

COMMANDING POSITION

Japs Seize Pangtao in Port Arthur's Rear

AFTER TWO DAYS' FIGHT

From This Point They Bombarded the Russian Stronghold—Appeal to Russians.

Rome, June 10.—It is reported here that after two days fighting the Japanese have occupied Pangtao, to the rear of Port Arthur, from which point they bombarded the Russian stronghold.

APPEAL TO PATRIOTISM.

General Stoessel Said to Have Spoken to Soldiers.

Chefoo, June 10.—General Stoessel, commanding the Russians at Port Arthur, is said to have issued a final appeal to the soldiers there to show to the world how Russians defend their honor, their car and their country. It is reported that numerous guns have been transferred from the ships in the harbor to the forts which hitherto had been sufficiently armed.

KNOX APPOINTED SENATOR.

Will Resign His Cabinet Position in December.

Philadelphia, June 9.—Philoander C. Knox of Pittsburg attorney general of the United States, today was selected to fill the seat in the United States Senate made vacant by the death of Matthew Stanley Quay. He will accept and serve by appointment of Governor Pennypacker until March 4, the date of the expiration of the late Senator's commission. Unless political complications arise he will be elected for the full term by the legislature which meets in June. It is expected that Attorney-General Knox will remain in the cabinet until December.

DIED AT MIDNIGHT.

Daughter of Former Governor Levi P. Morton.

Paris, June 10.—Miss Lena Morton, daughter of former governor Levi P. Morton of New York, who has been critically ill for the last few days from blood poisoning, following an operation for appendicitis, died at midnight.

TEMPORARILY DERANGED.

William James of St. Catherine's Sidel.

Rutland, June 10.—The body of William James, aged 33, was found at Waterbury Lake, St. Catherine, near Pawlet, early this morning. He had been missing since 2 o'clock yesterday morning, when he left his boarding place. He was a sister by trade. It is believed he was temporarily deranged, although there were no signs. It was probably suicide. He had a father and four sisters.

LEAGUE BASE BALL.

Both Boston Teams Walloped Yesterday.

Yesterday's American League scores: At Detroit, Detroit 6, Boston 2. At Cleveland, New York 2, Cleveland 2.

American League Standing.

Table with columns: Team, Won, Lost, Pct. Boston 23, 14, .621; New York 24, 17, .585; Cleveland 22, 19, .536; Philadelphia 22, 18, .556; St. Louis 19, 22, .462; Detroit 15, 25, .375; Washington 6, 33, .154.

Yesterday's National League scores.

At Boston, Cincinnati 0, Boston 3. National League Standing.

Table with columns: Team, Won, Lost, Pct. New York 28, 13, .683; Cincinnati 27, 15, .643; Cleveland 23, 19, .547; St. Louis 20, 20, .500; Pittsburgh 19, 22, .462; Brooklyn 15, 25, .375; Boston 15, 25, .375; Philadelphia 9, 30, .231.

THREE NEW PLAYERS.

Manager Daley of Local Team Has Eleven Men.

Manager Daley has just signed three new ball players for the Barre-Montpelier team, including a Western pitcher who stands 6 feet one inch and weighs 180 pounds. His name is withheld. The other two are outfielders, Bocock and Poland.

CHANGE IN PROGRAMME.

Everything New at Castle Park Theatre Tonight.

There will be a change in the programme tonight that will surprise you. Everything from start to finish will be new. The afterpiece will be the "Skillful Doctor," in which Mesars Harper and Juniper display their unequalled comedy. Come out and be cured of all aches and pains. Don't forget tonight.

William Harper, the famous comedian, has invented a wireless telephone. You can telephone from the good world above to the bad world below. If you want to burst your sides laughing, come and see his invention. He lets the whole company and their relatives that have been dead for years.

AUTOMOBILE CAUGHT FIRE.

Street Hose Prevented Complete Destruction.

A burning automobile, the property of Darwin C. Jones, attracted a large crowd in front of the Morse block on North Main street late yesterday afternoon. Before the flames could be extinguished the machine was quite badly damaged, one tire being ruined and one side of the car being charred; also a portion of the seat.

Mr. Jones, with Dr. F. C. Ligouri, was just preparing to start on a ride, and had turned on the valve in the pipe which supplies gasoline for the boiler. The pipe had apparently been wrenched severely at some previous time, as it escaped off near the boiler, while the gasoline poured out with a forty-pound pressure behind it. The oil instantly caught fire from the flames under the boiler and the whole machine was soon enveloped in flames. It was impossible for Mr. Jones to turn off the flow of gasoline on account of the spread of the fire, and for a time the machine appeared doomed to destruction. But the accident happened fortunately where there was a line of street hose. Dr. Ligouri, who was in the machine, jumped out and soon had a stream of water playing on the flames, and this, with a liberal quantity of salt, had the fire out in a short time. For a time there were fears of an explosion, but the most of the crowd flocked about as if they were watching fireworks and didn't heed the warnings that were directed to them.

As it happened there was only a little more than a gallon of gasoline in the tank or there would have been a much more serious loss. The machine, which is a Rochester, of the steam type, was taken to Mr. Jones' residence on Elm street. It is thought that the damage will be about \$50.

This is the first serious mishap that any of the fifteen or more automobilists of this city has sustained.

As R. A. Hoar was riding from Pearl street on to Main street in his automobile yesterday afternoon a team was standing beside Holton's jewelry store and the driver who was standing near by, thinking his horse would be frightened, made for his head. The horse jumped, backing the wagon into the machine. The cooler on the front of the auto was broken off and one of the lamps was smashed. The machine was run into Bennett & Nichols' garage to be repaired.

GRAND OFFICERS CHOSEN.

Aida M. Dunham Elected Maizon of Order of Eastern Star of Vermont.

St. Johnsbury, June 9.—The second day of the annual convocation of the grand chapter of the order of the Eastern Star was devoted entirely to business.

At the afternoon session these officers were elected: Joseph H. Mears of Enosburg Falls, G. P.; Aida M. Dunham of Barre, G. M.; E. J. Pettie of Brattleboro, Asst. G. P.; Mrs. Minnie Griswold of Springfield, grand secretary; Mrs. Helen M. Whitney of Windsor, grand treasurer; Lillian Chase of East Fairfield, grand conductress; Jessie D. Bigwood of Winookhi, assistant grand conductress; Mrs. Christina Berland of St. Johnsbury, G. V.

Before the installation last night there was a recital in costumes by Ella L. Bigelow of Marlboro, Mass., editor of Mirpah, the official paper of the order.

SUDDEN DEATH OF NURSE.

Mrs. Ellen Slack of Royalton Stricken While at Work.

South Royalton, June 9.—About 2:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon a daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Elmore Doyle. The nurse, Mrs. Ellen Slack had just finished dressing the baby, when she remarked that she felt badly, and handing the child to another woman, she went out doors. Little Elmer Doyle came running in and said something was the matter with the nurse. Doctor Fish, who was in attendance, went to her and found her prostrate on the ground. He carried her into the house, but she breathed only a few times, and died without speaking. Mrs. Slack had lately lived with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Roberts, on Dairy hill. She is also survived by a son, Edward Slack, who lives in Royalton.

HARTFORD BOY DROWNED.

Leon Harrington Was Bathing in River With Companions.

West Hartford, June 9.—Several young men and boys were in the river bathing at West Hartford Sunday, at early evening, one boy sitting on the bank fishing. All of them were laughing and talking, when most of them turned around toward the one fishing for a minute, and as they looked back they saw one boy, Leon Harrington, sinking. Before anyone could reach him he sank and was drowned. His body was recovered a short distance below, where the current carried it. He was 18 years old and is survived by a mother and other relatives. An uncle is landlord of the Cascade hotel at Royalton. The funeral was held Tuesday and burial was at Sharon.

W. H. GLADDING PRESIDENT.

Chosen To-day by Central Association of Universalists.

At the meeting of the Central Association of Vermont universalists at Montpelier today, W. H. Gladding of this city was elected president, Rev. Charles Dole of Northfield, secretary and treasurer and the executive committee as follows: Rev. A. M. Bradley of Barre, Ella M. H. Abbott of Stowe and Mrs. George E. Wilber of Williamstown. Two addresses were given today, by Elmer M. H. Abbott and Mrs. Asa M. Bradley. Rev. Alvin M. Smith urged better support of Goddard seminary.

RIOT ON ELECTRIC CAR.

Pay Day at Fort Ethan Allen Brings Dire Results.

Burlington, June 10.—It was pay day at Fort Ethan Allen yesterday. Twenty-five men are missing today, a riot occurred last evening on an electric car windows being broken, and guards handled roughly. Forty-nine men are in the guardhouse today.

"I WILL KILL MYSELF"

Said Oscar Nickson and Made Ready

HIS WIFE FLED FOR AID

Young Colored Man Made Tragic Statement, But the Police Interfered.

Jealousy of his wife caused Oscar Nickson, colored, who resides on Pearl street, to inform her last night that he was going to kill himself in three minutes. The woman, thoroughly frightened, rushed down stairs to the neighbors and had the police called. Officer Booth went down on the run and got there before the three minutes were up. The house was dark and there was no one inside. The officer hurried up stairs and found Nickson lying under a table. On the table was a clock and a revolver with two cartridges in it. With the exception of two scratches over the heart, apparently made with a razor, the man was uninjured. The officer also found a letter addressed to the man's mother in Virginia, bidding her goodbye.

Mrs. Nickson says that her husband placed the clock on the table with the hands at three minutes of nine o'clock, and holding the revolver in his hand said that in just three minutes he would put a bullet in each of the two cuts in his breast, from which the blood flowed freely. She took him at his word and made haste to notify the police.

Nickson was taken to the police station and was kept there over night, being released this forenoon. The husband is said to have been jealous since the arrival of the Nashville Troubadour troop which is playing at the Castle Park theatre. He is employed by Arthur Russell and has a good reputation. He is industrious and is not a drinking man. He has resided in this vicinity for eighteen months, having previously been employed at the farm of Raymond Demer. He came here from Berlin, N. H., was married here and has one child.

Nickson says he got the revolver from a member of the Nashville Troubadours yesterday. The revolver with the two cartridges, was taken by the police. The police do not know whether to think the man really intended to commit suicide or whether he did it merely to scare his wife. The woman wanted the police to take charge of him for the remainder of the night at all events, as she was afraid he would carry out his purpose. The police asked Nickson how he happened to be under the table, and he said he did that to make his wife believe he had killed himself. The police took charge of the letter which was addressed to Nickson's mother.

QUINCY GRANITE MEN COMING TO BARRE

Will Be Guests of Barre Granite Manufacturers' Association the Last of July

On invitation of the Barre Granite Manufacturers' Association, the Quincy, Mass., Association will come to this city some time next month on a return visit. Last summer the Barre men were entertained at Quincy and by a trip to Crescent Park, R. I.

At the meeting of the Quincy Association on Tuesday evening a letter was read from the Barre association extending an invitation to the Quincy Association to be their guests this summer.

The letter gave the association the choice of being entertained at Crescent Park, R. I., or at Barre. The Quincy Manufacturers' Association decided that they should prefer to make a pilgrimage to Barre as many have never visited this city.

The programme as outlined by the Quincy Association, is to leave Boston on the night of Thursday, July 28, and arrive in Barre Friday morning. Friday and Saturday will be spent in Barre and possibly the party may remain Sunday and return Sunday night so as to return to Quincy in time for work Monday morning.

Special cars will be attached to the train for the Quincy party. The Quincy association will furnish each firm with one free transportation to and from Barre.

THE WILLIAMS HEARING.

The Preliminary Arrangements in Murder Case May Be on Saturday.

Burlington, June 9.—The preliminary hearing of Benjamin Williams, the deserting soldier, now in Chittenden county jail accused of the murder of Policeman James McGrath, will probably be held on Saturday of this week.

The hearing will probably not be a long one, only sufficient evidence being put in by the state to hold the man for trial. There is undoubtedly enough evidence to accomplish this end. Probably no attempt at a defence will be made at this time.

Caught Between Two Stones.

Joseph Houghton, who is employed as a quarries, was caught between two stones yesterday and pretty severely bruised about the side, and on one foot and ankle. It was thought at first bones were broken, but an examination by Dr. McSwainy of Barre showed that he escaped with only bruises.



Photo by Ban. GRADUATING CLASS, SPAULDING HIGH SCHOOL, 1904.

SIXTEEN DIPLOMAS

Graduating Exercises of Spaulding High

SEN. DILLINGHAM SPOKE

Large Audience at Opera House Attended Closing Exercises of Local School.

The eleventh annual graduation exercises of Spaulding high school were held in the opera house last evening, and nearly every seat in the auditorium was filled.

The stage was decorated with ferns and flowers, and hanging over the stage was the class motto in large letters, "Act Well Your Part." Seated on the stage were the teachers of the high school, the school commissioners of the city and United States Senator W. P. Dillingham, the speaker of the evening.

A march was played by Mrs. A. W. Allen, to which the junior class marched

derstand that the class for next year is made up entirely of girls. Now, why have you allowed this? Don't you love your boys? Don't you want them to make a success in life?"

In addressing the graduating class he said: "I congratulate you that you have the pluck and determination to graduate and if you can get a still higher education get it. Time is well spent in preparation. Take all you can get in the way of education so that when you do go out into the world success awaits you and will crown your efforts."

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Those who received diplomas are: Charles Newell Barber, Grace Ha Barney, Carrie Alice Carlton Bemis, Flora Louise Calder, Ray Leslie Curtis, Frank Knis Cutler, James Robert Darling, Thurman Willard Dix, Margaret Hunter, Henry Hollister Jackson, Pinkie Keel Lewis, Mary McDonald, Ula Abbie McWhorter, Martin Elijah Sargent, Abbie Ellen Webster, Olive Mae Williams.

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young people, but I want to encourage you to keep up the good work.

"I think there are mothers and fathers in this audience tonight who have sons to whose welfare you are deeply anxious and I ask you if it is not worth a struggle to get your boy through the grades into the high school and let him graduate. I un-



Photo by Ban. CARRIE ALICE CARLTON BEMIS, Second Honor.

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NOW FOR THE RUBBER.

Baptist and Congregationalist Ball Teams Tied.

The Baptist and Cong'l Baraca class base ball teams crossed bats on the seminary campus yesterday, and the Congos were victorious by a score of 15 to 7. It was a loosely played game many errors being made on both sides. Wisbart was in box for the Congos and pitched a good game, striking out 10 men. Creed pitched six innings for the Baptists and Halvosa the rest. Creed struck out four men and Halvosa six.

This makes a game a piece for the teams and the rubber will be played soon.

INJURIES WERE FATAL.

Little Morandi Girl Died From Burns Received.

The two and a half years old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. Morandi of Berlin street, died at 7:30 this morning from the effects of the burns which she received from falling backwards into a pall of hot water yesterday forenoon.

The funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, with burial in Hope cemetery.

GRAND LIST

\$42,931.00

Increase of \$965 Over Last Year

TAXABLE POLLS ARE 2,869

Increase in Both Real and Personal Estate Over Last Year—Small Reduction of Polls.

The assessors have completed their labors for the year and are preparing their report, which will show an increase in the valuation of real estate, personal property and a small increase in the number of taxable polls. The valuation of this year and of last are as follows:

Table with columns: Year, Real estate, Personal property, Property grand list, Taxable polls (2,869), Total grand list. 1904: Real estate \$9,374,442; Personal property 350,921; Property grand list \$9,725,363; Taxable polls (2,869) \$87,255.83; Total grand list \$42,931.00. 1903: Real estate \$9,291,809; Personal 351,857; Property grand list \$96,255.86; Polls (2,865) 3,700.00; Total grand list \$41,999.99.

This shows a total increase of the grand list of 1904 over 1903, of \$965.

CO-OPERATIVE STORE TO WIND UP AFFAIRS

Property Turned Over to Mortgagees—A. A. Smith to Wind Up Company—Nothing for Stockholders.

At a meeting of the stockholders of the Barre Co operative society held last evening it was voted to turn over to the mortgagees the property of the company that is mortgaged and instructed Alex M. Smith to close up the affairs of the company as quickly as possible.

Following this action the mortgagees took possession of the store, pulled down the sign over the store and placed Peter Lavery in charge of the property. The following notice was posted in the show windows:

This store is the property of Thomas Cable, J. K. Anderson, Fred Bruce, Fred Kinney, J. G. Lavery, George Stewart, James Smith, William Mears, D. F. Gregory, John Morgan, Wm. McKoswan.

Since the organization and opening of this store a little more than a year ago the company has carried on a large business, but not at a profit to itself, evidently. It was stated this morning there would be very little, if anything left to the stockholders and they will probably lose all they have put into it. At the present time the company cannot tell what its financial condition really is.

The mortgagees are selling out the goods at the store as fast as possible and to clean everything up as soon as possible will make special prices.

THE SANCTITY OF MARRIAGE.

Address to Universalists by the Rev. J. Edward Wright.

Montpelier, June 9.—At the annual session of the Vermont Central Association of Universalists, held in the church of the Messiah today, the Rev. J. Edward Wright, of this city delivered an address on "The Family and Its Safeguards." He urged greater seriousness on the part of young people regarding marriage and favored investing the ceremony with a solemn sanctity. The marriage vows should be as binding as an oath taken in court, the importance of the former being far greater. Where a divorce is granted for adultery or intolerable severity, there should be punishment for these crimes.

In the afternoon the Rev. G. W. Penniman, of St. Albans, spoke, and in the evening there was an address by the Rev. Asa M. Bradley of Barre.