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## HILLS MOVE

TERRIBLE VOLCANIC ERUPTION MAKES THEM CHANGE POSITION.

Abuses in Government Printing Office at Washington—Peace Treaty is Signed and Envoys Leave Portsmouth—Other News.

Honolulu, Sept. 5.—The steamship Sierra, which arrived here from Australia on the way to San Francisco, reports a volcanic outbreak on the island of Savaii in the Samoan group which is very extensive. The outbreak is three miles south of Mantau and has created a new mountain estimated to be nearly 7,000 feet high.

The lava flows from the base of this mountain a distance of several miles. Travelers report that five or six hills are moving, apparently on lava foundations. Some have advanced several miles from their starting place, indicating a vast molten lava area beneath.

Ernest Neill and George Farlong who visited the scene say many million tons of lava are being ejected. The hills are moving very slowly and the lava is solidifying on the surface. This will eventually stop their further progress, which threatened much damage.

The natives have held gatherings and had decided to abandon the threatened towns, but having become assured that there is no danger of loss of life they are settling down again.

Portsmouth, Sept. 5.—The treaty of Portsmouth was signed shortly before 4 o'clock this afternoon in the conference room of the naval general store at the navy yard. The firing of a national salute of 19 guns was the signal which told the people of Portsmouth, Kittery, and Newcastle, that the peace of Portsmouth was an accomplished fact and that the bells in the three towns were soon pealing forth a joyful refrain.

For 47 minutes those outside the conference room anxiously waited the signal. Suddenly an orderly dashed to the entrance to the peace building and waved his hand to the gunner a few feet away and the opening shot of the salute rang out on the clear air of the soft September afternoon proclaiming peace between Russia and Japan.

Three o'clock was the hour set for the final session of the conference. An hour before that time a heavy thunderstorm was in progress, but as Mr. Witte and Baron Rosen left the hotel in an automobile at 2:15 o'clock for the navy yard, the rain stopped. When Baron Komura and Mr. Takabira entered their automobile twenty minutes later, the sun suddenly shone, which called forth the remark from Baron Komura:

"It is a good omen for peace." This remark was cheered by the crowd gathered to see the Japanese depart.

The Russian plenipotentiaries reached the yard at 2:45 and received an ambassadorial salute of 19

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Portland, Oregon, Oct. 25, 1905

The two Mason Jar caps has been examined. Upon examination the metal of the new Mason cap was found to be pure zinc. The small pin holes in the old Mason cap were undoubtedly caused by the action of vegetable acids. As a result the fruit in the jar must have been greatly contaminated with poisonous zinc compounds.

I regard the use of jars with zinc caps as very unsanitary and even dangerous.

Yours very truly,

J. W. BAILEY,

State Dairy and Food Commissioner.

guns. The yard presented a lively scene as the automobile bearing Mr. Witte and Baron Rosen dashed up to the conference building. On one side in special full dress were two companies of marines commanded by Major Moses, who rendered the prescribed honors as Mr. Witte and Baron Rosen passed their front.

Washington, Sep. 5.—When the committees of the United States senate are being organized next December a fight is to be made to wrest the chairmanship of the Isthmian canal committee from Senator Mitchell of Oregon. Because of the prominence which canal legislation is likely to attain at the coming session, it is desirable that that the senate committee should be in the hands of some good strong man, fully competent to conduct hearings, direct the work of the committee, and assume charge of whatever canal legislation may be reported to the senate. It is recognized that Senator Mitchell can do none of those things. Therefore there is a general desire that a new chairman be selected.

Even though he did not care to resign his seat in the senate, Mr. Mitchell might relinquish his chairmanship in order that there be no fight to pry him loose. This would simplify the situation and make way for some other and more active man. But it is not believed Senator Mitchell will pursue this course. It will be up to the committee on committees to solve this problem, and it would be a long guess indeed to predict what that committee will do.

Portsmouth, Sept. 6.—Life in the picturesque section of New England which for the past four weeks has centered around the proceedings of the peace conference, began slipping back into normal conditions today with the departure of Mr. Witte and the Russian mission on a special train for New York and of the members of the Japanese entourage who did not go with Baron Komura last night. Mr. Witte was up early this morning and before he had taken breakfast a crowd had gathered on the hotel veranda to see him off. He shook hands with each of the persons who had gathered and when he started he was given cheers and cries of adieu. Mr. Takabira, who headed the

Japanese party was also heartily cheered.

At the navy yard the work has already begun of restoring the general store to its former condition. The furniture will be shipped back to Washington, including the table on which the treaty was signed. This piece of furniture may be preserved by the department of state, and also the chairs on which the plenipotentiaries sat. The building will be continued to be known as the Peace building.

Mr. Pierce, the assistant secretary of state, will remain here this week to wind up the government's business in connection with the conference.

Captain Winslow, commanding the Mayflower, was among the last to take leave of Mr. Witte. The Russian plenipotentiary thanked Captain Winslow in his own name and the emperor's, for the hospitality which Mr. Witte and his mission had enjoyed aboard the Mayflower, and presented an autograph photograph. In the perpetuation of the historic part which the navy yard has played in the last month, it has been suggested that a bronze tablet be placed on the walls of the peace building commemorative of the "Peace of Portsmouth" brought about within its walls.

Washington, Sept. 5.—It is official

cially announced that the house and senate committees on printing will assemble in Washington early in September, to begin an investigation of the government printing office. Chairman Landis of the house committee, the man who put an end to the selling of liquor in the capitol building at Washington, has been itching all summer long to get at the investigation, but no other member of either committee has shown the least disposition to act. Senator Tom Platt of New York, chairman of the senate committee and chairman of the joint committee, has been unwilling to come to Washington "on account of the warm weather." Senator Elkins, his able republican colleague, has been spending the hot spell in the mountains of West Virginia, and has put forth the excuse that as chairman of the interstate commerce committee, he has been obliged to devote his time to the railroad rate problem, but as a matter of fact, he has been directing his political benches to patch up his political fences, for Elkins comes up for re-election next year, and must overcome an opposition now in process of formation. Senator Arthur P. Gorman, perpetual presidential aspirant, the nominal head of the democratic party in the

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