

# GRIPENBERG THE SCAPEGOAT

## His Resignation Accepted Instead of Kuropatkin's

### HIS DISASTROUS RETREAT

Correspondent Says Gripenberg Telegraphed He Had Taken Positions but Had to Abandon Them Because Kuropatkin Did Not Cooperate.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 7.—The question of the acceptance of Gen. Kuropatkin's resignation was considered yesterday, but the difficulty caused by the General's dissension was solved by the acceptance of the resignation of Gen. Gripenberg.

Gen. Kuropatkin reports that a Japanese movement upon Tatay was repulsed yesterday and that the Japanese have been driven out of Santaise.

Paris, Feb. 6.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Echo de Paris says that he has good authority for believing that the following telegram was addressed to Russian military headquarters by Gen. Gripenberg, commander of the Second Manchurian Army: "We had taken several fortified positions, but not being supported in time had to retire. During the retreat I lost 10,000 men."

The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Petit Journal learns that the return of Gen. Kuropatkin has been provisionally decided upon. But he says it is exclusively due to reasons of health. Gen. Kuropatkin, he says, is suffering from cerebral anaemia. The figure, on the contrary, declares that there is not an atom of truth in the report that Gen. Kuropatkin is to be recalled.

## BELIEVES THAT PEACE IS NEARER

Japanese Minister in Secret Conference Wires Secretary of State Hay — All Officials Keep Silent.

Washington, Feb. 7.—The presence of Minister Takahira in the office of Secretary Hay yesterday caused much talk of a peace movement is on to end the far Eastern war.

Sir Henry Mortimer Durand, the British ambassador, and Cecil Spring-Rice, secretary of the British embassy at St. Petersburg, were at the White House last night in conference with the President until 11 o'clock. It is supposed peace movements were suggested; and that the conference had relation to the peace proposals made by Germany to England.

### GERMAN MINERS BACK

Government Concessions Are Enough to Break Strike.

Berlin, Feb. 6.—Two or three thousand coal miners who struck in the Silesian district returned to work today, believing that the government's bill now in preparation will readjust their relations with their employers.

The government's proposed law limits the working day to nine hours in galleries where temperatures are about 70 deg. Fahr., including the time going in and coming out of the mines. In temperatures of 84 deg. Fahr., and higher, only a six-hour day is permitted. Within two or three years the nine-hour day is to be shortened to 8 1/2 hours. About nine-tenths of the miners of Germany come within these provisions.

The disallowing of entire cars of coal because of the presence of foreign substances is to be forbidden. Fines may be assessed, but these must not exceed 4 to 6 marks (\$1 to \$1.50) per month. Overtime is to be paid for at the highest rate.

Workmen's committees shall be recognized by mine owners as representing the men.

Making the present condition of the miners worse in any particular than it is now, is forbidden.

Herr Saeb, a member of the Reichstag, speaking at an immense meeting of miners at Essen yesterday, said that the government's bill only concerned 4 out of 14 demands of the strikers, and was not fully satisfactory.

### The Hood Moath.

Among the ancient Saxons November was known as wind month, or Hood month, because they then slaughtered cattle for winter food.

### Serpent Worship.

Serpent worship still survives in India, and a snake shrine is said to be as such an attraction in a house on the Mahar coast as a garden in the case of a country home in the United States. Serpents are, however, most unobtrusive, and unless one walks noiselessly and barefooted in the dark, at noons do, snake bite is an improbable contingency.

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### BRITON OFFENDS GERMANY.

Speech of Admiralty Lord Irritating.

London, Feb. 7.—The speech of Arthur Hamilton Lee, civil lord of the admiralty, at Eastleigh, Hampshire, on Feb. 2, has created such a storm in Germany that the government organs here this morning are busily endeavoring to editorialize away its effect. Mr. Lee, himself, in a communication to the Standard makes a similar effort by declaring that he was incorrectly reported and giving what he calls a correct version which is so different from the original report as to do infinite credit to the ingenuity of English newspaper reporters. According to the Standard's Berlin despatches, unless foreign minister Lansdowne promptly repudiates responsibility for Mr. Lee's utterances, the government will make a formal complaint.

In his speech, which was at a dinner of railway men in Eastleigh, Mr. Lee is quoted as having said that in the recent distribution of Great Britain's naval forces, England had not so much to keep her eyes on France and the Mediterranean, but to look with anxiety towards the North Sea; that the fleets had been so distributed as to enable them to deal with any danger in that direction should it occur.

Col. Lee might be called a military as well as a civil admiral. For a young man he has already gone far—he was born in 1868. He is well known in the United States as the friendly and enthusiastic attaché who followed the fortunes of Shafter's army corps in Cuba, and wrote so brilliantly about his experiences. After the war with Spain he was made military attaché at Washington with the rank of lieutenant colonel. In 1909 he was elected a member of Parliament from the Fareham division of Hampshire, and in 1903 became civil lord of the admiralty.

Colonel Lee, who, by the way, married an American wife, is making his mark in Parliament as an industrious and versatile member, and is a man of liberal views and strong attachments.

### KILLED AT HOME.

Helsingfors Official Shot by a Man in Uniform.

London, Feb. 7.—It was reported from Stockholm, Sweden, yesterday, that Senate Procurator Johnson of Helsingfors, Finland, had been assassinated at his residence by a man in uniform. A dispatch from Helsingfors to a news agency here, however, says the reported assassination is incorrect, and that the would-be assassin fired several shots, but he did not hit Johnson. The latter's son, however, was struck by one of the bullets.

A later report says that Johnson was killed.

### MORE WIVES HEARD FROM.

Hoch Carried Strange Powder, Believed to Be Poisonous.

New York, Feb. 6.—Johann Hoch was again arraigned in court today. The New York police have discovered two more of his wives. Detectives said today that a glass tube containing a white powder, believed to be poisonous, was found last week in the room formerly occupied by Hoch in this city. The tube was about six inches long and was covered at one end with an inflated rubber bulb which was used to eject the powder.

## SAVED HER LITTLE BOY.

Mrs. G. A. Goodwin of Blossburg, Pa., writes that her little son, Walter, had a dreadful cough and no appetite and failed until he weighed only 55 pounds. Since taking Father John's Medicine he has gained in weight, now weighing 85 pounds, and his cough has been completely cured.



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## HOUSE VOTES ON RATE BILL

### Will Take Action Before Adjournment Today

### SENATE MAY BLOCK ACT

By a Vote for a Summer Recess Inquiry — Railroads Moving to Stop Its Passage.

Washington, Feb. 7.—The House yesterday afternoon adopted the rule brought in by the Committee on Rules, providing for immediate consideration of the Esch-Townsend railroad rate bill, with a vote on the bill at 3 to-day.

Senator Kean of New Jersey, one of the prominent members of the Senate Interstate Committee, will introduce next Thursday a resolution authorizing the committee to sit during the summer recess for an investigation into the railroad rate and transportation problems.

The Senate Committee on Interstate Commerce yesterday gave another indication of its disposition to be hurried by continuing the rate hearing until Friday.

A delegation from the Illinois Manufacturers' Association called on the President yesterday to urge rate legislation, and presented resolutions favoring the rate making power to the commission, a rate fixed to be in force until reviewed by the courts, and a special court of circuit judges for interstate commerce cases to be established.

## APPEAL TO CRUSH RAILROAD RATE BILL

Heads of Big Roads Ask Stockholders to Protest. Circular From the Erie.

New York, Feb. 7.—Powerful interests are forming in this city to block the railroad rate legislation in Congress.

Appeals have been sent out to stock and bond holders urging them to oppose the measure in so far as it relates to the rate fixing power of the Interstate Commerce Commission.

The army of stockholders of the railroads over the country is a large one, and they are being asked to send their objections to the regulation of rates to the Interstate Commerce Commission.

President Underwood of the Erie system has sent out a circular to Erie stockholders in which he says:

"It is obvious that the owners of railroad securities have a vital interest in the disposition of the bills relating to interstate commerce now under consideration by the committees on interstate and foreign commerce of the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States, of which the Hon. Stephen B. Elkins and the Hon. William P. Hepburn are the respective chairmen.

"Any law enacted that will prevent the cutting of rates, unjust discriminations, and all other dishonest practices would be beneficial, not only to the public in general, but to the railroads as well. It is, however, the opinion of those who have had the best opportunity for studying the situation that it would be a serious mistake to have a bill passed authorizing the Interstate Commerce Commission to fix rates for transportation.

"As you are a holder of this company's securities I feel it my duty to call your attention to the importance of the subject under discussion, as you may desire to give, if you have not already done so, an expression of your views to the committees of Congress which are now considering the matter, and which will doubtless appreciate your views, as well as all others interested in the welfare of the country."

### SWAYNE CASE IN HOUSE AGAIN.

Replication of the Managers Adopted Yesterday.

Washington, Feb. 7.—The House yesterday again had before it the Swayne impeachment case. Mr. Palmer (Penn.) presented the replication of the managers of the House to the answer of the judge. The replication reiterates that Judge Swayne "is guilty of the high crimes and misdemeanors mentioned in said articles, and that the House of Representatives are ready to prove the same." Without comment of any kind, the replication was adopted. Authority was given the managers to file with the Secretary of the Senate any subsequent pleadings they shall deem necessary.

At two o'clock the Senate received the House managers, who presented the replication to the answer of Judge Swayne in the impeachment proceedings.

### STATEHOOD BILL IN SENATE.

Föraker Speaks on the Plan for Consolidation.

Washington, Feb. 7.—The joint statehood bill yesterday was laid before the Senate, and Mr. Föraker spoke in opposition to the striking out of the portion of the bill relating to Arizona and New Mexico. His opposition to the bill was based upon the consolidation of Arizona and New Mexico into one state. While he did not endorse all the details of the provision for the union of Oklahoma and Indian Territory, he was willing to accept it.

### PROVIDES FOR 100 SURVEYS.

The River and Harbor Bill Is Completed.

Washington, Feb. 7.—The river and harbor bill has been practically completed.

Under the head of new legislation there is a provision which strengthens the authority of the engineering department in preventing the dumping of refuse and other material in harbors and navigable channels. Provision for more than one hundred surveys are contained in the bill.

### AN ARMOUR CONTRACT.

One With Pere Marquette Road Quoted at Car Hearing.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 6.—Hearings before the interstate commerce committee of the Senate on the subject of private car lines were resumed today. E. M. Ferguson of Duluth, Minn., representing a number of jobbing associations, continuing his statement, said that in order to get around the requirement to publish rates, the Santa Fe operates about 5,000 cars under a separate system of corporation distinct from the railroad corporations.

During the hearings Mr. Ferguson has referred repeatedly to the Pere Marquette railroad, and Senator Newlands asked why reference to that road was so frequent.

"Because we have been able to get hold of a contract between that line and the Armour line company, and it is of that contract I am speaking," said Mr. Ferguson. He concluded with a demand for the extermination of the private car line companies.

E. F. Perry and Robert W. Higbee of New York, representing the National Wholesale Lumber Dealers' Association, requested a hearing, and were recognized. Mr. Perry offered resolutions passed by his association, asking for the enactment of a law conferring on the interstate commerce commission the power to fix rates. Mr. Higbee will appear at another meeting.

### THE CHADWICK DEBTS.

Receiver Names Mrs. Chadwick's Creditors, So Far as Known.

Cleveland, Feb. 7.—Receiver Looser filed a list of the creditors of Mrs. Chadwick, together with the amount due each, so far as known, in the United States Bankruptcy Court yesterday. While it is understood, unofficially, that Mrs. Chadwick's debts will aggregate close to \$2,000,000, the claims thus far presented to the receiver foot up a total of only \$63,130. The list, as filed today, shows that the sum due the big creditors are not known.

At the county jail today, concerning the death of Banker C. T. Beckwith of Oberlin, Mrs. Chadwick said:

"Mr. Beckwith suffered with heart trouble and sinking spells from the time I first became acquainted with him. I had fully believed that he would rally from the illness which attacked him after his arrest." Then burying her face in her hands, Mrs. Chadwick exclaimed: "I am shocked and pained beyond expression by the news."

### GAVE ANOTHER'S NAME.

Woman Nearly Frozen, and One She Claimed to Be Is Missing.

Schenectady, N. Y., Feb. 7.—Mrs. William Sherman of this city was found nearly frozen to death in Schermerhorn Creek last night, and on being restored to consciousness said she was Mrs. Griffin of 22 Centre street.

The police called at the address, and found that Mrs. Griffin was missing, but when her husband saw the woman he said it was not his wife, but Mrs. Sherman, who had started for Albany in company with his wife early Sunday morning. The woman relapsed into unconsciousness, and is in a critical condition in Ellis hospital.

A search has been instituted for Mrs. Griffin, who late last night had not been heard from.

### THEY PLAYED HANGING.

A Fairfield Center Lad Came Near Meeting Death By the Rope.

St. Albans, Feb. 7.—Report comes from Fairfield Center of an occurrence which nearly had a fatal ending.

The story goes that two small boys in Fairfield Center concluded they would "play hang Mrs. Rogers" and induced the small child of a neighbor to join in the game as the actor who should occupy the center of the stage. The three little chaps went to the barn and procuring a rope, threw it over a beam, tied one end about the throat of the smallest boy, who stood in a chair, securely fastened the other end of the rope, and kicked the chair out from under the boy who was to impersonate Mrs. Rogers. The impersonation was realistic in the extreme and, becoming frightened at the contortions of the unfortunate who was rapidly choking to death, the two older lads ran out of the barn shrieking for help. A servant girl heard their screams and arrived at the barn barely in season to rescue the hanging boy, who was already black in the face and whose tongue, swollen and blackened was protruding from his mouth. The game has lost its interest for the little chaps who tried it.

### MARBLE BOUNDARY MARKS.

United States-Panama Line to Be Indicated by Monuments.

Two parallel lines of marble monuments will flank the route of the Panama canal and permanently mark the boundaries between the domain of the United States and that of the republic of Panama, says a special cable dispatch from the isthmus to the Chicago Inter Ocean.

The present plans are to place the monuments so close together that a person standing at the base of any one can see either of the nearest two in the line. The lines when completed will be forty-seven miles long and five miles from the borders of the canal.

In order to locate the marble shafts the first survey of the land ceded to the United States is now being made.

On opposite sides of the pedestals will be chiseled "U. S. A." and "R. de P."

### To Cure a Cold in One Day

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## LAUGHS AT VERMONT

### Does This E. C. Cobb of Monmouth, Illinois

### LETTERS TO HOME PAPERS

Mr. Cobb Is Engaged, Under the Auspices of the Vermont State Board of Agriculture, in Delivering Lectures in Vermont.

Euclid N. Cobb, director of the Farmers' Institute, Monmouth, Ill., who is now going about the state of Vermont speaking for the state board of agriculture, writes home the following public letter to the Monmouth Daily Review: Woodstock, Vt., Jan. 28.

"Editor Daily Review:—Snowbound with 1,500 lunatics is not to my liking but when a man has so good a state as is Illinois in general, and so good a town as Monmouth in particular, he must put up with many things that are not to his liking. After a blizzard of forty-eight hours duration, I started for this point, a distance of 160 miles. I covered the distance in thirty-four hours, which is pretty swift traveling for the far East.

"Today I visited the celebrated Billings' estate. On it I saw pheasants of several varieties, deer, English hares, and other game. In the numerous hot-houses were ripe grapes, oranges and figs. Flowers of every known variety were to be seen. The vast estate has fifteen miles of driveways among mountains and valleys. The corn crib holding 5,000 bushels would make an Illinois farmer laugh. Imagine corn stood one foot deep on trays as we store apples in the West. And such corn! An Illinois farmer would turn up his nose at it. Vermont is a state of waste lands. In my trip from Massachusetts I did not see, after reaching the state line, an average of one farm to the mile. Whom I will talk to in my institute work, time alone can tell. My first attempt will be at Rutland.

"Mild weather prevails here with some snow, but not as much as in Massachusetts. There is about eight inches, however, and the people are wishing for more. Snow shoe clubs are the only thing here and they want plenty of snow."

"Rutland, Vt., Jan. 30.—Well, I see Mrs. Chadwick had to drag my nose into her frenzied finance. How! She had concealed some of her jewels in a house on Euclid avenue, that's all. "See!"

"Speaking of finances reminds me that today while in Bellows Falls, Vt., I passed by Hetty Green's house, the one she claims residence in when the tax collector interviews her in New York. The house lacks paint badly, but Hetty will paint it some day when she accumulates a few more millions.

"Today in traveling 180 miles by rail I crossed the White Mountains twice. They are white just at the present time. For scenery they will rank with much higher mountains that I have seen in the West.

"But I have not yet seen the farms, or the farmers that live on them, to whom I will talk at the institutes. I will have to be shown. The country so far as I see it in Vermont is rough and not adapted to anything but deer and rabbits.

"Good farms, I am told, are worth \$35.00 per acre. I doubt it. This city is noted for its fine marble quarries. I shall investigate them tomorrow. One thing this state is good for, is that one can ride out of it for 2 cents per mile.

"E. N. C."

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**WANT BOOKS AND PAPERS.**

Case of Richard Fourchee vs. E. B. Ellis Partially Heard Saturday.

Burlington, Feb. 7.—A hearing was held Saturday in the office of Commissioner George E. Johnson in the case of Richard Fourchee vs. E. B. Ellis. The plaintiff in the case is a New York man and the defendant is at the head of the E. B. Ellis Granite Co. at Northfield. The plaintiff in the case claims a sum due him for commissions on the work which he declares he secured for the defendant. The defendant claims that the contracts were never carried out and that consequently the plaintiff is not entitled to damages.

The hearing was begun early in the week in Northfield before Commissioner Johnson, but was taken up again Saturday here. During the progress of the hearing questions involving certain books and papers came up and at the conclusion of the hearing papers were served upon Mr. Ellis by Deputy Marshal Reeves citing him to appear here again with the books and papers in question. R. J. Mahon of New York and W. L. Burnap appear for the complainant, and Roger Sherman of Northfield and Plumley & Plumley of Northfield, represent the defendant.

**COLD MONTH, INDEED.**

Burlington Records Show that Last of January Was Very Cold.

Burlington, Feb. 7.—The local weather record for January shows a mean temperature of 17 degrees, with a maximum of 48 on the 7th and a minimum of -8 on the 26th. The mean was two and a half degrees lower than the average January temperature in Burlington for the last 23 years, but three degrees higher than the temperature for January of last year. The first half of the month was unusually warm, the temperature rising to 40 or above on five days, but the continued low temperature of the last half brought down the average for the month. The precipitation (rain and melted snow) amounted to 1.28 inches, the average January precipitation for 23 years being 1.87 inches. Only nine inches of snow fell during the month, which is considerably less than the normal January fall. Rain or snow fell on 11 days. The prevailing wind was north and the month was made up of six clear, 13 partly cloudy and 12 cloudy days.

**FIVE MEN DROWNED.**

Were Attempting to Reach Shore from Oyster Boats.

Cambridge, Md., Feb. 6.—Word has reached here that five men were drowned in Hooper's Straits last Friday while attempting to reach shore from ice-bound oyster vessels.

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