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IN HOT FIGHT

Russians and Chinese In Desperate Conflict.

SOLDIERS VS. POLICE

CHANGED RELATIONS BETWEEN NATIONALITIES.

A Dramatic Story is Published in St. Petersburg Papers of Set To in Siberia—Some of the Chinese Passengers Thrown From a Ferry Boat.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 15.—A dramatic story of a conflict between Russian soldiers and Chinese police is told in the Blagoveshchensk newspapers received in St. Petersburg to-day. The conflict is a striking comment on the changed relations between the two nationalities occupying the banks of the River Amur.

The ferryboat—one of the enormous platforms common on the great rivers of Siberia—was preparing to leave the Chinese side to cross to Blagoveshchensk. It had on board, as well as passengers, a large number of Russian soldiers armed with sabres, and was in charge of Chinese police equipped with modern revolvers.

A fight began among the passengers in which several Chinamen were thrown overboard, and a number of Chinese passengers fled in a panic. They took courage when they landed, and began to bombard the ferry with stones, injuring many persons.

The Russian soldiers thereupon drew their swords and attacked the Chinese. The Chinese police replied with fire from their revolvers, and order was restored.

The ferry started, and all was calm as it crossed the river, but immediately it broke out again, and seven men—three Russians and four Chinese—were thrown overboard. They were rescued by the police boats but the craft that contained the Chinaman was attacked and sunk by the Russian crowd on the bank.

Meanwhile the Russian soldiers were slashing right and left on board with their sabres, injuring their own countrymen as well as the Chinese police.

Robbed And Murdered.

Milwaukee, Wis., Sept. 15.—W. H. Rogers, Milwaukee, a travelling representative of the Sholt H. Rogers Co., brokers, was robbed at Ontonagon, Mich., Saturday morning, and so severely beaten that he died yesterday according to telegrams received to-day. He was attacked with a black-jack when on the way to take a boat for Ashland, Wis. He did not recover consciousness before death.

Birthplace Of Methodism.

London, Sept. 15.—The old smithy at Ryton, in Derbyshire, where the first Methodist sermon was preached by Matthew Mayerd, in 1765, has just been demolished.

South Bruce liberals nominated P. H. McKenzie for the commons and L'Islet conservatives nominated Eugene Paquet.

Valet service, \$1 per month, My Valet.

DAILY MEMORANDA.

It pays best To buy fine Fur At Campbell Bros., the manufacturers. Interiors, Fall, to-morrow.

See announcement Column for the four Moving Picture Shows.

Poultry Show at the Armouries, to-morrow afternoon and evening.

Excursion to Jones' Falls, Stratford, 8 a.m., to-morrow.

Interest in Exhibits, to-morrows, to-morrow afternoon and evening.

St. George's Hall this evening. Refusal, 25c. Miss Molina, Miss King.

Miss E. V. Greza's Millinery opening Wednesday 15th inst. and following days.

Autumn Millinery, at M. & E. Jackson's, Wadsworth, Sept. 16th, 113 Brock street.

Millinery openings, at Crowley Bros., Mrs. Sutcliffe's, Pearson's, and Spence's, to-morrow.

Bijou Theatre—Big Bill of Moving Pictures "Romance in a Gypsy Camp"; "The Water Sprites" or a Legend of the Rhine; "The Queen of the Fairies" and the "Pantomime," "Song Day Sweetheart," "Some Day," sung by Edgar Summery.

Sept. 15th, In Canadian History.

1850—The entombment of Bishop Fulford took place at Christ Church, Montreal.

1884—A party of four hundred Canadians bontooned left Quebec to take part in the Nile expedition for the relief of Gordon.

1885—Barnum's elephant Jumbo was killed at St. Thomas, Ont., by a Grand Trunk Railway train.

1902—The eighteenth annual meeting of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada assembled at Berlin, Ontario.

ENGLISH CHINA TEA SETS

Quaint old style.

\$3.75 Set.

Also a few sets short one or two pieces. While they last.

\$2.95

ROBERTSON BROS.

HEROINE IN POVERTY.

Woman Who Carried Dispatches in Campaign.

Paris, Sept. 15.—At Le Mans, where Wilbur Wright, the American aeronaut, is now carrying out his experiments, a Mme. Imbert, a heroine of the Franco-Prussian war, has been discovered, living in very straitened circumstances. She is sixty-four years of age and was born at Le Mans. When the war broke out she was living at Metz.

The courageous woman served on the French general staff, and, disguised in male attire, repeatedly penetrated the German lines, bringing back much valuable information to Bazaine, chief of staff. On one memorable day she covered fifty miles on foot.

Intrusted with dispatches for the French general at Thionville, then invested by the enemy, she was captured and the secret of her sex revealed.

While the Prussians were searching her, Mme. Imbert, under their very eyes, calmly swallowed the incriminating dispatches. She was tried and condemned as a spy, but the Prussian authorities, as tribute of admiration for her bravery, commuted the death penalty. Three days later she escaped to the French lines.

Hitherto an ungrateful country has ignored Mme. Imbert's existence, but now the government, by way of tardy recognition of her services, has contributed to a fund which is being raised on her behalf.

BIG DECREASE IN MILK.

Cattle and Dairy Industry in a Bad Way.

Brockville, Ont., Sept. 15.—Brockville being the largest dairy section in the world, the drought that has prevailed for the past month is seriously affecting that industry. The supply of milk has fallen off at least thirty-three per cent. The pastures and meadows are in a very poor condition. Everything is burned brown, and unless rain fall soon the farmers in this section will suffer beyond estimate, as the rivers and creeks are mostly dried up.

Dairymen near this town having large herds are conveying water from town, and it is a common sight three miles north of here to see cattle in great distress because of the lack of water. The immediate vicinity of Brockville suffers most as the many lakes further north give a good supply of water.

A concrete evidence of the drought was shown last week, when the number of sheep registered on the Brockville board was 1,500 less than a week ago, and right in the heart of the September make, usually the best of the season.

ACCUSED OF MURDER.

Man Said to Have Cut Up His Wife.

Seattle, Wash., Sept. 15.—Leonard Johnston, a prompter, thirty-five years old, living at 1902 Fourth avenue, was arrested yesterday charged with having murdered his wife, formerly Bella Gilchrist, of Cornwall, Ont., in Nome, on October 31, 1905, for her money. It is also alleged that he cut up and buried the body under his cabin, in which he lived for six months, concealing the crime. Johnston admits having cut up and buried the body, but denies the murder charge. He says the woman committed suicide and that he buried the body as she directed in a signed note which she left. The arrest was made by Detectives Kennedy and Barber, after months of investigation by Deputy United States Marshal Joseph Warren, of Nome, begun when Johnston's wife disappeared from the cabin at Nome, three years ago.

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QUEEN'S DISAPPOINTMENT.

She Is Bearing Her Loss With Composure.

The Hague, Sept. 15.—There are conflicting reports as to Queen Wilhelmina's condition. Semi-officially it is explained that the recently published account of the queen's health, the queen's hope of an heir had been disappointed are not true but the Vaterland re-affirms the report of the disappointment, which it says, the queen is bearing with composure. She is very weak, but her condition does not cause uneasiness.

To Build A Tunnel.

Spokane, Wash., Sept. 15.—An announcement is made by Richard Armstrong, Chicago, representing the Greenwood-Phoenix Tunnel company, capitalized for \$5,000,000, that work will begin soon on the half-mile length and three and a half mile in length and 2,000 feet deep, to connect Greenwood and Phoenix, B.C., in the boundary country, north of Spokane. The project is financed by Chicago and British Columbian capital. The big bore is expected to tap numerous ore bodies at great depth.

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Wednesday, Sept. 16th.

Grand military display at the Somerville Co.

The Republicans Win.

Bangor, Maine, Sept. 15.—Bertram M. Fernald, republican, has been elected governor of Maine by a plurality, approximately 9,000. In 1906, Cobb (republican) had 8,064. All four republican members of congress were re-elected. Indications point to large democratic gains in both branches of the legislature. In Penobscot county, the democrats have won for the first time in many years.

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SEEK REPEAL

Of the Laws Which Give a Disadvantage

TO THE CATHOLICS

THE POPE WILL DEAL WITH QUESTION.

In His Next Encyclical—The Members of the Church Will Raise the Question of Interference and Urge Repeal of the Laws.

London, Sept. 15.—A news agency despatch from Rome says the pope has announced his intention to discuss the Eucharistic Congress in his next encyclical and at the same time will deal with the British government's representations against the carrying of the host in Sunday's procession.

The Roman Catholic members of parliament, headed by Lord Edward Talbot, brother of Duke of Norfolk, will raise the question of the government's interference with the eucharistic procession in parliament as soon as this body assembles, and urge the time has arrived for the repeal of laws that place Roman Catholics at a disadvantage as compared with the members of other religious bodies.

Not To Offend French.

Rome, Sept. 15.—The Correspondencia Romana, a Catholic organ, publishes the following communication, which evidently is inspired by the vatican, concerning the carrying of the host in the eucharistic procession in London. Although regretting this omission, we wish to point out, and we appreciate the liberty and respect which surrounded the eucharistic congress under the shadow of the British flag, it has been said that the procession could not be allowed, as such processions are forbidden by a law passed in the sixteenth century. This is not a serious matter, as everybody knows that such a law, like similar laws, became automatically obsolete through religious liberty granted later to British subjects.

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QUEEN REFUSES TO QUIT POST

QUEEN HONORS ALPINE VETERAN.

Presents Souvenir to Man Who Has Saved Over One Hundred Lives.

Geneva, Sept. 15.—A pretty incident occurred during Queen Margherita's return from her motor trip to Chamonix and Aix-les-Bains over the Little St. Bernard into Italy.

The veteran French Alpine guide, Leopold Grand, was waiting on the summit of the pass, hat in hand, to receive the queen.

He was wearing on his breast the Order of Merit, presented to him in 1887 by the late King Humbert of Italy, and the Order of the Legion of Honor, which was pinned to his breast by President Loubet, both orders having been obtained for saving the lives of French and Italian Alpine troops near the pass and for exceptional bravery.

Queen Margherita stopped her motor car, and stepping out, shook hands with Grand, whom she congratulated on having saved more lives during the past winter. Her majesty presented the old man with a souvenir, then re-entering her motor car, waved her handkerchief as long as she could see the solitary figure standing on the pass.

Grand has lived in a tiny refuge but on the Little St. Bernard for the last twenty-five years, since the employment of the French government, and during this time has saved about 100 lives. He lives a charmed life, for he has been swept away by avalanches over precipices several times.

Six years ago, while rescuing French soldiers from an avalanche, Grand and his only son were overwhelmed by a second avalanche and his son was killed.

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FRANCE SLOWLY DYING.

Only Country Where Deaths Exceed the Births.

Paris, Sept. 15.—The steady progressive decline in France's birth rate is a subject of constant preoccupation among political economists. Certainly a statistical review of the situation published in Opinion by M. de Foucault, member of the institute of Sciences Morales et Politiques, accentuates the national gravity of the question.

The latest figures prove that France as a nation is slowly but surely dying. In 100 years, the birth rate has fallen from 32 per 1,000 to 19.7, and at the present moment, for the first time in history, and in France alone among nations, the deaths exceed the births.

Since the twentieth century began the decline has continued at the following alarming rate: Excess of births over deaths, 1902, 84,000; 1903, 73,000; 1904, 57,000; 1905, 37,000; 1906, 27,000.

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