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Perhaps it would simplify matters if they would allow the reporters on the floor of the house and senate and appoint an official censor to read their "copy." Besides it would create another job.

THE HUMOROUS SIDE

The news that comes to us from European sources is often fearfully and wonderfully made. None more amusing has reached our notice than a report from Paris saying that Vice Admiral Doubauff has submitted to the czar a programme for a reorganization of the navy which is absolutely essential to success in the war with Japan.

If there is any grain of truth at all in this, it is a fine illustration of the utter stupidity that has characterized Russian methods and Russian ways of thinking in connection with this war.

It is really not impossible that high officials in Russia still think of the Japanese as a race of semi-savages of low intellectual quality, and therefore fit subjects for the exercise of Russian duplicity.

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That the millers are going to make an earnest campaign for the drawback measure is demonstrated by the fact that they have succeeded in aligning the Hon. Andrew J. Volstead against it.

QUALIFICATIONS OF COUNTY SUPERINTENDENTS

The substance of the following communication seems to us to be of sufficient importance to warrant special notice:

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PERSONAL MENTION

Ryan—Ben Moysse, Seattle, Wash.; P. A. Waller, Kewanee, Ill.; W. G. Phillips, Calumet, Mich.; J. L. Brass and wife, Seattle, Wash.; Daniel Wells, Wells, Mich.; Mrs. S. C. Edwards, Mayville, N. D.; Carl Tenis, Sioux Falls, S. D.

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A Penalty of Fame When Judge Parker lost a lawsuit the fact was telegraphed all over the country as news.—Philadelphia Ledger.

And That's No Joke Gov. Higgins says that women should vote. Why? Aren't men simply their proxies now?—New York Herald.

TODAY'S WEATHER

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 15.—Forecast: Fair Monday; Tuesday fair, warmer in east portion; variable winds; north portion cloudy; Wednesday generally fair, variable winds.

An Indiana man has obtained an injunction restraining a newspaper from printing his picture. We have seen some Indiana men and are willing to admit that the action was probably justified.

That Philadelphia woman who complains of the "plague of letters" imposed on us by the publishers may never have read the "Love Letters of a Lobster."

If the czar declares war on Chicago we are going to back the proposition when Tsai An gives it out that she will eat Christmas dinner in Mukden.

Contemporary Comment

Reaction Triumphs The forces of reaction seem to have won a triumph in Russia. The rest was not unexpected, although the hearing given to the zemstvo petition aroused the hope that the czar might be strong enough to take a positive stand against the grand ducal cabal and support his minister of the interior in the introduction of needed reforms.

A Dying Issue in the South

The race issue is not dead in the South, but there are three agencies at work to kill it as a political fetish—enterprise, immigration and education. Every dollar of capital, home or extraneous, invested in business in the South is a dollar put wisely into the solution of the race trouble.

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