

Russians To Blame

International Commission Decides That Rojestvensky Was Not Justified.

No Torpedo Boats Were Among the Trawlers at Time of Attack.

Diplomatic Language of Finding Will Not Offend Guilty.

PARIS, Feb. 25.—The decision of the international commission...

Golden Harvest From Clearwater

Small Affluent of Stik'ee Sene of Latest Placer Activity in New North.

Sixteen Pounds of Dust Brought by One of Discoverers—Big Pay For Years.

ANOTHER story of gold discovery in the northern section of British Columbia...

Country Lit up by Fires

At Daybreak the Wind Increased in Force, fanning the flames into a seething fire...

Friends to be "Tipped"

Capt. Conover came down by the Cottage City with Mr. Oullin and a few other men...

Exposure for Nervousness.

The finding also shows that considering the alarming reports which had reached the British government...

British Content in Sustaining Decision.

In other words, said Admiral Davis, all the conclusions from the British presentation of facts were sustained by the commission.

Russia's Crumb of Comfort.

According to Admiral Davis' report, Russia can take a fair measure of satisfaction from the finding...

Strangled and Robbed.

American Lady Residing Near Naples Found Dead in Her Home.

Naples, Feb. 25.—Catherine Macready, of New York, who lived alone at Cassara's, was found dead in her home here...

Millions Are Lost in Fire

Arkansas Health Resort is Visited by an Extensive Conflagration.

Block After Block Consumed and Population Becomes Panic Stricken.

Three Corpses Found in Ruins and More Will Probably Be Discovered.

HOT SPRINGS, ARK., Feb. 25.—Fire swept the southern portion of this city early today, doing immense damage and causing the loss of millions of dollars...

A Royal Betrothal.

Heir to Crown of Norway and Sweden to Wed King Edward's Niece.

Tunnel Under Lake Erie.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 25.—In the Senate today a bill authorizing the construction of a tunnel under Lake Erie...

Troubles of Newspapers.

St. Petersburg Journalists Feel Wrath of Offended Autocrats.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 26.—(2 a. m.)—Street sales of the Russ have been suspended on account of an article in its issue...

Public Dissatisfied.

Official Reports of Fighting in Manchuria Do Not Reassure People.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 26.—(2 a. m.)—Related reports of the attack on the Russian left at Tsinkechen do not satisfy the curiosity of the public...

Down Among the Dead Men.

Paris, Feb. 25.—The French curiosity has been kept up by the statement that are going on in the search for the body of John Paul Jones...

McLean Bros. Amended Proposal to Increase Importance of Coast Kootenay.

Vancouver, Feb. 24.—(Special)—Another plan for connecting both the Grand Trunk Pacific and the western extension of the Canadian Northern railway...

Burned Itself Out.

The fire department rendered good service until 6 o'clock, when the water pressure gave out...

Crowded With Visitors.

The spring season always attracts a large number of visitors to this resort. The city has been filling up with tourists...

A Sanguinary Struggle.

Japanese Achieved Recent Victory at Great Cost of Life.

Tsinkechen, Feb. 25.—The Japanese attack on Friday developed into an encounter of the most sanguine nature. The Japanese pressing forward a bayonet charge were received by the Chinese...

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Dream of The Moujiks

Dangerous Movement Develops Among Russian Peasants and Causes Alarm.

Ignorant Serfs Led to Believe That Czr Has Granted Re- allotment.

Proprietors Remonstrance Unheeded by Tenants Busy Dividing Estate.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 25.—(2 1/2 a. m.)—The beginning of a dangerous movement has been observed among the peasants of some of the southern provinces...

Reservists Restless.

Private telegrams received by members of the legislature noted in Victoria indicate that the relations between the smelter owners of the interior and their employees have during the past 48 hours become so strained...

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THE LUMBERMEN AND THE FARMERS.

The Farmer's Advocate, which has a large constituency of readers in Manitoba and the Northwest, continues to oppose almost bitterly the proposal to protect the industry...

As a matter of fact, not five per cent of the timber products of British Columbia exported to the United States find their way to Manitoba and the Northwest...

The Advocate entirely overlooks the fact that the settler does not get the benefit of the reduced rates, but the dealer, who holds the price up...

It overlooks, too, the fact that every article used by the lumbermen in the production of lumber pays a duty...

It is manifestly unfair to exempt a single industry from the operations of such a principle, when such exemption destroys the only profitable market the industry possesses...

SEPARATE SCHOOLS IN THE NORTHWEST.

In the bills before the House of Commons providing for provincial autonomy in the Northwest, there are provisions for separate schools...

THE FINDING OF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION.

Reduced to apparent definiteness, the finding of the International Commission appointed to enquire into the North Sea incident is that Admiral Jellicoe's conduct was not attacked by any person or thing...

and settled Territory provides generously for schools. The Western system is described, and the number of schools is given, but there is no reference to Separate Schools...

"Public Schools and Educational Facilities.—The school system of Canada is claimed by educationists to be the equal, if not the superior, of any on the continent...

THE GRAND TRUNK PACIFIC.

It is naturally a very pleasant thing to know that a Canadian enterprise should have received so appreciative a reception in the Great Britain market...

EDUCATIONAL MATTERS.

Both in the Legislature and outside of it, the subject of education is attracting considerable attention...

A QUESTION OF TERMS.

We are gravely informed that the Liberal Government is arranging the terms with the new provinces in the Northwest...

THE SMELTER BILL.

In the House on Wednesday Mr. Hawthorthwaite's bill to limit the working day for employees to eight hours was defeated...

THE HUDSON BAY ROUTE.

Mr. J. W. Tyrrell is probably the best living authority on the Hudson Bay route, which was made by the country's first explorer...

very contradictory and confusing character. What did occur, in the circumstances, was not very clear to the witnesses...

The matter of the Songhees Indian reserve came up for discussion in the Senate on Monday afternoon...

THE GOVERNMENT'S RAILWAY POLICY.

Some impudence is being manifested by the Opposition with reference to the railway policy of the Government...

SELF-GOVERNMENT IN THE TRANSVAAL.

Public Opinion says that General Botha has apparently realized that the surest and quickest road to self-government in the Transvaal is loyalty to the British Government...

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A MARKET FOR FLINTS. The Mining Reporter calls attention to the fact that owing to the introduction of tube, or pebble, mills there is a demand for hand flints for lining or for pebbles...

THE NEW PROVINCES. Provision has been made in the Dominion Government measure for the formation of two new provinces. Some of the details have already been published...

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Get a Bottle of BOWES' Buttermilk Toilet Lotion Now. It prevents chaps. Soothes and heals. Contains nothing greasy nor sticky. Once used always liked. 25c. Cyrus H. Rows, CHEMIST, 98 Government Street.

Quaker Brand Tomatoes, 2 for... 25c. Quaker Brand Corn, 2 for... 25c. Quaker Brand Peas, each... 10c. Quaker Brand, Early June Peas, 2 for... 25c. DIXIE H. ROSS & CO., The Independent Cash Grocers.

Will Explore Vancouver Island

General Supt. Marpole Outlines Plans of C. P. R. in British Columbia.

Considering Alternate Service to Victoria Via Nanaimo—The Hotel Contract.

The following additional particulars of Mr. Marpole's statement published yesterday's Colonist will prove interesting, and are taken from the Vancouver World:

As soon as the season is sufficiently advanced we shall send out exploration parties on the island," said Mr. Marpole, general superintendent of the Pacific division of the C. P. R.

"Over the northern end" asked the representative of the World.

"Towards Alberni, and, in fact, generally, we shall send out exploration parties to be found there. We intend to exploit the island thoroughly, but until we have the reports from the surveyors we cannot say what we shall do."

"The E. & N. transaction may be considered as closed," he continued.

"What immediate use do you intend to make of the E. & N. railway in connection with the C. P. R. system?" Mr. Marpole was asked.

"Nothing has yet been definitely decided, but we are considering an alternate morning service to Victoria via Nanaimo. This will give intermediate points on the island railway much more speedy connection with Vancouver, as it will make it possible to return from Vancouver on the same day instead of staying overnight at Nanaimo or Victoria as at present."

"A conference of transportation officials was held when I was in Winnipeg relative to next summer's transcontinental train service. It has been practically decided to duplicate that of last year, which was found to be generally acceptable to our patrons. The Imperial Limited will be put out of business, and the exact dates of beginning the services have not yet been settled."

"We are looking forward to considerable tourist trade from the Lewis and Clark exposition at Portland and the Dominion exposition at New Westminster; the latter is sure to attract many people from the East, as well as the former. Manager Keary and his directors and assistants will have a busy time of it in getting everything ready for the opening; their experience and success in the past in respect of the provincial exhibitions will be of great advantage to them."

"The hotel foundations at the Capital will be completed in about three weeks, and immediately thereafter we hope to let the contract for the fine building. I have summoned our architect, Mr. Hattenbury, to meet me at Vancouver Thursday morning to discuss some further details in connection with this important project, and I shall then send him to Montreal, by instructions of our president, to finally decide on certain matters affecting the contract before it is closed."

"I have already decided not to renew the old section of the Hotel Vancouver, as always intended will be done, until we have finished the hotel in Victoria, so as not to discommode our patrons. It is to say, we want to take care of the overflow of guests by diverting them to the Hotel Vancouver."

"At Revelstoke we shall build a fine brick station and make considerable improvements to reach them from the railway and commercial centre."

"Mamma, I'm so sleepy! Won't you take little me a fairy story before I go to bed?" "No, my child, not now. Wait a little while and your father will come home and tell me both one."

FATED TO DEFEAT. Senate Committee Reports Adversely Upon the Earle Bill.

Despatches from Olympia, the Washington state capital, yesterday indicate that a majority of the Senate committee on fisheries, has advised the holding of the Earle bill to prohibit fishing for sockeyes during 1906 and 1908 in accordance with the agreement for joint action understood to have been come to with the federal government of Canada.

The minority of the committee submit a separate report favoring the passage of the bill, which was previously reported secure of a majority in the Senate.

The present view at Olympia is that the Earle bill will go down to defeat, the decision of the Dominion government to a prohibition of fishing being made conditional (by the wording of the order-in-council) upon the state adopting a parallel course.

The passage of joint regulations for an annual close season is now regarded as the more practical course toward meeting the necessities of the situation.

Magistrate Hall Discharges the Information for Stealing Labels.

William McKay, representative of the United Garment Workers of America, who was charged with stealing thousands of labels from the factory of Turner, Beaton & Co., Limited, was discharged by the police magistrate in the Police court yesterday afternoon on the ground that the act alleged to be committed was done under color of right.

Mr. F. B. Gregory, for the defence, argued that McKay, in taking the labels, did so believing it to be his right as representative of the United Garment Workers of America, he should be held responsible for the act. McKay, as representative of the United Garment Workers of America, and the firm, the circumstances of which were told in these columns.

A GENERAL ENGAGEMENT. Movements of Japanese Indicate Probability of Pinned Battle.

Shenkung, Manchuria (via Mukden), Feb. 24.—It is reported here that the Japanese are closing in on the Russian east flank. As a result of this movement it is possible that there will be either a general engagement or at least a counter movement by the Russians along some part of the line, especially in the extreme north, where the Japanese are making a strong offensive.

Damage to Railroads. For the past three weeks the Russians have suffered no material disturbance in the operation of their railways, but the important damage to the railroad and a bridge near Tanchang, as the result of Japanese raids, aided, it is alleged, by the operations of the Japanese navy.

Activity at Vladivostok. Reports of activity at Vladivostok in anticipation of an attack on the place by the Japanese are confirmed by the town continues in its accustomed gait. The business continues in a normal state notwithstanding the strong patrol of the Japanese of the straits between the island of Sakhalin and the coast has completely interrupted the movements of shipping. Supplies are reported plentiful, though prices are high. The naval attaches of foreign governments are leaving Vladivostok by request of the Russian authorities and the number of refugees at Mukden has been greatly reduced because of the transfer of them to the government reservation of Kantzenburg.

INDIANS ON WAR PATH. Guthrie, Okla., Feb. 24.—A band of Cheyenne Indians from Selling, western Oklahoma, marched down upon Beluga, on noon today and threatened the lives of the inhabitants of the town. They finally were induced to return to their reservation by William Guthrie, Indian warden of Amos Chapman, an old Indian scout.

The cause of the Indians going on the war path was the killing of Fowler, an Indian of the tribe, by John Kimball, a deputy sheriff.

PASSING OF A SOCIETY GIRL. Former Leader of Young Set at Washington Dies in Poverty.

New York.—Betina Girard's body was Washington, where she died of acute pneumonia, and its interment was a history that is as remarkable as sad.

Washington society, where she was once a leader, has long since effaced her name from its list of acknowledged members. The R. M., especially its vanguard contingent, has known "Betty" Girard for years, but it did not know she was still living, and when the name she was taken on her card to be East Forty-first street Saturday, nor as Orday of Washington, except when she was taken out of her career told who she really was.

Betina Girard, for thus she preferred to be called, was 35 years of age. She was the daughter of General Albert Ordway.

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The Kaiser has paid a striking tribute to the memory of Mr. Edward Henry Corbould, R. I., who died at his residence in Victoria road, Kensington, recently in his ninetieth year. His Majesty sent the following telegram to Count Heterich, the German ambassador in London:

"I was just reading in the newspapers that the famous 'aquarrelli,' Mr. Edward Henry Corbould, is dead. He was a friend and teacher of my dear mother. She possessed two of his most famous drawings, among which I grew up and, which still adorn my study. I shall always remember his kind and still beautiful home—Wilhelmstrasse, 11. R."

The Press Association learns that a few days ago a present of a picture was sent by King Edward to the German Emperor at Berlin.

The Duke of Marlborough, under secretary for the colonies, responding to the toast of "His Majesty's Government," at Huddersfield Chamber of Commerce banquet this week, said with regard to the Transvaal the government had all along had a programme of first, military occupation; second, the formation of a colonial legislature; and third, the establishment of responsible institutions. In the view of His Majesty's government it was time for a change from the second to the third proposal. It was a change which the inhabitants desired, and the government would do its utmost to carry it out.

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NOTABLES OF EUROPE

London, Feb. 1.—Who are the great talkers in England? The prime minister heads the list at present. In parliament there are only half a dozen other men who have talked half as much as Mr. Balfour. According to the Premier Parliamentary Record and Review, Mr. Balfour spoke 317 columns of Hansard during last session, Mr. Austen Chamberlain 237, Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman 204, Mr. Wyndham 180, and Mr. Arnold-Forster 169.

Mr. Lloyd-George's record was 166 columns, and Mr. Gibson Bowles, nearly as much as Mr. Balfour, nearly as much as Mr. Balfour, nearly as much as Mr. Balfour.

Mr. Baker was defending in a case in which the Empire Collecting Society of London was the plaintiff, and Mr. Green, Charles Selkirk and E. S. Dias, treasurer, trustee and secretary, were summoned by the registrar of friendly societies for making an insufficient and incorrect return, and for appointing unqualified auditors.

All the refuse of the insurance business has been worked into a new society," continued Mr. Baker. "This concern has found that out to its cost. They have had cases of women ten years old who have accepted the proposal, and an agent had accepted a case of an old lady suffering from a malignant disease who died soon after the assurance was effected." The case was not concluded.

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The Kaiser has paid a striking tribute to the memory of Mr. Edward Henry Corbould, R. I., who died at his residence in Victoria road, Kensington, recently in his ninetieth year. His Majesty sent the following telegram to Count Heterich, the German ambassador in London:

"I was just reading in the newspapers that the famous 'aquarrelli,' Mr. Edward Henry Corbould, is dead. He was a friend and teacher of my dear mother. She possessed two of his most famous drawings, among which I grew up and, which still adorn my study. I shall always remember his kind and still beautiful home—Wilhelmstrasse, 11. R."

The Press Association learns that a few days ago a present of a picture was sent by King Edward to the German Emperor at Berlin.

The Duke of Marlborough, under secretary for the colonies, responding to the toast of "His Majesty's Government," at Huddersfield Chamber of Commerce banquet this week, said with regard to the Transvaal the government had all along had a programme of first, military occupation; second, the formation of a colonial legislature; and third, the establishment of responsible institutions. In the view of His Majesty's government it was time for a change from the second to the third proposal. It was a change which the inhabitants desired, and the government would do its utmost to carry it out.

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Carmencita Files Norwegian Flag

Norway Is Not a Party to the Modus Vivendi She Gets No Licence.

Flag Will Allow Sealing Without Regulations—Japs Buy Russian Cargoes.

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Japanese Buy Cargoes.

Supplies Intended for Russian Will Go to Yokohama.

The cargo of the steamer Olympia is now reported to have been sold to the Japanese. Instead of discharging her cargo of contraband, said to have been originally destined for Vladivostok for the Russians, the Olympia was to have sailed from the sound early in January, but a break in her engine obliged her to put back to sea, and the cargo was cancelled. Now it is announced that the Japanese have bought the cargo and that the Olympia will sail for Yokohama in a few days.

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