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Great Preparations to That End Being Made—Kurapatkin Will Make a Stand at Liao Yang.

Liao Yang, May 24.—There is a continual skirmishing between the Russian cavalry and the Japanese. Cossacks are pressing the Japanese in the hills and by roads, generally driving them back.

The general plan of the Japanese has not been divulged. They are apparently making time, awaiting the arrival of reserves from Korea, who have been delayed owing to the impassability of the roads.

The Japanese are sending all invaders in the direction of the Yalu to a central hospital.

The Chinese report the destruction of another Japanese battleship off Port Arthur, but the report is unconfirmed and is not credited.

Several Japanese who landed from junks near Port Arthur and started toward the town with the intention of dynamiting the docks were captured and shot.

The Russian wounded are rapidly recovering. Several wounded soldiers deserted from the hospital and stole back to the front.

A typhoon is raging off the coast.

INVESTMENT OF PORT ARTHUR.

London, May 25.—Rumor is increasingly busy with the war, but little credence is placed in the varying statements, in the absence of official confirmation.

The Daily Mail's correspondent at Shimonoseki, Japan, cables under date of May 24, asserts that active preparations are in progress for the reduction of Port Arthur, and that these preparations have been entrusted to a carefully chosen force of veterans forming a part of the third army.

Very heavy artillery, the correspondent says, is being landed on the Liao Tung peninsula.

Dispatches to the ally Japanese show that on May 15 the Japanese headquarters were still at Feng Wang Cheng. This the correspondent attributes to the necessity for joint action with the Japanese army which has landed at Pitzwo. It is explained that communication has not yet been established between the two Japanese armies, but that it is expected to be effected within a few days. The dispatches say that the telegraph line between Feng Wang Cheng and the south has been cut by Russian soldiers disguised as Chinese. A Russian transport is moving from Liao Yang in the direction of Mukden, but it is not known whether this means a retirement of the army or merely the removal of winter clothing, which is no longer needed. The dispatches say, however, that the telegraph line is limited to a radius of a mile and a half from Feng Wang Cheng.

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STRIKERS CREATE BAD CONDITIONS.

Fall River Line Freight Handlers Demand Dismissal of Non-Union Foreman.

FIREMEN ALSO FALL IN LINE.

Result Was That Several Hundred Engineers Had to be Laid Off Work.

New York, May 25.—The strike which began several days ago with the refusal of freight handlers employed by the Fall River line to continue work unless a non-union foreman to whom they objected be discharged, and which has resulted in a serious tie-up of freight traffic between New York and many New England points, assumed more serious proportions today when a strike of firemen tied up the transfer system of the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad between Mott Haven and New Jersey.

As a result of the strike the company found it necessary to lay off several hundred engineers, firemen and brakemen who had been employed in the yards on both sides of the river, as there were no cars for them to handle.

At the same time hundreds of cars of freight, much of it of a perishable nature, remain in the yards with no prospect of being moved until a settlement of some sort is made or the places of the strikers are filled.

The strike of the firemen resulted from the refusal of the company to grant the men's demands for an increase in wages, overtime and better working conditions under which they work.

Aside from this trouble today there seems to be a general improvement in conditions at all the docks. Large crews of men are at work in the various steamers and in the freight sheds as the representatives of the companies asserted that everything was gradually assuming a normal basis.

The strike assumed a new and more serious phase today when the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad company's transfer system across the East river between Mott Haven and the New Jersey shore was effectively tied up by a strike of firemen on the transfer boats.

The firemen, who are members of the Atlantic Coast Marine Firemen's union, demand an increase in wages, shorter hours and better food.

As a result of this tie-up many hundred firemen, engineers and brakemen employed on freight trains in the Mott Haven yards were forced into idleness, and 400 of them were laid off.

Hundreds of cars, many loaded with perishable goods, are now at points south of New York, stood all day in the Mott Haven yards and it was believed that serious loss would result.

President Curran said today: "The fight between the men and the railroad company is now a fight to death. We offered the management every concession, but it seems that the company desires to fight it out. They would not listen to our proposition, and they seem to have agreed not to take us into consideration at all. We were willing to settle the strike because we thought that the public would be the sufferers."

Mr. Curran was asked if he would call out the teamsters, but he declined to make a direct answer, saying: "No teamster will handle the company's freight after they understand the situation. We are all union men."

Superintendent Shepard of the railroad said that he had no fear that the trouble would affect the New Haven system in general.

"I do not believe the men are well organized along the line," he said. "And, what is more, they are not so disaffected generally as they are here. In New York they will go out for nothing, but elsewhere it needs a real grievance to make them quit work. This they have not got."

Mr. Shepard said that the strike of firemen on the transfer boats would not interfere with the schedules of either the Federal or Colonial express from Boston to Washington, and he continued:

"We now have all the freight handlers that we need, and are engaging more. We are short of firemen, but apparently there are plenty to be had."

A POOR MAN'S LUCK.

Patrick G. Hennessy Falls Heir to A Big Fortune.

New York, May 25.—After having toiled more than 13 years at \$2 a day as a custom house weigher in a sugar refinery here, Patrick G. Hennessy of Brooklyn has suddenly found himself to be the heir of \$400,000. Hennessy became cognizant of his good fortune

through an advertisement inserted in a daily paper here by the firm of London solicitors who have charge of an estate left by Hennessy's uncle. The latter was a wealthy merchant of Melbourne. He went to Australia in his youth and the nephew sought his fortune in America, never having seen his benefactor since childhood.

It is now expected that Speyer & Co. will be paid on Thursday next and that the interests which will withdraw from any further participation in the syndicate will receive their money. When the Speyer loan is paid the securities now held by that firm will be turned over to the Superior company which was incorporated yesterday in New Jersey.

To Form a Broom Trust.

Chicago, May 25.—The Inter Ocean says: At a meeting of representatives of the principal broom manufacturing companies of United States held here, action has been taken which practically insures the formation of a combination of the principal companies under the name of the National Broom company. The new company will be formed on a strict basis of actual valuation.

At the meeting it was decided to include only about 17 or 18 of the larger broom companies of the country, and to put the capital stock at about \$4,000,000.

One of the advantages of the merger is said to be uniformity in the manufacture of brooms, for instead of there

being 10 parties to each individual factory there would be 10 standard kinds for the entire country. Brooms will also be shipped from the nearest factory and all settlements will be made through a central office.

A LUCKY BUY.

Purchaser Got Five One Thousand Dollar Bills with Old Coat.

New York, May 25.—Five \$1,000 treasury notes have been found in an old moth-eaten coat purchased by Elmer Eckerson of Bogota, N. J., at an auction sale of unclaimed baggage in a railway station.

Neither the trunk nor the coat contained any marks of identification. Eckerson was about to throw the garment away when he discovered the treasure carefully wrapped in oil cloth. The lucky buyer is 43 years old and will at once take a vacation in Europe.

THE VATICAN CONTROVERSY.

Whole Matter Will be Presented To the Senate Chambers.

Paris, May 24.—The government has decided to fully present the Vatican controversy, culminating in the recall of M. Nisard, to the chamber of deputies. A violent debate is expected, and the government is preparing itself for more radical action than that heretofore taken, since it is anticipated that an effort will be made to abolish the French embassy to the holy see. Foreign Minister Delcasse will present the diplomatic negotiations which the Vatican and Premier Combes will set forth the attitude and intentions of the government. The officials express the belief that the embassy will not be suppressed, but they say the present feeling may lead to that result when the appropriation for sustaining the ambas-

sy comes before the chamber a month hence, at which time the budget for foreign affairs will be considered. But some parliamentary elements are seeking the immediate consideration of the matter with a view of abolishing the embassy.

The officials here do not credit the report circulated by the Tribune, of Rome, that Alfonso has indefinitely postponed his proposed visit to President Loubet in order to avoid friction with the pope. The Spanish king's visit to M. Loubet has been settled upon in principle, but the days have not yet been considered. Members of the diplomatic corps say it is definitely settled that the protest to which France took exception was addressed by the papal nuncio to the Vatican. This was the only protest concerning the clause intimating that the papal nuncio would be withdrawn if other and similar visits were made to King Victor Emmanuel.

The correspondent of the Temps at Rome, telegraphing on the authority of the Vatican, that the intimation relative to the withdrawal of the nuncio sent to only one foreign power whose ruler contemplated visiting the quinquennial.

MISS IVY LANGHAM MARRIED.

A Most Distinguished Company Was Present.

Washington, May 24.—In the presence of Mrs. Roosevelt, Miss Roosevelt, Secy. of State and Mrs. Ha, the entire diplomatic corps, the admiral of the navy and Mrs. Dewey, and a few naval officers, who were present as the official representatives of the American navy, Miss Ivy Langham, the sister of the Baroness Speck von Sternberg, the German ambassador, was married today to Lieutenant Commander, the

Viscount de Faramond, the naval attaché of the French embassy. The ceremony occurred in St. Matthew Roman Catholic church.

The Viscount de Faramond and his bride left this afternoon for New York. They sail tomorrow for France.

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MRS. SARAH J. WINDROM.

Los Angeles, May 25.—Mrs. M. G. Stratton, wife of a steam fitter took the life of her four months old babe by administering a dose of carbolic acid mixed with laudanum and then committed suicide by taking a dose of the same poison at her home in this city today.

The discovery of the bodies of the mother and child was made a 6-year-old son of the dead woman upon his return from school. His cries for help attracted the neighbors, who found the babe dead and Mrs. Stratton barely alive. She died before medical assistance could reach her. Mrs. Stratton had been ill and dependent for some time. She was 28 years old.

Mechanical Engineers.

Chicago, May 25.—Nearly 150 British engineers with 650 from the United States will attend the joint session of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers of Great Britain to be held here May 31 to June 3.

The meeting will be the first since 1880.

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