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On That Point He is Very Determined—But Japan Will Not Waive the Demand for It.

PORTSMOUTH, N. H., Aug. 24.—The prospects of peace seem desperate, but there are not hopeless, despite the prevailing pessimism. There is still a chance and the forces working for peace are continuing their labors. The president failed twice, but he is fighting. The result of Ambassador Meyer's conference at Peterhof yesterday was unsatisfactory, but at least it was not a rebuff. It left the door open, and within a few hours after the receipt of the president's letter, the president had sent a new appeal through Mr. Witte, who received it from Mr. Petrov about a week ago.

The emperor had already in effect offered the proposed compromise of the war to Japan. He had refused it because under a disguise Japan offered to withdraw an article of the emperor's decree, the rest of the war on condition that Russia renounce the military possession of Japan the north-east part of Sakhalin at a fixed price, which was the estimated "price of peace." Every message received from Peterhof, including those that came early today, was inflexible upon this point.

Had Japan not inserted the aim; had not been left for future adjustment, the position would be untenable. And the Associated Press is in a position to state that the divergence in the compromise as suggested by the president and offered by Japan at the conference, which was mentioned in these dispatches last night, touched this very point.

The president did not suggest a price or in making of a price, and it is believed, although this cannot be affirmed, that his latest effort was to secure the consent of the emperor to accept the Japanese proposition, with the amount subject to further adjustment by an arbitration board or otherwise.

According to the Japanese, Mr. Witte had already offered to divide Sakhalin. If the renunciation of Sakhalin was based upon a purchase price, the authorized statement of the Russian position, given in the Associated Press last night, should be borne in mind.

It is believed, however, that the emperor's refusal to accept the Japanese proposition, which was made almost with the force of a formal communication, that under no circumstances and under no disguise would the principle of indemnity be admitted, and this decision is accepted by the Russian public as final.

It was declared at the foreign office also that Russia's sincere desire for peace was manifested in the spirit of concession shown by the Russian mission on the other disputed points, and that if Japan was willing to waive this demand, which was consistent neither with the honor nor the dignity of Russia, there would be no trouble in arranging peace. Japan's insistence on indemnity being the only barrier to the termination of the war.

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Dr. S. C. Brigham, of 4 Brigham Park, Fitchburg, Mass., writes:

"I give great pleasure to say that I have found Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound very efficacious, and often prescribe it in my practice for female difficulties. My eldest daughter found it very beneficial for her troubles some time ago, and my youngest daughter is now taking it for a female weakness, and is surely gaining in health and strength."

"I freely advocate it as a most reliable specific in all diseases to which women are subject, and give it honest endorsement."

Women who are troubled with painful or irregular menstruation, bloating (flatulence), leucorrhoea, falling, inflammation or ulceration of the uterus, ovarian troubles, that bearing-down feeling, dizziness, faintness, indigestion, nervous prostration or the blues, should take immediate action to ward off the serious consequences, and be restored to perfect health and strength by taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and then write to Mrs. Pinkham, at Lynn, Mass., for further free advice. No living person has had the benefit of a wider experience in treating female ills. She has guided thousands to health. Every suffering woman should ask for and follow her advice if she wants to be strong and well.

from St. Petersburg. All came from Count Lamsdorf, and all were opposed to the Japanese compromise proposition, as presented at the emperor's meeting. However, it is positively stated that the cablegrams announce that direct four parties are now in progress between Emperor Nicholas and President Roosevelt.

CZAR WILL PAY NO INDEMNITY.

ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 24, 3:15 a. m.—With regard to a dispatch that has been received here, saying that Mr. Witte was awaiting instructions, the foreign office says it is daily in constant communication with Mr. Witte and that he will be fully able to go ahead on Saturday. The latest developments clearly indicate that the Associated Press dispatches, declaring that Russia will consent to the payment of an indemnity in any form, represent Russia's last word with reference to the principle of monetary compensation and the express of the war.

The authoritative statement made to the Associated Press at Portsmouth, which is in the same tenor, was made last evening by a declaration from the official spokesman of the foreign office, which was made almost with the force of a formal communication, that under no circumstances and under no disguise would the principle of indemnity be admitted, and this decision is accepted by the Russian public as final.

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talk of 'saving her face' is hardly reasonable, claiming that her face was lost when she conceded the anti-bellum demands," which constituted the real cause of the war.

Advice received by the Japanese mission from home says that Japanese public opinion is not only bitter, but opposed to further concessions, but favors even harsher terms than those originally presented. The Japanese people feel, and their feelings, it is said, will be respected by the government, that to weaken now would mean that Japan must reopen the war in a decade. "Better fight it now while we have an army in the field," they say, "than make a truce for ten years or more and then reopen hostilities."

ROSEN MAKES NO COMMENT.

Magnolia, Mass., Aug. 24.—Mr. Witte and Baron Rosen, the Russian plenipotentiaries, arrived here this afternoon from Portsmouth and spent some time at the Russian embassy. Mr. Witte left the embassy later in an automobile.

Baron Rosen said to a representative of the Associated Press:

"His excellency, Mr. Witte, departed from the embassy at 4 o'clock this afternoon to return to the Hotel Wentworth at Newcastle. It is my intention to remain here over night and to go to Newcastle tomorrow morning."

Baron de Rosen was shown the Russian Telegram company's new dispatch from St. Petersburg in the effect that Count Lamsdorf authorized the statement that Russia would pay Japan no contribution, direct or indirect, nor make any cession of territory, also a Paris dispatch saying that the Tennessean expressed editorially the sentiment that Russia was losing ground by delaying acceptance of the peace terms. The ambassador read the dispatches with apparent interest and once having finished them, perused them carefully. He declined, however, to comment on either of them.

Concerning the reports that the Russian plenipotentiaries had been advised that Emperor William was to visit Emperor Nicholas at Peterhof, he said:

"We had no information about it."

Later Baron Rosen, his wife and daughter went driving.

MAY PAY \$50,000,000.

LONDON, Aug. 25.—But that it is felt impossible that two nations should be plunged again into the horrors of war on account of a mere difference of a few millions of money which would be expended in the continuation of hostilities, Count Lamsdorf's declaration would be regarded as the final word preceding a break-up of the peace conference.

The London papers, commenting on the situation, therefore, while admitting the apparent hopelessness of the situation, do not despair of a peaceful settlement in view of the fact that all differences except indemnity have been virtually arranged.

The Portsmouth correspondent of the Morning Post still insists that peace will be concluded, and declares that Russia is willing to pay \$50,000,000.

TEA

You don't half-know how good tea is; good tea is extremely good.

Go by the book.

Your grocer returns your money if you don't like the quality of the tea.

Count Alexis Ignatieff, a member of the Russian cabinet and former governor-general of Kiev, it is thought, will probably succeed him, although Gen. Trepoff is mentioned as a possibility.

SHOOTING TOURNAMENT.

Greatest Military One Ever Held in United States Opened.

Sacramento, N. J., Aug. 24.—The greatest military shooting tournament ever held in the United States was opened here today. Without a moment's delay the national individual match began. The conditions required that there should be at least 36 entries for the event. To the astonishment of everybody, 67 competitors reported at the firing line.

The number of men competing in the National Individual match is an indication of the magnitude of the tournament. Each competitor fires in shots each at 200, 300, 500 and 600 yards slow fire and a similar number at 200 and 300 yards rapid fire, and participates in two skirmish runs.

A large number of spectators were in attendance.

Col. Federico de Montevideo, military attaché of the Spanish embassy at Washington, is a guest on the range. He is deeply interested in the work of the riflemen.

SABER TOOTH TIGER.

Prof. Merriam of California University Issues a Bulletin on It.

Berkeley, Cal., Aug. 24.—Prof. Merriam, head of the paleontology department of the University of California, has just issued a new bulletin on a strange animal type of "saber tooth" tiger found in California fossil beds.

Some years ago the University of California presented a collection of four mammalian remains containing at least two canines which are new to science. One of these has been described as the type of a new and peculiar kind of saber-toothed tiger.

The second form represents a large species of saber tooth tiger differing considerably from those previously described. The species is known only from a mandible found from the type of Tertiary range at Asphalto, Kern county, California.

The third form is a very thin film of a specimen.

HIGH PRICE FOR IVORY.

Caused by Increased Demand for It for Billiard Balls.

LONDON, Aug. 24.—An increased demand for billiard balls has sent the price of ivory up to a high level never before reached. This week, at the sale-rooms of Messrs. Halse & Son, billiard ivory reached the record price of \$85 per hundredweight.

The previous highest price was reached last year, when some of the best ivory was sold at \$85 per hundredweight.

On one day Messrs. Halse & Son sold five and one-half tons of the billiard ivory, not quite up to the highest standard, and it fetched an average of \$85 per hundredweight.

A member of the firm said that the uncertainty of the supply and the fact that it was not unlimited might have had some effect in raising the price of ivory, but the principal reason for the increase was to be found in the growing demand for billiard balls.

The greatest call for them came from America. The price of billiard ball ivory, with spasmodic fluctuations, has risen greatly in the last 25 years.

Mutinous Sailors to be Tried.

Odessa, Aug. 21.—The trial of the sailors who mutined on the warship Georgi Popov, in June last, will begin Aug. 23. The prisoners number 75. The proceedings will be within closed doors.

German Colonial Army.

Berlin, Aug. 24.—The general staff is working out a plan to organize a colonial army from the present army. Marines are to be included and their number will be increased for the purpose of garrisoning the African and Asiatic colonies. They will be placed on the regular basis, with periodical relief. Lieut.-Gen. Von Thra, commander of the forces in German Southwest Africa, who is now suppressing the insurrection there, will probably be placed in command of the army.

Nord "Regenerator of the Country."

Port au Prince, Hayti, Aug. 24.—In recognition of services rendered to the country by President Nord, parliament has bestowed on him the title of "Regenerator of the country," and has presented to him property valued at \$5,000.

Haiti Buys a Warship.

New York, Aug. 24.—It was announced at the office of the Hamburg-American line of steamers today that the company had sold its steamer Altona to the government of Haiti. The ship was built in 1890 and was owned by the Hamburg-American line. It was sold for the purpose of being used as a warship.

FRENCH SPOILATION CASE.

One of Many Year's Standing to Be Begun in Connecticut Court.

Newark, Conn., Aug. 24.—An interesting French spoliation case, which has been pending for a great many years, will begin in the probate court today before Judge Henry Gregory, when administrators of the estate of the late John Will present their valid claims for indemnity.

In 1799 the schooner Washington sailed from this port for a trading cruise in the West Indies, and while on the high seas she was seized by the French cruiser Le Bonhomme and condemned as a prize at sea. The schooner was then taken to France and sold there. The owners of the schooner, who were American citizens, have been seeking redress ever since.

INTERNATIONAL BANK.

Being Formed to Carry on Operations with Hungary.

New York, Aug. 24.—An international bank with a capital of \$1,000,000 has been formed for the purpose of carrying on banking operations between the United States and Hungary. The bank is to be organized by the United States and Hungary, and will have branches in both countries.

Boulihan Resigns.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 24.—The emperor has accepted the resignation of M. Boulihan as minister of the interior.

NORWAY MAY SOON HAVE A KING

King Oscar No Longer Opposes Acceptance of the Crown by His Son Charles.

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