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THE WEATHER. Milder weather predicted for Friday.

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ONE CENT.

KUROPATKIN IS TRAPPED AGAIN.

Caught by Oyama's Forces and Must Cut His Way Out or Surrender Himself and His Army--Japs Have Occupied Tie Pass.

TOKIO, March 16.--Noon--The Japanese occupied Tie Pass at midnight, Mar. 15. Details of the occupation have not yet been received at Imperial army headquarters. An official bulletin reports the action, and that the Japanese are in hot pursuit of the retreating Russians, but it does not mention any particulars about the fight.

Washington, Mar. 16.--The Japanese legation has received a despatch from the foreign office at Tokio, which says: "Our advance troops pressing the enemy everywhere and occupied Tie Pass at 12.20 a. m. Thursday." Another despatch to the legation says: "Our detachment occupied Sing King on the 14th."

ously fighting for more than ten days and nights, through snow and biting wind, defeated their strong foe, driving him to Tie Pass, taking tens of thousands of prisoners and otherwise inflicting serious injuries. By this signal victory our Manchurian armies have enhanced the military prestige of our country at home and abroad. We are deeply gratified by the courage and endurance with which our officers and men have been able to achieve such a great success, and we look to you for even greater exertions in the future.

Wants More Trouble.

Berlin, March 16.--The German government has informed that the Russian emperor has again put aside all peace suggestions and is unshaken in his resolution to continue the war. All the higher officers of the Far Eastern army recently joined in a petition to Emperor Nicholas not to consider peace, although they have retreated, they still have retreated, they still have the will to fight.

The Cost of War.

New York, March 16.--A St. Petersburg despatch to the Temps says: "Expenditure amounting to 800,000,000 roubles for the first eleven months of 1904, indicates the disastrous effects of the war. From various sources, the revenue decreased, compared with the previous year. The customs and shipping receipts declined 20,000,000 roubles, and the peasants' land payment 9,000,000 roubles, and the excise receipts nearly 5,000,000 roubles."

THE SNOWBLOW STILL AT WORK

To Clear I. C. R. at Dorchester--Trojan Monks Wedded--Mention Schools.

Moncton, N. B., March 16.--(Special)--Mood Mellish, of the I. C. R. and a well known member of the Trojan Athletic Club, was married at Buctouche yesterday morning. The bride is Miss Margaret Murray, formerly of the Strathcona Coal Co.'s office here. The ceremony took place at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. J. D. Murray, and was performed by Rev. J. D. Murray, uncle of the bride, in presence of immediate friends of the contracting parties. Mr. and Mrs. Mellish arrived home last evening, and were followed by a number of friends. He was waited on by a delegation from the Trojan Athletic Club, and presented with a handsome Morris chair, accompanied by a congratulatory address. The address was read by F. Weir, and the presentation made by J. W. Humphrey.

Correspondent Is Safe.

Paris, March 16.--Ludovic Nadeau, the French newspaper correspondent who was reported from Santopi, eight miles north of Tie Pass, yesterday, to have been killed by Chinese at Mukden, after the Russian retreat at the same time, that Mr. Little, the correspondent of the Chicago Daily News, was erroneously asserted to have lost his life. He is cabled to his paper, the Journal, that he was made a prisoner at Mukden, by the Japanese, and that he will be sent to Japan, where he hopes to regain his liberty.

The Mikado's Thanks.

Tokio, Mar. 16.--The emperor of Japan has sent the following message to his victorious Manchurian armies: "Since autumn the enemy erected strong defenses around Mukden, held the district with a superior force and were confident of victory. Our Manchurian armies, however, forestalling the enemy, boldly and vigorously assumed the offensive and after stren-



WILL THE CZAR HEED THE GODDESS?

NORTH SYDNEY GETS DRY DOCK. The Capital of \$250,000 Has Been Subscribed--Work to Begin Next Summer.

Sydney, N. S. W., March 16.--(Special)--The establishment of a steel railway dry-dock is now positively assured for North Sydney. Capital of \$250,000 has been subscribed, most of which is held by Joseph Leiter, the famous wheat king, and other people in Chicago. The federal government has agreed to a subsidy of one and one-half percent upon the capital invested. The local government will also give a subsidy and the town of North Sydney a substantial bonus. The dock will be sufficiently large to accommodate steamers of five thousand tons capacity.

FACTORY ACT TO BE PASSED. Along Lines Suggested By Commission--To Amend the Game Law--Foundry For Sale.

Fredericton, N. B., March 16.--(Special)--It is understood that the government will introduce a factory bill this session. The bill will probably prohibit the employment of children under fourteen, and restrict the hours of labor for women and girls. Manufacturers will be compelled to provide greater safeguards against fire, and modern sanitary conveniences so that the health of employees will not be endangered. The commission recommends employment and factory inspectors, and that all factories be taxed to conform with the survey general in regard to proposed changes in the game law. It is said to be the intention of the government to increase the non-resident license fee to fifty dollars, and resident license fee to five dollars. The directors of the Gibson Foundry Company met here last evening, and decided to sell the property. The foundry has been idle for some time.

THE "ST. CROIX" BACK. Eastern S. S. Co.'s Flyer Has Been Generally Overhauled and Improved.

The Eastern Steamship Company's steamer St. Croix, Captain Thompson, sailed this morning on her first trip of the season, for Boston via Eastport. The St. Croix has been on the coast nearly six weeks in Boston, and has been put into magnificent condition. She has been completely repaired and overhauled from stem to stern. The ship's friends and Captain Thompson here, congratulate him on the fine appearance of his vessel. The traveling public by this line during the summer will have the best boat on the Atlantic coast.

SIXTY YEARS OF WEDDED LIFE.

At Dorset, N. S., a few miles from Truro, there reside an aged couple, Mr. and Mrs. J. McLaughlin, who have been living in their native village for a life time. They are well and favorably known because of their kindness, which is extended to friends and strangers alike. Mr. McLaughlin is eighty-four and his wife is eighty-two. They have five children, two sons and three daughters. One of their sons, a doctor, is James, the well-known brackman on the C. P. R. John and Elizabeth, there are also two other brothers. Notwithstanding advanced age, Mr. McLaughlin is one of the best of health, and superintends the work on the old homestead.

SEAMEN'S MISSION.

During this week, many enjoyable concerts have been held in the Seamen's Mission rooms. Last evening a fine programme was provided for the men of the sea, by Miss L. Lovett, President of the ladies' auxiliary, it was as follows: piano solo, Miss A. Thompson; vocal solo, Miss M. De Cue; harp solo, Miss Carrie Baillie; violin solo, Miss Nellie Thompson; vocal solo, Mr. Brady, of the Ionian; piano duo, Miss Carrie Baillie; vocal solo, Miss Camden; and reading, Miss Carrie Baillie. Refreshments were served at the close.

THE BANK CLEARINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 16th, were \$71,097, an increase of 127,527 of the corresponding week of this month, last year.

The fish market was well supplied, the retail prices are: cod, and haddock, 6c; smelts, 10c; lobsters, Newfoundland herrings, 11c; hoppers, 25c; halibut, 18c; clams, 30c.

The Times New Reporter.

St. John has been entertaining anglers unawares. If the representatives of the Beef Trust had been detained and held for ransom the town might have got enough out of it to pay for the waterworks extension to Loch Lomond.

One of the Beef Trust men is said to be on his way to Russia. No doubt the Russian bureaucracy would pay something to learn the secret of the success of the Beef bureaucrats of America.

There is no question at all that St. Patrick introduced the shamrock into Ireland, from slips grown in Kings county. The original garden from which the slips were taken is that Ireland, Scotland, and France still show to visitors, though now all claim the honor of being his birthplace, that there are authentic records to show that he was born in Kings county, N. B., which has been so many distinguished men to this day.

BEEF TRUST MEN OFF FOR EUROPE.

Sailed Hastily From St. John Yesterday on Stmr. Lake Erie--Wanted in Chicago as Witnesses in Celebrated Beef Trust Litigation.

The Times last evening published an exclusive local story to the effect that four notable visitors from Chicago who had been in the city for several days, sailed for England on the steamer Lake Erie, yesterday afternoon, and that it was believed the men were making a prolonged visit to the old country to escape being called upon as witnesses in the litigation against the American Beef Trust which opens in Chicago on March 20.

The Times had more information but until it was corroborated, it was deemed inadvisable to print it. It is now learned that the men referred to, can probably tell more about the workings of the Beef Trust than anyone available, and that it was decidedly to the interest of the trust magnates, to get them out of the way for the time being, lest under the pressure of a public trial, they might make known certain facts which would be inimical to the trust's interests.

Who They Are.

They were: F. A. Spink, traffic manager, of the National Packing Company; George S. Roberts, salesman in the employ of the same concern; J. Brennan, a department manager of Swift & Co., the millionaire packing concern; E. A. Allen, formerly secretary of the Hammond Packing Company, which was absorbed by the National Packing Company, which are well known and who was not registered with the others, but who, kept them out of the way, by doing in Chicago while they were in St. John. The party arrived here on Saturday, and registered at the Royal Hotel. Shortly after their arrival they presented themselves at the C. P. R. offices with letters of introduction from N. Sutherland, from G. M. Bosworth, fourth vice-president of the C. P. R. in Montreal.

Another Account.

The following despatch, was received from Chicago last night: Chicago, Ill., March 15.--District Attorney Betha refused tonight to say whether the four men who sailed from St. John today did so to escape warrants or subpoenas in connection with the coming prosecution of the beef trust, but by the despatch above, by the United States marshal, and the secret service here, it was plain at least that the men were considered as important witnesses.

Were Not Backward.

To the C. P. R. officials and others whom they met they did not hesitate to reveal their connection with the great packing industry. Mr. Spink stated that he was going to England to look over the foreign market and to investigate opportunities for and conditions of the European trade.

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At the office of United States Marshall Ames in Chicago, there are however, more unserved subpoenas for witnesses in connection with the Beef Trust cases. These subpoenas were returned with the information that the parties wanted could not be found within the jurisdiction of the court.

POLICE COURT.

There were two prisoners at the police court, this morning. Annie Doherty, drunk on Britain street, was remanded. John Kane, also charged with drunkenness, was fined \$4 on 16th days.

THE KING HAS A COLD.

London, Mar. 16.--King Edward is suffering from a slight cold and consequently the Prince of Wales, in behalf of his Majesty, has today to five young men appointed to solicit passengers at the I. C. R. station, will be heard tomorrow.

TONIGHT AT ST. DAVID'S.

Mr. W. S. Carter, who was to have sung at St. David's church organ opening, tonight, is suffering from an after-effects of a grippe, and will be unable to sing. Harold North, the English tenor, has kindly consented to sing "Deeper and Deeper Still" and "We'll Sing Angels" from Handel's "Jephtha."

The Chicago End of It.

Chicago, Ill., Mar. 15.--(Special)--Reports reached the United States Marshall Ames' office yesterday, that several important witnesses, in addition to those who sailed for England