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Is it the Russian Admiral's Report That Causes Hesitation?

OR IS IT NOW FRANCE?

Rojestvensky's Declaration That He Was Attacked by Two Torpedo Boats is Said to Complicate the Situation. But if it Were Known That France Would Stand Aloof in the Event of War, the Knott Might be Cut at Once by the Sword---It is Apparent That the British Government Will Find it a Difficult Matter to Restrain Its People.

(By the Associated Press.) London, Oct. 27 .- One of the most complicated diplomatic situations in recent history and one that is attended with the most dangerous possibilities for the peace of the whole of Europe, exists to-night with no sign that arose when the dispute between that arose when the dispute between the Britain and Russia resolved itself into the simple question whether Russia would or would not guarantee in advance that some punishment the simple question. He declared that Rojestven sky's own statement of indiscriminate sky statement of ind in advance that some punishment should be administered to the offending officers of the Baltic squadron has been modified by the introduction of an entirely new set of contentions contained in Vice Admiral Rojestvensky's report, yet even the most astute sky's report, yet even the most astute diplomats who recognize a temporary improvement in conditions, are puzzled by the complications that so curiously cause it. However, there is to-night at the embassies of powers not con-

voluminous exchanges daily occurring between London and St. Petersburg continue, the statement that no really from Russia has been received adding to the implicattion that Russia is intenttionally ignoring the British representations. It is this misconception which is chiefly responsible for the stirring up of a popular agitation against which the government may find it hard to stand out in the rossible event of Foreign Minister Lansdowne withdrawing the demand that Russia guarantees punishment before inquiry is instituted.

ever, are generally held to prevent the

orted by Admiral Rojestvensky are Rojestvensky ceased firing. to him inconceivable, the Foreign Minister is not prevented from seeing that new light has been thrown on the "outrage," and that diplomatic usuage now compels less urgent action hours without offering succor to the than the British government at first drowning men was the other torpedo

In the present temper of the British or repairing damage inflicted by the nation it is not at all likely that preparations for hostilities will be relaxed or that the popular outcry will be of France and certainly that of Germany if she proceeded to substitute warlike for liplomatic steps, of which intention, so it is stated at the Russian to-night there is no indicaion in Lord Lansdowne's communca-

France Stands Between. most inevitable, as the temptation to suggests that a court of inquiry could be held at Vigo. such provocation could scarcely have been refused by Great Britain. It pointed out that it is greatly to ance's interest to preserve peace and er efforts in that direction obviously ill be strengthened by not commiting herself except at the last mo-nent. So long as Great Britain is ot sure whether France will help

Russia she will not be likely to engage m war; while Russia, with France neutral would, so it is thought, at most of he embassies here scarcety nvite defeat. The most probable so lution of the rumors regarding France's position is said by a high authority to be that she has given oth disputants to understand that she does not desire to become involv-

ed, but has reserved her final decision Ambassador Cambon, was unceas ingly active throughout the day, not only in visiting foreign minister Lansowne and Ambassador Benckendorg but other of his diplomatic colleagues

The Views of Hayashi. Baron Hayashi, the Japanese miniser, after reading Admiral Rojestvenwhere the Russian Admiral thought them. He declared that Rojestven-

cerned in the dispute a very strong conviction that a way out will be found other than in recourse to war.

The Baseler Office, apparently as Thomas, Defice, apparently as Thomas, Defice, apparently as Thomas, Democrat, stating that on action of the R. R. Ross had charge of the barbed district, against Hon. Charles R. Thomas, Democrat, stating that on action of the property of the conviction that a way out will be found of the Russian squadron until the latter casts of every Republican present.

John T. Britain, W. C. Hammond, among the trawlers elicits no new thinks among the trawlers elicits no new thinks. can throw no light that a further and more elaborate in-ouiry is proceeding at Vigo, where the testimony of the officers of the particinatting in the affair is being minutely

RUSSIAN ADMIRAL REPORTS. Torpedo Boats.

(By the Associated Press.) St. Petersburg, Oct. 27.—Vice Admiral Rojestvensky's explanation of the trawler incident is fully as sensational as the news of the firing upon tional as the news of the firing upon the standard or the stan Report Prevents Ultimatum.

Had Admiral Rojestvensky's report not arrived, it is probable the dispute would have been settled one way or the other to-night. Its terms, howfishing fleet. He opened fire and be- his crew sought refuge below. The

SMILES AT HIMSELF.



Roosevelt's letter of acceptance a masterpiece of self glorification.

-Louisville Times.

boat, either waiting for her consor

North Carolina

It is stated that torpedo boats attacked the leading Russian ship. They diminshed by Admiral Rojestvensky's disregarded the signals to keep off forfeiting in some degree the good will when picked up by the searchlights when picked up by the searchlights and fire was opened on them. Rojestvensky refers to, and replies specifically to the reports in the Britpress accounts before him when he wrote his report. Some of his language is sarcastic. speaking of the appearance of the The attitude of France is held to torpedo boats from the direction of be of the highest importance. It was the British fishermen conveying an said to-day by the representative of intimation which certainly will arouse another great power that if France resentment in England. He declares And Responded to the Sentiments of had given definite assurances that she that no other naval commander at would not support Russia in the event of war growin out of the North Sea would have failed to open fire, adds ncident, a hostile issue would be ai- that he courts the fullest inquiry and

> In concluding his telegram Admiral Rojestvensky expressed in the warm-hearted way the regrets of the whole squadron to the fishermen who had suffered and to the families of the victims.

Admiral Rojestvensky's report was delegraphed from Vigo direct to the Emperor, who received it last night. It was communicated this morning to ture was carried out in perfect order. Ambassador Harding by Foreign Min-Hon. F. M. Simmons, the speaker of ster Lamsdorff

TO ATTACK RUSSIAN FLEET. Japanese Had Chartered Vessels in the North Sea for This Purpose, 'tis

(By the Associated Press.) Copenhagen, Oct. 27 .- The correspondent of the Associated Press learns that the Danish Ministry of Marine was informed that several chips chart ered by Japanese were at Hull and intended to attack the Russian second Pacific squadron in the North sky's report reiterated his statement The Russians were informed of this. that it was impossible that any Japan- The marine authorities here credit the

be a foregone conclusion

Exactly what method can be taken to investigate Vice Admiral Rojestvensky's statement does not clearly appear. The Russian embassay here pear. The Russian embassay here the allegan for use. This incident was reported to convince the people that it was because of prediction of the captain of the torpedo boat to convince the people that it was because of prediction of the part of the captain of the incident was reported. for use. This incident was reported cause of produce on the part of the Bern politicians were disappointed to-

He Says He Was Attacked by Two chased in the Skagerack during the Torpedo Boats.

Gene, Sweden, says his vessel was Cur people feel much enthused and Randolph is expected to give a Demevening of Friday, October 21, for a ocratic majority of from five hundred foreign cruiser, apparently Russian to one thousand votes, which threw its searchlight on her. The cruiser, increasing her speed

Hull, England, Oct. 27 .- The funer-Business was practically suspended and the flags were half-masted on the ships in the harbor. Thousands of people line the routes to the ceme-

Russians See More "Snakes."

(By the Associated Press.). Copenhagen, Oct. 27.-The master

RAWLES HAS CONFESSED.

After H's Arrest He Tells of Attempted Parricide and Consumated For-

(Special to News and Observer.) Suffolk, Va., Oct. 27.—Luther E. the forgery of the latter's name for

The motive for the unnatural crime with the brother in black, who, ever was directly an anxiety for money and indirectly love for a girl in Rocky his arms, has longed by day and

SIMMONS WAKES UP OLD RANDOLPH

Provided Indeed That She Needed Rousing.

SHE METHIM GRANDLY

His Address With an Enthusiasm That Means Cheerful Work and Splendid Results in November.

Asheboro, N. C., Oct. 27 .- The Democratic barbecue and picnic here took part in the procession.

E. L. Moffitt, chairman of the entertainment committee, and W. J. Scarboro, county chairman, rode in a carriage with Mr. Simmons, following the chief marshal. Next came a float drawn by four horses, carrying thirty ladies dressed in white with stars and stripes; then came the Ramseur Cornet Band, which furnished splendid music for the occasion. The procession was a mile long and

as greeted by multitudes standing on the streets. The brass band and the band of singers both delighted the audience just before the speaking. Col. A. C. McAlister was master of ceremonies. Dr. Frank Wood invoked God's blessing on the exercises.

R. R. Ross had charge of the barbe-cue and none could have done better. W. . Hammer did excellent service in . Hammer did excellent service in (By the Associated Press.)

Stockholm, Oct. 27.—The skipper of table was five hundred feet long and A large crowd of ladies and gentle-

The Men Who Are for Teddy.

"It is said that President Roosevelt

and the other low down. There is a didate for the high office of President large element in our population who, of the United States and criticised his I to-day of two of the victims of the large element in our population who, North Sea tragedy was made the accasion of a great public demonstration. The givin officials attended the tion. The civic officials attended the ceremony and hundreds of wreaths, including one from King Edward were placed n or about the coffins. normal and unusual-and are ready for anything that promises to throw the country out of its ancient ruts ture and precarious fortune. With these the President is tumultuously popular. There is another element of our population with whom the President is just now immensely popular. It is that class of our population who seek, and obtain, special privileges of the Norwegies steamship Skaatol, from the government. Tha class who, to a call made by the various labor reports from London that he was fired on by a Russian ship on Sunday in the English channel. The firing cased when the Skaatol hoisted her ceased when the Skaatol hoisted her cased when the Skaatol hoisted her cased when the Skaatol hoisted her cased when the Skaatol hoisted her can be considered as the constant of the constant of the case who will not about one jot or tittle of what they can did to the case who, while demandin the English channel. The firing ceased when the Skaatol hoisted her flag. Scon afterwards eighteen Russian men-of-war passed the Skaatol. in their so-called vested rights to ex- ture, addressed a large crowd of Rowpioit others, make a foot ball of the an voters here to-night. Each speak-laws made to protect others against er dealt with the vital issue confrontthem. With this class of our popula- ing the great mass of laboring men tion the President, since he has sur- in this county apparently making a rendered to the larger stick which they favorable impression on the unions carry, since he has abandoned his views upon the tariff and reciprocity and agreed, at their dictation, to stand pat on the laws by which they have Rawles, charged with attempted murder of his father, has been brought here from Rocky Mount, N. C., where he fled after the commission of the laws made to protect he fled after the commission of the people against their plundering crime. Young Rawles has confessed exploitations, is uproariously popular. to the shooting of his father and also

Negro and Cowboy Love Him.

"Of course the President is popular

on a people he does not love and who a number of ladies and their inter

you, the President is popular, but with whom else is he popular? He is not popular, or at least he should not be popular, with the farmer and the farm laborer. He ought not to be popular with any farmer or farm la-porer, because he has declared and deliberately written it down in book on ranch life, page 10, that the small farmers and farm laborers were ot in some respects, as good as his friends, the cowboys, of the semi-civilized ranches of the far West—the toughest, roughest element in American life, an outcast class, who hold aw, society and God in equal contempt. He ought not to be popular with the farmer, because in his recent letter of acceptance he declares himself in favor of a system of laws which before he became President he denounced as vicious in principle and especially harmful to the farming twelfth man. Eailiffs have been

"He ought not to be popular with the farmer, because he favors a sys-batches of men were brought in. ed he will stand by them, which, while not to be popular with the farmers, be-cause under the system of laws which he favors and will stand by if elect-at Folkston. Five negro witnesses in made are today selling in New York. marts of this country for about Europe; and by virtue of this system of laws our own manufacturers are selling these implements with which these crops are made today, and every day in the year, in New York and Wilmington and all the marts of this country, for 25 per cent. more than they sell them to the Canadian, Mexican and European competitors of our

"Mr. Roosevelt ought not to be popular with the mechanic and city laborers for he has in his book on ranch E. Mofflitt, mayor of Asheboro, in a life, said that they were not only not well chosen words welcomed the vast as good as his friends, the cowboys, life, said that they were not only not throng to the town, and Charles Ross but were so much below them that made a fitting speech, introducing Mr. they were not to be mentioned in the same breath with them.'

THOMAS AT NEW BERN. He Paints With Power Two Pictures, "Choose Ye This Day."

(Special to News and Observer.) bassay here the alleged ats in the different phases of National and State policies were ably discussed and should have made Demo-cussed and should have made Demo-cus Stockholm, Oct. 27.—The skipper of table was five hundred feet long and the Swedish steamer Aldebaran from loaded from end to end. Plenty of dinner was provided for all.

Hull, Eng., which arrived to-day at Our neonle feel much enthused and sentence of table was five hundred feet long and men met Hon. Charles R. Thomas at the court house tonight, to hear him discuss the national issues. Mr. bring over \$200,000 to Wilmington Thomas was introduced by Chairman this season.

E. M. Green. The Congressman confined his remarks to the trust, tariff and extravagance of Roosevelt's administration. He scored Teddy for The Senator "scored" when he talked his attitude toward the Southern The Senator "scored" when he talked about Roosevelt, the man and what he stood for in national politics. He did not use any terms of abuse, but showthe fishing fleet, which set all Eng- on the steamer and in a few minutes ed very clearly the class of people the negro collector of customs at such a way that a finger could be the steamer arrived heer today Charleston, South Carolina, and Minnie Cox, a negress, who was postbone. The skull was cracked so that nie Cox, a negress, who was post-master at Mineola, Miss., and Mr. Thomas did not forget Teddy's din-nor with Poster Westington was below the lobe of the brain and had it not been for this missing man's room the officers on the ner with Booker Washington. He the blow would have caused instanton- Jefferson found a note saying that he ever, are generally held to prevent the presentation of the ultimatum which great Britain undoubtedly intended to send. Although Lord Lankdowne has frankly said that the circumstance refrankly said that the constant the people like the blow would nave caused instanton-like the blow would nave caused instanton-like said that the circumstance refrankly said that the constant the people like said that the constant the blow would nave caused instanton-like said that the constant the blow would nave caused instanton-like said that the constant the blow would nave caused instanton to the coused at the blow would nave caused instanton to t

Finally, referring to the old Confederate veterans, Mr. Thomas implored every one of them to walk up to the ballot box on the 8th day of November and cast one vote against Teddy Roosevelt for president, a man who called them anarchists and said that a streak of brutality runs through their veins.

They Address Labor Unions.

(Special to News and Observer.) Salisbury, N. C Oct. 27 .- In respect his represented.

LEE S. OVERMAN SPEAKS. He Catches the Attention of the Andience and Holds it Till the Last Word.

(Special to News and Observer.) Asheville, N. C., Oct. 27 .- United States Senator Lee S. Overman, of Salisbury, arrived in the city last night from Webster and spoke to the people of Asheville and this section in the court house at 1.30 o'clock, this indirectly love for a girl in Rocky Mount, whose presence he sought during flight and who was innocently responsible for his apprehension.

The young woman had packed away her wedding clothes preparatory to an elopement. Rawles was in the parlor whose was to Israel, and what the Star in the East was to the Wise whose was in the parlor whose was in the parlor whose at 1.30 o'clock, this afternoon. The committee on arrangements had provided extra seats in the court room by the clacing of chairs inside the bar railing. The Senator is an earnest and eloquent speaker, and presented a fine platform appearance. elopement. Rawles was in the parlor of his fiancee when arrested. The girl broke down and wept. Rawles said this afternoon that he did not wish for a lawyer to defend him. He will plead guilty and ask the court's mercy.

Men, who journeyed from after to seek the property of the said the presented a fine platform appearance. Of splendid physique, graceful between the president was playing him in the President was playing him in the North for his vote and in the South to have his revenge word is uttered. In the audience were

est in the discussion was manifest by "He is popular with the cowboys the close attention paid the speaker and rough riders of the far West, because he consorts with them and flat-ters them. than an hour discussing --tional is-sues and the policies - President With these several classes, I grant Roosevelt. The address was an able

GIVE US MAN NO. 12. Hard Trials in Making Up the Altmar

(By the Associated Press.)

Waycross, Ga., Oct. 27.-The secon day of the trial of Hillary and Charles Altman at Folkston, charged with the murder of Jackson Duncan, has been ompleted, and as yet none of th vitnesses in the case has been heard. The entire day was taken up in em panelling a jury, and when Judge Par ker called a recess late this afternoo

the twelve jurors had not been secur

Long before noon today elever jurors had been accepted and the balance of the day was consumed in the unsuccessful attempt to secure the out in all directions from Folkston and during the afternoon severa tem of laws, and has declared if elect- is claimed that every competent man for a distance of four miles they condemn the farmer of this country to sell staple products at comone reason or another has been ex petitive world prices, forces him to pay non-competitive trust prices for his agricultural supplies. He ought

ed, the farmers of this country can- charge of three deputies were aagin the day, was greeted b yat least three thousand people. C. C. McAlister, chief marshal and his assistants handled with skill the vast crowd that ticles sell for in Europe, while under, and by virtue of, these laws, the ments will be quite lengthy after the implements with which these crops are examination of witnesses is completed.

CLEAR DECKS FOR ACTION. Rumor That Channel Fleet Will Make Sham Attack on Gibraltar.

(By the Associated Press.) Gibraltar, Oct. 27.—The ships of the British Channel Fleet cleared their This Brings the Amount of Cotton decks this afternoon. It is rumored that the whole fleet, with the exception of the battleship Caesar, will steam westward tomorrow morning with the alleged purpose of making a sham attack against the Rock of Gibraltar. Several torpedo boats left Tangier this afternoon fully equipped. Work at the arsenal is proceeding

under high pressure.
A division of the Mediterranean fleet comprising six battleships, all the ar mored cruisers and twenty torpedo boats is expected to arrive here tomor

SHIPMENTS OF LETTUCE. The Crop May Bring Into Wilming-

ton \$200,000 This Season.

(Special to News and Observer.) Wilmington, N. C., Oct. 27.—The ed is compared with the production initial fall shipment of lettuce from of the sarre counties in 1903, and inthis trucking district was made last clude 12 in Alabama, 6 in Arkansas, week by Mr. Giles Westbrook, and 11 in Florida. 98 in Georgia, 10 in since that time several shipments Louisiana, 22 in Mississippi, 6 in Mishave been made. The quality of the souri, 52 in North Carolina, 25 in lettuce is very superior, and the yield

is good. The Carolina Fruit and Truck Grow-

A Head What is a Head.

(Special to News and Observer.) Mount Olive, N. C., Oct. 27.—Two pegro boys were at play at Dudley

SSAJAGO JO AJQUI CIPCULATION

Found There the Negro is Now in Flight Trailed by Bloodhounds.

(Special to News and Observer.)

Maxton, N. C., Oct. 27 .-- At John's Station, six miles from here, the people have been roused to a white heat of indignation by the report of an atempted outrage by an unknown negro ipon the daughter of Mr. Norman tuartt, a highly respected citizen of that community. Details o fthe affair are meager. It appears, however, that he negro had effected a stealthy entrance into the Stuartt home and conealed himself, under the bed in oung girl's chamber. Her father havng occasion to enter the room, found the door locked. The negro had probably locked it on hearing and recognizing a man's footfall. Mr. Stuartt's had not, it appears, gone to her room. The father finding the door locked entered the room, presumably through he window, and began an investigation. The result was the discovery of the negro beneath the bed. The latter, seeing that further concealment was mpossible, scrambled to his feet, broke

nunity. Squads of men were hurried-y formed and scattered to scour the untryside. Bloodhounds were sent for and are now ontheir way from

from the father's detaining clutch and

If the negro is captured, his fate at the hands of the deeply incensed cittzens, now beating teh country in search of him, may be easily guessed.

SECOND GINNERS REPORT.

Ginned up to the Eighteenth Instant.

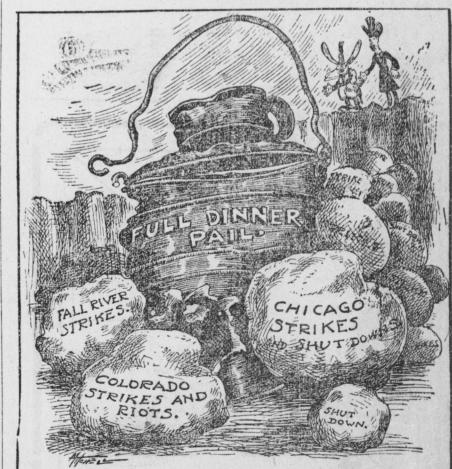
(By the Associated Press.) Washington, Oct. 27 .- The Census

Bureau today issued a second byile-tin of the season, showing the quantiy of cotton ginned as reported by its gents up to the 18th instant to be ,969,675, running bales as against 1,273,157 running bales reported to the same date in 1903. The report overs three hundred counties of the various cotton producing States. The figures include 22,128 round bales for 1904, as against 46,771 round bales for These are counted as half bales and bring the total baleage for 1904 down to an equivalent of 1,958,-611, and for 1903 to 1,249,771. The production of the counties represent-South arolina, 20 in Tennessee, 30 in Texas and 8 in Virginia. The counties covered in today's report include those embraced in the first cotton ginning report last Tuesday. The total ginnage for the entire season of 1903 was 3,839,627 bales collected from 812 counties.

Found Grave in the Ocean.

(By the Associated Press.)

LABOR AND CAPITAL.



From President Roosevelt's Letter of Acceptance: "Here again all we need * is to point to what we have actually done, and to say that if continued in power we shall continue to carry out the policy we have been pursuing."

-New Orleans Times-Democrat.