

THE JAPANESE GROW ANGRY

France Charged With Giving Russians a Base at Kamranh Bay---Why Should Not Japs be Permitted to Use Hong Kong?

Tokio, April 21.—The Japanese regard the Kamranh Bay incident with growing feelings of resentment and bitterness toward France. It is popularly believed that the Russian fleet is still at Kamranh Bay, and is making the freest possible use of the port. The demands for strong action on the part of Japan are daily growing louder. Political parties and other organizations are passing resolutions condemning French alleged violation of neutrality. It is proposed to hold a great popular demonstration.

The Nichi Nichi to-day asserts that the evidence is conclusive that Admiral Rojestvensky is using Kamranh Bay as an actual naval base for belligerent action.

The Jiji discusses France's historical attitude on the question of neutrality and insists that the use of Kamranh Bay enhances Admiral Rojestvensky's fighting capacity and offers facilities for warlike preparation. Continuing, it says if from the complication, grave consequences result to Russia, France will be responsible.

A former cabinet minister, discussing the incident to-day said: "We are keenly anxious to avoid involving others, but we are bound to protect our rights. If France gives Russia the use of Kamranh Bay, why cannot England allow us to use Hong Kong?"

Affairs in Russia.

St. Petersburg, April 21.—The personnel of the Goremken commission appointed to discuss questions relating to peasant tenure of lands was announced to-day. It includes M. Stichinsky, formerly chief adjutant of the Russian interior department; M. Von Plehve, son of the late interior minister, and other adherents of the former minister giving it a decidedly reactionary tone. The position of M. Witte, president of the committee of ministers, grows more and more tenable.

Additional Cossacks are being brought to St. Petersburg in view of the anticipated disorders on May day. Two squadrons of Cossacks of the Don arrived here yesterday. By the order of the minister of education all new instructors in the middle schools must take the oath of allegiance to the emperor.

The students who were tried for engaging in red flag demonstrations in front of the Kazan Cathedral December 11, have been sentenced to from three to four months imprisonment. As the time they have already spent in the fortress is credited to them, the majority of the prisoners will be released, and the others have only a few days longer to serve.

France Gives Notice.

Paris, April 21.—As a result of communications between the governments at Paris and St. Petersburg the Russian government has forwarded urgent orders to Admiral Rojestvensky rigorously to respect the neutrality of French waters. This is a precautionary measure. In addition special instructions have been sent to the governor general of Indo-China, M. Beau, and foreign minister Delcasse has instructed the French minister at Tokio, to give the Japanese minister for foreign affairs assurances that it is France's purpose to preserve strict neutrality, these being similar to the assurances given to Dr. Motono, the Japanese minister at Paris.

According to the official view the foregoing steps should exercise a distinctly calming influence upon Japan, as they show that France directly and through Russia has adopted all available means to insure respect

HAMPTON WOMAN KILLED.

Mrs. Wetmore Dies From Injuries Received in Carriage Accident in the West---Fredericton News.

Fredericton, N. B., April 21.—(Special)—Collector Street received a telegram last night informing him of the death at Moosemin N. W. T., of Mrs. Wetmore, wife of Judge Wetmore of that place. Her death was caused by injuries sustained by being thrown from her carriage while driving near her home on the eighth instant. Besides her husband, she leaves two sons and one daughter. Deceased was formerly Miss Dixon of Hampton, and one sister, Mrs. J. B. Hammond, resides at that place. Mrs. T. Amos Wilson of this city is a niece.

A meeting of the executive of the Maritime Council of Royal Templars is being held here this afternoon. Among those in attendance are John

of the neutrality of French waters. The officials say that the only additional measure open is the use of French warships to employ force in expelling Rojestvensky's squadron. Such a course, however, is said to be impossible owing to the small number of French ships in Indo-Chinese waters. Moreover, as an official remarked, France is not in the habit of resorting to such extreme measures as using force. This is particularly true in the case of Russia owing to the complications which might arise from France adopting forcible steps against Russia, therefore the instructions already given from Paris and St. Petersburg are relied upon to prevent Admiral Rojestvensky from encroaching upon French territorial waters.

Russia Wakes Up.

Paris, April 21.—A telegram received here from St. Petersburg and understood to be of official origin says "The Russian Admiralty has notified Admiral Rojestvensky of the grave danger to peace which will be entailed if the stay of his squadron off the coast of Annam is prolonged, contrary to the laws of neutrality. No doubt is entertained that the admiral will carry out the formal instructions sent to him."

British Fleet Active.

Hong Kong, April 21.—There is noticeable activity among the vessels of the British China squadron. The armored cruiser, Hogue, has been ordered to be in readiness to proceed to sea at two hours' notice, with full steam.

FREDERICTON.

Fredericton, N. B., April 21.—(Special)—The water in the river here has fallen three feet within the past week and it never was up to the usual spring freshet mark. It fell about three inches last night. There was a light shower of rain here at one o'clock this afternoon, the first in several weeks.

Edward O'Brien has declined the position of editor in Macaulay Bros & Co., St. John, and will remain here.

HUMORS OF HISTORY---18.



The fate of Beotric. A.D. 827

"Beotric, the last King of Wessex, was accidentally poisoned by his wife. She intended the potion for a courier against whom she had a prejudice, but her husband, who was probably of a convivial nature, also partook of the mixture, and there was a double funeral."

---The New History of England.

AFTER MANY YEARS.

James Brennan and his brother, Patrick met at the former's home, Union Hotel, on Sunday last after a separation of twenty-seven years. A correspondence had been kept up between the two, but in all the absent brother's voyaging about the world, he had never happened to strike this port since he left it a young man of

eighteen. Mr. Brennan is now engineer's steward on board the new turbine the Virginian and has been making the most of his time while ashore in renewing old acquaintances.

Members of the Carleton Serenade Band will remember Mr. Brennan as a shining light of that organization in years gone by, and he has found quite a number of people whose

recollection carried them back to 1878 and beyond. He will sail with the Virginian on Sunday for Liverpool, where he has a wife and a home ready to welcome him.

Steamship Manchester Commerce, shifted down to the Ballast wharf this morning to take on Philadelphia deals &c., for Manchester via Philadelphia.

The Times New Reporter.

PANIC AT CITY HALL.

There was a panic at City Hall this morning. Yesterday afternoon the Magee wharf, on one side of the east side ferry floats, was declared to be adrift. A cable was attached and the thing fastened down so that Wun Lung could make port. The recorder and one or more aldermen hovered about the place all the afternoon, but nothing serious happened.

Early this morning startling rumors got abroad. One was to the effect that the Magee wharf had moved into the ferry slip, and another, which was confirmed later, was that it was out in the stream preparing

to ram Wun Lung and sink her. There was a rush of aldermen to City Hall, and all the officials were sent for. A despatch was sent to Naval Architect MacLean, asking him what he would charge to come down and lead an expedition for the capture of the enemy. Threats of suits for damages were made by fishermen who objected to a wandering wharf among their nets. A party was sent down to inspect the foundations of the McLeod warehouse, and the ferry committee sent home for their diving suits. A wireless message was sent to the commander of Wun Lung not to leave port until a signal was displayed from City Hall.

At time of going to press the mayor is in communication with the admiralty authorities at Halifax, and Wun Lung is under full steam awaiting orders. If the wharf is not captured the launching of the new ferry steamer will have to be postponed.

There has been a suspicion for several years that this wharf intended mischief, and warnings were issued, but these were voices crying in the wilderness. It is now evident that the civic war office has been caught napping. Neither Wun Lung nor the Onangundy has an armament fitted to cope with a truculent wharf, and the new ferry steamer has not been launched. An emergency meeting of the council will be called at once. The situation is critical. As long as this wharf is at large there can be no rest for the wicked.

GOOD FRIDAY IN THE CHURCHES.

Sermons Preached by the Rev. E. A. Wicher and Canon Brock This Morning---The Crucifixion and Its Meaning to Mankind.

This is Good Friday and business generally throughout the city is suspended. Some people who have summer cottages in the country took advantage of the holiday to go out and look over their property to see how the winter had dealt with them, and to plan for the coming season. About the city it is very quiet and the services which were held in various churches this morning were well attended. This afternoon there is a matinee in the York Theatre and the Opera House, and this evening there will be a performance in both places.

was only another malefactor gone. "His death was a redemption for us. There is access now to God. Jesus has become our mediator with God."

The choir sang as an offertory a portion of "The Story of the Cross."

Rev. Canon Brock. Rev. Canon Brock preached an interesting and instructive sermon on the "Story of the Cross," at this morning's services in St. John's (St. John's) church, taking for his text (St. John's) said, I if I be lifted up from the earth will draw all men unto me. The speaker pointed out that the term, "lifting up from the earth," meant the lifting up of the Son of Man on the altar of the cross. This great sacrifice, the church has testified for over nineteen centuries. It was a universally acknowledged, voluntary self-sacrifice, a moral effort to reconcile God with fallen man. Standing beneath the shadow of the Cross of Calvary, this would be the subject of meditation today. The power of the cross arises from the fount of the atonement, the making of one of God and man.

In the mind of man is wrought a consciousness of sin, and this consciousness craves an atonement. The speaker referred to scriptural accounts of the sacrifices of the first-born of Kings, and the divine revelation of the need of an atonement from the first. The sacrifices recorded in Holy Writ were preparatory to the one great sacrifice offered on the Cross of Calvary. There are three forms of human sin, and the sacrifice of the cross relieves us of all. Sin keeps us in bondage, but the Cross of Christ sets us free. "The Son of man came not to be ministered unto but to minister." St. Paul says that God made peace by the blood of Christ on the cross. St. John says "We have an advocate with the Father."

Ransoms, reconciliation, redemption, Christ is all three. Scripture says He is of one substance with the Father. The power of the cross is clearly shown in the words "I will draw all men unto Me" and with this in view we should strive and pray to live ever nearer to God. The choir under the direction of Dr. Arnold Fox, rendered special music for the occasion.

Rev. E. A. Wicher. Rev. E. A. Wicher preached the powerful sermon in St. Stephen's Presbyterian church this morning, on the crucifixion. He took for his text St. John 19, 30, "Jesus said, It is finished, and he bowed his head and gave up the ghost."

"It is finished!" "Calvary, he said, is an insignificant place geographically, but it is the place to which all the affection of the christian church turns again and again. It was here that Jesus died. "It is finished! Pilot would say. It is finished! the people would say. The convicted malefactor has been punished, and that is the end of it. To the disciples also it was finished; hopes had been dashed and there was nothing to be looked for. Jesus said, It is finished! And this marks the changing point of the world's history. What did He mean when He said these words? The pain is over now and His suffering ended. He had suffered to the last. He had loved to the last. He had come to His peace. The Man of Sorrows had ended His labors, but in the midst there is a cross, and everything led up to the cross. All that were dear to Him had turned against Him, his mother and his brothers did not believe in Him, and His disciples only faintly understood him. He that had no sin was made to bear the burden of the world's sin. Men did not know what Christ had done in that dark time. They thought it

CHILDREN PERISH IN CONVENT FIRE.

St. Genevieve, Near Montreal, the Scene of an Awful Tragedy Early This Morning---Twelve Are Dead and Several Missing---Frenzied Women and Children Leap From High Windows to Escape Hungry Flames.

BEACONSFIELD, Que., April 21.—About 11 o'clock last night, fire was discovered at the convent of the Sisters of St. Anne's at St. Genevieve.

The whole building was a mass of flames within five minutes after the discovery of the fire. It was impossible to get to the top flat to effect the rescue of all the pupils and nuns, who were sleeping. It was pitiful to hear the screams for help.

It is now known that one of the nuns is in the ruins with about thirty of the girl pupils, ranging in age from seven to eighteen.

Five or six old pupils were in the hospital in connection with the convent. Quite a number of pupils jumped from the windows from the third and fourth floors, injuring themselves badly.

The house belonging to Mr. Desrosiers, which was situated near the convent, was also destroyed. Damages were heavy.

Some of the girls in the ruins belong to Montreal and different places throughout the provinces.

Montreal, April 21.—(Special)—A disastrous fire broke out at an early hour this morning and reduced to ashes the convent in the beautiful little village of St. Genevieve. One nun and twelve children lost their lives.

As soon as the fire was discovered, the villagers hastened to the aid of the doomed building. Bucket brigades were hurriedly formed and every possible effort was made to save the building but the fire had gained such headway that it was soon apparent that there was no chance to save it from destruction. The inmates hurriedly aroused by the smoke, attempted to grope their way out of the building. Notwithstanding all efforts, unfortunately there was a deplorable loss of life. One of the

nuns, in her heroic efforts to save the lives of the children in her charge, succumbed to the smoke and flames. The pupils who were lost, were in a portion of the building where the fire had obtained too much headway before the alarm was given, to enable those who responded to effect their rescue.

The Dead.

The names of the dead and missing as far as known at present are:— Sister Ragetaria, music mistress, 82 years of age. Garard, of St. Genevieve, 15 years of age. Tessier, of Isle Rigaud, 7 years of age. Marceline Ville, of Montreal, 11 years of age. Irene Bertrand, of St. Genevieve, 11

years of age. Adole Robitaille, of St. Genevieve, 11 years of age. Dugas, of St. Genevieve, 14 years of age. Emma Tereault, of Montreal, aged 15 years. Leoni Daoust, of Ile Bizard, 15 years of age. Eleantine Proulx, of Montreal, 11 years of age.

The Missing.

The missing are:— Madame Narcisse Lalonde, of St. Genevieve, aged 82 years. Madame Cardinal, of St. Genevieve, aged 80 years. Madame Margaret Poitvin, of Genevieve, aged 80 years. Madame Robert, of St. Genevieve, aged 88 years.

THE LIQUOR LICENSES.

The Names of Those Who Have Them and of Those Who Were Refused---The List For the Year 1905.

The liquor license commissioners met last night at the inspectors office, Prince William street, when the following licenses were granted for the year 1905-6.

Retail.

- Brennan, Henry, 48 Water street. Bradley, Catherine, 91 Westmorland Road. Biddington, John J., 6 Church street. Baxter, W. E., 35 St. John street. Conners, John J., 5 Sydney street. Caples, Robert, 65 Westmorland Road. Caples, Richard, 247 Union street. Caples, William, 71 1/2 Prince William street. Cusack, George, 31 Marsh Road. Corkery, Mary, 52 Brussels street. Conlon, Felix H., 84 Brussels street. Carson, R. W., 509 Main street. Cronin, Ann Elizabeth, 48 Germain street. Doherty, Philip, 132 Brussels street. Driscoll, Thomas, 243 Union street. Dunham, Samuel, 277 Carmarthen street. Dolan, Catherine, 6 City Road. Dolan, Henry, 18 Charlotte street. Dolan, Peter J., 223 Union street. Day, Mortimer L., 15 Hammond street. Dalton, James H., 113 Bridge street. Doherty, J. C., 37 Charlotte street. Duffy, Bart., 17 Brussels street. Finnigan, Henry, 224 Prince Wm. street. Finn, Rose M., 110 Prince Wm. street. Farrell, Robert, 89 Simonds street. Flood, J. A., 390 Haymarket square. Gallagher, Henry, 36 Charlotte street. Garnett, Robert, 11 King square. Graham, C. Edgar, 93 Sheriff street. Garnett, George, 701 Main street. Huley, Thos. H., 8 Charlotte street. Harley, Joseph F., 615 Main street. Harding, M. A., 725 Main street. Hogan, M., 55 St. John street. Hogan, James E., 200 Union street.

- Hogan, Edward, 193 Union street. Labnan, Charles J., 31 St. John street. Moran, Michael J., 78 Britain street. Magee, George, 137 City Road. Mahoney, Peter, 407 Main street. Martin, Joseph F., 2 Market square. Mullins, F. D., 14 Church street. McEann, John, 90 Bridge street. McGuire, J. Phillip, 44 Mill street. McGuire, James F., 222 Union street. McDonald, James, 481 Main street. McBeath, Eli, 419 Main street. McCallum, Michael, 237 Union street. McGuire, Martin, 11 St. John street. McLaughlin, James, 5 North Side King Sq. McCarthy, James, 12 Dock street. McMurray, Terrence F., Chesley street. Nugent, M. J., 34 Dock street. O'Brien, Thomas S., 168 Mill street. O'Brien, John, 1 Mill street. O'Neill, Philip, 67 St. John street. O'Neill, Dennis, 644 Main street. O'Neill, Philip M., 60 Mill street. O'Keefe, Wm. H., 196 Union street. Lane, J. A., 192 Union street. Power, John T. 145 St. Andrews street. Power, James J., 312 Prince Wm. street. Quinn, James, 156 Main street. Quirk, Edward, 259 Brussels street. Rhea, John, 20 Mill street. Speight, Ellen, 624 Main street. Sullivan, P., 411 Douglas avenue. Sheehan, John, 309 Brussels street. Savage, W. J., 265 Main street. Trainor, Peter, 319 Charlotte street. Travis, John, 27 Mill street. Ward, Charles J., One-Mile House. Ward, Josh., 15 Dock street. Walsh, John, 63 Mill street.

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