

# SEALERS, NOTICE!

The Third Annual F. P. U. Sealers Mass Meeting will be held in the C. L. B. Armoury this (THURSDAY) Evening, at 8 o'clock. The building will contain 5000 persons, and all Sealers will therefore be welcome. A number of the citizens of St. John's will also be admitted, and they may secure tickets on application to Mr. Grimes, M.H.A., The C. L. B. Band will be in attendance and will supply band music. The chair will be occupied by Mr. W. B. Jennings, M.H.A. The Speakers will be Messrs. Coaker, Morine, Kent, Lloyd, Cowan and Dwyer.

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### RUSSIA PREPARING FOR WAR WITH GERMANY

Russians Expect That a Conflict Will Come Within the Next Few Years and are not Leaving Anything to Chance.

Berlin, Mar. 9.—A sensation has been caused in Germany by the semi-official Cologne Gazette's article, purporting to be a telegram from its St. Petersburg correspondent, which alleges Russia is rapidly and secretly preparing to make war on Germany. The Kaiser's Foreign Office lost no time in disassociating itself from the Gazette's publication, and affirming that nothing has arisen in the diplomatic situation to justify the alarm.

The Cologne paper, which seldom commits itself to so grave a matter without official inspiration, declares the new regime now holding sway in Russia makes little secret of its anti-German policy, though preparations for war may not be completed until 1917. They are, at any rate, proceeding on a large scale and in a manner to make the "historic Russo-German friendship" a thing of the past.

A large section of the German press takes the Cologne Gazette's article seriously. The Germania, the organ of the influential Catholic party, reprints it under the title, "The Coming War With Russia." Other journals think it may be a new manoeuvre of the war party to justify still larger German armaments on land and sea.

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### REPORT POTOMAC IN DANGEROUS CASE

Captain of the Imprisoned Tug Says She is Caught in Heavy Ice and May be Crushed at Any Time.

North Sydney, Mar. 4.—The Reid-Newfoundland steamer Lintrose, arrived in port at noon to-day.

Among her passengers were Captain Richardson and 31 of the crew of the United States naval tug Potomac.

Captain Richardson reports the tug about two miles off Bonne Bay in a heavy field of ice, and when he left Newfoundland the ice floes were closing in on her, and feared that at any time she might be crushed and sent to the bottom.

The engineers and firemen remained behind in the hope that the ice might loosen sufficiently to allow them to get up steam and make port.

The captain and crew left most of their belongings aboard and hope to have favorable news in the very near future of the safety of their vessel. They left by the evening train for Boston.

### MAY SEND STEAMER TO SALVE POTOMAC

Rumored at Sydney That the Lintrose May be Sent to Make an Effort to Get U.S. Boat Free.

Sydney, Mar. 9.—Now that the crew of the American tug Potomac have been safely landed upon terra firma and have, through the good offices of the American Consul, been dispatched to their homes in New York, much of the

interest so far as the human aspect of the occurrence is concerned has disappeared.

The sufferings and privations of that band of some thirty men can be more easily imagined than described. For weeks they were at the mercy of the elements of drift ice, wind and snow. The little vessel firmly imprisoned in the pack was put to a severe test. Imbedded in the ice as she was, she could not weather the gales the crushing and crunching of the huge masses of ice threatened to split her into matchwood every minute.

The captain of the tug sent a wireless message to Consul Freeman while on the Lintrose on passage to North Sydney, whence the men entrained for New York.

It is now rumored that the Lintrose which was instrumental in bringing the men to land, or her sister ship in the Reid Newfoundland service, will make an attempt to reach the tug and tow her out of the position in which she is fixed. The enterprise will not affect the regular service to Newfoundland as another steamer, probably the Kyle, will take the place of the salving steamer.

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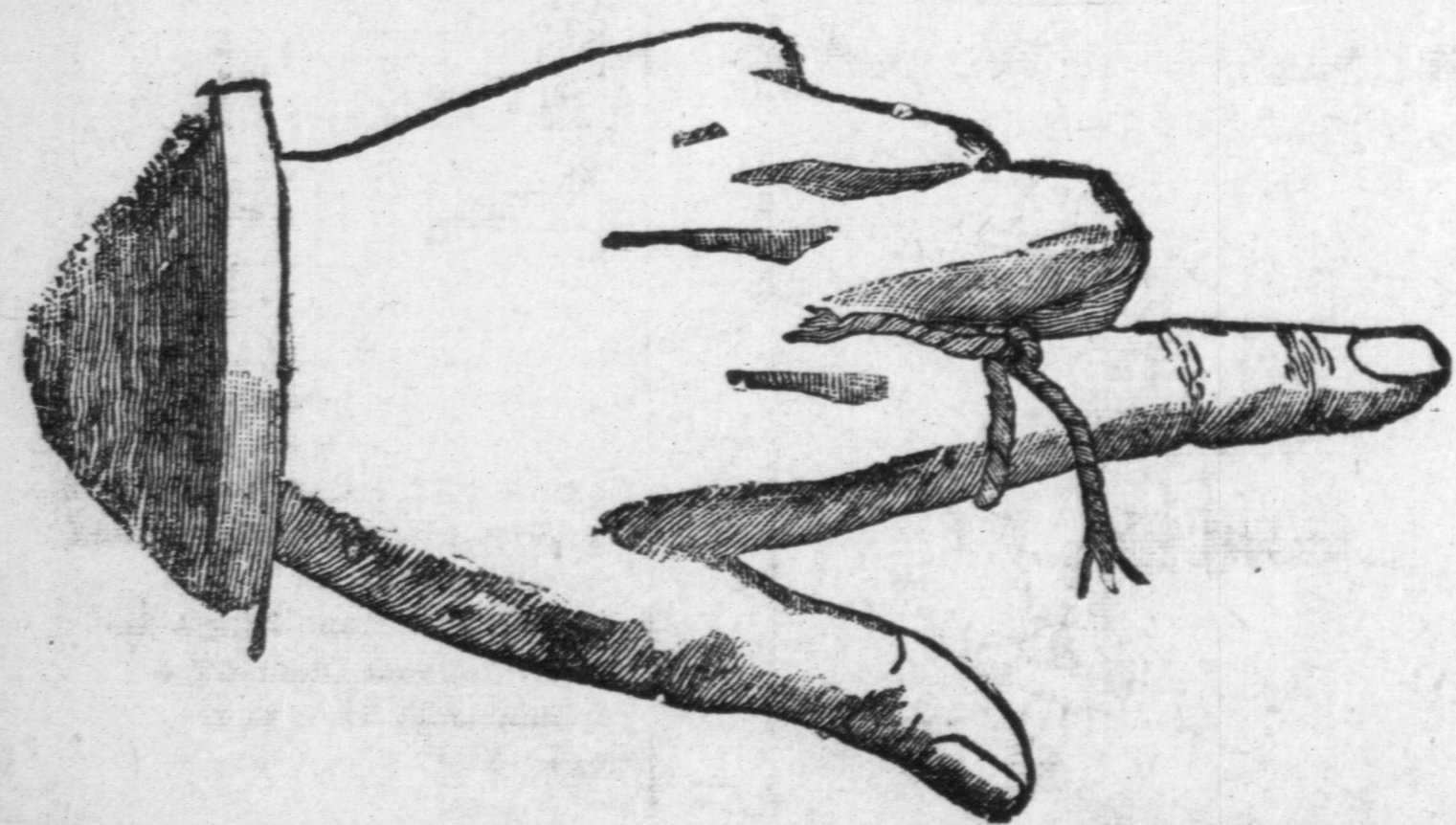
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