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## HEAVY BOMBARDMENT AT THE FRONT BELOW MUKDEN

### Big Guns in Action and the Firing is Constant--Report of Sinking of Rojstvensky's Flagship Denied at St. Petersburg--Report of General Nogi.

## GEN. STOESEL TO RETURN VIA JAPAN

### The Russian Press Declares Peace Talk is Absolutely Useless.

### IDEA OF ENDING THE WAR IS ABHORRENT AND WOULD BE A DISGRACE TO RUSSIA--JAPS SINK RUSSIAN SHIPS AT PORT ARTHUR--RAT SKINS USED FOR EAR MUFFS.

Og's Headquarters, Jan. 6.—During the last three days the bombardment has been the heaviest in six weeks. For two days following the fall of Port Arthur hardly a shot was fired but since then many heavy guns have been used and the firing is constant. The front is unchanged and indications are of a movement in the near future. The Japanese are using searchlights in the nightly celebrations of the victory at Port Arthur.

### Reports Untrue.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 6.—The report sent out last night by a Paris correspondent of the New York Herald to the effect that Vice Admiral Rojstvensky's flagship, Kniaz Zouvoroff, had struck a rock and foundered, is untrue.

### Report From Nogi.

Tokio Jan. 6.—A report from General Nogi received on Thursday says that he received Stoesel's request Nogi and Stoesel met at noon Thursday. The meeting was personal and lasted two hours but no details are given. A report received at noon today gives the details of Thursday's transfer of prisoners, showing that the Fifth, Thirteenth, Fourteenth, Fifteenth and Sixteenth Rifle regiments were transferred, with total 206 officers and 5,451 men.

### Had Not Arrived.

Cheloo, Jan. 6.—The authorities here are ready to receive the first portion of the one thousand resident non-combatants at Port Arthur, who are to come here. At ten o'clock to-night they had not arrived.

### To Return via Japan.

Tokio, Jan. 6.—General Stoesel and the other Russian officers who will leave Port Arthur on parole will return to their homes via Nagasaki.

### Peace Talk Useless.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 6.—Regarding the peace talk abroad, M. Sourvin, editor of the Novoe Vremya, in a signed editorial in that paper to-day, passionately declares that the voice of a nation should give an answer in order that the world might understand one for all Russia's position. The emperor, he added, should consult with representatives of the land as his predecessors did before the days of John the Terrible. While papers abroad now say that peace should be concluded without dishonor if peace were made, they would declare it disgraceful. What the people want he (M. Sourvin) cannot say, but the idea of ending the war at this juncture is abhorrent to him and the Russian people. If the inscriptions on the banners of demonstrators and the action of some of the Zemstvos in favor of peace represented the voice of the nation, it would mean the collapse of all of Russia's aspirations and farewell to her position in the Far East, and her dreams of an open road to the sea and the creation of a yellow peril in Asia which would threaten civilization and mean Russia's retirement into her muscovite shell, and the disappearance from the stage of this great power. The army, M. Sourvin further says, hold the honor and life of Russia in its hands. M. Sourvin then reviews sorrowfully the words of bitter humiliations suffered in the Far and the chances for the future. In concluding, he declares the war must decide and weigh the consequences, but the editor says the people must be united as "Russia's position and the fate of the world depend on the result of the war."

### Russian Vessels Sunk.

Tokio, Jan. 6.—The navy department announces that the Japanese navy destroyed at Port Arthur has sunk the following Russian war vessels in that harbor: The Gaidamak and the Russian Cruiser Bayan. The Japanese Cruiser Bayan is lying on the south coast of the harbor severely damaged, and the gunboat

### Encounter Between Strikers and Cossacks.

Baku, Caucasus, Jan. 6.—In an encounter between strikers and cossacks at Balakany yesterday six strikers and one cossack were killed and many persons wounded.

## RETIRING GOVERNOR ON POLITICAL CORRUPTION

### Durbin, of Indiana Says Time Has Come for Application of Drastic Remedial Measures to the Plague.

Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 6.—Mr. Durbin, governor of Indiana, in his annual message to the legislature said to-day concerning political corruption: "The time has come for drastic remedial measures to the plague of corruption which is fastening itself upon our politics to an extent appalling to those who look forward to the ultimate in the sort of progress that has been made along these lines in recent years. We have in Indiana advanced legislation for the protection of the purity of the ballot, but the statistics of political debauchery in this state for 1904, if it were possible to present them, would be not far short of astounding. I am informed by unquestioned authority that in a single county in Indiana casting in 1902 a little more than 500 votes there were in the last campaign nearly 1,200 voters regularly listed as purchasable and that \$15,000 raised by assessment from candidates and otherwise were spent by the contending political parties in the effort to control the county. "Instances have come to my attention during the past few weeks where in contests for township trustees voters have brought \$25 and \$30 each. Our present need is legislation framed in the light of a clearer conception of the enormity of the offense involved in the purchase or sale of a vote. Our present statute is farcical, as it places no penalty on the vote-buyer. I believe consideration should be given to the advisability of requiring the gradual introduction of voting machines. "I suggest the advisability of a law prohibiting the remarriage of divorced persons for a reasonable period after the divorce and substitution of separate maintenance in many cases. "State regulation of private banks is urged, also a law regulating automobiles on the public highways and a law creating a state fire marshal. As a parting warning to the legislature the governor says: "If reports current can be credited this session of the legislature will be called upon to resist the importunities of the most corrupt professional lobby that has visited itself upon any general assembly in the history of the state. Already the names of members of the general assembly are being used and the necessity of large sums of money to prevent needless legislation or to pay questionable measures is being spoken of."

## Simple Rites at Funeral of Well Known Musician

Chicago, Jan. 6.—The funeral of Theodore Thomas in St. James Episcopal church took place to-day with simple rites. By the request of the family, no floral offerings were sent. Details of the Chicago Federation of Musicians' request to furnish a large band was made when it was decided not to hold an elaborate funeral and the Rev. James S. Stone was even requested to refrain from a special sermon. Only the burial service of the Episcopal church was said. Although simple the service was imposing by reason of the notable attendance of musicians and representative Chicagoans and assistance of the "wind choir" of the orchestra which attended as an organization at the church and afterward formed part of the cortege to the receiving vault at Graceland cemetery, where the body will be kept until forwarded for interment to New York. A Public Bequest. Chicago, Jan. 6.—The announcement of a public bequest of Theodore Thomas's unique musical library—a rare collection of scores and parts and manuscripts from the famous masters—is to be made within a month. During his entire career the leader collected scores of manuscripts, many of which were presented to him by the authors. The library is valued at \$300,000. Every year he added to it, with the result that it is the most valuable private collection of its kind in America. Some of the original scores of Wadd, Lisset and other composers, it is said, will be presented to the public library. A collection of programs which Mr. Thomas had preserved in book form, probably will be donated to the Newberry Library. The Chicago orchestra, although the formal announcement of the disposal of the gift is withheld until a later season, probably will receive the bulk of the bequest. To Honor His Memory. New York, Jan. 6.—Programs rendered by the Philharmonic orchestra in its public rehearsal to-day and the regular concert at Carnegie Hall tomorrow night will be arranged as tributes to the memory of Theodore Thomas, who was for many years the conductor of the society. The concert at the Metropolitan Opera House on Sunday night will also be made a memorial to the late leader of the Chicago orchestra. All the soloists will render music appropriate to the occasion.

## Nan Becomes Hysterical When Bail is Refused

New York, Jan. 6.—Justice Greenbaum in the supreme court to-day denied the application of Nan Patterson for bail pending a new trial for the murder of Caesar Young. The fair prisoner became hysterical this afternoon when Abram Levy, her counsel, went to the toms and informed her of Justice Greenbaum's decision. She wept copiously and refused to be comforted. Later in the day, when her father visited her an affecting scene took place. The young woman tried to restrain her feelings, but finally threw her arms around her father's neck and burst into tears. He, too, was overcome and it became necessary to send him home in a cab.

## HOUSE BLOWN UP WITH DYNAMITE

### BUILDING OCCUPIED BY WEALTHY TENNESSEE NEGRO COMPLETELY WRECKED.

Nashville, Tenn., Jan. 6.—Near Petersburg, Tenn., dynamite was exploded under the house of Joseph Short, a prominent colored man, and half of the structure completely wrecked. One of Short's sons was fatally injured. The Short's are very wealthy negroes, having been left a portion of the estate by their former owners many years ago.

### Notes for Redemption.

Washington, Jan. 6.—National bank notes received to-day for redemption, \$1,136,422; government receipts from internal revenue, \$1,023,892; customs, \$886,742; miscellaneous, \$66,865; expenditures, \$1,000,000.

## COLORADO LEGISLATURE HAS EXCITING SESSION

### Passed Resolution Appointing Committee of Fifteen to Canvass Vote Cast for Governor.

## CONFLICT FOR SPEAKERSHIP

### BETWEEN LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR AND SPEAKER DICKSON CAUSED MUCH CONFUSION. STATE SENATORS BOLTED, BUT ACTION WAS NOT RECOGNIZED AND COMMITTEE WAS APPOINTED.

Denver, Jan. 6.—Behind locked doors and amid scenes of great confusion and excitement the Colorado legislature to-day passed a resolution creating a committee of fifteen members to canvass the vote cast for governor at the last election and submit a final report to the legislature not later than 2 o'clock next Monday afternoon. The committee is composed of five senators and ten representatives, the political division being twelve republicans and three democrats. Trouble began with the first sitting of the joint session and continued until its close. It was understood before the meeting that there would be a conflict over the respective rights of Speaker Dickson and Lieutenant Governor Haggott to preside over the joint session. The speaker based his opinion of his right to preside on a section of the state constitution which says that immediately upon the organization of the house the speaker shall open and publish the election returns in the presence of a majority of both branches of the legislature. Lieutenant Governor Haggott construed his right to direct the proceedings on a statute which declares that in conducting any contested election the General Assembly shall convene in joint session and the president of the senate shall preside unless he is a contestant. Legal advice was given to each gentleman that his position was correct. Confusion at once resulted when Mr. Haggott took up a position beside the speaker to direct the joint session at the opening this morning. Mr. Dickson refused to give way. "The clerk of the house will call the roll," said Speaker Dickson with a thump of his gavel. "The clerk of the senate will call the roll of the senate," said Lieutenant Governor Haggott, and immediately the two clerks began calling the rolls amid great confusion. Representative Frewen arose, "Mr. Frewen, you are out of order," said Lieutenant Governor Haggott. Bang went two gavels in the hands of the speaker's desk who refused to give way. During the great confusion Mr. Frewen was speaking but his voice was not distinguishable. When the motion to adjourn came to vote the eyes and noses sounded in about equal volume. "The eyes have it, and the joint session is dissolved," shouted Mr. Haggott. "The noses have it and the motion is lost," shouted Speaker Dickson. Whack! went the lieutenant governor's gavel. "The assembly is dissolved," he shouted. "The assembly is not dissolved," called Speaker Dickson. The senators filed out when the lieutenant governor again called out that the joint session was dissolved. A number of senators remained in the hall to watch proceedings. Speaker Dickson refused to recognize the passing out of the senators and declared the joint session still in progress and after a motion a committee to canvass the vote was appointed.

## Washington Poison Squad Will Reassemble Monday

Washington, Jan. 6.—The so-called "poison squad," consisting of department of agricultural clerks who have volunteered for service in carrying out the food preservative and coloring matter experiments of Chemist Wiley will reassemble next Monday and continue the experiments until March, probably concerning the effects of artificial coloring of food on the system. They will then have a respite until the middle of April when the work will be resumed until July. While continuation of these experiments beyond that date has not been finally determined upon, it is probable that during next year a similar squad will be utilized under the same strict rules for carrying on experiments as to cold storage food products. These tests will have in view the determining of the exact effect of cold storage on foods and the rapidity of the development of bacteria under cold storage conditions.

## To Present Loving Cup To Reformed Gambler

New York, Jan. 6.—"Doc" Owen, well known on the Atlantic liners, and who some time ago attained considerable notoriety by suing to have his picture removed from the roques' gallery, is to be presented with a loving cup. This is the story brought in by the White Star line steamer Cedric, which arrived from London. When the Cedric sailed from this port on December 7, "Doc" Owen was one of her passengers. He had announced some time before that he had been converted and no longer played cards. He stuck to his resolution, and did not attempt to play. All the passengers knew who Owen was, but he soon became very popular. He told stories, gave his decision on fine points in card playing, and before the other side was reached his fellow passengers, it is said, had contributed \$100 for the purchase of a loving cup, which is to be presented to him in London "in memory of a pleasant voyage."

## MYSTERIOUSLY DISAPPEARED

### PROMINENT YOUNG MAN OF DALLAS, GA., MISSING SINCE SATURDAY NIGHT.

Dallas, Ga., Jan. 6.—C. B. Spinks, a young man prominent in the social and religious life of this place, and a member of the dry goods firm of Griffin, Spinks & Co., left on the 6:40 evening train Saturday and has not been heard from since. He left two letters in his room at his boarding house, one addressed to his father, J. W. Spinks, the other to his partner in business, Thomas Griffin, in which he said he was mentally run down and heart broken, and that he either had to leave the United States or commit suicide, and of the two had decided to do the former. No reason was given for his sudden departure. The whole affair is shrouded in mystery. His business affairs were found to be in a most prosperous condition. To-night no one has a clue as to what his troubles are, and his relatives and friends are awaiting developments. "Bunk" Spinks, as he is known to his friends, stood as high in the estimation of the people as any young man in this section of the state, and the outcome of his troubles, whatever they may be, is awaited with intense interest.

## RESCUED FROM SINKING CRAFT

### SIX SAILORS LANDED IN NEW YORK HAD TERRIBLE EXPERIENCE AT SEA.

New York, Jan. 6.—Six men of the crew of the little Lockport, N. S., schooner Julia S. were brought here to-day on board the steamer Prinz Adalbert, having abandoned their vessel on Christmas day after a prolonged winter gale. They were rescued in the sinking craft by the German steamer Nubia, bound from New York for the Orient, and were transferred to the Prinz Adalbert a week ago. All the members of the ship's apparatus had recovered from their experience when they arrived here to-day.

### Trading in Stocks.

New York, Jan. 6.—Small dealings were quite evident at the meeting of the stock market this morning. The trading was languid and indifferent. Ontario and Western rose a fraction, and Pacific Mail declined 3/4. Otherwise changes were quite insignificant.

## SPECIAL SESSION OF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

### Jury List Was Selected by the New Board, and Other Important Business Was Transacted.

## CHAIRMAN AVERY MAKES DECISION

### NO BUSINESS CAN BE TRANSACTED AT SPECIAL SESSION, EXCEPT THAT FOR WHICH IT IS CALLED--SHORTER MEETINGS WILL BE HELD BY THE NEW BOARD.

The County Commissioners met in special session last night, Chairman Avery presiding and Commissioners Steward, Wiggins, Andrews and Sennot present. The meeting was held for the purpose of selecting a jury list from the list of registered voters in the county and it occupied considerable time. Frequent calls to the work for which the meeting was called, however, Dr. S. M. Gonzalez, county health officer, asked that the board consider a petition which he presented requesting his re-appointment, and also investigate the charges which he alleged had been made against him by the grand jury. Chairman Avery ruled that as the meeting had been called for a special purpose, this matter would have to go over till the regular meeting, next Tuesday night—a ruling which was sustained by the board and to which Dr. Gonzalez agreed. Chairman Avery also took occasion to say that hereafter all petitions, applications for appointment, and other requests of similar nature would have to be over to regular meetings and that they would also be advertised through the papers so that every one interested would have a chance to appear and be heard. The Finance Committee. Chairman Avery announced that he had appointed Commissioners Steward and Sennot as members of the finance committee and he took occasion to emphasize the importance of that committee's duties. After the transaction of the business for which the meeting was called, the members entered into an informal discussion as to the future procedure of the board. The chairman, who had formerly occupied public positions of this character, emphasized the fact that there was no necessity whatever for lengthy sessions, as the business could be transacted within two hours as well as four, provided the finance committee could prepare its report in time for presentation to the board at the regular hour of convening. There was some discussion upon the question, but every member agreed that the business could be done within a short time, and that lengthy sessions, such as had been indulged in by the old board, were not necessary. The board, after considerable discussion, decided that hereafter their sessions would convene at 7 o'clock, and Chairman Avery ordered that the meeting adjourn to next Tuesday night at this hour.

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## GUNBOAT TOPEKA EXPECTED SOON

### WILL COME TO THE PENSACOLA NAVY YARD FOR GENERAL OVERHAULING.

The gunboat Topeka is expected to be the next naval vessel to enter this port and go to the local navy yard for repairs. The vessel which is now cruising with a large number of apprentices on board, will reach here within the next few weeks, and will remain for some time, during which time she will receive a general overhauling and repair at the hands of the workmen at the local yard. The Topeka is attached to the Atlantic Training Squadron, and is one of the vessels which will later go to Cuba and participate in the maneuvers of the combined fleet, later returning to this port for the annual target practice. The Hartford, which arrived here Thursday, has not yet been taken out on the docks, owing to the fact that some of the material has not yet arrived but it is anticipated that she will go into dock during the coming week.

## ROBBER GETS HEAVY BOOTY

### DISAPPEARED WITH TRUNK CONTAINING BONDS AND JEWELRY VALUED AT \$44,400.

New York, Jan. 6.—Mrs. W. L. Cunningham, a young woman claiming Chicago as her home, has reported to the police that baggage stolen from her Tuesday last contained \$40,000 worth of negotiable bonds, in addition to clothing and jewelry valued at \$1,400. She reported the loss of the baggage yesterday, but made no mention of the bonds, merely stating that the trunk contained a lot of valuable clothing. She has been visiting here for some months and occupied apartments in West Forty-sixth street. Deciding to return to Chicago she engaged an expressman, but after sending off her baggage, suddenly changed her mind about going and told the express agent to have her property returned. A wagon was sent to the railway station, but failed to return and several hours later the police picked up the horse and wagon down town. No trace has yet been found of the driver. Other goods also placed in the driver's care also disappeared.

### Prize Fight Declared Off.

San Francisco, Jan. 6.—The match between Joe Gans and Jimmy Gardner, scheduled to take place in this city on January 27 has been declared off. Gardner wired his refusal to appear, saying he had a fight on in Denver on January 25. As a substitute for this event, Frankie Niel, of this city, and Tommy Murphy, of Philadelphia, have agreed to meet at bantamweight.

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