



STREET SCENE IN MOSCOW DURING A RELIGIOUS PROCESSION.

and stoutly defended by their owners escaping the ravages of the rioters. Artillery and quick-firing guns were posted on the Steast Monastery Square. All of the streets opening on this square, in which the rebels had erected barricades, were swept by the fire of the troops. The main barricade was in Tver Street, and the air in this quarter was literally filled with bullets and shells, infantry and artillery firing volleys together. The carnage was very great, but the numbers, although mounting into the hundreds, cannot be known with certainty, and probably never will, as many of the wounded crawled off and died in out-of-the-way places.

Mobs numbering thousands paraded the streets, singing anarchistic songs, and attacking patrols of the troops. The city lights were extinguished, and darkness added to the general terror of the law-abiding inhabitants. Small

parties of insurgents would seize some private house, and then fire on passing troops until artillery was brought up and pointed. Then they would decamp, leaving the regular occupants to be killed when fire was opened. Hundreds of people who belonged to the moderate party, or as they are called, "the regular Constitutionalists," have thus met an untimely death. All reports, including those from the "Reds" themselves, agree that they are determined that the government shall be destroyed at any cost, or that the country shall be so wrecked as to not be worth governing. All thought of a regular republic, such as would occur to the Anglo-Saxon mind, has little part in their programme, the "Collectivist" instinct of the peasant class of the Russian people having full sway. Thousands of Russian tramps, such as are described by Maxime Gorky,