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ONLY A FEW MORE DAYS TO LIVE.

The Russian Emperor has Been Taken to a Health Resort in Crimea—Czarevitch's Marriage.

St. PETERSBURG, Oct. 23.—The following bulletin was issued at 10 o'clock this morning. "The czar slept better last night. His majesty has little appetite, and there is no improvement in the imperial patient's strength or in the action of his heart. His oedema has increased."

St. PETERSBURG, Oct. 23.—A bulletin, dated Livadia and timed 7 P. M., was made public here this evening. It says: "During the day the czar was languid. There were slight convulsive symptoms. His appetite was better than yesterday."

Little further respecting his condition has been learned up to the time of sending the dispatch. The police now distribute official bulletins publicly. According to the advices received by physicians here from their confreres at Livadia, the illness of the czar is taking its usual course towards a fatal end. His majesty was better Sunday and Monday and worse today, while it is expected tomorrow his strength will carry him to another rally. Thus the disease will ebb and flow until the patient succumbs. It is stated that, on leaving Spala, the czar weighed 200 pounds, about 28 pounds below his normal weight, and that he now weighs but 140 pounds.

The Standard's St. Petersburg correspondent says that the condition of the czar is causing anxiety, as he is said to be in danger of collapse. Professor Grube, of the Kharkoff medical institute, has started for Livadia. The king of Greece, also is en route for Livadia.

REACHED A TERRIBLE CRISIS.

PARIS, Oct. 23.—A dispatch to Figaro from Livadia says the disease from which the czar is suffering recently reached a terrible crisis, which lasted 13 hours. The dispatch adds: "At present his majesty is slightly better. The imperial physicians, though treating the situation as serious, are less pessimistic."

CHANGE FOR THE WORSE.

BERLIN, Oct. 23.—A Livadia dispatch says that the czar has changed for the worse. His abdomen and legs are swollen. He moves but little, except with assistance.

THREE DAYS TO LIVE.

VIENNA, Oct. 23.—Private advices received in this city state the czar's demise may be looked for within three days.

PRINCESS ALIX AT LIVADIA.

LIVADIA, Oct. 23.—Princess Alix, of Hesse-Darmstadt, the betrothed wife of the czarvitch, arrived here at 5:30 yesterday, accompanied by Grand Duchess Sergius. At Alustha the bride-elect was welcomed by the czarvitch and his uncle, Grand Duke Sergius. As the princess and party drove through Yalta, the czarvitch and his intended wife, seated side by side, were heartily cheered by crowds. The imperial castle was reached at dusk and Princess Alix was immediately conducted into the presence of the czar and czarina. The imperial sufferer greeted the princess with every mark of affection. The bride-elect, accompanied by the czarinas and other members of the imperial family, proceeded to the chapel castle. A solemn religious service was then conducted, Princess Alix kneeling by the empress, joining in long and fervent supplications offered for the recovery of the czar. After the religious ceremony the princess and imperial party returned to the room occupied by the czar. The Grand Duke and Duchess Vladimir, the former a brother of the emperor, arrived Sunday, and the king of Greece is on his way from Vienna.

Professor Merzchewski, specialist in nervous diseases, who was supposed to have been summoned to attend the czarina, has returned to St. Petersburg, from which it is presumed there is no truth in the sensational stories circulated regarding the health of her majesty.

MARRIAGE WILL TAKE PLACE.

St. PETERSBURG, Oct. 23.—It is announced that the marriage of the czarvitch to Princess Alix of Hesse will take place at Livadia unless the condition of the czar is so serious as to prevent.

WILL BE QUIETLY MARRIED.

BERLIN, Oct. 23.—The Cologne Gazette publishes a dispatch from St. Petersburg saying it is now generally accepted that the arrival of Princess Alix at Livadia will be followed by her prompt admission into the Greek church and marriage quietly to the czarvitch.

Many Japanese Wounded

CHICAGO, Oct. 22.—A detachment of 1800 wounded Japanese has arrived here. There are a large number of wounded

at Seoul. In addition, 2100 wounded Japanese have been sent to Japan. At Ping Yang there are 1200 wounded Chinese in the hospitals. The rebellious Tong Haks of Southern Korea are restless, and only the fact that they are not provided with arms prevents them from breaking out in open revolt and moving upon Seoul, for which many of them have started.

400 Japanese soldiers have been stationed at the king's palace at Seoul, as the king's brother is believed to be leagued with the Tong Haks. The Chinese are mobilizing a force at Kiern and gathering a strong force at Pow Ting Fu.

The second son of the king of Korea left here October 15 as a special envoy to the mikado, in order, it is supposed, to return the visit of the Marquis Saito, a Japanese envoy. The king's son took with him a quantity of presents.

Many letters to Europeans in Korea have been opened by Japanese authorities. The British consul's mail bag was detained three weeks.

SIXTY WERE KILLED.

Explosion of a Ton of Dynamite in Rio Janeiro.

BALTIMORE, Oct. 22.—Captain Hodgins, of the coffee bark Dom Pedro II., now in port, gives a graphic description of a dynamite explosion that occurred in Rio a few days previous to September 6, when his vessel sailed for Baltimore. Sixty persons were killed. A Brazilian soldier discovered, near the English cemetery, a subterranean magazine, in which the insurgents of the recent rebellion had concealed a large quantity of gunpowder cartridges and dynamite shells which they evidently intended using against the government.

The soldier reported his find to the general commanding, and a rough cart drawn by two mules was sent to the scene to remove the contents of the hidden magazine to a place of safety. A detachment of soldiers accompanied the cart, and a curious crowd of citizens followed it to the little hill which had been dug out to hold the explosives. A quantity of shells had been placed in the cart and a pile of others had been passed out close behind it when one of the soldiers, while in the act of handling a shell, dropped it among the others. The same second an explosion shook the earth, a sheet of flame shot upward and a cloud of whitish smoke hid everything from view. The vessels in the harbor rocked at their moorings and the entire city was thrown into wild excitement. More than a ton of dynamite had exploded from the dropping of the shell. The soldiers and mules were blown in fragments and only the iron tires of the cart-wheels were found.

THE NAVAL EQUIPMENT.

A Great Increase in the Coal Bills of the Navy.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 21.—According to Commodore Chadwick, chief of the bureau of naval equipment, the coal bills of the navy are steadily increasing, owing to the greater consumption of coal by modern war vessels. The annual report of the bureau shows there will be a deficiency of \$30,000 in the equipment, owing to the fact that \$191,291 more was expended for coal in the past year than in the year previous. There were purchased at home 42,190 tons of coal costing \$178,163, of which 10,555 tons were purchased on the Pacific coast, at an average cost of \$7.02 per ton and 32,635 tons on the Atlantic coast, at a cost of \$3.34 per ton. There was spent abroad for coal \$462,192, at an average cost of \$5.86. The report shows that during the year a great improvement has been made in night signals. A new boat compass has been adopted and aluminum has been successfully substituted for bronze in binnacle fittings. Under the head of the naval observatory, attention is called to the fact that unless the corps of professors of mathematics is reorganized, the observatory will in the near future, have but one astronomer available for duty, the others retiring in the course of a few years.

The Bennington Going to Honolulu.

VALLEJO, Cal., Oct. 22.—The equipment of Mare island navy-yard is busy fitting up the Bennington, which recently brought up the Salvadorian refugees to San Francisco. The reason for the sudden activity on this boat is that orders have recently been received ordering the Bennington to Honolulu until the first of the year, when the Boston will be sent there. There is no United States war vessel there now, and the American residents are asking the government to maintain one there in case of an emergency arising.

The Postoffice Museum.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 21.—The postoffice museum will be formally thrown open to the public Monday. Postmaster-General Bissell has taken a pride in the museum, and has forwarded its success in every way within his power. The preparation of the exhibit has been under the direction of Chief Clerk Thomas, of the post-

office department. The museum includes all that was in the postoffice exhibit at the world's fair and some additional features. The postal car "Grover Cleveland" is not there, but there is a complete model of this postoffice on wheels. The museum is in a large room in the court of the postoffice building.

Japanese Warships at Ping Yang

LONDON, Oct. 22.—A dispatch to the Times from Tien-Tsin says a report is current that seventeen Japanese warships, under Admiral Ito have assembled at Ping Yang inlet. Thornton baven, it is said, has never been occupied by the Japanese. The Chinese fleet is reported at Wai-Hai-Wei.

MARITIME NEWS.

Yamhill River Navigation—Competition on the Columbia.

The steam launch Cygnet which made several trips from Portland to this city last summer with excursion parties and whose whistle was of such an unearthly tone that strangers were led to believe that a Chinese war junk was approaching, has been sold some time since to Skamokawa parties and taken by them to Alaska. She is to be put on the Yukon river to run in connection with a trading steamer dealing with the miners and Indians.

Navigation on the Yamhill river promises to be quite brisk this winter and there is a likelihood of being lively competition for the trade of that section. Since Mr. J. P. Geer, owner of the Toledo, demonstrated last winter that the Yamhill river was a navigable stream and that the trade of McMinnville and the adjacent towns was worth risking the dangers of the untried rapids and shoals of that river, the O. R. & N. Co. have been looking with covetous eyes on this trade and now propose to try to gain it from this small but bustling competitor. This company has for years run a boat to Dayton, a short distance up the Yamhill, but never thought it worth sending a boat higher up until competition forced them to. Of this competition the McMinnville Reporter has the following to say: There are prospects that steamer traffic on the Yamhill will be enlivened by red-hot competition during the next few months. It is understood that the Union Pacific company have negotiated with John Brooks for warehouse privileges and that they intend running a boat to this city. The warehouse built last summer jointly by Mr. Geer and the merchants on Brooks' land has been moved across the road to a point just above the bridge, where it will serve as a landing for the Toledo, which does not propose to be crowded out, as there has apparently been an effort to do.

The Cathlamet Gazette gives out the information that a fight is on between the Iralda and Kamm's boats. It appears that Capt. Newsome of the Iralda has been running a free back from Woodland to Caples landing, connecting at the latter place with his boat. Woodland being on the Lewis river, on which Mr. Kamm is running the Mascot, he concluded that the opposition was getting too close and is planning to put the Undine on the Iralda route in retaliation. As to the outcome, it is hard to tell, as both Capt. Newsome and Mr. Kamm are stayers in a boat contest and will likely be the means of their being some quick trips and low fares along the Columbia.

Captain Exon has resigned his position as captain on the steamer Toledo and will put in the winter buying farm produce and shipping it to Portland. He now, with his family, is residing at Dayton. Capt. Archie Geer now handles the wheel on the Toledo.

The United States warship Monterey arrived in Astoria Monday from the Sound. The trip down was the roughest ever experienced by the vessel but she rode, or rather dove through the big waves in fine shape. She arrived in Portland Wednesday and will remain about two weeks.

The tug Monarch, which towed the mammoth log raft out over the Columbia river bar on Friday last and started with it for San Francisco arrived there on the 18th and reports that the raft is a total loss. It was off Tillamook head that the raft began breaking up. Once started, the huge mass was not long in going to pieces. When the final collapse came 125 fathoms of heavy chain with which the raft had been bound, and to which the towline was attached, went to the bottom. This served to anchor the tug, which towed in the heavy seas, was for a time in a perilous position. After the tug had hung there for an hour, the line was finally cut and the chain and hawser allowed to go to the bottom. The Monarch then steamed for San Francisco.

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