

Mattery sometimes acts like too many lumps of sugar in a cup of coffee.

Young Kingdon Gould should be earnestly advised not to shoot as long as he can run.

A Jersey hen that had lost her cackle has developed a crow. There is hope for Patti.

It is found to be much harder to exterminate the German carp than it was to germinate it.

A New York judge decided against a man suing for a dog bite. Every dog has his day in court.

If any motion is needed, we move that the Chadwick matter be laid on the table for a few days.

Much may be forgiven the inventor of that thinking machine if he doesn't develop it into a talking machine.

There be two individuals who cannot be reasoned with—a girl in love and a man who is determined to run for an office.

The average woman thinks it's just horrid if her husband is jealous of her, and just horrid if he isn't, so there you are.

A man who thinks he understands women is just as likely as not to invest his money in a perpetual motion invention.

No doubt poor old Franz Joseph of Austria sympathizes with the czar in the latter's resolve not to add a parliament to his troubles.

John Barrett says shirts cost \$12 apiece in Panama. Still, for most Panamanians a shirt constitutes approximately a suit of clothes.

The United States has thirteen battleships in commission—a very unlucky number for any nation that is rash enough to run up against them.

Dr. Spitzka now announces that Lombroso has given to the world only a "hodgepodge of generalities." And 57,912 sensational Sunday stories, doctor.

The explosion of that Galesburg woman's false teeth marks the advent of a new terror. To their well known falsity such teeth have begun to add treachery.

It is just beginning to be understood by some people that it will be impossible to dig the Panama canal and have it full of water inside of two or three months.

If Tow Lawson is patrolling a clipping bureau there is a prospect that he may be driven into bankruptcy when confronted by the necessity for paying the bill.

George Meredith says America has not produced one great man of letters. Evidently he hasn't heard of the Ohio sign painter who recently was victorious in a pugilistic contest.

Edmund Russell has a series of rules on "How to Get Rid of a Lover." We select the most cogent: "Never laugh when he laughs." That is enough for any girl to work on.

First cabin rates to Europe are to be made \$10 higher. That, however will not be serious. The important thing is to have money enough to get back after one has reached Europe.

A Cincinnati man is mourning the loss of a sample case of Bibles which was stolen from a saloon. So far no reports have been received of anybody stealing a case of whisky from a church.

Representative Henry proposes a bill to prevent rural free delivery carriers from "carrying packages more than six feet in length." The packages should not be more than six fingers deep, either.

The world isn't informed exactly what progress Mr. Andrew Carnegie is making in his noble effort to save the disgrace of dying rich, but his gift of \$1,000,000 to St. Louis for a library will help some.

Cincinnati has a citizen 110 years old who walks three blocks every day to a saloon. He must be fond of exercise. There is no place in the city where he would have to go so far if he didn't want to.

However, the London Lancet's learned opinion to the effect that turkey is a superior food was unnecessary. In his own unscientific fashion the average American had groped his way to the same great truth.

The clergyman who recently bought more than \$4,000,000 worth of New York real estate appears to have a shrewd suspicion that it is not so difficult for a camel to go through the eye of a needle as it is cracked up to be.

New York has an employer in court charged with working children 68 hours in a six-day week, paying them \$3 for the week, and docking them 10 cents for talking and 2 cents for being five minutes late. Is there any shame left in New York?

REVOLUTION IN RUSSIA

First Blood Is Shed in Movement Which Threatens Throne of Romanoffs.

HUNDREDS ARE SHOT DOWN IN ST. PETERSBURG

ESTIMATE OF THE TOTAL NUMBER KILLED VARIES FROM 500 TO 5,000.

MET BY VOLLEYS AND CHARGES

WORKMEN ASK TO SEE EMPEROR AND ARE SLAUGHTERED BY TROOPS.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 24.—Yesterday was a day of unspeakable horror in St. Petersburg. The strikers, goaded to desperation by a day of violence, fury and bloodshed, are in a state of open insurrection against the government. A condition almost bordering on civil war exists in the terror-stricken Russian capital. The city is under martial law, with Prince Vassilichoff as commander of over 50,000 of the emperor's crack guards. Troops are bivouacking in the streets and at various places on the Nevsky Prospect, the main thoroughfare of the city. On the island of Vassili Ostrov and in the industrial sections

Infuriated Men have thrown up barricades, which they are holding.

Minister of the Interior Sviatopolk-Mirsky presented to his majesty Saturday night the invitation of the workmen to appear at the winter palace yesterday afternoon and receive their petition; but the emperor's advisers already had taken a decision to show a firm and resolute front, and the emperor's answer to 100,000 workmen trying to make their way to the palace square yesterday was a solid array of troops who met them with

Rifles, Bayonet and Saber.

The priest Gopon, the leader and idol of the men, in his golden vestments, holding aloft the cross and marching at the head of thousands of workmen through the Narva gate, miraculously escaped a volley which laid low half a hundred persons. The figures of the total number killed or wounded here, at the Moscow gate, at various bridges and islands and at the winter palace vary. The best estimate is 500, although there are exaggerated figures placing the number as high as 5,000. Many men were accompanied by their wives and children and in the confusion which left no time for discrimination, the latter shared the fate of the men. The troops, with the exception of a single regiment, which is reported to have thrown down its arms, remained loyal and obeyed orders. But the blood which crimsoned the snow

Has Fired the Brains and passions of the strikers and turned women as well as men into wild beasts and the cry of the infuriated populace is for vengeance. The sympathy of the middle class is with the workmen. If Father Gopon, who is the master mind of the movement, aimed at open revolution, he managed the affair like a genius to break the faith of the people in "the little father," who they were convinced and whom Father Gopon had taught them to believe would right their wrongs and redress their grievances. Gorky, the Russian socialist, expresses the opinion that yesterday's work will break this faith of the people in the emperor. He said to the Associated Press:

Fight to Bitter End. "To-day inaugurated revolution in Russia. The emperor's prestige will be irrevocably shattered by the shedding of innocent blood. He has alienated himself forever from his people. Gopon told the people to believe that an appeal direct to the 'little father' would be heeded. They have been deceived. Gopon is now convinced that peaceful means have failed and the only remedy is force. The first blood has been shed and more will be. It is now the people against the oppressors and the battle will be fought to the bitter end."

Toward 8 o'clock in the evening the exhausted crowds began to disperse, leaving the military in possession. As they retreated up the Nevsky Prospect the workmen put out all the lights.

A General Killed. Every man wearing the uniform of the emperor who was found alone was mobbed. A general was killed on the Nicholas bridge and a dozen officers were seized, stripped of their epaulets and deprived of their swords.

It is rumored that M. Witte will be appointed dictator to-day, but the report has not been confirmed.

Emperor May Lose His Head. A member of the emperor's household is quoted as saying that this conflict will end the war with Japan and that Russia will have a constitution or Emperor Nicholas will lose his head.

There are rumors of trouble in Finland and disaffection of the troops. The strike leaders have decided to continue the struggle with arms. No day was fixed for the next demonstration. The strikers are so excited, however, that trouble is expected to-day.

NICHOLAS' THRONE TOTTERING. Spread of Strike Movement Portends Bloodier Occurrence to Come.

Berlin, Jan. 25.—The Lokal Anzeiger has received a special from St. Petersburg saying there is no longer any doubt about the present movement being a revolution. Its leaders are seizing every opportunity to work upon the feelings of the burdened people, filling all with enthusiasm, even petty state officials joining the cause of freedom.

Ominous news comes filtering in from Russian provinces, especially Moscow, Odessa and Kiev, and the uncertainty of what is happening there is worse than bad news.

Every one in the city is in fever heat, feeling that danger is imminent.

Moscow Joins Movement. St. Petersburg, Jan. 25.—The most startling feature in the situation last night was the news that several factories in Moscow have closed and that the workmen in the old capital of Moscow are repeating the tactics of their fellow workmen of the new capital, marching from shop to shop and mill to mill, demanding that the establishments be shut down. The whole city is reported to be in a state of great excitement over the news of the bloodshed here Sunday which has precipitated immediately the strike that had been planned for Wednesday.

Moscow has more workmen and less troops than St. Petersburg, and besides is just now the heart of the liberal movement, and the danger of bloodier occurrences

there than have been witnessed here are proportionately greater. A rising at Moscow is also more likely to have greater results industrially and politically than that in St. Petersburg.

According to private reports the workmen in several other big cities, notably Kharhoff, where large locomotive works are located, already have completed plans for a general suspension of work.

Moreover reports are current that the workmen, who otherwise would be forced back into the shops, or starve, have received assurances of financial support from the sources which hitherto have furnished

The Sinews of War to the liberal and socialistic agitation, but have never before been in touch with the labor movement.

If the strike becomes general all over Russia, and especially if the railroads are drawn in it might immediately force the nation to make peace with Japan.

The situation appears grave from every standpoint; but the authorities, although apparently somewhat bewildered, declare their purpose to stand firm, maintaining that it is their first duty to preserve order, and scouting the idea of actual revolution.

Czar to Make Concession. There are extremely significant reports that Emperor Nicholas, in making the decision at the extraordinary meeting of the council of the empire at Tsarskoe Selo yesterday to declare St. Petersburg in a state of siege, announced that he had resolved to issue a manifesto to the people with a view to calming them, promising to create a mixed commission of workmen and officials to investigate and decide the questions of the demands of the strikers, especially the one affecting the hours of labor, which Russian law fixes at eleven. The representatives of the workmen, according to this report, are not to be appointed, but selected by the laboring men themselves. This would be the first concession to the representative principle.

According to reports the emperor will also promise to investigate Sunday's events in St. Petersburg.

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The tension, which was somewhat relaxed in the morning, continued to increase during the day. Conditions appeared to be ominous when, shortly after dark, the workmen in two electric light plants walked out.

Refusing Triple Pay to remain, and plunged half the city into utter darkness. The water supply also was cut off and a veritable panic ensued. Tales that dynamite was in the possession of the strikers and that it was their purpose to sack and burn the town had been in circulation and many people were terror-stricken. Reserve troops were called out to guard the darkened portion of the city. The people still in the streets except a few strikers and roughs, fled to their homes. Police officers visited every house and store, ordering all not to venture out at their peril. After about four hours soldiers from the engineer corps, with the aid of German engineers from factories started up the light plants. When the lights were turned on, except for the patrolling cavalry and infantry, the streets were deserted.

Like City of the Dead. At midnight, when life in the Russian capital is usually bright, St. Petersburg resembled a city of the dead, invaded by a hostile army. The only sound to be heard was the deadened patter of the hoofs of the cavalry horses and the tramp of marching men over the snow, as the emperor's legions moved to and fro.

The guards at the palaces of the grand dukes are especially heavy and over 20,000 troops are massed at Tsarskoe Selo.

Strikers Fired On. A report has gained currency that the strikers intend to storm the market on Vassili Ostrov and seize the provisions there.

At Kolpino, twelve miles up the river, a body of workmen who had started for St. Petersburg to join the strikers were stopped and fired upon by soldiers. Accounts of the number killed or wounded conflict.

Police Take All Weapons. The police have closed all the gunsmiths' shops and firearms and other weapons have been removed from the windows and locked up in the cellars.

The city is filled with sensational rumors, among them being one that Grand Dukes Alexis and Sergius are already on their way to the frontier.

Mob Murders General. Among the authenticated horrors of Sunday is the case of an aged general whose sledge was stopped by the infuriated people as he was driving in the direction of the troops.

"Are you going to order them to fire on us?" yelled the crowd.

The general ordered his coachman to drive on, when he was instantly struck on the head by a well dressed individual in a sable fur coat. The general was then thrown out of the sledge, beaten and trampled to death.

Outbreak of Sailors. London, Jan. 25.—Special dispatches from Russia to the London papers again bristle with sensational statements. For instance, the correspondent at Kieff of the Express asserts that the naval depot at Sevastopol have been destroyed by a revolutionary outbreak of the sailors of the Black sea fleet, whose lives have been rendered unbearable by overwork and robbery by conscript officials, and gives circumstantial details of these men rising and attacking their officers and firing and destroying the buildings while the troops that were summoned to quell the revolt refused to fire at all or fired in the air. Other stories report soldiers killed by bombs, raiding of factories, etc., none of which can be confirmed in official quarters.

Provisional Government Formed. The Daily Telegraph's St. Petersburg correspondent reports that as the outcome of the meetings of the Reform party of Gorky, Annensky, Asenief and others and their adherents Saturday night and Sunday, a body of men has been constituted who regard themselves as the future provisional government of Russia. As yet, the correspondent says, they are political siphers, but they hope some sudden stroke of luck will enable them to overturn the existing regime and at the same time they recognize the fact that non-success may lead them to Siberia or the tomb.

Pope Is Distressed. Rome, Jan. 25.—Reports received at the Vatican from Russia say that notwithstanding the efforts of their bishops, the Catholics are excited and it is impossible to keep them from participating in popular movements, especially in Poland, where even part of the lower clergy have joined the people. The pope was most distressed at the news contained in the latest dispatches communicated to him by Papal Secretary Merry Del Val, and expressed the hope that the international situation in Russia was not so black as it was painted.

YANKEE RULE IN SANTO DOMINGO

FISCAL AFFAIRS OF REPUBLIC TO BE PLACED UNDER AMERICAN CONTROL.

MORALES SENDS INVITATION

UNITED STATES GUARANTEES TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY OF REPUBLIC.

TAKE CHARGE OF CUSTOMS

UNCLE SAM WILL NOT INTERFERE OR PARTICIPATE IN DOMESTIC AFFAIRS.

Washington, Jan. 24.—After a consultation with Secretary Hay the following statement regarding the situation in Santo Domingo was issued by Assistant Secretary Loomis yesterday:

The Dominican republic, after mature consideration of existing conditions, has formally and freely invited the government of the United States to assist it in the administration of its customs revenues and to aid it in its fiscal system upon a firm and businesslike basis.

The government of the United States having been explicitly, repeatedly and emphatically informed by more than one of the great powers that it ought either to try to evolve some order out of the financial chaos in the Dominican republic or assent to certain European creditors of that republic doing this, has

Deemed It Advisable, in view of the unfortunate financial conditions in Santo Domingo which for the last ten years have been rapidly growing worse, to accept the invitation of the Dominican government, and, therefore, representatives of this government and of Santo Domingo have signed a memorandum of a proposed agreement looking to the American control of fiscal affairs upon the request and with the consent of the Dominican government.

The United States proposes to guarantee the territorial integrity of the Dominican republic.

It is not the purpose of this government to assume a protectorate over Santo Domingo or to interfere with, or participate in its domestic affairs any further than the collection of its customs revenues, the necessary revision of its tariff laws and the adjustment, through properly

Constituted Tribunals or commissions of its foreign claims and its economic and fiscal organization on a sound basis may make it essential to do.

President Morales has signed a decree in which the government of the United States is officially asked to take full charge of all the Dominican custom houses; to name all the employees, and to collect all the revenues; 45 per cent of which are to be returned to the Dominican government for its current expenses. The balance is to be used to meet the interest charges on the acknowledged bonded indebtedness and other obligations of the republic. Any surplus will be turned over to the Dominican government. The obligations representing the bonded indebtedness are largely owned by foreign creditors.

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FOUR PERISH IN FLAMES.

Mother Dies in Effort to Rescue Her Children.

Iron River, Wis., Jan. 24.—Four persons burned to death early yesterday morning in a fire at the home of Geo. S. Barnes, residing twenty miles south of this place. It is believed that the fire was caused by an overheated stove. The dead: Mrs. George S. Barnes, Jennie May Barnes, aged 7; Virginia Barnes, aged 4; Miss Elsie Miesher of Washburn, Wis., a school teacher. Mr. Barnes was severely burned in trying to rescue his children from the flames. The mother escaped from the burning building, but returned for her two children and perished with them. Two of the older children escaped from the burning house.

LINE TO TAP BLACK HILLS.

Burlington Extension From Dumont, S. D., Contemplated.

Deadwood, S. D., Jan. 24.—There is a rumor afloat that the Burlington Railway company will build a line from Dumont, a point fifteen miles south of this city, to Sundance, Wyo. Dr. A. H. Bowman of this city has announced that such a line is contemplated, he having recently gone over the road. This road would tap one of the richest mineral districts in the Black Hills and will pass through some of the best timber remaining in the Hills. It would mean a freight haul of about \$30,000 a year from Sundance, Wyo. There are some remarkably rich deposits of marble near Sundance which would be tapped by the line.

JAIL NO PLEASURE RESORT.

Sioux City Prisoners Forbidden Use of Tobacco and Cards.

Sioux City, Iowa, Jan. 24.—Constitution was created in the county jail here when the sixty prisoners were informed that the board of supervisors had passed a resolution prohibiting the use of tobacco in any form in the jail and also the use of playing cards therein. The sheriff was ordered to divest the prisoners at once of all cigars, cigarettes and smoking and chewing tobacco, as well as cards and other articles for the playing of games. The board declared in its resolution that the jail should be, as the law intended it, purely punitive, and not a "comfortable winter resort for the lawless element of the Northwest."

STORE BLOWN UP.

Explosion at Fargo May Cause Death of One Man.

Fargo, N. D., Jan. 24.—An explosion in the basement of Rockwell's tailoring establishment Saturday destroyed the stock of goods and general office of the Singer Sewing Machine company. Smoke damaged the stock of meats carried by C. E. Green and the millinery stock of Roen & Dahl. The force of the explosion blew the glass front across Broadway. William McGillis and Albert Johnson, clothes cleaner and salesman, were in the basement at the time of the explosion. Johnson was badly burned on the hands and McGillis is burned on the arms and face, and the skin is dropping from his body. He may die.

BOY FALLS THROUGH BRIDGE.

Crippled Lad Found by Burlington Conductor.

Lead, S. D., Jan. 24.—The conductor of the Burlington trolley line between Deadwood and this city made a strange discovery while making the trip between the towns. While passing over the bridge near Pluma he discovered a small boy who was found to have broken a leg. The lad had been lying under the bridge for some time and was taken to the hospital. He was unable to speak English, and it is not known who he is. The child is supposed to have fallen through the bridge.

ARCADIA HAS BIG FIRE.

Wisconsin Town Visited by a \$10,000 Conflagration.

Winona, Minn., Jan. 24.—Fire totally destroyed the large implement establishment of J. S. Muir at Arcadia, Wis., causing a loss of between \$10,000 and \$15,000; partly covered by insurance. The supposed origin of the fire was a short circuit electric wire in the attic. The surrounding buildings were saved with difficulty by the department, and office records were saved. Mr. Muir was absent from the city, but will probably rebuild. This was the largest fire in Arcadia in sixteen years.

BADGER GAME WARDEN BUSY.

Confiscates Venison and Grouse En Route to Chicago Man.

Stevens Point, Wis., Jan. 24.—State Game Warden Brown confiscated 600 pounds of venison and grouse, shipped via the National express on the Wisconsin Central, and removed the same from the train at this station. The game was shipped by E. H. Williams of St. Paul to A. B. Aaron, 118 South Water street, Chicago.

SHOTS HIMSELF IN THE HEAD.

Devils Lake, N. D., Jan. 24.—Last night at Crary, nine miles east of here, Andrew Forslof, aged thirty years, who operated the telephone exchange, shot himself in the head. It is thought he will die.

CAR KILLS PLAYING CHILD.

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