

EMPEROR NICHOLAS

Has at Last Agreed to Receive Deputation of Workmen.

EVIDENCE THAT THE GREAT STRIKE IS ALMOST OVER.

A Strange Story from St. Petersburg.

Chief of Police Dangerously Wounded.

(Special to Daily Herald.)

St. Petersburg, Feb. 1.—Emperor Nicholas has decided to receive a deputation of workmen at Tsarkoe Selo.

Warsaw, Feb. 1.—The city is quiet but great tensility still prevails. Some stores and offices have opened, but no newspapers or factories in the districts around Warsaw.

London, Feb. 1.—The correspondent of the Times at St. Petersburg sends that paper this morning a curious story which he declares he obtained from unimpeachable authority.

According to the correspondent the Grand Duke Vladimir was informed on Jan. 22 that General Vasilchikov, commander of the troops in St. Petersburg, had given orders to fire on the strikers.

The Grand Duke Vladimir immediately ordered pacific measures be taken but the senior officer replied that he could not guarantee the safety of the royal palace without using force.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 1.—There is no truth in the sensational report circulated by a news agency yesterday to the effect that armed strikers were marching on Cronstadt fortress.

Admiral Biriloff, commander of the fortress, called in sailors to protect the place.

Odessa, Feb. 1.—Chief Police Galovine was shot close to the police station in the centre of the city this morning, and wounded in the right shoulder. The wound is dangerous.

Mitau, Courland, Russia, Feb. 1.—Work has been resumed in several establishments here, but the strike continues.

Moscow, Feb. 1.—The strike here is completely over.

Kovno, Russia, Feb. 1.—The strike here is ended and work has been resumed everywhere.

Groons, Russia, February 1.—There were disturbances here on Jan 30, in consequence of which troops were called out. A mob of 2,000 rioters destroyed the post office and telegraph line and looted the wine shops.

Lodz, Poland, Feb. 1.—The strike here continues, but order is maintained.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 1.—Last evening the police surprised a meeting of strikers in a tavern and fired, killing a girl and wounding four other persons.

MRS. SMITH'S DEATH.

Passed Away Last Night at the Home of Her Son, Mr. F. B. Smith.

Mrs. Henrietta Smith, widow of the late Alexander Smith, for many years postmaster of Middle Sackville, died last night at the home of her son, Mr. F. B. Smith, George street, where she has made her home for the past five years. She has been in failing health for some time, and has been confined to her room since December. The deceased was sixty-seven years of age and is survived by a family of three sons, Mr. Albert Smith of Boston, Mr. F. B. Smith, manager of the Western Union Telegraph Company here, and Mr. Chipman Smith of Soda Creek, B. C.

The deceased lady was formerly a Miss Harper and was a native of Middle Sackville. Two brothers, Chipman and Cyrus Harper reside at that place. The funeral will take place at 8.45 o'clock tomorrow morning, with services at the house by Rev. J. H. Macdonald. The remains will be taken to Sackville by the 9.45 train for interment. Undertaker George W. Adams has charge of the arrangements.

The Hockey Fracas.

It is not yet known, says the St. John Times, when the two hockey games will be played by St. John teams with the Fredericton Trojans, if they are played at all. It

is understood that the Neptunes are willing to play in the Marysville rink, if they can get assurance that they can get there at a reasonable hour. They could, if they so wished, claim both games by default, but they prefer to play the games if it is possible to do so.

CONGREGATION STARTLED.

Montreal Preacher on the Second Coming of Christ.

Montreal, Jan. 31.—Rev. G. Osborne Troop, formerly of St. John, startled his congregation in St. Martin's church Sunday evening when he declared, "I reverently believe that the second coming of Christ is not far off and I will not be surprised if you and I are alive when the Lord Jesus comes."

Mr. Troop directed the attention of his hearers to the tremendous religious revivals in England, and especially in Wales, where all shades of theological opinions were being swept before it.

After telling of the progress of the revival Mr. Troop added: "Is this not wonderful? Is it not evidence that the Lord is at hand? Would that this holy fire spread to this city and to this congregation so that in the Lord's visitation you and I may not be left out."

PISCIS RUDYARDIENSIS.

Is This a Kipling Story or is it a Fact?

New York, Jan. 31.—The Sun publishes the following from London:—Rudyard Kipling, in going to the Cape for his annual visit on board the steamship Armadale Castle met with an experience which recalls a story he wrote in "Many Inventions."

The Captain reports that in latitude 2 south the ship's perpendicular stem struck an enormous fish, the head of which was on the port side and the body on the starboard side. The creature struggled violently, lashing desperately with its powerful tail. The engines were reversed, but the fish failed to get free for fully fifteen minutes, when it became exhausted and slowly sank, tail first. The passengers estimated that it was from fifty to sixty feet long and had a girth about equal to the vessel's lifeboat, say, eight feet in diameter. The species being unknown, it was christened *Piscis Rudyardiensis*.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Movements of People in Whom Our Readers are Interested.

Mr J N Golding of Montreal, is at the Queen.

Mr J Val Magee returned from Memramcook today.

Coun Frank R Brooks of Southampton, is in the city today.

Mr J King Kelly, barrister of St. John, is at the Barker today.

Dr Allen O Earl, K C, of St. John, is stopping at the Barker.

Mr H A Powell, K C, of Sackville, is stopping at the Barker.

Mr Robert Scott of Damfries, is among the guests at Long's Hotel.

Hon James Holly of St. John, is among the guests at the Queen.

Mr L A Correy, K C, of St. John, is among the guests at the Queen.

Mr A B Connell, K C, of Woodstock, is among the guests at the Barker.

Mr McMonaghy, K C, of St. Stephen, is among the guests at the Queen.

Mr and Mrs Frank McGolthick sail March 11 for a visit to the old country.

Mr W B Chandler, K. C., of Moncton, is among the visitors to the city today.

Miss Ethel Mullin has returned home from a pleasant visit to friends in St. John.

Mrs Judson Coy of Lower Prince William, was among the guests at Long's Hotel yesterday.

Mr W C H Grimmer, M P P, of St. Stephen, is in the city today attending the Supreme Court.

The many friends of Dr Judson Coy of Lower Prince William, will regret to learn that he is still in delicate health.

Mr H G Veness, representative of the L M Traek Co., Yarmouth, has returned from a business trip to the up river counties.

Mr Gay C Dano, District Engineer of the G T P, and Mr F S West, purchasing agent, leave this evening on a trip to St. John, and Moncton, and the latter will visit his home in Halifax before returning.

Mr E J B Pense, proprietor of the Kingston Whig, who was re-elected to the Ontario legislature in that city last week as a Liberal, is a brother of Mrs W D Gordon, formerly of this city, now of Montreal.

Mrs Barker, the much esteemed mother of Mr R S Barker, private secretary to the lieutenant governor, yesterday celebrated the 86th anniversary of her birthday, and apart from the inconveniences she suffers from an accident with which she met some years ago, is enjoying very good health.

MINISTER RESIGNS.

Prince Mirsky Retires from the Czar's Councils.

SUSPICION THAT HE HAS BEEN DISMISSED.

Blamed for Bringing Present Troubles on the Government.

(Special to Daily Herald.)

St. Petersburg, Feb. 1.—The retirement of the interior minister Prince Sviatopolk Mirsky was formally announced today, ill health being assigned as the reason.

M. Durnovo, former minister of posts and telegraphs becomes acting minister of the interior.

M. Bouligan, former Governor General of Moscow seems most likely to be Prince Sviatopolk Mirsky's successor, but no decision has yet been reached.

Gossips are saying that Emperor Nicholas offered the portfolio to M. Witte, president of the committee of ministers.

Prince Sviatopolk Mirsky's desire to retire was known weeks ago, but the manner in which it is announced is unusual.

The retirement of a minister is generally accompanied by an imperial rescript. The present form of announcement is popularly accepted as a reprimand, among extreme reactionaries and even among some of Prince Sviatopolk Mirsky's friends. He has been blamed for having from the very outset of his career encouraged all sorts of liberal aspirants, which being impossible of immediate realization, brought the present storm about the head of the government.

BORN.

In this city, January 24, to Mr and Mrs. J. P. Phelan, of Chicago, a daughter.

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