

COAL RATED CONTRABAND BY RUSSIAN GOVERNMENT

Premier Balfour Thinks this Important—Port Arthur Situation Unchanged—Slight Damage by Sunday's Bombardment of Vladivostock—Object of the Attack—Russian Outrages at Anju.

PORT ARTHUR UNCHANGED.

PORT ARTHUR, March 7.—(Special)—There is no change in the situation here. The weather is fine.

AT VLADIVOSTOCK.

VLADIVOSTOCK, March 7.—(Special)—At one o'clock on Sunday afternoon a squadron of five Japanese warships began bombarding the town firing at long range.

After continuing the bombardment for some time the Japanese squadron withdrew.

SLIGHT DAMAGE DONE.

One woman was killed and a few men wounded during the bombardment. One wooden cottage was demolished and one or two other buildings damaged.

RUSSIANS MADE NO REPLY.

The Russian batteries did not reply to the Japanese attack, which was only made to locate the position of the forts and demoralise the defenders.

MORE RUSSIAN OUTRAGES.

SEOUL, March 7.—(Special)—Russian soldiers in the vicinity of Anju are committing all manner of excess, maltreating native women, robbing etc.

PREMIER BALFOUR'S VIEW.

LONDON, March 7.—(Special)—Answering a question in the House of Commons Premier Balfour said the Government considered Russia's declaration that she proposed to treat coal as contraband of war was of the greatest importance as Russia had previously refused to take this view.

LONDON SPECTATOR'S WARNING.

LONDON, March 4.—"We do not want to appear as alarmists, but we would be doing harm and not good if we tried to conceal the fact that the present situation in regard to foreign affairs is one of considerable anxiety," will say tomorrow's Spectator, in a long article on the effect of the Russian-Japanese war on international relations, especially the relations between Russia and Great Britain.

The Spectator concludes with urging the government to be vigilant and have its plans prepared for all emergencies, saying: "We must look the facts in the face and prepare to take the consequences of the Japanese alliance. One of those consequences was the active and bitter hostility of Russia and the opportunity afforded to the German emperor to knock the heads of the European powers together and get something of advantage to his own nation."

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Further, according to the Spectator, military men in Russia believe that war against Great Britain would be conducted in company with Germany and France and present no risks to Russia, as the brunt of the fighting would fall on France and Germany, whose colonies could be taken in event of the British being victorious. With the Russian fleet already gone, Great Britain could not inflict injury on Russia.

The Spectator proceeds to warn the press against giving Russia occasion for picking a quarrel, especially referring to the "aggressively anti-Russian tone of the Times and the impression of partisanship," which it declares it is difficult to condone or even understand.

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DEATH CLAIMS MANY VICTIMS

Among Men of Station in Europe and America

Baron Halkett, Lord Shand and Reginald Ward—Fatal Result of Operation—Another Hotel Fire Victim Found.

ANOTHER VICTIM FOUND.

NEW YORK, March 7.—(Special)—Another victim, the 21st of the collapse of the Hotel Darlington has been found.

LORD SHAND DEAD.

LONDON, March 7.—(Special)—Lord Alexander Burns Shand, who was raised to the peerage in 1892 is dead. He was born in 1828.

BARON HALKETT DEAD.

Baron Halkett of Hanover, the sometime husband of Miss Sarah Phelps Stokes, died at Bloemfontein.

VICTIM OF AN OPERATION.

Capt. Hon Reginald Ward, amateur rider and brother of the Earl of Dudley, Lord Lieut of Ireland died to-day as the result of an operation for appendicitis.

DIED IN CHICAGO.

TORONTO, March 7.—(Special)—E. W. Gillett died on Sunday at Chicago.

IF TORMENTED WITH CORNS.

Use Putnam's Painless Corn and Wart Extractor; it acts in one night and never causes discomfort. For years "Putnam's" has been the standard Corn cure of Great Britain and America, it is the best—try it.

WIRELESS SYSTEM.

PARIS, March 4.—The Official Journal has published a decree which places the wireless telegraph system established by the department of marine at the service of the general public.

LET OTHERS EXPERIMENT.

There is always something new in the way of medical treatment, and you are constantly invited to try new fangled, unproven remedies. Let others experiment and so risk health and lose time. Dr. Chase's Kidney Liver Pills have been tried in the crucible of time, won the approval of public opinion and demonstrated their right to a place in every home as family medicine.

ST. JOHN'S NEW FERRYBOAT.

ST. JOHN, March 5.—Jas. Fleming and Sen were awarded by the City Board of Works the contract to build a new ferry boat for the harbor service. The contract price is \$86,000.

WANTS TO GET OUT.

PARIS, March 4.—Telegraphing from St. Petersburg, a correspondent of the Martin says that rumors that Foreign Minister Ramsdoff has repeated his request for retirement are persistently current in high circles.

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will never be cured by the false, unnatural stimulation of liquor. First increase your vitality, build up the system, strengthen and purify the blood—then the heart will respond and grow strong.

Ferrozone is precisely what to take, it gives you an appetite and a digestion that will look after everything that is eaten. Ferrozone improves nutrition, makes rich, vitalizing blood, and is positively the most powerful restorative and strengthener known to science; it improves the nerve tone, regulates the heart's action, makes the feeble strong and the sick well. Ferrozone will do you untold good and costs only 50c. at druggists, or Polson & Co., Kingston, Ont.

DR. HAMILTON'S PILLS STIMULATE THE LIVER.

Thursday, 10th, inst., is the last day for discounts on electric light bills. 8 d 31

MC KINNON CASE IN SAINT JOHN

THE CENTENARY CELEBRATION

Of the British and Foreign Society—Observed in Zion Church—Church Last Night—Excellent Addresses.

In common with the Auxiliaries of the British and Foreign Bible Society in every part of the Christian world, the P. E. I. Auxiliary held in Zion Church last evening, the Centenary Anniversary meeting of the organization of the Society. President Sterns occupied the chair. The first speaker was R. G. M. Young who reviewed briefly the past work of the society, noting specially its work in cheapening the cost of the scripture to the purchaser. Today copies of the scriptures that cost one hundred years ago upwards of three dollars can be purchased for fifty cents. The great lessening of cost has made it possible for the poorest in the land to become possessors of a copy of the scriptures. The vast numbers of the scriptures circulated by the Society, one hundred and eighty millions, during the century the Society has been in existence was also commented on and by interesting comparisons the speaker sought to impress the importance of the vast circulation.

Rev. G. R. White spoke of the present state of the Society, having issued last year upwards of five million copies of the scriptures, employing eight hundred colporteurs and upwards of five hundred Bible women. During this Centenary anniversary the Society aims to raise two hundred and fifty thousand guineas and we are expected to do our part towards the same.

Rev. T. F. Fullerton spoke of the future prospects of the Society which taking a broad view over the entire field of the Society's operations was most hopeful. The achievements of the past and the condition of the present were such that one need have no fear to prophesy a future more fruitful of achievement even than the past has been. He closed with an appeal to the Christian community of this City and Province to do their part towards the success of the future.

The choir of Zion church furnished excellent music for the occasion.

Action Entered by Him for False Imprisonment

Insane Husband Butchers Wife and Wounds Children—Frederickton Students Fined for Disturbing Worship.

INSANE MAN'S DEED.

MONTREAL, March 7.—(Special)—Last Christmas A. P. Meauvis became insane from the effects of extreme cold.

On Sunday he attended mass and at night attacked his wife with an axe, almost chopping her head off.

ATTEMPTED SUICIDE.

The children ran from the house. He cut several of them, gashed his throat with a knife and endeavored to chop his head off. He will die.

STUDENTS IN DISGRACE.

FREDERICTON, March 7.—(Special)—Six university students were fined here for disturbing the opening devotional exercises at the Provincial Normal School.

ACTION FOR DAMAGES.

ST. JOHN, March 7.—(Special)—L. A. Currey has issued writs against the McLaughlin Carriage Co., J. W. V. Lawlor the local manager and Daniel Mott, traveller, for damages done Malcolm McKinnon who was discharged Saturday on Habeas Corpus.

PEOPLE WITH BAD BREATH.

Generally suffer from Catarrh and should use Catarrh Inhaler four times daily, and be cured. The pleasant scented Catarrh vapor spreads through every air passage of the breathing organs, and reaches the very root of the disease at once; it kills the germs, purifies and cleanses the mucous surfaces, and eradicates every vestige of catarrh in a short time.

Pure, sweet breath, free from headache, sneezing and discharge are quickly derived from the use of Catarrh Inhalers. Complete outfit, guaranteed to cure, cost, \$1.00, trial size 25c. Druggists, or N. C. Polson & Co., Kingston, Ont.

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CHICAGO MARKETS.

CHICAGO, March 7.—(Special)—
March Wheat 94 May Wheat
" Corn 33 " Corn
" Pork \$13.57 " Pork

coughs, colds, hoarseness, and other throat ailments are quickly relieved by Cresolene tablets. Ten cents per box. All druggists.

For Ten Days, Till March 10th.

We have put on sale at a big discount a fine line of Men's Dongola Kid Slippers, all sizes and 1/2 sizes, the regular price is \$1.55, now \$1.15. Men's Cloth Gaiters, tan or black, \$1.00 and \$1.15, now \$0.50c. And women's leather slippers \$0.35c pr.

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DR. ALLEY ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION

Yesterday was Nomination Day for Ward 3 to fill the vacancy caused by the appointment of W. W. Clarke as City Clerk. Dr. Alley was the only candidate nominated and he is therefore declared elected.

DIED.

Passed peacefully to rest, on Jan. 20th, 1904, at her home 14 Union Street, Cambridgeport, Mass, Catherine Campbell, beloved wife of Robert Roberton. Deceased who was a daughter of Angus Campbell, Nine Mile Creek, was 39 years of age. A sorrowing husband, father, mother, five sisters, three brothers and one son remain to mourn.

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