DALNY NOW REPORTED TAKEN

TOKIO HEARS JAPANESE FORCE HAS LANDED THERE.

Town Deserted and Harbor Mined—Port Arthur Not Evacuated, St. Petersburg Declares—Admiral Makaroff Planning Desperate Attempt to Weaken Japanese Fleet—Russia Thinks That a Big Force Is Needed to Hold Chinese in Check.

Russia makes positive denial that Port Arthur has been evacuated. More fighting is promised there.

Admiral Makaroff is said to have decided that the Japanese fleet must be weakened at any cost. Attacks by his torpedo boats are looked for.

Tokio has a rumor that a Japanese force has been landed at Dalny, the Russian town on Talienwan Bay.

It is the belief in Newchwang that a large Russian force will be diverted to hold the Chinese in check, and that Russia will not take the aggressive in land operations until at least 300,000 men are in the field.

DALNY OCCUPIED?

Rumor in Tokio That a Force Has Been Landed There.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

LONDON, March 15.—A despatch to the *Telegraph* from Tokio says it is rumored that Japanese marines have landed at Dalny and occupied the town. The report cannot be confirmed.

The Newchwang correspondent of the *Daily Mail* says that in an interview M. Murmerin, secretary to the Governor of Dalny, denied the reported bombardment of Dalny. He said that two Japanese battleships, two cruisers and two torpedo boats approached the mouth of Dalny Bay on Thursday, but were afraid to enter.

There are nearly four hundred mines there. They shelled Sansantao Island, destroying the quarantine quarters, the hospital and some residences, but as the place is not fortified and as there is not a soldier there, there was no resistance. Dalny being in the line of fire received a few shells.

M. Murmerin added that some Chinese junks and a small steamer are running the blockade with provisions. None of the vessels has been captured, though they have had many narrow escapes. The report that buildings in Dalny had been mined, in anticipation of the occupation of the town by the Japanese, is untrue.

Three Englishmen and Americans were at Port Arthur, supposedly under arrest, but one of them, an engineer named Gilchrist, escaped. It is recalled that Gilchrist was lately reported to be repairing the Retvizan.

Among the statements cabled by the *Mail's* Newchwang correspondent are these:

The Russians have pushed reenforcements south from Harbin and Liaoyang. It has now been decided that there are enough troops at Port Arthur, Dalny and Kinchow Bay and along the railway to Taschioniao to hold their own, but fear of a lack of provisions prevents more from being sent south.

The want of meat is already felt. Agents at Newchwang are trying to buy live stock. Through the Russo-Chinese Bank closing its branches at Port Arthur and Newchwang great hardship has been inflicted on the American and British depositors, who are being ordered out of Russian territory. Nobody is now able to cash checks except in paper roubles or drafts on other branches of the bank.

The bank's paper is now at 10 per cent. discount at Newchwang and 5 per cent. at Tientsin. The bank is unable to buy Mexican dollars, which are current elsewhere, and is in a serious position. Roubles are absolutely refused by other foreign banks.

SAY MAKAROFF WILL ATTACK.

Resolved to Weaken Japan's Fleet at Any Cost, Russians Declare.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

YINGKOW, March 14.—Russian officials declare that Admiral Makaroff has resolved to weaken the enemy's fleet at any cost for the purpose of enabling the Russian Baltic squadron to arrive and cooperate with the fleet in the Far East. The officials admit that the Retvizan, Tzarevitch and Pallada cannot be used in carrying out Admiral Makaroff's plans. It will require a year to complete repairs on the Tzarevitch and Retvizan.

Prominent Russians here and at Port Arthur mention the probability of 200,000 troops being mobilized to keep the Chinese in check. These troops will be, it is said, in addition to those used against the Japanese. It is the admitted conviction that the Russians intend to fall back indefinitely before the Japanese until they have completed the mobilization of 300,000 or 400,000 troops, which will enable them to attack on their own terms.

RUSSIAN PLAN CHANGED.

LONDON, March 15.—It seems most probable that Port Arthur has been neither captured nor evacuated, notwithstanding the recurrence of the reports to that effect in some quarters. Not a word of confirmation can be obtained from Tokio, and St. Petersburg denies it. Shanghai reports the receipt of a telegram from Admiral Makaroff absolutely denying the reports.

The idea that Admiral Makaroff will probably take the aggressive, as was intimated in THE SUN'S despatches on Saturday, receives confirmation from other sources.

The correspondent of the *Daily Mail* at Newchwang reports that since the appointment of Gen. Kouropatkin to the military command in the Far East and the recent councils of war at Mukden, it has become evident that the Russian plan of campaign has undergone a complete change, especially as the Japanese have not followed up their naval successes by active land operations.

He gives statements indicating more vigorous action, and quotes M. Murmerin, secretary to the Governor of Dalny, who left Port Arthur last Friday to buy stores at Newchwang, as saying that after the removal of the sunken battleship Retvizan Admiral Makaroff caused four steamers, the Harbin, Hailar, Ninguta and Sungari, to be anchored in chosen positions at the entrance of the harbor and then sunk, leaving a small channel available, and ordered the whole fleet to remain outside with steam up, economy of coal being unnecessary.

Such action is interpreted as indicating the intention to give battle to the Japanese, inasmuch as remaining at anchor outside inactively would imply a repetition of Admiral Stark's error and invite fresh disasters. The semi-blocking of the entrance is assumed to have been for the purpose of preventing the Japanese torpedo boat destroyers from entering as they did at Wei-Hai-Wei in the war with China.

That Admiral Makaroff intends to force the fighting is, according to other despatches, the general conviction of the Russians at Yingkow.

JAPAN'S HOLD ON COREA.

A despatch to the *Chronicle* from Seoul says that the Japanese have demanded the use of all the imperial farmsteads in Corea, needing them to raise grain for the army during the war. Twenty thousand troops are being sent to protect the farms from the depredations of the populace.

Gen. Ijichi visited the Corean War Office and intimated that he had been appointed its adviser. The authorities replied that they were not aware of the appointment Gen. Ijichi has appealed to the Japanese Government for instructions. Meanwhile he is not recognized by the authorities at Seoul.

Eight thousand engineers and sappers are working on the Seoul-Wiju Railway, which will be completed in September.

The Coreans recognize the meaning of the arrival of Marquis Ito, who comes on a special mission from the Mikado, and are greatly exercised thereby.

A despatch to the *Times* from Seoul says that the civil influence Japan has brought to bear in Corea is no less remarkable than the military precision which paved the way for it. Japan must have been laying the foundations for her present occupation for many months, and it only remained to produce sufficient backing from an armed force to defeat the less adroit Russian machinations.

The Corean emperor is said, even since the signing of the protocol with Japan, to have been detected in secret communication with M. Pavloff, lately Russian Minister to Corea. Any such proceedings might provide the Japanese a welcome pretext for strengthening their hold. Nevertheless they are not displaying coercion. Everything is being done to conciliate the Coreans. Thus far there has not been any case of maltreatment of the inhabitants by the invaders.

A despatch to the *Telegraph* from Yingkow revives the report of the Japanese occupation of Fengwangcheng, which constant Chinese reports confirm, although no details can be obtained.

The Chefoo correspondent of the *Express* asserts that if the Japanese plans are not changed they will assault Newchwang and land there within ten days.

A despatch from Nagasaki says that the number of workmen who have been taken into the army is beginning to affect business. It is difficult to see how a scarcity of labor is to be obviated.

JAPAN'S WAR FUND.

Will Be Able to Fight a Year and a Half Without Borrowing.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

LONDON, March 15.—The Tokio correspondent of the *Morning Post* says that Japan's policy regarding the financial side of the war is to keep gold in the country. It is estimated that it will not be necessary to spend abroad more than one-eighth of the cost of the war. This expenditure will be chiefly for coal, cordite and steel.

The fact that Port Arthur is completely blockaded is saving Japan large sums of money, because she is able to charter vessels at peace rates. It is stated that she will be able to maintain the war for eighteen months without borrowing abroad. It is estimated that the war will cost 530,000,000 yen yearly.

THE FORCE IN COREA.

Russians Deny Any Japanese Have Landed in Far North.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 14.—Gen. Zilinski, chief of staff, writes that the population of Manchuria is tranquil. He adds that the enemy's ships explored Helena Bay and the shore opposite Senutchine on Friday night with searchlights.

According to accurate information the Japanese have not made any attacks north of Gensan. The population along the Tumen River are favorable to the Russians. The reports of the landing of Japanese north of Gensan are unfounded.

SHIPS FOUGHT SIDE BY SIDE.

Capt. Asai Called the Hero of Thursday's Fight.

Special Cable Despatches to THE SUN.

LONDON, March 14.—A news agency despatch from Tokio of yesterday's date gives interesting details of Thursday's fighting.

Admiral Togo's torpedo flotilla opened the action by steaming in boldly under the batteries and successfully placing a number of mechanical mines in the mouth of the harbor. Then a desperate encounter took place between the destroyers on each side.

A long-range duel between cruisers ensued, ending with the retirement of the Russian cruisers Novik and Bayan. The concluding phase of the operations was the bombardment of the inner harbor by the Japanese battleships.

They took up their position southwest of Port Arthur, using only their 12-inch guns. There are twenty-four such in the six battleships composing the squadron. Each gun fired five rounds, a total of 120 of the huge projectiles being hurled into the city.

Capt. Asai was the hero of the attack. He commanded the three Japanese destroyers and attacked the six Russian destroyers, ordering his craft to close in with the enemy. The order was carried out to the letter.

The boats steamed so close up to the enemy's vessels that they almost touched one another, fighting desperately, until the Russians retired badly disabled.

Engineer Minamisawa of the destroyer Kasumi was mortally wounded. He took part in the first attack on Port Arthur and also in the attempt to close up the mouth of the harbor. On both occasions he was mentioned for gallantry.

Admiral Togo's purpose in sending cruisers to Talienwan Bay was to destroy a signal station and mine depot.

This was duly accomplished. The details of the operations evoked intense enthusiasm. Togo is now permanently numbered among the heroes of the empire.

The latest reports state that the Japanese lost nine killed and five seriously and seventeen slightly wounded. The fleet was undamaged.

Admiral Togo in a supplementary report says that the Japanese could have rescued many more of the Russian sailors but for the deadly fire of the shore batteries and the close approach of the Russian cruiser Novik.

The four Russians rescued were not part of the crew of the Steregushtchi, upon which it is believed that only dead bodies remained when she sank. The living members of her crew jumped overboard and perished in the sea. Of the rescued three were engineers. The fourth was a torpedo operator. They were placed aboard a Japanese battleship and received food and medical attendance.

TOKIO, March 14.—A decoration equivalent to the Victoria Cross has been bestowed upon Engineer Minamisawa of the destroyer Kasumi, who was mortally wounded in Thursday's fight.

THINKS WAR WILL SPREAD.

Governor of Turkestan Makes an Address to His Officers.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 14.—The Governor of Turkestan, addressing the officers under his command, said:

"The political horizon is troubled. It is no wise improbable that the flames of war will spread beyond the Far East. We must be prepared for all eventualities."

SHIPS JAPAN HAS LOST.

Russia Says Three Have Been Sunk and Two Disabled.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 14.—The Russian official list of Japanese vessels sunk or disabled includes the following: Battleship Shikishima and cruiser Tsushima, both repairing at Sasebo; cruiser Takashibo, sunk off Chemulpho; cruiser Mutana, sunk off Chefoo; unknown cruiser, sunk off Chemulpho and six torpedo boats.

KUROPATKIN'S TRAIN.

Steel-Covered Cars in Which the General Is Travelling.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

MOSCOW, March 14.—Gen. Kuropatkin's train, in which he is now making his way to the Far East, is composed of a locomotive tender, three cars and a brake van. The cars are covered with steel over three inches in thickness, and it is practically an armored train.

LAMSDORFF HASN'T QUIT.

M. De Witte Denies That Rumor—Russia's Faith in Kuropatkin.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

PARIS, March 14.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the *Echo de Paris* telegraphs that he has had an interview with M. de Witte, the former Finance Minister, who denied the rumor that Count Lamsdorff, the Foreign Minister, had resigned.

M. de Witte, in the course of the interview, said: "We will fight to the end. We may have some bad days, but Gen. Kuropatkin is a well known strategist who has not his equal in Europe. He will crush the enemy by his strength alone."

JAPAN WANTS NO AID.

Only Desires to Be Permitted to Fight It Out, Says Hayashi.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

LONDON, March 14.—Baron Hayashi, the Japanese Minister here, has been interviewed by a representative of the Paris *Patrie*. In replying to the suggestion that it was England that launched Japan into war in order that she and the United States might reap the fruits of a Japanese victory, he said:

"We did not need any one to help. We are not going to pull the chestnuts out of the fire for any Power. We want China to be open to all. We shall not allow preference to be given to any one. We want the open door. It is Russia that bars the way for the moment. This task suffices. But if ever a like danger arose through the action of another Power we should not hesitate to take the same steps to put an end to it. Even if victorious, Russia could not reap the fruits of her victory, because in four or five years Manchuria would not maintain its position with regard to China. It would be the same if any other nation tried to exclude other Powers. China is waking up, and when her 400,000,000 people have realized their strength they will no longer submit to any Power. No concessions are possible on our part, unless Russia evacuates Manchuria. I think the war will last a very long time."

Asked whether Japan would seek England's aid should she be worsted, the Baron replied: "All we desire is that the war shall be confined to ourselves and Russia."

DENIES LOSS OF SHIP.

Japan Says Damage Sustained in Thursday's Fight Was Slight.

Special Cable Despatches to THE SUN.

TOKIO, March 14.—It is officially denied that a Japanese torpedo boat was sunk and the cruiser Takasago badly damaged in Thursday's bombardment of Port Arthur. The injuries that the destroyers sustained can be repaired in a week without their having to go in dock.

NAGASAKI, March 11.—Delayed—The cruisers which shared in the bombardment of Vladivostok have arrived at Sasebo. They include the Iwate, Idzumi, Chitose, Kasagi, Asama and Idzumo. Officers who were captured on board the Russian merchantman Ekaterinoslav report seeing Japanese cruisers arrive at Sasebo from Port Arthur badly damaged. According to them one had her bows shot away. There were also two transports with wounded on board.

Bodies Found in Variag Wreck.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

SEOUL, March 14.—In the course of the preparations to raise the sunken Russian cruiser Variag at Chemulpho some bodies of Russian seamen were found. These were taken inland and buried in the presence of the Japanese Consul.

Thinks Coreans Would Make Good Soldiers.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

LONDON, March 15.—The Seoul correspondent of the *Telegraph* believes that with good handling the Japanese could make good soldiers of the 20,000 Corean troops. He says the northern Coreans are a strong and truculent race.

The Manchuria a War Prize.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

NAGASAKI, March 14.—The East Asiatic steamship Manchuria, which, while bound from Cronstadt to Port Arthur, was captured by the Japanese on Feb. 14, has been condemned at Sasebo by a prize court, together with her cargo, which was partly neutral.

DEMOCRATS TALK PEACE TALK

A "PREFERENCE," NOT INSTRUCTIONS, FOR PARKER SUGGESTED

As Agreeable to Hill if Murphy Assents—The Conciliation People Also Say That McCarren Will Be Reestablished as Boss of Brooklyn if All Goes Well.

Charles F. Murphy did not return from Atlantic City last night, as it was expected he would do. He sent word that he would not be at Tammany Hall until Wednesday morning, although it was possible that he might take a late train back to New York to-night. Word also came from Albany that Senator McCarren would be down on Wednesday.

At the Democratic Club and other places where Democrats gather it could not be learned last night if there was a possibility of Mr. Murphy and Mr. McCarren meeting on Wednesday, but there was a feeling among the Tammany leaders that the return of the two men to town on the same day was not merely a coincidence.

Men of such prominence in Tammany Hall that they are in a position to tell which way the wind is blowing said last night that they expected a reconciliation between Murphy and McCarren. It is known that since he has been at Atlantic City Mr. Murphy has told his friends that he did not desire to have his difference of opinion with Mr. McCarren develop into a fight that would prevent the uniting of the votes of the delegates of Tammany and of Kings county at the coming State convention. Mr. McCarren's supporters say that Mr. Murphy has taken this conciliatory attitude since he learned of the combination made by David B. Hill and Edward Murphy, Jr.

But Mr. Murphy, according to the statements of his friends, is willing to forget what has happened and is ready to come to an understanding with Mr. McCarren. It was explained last night that whatever arrangement might be reached by the two leaders would be in the nature of an understanding that there would be no official peace pronunciamentos. The understanding that is to be reached, it was said, would be that things should be allowed to continue as they were before the break and that word would be quietly sent around that Mr. McCarren would, as before, be the recognized Democratic leader in Brooklyn.

There were reports last night also that Mr. Hill was willing to meet Mr. Murphy half way. Charles P. Bacon, sometimes associated with Mr. Hill, came down from Albany and made the statement that Mr. Hill would be satisfied if the Democratic State convention would pass a resolution expressing a "preference" for the nomination of Judge Parker. Mr. Bacon said that if Mr. Murphy would agree to this Mr. Hill would not insist further on an instructed delegation.

MISSIONARY'S MURDER SURE.

The Rev. B. W. Labaree Was Killed in Persia by Robbers, Not Fanatics.

The Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions has received positive confirmation of the death of the Rev. B. W. Labaree, one of its missionaries in Urumia, Persia. Cable despatches received by the board say that he was murdered by robbers and his servant was killed with him. His funeral was held on Sunday in Urumia.

"We think," said the Rev. A. Woodruff Halsey, secretary of the board, yesterday, "that Mr. Labaree had been up to Salmas, sixty miles from Urumia, accompanying Miss Margaret Dean of Urumia, who was going on to Jerusalem to attend the International Sunday school convention. She would probably secure other escort at Salmas to accompany her to Tabriz, and we think that Mr. Labaree was on his way back when he was attacked and murdered."

The Presbyterian Ministers' Association held a memorial meeting yesterday for Mr. Labaree. The Rev. Frederick G. Coan, his fellow missionary, now on furlough in this country, told of him and of his work at Tabriz. He was one of four missionaries whose parents before them had been missionaries in Urumia, which is about 600 miles from Teheran. He was born there thirty-four years ago.

WASHINGTON, March 14.—Confirmation of the reported killing of the Rev. Benjamin W. Labaree, Jr., an American missionary in Persia, was received by the State Department to-day in this telegram from Richmond Pearson, the United States Minister at Teheran:

"American missionary Labaree was murdered near Urumia, Persia, 9th inst. Motive apparently robbery. Government at my request has ordered search for criminal and prompt punishment."

OFF TO REENFORCE THE MIKADO.

Farewells to Prince Nashimoto and the 35 Other Japanese Officers.

Thirty-five cheerful officers of the army of the Mikado, who had arrived from Europe within the last several days on three liners, started last evening from the Grand Central Station for Vancouver, whence, on March 21, they expect to sail for Yokohama aboard the Canadian Pacific steamship Empress of India. They were all in mufti, and Prince Nashimoto and the dignified Majors who accompanied him appeared in the shining glory of high silk hats.

A score of Japanese merchants saw the officers off. There were no cheers, and nothing approaching a demonstration. In fact, the high hats gave a funereal aspect to the occasion. But everybody smiled in a way that indicated that it was indeed a happy privilege to go to war for so gracious and unapproachable a person as his imperial excellency.

The Prince went away on the 6 o'clock train. The bows he acknowledged were much lower than those which were given to the plain Majors and Captains. The Prince will stop over at Niagara Falls for a good look and a few snapshots. His compatriots went away by the Canadian express an hour later. They were under escort of T. W. Maguire of the Canadian Pacific office here.

Mrs. Brooke Hyde-Pearson, whose husband is a tea merchant in Yokohama, and who acted as interpreter, saw the officers off. She recognized some of the merchants as boys who had been in her service in Japan. They greeted her with a courtesy that made the most elaborate efforts of a mere Occidental look like pure barbarism. The Japs who were going and the party seeing them off stood near the car platform until a minute before the train pulled out chatting in chirpy Japanese about the war news, which had been interpreted for them by Mrs. Hyde-Pearson. They expressed a firm and smiling conviction that Japan would win. One of the merchants who speaks good English, said: "Ah, we will have plenty officers now."

CONGRATULATIONS TO SARGENT

Cabled by the American Artists on His Portrait of the Misses Hunter.

The jury of the Society of American Artists finished yesterday afternoon the job of passing upon the paintings and sculpture submitted for the twenty-eighth annual exhibition of the society. The hanging committee began its duties at once and will have until Friday to dispose of the works accepted. More than 1,135 works were presented for admission.

Among those accepted was the large "portrait of the Misses Hunter," by John S. Sargent, which has been lent to the society by Mrs. Charles Hunter. Resolutions were passed by the board of management congratulating Mr. Sargent, who is in London, and were cabled to him.

The exhibition will be held as usual in the Fine Arts Building in West Fifty-seventh street, opening on Saturday, March 26, and closing Sunday, May 1. "Varnishing Day" will be Thursday, March 24, and the annual reception and press view on Friday, March 25.

YOUNG GERMAN GOES INSANE.

Kaufman, Who Lived With Theodore Tiedemann, Stabs His Nurse in the Face.

Paul Kaufman, a young German chemist, who has been living with Theodore Tiedemann at 52 West Eighty-seventh street for several months, became violently insane in Columbus avenue last night and stabbed a nurse and worsted a policeman before he was overpowered.

Kaufman has been acting strangely for several weeks and has been attended by a nurse named August Wesgus. After dinner last night the nurse took him for a walk.

At Columbus avenue and Eighty-eighth street Kaufman drew a small silver-mounted dagger and drove it through Wesgus's nose. The nurse dropped and Kaufman stood over him waving the dagger and shouting.

A motorman on a passing car saw the stabbing and yelled to Policeman Rodman at Ninetieth street that a murder had been committed down the street. Rodman came down on the run and knocked the knife from the madman's hand. Kaufman quieted down and the policeman turned his attention to Wesgus.

As he stooped over, Kaufman picked him up bodily, pinioning his arms, and threw him into the gutter. The crowd jumped on Kaufman and bore him to the sidewalk. It took four men and the policeman to hold him down while they tied his arms and legs with rope.

He was taken to Bellevue Hospital in the patrol wagon. Wesgus had his wound dressed in a drug store and was taken to J Hood Wright Hospital.

At Bellevue Tiedeman said that Kauffmann had come to this country representing a Dresden drug house. He was to have returned to Germany on the Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse, which sails to-day.

MADE HOBSON ANGRY.

Congressman Bankhead's Reference to a "Hero Campaign" Irritates Him.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., March 14.—After a lapse of a week the joint debate between Capt. Richmond Pearson Hobson and Congressman John H. Bankhead, candidates for Congress from the Sixth Alabama district, was resumed to-day at Tuskaloosa. A great crowd listened to the debate.

During his speech Congressman Bankhead said this was no hero campaign, having reference to Hobson's connection with the sinking of the Merrimac. Hobson was angered at this, and in reply announced that Bankhead had said more about the Merrimac business to-day than he (Hobson) had said in all his lectures since the Spanish-American War. Hobson criticised Bankhead for opposing his retirement from the navy.

It is conceded that the race is very close. The debates are becoming more and more pointed each time.

"LID" OFF NEAR FORT HAMILTON.

Citizens' Association Starts a Crusade for Purification.

Madeline White, 17 years old, a runaway girl who has been living at various resorts for the soldiers at Fort Hamilton, close to the United States reservation, was arraigned in the Coney Island court yesterday on a charge of vagrancy. The story told by the girl and by Detective Quillan convinced Magistrate Voorhees that the girl would be better off in the care of the matron of the Wayside Home, where she was committed temporarily.

The Citizens' Association of Bay Ridge and Fort Hamilton caused her arrest. The disclosures resulting from the investigations, are of a most revolting nature. Young girls from 14 to 20 years old are constantly to be found around the entrance to the reservation and in the various resorts in the vicinity of the fort. Many of them are kept at the hotels for their ability to draw custom to the bar, while some who are supposed to be employed as housemaids are compelled to go on the stage and sing at night, or play the piano while the soldiers, with more or less ability, sing the ribald and rollicking songs of the far Western mining camps, where many of the troops now stationed at the reservation have recently been.

The conditions said to exist at several of the resorts have aroused the residents of the place, who intend that a crusade shall be undertaken that will stop only at the complete extermination of the places or the removal of the right to harbor women about the premises under any pretext. The crusade began only about two weeks ago and, then only after repeated denials on the part of the proprietors of these resorts that there were any girls harbored in the place, and after the police had failed to get evidence sufficient to take any steps.

Two young girls, Elizabeth Wilson and Margaret Tuttle, runaways from Verplancks Point, N. Y., were arrested on Saturday last at the request of members of the vigilance committee. They left their homes on Thanksgiving Day and Detective Quillan found them in Fusaro's resort, where soldiers and Italians congregate nightly.

For years the conditions in the vicinity of the reservation have been going from bad to worse. At times the "lid" flies off, and then there is a great hue and cry. This is soon hushed up, however, owing to the desire of residents and property owners to cover up the actual state of things because of "the detriment to property values."

It is understood that the Citizens' Association is in earnest and will make a clean sweep this time, regardless of whose heads may go off or to what extent property values may be injured temporarily.

THINK BLOCKS ARE SILVER.

Police Get Sixty Pounds of Rough White Metal Near a Junk Shop.

Two rough ingots of what appeared to be silver, were found last night in the hallway of an East Side tenement.

The metal, whatever it is, had been melted and run into a rough mould, making blocks about a foot square and three inches thick.

The stuff was found in the hallway of 85 Market street, beside the junk shop of Jacob Koffman. A man standing in a nearby saloon saw two men drive up in a wagon and take from it something small but heavy, and covered with a sack. The junk man was out at the time and his door was locked, so the men carried the sack into the hallway. Presently they came out with the sack empty and drove away. The man in the saloon told Detectives Roony and McCarty and they found the two pieces of metal, covered up in a closet on the first floor. The metal weighs about sixty pounds and is worth about $400 if it is silver. They think it is stolen silverware melted up. If it isn't silver they guess it is antimony, which is used in making counterfeit nickels.

OBITUARY.

James M. Brady, head of the wholesale cloak firm of J. M. Brady & Co., 743-745 Broadway, died suddenly of pneumonia on Sunday in his home at 264 Berkeley place, Brooklyn, in his sixtieth year. Before starting in business for himself eight years ago he had been a general salesman with Meyer Jonasson & Co. for twenty-one years. He owned considerable real estate in Brooklyn and a fine summer home at Far Rockaway. He leaves a wife and four children. The funeral services will be held to-morrow morning at St. Augustine's Catholic Church, Sixth avenue and Sterling place.

Benjamin T. Martin, who for nearly fifty years had been connected with the United States Treasury Department, died yesterday in his home in Orange, N. J. He was born in Providence, R. I., in June, 1834, and entered the Government employ in the Philadelphia Mint when 20 years old. In 1861 he was transferred to San Francisco, where he remained for six years, when he was assigned to the Assay Office in New York, with which he had since been connected as official melter and refiner.

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PICKING CHICAGO DELEGATES.

HALPIN MAKES UP A LIST FOR ODELL TO SEE.

County Chairman Murray Not Assisting at Executive Chairman's Conferences With District Leaders—Postal Graft "Outrage" Theory Is Propagated.

William Halpin, chairman of the executive committee of the Republican county committee, was in conference nearly the whole of yesterday with the district leaders of the county over a list of the men to be selected for delegates to the Republican national convention. These delegates will be chosen at the Congress district conventions to be held on April 14. In many cases there were differences of opinion among the leaders of the Assembly districts as to the men whose names should be presented to the Congress district conventions. From each Congress district two delegates and two alternates are elected.

As a result of his all-day sitting Mr. Halpin was able to compile a list of candidates to submit to the conventions. While in some of the conventions there may be contests, he hopes that there won't be many.

Mr. Halpin would not make known last night the list he had prepared. He admitted that to do so might start fresh disagreements. It was learned, however, that the principal reason why he withheld the list was that he desired to present it to Gov. Odell, who will be in town to-day. After the Governor has gone over the names further conferences will be held and an effort will be made to strike from the tentative list any names objectionable to him.

In the conferences held yesterday Chairman Murray, so far as could be learned, had no part. Everything was left to Mr. Halpin, who is the direct representative of the Governor on the county committee. Since the reorganization of the committee Mr. Murray, according to the gossip around the Fifth Avenue Hotel, has not been so enthusiastic a supporter of the Governor as Mr. Odell could wish, and for that reason it has been left to Mr. Halpin to induce the district leaders to put up candidates who will be likely to aid Mr. Odell in clinching his control of the State.

In the conferences of yesterday a great deal of capital was made, in the work of winning over delegates, of the mention made in the postal graft report of the name of Mr. Odell. The information was given out that almost all the leaders described as an outrage the naming of Mr. Odell in that report with the prefix before his name of "Governor." For some reason which they seemed unable to explain, the officials at the Republican headquarters stated that if Mr. Odell had been named as "B. B. Odell, Jr." instead of "Governor Odell" there would have been no grounds for taking the outrage view.

HEARST DELEGATES IN OHIO.

Eighth Congress District Declares for Him for President.

SPRINGFIELD, Ohio, March 14.—The Hearst followers scored a victory this afternoon at the Eighth Congress district Democratic convention held in Urbana. W. L. Finley of Harding and William Nevin of Bellefonte were elected delegates to the national convention. The convention indorsed Hearst for President and the Kansas City platform.

W. W. Durbin, the temporary chairman, in his speech referred to Grover Cleveland as "that arch traitor of Democracy."

CONNECTICUT FOR PARKER?

Only Two of the Democratic State Committee Declare for Hearst.

NEW HAVEN, March 14.—Only two of the twenty members of the Democratic State central committee who had a meeting here this afternoon came out for William R. Hearst for President. Three were absent. The two who favored Hearst were William H. Burke of Meriden and Newton Phillips of Killingly.

The remainder of the committee were mostly in favor of Judge Parker's candidacy. Committeeman Rigney of Waterville said he was for anybody but Hearst, while Mayor Bryan F. Mahan of New London said the person lied who said he was for Hearst. He is for Judge Parker.

The committee fixed the date for the Democratic State convention to elect delegates to the St. Louis convention for May 5 at Hartford. It was also decided to elect thirty-five to the new State central committee, an increase of nine over the present number.

It was given out that ex-Gov. Waller of New London would head the delegation from that city to the State convention, as a sign that the Democrats were getting together.

ANOTHER JOB FOR MATHEWS

As Secretary of the County Committee He Disturbs the Twenty-first.

Abe Gruber's man Armitage Mathews is to resign as secretary of the New York Republican county committee as soon as Gov. Odell can scare up another place for him. Abe's man was put in by Gov. Odell when he "reformed and reorganized" the county committee in December, despite his promise to the anti-Gruberites in the Twenty-first district that he would not interfere in that district's affairs or in the efforts of the anti-Gruberites to get rid of Abe.

The Anti-Gruberites have used Gov. Odell's selection of Mathews most effectively in the campaign against Abe in the district, and Gov. Odell and Abe, it was ascertained last night, are becoming alarmed, but Mathews won't get out until an equally good job is found for him.

Old Elevator Man Crushed to Death.

Thomas O'Connell, 65 years old, who for forty-four years had been elevator man for the Russell & Erwin Manufacturing Company, at 33 to 37 Chambers street, was killed by his elevator early last evening. He was crushed between the top of the car and a hatch which he had placed in position in the shaft, as is required by the fire regulations.

Parker Indorsed in Onondaga.

SYRACUSE, N. Y., March 14.—Alton B. Parker was indorsed by the Democratic general committee of Onondaga county to-day. The resolution was engineered through by former Corporation Counsel Melvin Z. Haven, who came here from Albany as a representative of David B. Hill and who is also a McGuire man.

Nominated for Congress.

GREENFIELD, Mo., March 14.—The Republicans of the Sixth Congress district to-day nominated J. Fred Rhodes, editor of the *Eldorado News*, for Congress.

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GOLF.

Casual Water at St. Andrews—Zeal of an Apawamis Player.

The Metropolitan Golf Association courses have no monopoly of sloppy weather. "The casual water now standing in St. Andrew's links," according to an English paper, "is really becoming serious, and it is said to be worse than ever experienced in any previous year. The bunkers are all brimful, some indeed overflowing, while large lakes stand all over both courses, the largest being at the sixth hole of the old course, where a sheet of water fully thirty feet wide stretches from the middle of the old to the further side of the new, quite a miniature inland sea."

On Feb. 27, in cold weather, the annual match between the Cambridge University Golf Club and the Oxford and Cambridge Golfing Society took place on the Worlington course, England. The result was a notable success for the University players, who won the singles by 22 holes to 1 and the foursomes by 11 holes to 4. The teams were of nine a side. Two of the society's players were here with the team last summer, H. W. Beveridge, who was beaten by 3 up, and C. N. Day, who halved his match.

PINEHURST, March 14.—J. D. Foot of the Apawamis Club in driving from the eleventh tee to-day pulled the ball so that it fell between buildings standing at the right of the green. In playing out the ball struck a shed, caromed to the roof of a cabin near by, rolled down and finally caught in a mole trap. Foot was not only playing a match, but his score was excellent, and in consequence there was nothing for him to do but climb to the roof of the building and play the ball where it lay. With the assistance of a caddie he reached the roof, but he found the shingles so slippery that he could not secure a footing, so he sat down, made a desperate "swipe," and sent ball, mole trap and all, flying toward the fair green. Another shot laid the ball on the putting green, and two more put it down in six.

Baseball Notes.

The O. N. T.'s have Saturdays and Sundays in May and June; also Decoration Day and July 4, open for clubs that give suitable inducements. Address Samuel Lunn, East Newark, N. J.

The Maujer A. C. would be pleased to close some of the remaining Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday open dates with clubs within a radius of 200 miles of this city offering suitable inducements. Address John Konzelmann, 1348 Myrtle avenue, Brooklyn.

Want a Big Republican Building Here.

The Republican Club of the Nineteenth Assembly district met last night and passed resolutions favoring the erection in this city of a big building to be used as Republican headquarters and as a meeting place and convention hall. The club appointed a committee to devise ways and means for carrying out the plan.

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