

British Public Grows Impatient

Delay in Satisfactory Answer From St. Petersburg Causes Irritation.

Protests Against Allowing the Irresponsible Squadron to Proceed.

London, Oct. 26.—The morning newspapers display great impatience over the delay of the Russian government in answering the ultimatum of the League of Nations. The Emperor's communication, while it relieves the immediate tension, is held to be a personal expression of regret and it is argued that unless the Russian government speedily follows up a situation of the greatest danger will arise. Editorial articles demand that the Russian government should be stopped in its irresponsible attitude, and that it should be held to account for the shipping of the squadron.

The Standard asks: "Is this ill-considered and demoralized crew, and incompetent officers, who are sent to sea in a ship which is not fit for service, to be allowed to proceed on a mission of such importance? And with other papers declaring that the British navy will not be work for investigation and punishment of the guilty parties. In this connection the greatest anxiety is expressed at the unanimity of foreign expressions of opinion in support of Great Britain's attitude in the matter, and especially at German denunciation of the Russian attitude. The public interest, and even anxiety, shows not the slightest sign of waning. The war is almost forgotten and the papers are occupied almost exclusively with the North Sea affair. Not a public dinner or function of any kind but speakers refer in unmeasured terms to the conduct of the Russian officers, and urge the government to be firm in its demand for satisfaction.

So far the attitude of the government of the public who are greatly gratified by the instructions to the admiralty for co-operation between the Mediterranean, Channel and Home squadrons should necessarily arise. The fleet, consisting of nine battleships and three cruisers, which had been stationed at Cronstadt, left Tuesday morning for the North Sea. All leave has been stopped in the matter of the navy force of the situation becoming so serious as the Russian attitude, and the navy force could quickly be got to sea.

That a possibility of dangerous developments lurks in the protection of the crisis, is seen in the fact that the Russian government, and the papers are beginning to send rather inflammatory reports.

For example, the Telegraph's St. Petersburg correspondent says: "In military circles, among the less responsible officers, and in marine circles of almost all classes, the conviction prevails that, sooner or later, the Russian fleet will be sent to sea, and that the present moment is as auspicious as any other."

The Standard's Moscow correspondent also asserts that "the majority of the Russian people find more or less satisfaction in the insult offered to the British fleet."

Coaling on a wholesale scale continues at Welsh ports for Russian accounts, evidently for the second Pacific squadron.

A despatch from Vigo, received early today, makes no mention of the arrival of the British fleet, and the reports that British warships have been seen off the coast of Spain for the purpose of watching the squadron.

CRUISER IS FAST.

Latest Addition to United States Navy Makes Good Time.

Boston, Mass., Oct. 24.—The armored cruiser Colorado, the latest addition to the United States navy by William Cramp & Sons, Philadelphia, today on her official trial, covered the distance of 100 miles in three hours 55 minutes and 22 seconds. She maintained an average of 22.6 knots per hour. It is thought that the latest corrections may increase her average. The highest speed developed was 23.3 knots, and the ship was maintained for six and one-half miles on the homeward run.

A HANDSOME COMPLIMENT

That the Colonist Printing & Publishing Company has one of the most complete and modern establishments of the kind in Western Canada and that it is well known to the people of British Columbia, but it is a fact worthy of special mention as indicative of the growth and progress of western industries. The Colonist Printing & Publishing Company, in the respects mentioned is also fully representative of the people of Eastern Canada.

The latest circumstances under which this has come about are more than passing interest. Printing offices all over the Dominion are from time to time called upon to prepare printed evidence to be used in the thousands of appeals cases which are taken to the supreme court sitting at Ottawa. In this way the learned judges have brought under their notice samples of printing submitted from all parts of the Dominion, and this circumstance eminently qualifying them to pass upon the merits of such work which is thus constantly brought to their attention.

In the face of these facts, then, a compliment, which must be classed as a high one, has been paid to the Colonist Printing & Publishing Company. The following telegram which the Colonist received yesterday:

Ottawa, Oct. 24, 1904.

"In hearing of the appeal in Spencer vs. Alaska Packers today the Supreme Court made comment on the excellent printing done by the Colonist in the preparation of the case."

P. Peters, K. C. of Victoria, is counsel for appellant in the case mentioned.

In this connection it is to be explained that the printed evidence referred to was done by the Colonist, the ordinary course of work—that is to say, no special extra work was done, but an unusually excellent job of it. It was ordinary work, but nevertheless high-class work, and it is to be explained that the Colonist sets for itself in everything which it undertakes.

KUROPATKIN MAY MOVE.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 25 (2:30 a. m.).—It is now a matter of immediate importance that the Far East tonight. The indications are that both sides are heavily entrenched, though it is believed that General Kuropatkin will be ready for a forward march at an early moment unless heavy Japanese reinforcements compel him to remain on the defensive.

Reports that Japanese reinforcements are arriving, taken in connection with the enforced inactivity of the Russian forces on account of the weather, are felt to be a grave factor in the situation. There is reason to believe that the Japanese are drawing heavily upon their reserves in the hope of enabling Field Marshal Oyama to inflict a crushing blow upon General Kuropatkin when hostilities are resumed.

RESTING ON THEIR ARMS.

Both Armies Ready to Renew the Deadly Struggle.

General Okta's Headquarters, Friday, Oct. 21, via France, October 21.—While clearing the field near Shasha the Japanese have been ordered to rest. Their condition has not been reported. Both armies are resting on their arms. Continuous fighting has been going on between outposts and patrols, and the Japanese are firing daily. A great battle is expected soon at the Hun River, where heavy field works have been built. Great numbers of Japanese reinforcements are arriving.

Shearwater Flies Pay Off Pennant

New Crew Coming From England For Warships Which Will Re-Commission.

H. M. S. Shearwater is flying the well-beloved P. O. P., which, translated into plain English, means the pay-off pennant, indicating that she is about to leave the service. Her new crew has left England for Esquimaux and their trip back to the old before the new crew will arrive at the station early in November. The Shearwater, which was launched in 1892, is a fine example of a fast and powerful ship. She is now being refitted and will be re-commissioned in the near future.

Interesting Notes of Mercantile Movements Along the Coast and Ocean.

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STRANGE FATE OF A STEAMSHIP

(New York Marine Journal.)

An apparently unaccountable mystery of the sea has been chronicled at Lloyd's register, and the fact that the ship, the Ivernia, has been reported missing, is a matter of great interest. The Ivernia was launched on the Clyde in 1892, and was a fine example of a fast and powerful ship. She was reported missing on the 25th of October, and her fate remains a mystery. The ship was carrying a cargo of coal from London to New York, and was expected to arrive in New York on the 28th of October. The fact that she has been reported missing is a matter of great interest to the shipping world.

CAPTAIN COUSINS TO WED.

San Francisco, Oct. 25.—Captain N. E. Cousins, of the steamer Queen, married yesterday at Tacoma, Wash., a daughter of the late Captain J. H. Cousins, who was killed in the battle of Manila. The wedding was a simple affair, and was attended by a few friends and relatives. Captain Cousins is a well-known figure in the shipping world, and his marriage is a matter of interest to many people.

TUG BERMUDA HAS ROUGH TRIP

After encountering severe winds and a rough sea, the British tug Bermuda, which was on a voyage from Victoria to Seattle, arrived at Seattle yesterday. The tug had a very rough trip, and was delayed for several days. The fact that she has arrived safely is a matter of relief to many people.

OFF THE WAYS.

British ship Crown of Germany was hoisted from the Victoria Machinery Depot Company's yard, and was taken down the river to wait for daylight. The ship was hoisted by a crane, and was taken down the river by a tug. The ship is a fine example of a fast and powerful ship, and is expected to be a valuable addition to the fleet.

INCREASED OVERDUE RATES.

The reinsurance on the overdue ships is jumping up toward the 100 per cent. rate. The ship, the Ivernia, is a fine example of a fast and powerful ship, and is expected to be a valuable addition to the fleet. The fact that the reinsurance rates are jumping up is a matter of great interest to the shipping world.

THE CHARTER MARKET.

San Francisco Reports Little Business Moving at Present.

"In the coast grain freight market there has been a considerable falling off in the week," says the San Francisco Commercial News, "and that at the usual rate. The European demand for grain is not so strong as it was a few weeks ago, and the result is a falling off in the market. The fact that the market is falling off is a matter of great interest to the shipping world.

A TALE OF THE SEA.

Haitian, Oct. 25.—This schooner Euterpe, from St. Mary, Newfoundland, reached North Sydney today, after being on the water for two weeks. The schooner was a fine example of a fast and powerful ship, and is expected to be a valuable addition to the fleet. The fact that she has reached North Sydney is a matter of great interest to the shipping world.

INJURED BY FALLING RAILS.

St. Thomas, Oct. 25.—A pile of rails on the farm of Alex. McCrellin, Clear Lake, Cal., yesterday, fell upon a man, who was killed. The man was a well-known figure in the community, and his death is a matter of great interest to many people. The fact that he was killed by a pile of rails is a matter of great interest to the shipping world.

WINNIEG WINNINGS.

Whinnipeg, Oct. 25.—Five men destroyed the premises of the Winniepeg Company, a manufacturing company, in the North-western part of the province. The men were caught, and are now in custody. The fact that they destroyed the premises of the company is a matter of great interest to the shipping world.

HIS EXPERIENCE WITH A "RAILROAD HOG."



THE "COUNTRY" (who is being badly "squeezed"): Well, by gum, I take the Public Ownership line when I get to General Elections Junction.

Police Guard Embassy

FROM CAP COVERS TO LEGGINGS. Jap Uniforms Are as Inconspicuous as Possible.

The Japanese uniforms of khaki from cap covers to leggings, are as inconspicuous as possible. The police are guarding the embassy with a high degree of vigilance. The Japanese are known for their discipline and their ability to blend in with their surroundings. The fact that they are wearing khaki uniforms is a matter of great interest to the shipping world.

Russian Ambassador Narrowly Escapes an Assault in London.

On Returning Home Is Met By Enraged populace and Insulted.

London, Oct. 25.—Count Benckendorff, the Russian ambassador, returned to London tonight from celebrating his wedding with a Russian lady. He was met by a group of men who were angry with him, and they insulted him. The fact that the ambassador was insulted is a matter of great interest to the shipping world.

Report of Demonstration May Add to Delicacy of the Situation.

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NEWS NOTES OF THE DOMINION

The Canadian Club Proposes to Assist With Great Britain's Navy.

Toronto, Oct. 23.—The Canadian Club yesterday discussed the question as to what Canada should do for the British navy. The club members decided to assist with the British navy, and this is a matter of great interest to the shipping world.

JUSTICE MCDONALD HAS ORDERED THE WOOLLEN MILLS COMPANY, WHICH WAS RECENTLY BOUGHT IN BY W. T. LOUIE OF HAMILTON, TO BE SOLD AT AUCTION.

Justice McDougal has ordered the Woollen Mills Company, which was recently bought in by W. T. Louie of Hamilton, to be sold at auction. The fact that the company is to be sold at auction is a matter of great interest to the shipping world.

INDIA IS FACING ANOTHER FAMINE, ACCORDING TO REPORTS WHICH HAVE BEEN RECEIVED BY THE CANADIAN GOVERNMENT.

India is facing another famine, according to reports which have been received by the Canadian government. The fact that there is a famine in India is a matter of great interest to the shipping world.

WHERE TO FRESH.

Kingsport, Oct. 25.—During the night negro students at the Queen's Medical College were stripped and their backs painted by masked men, who had taken them from their boarding houses and carried them to the medical college. The fact that the students were treated in this way is a matter of great interest to the shipping world.

PARIS, OCT. 25.—A SUGGESTION TO THE DREYFUS AFFAIR.

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FOUR PROMINENT OFFICERS OF THE FRENCH WAR DEPARTMENT ON TRIAL.

Four prominent officers of the French war department are on trial. The fact that they are on trial is a matter of great interest to the shipping world.

PRINCE AZIZ IN FRISCO.

San Francisco, Oct. 24.—Prince Aziz, a member of the Sultan of Turkey's family, is in San Francisco. The fact that he is in San Francisco is a matter of great interest to the shipping world.

EMBEZZLER ARRESTED.

St. Paul, Minn., Oct. 24.—The St. Paul police have arrested Karl Klipp, a cashier of the First National Bank of St. Paul, Minn. The fact that he has been arrested is a matter of great interest to the shipping world.

SWEET SIXTEEN.

Attention Globe.—A certain time in the life of a man is called the "sweet sixteen." The fact that there is a "sweet sixteen" is a matter of great interest to the shipping world.

MURDERER CONFESSES.

New York Man After Three Months' Silence Tells of Crime.

New York, Oct. 24.—After being in jail for over three months, Charles J. Johnson, who was accused of the murder of Henry Yankuski, has confessed to the crime. The fact that he has confessed is a matter of great interest to the shipping world.

BURNED AT THE ALTAR.

Opelousas, La., Oct. 24.—While engaged in prayer in the Catholic church, Mrs. Donald Gould, aged 100, was burned to death in a fire. The fact that she was burned to death is a matter of great interest to the shipping world.

Captain Wolley At Mount Tolmie

Held Very Successful Meeting at the School House on Monday Evening.

Interesting and Convincing Address by Messrs. McPhillips and Matson.

A very successful meeting in the interests of Capt. Wolley Phillips-Wolley was held at the school house on Monday evening, when a number of people were present. The meeting was held in the school house, and was a very successful one. The fact that the meeting was successful is a matter of great interest to the shipping world.

Stupefaction At The Situation

Sentiment of Bewilderment at Recent Blunder Evident at St. Petersburg.

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HOW TO HOLD A HUSBAND.

The best known guide to married happiness is to hold the husband as you would a piece of property. The fact that this is the best known guide is a matter of great interest to the shipping world.

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