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WEATHER:--Easterly winds increasing to Gales; snow turning to rain tomorrow.

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ST. JOHN, N. B., TUESDAY, JANUARY 24, 1905.

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## SITUATION AT MUKDEN.

### Has Kuropatkin 300,000 Men? Both Sides on Alert--Capt. Cullen's Statement--Kamimura Goes Back.

Tokio, Jan. 24.—In well-informed quarters here it is said that the Russian army at Mukden was recently re-enforced by four divisions. Its present strength is estimated at nine army corps, or 300,000 men of all arms. General Kuropatkin's headquarters are at Fong Mountain in close touch with the Moukden-Fushun line. The Russians lately have been heavily strengthening their wings. At present two and a half divisions are facing General Oku, two corps are before General Nodzu, and the greater strength of these corps confronts General Kuroki and guards the coal mines in the vicinity of the Fushun valley. Between the opposing armies is a network of trenches. Kuroki's outposts are within 500 yards of the Russians, entrenched along the line of ridges near Kwan-tan Mountain. Cannonading and rifle firing are constantly taking place, but owing to the intense cold, there seems to be no immediate likelihood of a great battle.

### Kamimura Goes Back.

Tokio, Jan. 24.—Vice Admiral Kamimura left yesterday to rejoin his fleet. It was recently announced that the Russian Vladivostok squadron was believed to have been repaired and it was thought it might come out at any moment. The navy department is strenuously preparing for the second stage of the war.

### Is This a Fairy Tale?

Victoria, B. C., Jan. 24.—(Special.)—Captain Cullen has received advice that a steamer from Puget Sound, believed to be either the Tacoma or the Wyefield, was seized carrying contraband for Russia by a Japanese cruiser. The Russian agents here offered Captain Cullen fifty thousand dollars to go to Paris to testify before the North Sea commission that Russia had reason to fear torpedo boats or submarines, but he refused.

## OPERATION ON EDISON.

### It Was Performed Last Night at His Home in West Orange.

New York, Jan. 24.—According to the Times a critical surgical operation was performed on Thomas A. Edison, the inventor, at his home, Glenmont, in Llewellyn Park, a suburb of West Orange, N. J., last night. Great secrecy was maintained by the family in regard to the affair and few details could be obtained. The operation was for a mastoid abscess behind the ear and very close to the brain.

Mr. Edison is generally known to have been very deaf for many years and the affliction has been growing worse. He has been suffering considerably for about a week and the matter of an operation was broached several days ago, but there was strong hope until yesterday, afternoon that it might be avoided. It developed yesterday, however that while Mr. Edison was better in many particulars the growth was not yielding to treatment and the conclusion was reached that the operation would have to be performed at once.

### CALLED DR. BULLER.

Sydney, N. B., Jan. 24.—(Special.)—J. H. Plummer, managing director of the Dominion Iron & Steel Co., is ill at his residence, Greenwood, this city. Dr. Buller, Montreal, was called in consultation with local physicians. Mr. Plummer has been unwell for some time. He is reported better this morning.

## NEW APPOINTMENT.

We note by the last issue of the Insurance and Finance Chronicle of Montreal, that Mr. S. S. de Forest of this city, has been appointed Manager for New Brunswick of the Provident Savings Life Assurance Society of New York, with headquarters in this city, to take effect February 1st, on which date he will take possession of the company's new offices in the new Oulivie Building on Market Square, which are being prepared for them. The Provident Savings Life is one of the strongest companies in existence and have at present a large business in force throughout the Maritime Provinces, and Mr. de Forest being so well known and popular throughout the province of New Brunswick, we anticipate that his efforts to secure business for the Provident Savings Life will be crowned with success.

### The Ladies' auxiliary of the Y. M. C. A., met this morning, at the Y. M. C. A. rooms. The president, Mrs. McClellan, was in the chair. The secretary's and treasurer's reports, were read. The membership fees for the year amounted to \$65.50, and the golden year collections were \$68.60. Mrs. McClellan was re-elected president, and Mrs. A. Benning secretary. Delegates were appointed to the local council of women.

# SITUATION IS THREATENING.

## St. Petersburg is Uneasy in Anticipation of Further Trouble --- Ten Thousand Men on Strike in Moscow--Newspapers Suspend Publication and Printing Works Close --- Residents Fleeing For Safety---More Strikes.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 24.—2 p.m.—St. Petersburg wears a less martial aspect today. Everywhere troops have been drawn into court yards. Only pickets' are left outside and small squads of Cossacks are patrolling the streets. The stores along the principal thoroughfares are mostly closed and barricaded. The correspondent of the Associated Press drove up the Nevsky Prospect and with the help of daylight realized that the damage done to store fronts was more considerable than appeared last night. A large number of such premises were wrecked, the mob having devoted itself principally to confectionery and pastry shops. Enormous crowds of strikers were promenading the sidewalks this morning and the streets cars were again in operation. All has been quiet up to this hour.

### Proclamations.

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## LAKE ERIE ARRIVES.

### C. P. R. Steamer Has a Large Passenger List and Reports Good Run.

The C. P. R. steamer, L. Erie, Captain F. Carey, from Lake, 1000 to St. John, arrived in port this morning, and docked at No. 2 berth, Sand Point. The Erie left Liverpool on January 10th and encountered very rough weather. The passengers, however, all arrived in good health. The Erie brought 187 passengers, and a good general cargo for St. John and the west.

The passenger list is as follows:—Saloon.—W. Auld, Mrs. J. M. Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Duncan, Lieut. W. Chester Dixon, John Elson, John Frearson, A. T. Inskip, Mrs. F. E. Steadman, Miss Steadman. Second Cabin.—Miss M. Baxter, F. F. Metcalf, E. Baldwin, Wm. McNair Mrs. C. Cook, A. S. Parker, Miss E. Cook, B. L. Richardson, T. E. Cooper, G. Stevens, Mrs. L. Gordon, J. Searwater, Miss Gordon, Miss B. Salks, W. Hawkins, Miss F. Sihko, Miss D. Hoffman, Miss A. Trousdale, C. Lawson, Rev. L. Van Eighen, Mrs. J. McClelland, child and infant. Rev. J. Van Brabant, Miss Eliz. I. Wollard, W. McIlroy. 10 saloon, 28 second class, 147 third class.

Among the passengers was John Elson of the Montreal Gazette, who has been in England as the representative of a syndicate of Canadian newspapers. He was engaged in writing a series of articles on the Chamberlain campaign. The steamer Empress of India, and will leave for Vancouver to rejoin his ship. J. Searwater, another of the passengers, was shipwrecked off the Nova Scotia coast some time ago, and was picked up by a passing steamer and carried to Liverpool, from which place he sailed on the Lake Erie. Rev. L. Van Eighen is returning from a vacation trip to Europe. He was formerly located at Alberta for about 30 years, where he was engaged in Roman Catholic mission work. While away he visited Rome, and was present during the recent festivities there. His home is in Belgium, and he brought out with him his nephew, Rev. H. Van Eighen and another young man, Rev. J. Van Brabant, who will help him in his work among the people of Alberta and vicinity. The reverend gentleman thinks that the west is a great country with a great future. He says the people are pouring in there in large numbers and the country is being rapidly built up.

### EARL GREY IN MONTREAL.

#### Civic Reception Being Tendered to Their Excellencies This Afternoon--Will Stay Three Days.

Montreal, Jan. 24.—(Special.)—The city gave its first welcome to Their Excellencies this morning, in a chilling temperature, but with great enthusiasm. The vice regent party, consisting of the Governor General, Countess and Lady Sybil and Lady Evelyn reached Montreal by the C. P. R. from Ottawa about noon. Receptions to Their Excellencies were tendered by the civil and military authorities, the guard of honor being composed of the 5th Royal Scots.

Earl Grey was met at the station by Mayor Laporte, the president of the board of trade, and other prominent citizens. Upon their arrival Their Excellencies went to the Windsor Hotel where they will stay while in the city. This afternoon the civic reception takes place in city hall, when the imperial service order medals will be presented to Messrs. Carault, Johnson and Charland. The council chamber and city building are beautifully decorated for the occasion. Their Excellencies will spend three days in Montreal.

### HAVE HAD A LONG TRIP.

#### French Newspaper Men in Town Who are Circulating the Globe on Foot.

In November 1903 two French medical students, Mons. R. Lamperrie and Mons. Gerolin, animated by confidence of youth, left Paris one night with the hopeless task ahead of them of walking around the world. The distance to be covered was 50,000 miles. All countries had to be thoroughly traversed and the couple started without a cent in their pockets. Gerolin walked through the streets of Paris with an outer garment made out of copies of the paper under whose auspices they have set out, "The French Globe Trotter."

These two young men arrived in the city this morning and will remain here until Saturday. Gerolin in an interview with a Times reporter said: "I am representing the 'French Globe Trotter' of Paris. We left there on Nov. 1, 1903, and the agreement is that, we be back in Paris on Nov. 1st, 1907. Our trip is not on a wager. If we make the trip in time and show credentials from influential citizens in the different cities and towns, we get the sum offered by the paper I represent, that is \$3,000 each."

Continuing, Mr. Gerolin referred to his visit at Halifax where he said they were right royally used. "Of course Canada is a little cold at the present time, but we prepared ourselves for the trip. We were told that in this country we would encounter wolves, bears, moose, wildcats and God knows what; but so far that has not been our experience; but we have met even worse than these. The cold is excessive and the walking, well the snow is lovely-slipping."

Proceeding, Mr. Gerolin said that his course was mapped out. From here he and his companion, Lamperrie go to Quebec, visiting the principal cities and towns en route. The St. Lawrence river will be traversed, then the course will be Winnipeg and Vancouver. Gerolin, India and South Africa will then be toured, and said Mr. Gerolin, "I have not the least hesitation in predicting that we will win the money, with a time limit to spare."

"We leave here next Saturday" said Mr. Gerolin.

### IRON WILL BE HIGHER.

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We have to announce the retirement from business in this city of Mr. B. Myers, who for many years has carried on an extensive dry goods business on Main St., north end, in favor of his son-in-law, Mr. Samuel Romanoff, who will continue to carry on the business in his own name. Mr. Romanoff takes this opportunity of thanking the public for the support they have always extended to him during the past when in partnership with Mr. B. Myers, and says they will accord to him the kindness and assistance which he will always endeavor to merit as before.

## P. E. I.'S NEW CABINET.

### Reconstruction of the Provincial Administration Completed This Morning --- Members Sworn In.

Charlottetown, Jan. 24.—(Special.)—The provincial administration has been reconstructed as follows: President of the executive and Attorney General, Arthur Peters', Commissioner of Public Works, James H. Cumiskey; Provincial Secretary Treasurer and Commissioner of Agriculture, Samuel E. Reid; Ex-Speaker, Members without Portfolio, Peter McNutt, George Simpson, George E. Hughes, Francis L. Saszard, George Godkin, Benj. Gallant.

Dr. A. E. Douglas will be the speaker of the new house which will be called at an early date when a new election will be held in the St. Peters' district, where Hon. Arthur Peters', premier and H. D. McEwen had the same number votes.

The new members of the cabinet are Reid, Jaspar, Gallant and Godkin. Capt. Joseph Reid, a former member of his retired owing to an appointment of his colleague, S. E. Reid, a minister of agriculture. The writs for the latter's election will be issued at once. The members of the new cabinet were sworn in this morning. The new commissioner of agriculture was first elected in 1898, re-elected in 1900 and 1904. The speaker has been in the house since 1901. Also a farmer and woolen manufacturer and resides at Trillon.

## NEWS FROM THE CAPITAL.

### Death of Mrs. J. V. Magee---Appraising Insurance Losses---Snow in the Woods.

Fredericton, Jan. 24.—(Special.)—Mrs. Elmira Magee, wife of J. Valentine Magee, barrister, died at her home, St. Marys, last night after a week's illness from a complication of diseases. She was Miss Gaudet daughter of V. S. Gaudet of Memramcook and was 29 years of age. She was married about eighteen months ago, and leaves a husband but no children.

E. L. Philips and Edgar H. Fairweather of St. John are here today adjusting fire losses to the west end mill property. R. A. Estey who has been in the Tobique lumber woods for some weeks returned home last night. He reports two and one half feet of snow in that locality.

Three Scott Act cases were acknowledged in the police court here this morning. The fourth case is being contested. The Farmers and Dairyman's Association of New Brunswick meets in annual session here tomorrow.

## STRICKEN WITH PARALYSIS.

St. Stephen, N. B., Jan. 24.—(Special.)—While driving from Calais on Monday evening, James Green was taken with a paralytic stroke. Mrs. Green, who accompanied her husband drove to Smith's drug store, where help was received and Mr. Green taken to his home. Mr. Green is a native of St. John and for years has been in the employ of the N. B. Southern Railway as freight agent.

## TO TAKE OVER TWO HARBORS.

Ottawa, Jan. 24.—(Special.)—The cruiser Canada starts from Halifax on Friday for the British West Indies. It goes on a naval school cruise and will return in April. The Department of Marine and Fisheries is engaged in preparing two bills for parliament. One is to take over the harbor of Three Rivers and the other the harbor of Montreal.

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The South African steamship Wyandotte moved over to the west end this morning to receive the balance of her cargo. She will take away a full cargo from here. More freight for South Africa has been offered than can be forwarded owing to the lack of steamship accommodation. Among the freight to go from Sand Point is a lot of fresh meats from Swift & Co., and Cudahy of Chicago.

# THE TIMES' NEW REPORTER.

A reign of terror prevails in the city. The teamsters have gone on strike. Traffic is paralyzed. While there have been no demonstrations, the utmost alarm pervades all classes of society. Should a snowstorm occur, the situation would be beyond control of the authorities. The worst is feared. Two clouds were seen in the sky at an early hour this morning.

### BULLETINS.

9.03 a. m.—Ald. Holder has placed the new warehouse on the McLeod wharf at the service of the strikers. 10 a. m.—Director Cushing has cold feet. 10.10 a. m.—The shovellers have joined the teamsters and are erecting snow forts at various street corners. 10.30 a. m.—A "scab" has just taken refuge at City Hall. A mob of two teamsters and a boy are making a demonstration. Mayor White has telephoned for the ambulance. 10.55 a. m.—The ambulance driver has joined the strikers. There are now three clouds above the horizon. 10.59 a. m.—Mayor White has consented to receive a deputation of strikers. 11.05 a. m.—Director Cushing has ordered his snowshoes. 10.48 a. m.—The foreman of the street workers is haranguing a crowd of teamsters at the foot of King

street. He urges them to stand pat, and they will win, just as the street laborers' union did. The teamsters wave their whips and shout, "Down with the scabs." 10.52 a. m.—Director Cushing has got his snowshoes and has hurried to Ald. Christie for further instructions. 11 a. m.—The deputation that waited on Mayor White has left City Hall. His worship offered to submit all differences to arbitration, but the deputation said they had no authority to negotiate. 11.07 a. m.—Mutterings were heard on Dock street. It is believed Ald. Christie is approaching with a Big Stick. The teamsters are hurriedly completing a barricade. 11.13 a. m.—There is another cloud in the sky. Three aldermen were seen near City Hall, but escaped. 11.15 a. m.—Ald. Holder has put the head of the Ald. Christie strike movement. Alarm is spreading. 11.20 a. m.—A teamster with a red necktie is now haranguing a crowd on Market Square. It is feared the mob will proceed to wreck the city snowplow. Consternation prevails. Director Cushing has not yet returned. 12 noon.—More clouds. 12.10 p. m.—Mayor White and five aldermen emerged from City Hall and hastened on board Wun Lung, which immediately put out from the wharf. It is believed they have gone

to Carleton to enlist the services of the bug-drivers in quelling the threatened riot. 12.15 p. m.—The strikers are becoming threatening. One of them threw a snowball at Supt. Winchester. He is now behind a telegraph pole, shouting for the police. Excitement is intense. 12.16 p. m.—The mob at Market square is cheering for Ald. Holder and shouting "Down with Christie." 12.30 p. m.—The situation is unchanged. 12.38 p. m.—The Mayor and aldermen have returned to City Hall and are in anxious consultation. The gravity of the situation appals them. Unless the streets are cleared they will be unable to use their passes on the street cars. The walking is dreadful. 12.50 p. m.—Another deputation of teamsters has gone to City Hall. Others are executing a flanking movement on Supt. Winchester, whose situation is critical. 1 p. m.—The inspector of vehicles was recognised by the strikers and is fleeing up King street, pursued by a mob, shouting, "Now we've got him where we want him."

1.39 p. m.—Ald. Holder is urging the men to die behind the barricades rather than earn a dollar today. There are now ten clouds in the sky. The situation is becoming momentarily more critical. Several of the teamsters' horses are pawing the ground,

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