

OYAMA AGAIN ADVANCES TO ATTACK.

Will Press the Russians Hard --- The Outlook For Peace Not so Cheerful Today --- A Reign of Terror in St. Petersburg, Where the Bomb Throwers Threaten the Lives of Grand Dukes and Other Notables.

St. Petersburg, Mar. 31.—12.25 p. m.—The news from the front to-day indicates that Field Marshal Oyama has begun a genuine advance of his main army with wings far extended. Heavy reconnaissances are being made against the Russian centre with the object of developing the Russian position.

Roosevelt as Mediator? New York, Mar. 31.—Repeated announcements in regard to the proximity of peace are confirmed, it is asserted in a despatch from a Herald correspondent at St. Petersburg, by information from what is called an unimpeachable source showing that Russia and Japan have selected President Roosevelt as mediator, that negotiations are already in progress, and that the suspension of hostilities may shortly be expected.

War Will Continue. Paris, March 31.—1.55 p. m.—Whatever hopefulness the peace situation may have had some days ago, the situation has now completely changed, and there is every prospect that the war will drag on again.

Bent on Fighting. Washington, March 31.—Mr. Jusserand, the French ambassador, is of the opinion that peace is not in immediate prospect between Russia and Japan. He so expressed himself after a visit to President Roosevelt today to bid him good-bye before the president goes on his southwestern trip, and said that both combatants at this time seemed bent on continuing hostilities for a satisfactory adjustment of their difficulties.

No Negotiations. Paris, March 31.—The Associated Press correspondent has talked lengthily with Dr. Motono, during the last few days, and the situation heretofore set forth in these despatches reflected the view of Dr. Motono, and others directly concerned, although with the usual reservation of not using their names. However, in view of the continued reports that there were indications that Minister Delcasse and Dr. Motono were taking an active part in the negotiations, the correspondent of the Associated Press called at the Japanese legation today, and requested Dr. Motono to furnish a decisive statement which would put at rest all misunderstandings.

At Daggers Drawn. St. Petersburg, March 30.—11.25 p. m.—Members of the war party, who are at daggers drawn with the friends of peace, are industriously insinuating that if Russian diplomacy is doing anything in the direction of peace, it is without imperial sanction, and is in reality only an unofficial endeavor to induce Japan to agree to negotiate on the lines of no cession of territory and no indemnity and to enable the advocates of peace to point out to the Emperor that peace is possible without national humiliation.

Thirty are Condemned. St. Petersburg, Mar. 31.—12.15 p. m.—The authorities continue to find evidence of terrorist activity in St. Petersburg, and in spite of the precautions of the police, another tragedy may occur at any moment.

Reign of Terror. St. Petersburg, March 31.—The municipality of Yalta, Crimea, has asked the government for reinforcements of troops and police.

Newspapers Silent. St. Petersburg, March 31.—12.20 p. m.—The newspapers today are so significantly silent about the peace reports from abroad that it leads to the inference that they have been warned by the government of the inadvisability of airing their views at this time.

Prince Edward Island Demands That An Ice Breaker Be Secured and That a Tunnel Be Constructed From Traverse to Cape Tormentine.

Ottawa, Ont., March 31.—(Special)—A delegation from Prince Edward Island waited on the government to-day and asked that the terms of confederation be carried out by the Dominion Government. The delegation was composed of Hon. Joseph Road, a member of the provincial government; Father Burke, J. E. B. McCready and Neil McQuarrie.

The delegates were appointed at a provincial convention and represent both political parties. The delegates carried with them to Ottawa resolutions passed by the convention stating that the terms of confederation which called for continuous steam communication between the island and the mainland were not being fulfilled, and asking for the fulfillment of the same.

The delegates take the ground that what should be done to carry out the terms of the union and suggest that a tug with there should be a powerful icebreaker built to assist the crossing of the steamers. This would only be temporary, because the delegation holds that the only possible way to maintain continuous communication is by the construction of a tunnel.

M. J. Haney, the well known contractor, has made an offer to build the tunnel for \$10,000,000. It would be between Cape Traverse and Cape Tormentine. The distance is about 7 1-2 miles. Mr. Butler, the assistant chief engineer of the National Transcontinental Railway, accompanied the delegation, and said that sufficient data was on hand to establish the feasibility of a tunnel. Mr. Butler was Mr. Haney's engineer on the Hillsboro bridge. All the members and senators accompanied the delegation to the Premier and his colleagues, who promised consideration.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier could not see the island delegation until tomorrow.

CONSPIRACY TO MURDER IS CHARGE PREFERRED.

J. Morgan Smith and Wife Arrested in Connection With Nan Patterson Case --- They Lived in Montreal in Same House With Detective.

Cincinnati, O., March 30.—Accused of conspiracy to commit murder, J. Morgan Smith and wife were arrested in this city today on telegraphic request from District Attorney Jerome, of New York city. Nan Patterson, the actress, who has been twice put on trial for the murder of Caesar Young in New York, May 4, 1904, is charged in the same connection, new indictment to this effect having been filed in New York today.

For a long time the authorities had been unable to locate Smith and his wife, the couple having left New York a few months after the murder and before the beginning of the recent trial of Nan Patterson in which Smith's testimony was considered most vital to the prosecution. Smith and wife have been evading the detectives. At Cincinnati they registered as H. H. Banning and wife. Before being locked up Smith was searched. In his breast pocket were found two envelopes sealed. When Lieut. Poppe took the envelopes, Smith made frantic efforts to get them back, but the two envelopes were retained by the police.

Montreal, March 31.—(Special)—Mr. and Mrs. J. Morgan Smith, whose arrest is reported in Cincinnati, in connection with the Nan Patterson case, lived in Montreal for seven months. They had rooms at Bellevue Flats under the name of Adams, and directly under their apartments lived for a part of the same time Detective Carrington, who was on the look out for them, but for a while did not find out their identity. The difficulties of extradition exempted them from arrest here. They left here only four weeks ago.

Vardzia and demand that it be handed over to them with the title deeds.

Portland, Ogn., Mar. 31.—A Verchin, civil governor of Port Arthur before the surrender of that place to the Japanese, passed through Portland, en route from the Orient to Russia, to-day. Mr. Verchin bitterly regrets the surrender of General Stoessel, which he believes could have been postponed for two months at least.

St. John Man Gets Lease Of Moncton Opera House and Market Building.

Moncton, N. B., Mar. 31.—(Special)—John S. Coughlan, St. John, is the only tenderer for the Moncton opera house this year, and the market building. The committee will recommend to the council that the hall be leased to him.

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Minister Hanged Himself.

Buffalo, New York, March 31.—Rev. Noyes D. Congdon, a Methodist minister, a patient in the Buffalo State Hospital, committed suicide by hanging himself in his room at the institution today.

Lord's Day Alliance.

The annual provincial convention of the Lord's Day Alliance opened today at 3 o'clock in the parlors of the Y. M. C. A. Besides the city members there were present, Rev. J. G. Shearer, general secretary, and Rev. T. Albert Moore, associate secretary.

Customs Revenue.

Ottawa, Ont. Mar. 31.—(Special)—The customs receipts of the dominion for the nine months ending with March were \$30,916,179, compared with \$30,163,288, for the same time last year, an increase of \$752,916. Receipts for the month of March were \$3,594,161, an increase of \$134,909 over March, 1904.

Some Bills Agreed To.

By the Legislative Committees at Fredericton Today—Maine and N. B. Electrical Bill Amended—Restigouche Bill Opposed.

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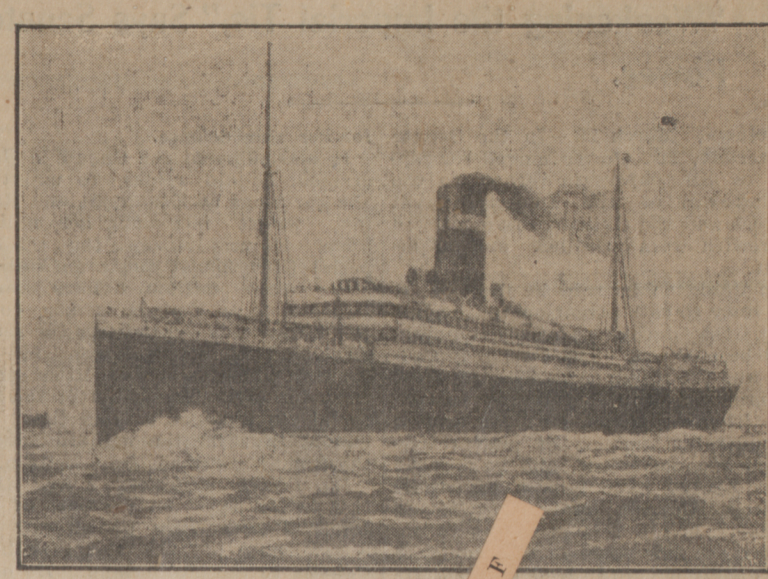
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ALLAN LINE TURBINE STEAMER VICTORIAN.



In the latter part of its edition yesterday the Times printed a despatch stating that the Allan liner Victorian had been reported twelve miles off Halifax. The information was correct. Up to the time of going to press today there is still no word of the steamer's arrival at Halifax.

CHARGED WITH MANSLAUGHTER. Ran Down and Killed a Woman With His Auto.

Los Angeles, Cal., March 30.—Barbee Hook, son of the late W. S. Hook, president of the Los Angeles traction company, and a reputed millionaire, today was charged with manslaughter by a coroner's jury, which investigated the death of Miss Margaret Birtwistle, who was run down and fatally injured on Sunday by an automobile driven by Hook.

Fredericton's Dark Secret. How Did John Devine Get Out of His Cell?

Fredericton, N. B., March 31.—(Special)—Melinda Hector, colored, and her brother, Wm. Hector, arrested on Wednesday for assisting John Devine to escape from the police station, were arraigned in police court this morning, and elected to be tried by Col. Marsh. A large crowd of spectators was present, and the case was followed with great interest.

Justifiable Homicide. He Shot the Man Who Had Killed His Wife.

Collinsville, Ill., March 30.—In a shooting affair today, Mrs. John Berta and Barney Vossallo were killed and John Berta, husband of the woman was slightly wounded. Tonight Berta was released from custody on a coroner's jury verdict of justifiable homicide.

War on Gamblers. Ithaca, N. Y., March 30.—As a result of the recent crusade in this city the Grand Jury today handed down in the Supreme Court, 12 indictments found against alleged proprietors of gambling resorts. Six arrests were made tonight.

Y. M. C. A. Man Resigns. Truro, N. S., March 31.—(Special)—H. V. Thompson, for two and a half years secretary of the Y. M. C. A., has resigned to go into insurance work with the Imperial Life, J. P. Grass, Manager, Halifax. Mr. Thompson's salary here was eight hundred. His resignation takes effect May 1st.

The Grand National. Liverpool, March 31.—Kirkland won the Grand National steeplechase of 2,550 sovereigns, a handicap for five year olds, and upwards, distance about 4 1/2 miles, today. Napper was second and Buckaway II was third. Twenty-seven horses started.

Secretary Hay. Algiers, March 31.—The White Star line steamer Cretic, having Secretary of State Hay and Mrs. Hay on board, sailed at noon today for Naples.

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The Times New Reporter.

WANTED HIS HOLIDAYS. The Times new reporter wanted to throw up his job yesterday. His pay is small, and he earns it all. He looked out the window and saw some men working on the street, clearing a road through a mass of ice and snow. He began to rount the strokes of the pick, and the proportion of time spent in working and loafing. Presently he went out and accosted one sturdy young man.

"What have you got here?" he queried. The young man grinned broadly, and at length replied:—"We've got a snip."

"I thought as much," said the new reporter, "but I thought I'd come out and ask you."

Then he re-entered the office, and announced that while the job lasted on the street, if he could get next to the aldermen and secure a place, he would give his brain and his muscles a rest, and draw civic pay.

"Because," he said, "I'm taxed to help pay these holidays, and I might as well enjoy them."

It was explained to the new reporter that as it is nearing election time he might get a chance to draw his pay for a week or two, but the job might not last, or he might be discharged after the election to do a little work just for form's sake. He went to the window again, gazed longingly at the lucky fellows who had no boss and no time limit, and after a while went grumbly to his desk.

An alderman was cutting ice on the sidewalks on Germain street yesterday, but this will cut no ice on election day.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT.

In view of the fact that the aldermen refuse to improve the police service, and that the town is entirely without protection from 5.30 until 7 a. m., a number of enterprising burglars met last evening and outlined a plan of action. It was unanimously agreed that this town was a cinch and its aldermen bug-house. Seen at the meeting the cracksmen were very reticent and declined to state where the first break would be made, but they admitted that there would certainly be something done very soon. They said it would be discourteous on the part of a burglar to reject the hospitality of this town.