

REVOLUTIONISTS ORGANIZE PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT

COTERIE OF LEADERS HOPE TO RULE THE RUSSIAS AFTER OVERTHROWING ROMANOFF DYNASTY.

UTILIZING THE STRIKE TO GAIN POWER Foreign Nations Are Warned Against Making Loans That Are Certain to Be Repudiated.

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LONDON, Jan. 23.—Telegraphing from St. Petersburg at 11 o'clock to-night the Daily Chronicle correspondent says:

"The revolution has begun in earnest. As I write the capital is literally a city of dreadful night. All lights have been extinguished and the streets are in complete darkness. The tramp and clatter of soldiers armed to the teeth who patrol the streets mingle with the sound of occasional shots and detonation of deeper and more sinister explosions, for revolution challenged with massacre has replied with dynamite.

"Everywhere in the suburbs where there are soldiers or public buildings bombs are being thrown. A state of siege prevails and orders have been issued that the people who leave their houses do so at the risk of being shot.

"Many frightened inhabitants are fleeing from the city or barricading themselves in their homes. Others are marooned in hotels, but the strikers or revolutionists, as they may now be called—are gathering in the streets and the wildest rumors are circulated.

TROOPS BEATEN BACK.

"Armed men are reported to be marching to their aid from various quarters. Twelve thousand strikers from the Caploff works, sixteen miles away, are said to have beaten back a detachment of troops told off to deal with them and to be advancing on St. Petersburg.

"A bomb has been thrown among a regiment of Cossacks near the Winter Palace and the revolutionists are hourly growing bolder.

"There seems every prospect of a great revolution in this unhappy city threatened with a reign of terror which may equal that of the French revolution.

"The Dowager Empress, that relentless opponent of reform, who might parallel Louis XVI, has fled, and the dynasty's one hope is that the troops are still staunch. It is hell in rebellion, with Satan trying to extinguish the fire with his hoofs."

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ONLY A STRIKERS' RIOT, ACCORDING TO CASSINI

Russian Ambassador Says It Does Not Mean a Revolution.

JUSTIFIES THE FIRING UPON THE MOBS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—Count Cassini, the Russian Ambassador, has had no official confirmation from St. Petersburg about the riots there, but in a conversation to-night with a representative of the press the Ambassador, after reading the afternoon dispatches, said:

"Human life is sacred the world over and nowhere more so than in Russia, but it should be remembered that the public peace is of predominant importance and vigorous measures are sometimes necessary to preserve order. This is the situation in the Russian capital. There is a great industrial strike in progress. Because their demands have not been forthwith granted the strikers, as strikers in every country have done, have endeavored to storm the Emperor's own palace in an effort to gain an audience with his Majesty. The troops ordered them to outside the gates and the crowd refused. The troops then fired a volley of blank cartridges, and on came the crowd. There was only one thing to be done—to fire with ball cartridges. That stopped the strikers and they fled in every direction.

"There is a great deal of difference between a strike and a revolution, and Americans will make a great mistake if they infer from the stories of disturbances that the demonstration is revolutionary, or even hostile to the war. The love of a great people for their sovereign is not wiped out by the cries of a few braves. It will be found that public order has been restored that the traditional and ancient affection of the Russian people for their Emperor still abides.

"When violence has been suppressed and order restored the strikers, through the proper channels, will be given a voice of their own. It will be considered and all that with justice and expediency can be done in their behalf will be forthcoming.

"Strikes occur in every country. No country appreciates this more, perhaps, than the United States, and in no country would an attack upon the head of the country be expected more quickly than in your own.

"You have asked me for a word of comment upon the press dispatches—for, as you know, I have no official advice. I can only say that it is an unfortunate condition of affairs, which, I hope, soon will be relieved. Demonstrations are not against the war; there is no revolution in Russia, nor will there be."

The State Department has received no word from its representatives abroad regarding the outbreak in St. Petersburg to-day. While trouble of some kind had fully been expected to follow the formulation of the workingmen's demands in St. Petersburg and the attempt to present them to the czar, the officials here were generally of the opinion that serious consequences might be averted by the exercise of the Emperor's prerogative. The czar's advisers and it was supposed that the workingmen would be absolutely shut out from access to the czar. It was believed that the czar would receive some committee to avoid his coming into contact with the mob, which would be fully expected to defend the petitioners, even though the substance of their requests was denied.

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TOKIO, Jan. 23.—A Russian admiral who has just joined the prisoners from Port Arthur now in Japan has given to the press an extended statement covering the defense and surrender of the fortress. He characterizes the surrender before the garrison had reached its extremity as a disgrace, bitterly criticizes General Stoessel and lauds Major General Kondratenko, commander of the Seventh East Siberian Rifle Brigade, as the true hero of the defense of Port Arthur.

The admiral says that Vice Admiral Makaroff, who commanded the Russian squadron at Port Arthur and who went down with the battleship *Petrovsk* on April 13, dictated the policy of inactivity on the part of the squadron, taking the ground that it would be hopeless, owing to the inferiority of the Russian naval strength, to engage the fleet of Vice Admiral Togo, and that it would be unwise to divide the force defending Port Arthur by running ships to Vladivostok or to neutral ports. The admiral admits that bitter friction existed between the army and navy, and that there is a possibility of inquiry into this matter by court martial. He insists that the Russians destroyed their warships at Port Arthur beyond any possibility of salvage by the Japanese.

BITTER TOWARD STOESSEL.

"I am sorry to say that from the first General Stoessel proved to be incapable," said the admiral. "Though in full command, he never visited the fighting positions during the lifetime of General Kondratenko. Kondratenko was not only the life of the defense, but he possessed in a large measure the quality of peacemaker. He intervened in all cases of trouble and always eloquently pleaded the cause of the Emperor and the necessity for defense, and these he placed before the Emperor. His ceaseless energy, patience and courage won the confidence of the higher officers of both the army and navy, and likewise of the common soldiers. Fortunately for the defense, he was able in large measure to direct its policy. Stoessel left much to him, and these he placed before the Emperor. He was the one man capable of fusing the discordant elements.

"By day and by night General Kondratenko visited every portion of the position and constantly risked his life. He was our inspiration. No Russian need be ashamed of the defense made by the garrison while Kondratenko lived."

SURRENDER A DISGRACE.

"It is difficult for a Russian officer to talk about the end. It was worse than a mistake—it was a disgrace. The fortress could easily have held out for another month, as it had food and ammunition sufficient for that period, and if Kondratenko had remained alive it would have held out for months longer."

In Kondratenko the garrison not only lost a leader, but the one man who had the ability and the power, through his tremendous earnestness, to control Stoessel.

"For nearly two weeks it was known among the officers that Stoessel and his chief staff, Reiss, who was incompetent, was preparing to surrender. Through Stoessel's servants the soldiers became aware of what was coming, and, brave as they were, the knowledge destroyed their enthusiasm.

"At a council of war he three days before capitulation, at which twenty-two of the higher officers of the army and navy were present, the officers were represented that if Port Arthur were taken by assault there would be fighting in the streets and possibly a massacre. He mentioned the women and children of the garrison and said he thought it was the duty of the council to avoid such a possibility. Notwithstanding these representations, only three officers—Chief of Staff Reiss and two others—favored capitulation.

NOTE TO NOGI UNEXPECTED.

"Stoessel's note to General Nogi came without warning, and the word 'surprise' inadequately expresses our condition after the sentiment of the majority of the council had been expressed. What the officers said and felt and how the men thought and behaved will all be known later; but I say now and I believe that the majority of the officers of the garrison will support me, that the capitulation of the fortress was a disgrace to Russia.

"We never feared a Japanese attempt to take the forts by assault. The Russian soldiers were always anxious to meet the Japanese at close quarters, and even at the last our men were confident of their superiority with the bayonet.

"The Japanese behaved excellently when they entered Port Arthur, and there was no suggestion of disorder or lawlessness.

"I came as a prisoner to Japan because I felt it to be my duty to share the destinies of our men. I do not criticize those who gave their parole, but I believe that I would be dishonored if I returned to Russia after doing so."

REFUGEES PRAISE JAPANESE.

CHEFU, Jan. 23.—Thirteen junks, containing 500 men, women and children, after a passage of sixty hours from Port Arthur, arrived here to-day. The passengers were immediately sent on board the British steamship *Muenchen*, which has been chartered by the Russian Government to take them home.

All of the Russians speak highly of the consideration shown by the Japanese after the fortress capitulated, and the majority of them look upon their long wait on the shores of Pigeon Bay, without shelter, as being unavoidable. The refugees say that since the first few days following the surrender of Port Arthur, there has practically been no looting, the Japanese officials deal-

FIND JEWELS UNDER A TREE

Gems Worth \$35,000 Stolen From New York Broker Are Recovered by Police

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LOS ANGELES, Jan. 23.—Under a lone pepper tree in the Hotel Raymond grounds, Pasadena, was found to-night the \$35,000 worth of diamonds stolen from Mr. and Mrs. William S. Edey of New York at the Hotel Maryland. The gems had been buried there by the three young thieves. The sweatbox brought a confession of the location from one of them.

In addition to James Doyle, head bell-boy and supposed chief robber, two other bellboys, John Morgan and Karl Wilson, were arrested to-night. The details of the crime as the detectives have now traced it make a story for Conan Doyle. The perpetrators originally came to Pasadena from St. Louis and worked in several hotels, finally settling together at the Maryland. Day after day they patiently watched for the opportunity, and finally, when Mrs. Edey failed to leave her treasures in the safe Friday evening, they got them.

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WANT BETTER MEN FOR SHIPS

Livernash and Furuseth of San Francisco Have Talk With the Chief Executive

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CALL BUREAU, POST BUILDING, WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—Representative Livernash of California and Andrew Furuseth of the Seamen's Union of San Francisco called on the President to-day to talk about the undermining of steamships on both the Atlantic and the Pacific. They say that this has become a serious evil and ought to be provided against.

The steamboat inspection service is now engaged in the preparation of new rules and regulations for the protection of life and property at sea, and the President was asked to see that in these new regulations are included a standard of individual efficiency. It is asserted that many steamships of this country are manned by men who are not able seamen, and that a standard should be fixed that will determine a man's fitness to take service on a vessel. The Californians cited the terrible accident on the General Slocum and that on the Rio Janeiro off the Golden Gate a number of years ago as instances of inefficient seamanship.

The President will take the matter under consideration. Later he had a talk on the subject with George Uhler, the supervising general of the steamboat inspection service.

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PRISON CELL HOLDS LAWYER

Prominent Attorney of Los Angeles Is Arrested on a Charge of Forging Deeds

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LOS ANGELES, Jan. 23.—A. Groves, an attorney, who has practiced here two years, was arrested this evening at the instigation of the District Attorney, on charges of wholesale forging and swindling all along the coast. He is said to have uttered false deeds to dozens of pieces of property with dormant titles, sold and resold them, and victimized scores of purchasers in San Francisco, Portland and Los Angeles to the extent of thousands of dollars. That the documents were forged has been proven and the seemingly endless chain of bogus titles has been traced link by link until the most damaging evidence against Groves has been secured. Several warrants will be issued for him in the morning.

It is believed he has several accomplices, as the operations charged to him were too extensive for one man to carry on. In all the deals P. Hackett and A. Langworthy figure prominently—at least on the paper—and Groves claims they are his sisters-in-law. They cannot be found and the officials claim no such persons exist.

Mrs. Annetta A. Pullen of Lowell, Mich., has owned certain lots here for years, but by chance the records were found to show that H. Hill of Portland, Ore., apparently owned them, a deed executed in 1889 and recorded in November, 1904, being found. Groves claimed to be the attorney for Hill, and he declared the property was sold to H. Langdon of the Palace Hotel, San Francisco. Detectives found the document had been mailed to Langdon, care of box 144, Station C, City, November 15. The box belongs to Groves. Mrs. Pullen never deeded the lots to any one.

This is a sample of the many peculiar transactions charged to Groves, there being nearly always San Francisco and Portland connections. It is supposed there are confederates in those places. Groves is said to have been several years in San Francisco, and his record there is being looked up.

In Portland the names used in acknowledgments have been investigated and found to be those of real notaries, but the seals are thought to have been duplicated and forged.

CALIFORNIA PLAYERS NOT PROPERLY DRAFTED

CINCINNATI, Jan. 23.—Overall was not properly drafted by the Cincinnati National League Club, and Graham's draft by the Detroit American League Club does not hold, according to the decision announced to-day by the National Baseball Commission, which denies a petition of Detroit for a reopening of the draft against the Tacoma club of the Pacific Coast League. Those players had non-reserve contracts with the Tacoma club and that club, therefore, has no players by draft, although Overall goes to Cincinnati on a new contract.

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BRITON'S REPORT OF A REVOLT OF CIRCASSIANS LACKS AUTHENTICITY.

LONDON, Jan. 23.—Nothing is known of the report from Constantinople which reached Captain Culen of the Imperial Marine Association of Tokio, now in Victoria, B. C., to the effect that 1500 Circassians have revolted and killed the Russian Governor at Slavini in the Caucasus and numbers are crossing the frontier into the Caucasus to spread revolution into Tiflis province, the capital of which, Tiflis, is alleged to be in a state of siege.

The gazetteers available do not mention Slavini, in the Caucasus or elsewhere.

WEALTHY LOS ANGELEANS IN THE MILK BUSINESS

Men of Means Incorporate for Purpose of Conducting Novel Dairies in South.

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 23.—Some of the rich men of Los Angeles have gone into the milk business, and on a scale so extensive that they will soon practically handle the product for the entire city. Thousands of dollars of their capital are to be poured into the enterprise for providing one big milk distributing system.

The chief novelty in the new enterprise is to be a model baby's milk farm, under the care of a veterinary surgeon and caretaker instructed in dairy science. White-tiled receiving depots, white-robed employees, white-painted delivery wagons and white-coated drivers are to be used.

The combine has a capital stock of \$600,000. It will handle 40,000 quarts of milk daily. The men interested are Dr. F. W. Greff, W. F. Botsford, Dr. Walter Lindsay, F. C. Bolt and L. C. Torrance.

BELGIAN COAL MINERS STRIKE IN SYMPATHY

Desire to Aid the Cause of the Germans Who Have Quit Work.

BRUSSELS, Jan. 23.—A strike of coal miners has been declared in the Mons district, in sympathy with the German strikers. It is feared the trouble will extend to other districts.

COLOGNE, Germany, Jan. 23.—The strikers, who now number nearly 250,000, are simply awaiting the influence of public opinion on the coal mine proprietors and the efforts of the Government to assist in the settlement. No disturbances are reported. Considerable quantities of coal from Belgium, France and Great Britain are coming in. A general cessation of the coal using industries is not likely in the immediate future.

DEATH SUDDENLY CALLS ARMLESS SHOTGUN EXPERT

Young Man Noted for Skill as Marksman Is Found Dead in Sutter County.

MARTSVILLE, Jan. 23.—Charles Baird, the armless shotgun expert, was found dead near Vernon, Sutter County, to-day. A Coroner's inquest was held and a verdict of death from natural causes was returned. Baird was born in Illinois twenty-eight years ago. Although minus both arms he was an expert marksman. He won many shooting contests throughout the State.

Death of Bridge Builder

SEATTLE, Jan. 23.—Donald McLean Brown, president of the Seattle Bridge Company, died suddenly to-day, after an illness of but a few days, the result of a general breakdown from overwork. Brown had lived in Seattle since 1877 and was widely known in the Northwest as a builder of docks and bridges.

Countess Buxhoeveden Dies.

NICE, France, Jan. 23.—The Countess Buxhoeveden, nee McKnight of Bordentown, N. J., died here to-day.

DOAN'S PILLS.

ASK YOUR NEIGHBOR

Hundreds of San Francisco Citizens Can Tell You All About It.

Home indorsement, the public expression of San Francisco people, should be evidence beyond dispute for every San Francisco reader. Surely the experience of friends and neighbors, cheerfully given by them, will carry more weight than the utterances of strangers residing in far-away places. Read the following:

James E. Brown, contracting painter, of 17 Capp street, says: "A man at my occupation requires a good sound back. If that part of his anatomy is weak, lame or aching, every move of the brush brings torture. Besides, the ingredients used in my calling act directly on the kidneys and aggravate those organs if they are overexcited. The first box of Doan's Kidney Pills brought me such relief that I bought several more and continued the treatment until the last attack disappeared. For sale by all dealers. Price 50c. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the United States. Remember the name, Doan's, and take no substitute.

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