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## RUSSIANS THINK THEY CAN WIN.

### Prospect of a Sea Fight Arouses Great Enthusiasm in Naval and Military Circles.

## THE BOURSE GAZETTE BOASTS.

### Declares Japan Stands to Lose the Mastery of Sea, Together With the Fruits of Her Success on Land.

## LIBERAL PRESS NOT SO JUBILANT

### Chauvinistic Organs Discuss Rojostevsky's Chances on Theory—Whole Squadron Has Reached China Sea.

St. Petersburg, April 10.—The outburst of enthusiasm aroused in military and naval circles at the prospect of a sea fight which may change the whole complexion of the war finds its echo in the liberal press, which views with something akin to alarm even the remote possibility of a turn of fortune which would strengthen the government at home. The chauvinistic organs, however, are filled with long articles discussing Admiral Rojostevsky's chances, but they are all based on the theory that the whole squadron has reached the China sea. The Novoe Vremya highly commends the admiral for having successfully accomplished the difficult feat of bringing the squadron through, declaring the die is now cast. The Bourse Gazette manifests undiluted pleasure at the score in British shipping circles and the flurry in insurance rates produced by the sudden appearance of the Russian squadron in Singapore after the British had convinced themselves that the squadron would never go to the far east.

"Japan stands to lose the mastery of the sea, together with the fruits of all her successes on land," other papers express doubt as to whether a sea fight is imminent, expressing the opinion that Rojostevsky is likely to await Rear Admiral Nebogatoff and that Admiral Togo will retrace the closer to his base before accepting battle.

Stricter orders have been issued to the officers on duty at the admiralty not to report and that Admiral Togo will retrace the closer to his base before accepting battle. Nothing is procurable in regard to the whereabouts of the battleship Kikuzo Sevastopol and other Russian warships reported to be missing from the squadron which passed Singapore. It is said they may be following a second division. No anxiety is manifested at the admiralty where the Associated Press was informed in reply to a question that "the foreign press and the Japanese were probably more worried about the location of the vessels than we are."

There is no reason to believe that Rojostevsky is on board the Kikuzo Sevastopol and that the division which passed Singapore Saturday is in command of a rear admiral.

### SQUADRON SIGHTED.

Singapore, Straits Settlements, April 10.—The latest information in regard to the Russian squadron, commanded by Rear Admiral Rojostevsky, which passed here Saturday afternoon, was brought here today by the British steamer Gregory Aparca. The latter yesterday sighted the Russian squadron northeast of the island of Sumatra, about 100 miles north-northeast of Singapore. The Russians were at anchor when the Gregory Aparca passed them.

Information has been received here to the effect that four warships, apparently Japanese were off Cape St. James, near Saigon, April 7.

### SQUADRON NEAR MUNTOK.

Amsterdam, April 10.—A dispatch to the Handelsblad from Batavia, island of Java, says that a Russian squadron is near Muntok and that it is expected to arrive at Batavia today.

The Dutch East Indies squadron is now at Tulo Island, near Singapore. There are two Montoks in the East Indies, one comparatively near Batavia and the other far distant from that port. To reach either of them it would seem that the squadron referred to may have entered the Java sea through the straits of Sunda, though it is possible that part of the Russian squadron which passed Singapore Saturday may have turned south when out of land and have reached Muntok, on the island of Bangka, off the southeast coast of the island of Sumatra and some 250 miles from Batavia. The second Montok is situated at the extreme northeastern part of the island of Celebes, and is far away from a squadron there to reach Batavia under about five days.

### MAY BE DUTCH VESSELS.

Wetterden, Dutch of Java, April 10.—It is reported that the supposed Russian warships sighted off Muntok are really the ships of the Dutch squadron under secret orders and is now steaming north.

### CHINESE BANDITS.

Under Japanese Officers Are Raiding R. R. Communication.

Harbin, April 10.—Information received at the Russian headquarters seems to definitely establish the fact that only Chinese bandits under the lead of Japanese officers, together with some Japanese cavalry, are operating westward toward Tschihar, their object evidently being to raid the railroad communications. There is, however, a real turning movement eastward of the Kirin, said to be under the command of Gen. Oku. The roads have grown desperately bad. On the flat ground there are seas of mud. Japanese proclamations have been issued giving the date of their entry into Harbin having been changed from April 10 to April 30.

### Dr. Harper in Chicago.

Chicago, April 10.—President William R. Harper of the University of Chicago, arrived from New York today and went direct to his home. He was accom-

panied by specialists and surgeons who were being treated him. He was met by a few members of the faculty and his immediate family, but at Dr. Harper's request there was no demonstration. President Harper plans to return to his university labors as soon as possible.

## ATTACK ON THE CZAR.

### His Portrait in a High School Destroyed by an Explosive.

St. Petersburg, April 10.—During morning prayers today at the high school of Romny, government of Poltava, a portrait of Emperor Nicholas was destroyed by an explosive which was let off behind the picture. Four pupils were injured.

## THE AMERICAN SOLDIER

### The Blue and the Gray Will Meet and Fraternize.

Washington, April 10.—A two days' greeting to the American soldier, contemplating a meeting of the veterans who opposed each other in battle in the sixties, has been arranged to take place here May 11 and 12. Cordial invitations to participate have been sent every veterans' association north and south.

## CHICAGO STRIKE.

### Police Force Guarding Freight Caravans Doubled.

Chicago, April 10.—The force of police guarding the freight caravans, Montgomery, Ward & Co. were doubled today in anticipation of rioting by sympathizers with the firm's striking teamsters and garment workers. About 300 blue coats were on hand at the Ward building when the first wagon was ready to start.

An attempt to deliver several packages of clothing to Montgomery, Ward & Co. by Levy Salsman, an express man, was the signal for the opening of hostilities today in the boycott on the firm. Salsman went into the firm's office to get instructions as to where to leave the packages. Before he returned two youths climbed on the seat of the wagon and under the noses of 35 policemen who were on guard in the alley, drove the wagon out and disappeared at a gallop.

## NAN PATTERSON'S CASE.

### Postponed for a Week at the Request of the Prosecution.

New York, April 10.—The trial of Nan Patterson, on the charge of killing Caesar Young, which was to have begun before Recorder Goff, in the court of general sessions today, was postponed for one week upon request of the prosecution.

The postponement was granted on account of the fight against extradition being made by J. Morgan Smith and his wife who are now under arrest in Cincinnati, charged with conspiracy with Patterson in connection with the Young case. The Smiths are wanted here particularly to be witnesses at the murder trial.

The motion for a delay was strongly opposed by Abraham Levy, chief counsel for the defendant. In granting the postponement Recorder Goff said he did not think that the interests of the defendant or of public justice would be interfered with because of a week's delay.

Miss Patterson was not taken to court today.

## ARTIST CHARITAN.

### Slashed a Portrait With Knife That Patron Complained Of.

Paris, April 10.—Theobald Charitan, the famous portrait painter, describing his recent visit to the United States, says a prominent American ordered a portrait of his wife to cost \$5,000 and when it was completed the American praised the artistic beauty of the work but said it was not a correct portrait of his wife. Charitan says he suspected a plan to secure a reduction in the price and when he took a palette and knife, completely destroying it, and replied "that is the way I settle some difficulties."

## M. EBELT ELECTROCUTED.

### He Murdered His Wife July 24, 1903.

Ossining, N. Y., April 10.—Martin Ebel, who murdered his wife at Mount Vernon, paid the penalty for his crime in the electric chair in Sing Sing prison today. Ebel killed his wife July 24, 1903. The young woman was 19 years old, and Ebel was 22. Jealousy was the motive for the murder.

Ebel induced his wife to accompany him on the evening of the murder by telling her that he wanted to introduce her to a person who would give her work at a week and that she could have the wages for spending money. At a lonely spot near their home he strangled her to death, afterwards throwing the body into a sewer, where it was found a few days later. When discovered a shoe string was tied tightly around the woman's neck.

## Senator Platt Some Better.

Washington, Conn., April 10.—The condition of Senator Orville H. Platt, who is suffering from pneumonia, showed a little change for the better today.

## Clado-Ziotti Duel Off.

St. Petersburg, April 10, 12:40 a. m.—The proposed duel between Capt. Clado, formerly Rojostevsky's chief tactician, and the Capt. Ziotti, aide to Admiral Aviano, head of the Russian admiralty department, has failed to take place, Capt. Clado having become satisfied by investigating the charges, completing the reconstruction by publishing his letter of apology in all the papers printing the first strictures.

## PIETRO TORTURTI MURDERED VILARDO

### His Wife Confesses that Fact to The San Francisco Police.

## CUT HIM DOWN WITH A CLEAVER

### It is Learned Definitely That He Was Marked for Butchery by the Black Hand.

San Francisco, April 10.—The wife of Pietro Torturti has confessed to the police that her husband killed Biaggio Vilardo at 739 1/2 A Green street. She says that on the night of the murder she was in an adjoining room when the two men began quarreling over some matter of which she is ignorant. She says that she then went out and is unaware of what happened thereafter, although circumstances lead her to believe that her husband killed Vilardo. The police have also learned definitely today that Vilardo was marked for butchery by the "Black Hand." This they learned from Pepto Benedita, a cousin of the murdered man, who says he was warned to that effect. Mrs. Torturti has been arrested as an accomplice in the murder.

On the other hand, Chief of Police Dinan asserts that he does not believe that the murder was committed by an organized gang of assassins. He favors the belief that jealousy was at the bottom of the crime.

Three additional arrests were made yesterday of Italians who were taken into custody as they attempted to enter the house on Howell street where Torturti slept on the night of the murder and the succeeding night. Their names are unknown, as they refuse to give them or affix their signatures to the book in the police station. They will be held as suspects with the five other Italians now lodged in jail in connection with the murder.

## Police and Workmen Collide.

Madrid, April 10.—A collision between workmen and police occurred today on the Calle San Bernardo. The police charged the workmen several times and numbers of the latter were injured.

## MRS. SCOTT SMEDLEY.

### Woman Accused of Getting Money from Wells in Court.

Lincoln, Neb., April 10.—Mrs. Scott Smedley of Denver, accused by Joseph Wells of this city of obtaining money from him under promise to marry him, appeared in the district court here today when the case was called. She was accompanied by her husband, Mr. Wells, who has been absent from Lincoln since the preliminary hearing, did not appear, and the case was dismissed. Mrs. Smedley charged that she loaned Mrs. Smedley about \$16,000. Later he became bondsman for the Smedleys in the case in which he, Wells, was the complainant.

Mrs. Smedley said today that Mr. Wells is now satisfied with the security given him and that today's action of the court in dismissing the case would end the matter.

## LABOR ON THE CANAL.

### Engineer Wallace Says Eight-Hour Law Would Impede Work.

Washington, April 10.—Chief Engineer Wallace, of the Isthmian canal commission, had an interview with Secy. Taft today, in which the conditions on the canal were discussed. Afterwards Mr. Wallace met such members of the commission as are in the city. As to the right of the commission to employ labor for more than eight hours per day there is a belief that the eight-hour law does not apply to the canal zone. Chief Engineer Wallace says that in fact, so much so as to impede work to have the eight-hour law in effect during the construction of the canal. It would be impossible to make uniform hours for all labor because some labor must be employed 12 hours, while 10 hours is the regular rule for most of the working men.

## R. B. GROVER & CO. ASSIGN.

### Was in Their Factory that Boiler Explosion Took Place.

Brocton, Mass., April 10.—The shoe firm of R. B. Grover & Co., at whose factory the disastrous boiler explosion of March 20, occurred, costing \$8 lives and \$250,000 property loss, has voluntarily assigned for the benefit of creditors.

## NINE SHOTS FIRED

### At Governor of Libau Prison but He Was Not Hurt.

St. Petersburg, April 10.—Nine shots were fired at the governor of the prison at Libau last night, as he was returning to his residence outside the town. The governor was not hurt. His assailants escaped.

## Brought Gold from Europe.

New York, April 10.—The French line steamship La Touraine, which arrived here yesterday, brought \$300,000 in specie.

## ANOTHER PLAYER HERE.

### Jacob Thornton of Chicago Arrives to Held Down First Base.

Jacob Thornton of Chicago, a first baseman, is the last addition to the local baseball team. He arrived this morning, and is stopping at the southern.

## COAST REALTY MEN LOOK TO SALT LAKE

### Sky-High Prices About the "Angel" City Cause Many Inquiries To Be Made.

## DESIRE TO WORK UP A BOOM.

### Colonel Clayton Comes Home After Long Absence and Gives Interesting Talk on Los Angeles.

Colonel and Mrs. N. W. Clayton and children have returned home from southern California where the colonel has been spending the winter regaining his health. In a talk today, with a "News" reporter the colonel stated that he was now entirely well and amply able to attend to all the business details that may be made upon him. He was much interested in the progress of the boom that has been exciting people in southern California all winter, and thinks it has about reached the top notch. For 20 miles in all directions from Los Angeles the country has been platted and divided up into building lots, and even along the beaches lots are selling at \$50 per front foot. One half a mile from the business center of Los Angeles, land was selling at \$4,000 per front foot. In one locality, property that two years ago sold for \$40,000 recently sold for \$30,000, and real estate dealers were urging people to invest as they could turn in a handsome profit in a short time. In fact not a few eastern winter visitors had invested with the result that they were able to pay all of the season's expenses in a single deal.

Colonel Clayton says he firmly believes that top notch prices were so nearly reached when he came away that he doubted his holding out much longer, and when the boom comes, it will come with a crash, and the holders of property will find it hanging heavily on their hands for a good, long while. Land is so high that farmers or fruit growers can not afford to cultivate it for some distance from Los Angeles, and it is there lying idle and improved. The real estate dealers are realizing that there is a limit to their operations in southern California, and are beginning to turn their eyes to Salt Lake. The winter season is over, and the golden state is fast being emptied of eastern visitors, which is contemporaneous with a rapid falling off in real estate dealings and speculations. Eastern investors who have been "blowing in" their money all winter in southern California lands are now wiring their agents to unload, and this process means a decline in prices. Consequently, the time may be far distant when the bubble will burst, and "Crazy" stand from under.

Colonel Clayton heard numerous inquiries from real estate dealers about Salt Lake in fact, so much so as to convince him that many really men propose pulling up stakes, as soon as business becomes slack, and migrating to Salt Lake, with the intention of resuming the real estate business. The possibilities of this city are regarded as unusually promising in fact. Just the place to attract people and investors generally.

Miss S. bella Clayton, daughter of the colonel, left this morning for Detroit, Mich., where she will take a course of post graduate study under Jonas, until June, when she will return home for the summer, with the intention of taking another course of study during the fall, and then going to Europe to complete her musical education.

## JORDAN PLANT STRUCK.

### Power in Salt Lake Shut Off by Burning of a Transformer.

The lightning of yesterday afternoon struck into the Jordan station of the Light and Railway company, burning out a 250 kilowatt transformer, and bringing all electrical operations in the city and in fact, in the county, to a standstill. However, for the most part of the service, the stoppage was momentary, but on one circuit there was a 30 minute delay, and on one division of the street car system the cars were derailed for an hour. By the way the lightning was flying through the lightning arrestors, danger seemed imminent so that part of the street cars were derailed and a commission until the display was through. Timely and effective action by the management averted a loss of perhaps \$10,000 or \$15,000. The damage amounted to about \$300. The current that runs the Tuberoval organ was cut off during the service, so that for one hymn, the singing was unaccompanied by the organ.

## LONG LEGAL FIGHT ENDS.

### Judge Marshall Hands Down Opinion in Case of Harris & Co. vs Chipman.

The long legal battle between James Chipman of the Utah National and American Bank, and Harris & Company, a cattle firm of Nebraska, ended this morning in the Federal court, when Judge Marshall handed down decision in favor of the plaintiffs.—Harris & Company, for \$2,968.45. The suit was originally filed on March 11, 1902, and demanded an accounting for a large sum of money deposited by Harris & Company to the bank to be drawn out by the Bradshaw Brothers of Lehi, to pay for sheep bought for plaintiffs, further asking a judgment for \$75,000 to cover money alleged to have been drawn by Bradshaw and turned into the bank to pay off private obligations to it.

## EARLY SETTLER GONE.

### Mrs. Mary Jones Slack Lays Down Life's Bardens at 87.

Mrs. Mary Jones Slack, widow of James B. Slack, who passed away while en route to this city in early days, died Sunday at 9:15 a. m. at the residence of her sister, Mrs. Emma J. Sloan, 1041 east Fourth South street, of old age. She was born at Mansfield, England, April 5, 1818, and emigrated to America in 1858. For three years she lived at Boston, but in

## FRUIT GROWERS FINISHING WORK.

### Closing Sessions of State Horticultural Society at County Building Today.

## OUTLOOK FOR UTAH FRUIT.

### Speakers Demonstrated That There is No Limit on the Market for Home Grown Article.

The closing sessions of the State Horticultural society were held in the city council chamber today. At the afternoon session the election of officers will be held. The committee on permanent organization will report the following officers for nomination: President, Thomas Judd, St. George, vice-presidents, (four yet to be selected); secretary, A. H. Snow, Salt Lake; executive committee, Thomas Judd, A. H. Snow, E. D. Ball, W. C. Bergen, R. E. Wilson and Jesse Smith.

Hon. Joseph Stanford of Ogden was the first speaker this morning. He spoke of the Utah markets and in the course of his remarks said that there is now no limit to the market for Utah fruit so long as it is kept up to the present standard and the necessary quantity of fruit can be secured. Last season he said that Weber county shipped 65 car loads of fresh fruits to outside states and that there were over 200 car loads of fresh fruit from the state and in addition to that there were a number of carloads of canned fruit shipped. Utah is just recovering from the effects of shipping its poor fruit and keeping the best quality for home consumption. Such action he said spoiled the eastern market, but now the fruit shipped compares favorably with that of any of the states not excepting California and the buyers are beginning to realize that fact.

Prof. R. S. Northrop made an interesting and instructive talk on "The Making of Fruit Buds." He said that the trees should have plenty of leaf and root surface. The root furnish the food and the leaves digest it. If the tree lacks in food material he said that buds would appear in the spring and extend four or five times as far as the head and it is necessary to keep the ground open so the roots can get air. The planting of a cover crop, either before or after the trees are set, the season he said would take up the extra water and if plowed under in the spring would furnish additional fertility to the soil and make it porous and give root hairs a better chance to develop.

Following are the other papers on the program today:

"The Work of an Inspector," John P. Sorenson, inspector of the state.

"Choosing and Planting the Tree," Hon. B. H. Bower, Provo.

"Care of the Peach Orchard," Robert E. Wilson, Ogden.

"Advantages of the Utah Horticultural," Hon. J. E. Cox, Salt Lake City.

"Early and Late Spraying for the Codling Moth," Prof. E. D. Ball, entomologist, exp. sta.

"Chemical Warfare," Hon. J. D. Wadley, Pleasant Grove.

"Discussion," Joseph Barker, Ogden.

"Marketable Fruit, from the Shipper's Standpoint," W. G. Cragun, Ogden.

## STREET DEPARTMENT.

### Supervisor Seddon Files His Quarterly Report—Expenditures \$14,250.

Street Supervisor Seddon has filed with the mayor his quarterly report for the quarter ending March 31, which shows that the total expenditures for the street and irrigation departments amounted to \$14,250.00. The street department did work and furnished materials for other departments of the city of the total value of \$372.80, leaving the net expenditures \$14,250.26.

The receipts for the street department were \$2,10 in cash and \$2.37 in labor performed. The cost of the street department was \$10,189.96 and the cost of the irrigation department was \$4,133.10. During the quarter there were four bridges built, 25 repaired, 62 new flumes put in and 160 repaired. There were also 15 stone cross walks put in.

The cost of the street sprinkling department was \$291.70, exclusive of \$1,363.66 paid for painting and repairing street sprinklers.

## AGAIN CONTINUED.

### Arraignment of Jones, Hanna and Martin Once More Postponed.

The arraignment of Jones, Hanna and Martin on the charge of conspiracy in connection with the county frauds in this county, was again continued today until nearly 10 o'clock morning. The continuance was made by Judge Ritchie upon motion of Atty. Soren J. Christensen, who stated that the defendants were not yet ready to enter their pleas.

## NEW RESORT.

### Simon Bamberger Secures an Option on Eighty Acres in Ogden Canyon.

Simon Bamberger has secured an option on 80 acres of land above the Hermitage in Ogden canyon which he proposes to improve in connection with the 100-year franchise secured last week for an extension of the Salt Lake & Ogden through the city. It is the intention of Mr. Bamberger to lease this property out to people anxious to erect summer cottages in a cool spot, at the same time he proposes to have a chance in each lease whereby it will be impossible to transfer or sell the holding to other parties without first getting the consent of the county, thereby insuring that only a desirable class will be tenants for all time. The property upon which Mr. Bamberger has secured an option is known as Winslow's. The name of it is to be changed to the Pines, on account of the trees in the vicinity. No hotel will be erected on the place and Mr. Bamberger announces that it is not his intention to enter into competition with Mr. Wilson at the Hermitage, as the new resort will be made up solely of summer cottages.

## ARBOR DAY SUGGESTION.

To the Editor:

From the governor's call to observe Arbor day on April 15, I notice particularly his recommendations of planting trees, shrubs, and vines around the public schools and buildings, in the state, which no doubt will be taken note of by those having such buildings in charge, and who will also, no doubt, clean up around said buildings, lay off grass plots, and plant clusters of shrubs where possible, so that the child may be early educated in the love of tree life. It seems appropriate in this connection to suggest that the different county commissioners designate a main thoroughfare through each county looking to a highway from the north to the south end of the state on which they will plant trees, shrubs, or vines on one side of the road this year. It may be feasible to allow rebates to property owners desiring or offering to plant trees alongside such designated roadway.

1861 joined the body of the Church in this valley, arriving here Sept. 15 of that year. Her home was always open to the Elders and in her 50 years' membership in the Church she remained true and faithful to every trust reposed in her. For 20 years she was closely associated with the families of Presidents Brigham Young and George Q. Cannon, and was known by them as an honest, God-fearing Latter-day Saint. She leaves two sons, one grandson, two nephews, a niece and eight great-grandchildren. Her parents were Edward and Mary Jones.

The funeral will be held in the thirty-third ward meeting room, Eleventh East between Fourth and Fifth South streets, Tuesday at 4 p. m. Friends are invited. Interment in city cemetery.

## WELLS-FARGO SALE.

### Return of Senator Smoot and Banker Hills Does Not Clear it Up.

The Wells-Fargo bank situation continues unchanged. There are quite a number of banking men and firms after the Salt Lake branch, but Cashier Miller stated this afternoon that as far as he knew nothing had been done one way or the other. Mr. Miller also said that the statements attributed to him by one of the morning papers was incorrect in that he had stated distinctly over the phone when called up that he knew nothing, and had nothing to say.

President L. S. Hills and Senator Reed Smoot of the Deseret National bank returned from their trip to Salt Lake yesterday afternoon. Mr. Hills stated that a "News" reporter that they had made no purchase of the Wells-Fargo bank in this city, and that as far as he knew, up to date no one had bought it. W. S. McCornick was in San Francisco, but he had not made any purchase either. Frank Knox has returned home and could assist for himself. Mr. Hills doubted if anything would be done for several days by the Wells-Fargo company relative to the offers made by prospective purchasers, and such action as might be taken, would be taken by the New York office. Mr. Knox had nothing to say relative to the reported offers, and Mr. McCornick will not be home for several days yet. Mr. Hills remarked that there seemed to be a good many people anxious to get the Salt Lake branch.

As far as can be learned from those not immediately concerned, none of the officials will give any utterances for publication, the real estate of the bank which it has occupied so long on Main street is not for sale. Local officers who are bidding for the Salt Lake institution will simply buy the bank's good will and take their chances as to its depositors following. It is understood that the Wells-Fargo & Co. local deposits amount to between \$700,000 and \$800,000, and any bank which bought out the institution would count on retaining from 70 to 80 per cent of the deposits. The Deseret National bank people are understood to be disinclined to make any actual bid for the bank, and those best informed think the race will be between Bankers McCornick and Knox.

## NEW YORK PLAGUE.

### Sunshine Seems to Have Stopped Cerebro Spinal Meningitis.

New York, April 10.—Like the first plague of cerebro spinal meningitis, which prevailed here in 1872, the present run of the mysterious disease is dying out. Physicians express the belief that it will have disappeared by May 1. The only explanation obtainable is that a light sunshine and a few days of balmy weather have accomplished that which baffled the medical fraternity.

The figures in the office of the register of vital statistics show that 830 persons, the majority of them children, have fallen victims so far. The number of deaths has been about 20 less than the week before.

At the various large hospitals it is announced that the number of applications for treatment is daily growing less, and that the condition of the patients shows more improvement than at any time since the epidemic began.

## THE SLEEP OF DEATH.

### Husband and Wife Die Within An Hour of Each Other.

New York, April 10.—Playmates in childhood, betrothed in youth and man and wife for more than 50 years, Howard and Mrs. Harbrouck, died within a few hours of each other at their home in this city. Both had been ill for several months. Rousing from the lethargy of his death bed, the aged husband feebly turned to his wife, who was lying beside him, who was breathing her last companion, who was breathing her last companion within touch of his hand. He murmured her name and she answered. Then both lapsed into a sleep from which they did not awaken. The husband passed away almost immediately. Mrs. Harbrouck lived several hours longer, but did not regain consciousness.

## GREAT HEBREW CELEBRATION.

New York, April 10.—Under the auspices of the Congregation Sharith Israel, the oldest synagogue in this city, a meeting has been held to arrange for the celebration of the 25th anniversary of the landing of the first Hebrew colonists in New York.

Thirty-five congregations and societies across the United States, originally it was intended merely as a celebration for the congregation but as the matter was talked over it developed into a plan for the observance of Hebrews throughout the United States. A committee of 15 headed by Jacob H. Schiff was appointed to prepare for the celebration.

## PRETTY GERTRUDE JACOBS.

### Coroner Will Investigate Her Mysterious Death.

Chicago, April 10.—Coroner Hoffman, today, will investigate the mysterious death of Gertrude Jacobs, a pretty girl, whose heart had been broken because she had been unable to reunite her divorced father and mother. Her lifeless body has been found lying face downward in her room in Jackson boulevard. In one hand was grasped a pencil and in the other a Bible, in which several passages on "love" had been marked. There was nothing to indicate the cause of death.

For 15 years the girl had sought to bring about a reuniting between her father, a wealthy merchant of Mansfield, Ohio and her mother, who was divorced when she was 12 years old. All her efforts to reunite the little family had been in vain and the trouble had preyed upon her mind until she had become melancholy.

## SENATOR T. C. PLATT AND EX-GOV. BLACK

### An Alliance Offensive and Defensive Has Been Entered Into by Them.

## MET AT 5TH AVE. HOTEL FRIDAY

### They Had a Long and Satisfactory Talk on New York Politics.

## TO CONTROL REPUBLICAN PARTY.

### Will Try and Out Ex-Gov. B. B. Odell—Other Leaders Will Be Invited to Join Them.

New York, April 10.—The New York Sun, which for years has been friendly to Senator T. C. Platt and has supported him in his efforts to lead the Republican party in this state, says today that an offensive alliance has been entered into between the senator and former Gov. Frank S. Black. The Sun says:

"Senator Platt and ex-Gov. Frank S. Black have had a long and 'satisfactory' talk at the Fifth Avenue