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FORCE WORKS DAY AND NIGHT

Fleets Are Being Hurriedly Made Available for Sea Trips and the Utmost Activity Prevails.

New York, Oct. 27.—Clerks at the foreign office and the admiralty were very busy working at high pressure until late in the night, cables the Herald's London correspondent. The first lord of the admiralty gave the officials special instructions to send with all haste to himself and to the various heads of departments immediately upon receipt of certain telegrams from the continent.

About a dozen of the chief experts at the foreign office remained in attendance until a late hour, ready to inform the other departments of state immediately upon receipt of definite news.

The admiralty was in communication with Portsmouth, Chatham and Davenport during Wednesday evening, and special instructions were given to the resident clerk to remain on duty throughout the night.

Half a dozen cabinet ministers were within call, a most unusual thing before the commencement of the annual series of November cabinet meetings.

The government has not consulted other powers with regard to concerted action.

The overhauling of warships at the home naval stations, which has been in progress for some time past, is being hastened by working overtime. Never before have vessels in the reserve fleet been more in a condition of preparedness than they are at the present time.

At Portsmouth overtime work has been ordered on board the battleship Triumph, purchased not long since from the Chilean government, which was damaged recently in a collision. The Triumph is one of the most powerful units of the home fleet, and it is evidently the intention of the admiralty to bring that squadron to its full strength at the earliest possible moment.

Orders have also been given for the Good Hope and the Drake, of the cruiser squadron, to be got ready for sea again as quickly as possible. The overhauling of the heavily armed and armored cruisers Berwick and Kent, belonging to the "County" class is being hurried forward at Chatham and it is expected to be completed by Friday evening. The vessels will leave on Saturday to join the cruiser squadron.

The only two vessels attached to the cruiser squadron at present at Davenport are the cruisers Donogal and Monmouth, both of which are under repairs in the dockyards.

Day and night shifts are working on the Donogal, which is having its gun mountings altered.

Orders have also been given that no work on vessels in commission or the fleet reserve is to be commenced unless it can be completed within a fortnight.

PRESIDENT ANGELL'S VIEW.

Commanding Officer Must Have Been Frenzied With Fear.

Ann Arbor, Mich., Oct. 27.—President Angell, of the university of Michigan, addressing his class in international law, referred to the North sea fishing incident as follows:

"It was one of the most extraordinary blunders ever committed in the history of international relations. Russia is wholly in the wrong, for the reason that fishing vessels are always exempt, even in the event of war between two nations. In the last war between France and England fishing vessels were declared exempt for the reason that their capture would in no way influence the ultimate outcome of the struggle. This rule is now recognized as international law.

"The only plausible explanation of Russia's extraordinary act is that one of the officers gave the command to fire in a moment of frenzied excitement and fear."

COREAN CROWN PRINCESS ILL.

Refused Assistance of European Physicians—Rely on Incantations.

New York, Oct. 27.—Since the arrival of General Hasegawa a more conciliatory policy, both military and diplomatic, has been adopted toward Corea by Japan, says a Herald dispatch

from Seoul. This portends the establishment of closer friendly relations.

The Japanese garrisons through Corea are, it is reported, to be increased to a total of 20,000 men. That number is considered necessary for the preservation of quiet in the provinces during the coming winter, owing to the extreme poverty of the people.

The Korean crown princess is at death's door, but the court is said to have declined the services of the European physicians attached to the palace, relying on incantations.

The Japanese adviser to the Korean finance department expects to issue silver currency with which to effect redemption of the nickel coinage used for many years.

WERE DUPED BY FRAUDS.

Emeralds From Paris Prove to Be Colored Quartz.

New York, Oct. 27.—Supposedly high grade emeralds which they have been importing from Paris, have been discovered by several wholesale jewelers here to be merely doublets of quartz, cleverly colored. The importers declare they have been paying many times the value of the stones. The fact was learned in time to save the dealers from serious embarrassment, as in a few days more the imitation gems would have reached the retail trade.

According to experts in the trade, the stones withstood all tests until some were accidentally placed near a fire. Then the color quickly vanished and the stones separated.

Cave In Of Dirt Kills Laborer.

Oregon City, Ore., Oct. 27.—L. Robinson, aged 56 years, a laborer employed in tilting a ditch in a hop yard about one mile below this city, was buried under six tons of dirt and killed. Workmen started at once to dig out the unfortunate man and succeeded in getting a rope around his body when another lot of dirt caved in and nearly two hours elapsed before his body was brought to the surface.

Brooklyn Will Drydock.

New York, Oct. 27.—The American cruiser Brooklyn will sail Saturday for Puerto Belgrano, the Argentine military harbor, says a Herald dispatch from Montevideo, Uruguay. The cruiser will enter drydock there to have her bottom cleaned.

Orders taken for Brown Bros' nursery stock at Kallunki's candy store.

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ITALIAN COUNTESS KILLED.

Added to List of Victims of the Automobile.

New York, Oct. 27.—Countess Guglielmina Mesconi, of Verona, has been the victim of an automobile accident near Peschiera, says a Herald dispatch from Milan, Italy. She was returning home with her two daughters when the driver made a mistake in steering, causing the vehicle to overturn. All the occupants were injured. The countess was conveyed in a dying condition to the adjacent home of Major Palma, governor of the military prison.



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