

REPORTED POISONED.

Abdul Hamid, Sultan of Turkey, Said to Have Been Made Away With.

The Young Turks Gave Him the Choice of Assassination or Abdication.

Latest and Fullest Particulars of the Murder of Armenians at Kharpout.

Berlin, Nov. 19.—A dispatch received to-day from Sofia, Bulgaria, says that the Sultan of Turkey, Abdul Hamid, has been poisoned.

No particulars have been given, but the act is credited to the Young Turkish party, which has grown to immense numbers within the last few months, and which has given the Sultan and his government more than one significant warning of late.

Constantinople, Nov. 19.—Information and additional facts obtained from our Kharpout sources of the disturbance at Kharpout enable the Associated Press to give the following general outline of the occurrences:

Trouble between the Kurds and the Mussulmans at Kharpout has been brewing for some time past. On the one hand it is claimed that the Armenians, excited by the agents of the revolutionary committee, have been arming themselves, holding secret meetings, and preparing to revolt against the Turkish authorities.

At a signal agreed upon a quarrel was provoked with some Armenians and an attack upon their quarters commenced. The Armenians, however, who had been anticipating the outbreak for some time past, armed themselves as well as possible and had placed their dwellings in a state calculated to hold out as long as possible.

The United States ambassador has called personally at the Porte and sent several notes to the minister of foreign affairs, insisting that the Turkish officials protect the American missionaries, and holding the Sultan and his ministers responsible for their safety.

The American missionaries, however, escaped uninjured, and a plenary session was held under the immediate protection of the Turkish governor, who still has them safe.

Later a second and, for the Turks, more successful attack was made by the Kurds upon the Armenian quarter, and a terrible massacre followed.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 19.—The Turkish legation at Washington has received from the Sublime Porte the following telegram, under yesterday's date:

The Armenian insurgents at Zeitoun, Fenneh and Kenban, numbering more than 800, attacked the district of Enderlin, burned the palace of the governor, as well as the houses belonging to the Mussulmans, and captured those Mussulman families that were unable to fly.

The rebels of Marsovan and Amasia, after closing their shops, went to their church and to different khans from where they fired on the Mussulmans.

The following is a summary of these letters: Send powder to the rioters of Zeitoun to enable them to resist the authorities, and procure a certain quantity of saltpetre for the fabrication of powder.

Aden, Nov. 18.—Ismail, of Sana, capital city of Yemen, Arabia, at the head of 4500 Arabs, armed with Martini-Heurli rifles, has defeated the Turks in three fights.

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Dr. Temple certified that Martha Hyams was too ill to appear in court, whereupon Mr. Osler gave notice that he intended submitting to the jury the evidence which Mrs. Hyams gave at the last trial.

Mr. Grundy, insurance agent for the New York Life, produced the policies on the life of Wells, and showed that there was a net payment to Martha Wells of \$24,858.

Mr. Grundy was followed by other insurance men who gave evidence of a similar nature, but not so important to the crown's case.

Broker Lane, who held several notes against the Hyams brothers, said they tried to borrow \$1000 from him just before the date of Wells' death.

The suggestion of a commission meets with the colonial secretary's approval, and it was subsequently proposed to constitute one of six, two each representing Great Britain, Canada and Australia.

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The Troops Returning From Lowe Quiet is Reported as Being Restored.

Ottawa, Nov. 20.—Mr. Lariviere, M. P. of Manitoba, arrived to-day and had a long talk with Premier Bowell on the remedial bill.

It is said here now that should the government be defeated in North Ontario Sir Mackenzie Bowell will dissolve parliament and retire.

The troops will return from Lowe to-day, reaching here at 6 o'clock. All is reported quiet.

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But it is Thought That the Crown is Reserving its Climax.

Toronto, Nov. 20.—The last three or four sessions of the Hyams trial have been almost totally devoid of interest. Evidence which the crown sought to introduce was invariably objected to by the defence on technical grounds.

So far the judge has been called upon to make twenty-nine rulings, most of them exceedingly delicate ones, and in every important instance they have been in favor of the defence.

The crown sprang a surprise on the defense to-day, when it brought forward to prove that Harry Hyams was a forger. Daniel Ames, of New York, expert on hand writing, was in court prepared to swear that the endorsements on checks, issued by Martha Wells to several money lenders, were in the hand writing of Harry Hyams.

The marriage of Hyams and Martha Wells occurred shortly afterwards. Daniel T. Ames swore that the alleged entry in the pass-book was in the same writing as Hyams' letters to Martha Wells as were also the endorsements on several checks issued by Martha Wells.

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Advertisement for 'Medicine for Men' and 'FITS!' with various medical claims and contact information.

Advertisement for 'Ayer's Sarsaparilla' featuring a portrait of Dr. H. J. Merrill and text describing the medicine's benefits.

BRITISH COLUMBIA

NEW WESTMINSTER.

Westminster, Nov. 20.—A movement is on foot to form a ratepayers' association for the purpose of bringing a full ticket for the civic elections...

There was another little ripple of excitement yesterday over the share gold market. A large quantity of gold was found on Saturday in the second bore now being sunk...

VANCOUVER.

Van. Nov. 20.—The city council, after adjourning on Tuesday morning, sat again at 7.30, and continued until nearly one o'clock on Wednesday morning, discussing the lighting of the city...

NANAIMO.

Nanaimo, Nov. 19.—Now that a portion of Wellington is about to be incorporated, it is quite a common expression in opposition to the election taking place...

There will be a meeting of citizens on Saturday evening in Davison's hall, when a ballot will be taken on two candidates for the mayoralty. The candidates for nomination are Ald. Davison and A. Wilson.

Much dissatisfaction is felt in respect to the interior of the new court house, as the size of the main hall is considered far too small to meet the growing requirements of the city. It is claimed it is due to the work of the architect.

Dr. O'Brian, umpire in the Jordan-Dumont case, has awarded the latter \$150 for Mr. Jordan's right of way through his property. Coal will probably be shipped from West Wellington next week.

Nanaimo, Nov. 20.—Mr. D. Wilson, inspector of schools, is holding an examination of those children who failed in one subject only at the summer examinations for the high school.

dark, in spite of the published report that the combine includes that city. It is reported that a counter petition to the incorporation of the new townsite at Wellington is being numerous...

Cheminus, Nov. 20.—W. H. Lomas and Maitland-Douglass passed through here yesterday having in charge two boys who have been attending the Kuper Island industrial school and who are suspected of having set fire to the boys' section of the buildings at the school on several occasions of late.

Ben Thomas, one of the best known miners in Southern Kootenay, arrived in Nelson yesterday from Slokan, where he put in two years' hard work. The best mine he worked in was the Slokan Star, which he worked for a number of years...

Ben Thomas says good minerals are in demand in the Slokan and that the winter will be a lively winter in that district. Bonner's Ferry Herald, Oct. 9: "The fine weather this fall has been especially favorable for the reclamation company...

So many ledges have been discovered in the mountains to the south of and near the foot of Lower Arrow lake that it seems probable that a producing camp will be developed there. Prospectors callily report that "the whole country is impregnated with ore."

There is, before the people of Rossland a fine prospect for cheap lights. Two electric light companies are here, and both mean business. The one, which is the local company, has an electric plant on the grounds poles erected and wires strung. The other has ordered a plant and will let the contract out for the erection of poles.

What is believed to be the first "gunplay" ever made in Rossland occurred on Tuesday night. At about 6 o'clock the large bar room of the International Hotel was pretty well crowded, when two men rushed in from Spokane street, where they had been "having words."

The O. & K. S. N. Co.'s new boat, now building at Nelson, will not be launched until spring. All the machinery except the boiler is in place. The hull is painted and is sheathed with steel. Most of the joiner work in the cabins is completed.

The following shipments of bullion and ore from smelters and mines in Southern Kootenay were reported since last week: Smelter, Pilot Bay, 140 tons, \$14,000; Slokan Star, Sandon, 54 tons, \$5,400; Alamo and concentrator, 20 tons, \$2,000; Mountain Chief, New Denver, 26 tons, \$2,600; War Eagle, Rossland, 421 tons, \$42,100; Le Roi, Rossland, 270 tons, \$27,000; Josie, Rossland, 44 tons, \$4,400; Cliff, Rossland, 28 tons, \$2,800; Evening Star, 20 tons, \$2,000; Iron Horse, Rossland, 15 tons, \$1,500.

The shaft on the Le Roi mine at Rossland is down four hundred feet, and the ore taken from the bottom is the highest grade yet taken from the mine. With the exception of the Slokan Star, in this district, the Le Roi is now opened to the greatest depth of any mine in Kootenay.

building the smelter at Trail, have purchased rails, engines, coaches, and flat and box cars for a narrow gauge railway from Trail to Rossland. The material is said to be on the way in, and the work of constructing the road will be commenced at once.

A change of managers has been made at the No. 1 mine at Ainsworth, Mr. McVicar being succeeded by Mr. Moshier. The force at the mine has been reduced about one-half and the concentrator closed down until spring.

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The forwarding of over 130,000 pounds of freight north the past week shows to what proportions the freight handling at Ashcroft has grown. As a matter of fact from 400,000 to 500,000 pounds a month pass over the big road. A large slice of it goes to ranchers and stockmen up country, but the mining interests absorb a great deal.

James Ker, of Montreal, who has been employed on the Horseshoe mine the past summer, reports the mine as shut down for the season and that a cleanup is being made which will realize \$7000 or \$8000, but it will not be complete. This will bring the output of the mine up to about \$140,000 or \$150,000 for the present year, and an additional cleanup of \$8,000 for last season would aggregate \$55,000 or \$56,000 as the total output of the mine.

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CASUALTIES AND CRIMES

Fire in a New York Sweating Shop—A Triple Murder at Brownsville. New York, Nov. 20.—Two hundred and forty people were hemmed in by flames this morning when fire broke out in the six-story building, 98 Clinton street, on the upper floor, occupied as sweating shops.

Braverville, Ore., Nov. 20.—John Montgomery, his wife and B. McKorcher, were found murdered at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon on the farm of O. Templeton, three miles east of here. All three of the victims had been shot with rifles. The murderers made good their escape.

Emporia, Kan., Nov. 20.—The citizens of Dunlap a little village thirty miles north of here, are wildly excited over a series of crimes committed by a negro, and all the able bodied male inhabitants are armed hunting him down. He found he will be lynched.

He is a negro school teacher, who not long ago assaulted one of his pupils, Doris Ray, about 14 years of age. He was tried to appear before the board of education. He did so, accompanied by his lawyer. At the hearing evidence was not only produced proving the attempted assault, but testimony adduced charging him with renewing the attempt.

The steamer Island Belle arrived at Sidney yesterday afternoon—a day earlier than was expected. She had on board about 25 passengers, who were quickly conveyed to the city by the Victoria & Sidney railway. The Island Belle is a 105 ton steamer, with accommodation for about 200 passengers.

Perth, Okla., Nov. 20.—The north side of the city of Purcell, I. T., caught fire this morning and three-fourths of the town is in ashes. Very little of the town can be saved. It is reported that several persons were burned.

Butte, Mont., Nov. 20.—Pettinell, the wild man of Wise River Mountains, has been found dead in his mountain retreat. Pettinell came to Montana during the early part of the war and ever since has lived close among the wild animals of Wise River Mountains.

San Francisco, Nov. 20.—Particulars of the loss of the Italian bark Brom Carlo of the Ho. n. were received here today. The bark collided with the British ship Gun-corer, and was sunk, but only was the Carlo sunk, but only four of her nineteen men were saved.

Chicago, Nov. 20.—The district attorney this afternoon said all the boys arrested for the train wrecking, except Brice, had made confession. The charges preferred is murder in the first degree.

