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MOSCOW REBELLION HAS BEEN CROSHED

Governor General Dombassoff Claims to Have the Situation There Well in Hand.

THINKS MODERATES MAY HELP

Count Witte Looks to Them For Assistance in Restoring Order—Disloyal Troops Angered by Attacks of People and Return to Standard of the Czar Again.

(By Associated Press.)

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 26.—11:55 p. m.—Emperor Nicholas and Count Witte received tonight a report from General Doubassoff, governor-general of Moscow, saying that the revolt there had failed; that the military had the situation in hand and that whatever defection may have existed among the troops had been overcome by attacks on them with bombs and revolvers to which they had been subjected from the windows and roofs of houses and which had so enraged them that they could hardly be restrained.

Although rebellion may flare up immediately elsewhere and although there already is an indication of another upheavel, Odessa, if the attempt at armed rebellion in Moscow should be crushed, the leaders of the "reds" will receive a blow from which they cannot quickly recover.

Hopes For Aid From Moderates.

Count Witte is not so blind as to believe that the revolt can be stamped out at once, but with the present demonstration of the lengths to which the "reds" are willing to go, he has hopes that the moderates of all classes will come to their senses and aid in the restoration of order and in accelerating the convening of the douma, the law governing the elections.

Among the developments here today the most important was the capture of the leaders of the "fighting legions," which it is believed, ends the danger of an attempt at an armed uprising in St. Petersburg. This capture, it is understood, places in the hands of the government, complete information regarding revolutionary plans and the places where arms are concealed, as well as disclosing the weak spots in the army.

Insurrection is Collapsing.

Shortly before 9 o'clock tonight the correspondent of The Associated Press at Moscow telephones that there seemed to be no longer doubt that the insurrection was collapsing. The insurgents still held the quadrangle in which the workmen's council was sitting as a revolutionary committee, but only because Governor General Doubassoff was not yet ready to give the coup de grace.

Firing continued intermittently throughout the day. At 5 o'clock automatic guns were being used in Strastners' Square, but the insurgents were becoming exhausted after their four days' efforts and the fighting was rapidly degenerating into guerilla warfare.

The insurgents were defending themselves with revolvers and bombs as they were being hunted down from house tops.

Entire Population Terror Stricken.

The correspondent says that the entire population of the city is terror stricken and that after dark the back streets present a weird and uncanny apearance. As he drove to the telephone station he saw only a few civilians, who were slinking along by the side of the walls so as to avoid the police and cavalry patrols, who fire without challenging.

The windows of the houses are stuffed with mattresses and blankets, and no light is showing. The police carry rifles with bayonets fixed.

The correspondent predicts that the crushing of the rebellion is likely to be followed by the most horrible atrocities "if the black hundreds" are let loose. Governor General Doubassoff, unknown to the public, is directing matters from his headquarters in the Metropolitan Hotel, which is barricaded and defended by machine guns.

Assistance For Americans.

The concentration of the troops in the city to fight the insurgents allowed the strikers and revolutionaries a free hand in neighboring industrial towns like Perovo and Lubertzi. In the former place 300 armed men were sent to reinforce the insurgents and at Lubertzi the situation became so threatening that Mr. Purdy, vice-president of the New York Air Brake Company, the works of which in that town are valued at $1,000,000, sent an urgent message to the governor general today through the American consul, appealing for the protection of the property and of the one hundred Americans who are employed there.

General Doubassoff promptly dispatched a squadron of dragoons and this fact is considered as the best proof that he is confident that he has the situation in hand.

The Strike in Odessa.

LONDON, Dec. 26.—A dispatch to a news agency from Odessa says that the general strike there is only partially successful, and that probably it will collapse. The strike committee is threatening a resort to arms and the governor general has announced that he will deal in a drastic manner with any such attempt. The correspondent adds that while the people of Odessa are in a state of nervous tension the city at present is tranquil.

For a Strike at Lodz.

LODZ, RUSSIAN POLAND, Dec. 26. —The workmen here expect to begin a strike tomorrow and armed rising in the coal mining districts also is threatened. It is declared that 12,000 men are ready to fight the troops.

BAD DAYS AT ST. PETERSBURG.

Patrols Fire Every Time People Gather In Groups.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 26.—D[illegible] be over for the present. As the correspondent of the Associated Press drove through the accessible streets of the city, he says he say the patrols firing every time the people gathered in groups. In the Strastonoi boulevard he saw three volleys fired and a dozen persons fell while the remainder fled. He met dozens of improvised red cross wagons bringing in dead or wounded for whom there was no longer a place in the morgues or hospitals, necessitating temporary use of residences

Marks of Battle.

All over the city there are marks of the battle which has raged in the streets for three days, and the distant booming of cannon shows that the fighting is not over. Houses have been completely demolished by the artillery, and everywhere windows have been smashd by bullets.

Governor General Doubassoff has prohibited the opening of windows. The better classes are afraid to venture on the streets owing to the fact that numerous bombs and other deadly missles are being thrown from the windows or roofs of houses. Near the triumphal arch could be seen today the red flags of the insurgents flying above their barricades.

Wanted to Demolish Hotel.

Soldiers surrounded the continental hotel and artillery was brought up as it was claimed that a shot had been fired from one of the windows. It was with difficulty that the landlord persuaded the troops not to demolish the building.

As the correspondent entered the telephone exchange saw two agitators shot by a passing patrol. Artillery can be heard at work near the Nicholar station.

Murder of Prefect Attempted

Two attempts on the life of the prefect of police by students, one of them a woman, were frustrated. The students were arrested.

The Bourse Gazette says it is reported that General De Dioulin, prefect of police of St. Petersburg, has been informed by telephone that the number of dead or wounded at Moscow number 1,000, and that the number of dead or wounded at Moscow number 10,000, and that when questioned tonight the general did not deny that such a report had been received.

Two Blown to Atoms.
(By Associated Press.)

BLUEFIELD, W. VA., Dec. 26.—John K. Grested and Kenton W. Atwell, were blown to atoms at Cedar Bluff yesterday by the explosion of twelve cans of dynamite which they attempted to thaw.

NON-INTERFERENCE POLICY IS ADOPTED

Uncle Sam Keep Out of the Santo Dominican Troubles for the Present.

SERIOUS CONDITION EXISTS

Governor of the Port of Puerto Plata Shot and Killed During an Insurrectionary Movement, and Governor of That Province Defies General Government and Barricades Town.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—For the present there will not be interference by the United States in the difficulty which has arisen in Santo Domingo.

The trouble is regarded by the State department officials as entirely internal and so long as outside interests are not menaced this attitude of non intervention will be maintained. If, however, conditions should change materially and lawless acts should be committed against Americans and American interests and involving the collection of Dominican customs by this government or other acts of violence should occur which, in the opinion of the officials here would make it proper for this government to interfere, this step will be taken and measures adopted to quell the trouble. This decision was reached by the State officials during the day and was [illegible] White House late this after[illegible] which the President and Secretaries Root, Taft and Bonaparte participated.

Serious Condition Exists.

Advices received by cable at the State and Navy departments from Santo Domingo, indicate that a serious condition of affairs exists there. The captain of the port of Puerto Plata was shot and killed during an insurrectionary movement and the governor of that province has defied the general government and barricaded the town.

The Dominican government has issued a decree removing the governor.

The secretary of war today received the following cablegram from Acting Comptroller and Receiver of the Dominican Customs Edwards, dated at Santo Domingo:

"Carlos F. Morales dissatisfied with cabinet support left capital last night with few followers. His intention is said to be to join the followers of Jiminez in opposition to the followers of Haroleo. Conflict between the two forces is imminent, probable vicinity of San Juan or vicinity of Juerto Plata."

Fight Near San Domingo.

SAN DOMINGO, Monday, Dec. 25.—Following the announcement today the president of the republic, General Carlos F. Morales, had left the capital for an unknown destination, troops were sent in pursuit of the chief magistrate. What took place after that cannot be definitely determined, but it is known that a fight took place about ten miles from here and it is supposed that General Pimental, the rebel commander, was attacked by government troops.

The whereabouts of the fugitive president is not known.

Jaan F. Sanchez, former foreign minister of Santo Domingo, has also left the city.

To Fight Present Arrangement.

TURK'S ISLAND, BAHAMA, D[illegible] 26.—Advices received here from Monte Cristo, Santo Domingo, yesterday say that Guayubin, Dajabon [illegible] Sabaneta have taken up arms aga[illegible] the government and the Domini[illegible] American fiscal convention. Gene[illegible] Demetrio Rodiriguez, Joaquin Ba[illegible] Navarro Martinez and Pedro Alv[illegible] have gone with 600 men to a[illegible] Santiago and General Perico L[illegible] has marched on La Vega with a [illegible] of about 100 men.

General Deschamps, former president of Santo Dominigo, [illegible] here shortly on board a sailing [illegible] to operate against Puerto Plata. [illegible] rumored here that President M[illegible] is a prisoner in irons at the c[illegible] San Domingo.

NEW ELECTORAL LAW IS GREAT DISAPPOINTMENT

Falls Far Short of the "Universal Suffrage" Dreams of Russian Revolutionists.

GOVERNMENT MAKES EXPLANATION

Points to Fact That Even in Some Western Nations Right to Vote is Not Universal—Gives Proletariat Organizations a New Weapon For Agitation—Want a Republic.

(By Associated Press.)

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 26.—2:40 p. m.—The new electoral law was gazetted this afternoon and was accompanied by a statement explaining that in view of the fact that even some of the western nations do not possess universal suffrage, the cabinet could not assume the responsibility of declaring it. The ultimate decision must be made by the national assembly itself.

The election list will be published forthwith, the date of the elections will then be announced and as soon as the government receives notification that half the members are elected the national assembly will be convoked.

The extension of the suffrage proclaimed today applies especially to the cities where it is made almost universal.

Elector For Every 10,000 Men.

[illegible] shown in the case of the province of St. Petersburg, where the electoral college will contain 14 peasant electors, 18 landlords, 15 city landlords and 21 workmen. By this method while the workmen's electors are the largest class they will only be able to elect representatives in combination.

Th new law is a great extension of the [illegible]w of August. It contains ele[illegible] men which certainly will appeal to conservative opinion, but with the slog[an] of "universal suffrage" ringing in [the] popular ear it will prove a great disa[p]pointment and is certain to furnish the proletariat organizations with a [new] weapon for agitation.

[The]y no longer want concessions. [illegible] are boldly proclaiming that nothing but the complete overthrow of the [autocr]acy and the establishment of a [democ]ratic republic will satisfy them

SO TO DAVY JONES LOCKER FROM CAPSIZED SCHOONER

Survivor of the Sakata Ate Part of His Oil Coat Before Being Rescued.

(By Associated Press.)

[illegible]MPA, FLA., Dec. 26.—The three[illegible]d schooner Sakata, of Parsboro, [illegible] Scotia, has been wrecked and its crew of seven men drowned. John F. Williams, of St. Johns, is the only survivor.

List of the Drowned.

[illegible] drowned include: John Con[illegible] [m]anaging owner of the schooner, [h]is son, both of Parsboro; John [illegible] of St. Johns, the steward and [illegible] seamen.

[The] wreck was reported by Captain [illegible]ond, of the schooner Helen Thom[illegible] [w]hich arrived at Port Tampa to[day f]rom Galveston.

[Cap]tain Lermond first sighted the [wreck]ed schooner on December 23. [He se]nt a boat containing his second [mate] and five men to the wreck. The[y] found Mate Williams clinging to [the v]essel and he had been without [food o]r drink for four days.

Ate Part of Oil Coat.

[Hu]nger had forced him to eat a por[tion o]f his oil coat. Williams has [phy]sically recovered from his experi[ence.] The wrecked schooner was [bound] for Havana.

[L]ABORER GETS REWARD.

Service Examination Waived in Promotion to Clerkship.
(By Associated Press.)

[WA]SHINGTON, Dec. 26.—As a re[ward] for defending the postoffice at [illegible], N. C., four years ago against [b]urglars, President Roosevelt has [waive]d the civil service regulations, [on] the recommendation of Postmas[ter G]eneral Cortelyou and S. H. Ale[illegible]r's Christmas gift was a promo[tion f]rom a laborer to a clerkship in [the d]epartment. Not only the brave Carolinian had been promoted but to accentuate the honor an official statement was issued which gives a full account of the deed.

Roosevelts Coming to Virginia.
(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—President and Mrs. Roosevelt, accompanied by several of their younger children, will leave tomorrow morning for a visit of some days for their country place, "Plain Dealing," in Albermarle county, Va. The president and the members of his family will return to Washington Sunday night.

Jefferson County Courthouse Burned.
(By Associated Press.)

LOUISVILLE, KY., Dec. 26.—Fire this afternoon damaged the Jefferson county courthouse to the extent of $5,000. Hard work by firemen and employes prevented serious damage to the accumulated records of a century.

Helped Fire First Guns.
(By Associated Press.)

BIRMINGHAM, ALA., Dec. 26.—Major James C. Lacosta, a Confederate veteran, who took a prominent part in the firing of the first guns on Fort Sumter, died here today at the age of 68. He came to this city from Charleston, S. C., and is well known throughout Alabama.

All Quiet in Shanghai.
(By Associated Press.)

SHANGHAI, Dec. 2.—All is quiet here. A force of 250 men has been landed by the British cruiser Andromeda and bluejackets are maintained some days to their country place.

CAPTAIN MITCHELL MORTALLY WOUNDED HIS MURDERER

Coroner's Jury Says Negro Was Dead Before Mob Took Him From the Jail.

(By Associated Press.)

TAMPA, FLA., Dec. 26.—A special to the Tribune from St. Petersburg, Fla., says the coroner's jury investigating the killing of Captain J. J. Mitchell and his slayer John Thomas, colored, today rendered a verdict that Captain Mitchell came to his death at the hands of the negro while in the act of [illegible] negro met his death from a pistol shot fired by Captain Mitchell.

The latter feature of the verdict caused surprise as it was generally believed that the negro had been slain by a mob. The jury, however, claims to have had proof that Captain Mitchell shot the negro fatally after he had received a mortal knife wound from him and that the negro was in a dying condition when taken to jail and actually dead before the mob got possession of him.

REPORT FROM HAMILTON CONSIDERED BY COMMITTEE

Man in Paris Admits He May Owe Money to New York Life—No Names Given.

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—The investigating committee of the New York Life trustees had a meeting today at which the report sent from Paris by Andrew C. Hamilton was considered and referred to counsel. Mr. McCall stated that the report was favorable to himself.

The World will say tomorrow that the main features of Hamilton's report are:

Hamilton admits he may owe the New York Life money and that his account with the company is "open" because of his failure to render a statement heretofore of all the moneys he has received. He offers to place in escrow $100,000 cash from his own private funds pending a final adjustment of his account. Any sum which it may be decided he owes the company is to be paid to the New York Life out of the $100,000 fund.

Hamilton does not give the names or reveal the identity of the persons to whom he made payments.

BIG FIRE AT LITTLE ROCK.

Entire Block Destroyed By Flames Yesterday Morning.

LITTLE ROCK, ARK., Dec. 26.—One of the most disastrous fires in the history of Little Rock visited this city at an early hour this morning. With the exception of two small buildings every house on the block bounded by Second, Third, Louisiana and Center streets, was destroyed. The heaviest loss is that of Fred Roesch, whose four story carriage repository was burned to the ground, causing a loss of about $50,000. The burned district also included the livery stable of C. L. Kraft, the old Jewish synagogue, the merchants stable, six cottages and a number of small brick buildings occupied blacksmith shops. The entire loss is estimated at $160,000.

Work of Soil Survey Department.
(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—The soil survey of the department of agriculture has mapped 15,752,320 acres of land during the past fiscal year.

NEGRO DESPERADO IS SHOT DOWN BY POSSE

Failure of Fugitive's Gun to Fire Saved Attacking Officers From Harm.

JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDE, SAYS JURY

Charged With Attempted Criminal Assault, the Negro Took Pistol From His Wife and Held Officers at Bay Until He Could Escape—Returned Spend Xmas at Home.

(By Associated Press.)

WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 26.—Robert McMillian, a desperate negro charged with attempting a criminal assault last May upon the wife of a white farmer in the Island Creek section of Duplin county, this State, was shot to death by Sheriff Middleton and posse, whom he held at bay with a shot gun for some time Christmas night.

At a critical move by the officers the negro's gun snapped and he was shot down.

Justifiable Homicide.

A coroner's jury today gave a verdict of justifiable homicide. The negro had once before been captured but at the preliminary trial his wife slipped him a pistol which he drew and held the officers off until he could make his escape.

Came Home for Xmas.

He had gone further South and returned to his home to spend Christmas when he was shot down.

OFFICIAL COUNT OF VOTE FOR MAYOR IN NEW YORK

McClellan's Plurality Over Hearst Placed at Seven Thousand By Board of Canvassers.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—The official count of votes cast in New York county for mayor at the last election was issued today by the county board of canvassers and shows that McClellan received 140,261; Hearst 123,292 and Ivins 64,289.

The electorial returns from the other thre counties in the city were announced as follows:

Kings: McClellan 68,778; Hearst 84,835; Ivins 61,182.

Queens: McClellan 13,228; Hearst 13,706; Ivins 7,213.

Richmond: McClellan 6,127; Hearst 3,096; Ivins 4,499.

The total vote was: 228,397; 224,299; 137,193.

KILLED AT SHOOTING MATCH.

Tragic Eding of Kentucky Christmas Celebration.
(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, KY., Dec. 26.—News reached here late last night of the killing of a deputy sheriff and two other men in Leslie county yesterday. At Big Fork, a crowd of men congregated at a turkey shooting match. A dispute over the match caused a general disturbance in which John Duff and Jacob Wilson shot and killed Joseph Wilson and Alexander Little shot and killed Mack Roberts, a deputy sheriff. Duff and Wilson were arrested. Little escaped.

At Moose Creek, James Creech was shot by William Vanover in a quarrel.

Charleston at Norfolk.

NORFOLK, VA., Dec. 26.—The United States armored cruiser Charleston arrived at the Norfolk navy yard today for finishing touches and a few minor repairs before proceeding early in January for Charleston, S. C., where the citizens of that place are to present the vessel with a handsome silver service.

$97,000 For a Seat.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—A new high record of a price for a seat on the stock exchange was reported today when $95,000 was paid. This with the $2,000 initiation fee brings it up to $97,000.

Three Killed by Southern Fast Train.
(By Associated Press.)

SPARTANSBURG, S. C., Dec. 26.—D. M. Hill and Richard Rogers, of Saxon Hill, S. C., and J. F. Stone, of Cross Anchor, were struck and instantly killed by a fast train of the Southern Railway in the yards here today.