affair.

The Duke of Connaught's Own Rifles, of Vancouver, have been invited to the ball.

ASKS THAT OFFICE BE INVESTIGATED

Washington Committee Receives Request From State Treasurer.

Seattle, Wash., May 11.—Chairman Allen, of the legislative investigating committee, stated to-day that the committee would comply with the request of State Treasurer J. G. Lewis that his office be investigated. Governor Hay yesterday forwarded to Chairman Allen the letter written by Treasurer Lewis in which he expressed a desire that the affairs of his office should be inquired into. Lewis says that he has no reason to believe that any suspicion is entertained by the committee in regard to his office, but for the sake of setting the public at rest concerning the condition of the state funds in his department, he desires a full investigation.

"This request, coming [illegible] rily from the state treasurer, ope[illegible] way to look into all state offices," said Chairman Allen to-day. "I shall favor not only checking up the cash and securities in the hands of the state treasury, but to go down the line with the other offices so far as the time at our disposal will permit."

PARTY OF TOURISTS CAPTURED BY NATIVES

London, May 11.—The Daily Telegraph to-day prints a dispatch from Tangier saying that it is reported from Mogador that a party of American tourists have been captured by natives near Agadir, which is the most southern part of Morocco.