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Uncle Sam now has the deed to the Panama canal strip. Nothing more remains but to dig the canal.

The fate of the Chicago street-car bandits ought to discourage the sale of dime novels for the time being, but it is very doubtful if it does.

There is a judge in Pennsylvania who holds that a man needn't tell his wife how much he earns. Of course he needn't. She'll find that out after he hangs his trousers up at night.

King Edward has taken another run over to Ireland and was heartily welcomed. The king seems to be winning his way with the Irish by the sensible method of becoming better acquainted.

Admiral Alexieff has tendered his resignation because Skryloff is his enemy. This is pretty early in the game for internal strife, and such incidents always count as another victory for Japan.

France and England have come to an understanding, and it is said, King Edward is striving to bring about friendly relations between his country and Russia. Why not keep up the good work until the mutual understanding includes all nations?

And now Mme. Nordica, the prima donna, has taken her husband to task because in the past eight years he has spent \$300,000. The charge is the unreasonable of some women is beyond comprehension.

If the government makes an age limit for civil service employes it could hardly be fixed beyond the point of 70 years. At that age most men, if not past their usefulness, are at least not much less active than formerly, and can hardly fill clerical positions satisfactorily.

There is no telling about wheat. It used to be said that heavy snows were good for the crop, and surely snows were both heavy and continuous enough to serve as a protection for the fields this year. But now a large part of the crop in several states has been winter killed. It seems to be an uncertain quantity.

Brigham H. Roberts, of Utah, told the senate committee that when he married his third wife he did not tell wives Nos. 1 and 2, for fear they might be embarrassed by his knowledge. How dreadfully embarrassed the two ladies must have been, then, when he took wife No. 3 with him to Washington at the time he tried to break into the house of representatives.

The recent disclosures in the Smoot case, taken in connection with others which have already been made, justify the broadening of the original investigation and the collection of evidence showing precisely what is the attitude of the Mormon church toward the laws. By comparison with this question the right of Mr. Smoot to retain his seat is a matter of minor importance.

In the present war in the far east the Russians have not, thus far, shown any evidence of ability in sea fighting. They can buy ships, but they do not know how to handle them. Their greatest ambition is to be a naval power, but as yet they have not shown any ability in that direction. The Japanese, born and brought up on the edge of the water, are natural sailors and sea fighters.

In Melbourne, in the first election in the commonwealth of Australia since the franchise was given to women, an unforeseen result was the doubling of the labor vote, whereas the vote of other classes advanced but slightly. The wives and daughters of working men went to the polls "to a man," and voted for the labor candidates, the richer women are said to have paid slight attention to the election.

It having been demonstrated by scientific investigation and practical experience that "consumption," the most prevalent and fatal of all diseases, is communicable, preventable, and in its early stages curable, no more important or necessary work can be taken up by those anxious to do something for the good of others than the organized efforts now making in various parts of the country to fight the great white plague. States and municipalities are taking up the duty by providing institutions for the special treatment of the afflicted.

What relic of murderous barbarism is war? Were a single individual, having a difference with another, to go out and kill him, the slayer would but face the gallows. We demand that because we claim to be civilized. Civilized! The world is not yet half way on the path of civilization! Slaughter by thousands is only a vaster murder than the slaying of one. The nation is as responsible as the individual, yet the nation hotly perpetrates the more enormous crime and the deed is palliated and condoned by a world not yet capable of realizing what it does.

Under the change in the constitution of Mexico which has just been adopted lengthening out the presidential term to six years, Gen. Diaz will be entitled to serve till 1910. Gen. Diaz has been at the head of the republic ever since 1876 except for a single four years, in the early part of the period, when the constitution forbade any president to immediately succeed himself. This was changed in Diaz's interest, and also in the interest of his country, and that personage has been at the head of the government continuously ever since. After 1910 he will probably insist on retiring.

It is reported that the recent appalling disaster on the battleship Missouri will lead to the appointment by the authorities at Washington of a special board to canvass improvements in the mechanism employed in practice with the heavy guns. American mechanical ingenuity, instructed now as to special dangers, should be equal to the work of devising improvements and appliances for lessening the risk of this class of mishaps. Danger must always exist where great quantities of powerful explosives are stored and handled, but there must be a minimum point of risk

A WEEK'S HISTORY

The Important Happenings of a Week Briefly Told.

IN ALL PARTS OF THE UNION

All the Latest News of Interest from Washington, From the East, the West and the South.

THE LATEST FOREIGN DISPATCHES

FIFTY-EIGHTH CONGRESS.

Summary of Daily Proceedings in the Senate and House.

The United States senate on the 26th passed the military academy appropriation bill, the last of the supply measures. In the house Mr. Dalzell renewed his charge that Bourke Cockran accepted money for making republican speeches in the campaign of 1896. Mr. Cockran indignantly denied the accusation, and presented a resolution to create a commission to investigate the charges. No action was taken on the resolution, a point of order being raised against it, and Speaker Cannon asked for time to consider the point.

Final conference reports on the sundry civil, general deficiency, post office and the military academy appropriation bills were agreed to in the senate on the 27th, practically without opposition. In the house Messrs. Littlefield (Me.) and Williams (Miss.) made speeches of a political nature intended for the coming presidential campaign. Speaker Cannon ruled that the Cockran resolution for an investigation of the Dalzell charges that Cockran had campaigned for McKinley for "hire" in 1896, was not a privileged matter.

The Fifty-eighth congress was declared adjourned by President Pro Tem. Frye in the senate and by Speaker Cannon in the house. The president went to the capitol and signed many bills. The closing session of the house was made notable by the demonstration which was evoked by the adoption of a resolution offered by Mr. Williams, the minority leader, testifying to the courtesy and impartial manner in which Speaker Cannon had presided over the house.

FROM WASHINGTON.

The senate considered the nomination of William D. Crum to be collector of the port of Charleston, S. C. A failure to confirm the appointment resulted.

The house is informed by Attorney General Knox that the anthracite trust hearing will be resumed as a result of the supreme court's decision that the production of books can be compelled.

Appropriations made by congress aggregate \$781,574,629. However, the total appropriations for expenses of government were \$698,272,786. The total estimated revenues for the year are \$704,472,000.

The president has directed the reappointment of W. D. Crum as collector of customs at Charleston, S. C. The president has received positive assurance that the senate will dispose finally of Crum's case immediately on reconvening next session.

THE EAST.

Harris E. Dexter, the 14-year-old Randolph boy who has been on trial in Dedham, Mass., on a charge of causing the death of his brother Parker, was found not guilty.

Property valued at \$200,000 in a fire at the John Stanley soap works in New York.

The board of education of New York rescinded its order forbidding the marriage of women teachers, and dropped its opposition to the reinstatement of teachers removed for violating the rule.

More than 5,000,000 bushels of coal have been shipped south from Pittsburgh on the present rise in the rivers.

It is said that E. M. Withered, charged with obtaining \$18,800 on raised bank drafts from the Nassau Trust company, Brooklyn, has been arrested at Alpena, Mich.

WEST AND SOUTH.

A farmer named Woods was killed near Ottumwa, Ia., by John Harris (colored). They had quarreled over a horse trade.

A force of 30,000 men is rushing work on the St. Louis world's fair, in order to get the grounds in order for the opening.

The former residence of Gen. U. S. Grant in Galena was presented to that city by Gen. Frederick D. Grant at the commemoration of the war hero's birthday.

The National Municipal league at the opening of its convention in Chicago reported satisfactory progress during the year in purifying municipal governments.

George Matthews killed Green Henderson in a quarrel over a young woman at Middleboro, Ky., and fled to the mountains.

Col. Robert Mann Woods, of Joliet, was elected department commander of Illinois G. A. R. at the encampment at Springfield.

Fifty 20,000 acres of farm lands are under water north of Hannibal, Mo., and wheat crops are ruined.

At Grafton, W. Va., a monument was unveiled in the National cemetery to the memory of Bailey Brown, the first soldier killed in the civil war.

A new warship, the armored cruiser California, was launched at the ship yards of the Union Iron Works in San Francisco.

FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE.

Payment of \$400,000,000 was made to the Panama Canal company in Paris, and the title to all the company's property now is held by the United States government.

It is reported that a Russian submarine boat sunk a Japanese transport with a loss of 600.

The force of Japanese which crossed the Yalu river north of Euljiu, charged a Russian position near Lizavena in the night and was repulsed with considerable loss. Two gunboats which ascended the river to protect the crossing, were driven back by the fire from a Russian field battery.

Through the caving in of a coal mine at Tocina, Seville, many miners were buried. Fifty bodies have been recovered.

A force of Russians is reported to have met a serious defeat after a two days' battle along the Yalu river.

A number of torpedo boats belonging to the Vladivostok squadron sunk the Japanese transport Kinshiu-Maru during the night of April 26, and 200 soldiers, who refused to surrender, were drowned. Prisoners to the number of 187 were taken. The czar is reported to be in a state of alarm at the news of the Japanese, and may order the commander of the squadron relieved and court-martialed.

LATER NEWS.

The German commandant in southwest Africa has called for immediate assistance. Emperor William has assumed personal direction of affairs.

New York theaters, failing to be given a clean bill by the building and fire departments, will be closed at the expiration of their licenses April 30.

D. J. Seully, the deposed "cotton king," announces that he has quit as a cotton speculator and will organize a company for the scientific handling of cotton.

Two indictments for grand larceny were returned at New York against David Rotenschild, former president of the Federal bank, and now held under \$25,000 bail.

James Delchil and Friend Amicon were electrocuted at the quarries of the Columbus Co., Stone company as the result of a telephone wire falling across a highly charged wire.

James Loeb and ten friends, it is said, will give \$1,000,000 to endow a conservatory of music at New York, the interest from the fund to be used to pay salaries of instructors.

The Supreme Council Knights of Columbus, a Roman Catholic order, has refused to pay the death benefit due the estate of ex-Mayor Patrick Doughlin, of Bridgeport, Conn., because the latter was a Mason.

CRUM REAPPOINTED.

President Roosevelt Again Names Him as Collector of Customs at Charleston, S. C.

Washington, April 30.—President Roosevelt on Thursday directed the reappointment of W. D. Crum as collector of customs at Charleston, S. C. The president has received positive assurance that the senate will take up Crum's case immediately on reconvening next session and that it will be disposed of finally. Until he is confirmed, Crum cannot draw any salary, but it is said that his friends have arranged to see that he is provided with ample funds. Should he be confirmed the government, of course, will pay him the back salary.

Pritchard's Successor Appointed.

Washington, April 30.—Wendell Phillips Stafford, Vermont, has been appointed justice of the supreme court of the District of Columbia, to succeed Justice Peter C. Pritchard, who has been made a United States circuit judge.

THE MARKETS.

Grain, Provisions, Etc.

Chicago, April 29.
FLOUR—Firm. Spring wheat, special brands, \$4.50; Minnesota hard patents, \$4.64; Minnesota, hard spring, straight, \$4.40; winter wheat, patents, \$4.80; 80%
WHEAT—Higher. Cash, No. 2 hard, \$89.25; May, \$85.00; July, \$85.00; September, \$84.00.
CORN—Steady to firm. Cash, No. 2, 48 1/2; 49 1/2; May, 46 1/2; July, 47 1/2; September, 46 1/2.
OATS—Unsettled. Cash, No. 2, 28c; May, 28 1/2; July, 28 1/2; September, 27 1/2.

RYE—Firm but quiet. No. 2, in store, 60c; sample lots, 70c; May delivery, 71c.
BULWATER—Firm. Moderate demand. Feeder's small. Screenings, 30c; 30c; 30c; mixing bulw, 30c; 30c; 30c; choice, 40c; 40c; fair to good, 40c; choice, 40c.
BUTTER—Market feeling steady and unchanged. Creameries, per lb., 14c; dairies, 12c; 12c; 12c.
EGGS—Tame and less active. Fresh eggs, at mark, new cases returned, 15c; 16c per dozen; prime firsts, 16c.
LIVE POULTRY—Market dull and unchanged. Turkeys, per lb., 12c; chickens, 10c; 10c; 10c; ducks, 12c; 12c.
POTATOES—Market steady and more active. Burbank, good to choice, per bu., \$1.75; 1.75; 1.75; Rural, good to choice, \$1.50; 1.50.

New York, April 29.
FLOUR—Steady.
WHEAT—Opened barely steady, but quiet. July, 85 1/2; September, 83 1/2.
RYE—Steady. No. 2 western, 70c spot.
CORN—Dull but steady.
OATS—Nominal.

Live Stock.

Chicago, April 29.
CATTLE—Good to heavy beefs, \$5.50; 5.50; 5.50; fair to good export and shipping steers, \$4.75; 4.75; 4.75; medium beef steers, \$4.10; 4.10; inferior and plain steers, \$3.60; 3.60; 3.60; fat cows and heifers, \$4.00; 4.00; 4.00; good to choice feeders, \$3.60; 3.60; 3.60; fair stockers and feeders, \$2.60; 2.60; 2.60; fat cows and heifers, \$2.60; 2.60; 2.60; cutting and fair beef cows, \$2.60; 2.60; 2.60; calves, good to fancy, \$2.60; 2.60; 2.60; common to fair, \$2.40; 2.40; 2.40; corn-fed west, \$2.40; 2.40; 2.40; Texas bulls and thin steers, \$2.50; 2.50; 2.50; fed Texas steers, fair to choice, \$3.00; 3.00; 3.00.
HOGS—Fair to fancy heavy shipping, \$4.90; 4.90; fair to good butcher weights, \$4.90; 4.90; 4.90; fat to good heavy packing, \$4.70; 4.70; 4.70; rough to choice heavy mixed, \$4.70; 4.70; 4.70; assorted light, \$4.70; 4.70; 4.70; good to choice light mixed, \$4.80; 4.80; 4.80; inferior light mixed, \$4.60; 4.60; 4.60; poor to choice, \$3.50; 3.50; 3.50.

THE JOYS OF PEACE.



MORAL—Better Stay on the Porch.

FOUR LIVES LOST IN A HOTEL FIRE

THREE PERSONS ARE CREMATED IN BURNING OF A LANSING HOSTELRY.

OTHER VICTIM FALLS FROM OPEN WINDOW

Bodies Are Recovered from Ruins of the Bryan House—Two Firemen and Several Boarders Injured—Explosion the Cause.

Lansing, Mich., April 30.—Four lives were lost Thursday night in the burning of the Bryan house, a three-story brick structure on East Michigan avenue, the first floor of which was used as a machine shop. The dead:

Jerome C. Stiles, Grand Rapids.
John Voland, Lansing.
James Ray, Lansing.

Stiles fell from an upper window soon after the fire broke out, and died from his injuries at the hospital. The other three victims were burned to death, their charred bodies not being found until daylight permitted a search of the ruins. Several other boarders and two firemen were cut and burned during the progress of the fire, but their injuries are not serious. A large tank of gasoline in the basement of the building exploded a few minutes after the fire broke out, scattering flames all over the building and making it impossible to render assistance to the inmates. The financial loss is about \$5,000.

BELIEVE DANGER IS PASSED.

Rise in Mississippi Expected to End Soon—Illinois Lowlands Badly Flooded.

St. Louis, April 30.—Belief that all danger from high water is now passed was expressed Friday by Mayor Cook, of East St. Louis, and Mayor Judd, of Granite City. The gradual rise of the Mississippi is expected to end soon, and if a crest no higher than the predicted stage of 34 feet is reached, the damage will be comparatively small, it is stated.

The Mississippi at Hannibal is stationary and thousands of acres of bottom lands are covered. At Alton the water is at a standstill, and the few who needed aid have been cared for.

The levees at Granite City, Madison and Venice, on the Illinois side, are all in good condition and, it is declared, able to stand a much higher stage. The break at Venice in the Chicago & Alton embankment has been repaired. The lowlands south of East St. Louis are badly flooded, as a result of the break in the levee at Venice, but all the families living in the inundated section have moved.

New York, April 30.—Twenty-five families have been driven from their homes in St. Raymond's Park, Bronx borough, by the overflowing waters of Cebic creek. Property was damaged to the extent of several thousands of dollars. The flooded district is about one mile square in area on both sides of the creek. Fifty persons were rescued from the flooded houses by Westchester police, who hastily improvised rafts for the purpose.

The flood was caused by an unusually high tide, which brought a rush of water from Long Island sound into the creek and over the lowlands at St. Raymond's Park.

Another Company Absorbed.

New York, April 30.—Chairman Gary, of the United States Steel corporation, makes formal announcement of the purchase from the Crucible Steel company of the Clairton Steel company properties. The properties will be paid for by guarantee of the United States Steel corporation of securities heretofore issued by the Clairton company, aggregating less than \$13,000,000.

Will Use Old Fort.

Omaha, Neb., April 30.—The war department has decided to rehabilitate old Fort Omaha and establish a signal station training school at the old fort. The grounds are commodious and are said to be well adapted to the purpose. Gen. Chaffee has notified local representatives that about \$30,000 will be made available to begin the work in about 60 days.

All Arranged.

"No, Adele, you cannot have tonight. Miss Genie will arrive some time to-day, and will want you to arrange her hair for the reception this evening."

"O, I have arranged it, madam, and it's up in her room awaiting her."

Comfort.

Mr. Gotrox—"What! Would you take my daughter from me? Why, she is all I have to comfort me in my old age!"

Lord Notosant—"Gad! I thought you had \$2,000,000!"—Puck.

CLOSING DETAILS OF THE TRANSFER

J. PIERPONT MORGAN ARRANGING PANAMA PAYMENT FOR THE UNITED STATES.

AMERICA'S INTERESTS ARE SAFEGUARDED

Final Payment Will Be Made in Paris—Money to Be Transferred in Small Amounts to Avoid Strain on the Market.

Paris, April 29.—The final details of the big financial operations involved in the Panama payment are almost concluded, the expectation being that an agreement will be reached by Saturday. J. Pierpont Morgan is personally directing the transaction, and the indications are that he and a number of American financiers whom he is associating with will consummate the transfer of the funds. It is Mr. Morgan's intention to add some of the leading Paris banks to share in the transaction, but the carrying out of the plan will be essentially in American hands.

A correspondent of the press saw Mr. Morgan Friday. While no statement can be attributed to him, the correspondent is enabled to indicate from this and other sources the main features of the payment, as follows:

Will Pay in Installments.

The transfer of the \$40,000,000 from the United States to Europe will be made so as not to disarrange the money market of either country. For this purpose the total will be divided into a number of smaller amounts, leaving America at intervals and not causing a strain at any one time. Moreover, it is pointed out, as the bulk of the payment comes from the treasury without its drawing on the banks, there will be no undue strain on the banks.

The depositary of the money here will be the Banque de France, but until the money is actually deposited in the Banque de France it will remain the property of the United States. The final payment to the company will thus be made in Paris instead of the United States. This is one of the most important details of the plan, as it will prevent the possible efforts of claimants to tie up a portion of the amount after it passes out of the hands of the United States and before it passes into the hands of the company.

The retention of the ownership of the \$40,000,000 until it is actually turned over to the Banque de France will obviate the chances of litigation in regard to the company's right to the money. The interests of the United States are also completely safeguarded.

It is said that the banking transaction involves little or no profit for Mr. Morgan, but that he is largely because his exchange facilities are being used to serve the government advantageously. It is also understood that whatever cost is involved the amount will not come from the United States.

MEMORIAL TO MARK HANNA.

Progress of Movement to Endow Chair of Political Science in Ohio University.

Washington, April 30.—For the purpose of imparting impetus to the movement to endow a chair of political science in Western Reserve university, at Cleveland, O., as a memorial to the late Senator Hanna, William G. Osbridge came to Washington Thursday.

He is secretary of the Marcus A. Hanna Memorial Chair association, and after leaving Washington will visit Baltimore, Philadelphia and Boston.

The association has started out to raise \$150,000 as an endowment fund and already subscriptions have begun to come in. The desire of the promoters is that contributions shall come from all classes of people, rich and in moderate circumstances alike.

Mr. Osbridge expects to call upon a number of the late Senator Hanna's colleagues in the senate and other prominent officials in public life. He already has received letters from 20 or 30 senators endorsing the memorial movement and expressing a wish to aid in a friendly way.

Work of an Assassin.

Erivan, Russia, April 30.—An attempt has been made to assassinate the district governor of Echmiadzin. He was struck by two bullets. One of them penetrated his chest. The motive of the attempt was political. Erivan is capital of a government of the same name and situated 115 miles south-southwest of Tiflis, Russian Transcaucasia. Echmiadzin is the ecclesiastical capital of Armenia, in the Russian dominions.

Payne Returns to Washington.

Washington, April 30.—Postmaster General Payne returned Friday from Charleston, S. C., after an absence of several weeks, spent in cruising along the Atlantic coast and in West Indian waters. He is improved in health, though still complaining of a slight attack of gout in one foot. He expects to return to his desk at the post office department Saturday.

Kills Wife and Self.

Augusta, Me., April 30.—H. E. Osgood, of Hiram, Me., shot and mortally wounded his wife on the St. John express, on the Maine Central railroad, late Thursday night, and then shot himself, dying shortly after being removed from the train here. Mrs. Osgood expired Friday at the Augusta City hospital. The tragedy was due to domestic difficulties.

House Robbed Then Burned.

Portsmouth, O., April 30.—The home of Thomas Sikes, at Wheelersburg, was burglarized Thursday night. After the burglars secured everything available the house was set on fire and burned. The family was rescued, but all narrowly escaped.

Marquis Ito, the Japanese statesman, is described as an indefatigable reader of European and American literature. He reads not only the standard works, but the new publications and the current periodicals of both hemispheres are devoured. He reads German, French, English and Chinese as easily as he reads his own language.

A portrait of the dowager empress of China, which was painted by an American, Miss Carl, was exhibited on the 13th at the foreign office in Peking to all the foreign ministers. The portrait will be sent to the St. Louis exposition.

King Carlos, of Portugal, has conferred the degree of knight of the order of St. Jacques upon Emile A. Bruguiere, a San Francisco composer.

SAYS FAREWELL TO ITALY

PRESIDENT LOUBET OF FRANCE GIVEN ROUSING SEND-OFF.

Imposing Naval Review in Which Vessels of Both Nations Take Part Is Held.

Naples, April 30.—The inhabitants of this city remember no event in later years which compared with the scene Friday (the occasion being the visit of President Loubet of France), or gathered such enormous crowds of Italians and foreigners. It is estimated that 20,000 people crowded the cafes or wandered about the streets all night, unable to find beds. From early morning every position available for witnessing the naval review was completely occupied by spectators, and the magnificent gulf of Naples was absolutely covered with craft of all kinds, from large yachts to humble fishing and rowing boats, and of all nationalities, each hoisting its colors, the French predominating. The spectacle of the French and Italian squadrons anchored side by side was magnificent and most imposing.

The battleship Regina Margherita, being on board President Loubet, King Victor Emmanuel and the royal princes, with their respective suites, appeared from the military harbor and was saluted by thundering hurrahs, the booming of cannon and the waving of handkerchiefs by the immense multitude. The Regina Margherita was followed by the torpedo gunboat Euridice, with members of the diplomatic corps, headed by United States minister Meyer on board, and by other ships carrying dignitaries of state, members of parliament, representatives of the press, etc. President Loubet and King Victor Emmanuel, on the bridge of the Regina Margherita, were saluted with the strains of the Marseillaise and the royal Italian march.

The weather, which Thursday was so unpromising, was glorious, the bright sunshine gilding everything. The Regina Margherita passed twice between the squadrons and President Loubet and the king exchanged compliments on the perfect condition of the ships and the appearance of the men.

From the Regina Margherita President Loubet, with the French flag, the cruiser Marsailaise, which is to carry him to France, was saluted by 21 guns from each ship and by cheers from all the crews. Shortly after embarking on the Marseillaise he was visited by the king, when the last adieu were taken. "Amidst a scene of indescribable and delicious enthusiasm the French squadron left the bay, headed by the Marseillaise. The French ships were accompanied by six Italian battleships and two squadrons of torpedo boat destroyers. As long as it was possible to distinguish the salutations President Loubet and the king exchanged their farewell salutes, standing on the bridges of the two warships.

The United States battleship Kentucky, flying the flag of admiral R. D. Evans, was ordered to stop and the French flag was hoisted on her. She was saluted by the French and Italian fleets, thereby adding to the picturesque scene, above which Mount Vesuvius towered imposingly.

ORDER AGAINST STRIKERS.

Union Men Are Enjoined from Interfering in Management of Santa Fe Road.

Albuquerque, N. M., April 30.—Judge S. S. Barker, of the district court, has issued an injunction on the request of the Santa Fe railroad against machinists, boiler makers, their helpers and apprentices and metal workers, now on strike, restraining them from in any manner interfering with the agents and employees of the company in the management, movement or operation of the company's engines, cars, and other machinery and appliances. They are also enjoined from interfering with the men who are taking the places of the strikers, and are restrained from entering upon the company's right of way and other grounds and property. The injunction is the most far reaching ever issued by a court in the territory.

The strike situation has assumed larger proportions by the action of the metal workers, cooper smiths, pipemen, their apprentices and helpers, the boiler makers and their apprentices and helpers, in walking out. An effort is being made to have the blacksmiths join the strikers.

Office Goes Begging.

Derby, Conn., April 30.—Because no party wants to be postmaster the post office at Killingworth, Conn., may have to be abolished. Congressman Sperry says he can get no one to accept the office. When the former officeholder died a canvass of the town resulted in the finding of one citizen willing to accept. Before his appointment could be arranged he learned that the salary had dwindled to \$172 a year with prospects of less with the establishment of free rural delivery, so he also withdrew.

Saloons Must Face Street.

Indianapolis, Ind., April 30.—The supreme court of Indiana Friday decided that under the provision of the Nicholson liquor law now in force, all saloons must face on a street. Selling liquor in a saloon from an alley is a violation of the law and punishable, even though the alley might be changed in name to a street.

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JAPANESE SHIPS MENACE RUSSIA

ALEXIEFF REPORTS FIGHTING OF SQUADRONS OFF PORT ARTHUR AND VLADIVOSTOK.

NEWS CAUSES ANXIETY IN ST. PETERSBURG

Persistent Rumors of Fighting Along Yalu Are Received—Zar Declares He Will Tolerate Neither Mediation Nor Intervention.

St. Petersburg, April 30.—Victory Alexieff telegraphs under Friday's date that Japanese ships were sighted six miles off Port Arthur Thursday night and that Friday morning ten Japanese cruisers and six torpedo boats were seen in Ussuri bay, adjacent to Vladivostok.

Victory Alexieff's report that a Japanese squadron was off Port Arthur, followed by another announcing that a squadron of Japanese ships was in sight of Vladivostok, aroused anxiety. Naval circles are speculating whether the enemy will venture to approach Vladivostok at closer range than last time.

There are persistent rumors of fighting on the Yalu river, but it is said that no serious engagements have taken place, and that the fighting has been limited to affairs of outposts, the Russians contesting and harassing the Japanese advance.

Will Not Accept Mediation