

## RUSSIAN GOVERNMENT REPLIES TO GREAT BRITAIN'S PROTEST

Promises Fullest Reparation for Outrage, But Must  
First Hear From Admiral Rojestvensky.

### BALTIC SQUADRON'S BATTLESHIPS ARRIVE AT VIGO

London, Oct. 26, 1:18 p.m.—The Russian reply to Great Britain's note on the subject of the North Sea tragedy has been received by the British Government. It expressed deep regret at the occurrence and promised full reparation as soon as an official report is received from Vice-Admiral Rojestvensky.

The reply was received by Ambassador Benckendorff during the night, and was forwarded to Foreign Secretary Lansdowne in the shape of a formal letter in which the ambassador, adding that the Russian Government was still without official knowledge from its own sources of the occurrence in the North Sea, it feels so certain it was an error that it wishes at once to express its regret, and assures the British Government that full compensation will be made as soon as the details are received. A reply in identical language is expected to be handed at Ambassador Hardinge at St. Petersburg today.

#### MESSAGE FOR ROJESTVENSKY

Telegram in cipher awaits him at Vigo, Spain.

Vigo, Spain, Oct. 26.—Telegrams in cipher have arrived here for Vice-Admiral Rojestvensky, commanding the second Pacific Russian squadron. The Government has ordered the local authorities to permit revictualing of the Russian fleet within the port on condition that the ships enter one at a time.

Consequently the Russian consul is proceeding to Cies Island, in the Bay of Vigo, for the purpose of communicating with the fleet to arrange for revictualing three miles from the coast.

**The Fleet at Vigo.**

Vigo, Spain, Oct. 26.—A division of the Russian second Pacific squadron, consisting of five battleships, has arrived here, and is entering the port.

**Czar Has Report.**

St. Petersburg, Oct. 26, 4:40 p.m.—It is asserted on high authority that Emperor Nicholas and his cabinet have received Admiral Rojestvensky's report. Vice-Admiral Avelan, chief of the admiralty, has given to Emperor Nicholas, and will not return until late this evening.

**Defense Committee Confer.**

London, Oct. 26.—Ambassador Benckendorff himself drove to Downing House before noon, had half an hour's conference with Foreign Secretary Lansdowne, and then returned to the conference to Downing street, and saw Premier Balfour. During the conference, the first lord of the admiralty, called in Capt. Prince Louis of Battenberg, the director of naval intelligence, Attorney General, and also present. The Premier, Prince Louis and Lord Selborne are all members of the defense committee. The conference lasted about an hour.

**RUSS HELP FOR FAMILIES**

**St. Petersburg Paper Starts a Subscription for the Widows.**

St. Petersburg, Oct. 26.—The semi-official Journal De St. Petersburg has opened a subscription for the families of the British fishermen killed by the guns of the second Pacific squadron. The paper opens the list with a contribution of \$25.

The first harsh note sounded by the

since then he had seen the same cloth being sold in Moscow shops.

Grand Duke Sergei angrily demanded an apology from the plain-spoken M. Morozoff, and said that if he did not receive it M. Morozoff would be given his passport and compelled to quit Russia. M. Morozoff refused to apologize, and said that he would not leave his post.

Before leaving he gave instructions that all his factories should be closed, thus throwing 6,000 employees out of work. At this point the Government intervened and caused Grand Duke Sergei to withdraw his order. Consequently M. Morozoff remains in Moscow. The event is being widely

war for the Manchurian army, and discussed.

**Plucky Russian Merchant**

**Bearded the Grand Duke**

St. Petersburg, Oct. 26.—Grand Duke Sergei, governor of Moscow, recently summoned M. Morozoff, the greatest employer of labor in Russia, to his palace, and told him that he must subscribe more to the army and other war requirements. M. Morozoff replied that if he did so contribute he must have representatives on the administrative fund to insure that all the contributions were applied to patriotic purposes. Grand Duke Sergei demanded to know what he meant, whereupon M. Morozoff retorted that he had given a million roubles' worth of cloth at the commencement of the

## PROSPERITY EXHIBIT—NO. 4

7 YEARS LIBERAL 7 YEARS CONSERVATIVE

Exports of Bacon and Hams to Great Britain.

No development of Canadian commerce of recent years is more striking than that shown by the blue-book, just touching shipments of bacon and hams to Great Britain. In the years 1902 and 1903 the value of this one item of export was \$28,230,387. For the whole eighteen years of Conservative rule it was only \$22,545,000.

**WILLFUL MURDER CHARGED BY  
CORONER'S JURY IN DEE CASE**

**Evidence at Inquest That Woman  
Had Threatened to Take  
Husband's Life.**

George Edwards, of Ingersoll, testified that in company with his wife he visited Mr. and Mrs. Dee about two weeks before the former's death. On entering the house he found Mr. Dee in great agony with cramps. Dee said he thought if he had some rum it would help, and witness, who happened to have a bottle of whisky with him, gave him a drink. In the afternoon Dee had said he had had nothing to eat since 10 o'clock the night before. The coroner's jury found that Dee had made concerning her husband, arrived at by neighbors who were called in during the man's illness. Dr. Colledge, who attended the case, recognized the case as one of strychnine poisoning. Suspicion was immediately directed against Mrs. Dee, it being out in the evidence when the inquest was opened on the night of Dee's death that his wife had said she would kill him if she got a good chance. Mrs. Dee was the next day taken into custody on the charge of murder, and has since been kept in Woodstock jail.

When the inquest was resumed Tuesday, five witnesses were examined. Aimee Kennedy, a young girl residing near the Dees, told of remarks Mrs. Dee had made to her. On one occasion Mrs. Dee had said to her, "that he deserved to be smashed on the head with an axe," and at another time she had said "he deserved to be poisoned," and again she stated that if she had a gun she would shoot him. This witness gave her evidence in a very straightforward manner.

The jury were out about three-quarters of eight, and returned the following verdict: "Mrs. William Dee, otherwise called Lena Dee, on the 10th of October, 1904, unlawfully and feloniously killed and murdered her husband, William Dee, by administering strychnine as a poison."

Mrs. Dee will be arraigned in the police court here tomorrow on the charge of murder.

**Killed by a Stray Bullet;  
Farmer's Strange Death**

Havelock, Ont., Oct. 26.—Porter Preston, a pioneer resident of Belmont Township, was found dead in his swamp about 9 o'clock last evening. He had been absent from his home since noon. He was found by a search party, evidently killed by a stray bullet. He had been chopping a log, and his axe lay on one side of the log

and his body at the other side, in about two feet of water. A bullet hole was found about an inch beneath the right ear. Preston apparently had been dead for some time. He leaves an only daughter, who was in ill-health, who is now in a critical condition. He was a well-to-do farmer, much respected in the vicinity. The inquest will be held this afternoon.

**DEATH OF W. H. VANHORE**

Sarnia, Ont., Oct. 26.—William H. Vanhore, a much respected citizen and a well-known Grand Trunk telegrapher, died this morning. He had been a sufferer from nervous paralysis for some time past, and the end was expected. Mr. Vanhore was a brother-in-law of James H. Thompson, Dundas street, London, and had many relatives in Brantford, Woodstock and Georgetown.

**WEATHER BULLETIN.**

Tomorrow—Cold and Windy.

London, Wednesday, Oct. 26. Sun rises, 6:46 a.m. Moon rises, 5:58 p.m. Sun sets, 5:13 p.m. Moon sets, 9:38 a.m.

Light showers have occurred today in Ontario, Quebec and New Brunswick. The weather has been fair. It has been much warmer in the western portion of the Territories, but cool in Manitoba and the eastern provinces.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Victoria, 50-62; Kamloops, 35-54; Calgary, 32-49; Qu'Appelle, 30-52; Winnipeg, 25-50; Port Arthur, 24-38; Parry Sound, 40-48; Toronto, 44-50; Ottawa, 38-53; Montreal, 36-54; Quebec, 34-47; St. John, 32-52; Halifax, 30-56.

**FORECASTS.**

Wednesday, Oct. 26, 8 a.m. From Old, where a post-mortem was held on the body of one, Newsome, who died a week ago. Newsome was convalescent from typhoid, and dismissing the physician called in a magnetic healer, named Fyke, who burned powder, gave other treatment, and declared him well. Newsome took a full meal and died shortly afterwards. A warning is out for the arrest of Fyke, who cannot be found.

**Inspected the Tunnel**

Port Huron, Mich., Oct. 26.—Superior Engineer Mountain and Inspector Duval, of the Canadian railway, arrived here yesterday to inspect the tunnel in the western portion of the Northwest Territories. Cautionary signals are displayed at the tunnel entrance. The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the tunnel entrance were: Highest, 57; lowest, 33.7.

**TOOK RAT POISON.**

Toronto, Ont., Oct. 26.—Mrs. Sarah Jean Howe, a married woman, who lived at 167 Bay street, took a dose of rat poison this morning and died of the effects.

## MERRILY GOES THE CAMPAIGN

Premier to Have Big Meetings  
at Montreal.

MR. PATERSON AT INGERSOLL

New Brunswick Liberals Expect to  
Carry Province—The Battle  
in North Grey.

Montreal, Oct. 25.—The Premier has decided to deliver four more speeches in Montreal. On Thursday night, accompanied by Hon. Raymond Prefontaine and Hon. Lomer Gouin, he will address the French-speaking electors at St. Henri; then go to the arena and address Mr. L. Rivet's English-speaking supporters, and finally attend a mass meeting of Mr. Camille Piche's constituents in St. Marys.

Undeterred by these strenuous efforts, Sir Wilfrid, on Friday evening, addressed a mass meeting of the English-speaking electors of the city at Windsor Hall. Besides the district ministers, it is expected that Hon. Sydney Fisher, Minister of Agriculture, and Hon. William Patterson, Minister of Customs, will speak. Vigorous preparations are under way to make the Windsor Hall meeting as striking a success as that of last night.

The Premier spoke this afternoon at Sherbrooke, and at Parham this evening. On Wednesday night he will speak at Valleyfield, and on Saturday at Three Rivers.

**Fight in North Grey.**

Owen Sound, Oct. 25.—Up to the present stage, the contest in North Grey has been free from the spectacular features that generally characterize elections in this riding. To analyze the situation is difficult, because the campaign here presents new features. There is absolutely no disposition on the part of the electorate to question the high moral character of both candidates, and whatever the result may be North Grey will be ably represented. There are several considerations at work that point towards the election of the Liberal candidate. Mr. Telford is a Scotchman, whose name for years has been associated with movements for moral reform, and his name has become a synonym for everything that is good in private and public life. These considerations are bound to tell in the old Scotch-Liberal township of Sydenham, which wavered slightly in the last Mr. Kennedy's campaign in the by-election.

**Liberal New Brunswick.**

Fredericton, N. B., Oct. 25.—The Liberals of New Brunswick are in the thick of the election campaign in this Province, and confidently expect to carry at least eight of the thirteen seats. The atmosphere in Restigouche and Kent is cleared by the retirement of Messrs. Murray and Hebert, independent Liberal candidates, and in a straight fight Messrs. Reid and LeBlond will win by a large majority. In Gloucester, York, Victoria, and Westmorland Messrs. Turgeon, Gibson, Costigan and Emmerson are absolutely safe.

**Ar Ingersoll Meeting.**

Ingersoll, Oct. 25.—The town hall was packed to the doors tonight for an enthusiastic audience on the occasion of the visit of Hon. William Patterson. Dr. Mackay presided, and on the platform were the candidate, Mr. M. Schell, Messrs. Geo. Sutherland, M. J. Connelley, J. H. Reid, M. E. R. Hull and William Waterworth.

The candidate, Mr. Malcolm Schell, opened the meeting. He was greeted with cheers on rising, and enthusiasm was a high pitch throughout his address. He made a strong and forceful speech, displaying a splendid grasp of public questions and a skill in holding the attention of his audience. Referring to his speech, Mr. Patterson declared that he had a better grasp of public affairs or better able to present them than any other man in the Province. Mr. Patterson expressed himself as being fatigued with his work, and his voice was husky when he began, but it soon recovered its full power, and he spoke in splendid form for over an hour. He dealt exhaustively with the development of the country by the Laurier Administration and the increase of prosperity throughout the Dominion. He gave a clear and lucid explanation of the Grand Trunk Pacific contract, and rose to heights of eloquence in dealing with the benefits to be derived from the new railway. He predicted that the commerce between Europe and China and Japan would pass over the new line, 500 miles shorter than any other route. A warm personal tribute was paid to Sir Wilfrid Laurier, whose name was greeted with cheer upon cheer. Mr. Patterson declared that he was working so vigorously in the election campaign, not because he had any fear of defeat, but because he hoped to see Sir Wilfrid Laurier returned to the House of Commons.

Cheers for Messrs. J. C. Henderson and Donald Sutherland, the Conservative candidates, were called for, but ended in laughter. The response which greeted the name of Malcolm Schell gave promise of a victory in Ingersoll. It was the most enthusiastic political meeting seen in Ingersoll for years.

**The British View.**

Ottawa, Oct. 25.—The Westminster Gazette of London, England, in mentioning on the record of the Canadian Liberal party for eight years, says that under Sir Wilfrid Laurier's administration the total commerce of Canada has increased, the tariff has been reformed, the all-Canada railway scheme has been fostered, and by the new refrigeration scheme the farmer is enabled to dispose of his produce in other countries in good condition, and consequently for a better price. The credit of Canada has never stood higher than it now does.

**CHINESE PLOT;  
OFF GO PIGTAILS**

Mongolians on the Pacific Coast  
Hatching a Revolution to  
Depose the Empress.

Portland, Ore., Oct. 25.—The Oregonian prints an article to the effect that the Chinese Reform Association, which has a large membership in every city on the Pacific coast, is preparing to start a revolution against the present Empress of China during the celebration of the next Chinese new year, which occurs in February.

The article says that as an insult to the Empress Tsi Ann, the members of the association have been ordered to cut off their queues.

The queue is a mark of submission to the reigning power. The plan is to place the young and deposed emperor, Little Juong Suey, on the throne. The Little Juong Suey is to be used as a figurehead and as a tool, while Yip Yen, the head of the association, who is in Vancouver, B. C., will be the real ruler in his position as prime minister.

**MR. MORLEY'S VISIT**

The Guest of Principal Peterson of McGill, Montreal.

Montreal, Oct. 25.—Right Hon. John Morley, private secretary to the Premier of the British House of Commons for Montreal, is the guest of Principal Peterson of McGill, and arrived last evening, and will receive the degree of LL.B. from the university tomorrow. Although he has repeatedly refused to be interviewed, he said today regarding the Hull incident, "The only thing that could be said about that matter is that of course the Government must act—must act with promptness. There can be no question as to that."

Mr. Morley intends to visit Ottawa and Toronto within the next few days. While in Ottawa he will be the guest of Lord Minto. In Toronto he will be the guest of Mr. Goldwin Smith.

**Kuropatkin Has Entire Charge  
of Czar's Armies.**

**VICEROY ISSUES PROCLAMATION**

In Self-Laudatory and Bombastic  
Announcement He Explains That  
He Steps Out Voluntarily.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 26.—The text of Viceroy Alexieff's order of the day, which was read before the troops in the barracks on Monday, and announced the appointment of Gen. Kuropatkin to be commander-in-chief of all the land forces in the east, is as follows: "His majesty today acceded to my request that I be relieved of the duties of commander-in-chief, and has appointed Gen. Kuropatkin, commander-in-chief of all our land forces in the far east, to be commander-in-chief of the troops in the east. My efforts in connection with the formation of the military forces in the viceroyalty, their concentration in the war zone, and my conduct of affairs as commander-in-chief of our forces in the far east."

While notifying the land and sea forces in the territory of the far east of the imperial will and mark of favor graciously conferred by our monarch, I consider it my duty to convey my cordial thanks to the glorious troops under my command, who have taken immediate share in the military operations, for their truly self-sacrificing service, distinguished by many heroic deeds on the part of both men and leaders of all grades. I also express my sincere thanks to the troops which have not yet met the enemy, for their energy in difficult positions.

I should also be very proud and hold in the highest honor that special confidence the monarch conferred upon me as commander-in-chief of the glorious troops which have adorned their banners with fresh glory. It is my firm belief that, with God's help, our strong foe will be overthrown by our troops, to the glory of the Emperor and the welfare of our beloved fatherland.

While Alexieff takes particular pains in turning over the supreme command of the land forces to Kuropatkin to inform the soldiers and the world of the marks of imperial confidence reposed in him and to announce that he will remain as viceroy, the order is couched in such a way as to leave no doubt in the mind of the soldier that he will be followed by his return to St. Petersburg. His elevation to the factor of the military situation has caused a sigh of relief. The papers all welcome the announcement, and Kuropatkin's appointment to the chief command as a well-merited recompense for the manner in which he has discharged the difficult role imposed upon him, and reading between the lines, as a promise of better results now that Alexieff is eliminated and there is no longer a prospect of the elevation of a grand duke to the supreme command.