

Russia's Terms of Peace. Not Only Discussed, But Practically Agreed on; But they have Not Been Presented to Japan.

London, February 21.—A dispatch to Reuter's Telegram Company from St. Petersburg confirming the Associated Press advices February 17 and February 18 from St. Petersburg, to the effect that peace was under consideration, adds: "The question of peace has not only been formally discussed, but the conditions on which Russia is prepared to make peace have practically been agreed upon. These are as follows: "Korea to be placed under Japanese suzerainty. "Port Arthur and the Liaotung peninsula to be ceded to Japan. "Vladivostok to be declared a neutral port with an open door. "The Eastern Chinese Railroad to be placed under neutral international administration. "Manchuria, as far north as Harbin, to be restored as an integral part of the Chinese Empire. "The difficulty lies in settling the question of indemnity, upon which it is known that Japan insists, but it is said that this difficulty is not insuperable. "The most trustworthy opinion at St. Petersburg is that in view of the internal situation and the enormous difficulty of carrying on the war, peace on the terms outlined will be concluded within a comparatively short time if the indemnity question can be arranged, but it is quite possible that Russia will risk another battle before a decision is reached.

PECULIAR DISAPPEARANCE

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Negro Sentenced to be Hanged.

Wilmington, N. C., Feb. 22.—After a trial consuming less than a day in Cumberland county superior court, the jury in the case of Walter Partridge, colored, charged with criminal assault upon Mrs. Hales, white, near Fayetteville, on the afternoon of February 1, brought in a verdict of guilty this afternoon. The prisoner was sentenced to be hanged on April 6th.

FIENDISH SUFFERING

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Hold on, Says Jordan,

Believes Ten Cents Will be Paid for Spot Cotton.

Atlanta, Feb. 20.—In a strong appeal, which he is sending to farmers and business men all over the South, President Harvie Jordan, of the Southern Cotton Association, is urging the farmers to hold their cotton, assuring them that victory is within their grasp. Contracts, he says cannot be filled if the farmers will not weaken now. "Hold your cotton, and they will be forced to pay you 10 cents a pound for it."

The Virginia City Horror.

Fifty Bodies Recovered And 110 Still in The Mine.

Corpses so Frightfully Bruised and Mangled that Those of Whites and Negroes Cannot be Distinguished.

Birmingham, Ala., Feb. 21.—Of the 160 miners of Virginia City, who entered the mine yesterday afternoon, only fifty bodies have been recovered so far. As time grows, notwithstanding the heroic efforts on the part of the rescuers to reach the entombed men, the recovery already of fifty dead bodies, precludes any idea that life may still remain among the unfortunates. The scenes at the mine this afternoon were the most gruesome and harrowing that have ever been witnessed in the mining section of Alabama.

The corpses were frightfully mangled and disfigured, and identification is almost impossible. Many of the bodies are so bruised, twisted and discolored that negroes cannot be told from white men. All day long at the mouth of the mine were waiting and mourning women and children, whose relatives were among the unfortunates. One hundred families and three hundred children are left destitute and without means of support.

As the bodies of the victims, which in many cases have been gathered together one piece at a time, are brought to the surface, they are placed in rows as a rough improvised platform.

Late this afternoon ambulances began the removal of the bodies to Bessemer.

As the list of dead will probably reach one hundred and sixty, the local undertakers have wired to adjoining cities for coffins, as it was found there were not enough suitable coffins in the district to bury the victims.

ONE HUNDRED WHITE MEN DEAD.

Mine Boss Reed is confident that more than a hundred of the mineers were white, and believes all perished. He knows the rooms in which each man was working and this information, in many cases is the only means of identification, so horribly are the bodies disfigured.

HEARTRENDING SCENES.

"Hundreds of carriages cover the hillsides. Fatherless children crying aloud for their lost ones; widows lamenting for their husbands; mothers inquiring for their sons; young men searching for their brothers and kinsmen; young girls anxiously looking for some clue regarding their sweethearts—and over all a desolation that suggested the horrors pictured in Dante's 'Inferno' or Milton's 'Hell.'"

"I shudder when I reflect upon the gruesome tragedy enacted on that subterranean stage."

VICTIMS OF MINE HORROR NOW NUMBER SEVENTY-FIVE.

Birmingham, Ala., Feb. 22.—At 8 o'clock tonight 75 bodies have been recovered from the ill-fated Virginia mines in which the explosion occurred Monday afternoon.

The rescuers are still heroically at work in the slope and as the diggers advance the bodies further in the mine are found to be worse burned and mutilated than those nearer the exterior. No hope is held out that any of the men can be alive. Only three men were found yesterday whose hearts were still beating but they expired immediately on reaching the outer air.

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Extract from Jno. L. McLaughlin's Speech at Cotton Convention.

Among other things he said: "Fellow citizens, the New Orleans convention calls upon you to organize for self preservation. I have heard the sneer, 'O, you can't get farmers to unite, the thing will fail.' To these I reply the farmers of the West are organized; they control the situation and the Southern cotton planter, in patriotism, intelligence, patient endurance, self-control and courage, is the peer of any man anywhere in this world.

Fellow citizens, will you seize the opportunity or will you trample underfoot the advantages given you by God and nature? Let us begin, let us organize for the protection of the monopoly given us by God in the production of raw cotton. It is the first step toward that time when, within our own borders we shall spin all the cotton made, and exporting nothing but the finished products, make the South rich beyond our wildest dreams. There is a fierce battle going on for commercial supremacy. This will not stop with the addition of a cent or two to the price of cotton, there are issues of great moment. It is a fight for the supremacy of the South in the great industrial war now being waged in the world.

"The watchfires are being lighted on the hilltops and the bugle has sounded the call to arms; the tramp of the legions may be heard from the Cape Fear to the Rio Grande.

The Convention at New Orleans threw down the gage of battle and the captain of the 'tens and hundreds' are mustering Israel's hosts.

I warn you that the fight will be long, hard and bitter, if we fail, it means the world's contempt for a people who could not use God-given opportunities. If we succeed, O, men, and the sons of men, who followed the starry cross over the hills of Virginia and amid the swamps of the Mississippi, who rejoiced with Jackson at Bull Run, and wept with Lee at Appomatox, it means, O, Lord, God of battles, that thou hath reversed thy verdict at Gettysburg and Appomatox, it means victory, victory for the south, without the shedding of a widow's tear, or the loss of a single drop of human blood.

Fellow citizens, the issue was made at New Orleans, it is Dixie avenue against Wall street. The man who falters and hesitates, the man who would make a few paltry dollars by increasing his acreage at the expense of his patriotic neighbor, is a coward and a traitor to his own section and people."

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He owns 23,500 acres in Atchison county, and, being still afflicted with the desire to own more land, had to reach into Fremont county, Ia, the other day, when he bought 3,500 acres more. Rankin never sells. He is a cattle king, a corn king, a land king, a philanthropist, and a captain of industry. He employs about 300 persons, representing 1,500 population.

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