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WOMEN AND CHILDREN KILLED BY BURNED STEAMER

**SLEAZES FIRE AND PANIC
SEIZES PASSENGERS, WHO THROW
THEMSELVES OVERBOARD.**

FIVE HUNDRED BODIES FOUND

New York, June 15.—One of the most appalling disasters in the history of the New York, tragic in its enormity and dramatic in its episode, occurred today in the East River, at the entrance to Long Island Sound, within a short distance of the New York shore, and within sight of thousands of persons, the majority of whom were powerless to give aid.

By the burning to the water's edge of the General Slocum, a three-decked excursion steamer, the largest in the world, more than 600 persons, the majority of whom were women and children, were burned to death or drowned by jumping overboard or by being thrown into the whirlpool of Hell Gate by the bursting of the vessel.

**STRIKE CAN BE AVERTED
IF BOTH SIDES STAND BY
FIXED ARBITRATION CLAUSE**

Men Meet to Decide on the Ultimate—Company Making Systematic Preparations.

Today the Toronto Street Railway directors will probably be in possession of an ultimatum from the employees. At mid-night, the men were flocking to the Star Theatre, to consider their situation and determine on future action. The feeling of the union executive is in favor of arbitration, under the clause in the agreement with the company, made two years ago.

It would seem as though the company have prepared for something they believe is going to come. When the last unpleasantness occurred, the whole content of the strike showed a painful lack of preparation on the part of both the company and the authorities to cope with the situation, and the men secured a reasonable accession to their requests after a short period of disturbance and inconvenience, which, however, was quite long enough for the honor of the public and the reputation of the city.

**WILLING TO ARBITRATE
EVERYTHING BUT UNION**

Company Issues Statement Explaining Situation and the Real Point of Difference Both Ways.

W. H. Moore, assistant to the president of the T. S. R., handed the following statement to the World at 2 o'clock this morning:

On May 16 the general manager of the Toronto Railway Company received a request from George Conroy, secretary of the Toronto Railway Union, to call a meeting of the employees of the company for the purpose of discussing the strike.

On that date a meeting was held before the officials of the company and the committee representing the employees, and conferences were continued daily until Friday, the 19th inst. When the matter had been fully discussed, the officials stated that they were prepared to make their report to the board of directors on Monday and Tuesday, June 14, after a full discussion, the following letter was sent to the secretary of the committee:

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THE SOVEREIGN LIFE.

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FAVOR GEORGIAN BAY CANAL.

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700 RUSSIANS KILLED BY JAPANESE VICTORY NEAR FUCHOW

**Czar's Men Overwhelmed,
Left Guns on Field and
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7000 MEN NOW IN FULL FLIGHT

News Not Officially Published, But London Express and Chronicle Give It Currency.

LONDON, JUNE 15.—A DESPATCH TO THE DAILY EXPRESS FROM TOKIO, DATED JUNE 15, SAYS NEWS HAS REACHED THERE, BUT HAS NOT YET BEEN OFFICIALLY PUBLISHED, OF A GREAT JAPANESE VICTORY NEAR FUCHOW, ON THE RAILWAY, SEVENTY MILES NORTH OF PORT ARTHUR. THE RUSSIANS, IT IS ADDED, WERE OVERWHELMED, LEFT THEIR GUNS AND MEN, LEFT ALL THEIR THINGS ON THE FIELD, AND RETREATED IN DISORDER.

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DUNDONALD SPEAKS OF DISMISSAL CONSULS FEEL OFFICE DISORDERLY

**Hints That There Was Collusion
Between Sir Frederick Borden
and Mr. Fisher.**

FACTS SPEAK FOR THEMSELVES

LONDON, June 15.—(Staff Special.)—"Yes, I got this telegram about midnight last night," said Major-General the Earl of Dundonald, producing the yellow sheet:

**DENISON FOR DUNDONALD
HIS LORDSHIP JUSTIFIED
IN LETTING PUBLIC KNOW**

Government Tried to Make Him Responsible for a List He Never Sanctioned.

Lieut.-Col. George T. Denison, in the course of an interview with the World last night, regarding the Dundonald episode, expressed himself as much surprised at the revelations which had been made. During his experience of 44 years as commanding officer of a militia regiment, he had never known of any interference on political grounds, WITH A COLONEL in the selection of his officers.

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