

THE MUTINEERS STILL IN CONTROL.

Situation at Vladivostok Has Not Been Improved.

FLAMES ARE SPREADING IN GOMEL.

At Leds, Russian Poland, Three Men Entered a Hospital and Stabbed to Death a Man Who Had Been Condemned by Revolutionists—The Value of Cauties Burned by the Revolutionists in the Baltic Provinces Is \$4,000,000.

St. Petersburg (By Cable).—Beyond the fact that the revolt at Vladivostok is not subdued and that the mutinous sailors and soldiers are still standing by the guns at the Holy Innocents' Battery, the War Office had nothing to give out regarding the situation at the fortress.

The only further news available was a newspaper dispatch, stating that two squadrons of the Northchirk Regiment of Cossacks had arrived, and that many arrests had been made. From the absence of news it is concluded that General Moe, who is temporarily in command of the troops is awaiting the arrival of Lieutenant General Mischenko, who is expected at Vladivostok, before venturing on serious measures against the mutineers.

The seizure of arms by the mutineers was a sequel of a street fight, in which a number of sailors of the Siberian contingent were killed.

The public takes only a languid interest in the latest mutiny. The papers merely print the news, which has no effect on the Bourse, without comment.

The Government has been advised from Irkutsk, Siberia, that a number of officials and employees of the general offices of the trans-Baikal Railroad have been arrested on the charge of being implicated in abstracting from a Government munition train 1,000 rifles, 1,000 revolvers and 10,000 cartridges and giving them to the revolutionists. A search was instituted for the cartridges, during which many of the rifles were recovered. The authorities also discovered nine bombs.

A large number of summary searches and arrests have occurred lately at Tsarskoe-Selo. The store of a Jewish druggist named Abramovich was ransacked, but no seizures were made. The police say the affair was unimportant, and that they merely desired to keep an eye on all suspects in the immediate neighborhood of the Emperor. The plot at Moscow revealed by the arrest of the pseudo Princess Koslovskaja January 18, however, was found to be really serious and to have wide ramifications intended to encompass the death of Governor-General Douhassoff, of Moscow, and all his staff at the blessing-of-the-water ceremony. The authorities are convinced that the revolutionary leaders have eliminated uprising and street fighting from their program for the time being, in favor of terrorist attempts against high officials, and have already succeeded in breaking up several conspiracies in embryo.

STOLE FOR WEDDING TROUSSEAU.

Pretty Woman Accused of Shoplifting in a New York Store.

New York, (Special).—Fearfully confessing that she was stealing underwear and ornaments for her wedding trousseau, and that her friend was helping her, Lottie Vedder, 26 years old, and pretty, was arrested with Florence King, a gashing brunette, in a Sixth Avenue department store by the store detectives.

Tucked in their shirtwaists, under their coats and in their muffets, they carried two silk waists, two cut glass perfume bottles, boxes of face powder, bottles of toilet water and more than a dozen pieces of lingerie.

Both women said they were manicurists by trade. Lottie Vedder told the police she had never been a shoplifter, but that she is engaged to marry a Virginia business man in a few months and is anxious to get together a trousseau.

Kept 5 Years Reading Bible.

Geneva, N. Y. (Special).—Dr. William R. Brooks, director of Smith Observatory and professor of astronomy at Hobart College, discovered a new comet in the northeastern sky. Its position is right ascension 16h, 19m, 30s; declination north, 47 degrees, and to minutes. It has a moderate motion in a northerly westerly direction. This is said to be the first comet of the year and is the twenty-fifth discovered by Professor Brooks.

Noted Aeronaut Dead.

London (By Cable).—Stanley Spencer, the aeronaut, died at Malta while on his way home from a flight over Sicily on September 10, 1902, made a remarkable flight over London in an airship of his own invention. It was estimated that he traveled nearly 30 miles and had complete control of his vessel. Spencer's father and brother Percival were also aeronauts of note.

Nine Hours in Panama.

Washington, D. C. (Special).—The House voted to adopt the rule making the provision for the abrogation of the eight-hour law in the canal zone an order in the urgent deficiency bill. Dilatory motions were made by the majority to prevent the further consideration of the bill.

MUCH IN LITTLE.

The Mexican lap dog is the smallest member of the dog family.

Seal skins to the number of 3,128 were shipped from Alaska last season.

The Christian population of the earth is estimated at 82,000,000, of which 43 per cent. is Catholic.

An eminent scientist has estimated that the average man's eyelids open and shut 4,000,000 times during the year.

In Gosau, Scotland, the health authorities have traced and exterminated diseased cats recent deaths from diphtheria.

A man in Portland, Ore., proposes to purchase for legs which the swamills of British Columbia will not use, build them into enormous rats, and tow them to San Diego, to be there cut into firewood.

Experimenters made with kites on the Mediterranean have shown that over a large surface of water the temperature and the rapidity of air movement decline steadily in proportion to the altitude.

Representative Longworth, who will marry Miss Roosevelt in February, has a collection of vials, which includes a Staradrasin, a Gullanaur, formerly belonging to Ysabe, and an Amato, once the property of Theodore Thomas.

An elephant has to delicate a sense of smell that when in a wild state it can scent an enemy at a distance of 1,000 yards.

THE LATEST NEWS BRIEFLY TOLD.

DOMESTIC

Captain Van Schaick, master of the General Slocum, on which 1,000 lives were lost, has been sentenced to 10 years in jail. He has made an appeal from the decision.

Nelson Morris & Co. and Armour & Co. deny the giving of bribes to Chicago newspaper men to influence reports of the beef packers' trial in Chicago.

Rev. H. S. Little, just returned from the Orient, says the students of the Chinese universities are fomenting a revolution and favor a republic.

Charles L. Tucker, convicted of the murder of Mabel Page, of near Cambridge, Mass., has been sentenced to be electrocuted.

Secretary Loeb announces that the government may prosecute the wreckers of the Enterprise National Bank of Pittsburgh.

Norman Hapgood, editor of Collier's Weekly, was acquitted of a charge of criminal libel preferred by Justice Joseph M. Deuel.

In the Greene-Gaynor trial telegrams bearing upon the allegation that an attempt was made to bribe a Government inspector were admitted.

The miners of the Southwest at Indianapolis decided to stand by the decision for the admission of the joint conference.

There are indications that District Attorney Jerome is preparing to prosecute certain persons involved in insurance irregularities.

Fire on the summit of Mt. Ararat, L. Aiston, in New York, endangered the lives of a number of patients who had recently been operated on.

Constantine Levi and Petro Forcaka, alleged secretaries of the Baird (Pa.) anarchist band, were arrested near Monongahela, Pa.

Forteen lives were lost in an explosion in the Whitteville Mine, Indian Territory, that was caused by fire.

The Pennsylvania State Senate ordered an investigation of the Insurance Department of that state.

The Bank of San Luis Obispo, Cal., closed its doors by order of the bank commissioners.

Charles Winn killed his wife, her sister and himself in Providence, R. I., United States District Attorney Morrison denounced the attorney for the beef packers of Chicago as trust lawyers and that their defense of immunity is claptrap.

Mary McCall, age 16 years, saved two Northern Central Railway trains from a wreck near Harrisburg, Pa., by signaling that a bowlder had rolled on the track.

James Deby, for 32 years a member of the New Orleans Cotton Exchange and prominent in the social and business world of that city, died suddenly.

The Mississippi compress, at Jackson, Miss., with 9,500 bales of cotton, was destroyed by fire. Loss \$750,000, with insurance of \$500,000.

Seven St. Louis women have been stabbed by a "Jack the Cutter."

Remarks by Colonel Melvin, of counsel for Greene and Gaynor, now on trial in Savannah, were construed as a reflection on the court by Judge Spear, who ordered the attorney to his seat, and delivered a scathing address from the bench.

The suit of Morris C. Meigs against Gen. Louis Fitzgerald for a fee of a million dollars in connection with the sale of the Western Maryland Railroad will come for retrial in Brooklyn in February.

The wage scale committee of the United Mineworkers Convention has reported in favor of a 12 1/2 per cent. increase in wages, an eight-hour workday and a working contract for a year.

Mrs. Anna Howard, of Brooklyn, N. Y., known as the "baby carriage thief," was sentenced to five years at hard labor.

FOREIGN

Nearly 250 revolutionists in the Baltic region have been shot, several thousand are under arrest and 5,000 rifles have been captured. The revolutionists have burned 200 castles, with an aggregate value of \$4,000,000.

Private conferences between the French and German delegates to the Moroccan conference have developed a plan whereby Italy would be charged with the organization of a semimilitary police.

A mass-meeting of Servians held to protest against Austria-Hungary's action in closing the frontier to the importation of Servian cattle urged a commercial union with Bulgaria.

Twenty-five members of the diplomatic corps at Caracas have notified President Castro that they cannot accept his attitude toward M. Taigny, the recent French charge d'affaires.

The Japanese Legation at Rome will be raised to an embassy and M. Uchida will receive the appointment.

Trouble has been renewed in Morocco between Rostali, the bandit chief, and the Anglars tribesmen.

The Russian government is abolishing the sinecure positions in the army and navy.

Emperor William of Germany celebrated his forty-seventh birthday.

Meager news reaches St. Petersburg of a mutiny among the reservists at Vladivostok.

Colonel Prostorovski, chief of the gendarmerie of Pensa, East Russia, has been notified by revolutionists that he is to be assassinated.

Thomas Higgins, Irish Nationalist, elected to Parliament Thursday, died of heart disease Friday.

The chairman respectively of the French and German delegations to the Moroccan conference held a private meeting to discuss the situation. It is probable that Switzerland or some other small neutral power will be entrusted with the organization of the Moroccan police.

Jules Jahnst, former member of the French Chamber of Deputies, charged with illegally using funds for speculations in the Paris sugar market, thereby causing a panic, was sentenced to one year's imprisonment.

Five foreigners—three Frenchmen, a German and an Austrian—have been convicted of conspiring to disturb public order and expelled from Haiti.

The British House of Commons contains a larger representation of Jews than ever before. Sir Edward Grey, the new foreign secretary, has been returned by a large majority.

It is reported that the Panther incident has caused the Brazilian government to ignore German suggestions in placing contracts for warships under the new plans for the enlargement of the navy.

In reply to an interpellation Chancellor von Buslow informed the Prussian House of Lords that he did not think special legislation was necessary in dealing with the Socialists.

Alexander Barry, a naturalized American and a manufacturer of Moscow, says 50 per cent. of the Russian workmen will turn to lawlessness.

SIX HOTEL GUESTS DIE IN FLAMES

Chief in Lowell, Mass., is Destroyed.

SEVERAL BURNED AND INJURED.

The Richardson Hotel, One of Lowell Lodging Houses, is Partly Destroyed by Fire—Rapid Sweep of Flames Through the Building Cut Off Those on the Upper Floors.

Lowell, Mass. (Special).—Several persons are thought to have lost their lives and more than 20 are injured in a fire which partially destroyed the Richardson Hotel, one of the leading public houses in the city, early Saturday morning.

The fire started a few minutes before 2 o'clock and by the time the firemen reached the scene the flames had penetrated to all of the floors and dense smoke was issuing from the windows, to which many of the guests in the upper part of the structure had fled to escape suffocation.

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"The total imports and exports of merchandise," the report says, "is \$2,860,000,000, against \$2,307,000,000 in 1904, an average increase of \$553,000,000 a year in the five-year period. If to the \$2,860,000,000 of foreign commerce in 1905 were added the figures of trade with Hawaii and Porto Rico, formerly foreign territory, and included in our statements of foreign trade prior to 1901, the total would approximate \$2,900,000,000 or about \$600,000,000 more than five years ago and \$1,200,000,000 more than 10 years ago."

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WAS A HERO OF TWO WARS.

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New York (Special).—Gen. Joseph Wheeler, the famous Confederate cavalry leader and a brigadier general of the United States Army since the war with Spain, died at 5:35 o'clock Thursday afternoon at the home of his sister, Mrs. Sterling Smith, in Brooklyn. The veteran of two wars was 69 years old, but in spite of his age there was hope until Thursday, of his recovery from the attack of pneumonia which caused his death.

General Wheeler was taken ill six days ago at his sister's home, where he has been living recently. He contracted a severe cold, which developed into pleurisy and pneumonia. From the first his age told against him, but the family did not give up hope until Wednesday night, when the disease was found to have affected both lungs. General Wheeler's immediate relatives were all with him. His daughters, Mrs. W. J. Harris and the Misses Anne, Lucille and Carrie Wheeler, had been summoned from the South and arrived early in the week. His son, Major Joseph Wheeler, Jr., now stationed at West Point, was also present, as well as General Wheeler's sister, Mrs. Sterling Smith, and her son.

The family was summoned to the bedside of the patient at midnight, when the doctors in consultation concluded that the end was but a matter of hours. The General was then awake and conscious, and his mind was apparently active. He seemed to know that death was approaching, and though too weak to speak, he succeeded in giving signs of recognition and encouragement to his children.

Later the General sank into a peaceful slumber, and at the request of the doctors, the family quietly withdrew from the sick man's bedside. General Wheeler was never again conscious, and passed away quietly.

Gen. Joseph Wheeler ranked high among the brilliant cavalry leaders developed by the Civil War. When he surrendered as a lieutenant general in the service of the Confederacy he was only 29 years old, yet he was senior cavalry officer in the Confederate Army. Thirty-three years later, as a major general of Volunteers, U. S. A., he was leading American cavalry against the Spaniards in Cuba. For accepting a commission from President McKinley he was severely criticized by Southerners of the "unreconstructed" type. In the Alabama Constitutional Convention of 1901 an effort was made to deny him the courtesy of the floor. He was snubbed by the presiding officer of a convention of Confederate veterans at Charleston, S. C., in 1899. The same thing happened at a Confederate reunion at New Orleans in 1903. Southern newspapers commented unfavorably on his accepting comradeship with men who had fought against the South. It is very probable, however, that General Wheeler's reputation was enhanced among Southern people generally, just as his popularity was increased among Northerners, by his patriotic action at the outset of the Spanish-American War.

In his last service he showed the same dash, the same capacity for sudden, brilliant movement that worried federal generals in the Civil War.

Gifts for Miss Roosevelt.

Magnificent Silver and Jewelry Being Made in New York.

New York (Special).—Rare jewels in unique designs, which friends of Miss Alice Roosevelt have selected for her wedding gifts, are being set by skilled workmen at Tiffany's Forest Hill plant.

The largest presents are a magnificent silver service, one of the most beautiful ever made by Tiffany, which has been ordered by the Rough Riders' Association, and a Krag-Jorgensen rifle, fashioned of 22-karat gold, an exact full-size working model, to be presented to her by the officers of the United States Army.

Among the other jewels are a pearl collar of 10 strands, the largest ever made by the company, and worth \$1,000. A diamond tiara, containing 500 stones, is said to be another, and there are two diamond collars and two bowknobs of diamonds.

Two diamond lockets are believed to have been ordered by Secretary of War William H. Taft. Miss Carow, sister of Mrs. Roosevelt, is having jewelry made, as is also Mr. Douglas Robinson, sister of the President. Most of the gifts have been ordered by well-known persons living in New York, Washington and Cleveland.

Did \$200,000 Worth of Gold.

Albuquerque, N. M., (Special).—In dismantling the old Alhambra mill, in the Jemez Mountains, north of this city, Morris Brothers, contractors, discovered hidden under the foundations a big, solid gold brick, supposed to be worth about \$200,000. It is supposed to have been hidden in operation to years ago. The contractor has been taking out the machinery to ship to the United Verde Mine, in Arizona.

Pistol Duel Fatal.

Montgomery, Ala. (Special).—A special to the Advertiser from Florida, Ala., says: "Grady Miller, the 16-year-old son of Dr. S. L. Miller, was shot and killed by the negro porter of the Lake View hotel. There were no eye-witnesses to the shooting, but the