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REVOLUTIONISTS ARE FIGHTING THE TROOPS

Five Thousand Armed Rebels Capture Factory and Kill Guards and Inmates.

Riga, Jan. 11.—[Tuesday by Courier to St. Petersburg.]—About five thousand armed workmen before daylight this morning took possession of the Provodnik rubber factory and the military is bombarding the factory as this message is forwarded. The revolutionists crept into the building and killed the police guarding the building and eight dragons and six stablemen sleeping inside. London, Jan. 4.—A special from Copenhagen today says that the workmen who seized the Provodnik rubber factory at Riga Tuesday surrendered and delivered up the leaders to the commander of the troops.

HORSETHIEF SOCIETY NINETEEN-FOUR YEARS OLD.

Jenkintown, Pa., Jan. 4.—The Union Society For the Recovery of Stolen Horses held its nineteenth annual meeting today. The society has been in continuous existence since 1812. In days gone by, when a horse was stolen, instead of notifying the authorities as is now done, the society put

Electric Light Discussion Tonight

There will be an adjourned meeting of the city council this evening to consider several very important matters, among which will be the considering of the bonds of the newly appointed and elected officials. It is understood that all of the officials will furnish bonds and quality. The most important item of business to come before the councilmen tonight will be the matter of the electric light plant of the city. It is in need of renovating and extensive repairs. One of the boilers is in bad shape and the machinery and building generally is in need of repair. It is understood that the new council is in favor of putting the plant in first class condition. There will be an effort, so it is alleged, to secure a franchise for gas and lights in the city for the Grand Forks Gas & Electric company. While the company has lighting privileges for both gas and electricity, it is a serious consideration as to whether it would be cheaper for the city at large to dispose of the plant and to light the city from the west side. It is current belief that a deal could be made to have the Grand Forks concern take over the plant. At the present time they are furnishing lights to many patrons cheaper than the city plant can do it. On the other hand, while the new council is not bound in any way to refuse the franchise to the Grand Forks Gas & Electric company, they are believed to be against the proposition and that they will spend a considerable amount of money to put the plant in a first class condition. They are of the opinion that it will be for the best interests of the city. The matter will be fully considered at the meeting this evening and some lively discussion is anticipated.

BLIZZARD IS STILL RAGING

into effect the "riding list." The members would leap to horse when a theft was reported and ride in pairs for days on the trail of the horse thief. The secretary of the society, Charles Mather, of this city has held that office for nearly forty years. Paris, Jan. 4.—The foreign office says the Venezuelan question has undergone no material change. France is relying on the United States to aid in adjusting the controversy.

THE HEAD OF THE LAKES CATCHING AN OLD TIME MANITOBA SNOW STORM.

Duluth, Jan. 4.—A blizzard still rages at the head of the lakes and the weather is rapidly growing colder. The snow is badly drifted. Traffic on trolley and steam roads is badly impeded.

LIVE STOCK MEN HOLD ANNUAL MEETING

Indianapolis Ind., Jan. 4.—There was a large and representative attendance today at the annual meeting of the Live Stock Breeders' Association. The program included addresses by a number of prominent breeders and experts, among them President S. M. Lockridge, of the Shorthorn Breeders' Association, W. J. Beckett, of Indianapolis, and Prof. H. W. Mumford, of the University of Illinois. "I am the officer of my empire. When he died my father confided in me a trust which I shall keep, blindly submitting to it with a firm faithfulness whatever may betide, and delivering it intact to my successor. I am only a soldier, a chief and a soldier never deserts his post." "But" cried the speaker, "I no longer live. Every night in awful dreams I see the palace invaded by armed soldiers, who throw themselves on us, and I fear for you, for you, for myself. Think of Alexander of Serbia. Let us fly. I am unhappy, let us fly. We are too unhappy," Nicholas II. then answered, "And my people? Do you imagine that they are less unhappy than we are?" "Then," proceeded the doctor, "he went back to his maps or his mystical speculations, still a Gray in the hands of the ambitious Grand Dukes, the most influential of whom is Vladimir, a terrible man who will not tolerate the slightest concession, however just it may be. When the Emperor, although willing to grant fair concessions, hesitates, the Grand Dukes Nicholas and Vladimir rush into his study, and flying into a violent rage, argue in loud tones with him until the Emperor hesitates no longer but gives up the contemplated reform for the sake of peace at home." The doctor then goes on to relate what he alleges to be details of a scene between the Czar and the Grand Dukes Nicholas and Vladimir, when the latter is said to have offered personal violence to his Majesty. The story has been contradicted from St. Petersburg.

WILL HOLD AN AUTOPSY

On the Body of Charles Edwards to Ascertain Whether Murder or Suicide. New Haven, Conn., Jan. 4.—An autopsy on the body of Charles Edwards, a New York business man who was shot at the home of his brother-in-law, Charles Hiller yesterday, will determine whether the shooting was suicide or murder. It is generally known that there was a disagreement between the dead man's wife and her brothers Charles and Max Hiller over their mother's estate which is said to be worth a hundred thousand dollars.

JACKSONVILLE EXPOSITION OPENS IN SPLENDOR

Jacksonville, Fla., Jan. 4.—The manufacturers' plant, the grand trial exposition, for which Jacksonville has been preparing for weeks past, opened today with an elaborate program. Hundreds of exhibits are on display illustrating the resources and industries of this section. The exhibition occupies a magnificent new building in the heart of the city. The fact that the tourist season is now on insures an attendance of thousands of visitors during the two weeks the exposition will continue.

BANKER PREDICTS A GREAT MONEY PANIC

New York, Jan. 4.—In a speech before the chamber of commerce today Jacob Schiff, banker, said that unless something was done shortly for currency reform the country would witness the worst panic in its history.

REPORTS ACCEPTED

County Commissioners Continue in Session Today. The board of county commissioners continued in session today but transacted very little business outside of the usual grind of bills. The report of Sheriff Turan was presented and accepted. It indicates that the affairs of the office has been in good hands during the year. The report of Superintendent McMahon of the poor farm shows that the average number for the year has been 42 inmates, costing the county \$4.18 a head per week. The total expense of maintaining the farm for the year is \$2,000.44. This cost included board, medicines, hospitals, etc. The report shows that the farm has been well conducted.

WEAK CHARACTER OF THE RUSSIAN EMPEROR

Former Court Physician Says He is Led By the Nose By Grand Dukes.

Paris, Jan. 4.—A remarkable account is published here of an interview, with Dr. Lalonde, who occupied a post at the court of Alexander III, and is on confidential terms with the present emperor of Russia. The physician declares that he knows all about what has been passing at Czar'skoe Selo, including the dramatic scene with the Grand Duke Vladimir. He prefaces his narrative by an excellent character of His Majesty. Very honest, extremely studious, a devoted husband and father, but unfortunately weak, and at bottom a fatalist, he suffers himself to be led by the Grand Dukes, particularly Nicholas and Vladimir, who have immense influence over him. The Czar, too, has a strange conception of duty. Only lately, when the Empress besought him to abdicate and leave the country, he replied: "I am the officer of my empire. When he died my father confided in me a trust which I shall keep, blindly submitting to it with a firm faithfulness whatever may betide, and delivering it intact to my successor. I am only a soldier, a chief and a soldier never deserts his post." "But" cried the speaker, "I no longer live. Every night in awful dreams I see the palace invaded by armed soldiers, who throw themselves on us, and I fear for you, for you, for myself. Think of Alexander of Serbia. Let us fly. I am unhappy, let us fly. We are too unhappy," Nicholas II. then answered, "And my people? Do you imagine that they are less unhappy than we are?" "Then," proceeded the doctor, "he went back to his maps or his mystical speculations, still a Gray in the hands of the ambitious Grand Dukes, the most influential of whom is Vladimir, a terrible man who will not tolerate the slightest concession, however just it may be. When the Emperor, although willing to grant fair concessions, hesitates, the Grand Dukes Nicholas and Vladimir rush into his study, and flying into a violent rage, argue in loud tones with him until the Emperor hesitates no longer but gives up the contemplated reform for the sake of peace at home." The doctor then goes on to relate what he alleges to be details of a scene between the Czar and the Grand Dukes Nicholas and Vladimir, when the latter is said to have offered personal violence to his Majesty. The story has been contradicted from St. Petersburg.

Was it Case of Murder or Suicide?

Coroner G. S. Chesterman returned to Crookston last night and the mystery surrounding the death of Ole Berg near Erskine is not entirely cleared up. The report that the old man committed suicide in the bog pen, is discredited by the coroner. While the remains had been removed to the house before he reached there, he was satisfied from the testimony of the family, that there was no question but that he was found near the bog pen. The story as told by Coroner Chesterman is that the old man had been a cripple and an invalid for some 17 years and that he was very frail physically. The family had not been accustomed to leave him alone but they were anxious to visit a neighbors for a couple of hours and he urged them all to go. When they returned they found him dead in the barn yard. The only thing which seems like evidence of suicide is a letter which he left in the house addressed to his wife, Mary Berg. After they left he evidently either felt that death was at hand or else he contemplated self destruction and wrote a brief letter for the family. He said in substance that he was not happy and not feeling very well. He told where a certain sum of money was to be found and bid them all good bye. Coroner Chesterman does not attempt to explain the mystery but from the remains, he is convinced that the death was accidental rather than a suicide and that there was absolutely no evidence of foul play and that a coroner's jury would be a useless expense to the county.

BUILDING A TROLLEY

A Line of Forty Miles Will Be Built to Connect Range Towns. Hibbing, Minn., Jan. 4.—A franchise was granted to F. B. Myers of Biwabik, president of the company, which will build a trolley line from Biwabik to Hibbing, forty miles, which will tap a number of range towns. The cost will be eight hundred thousand dollars.

MASSACHUSETTS GOVERNOR WAS INAUGURATED

Boston, Mass., Jan. 4.—Curtis Guild, Jr. took the oath of office as governor of Massachusetts today. With him the newly elected state officers assumed official authority. The ceremony took place in the profusely decorated assembly chamber of the state house before a large audience of citizens, state officials, members of the legislature and others. Governor Guild's inaugural address dealt almost wholly with state issues.

IS NOT SERIOUS

The Franco-German Situation Can Undoubtedly Be Satisfactorily Adjusted. London, Jan. 4.—Official and unofficial circles in Great Britain do not consider the Franco-German situation as serious. It is admitted that Ger-

REV. STEVENS VERY ILL

Former Pastor of First Methodist Church of This City Suffering From Renewal of Former Sickness—Now Pastor of St. Paul M. E. Church to Which He Was Recently Called. Considerable anxiety is entertained by many friends of Rev. Alexander C. Stevens, formerly pastor of the First Methodist church of this city but who last fall accepted a call to the pastorate of the First Methodist church of St. Paul. A renewal of a similar illness which affected him about a year ago has occurred and he is confined to his home in St. Paul under medical attendance, reported to be in a very serious condition.

RODRIGUEZ IS SLAIN

General Who Led Attack Upon Puerto Plata Slain By the Enemy After Winning a Victory. Cape Haytien, Jan. 4.—Casceres' troops attacked Morales' troops yesterday outside Puerto Plata and after a stubborn fight the Morales were defeated and dispersed by Casceres' troops under command of General Casperes. General Demetrio Rodriguez who had announced that if his attack on Puerto Plata was successful he would proclaim himself as candidate for president was among those killed.

LOCAL ELKS AT CROOKSTON

Large Crowd Enjoy Royal Hospitality and Start Six On Road. A large crowd of local Elks paid the Crookston lodge a fraternal visit last night, and report having been shown a royal time by the Crookston brothers. In fact, the hosts fairly outdid themselves in entertaining the visitors, and when the Crookston Elks outdo former events, there is something doing in Elkdom. A class of six candidates was initiated, and a sumptuous banquet was served. Those who attended from this city were: Col. W. H. Brown, F. A. Brown, F. W. Kent, J. E. Durick, F. N. Wells, F. W. Schlaberg, Geo. E. Deis, Wm. McLaren, W. A. Souther, C. E. Lander, Geo. A. DeLair, O. F. Rustad, Oscar Knudson, O. Orerby, J. E. Ness, M.

\$1500 VERDICT

Jury Returns One in Case of Farmer Killed in Self Feeder. Last night at eleven o'clock, after being out for 12 hours, the jury in the case of Holmvik vs. Parson's Self Feeder company, returned a sealed verdict to Judge Watts at Crookston. The verdict was opened this morning in court and found to contain a verdict in favor of the plaintiff in the sum of \$1,500. Neils Holmvik was killed last fall in western Polk county through the defective cap on a self feeder while operating a threshing machine. He attempted to climb over the top of the machine and the cap gave way, throwing him into the feeder and badly mangled him. The administrator of the estate sued the feeder company for \$2,000. The defense will ask for a new trial.

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A HARMONIOUS MEETING

Employers of Painters and Journeymen Held Social Session in Odd Fellows' Hall Last Evening—Refreshments Served and Good Time Enjoyed. Odd Fellows' hall was the scene of an important meeting last evening when representatives of the painting and decorating establishments of the city and the journeymen met in a social session. The object of the meeting was to arrive at a better understanding and to promote the already good feeling existing between employers and employees. Several visiting members of out-of-town unions were present and made brief remarks. President Williams of the local union addressed the body and his remarks were along the lines of the establishment of a better understanding between employers and employees.

COURT MARTIAL CASES UP AGAIN

The Middies at Annapolis Being Tried on the Charge of Hazing.

Annapolis, Jan. 4.—The court martial which has been in session here several days, trying hazers, reassembled today. The records in the Decatur case were verified and changes made in the record of Coffin's trial and the case against Midshipman Foster of New Albany, Ind., was taken up. He is charged with hazing Midshipman Roberts.

A BIG PAYMENT OF DIVIDENDS EXPECTED

New York, Jan. 4.—According to the calculations of financial experts more money will be disbursed this month in interest and dividend payments than in any corresponding month in any previous year. A number of important railroads and industrial corporations have either resumed or increased their dividends, and a very small number that have passed or reduced their dividends. In addition there are scores of small corporations, banks and trust companies that have either started or resumed dividends.

EAST SIDE NEWS

Mcfadden Paid Fine. This morning the case of the state vs. Dan McFadden was tried in Judge Sullivan's court. Mrs. Oliver Lee, who keeps a cafe in connection with the Kittenlof saloon, was the complainant. She testified that McFadden struck her without provocation while discussing the matter of a civil suit in her place of business. The defendant alleges that he was called to the Lee restaurant to discuss his availability as a witness in a civil suit which she has filed and that his ideas of the particulars of testimony did not agree with those of Mrs. Lee and she struck him and he warned off the blow and caught hold of her to prevent any further trouble while he made his escape. McFadden pleaded guilty and was fined \$5 and costs.

ANDERSON UNBALANCED

County Attorney James Maybury received a telegram Monday from Seattle authorities which stated that Bert R. Anderson, formerly of Crookston, was under the charge of the authorities of that place and was believed to be mentally unbalanced. The examination of Mr. Anderson will be held today by the Seattle authorities and if his condition has been correctly diagnosed he will very likely be sent back to Crookston. Mr. Anderson went west two weeks ago and his family still resides at Crookston.

ASKS FOR REWARD

Through his attorneys Chas. E. Hurst, former chief of police has made application for the reward for the arrest of Elmer Stearnes the convicted horse thief. The application was made to Judge William Watts but as yet has not been acted upon. The robbery was made in the western section of the county and the man sold the team in East Grand Forks. Who will get the reward is yet to be settled.

CHANGES OF TEACHERS

Mr. Carl Christensen will take charge of the school in district No. 89 and Miss Ada Brown assumes the management of the Kempton schools. Miss Vivian Holmes will be in charge of the Reynolds village school hereafter.

WELL KNOWN MAN PROMOTED

Capt. E. K. Massee has been appointed military instructor at St. Thomas college. Mr. Massee is known here, as he is a brother to F. G. Massee of this city.

GENE TO WINNIPPEG

R. M. Lawler left this morning for Winnippeg to be at the side of Mrs. Lawler's father, who is reported dangerously ill.

ENTERTAINED AT CROOKSTON

The East Grand Forks crew club was entertained by Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Johnson.

STOCKHOLDERS OF MORGANVILLE COMPANY

The stockholders of the Morganville company have met and adjourned.