

Prince Henry of Prussia thinks of coming to America again. Can you blame him?

The man who denies that "woman" spells "angel" doesn't deserve the happiness of being married.

Two of the Carnegie medal winners were of the fair sex. Can a lady properly be spoken of as a "hero"?

Mr. Alfred Austin says there are no great women poets, but saying "You're another!" is no argument.

The Boston Transcript is offering "Good Advice to Graduates." For cold blooded presumption this wins the prize.

The scientists have accomplished a good deal, but they have not produced an onion with the fragrance of a bed of mint.

Somebody in France has found out how to make cloth out of wood. Still, the wooden overcoat has been heard of for ages.

If Robert Fulton had known Skipper Barr he probably would not have considered it worth while to invent the steamboat.

The Boston Globe wants to know when the great American novel will be written. Great James! Isn't Boston going to write it?

A Cincinnati man has married the Princess Pickhoff, American heiress. Will regard it as unfortunate that he must remain plain "Mr."

Eight of the nine Carnegie medals were awarded for rescues of drowning persons. Those who aspire to be recognized as heroes should learn to swim.

Grafting has always been a risky business, particularly when accompanied by lying, from the days of Ananias and Sapphira down to the present time.

Princess Cecilia wore a train fourteen feet long when she was married, but although there was a large crowd present everybody was careful not to step on it.

Count Boni De Castellane is reported to be anxious to become President of France. We take it for granted that he has no intention of running on the labor ticket.

Mme. Patti's castle in Wales is announced to be sold at a price "regardless of cost or of associations." That's the way the ordinary man usually has to sell his house.

King Peter of Servia is probably the only monarch who isn't paying close attention to King Oscar's troubles. King Peter, as everybody knows, has troubles of his own.

According to Henry Clews, there are four men in this country who are worth one thousand million dollars. That is to say, they have one thousand million dollars.

A Pittsburg man has sent Togo a box of stogies as a token of friendship and admiration. It may be a lucky thing for Japan that Togo has already done his duty.

It seems there is a dispute between Canada and Uruguay. A clash between these powers might shake this planet's trolley off, and it is hoped serious trouble will be averted.

It is to be feared that Philadelphia got good too quick to remain good very long. A more extended experience at the "moumners' bench" probably would have been better.

The San Francisco Chronicle rejoices that the untitled American can go to Paris without the risk of being blown up by a bomb. Hardly. It is usually the innocent bystander who gets hurt.

Nan Patterson's fame is not of the lucrative sort. She was offered large pay to go on the stage; at least, it was reported that way; but the people didn't come out. Her career is not fascinating.

Dr. Weir Mitchell says the presence of cats has been known to cause bad dreams. And the dreamer is not surprised at it either when he wakes and hears the feline inferno going on in the back yard.

The physicians who are treating a 16-year-old boy in New York whose brain is undeveloped are confident that he will be cured within a short time. This ought to be encouraging to many young men in society.

"When did you last see your com petitors?" was shouted to the Atlantic, and Mr. Marshall shouted back: "Off Sandy Hook!" In the emperor's cup race, it was in the first race for the America cup, there was no second.

One of the diverting scientists suggests that there should be laws making it impossible for any but handsome men and beautiful women to marry. Such a law might be a good thing. It would cause a great rush for marriage licenses.

NEW MEXICO NEWS SUMMARY

How the Bugs Cinch Us.

It has been noticeable at Santa Fe and in other parts of New Mexico that with each year the number of insect pests increases. It was but a few years ago that San Juan county sent out a train of apples with the legend: "A million apples without a single worm," but to-day it is difficult to get a shipment of a few barrels of apples from any part of the territory without finding some wormy ones among them. This is in part due to cariousness. The grasshoppers, the army worm and other insects, too, have invaded this territory and are beginning to do as much damage as they do in other parts of this country. Add to this the propagation of weeds, which is practically unchecked, and it will be seen that the farmer of the future will have a more difficult task to raise crops than did his predecessor in the bugless and weedless age of New Mexico.

The Department of Agriculture recognizes the danger to agriculture from the ravages of insects and is doing considerable towards helping farmers to keep the pests in check, but it is up to the farmer to take advantage of these experiments in his behalf. He must be energetic in spraying and in doing the other things that the department recommends for the extermination of bugs, especially in years that have been wet and as favorable to insect and weed propagation as this year.

But few people realize that bugs and weeds do more damage to crops each year than could be paid for by a sum equivalent to the entire sum it costs to run this government.—Santa Fe New Mexican.

New Mexico Land Offices.

Arizonians are having a fight over the proposed removal of the United States land office from Tucson to Phoenix and the chances are that the people of Tucson and their friends will be strong enough to prevent the removal. It seems that one land office is ample for the needs of Arizona. In this respect New Mexico is ahead. This territory has four land offices and each does sufficient business to show that it is a necessity and must remain intact in order to handle the volume of business incidental to the making of homestead and desert land entries by settlers and the disposition of other parts of the public domain in this territory under the mineral and coal land laws of the United States. It is the policy of the general land office to discontinue a local land office as soon as the necessity for it ceases or as soon as its business falls below a certain annual sum and it is found not self-sustaining. In this territory the business of the four land offices located at Santa Fe, Roswell, Clayton and Las Cruces is on the increase, which fact indicates that many immigrants and homestead settlers are arriving in New Mexico and that the public domain of this territory is being taken up and settled to a much greater extent than people generally know.—Santa Fe New Mexican.

Big Mining Deal.

An Albuquerque dispatch of June 21st says: A deal was closed here today by telegram whereby the Copperton Mining Company, a Los Angeles company, incorporated under the laws of New Mexico, became the owner of five claims in the Copperton mining district at Copperton, New Mexico, a new mining camp fifty miles west of this city.

The claims were bought from W. J. Skeed, the original discoverer and practically the owner of the whole mining camp, and \$100,000 was the sum paid.

The new company will immediately erect a \$25,000 leaching plant on the property for the treatment of the copper ore, which assays have proven to be very rich.

Experts who have examined the camp in the past few weeks state that it bids fair to outrival W. C. Greene's famous Cananea properties, and that the only thing that has retarded its growth has been a lack of capital and railroad communication.

New Mexico Crop Conditions.

The crop bulletin issued June 20th by the weather bureau for New Mexico says that wheat, rye, oats and barley are heading and nearing harvest, generally with promises of good yield. Some of the northern corn is a little backward, but as a rule is doing well. The first cutting of alfalfa is well along in northern counties and the higher districts, and the second is being begun in the southern counties. Forest trees, weeds and underbrush are making an unusual growth. The fruit crop is very promising. Apricots are ripe in southern counties and cherries and carraints in northern. The range is excellent and stock is thriving. Shearing is being finished in the northern district. The calf crop is good in central and northern districts and young stock is doing unusually well.

The United States Geological Survey is a little slow in compiling its statistics, but when they are compiled they are supposed to be reliable. The survey has just published the figures for the lead production in the United States during 1904. Of the total of 229,510 tons produced in the United States, New Mexico furnished 1,363 tons last year, against 613 tons the year preceding.

Alberto Jimenez, employed on the ranch of Charles Schlatter, near Clayton, was thrown from his team during a runaway. A sack of lime fell on him and broke his neck, killing him instantly. His remains were taken to Páamonte for interment.

Captain Rodriguez returned to Santa Fe on the 17th inst. from Nampa with two convicts, Edgar Smith and Daniel Gacoleo, who had escaped from the convict camp on the scenic highway Thursday morning, twenty miles from the city, the men being traced by bloodhounds. A third convict who escaped has not been recaptured.

Sheep Man Murdered.

An Albuquerque dispatch of June 24th says: Nicholas Sanchez and Carmel Baba, two wealthy sheep-men of Sandoval county, while on their way to this city with a wagon train of wool, were brutally murdered at midnight on Thursday at La Posta Crossing on the Rio Puerco, eighteen miles west of this city.

The victims were hacked to death with an axe, and their bodies thrown into an abandoned well, 130 feet deep. The murderer then fired the wagons.

The news was brought to this city this morning by Patricio Sanchez of Rancho de Atrisco, the story of the murder having been told him by Andres Padilla, a nephew of the murdered man, who was accompanying the wagon train to Albuquerque. Immediately after his arrival in this city, Sanchez hunted up Sheriff Hubbell and told him of the affair.

Sanchez said that Amelio McClure, a half-breed, employed as a driver, did the killing, and that he was hiding at Rancho de Atrisco. Sheriff Hubbell, accompanied by a deputy, left at once for Atrisco to arrest McClure. They were just in time, as McClure was preparing to make his escape, and was riding a stallion belonging to F. A. Hubbell of this city, which he had stolen. He was brought to Albuquerque and lodged in the county jail for safe keeping. Robbery is said to have been the motive.

Oldest Woman Dies.

Mrs. Sarah Day, familiarly known as Grandma Day, died to-day at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. F. Bryson, says a Roswell dispatch of June 24th. She was ninety-seven years of age and was one of the oldest women of the South and the oldest woman in New Mexico. She was the mother of eleven children, thirty-five grandchildren, fifteen great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren. Her oldest daughter, Mrs. J. L. Driscoll of Austin, Texas, aged seventy-six, is still living. She had six sons who served in the Confederate army and only one was wounded. She was born in Rhea county, Tennessee, and moved to Texas in 1854, and moved here in 1891. She was never married but once and her husband was drowned before the Civil War.

It is said that she was the first member of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church in the United States and firmly held that belief until the end. Her life was full of records of good deeds and she was in full possession of her faculties until a few hours before the end. The remains were shipped to-day to Austin, Texas, for interment.

Great excitement was caused in the town of Old Albuquerque June 21st by a fire which destroyed the Porto Rico resort. The fire was noteworthy from the fact that it was the first that has occurred in that town since the year of 1862, during the civil war, when the rebels burned their military supplies to keep them from falling into the hands of the Federal troops.

Announcement is made of the appointment of D. Coughlin to be trainmaster of the north end of the New Mexico division of the Santa Fe with headquarters at Raton. Mr. Coughlin has been heretofore trainmaster of the west end of the western division at Dodge City and his promotion to Raton speaks volumes for his ability, as he is one of the youngest trainmasters on the system.—Topeka State Journal.

A Santa Fe dispatch says: Belen, Bernalillo, Socorro and other points of the Rio Grande and adjoining valleys report that the army worm is totally destroying crops and that in consequence many families will be in destitute circumstances. It now seems that the second crop of alfalfa has been totally destroyed. At Santa Fe and vicinity the seventeen-year locusts are appearing. At Pojaque and Namba last night a heavy hailstorm totally destroyed the fruit crop. In the Mesilla valley, in addition to the flood damage, the fruit crop in quantity is falling far below expectations.

A Santa Fe dispatch of June 20th says: Martin H. Craig, an engineer of Oklahoma City, who was recently discharged from a position at Durango, Colorado, was picked up dead to-day at Las Placita, Rio Arriba county. He was identified by a union card. He passed the house of Roman Martinez early in the day and asked for a drink. There were no marks of violence upon Craig's person and he was evidently overcome by exhaustion. Unless the body is claimed to-day it will be buried at Tierra Azul. The man left Durango June 13th, had walked overland and was evidently trying to reach the Denver & Rio Grande railroad at Espanola.

The Denver Republican of June 21st says: Hounded by officers of the law from Amarillo, Texas, to Greeley, Colorado, John A. Gant, a fugitive from justice, was yesterday arrested at Greeley and brought to Denver for safekeeping by Deputy Sheriff John Bramer. Gant is wanted in Amarillo on the charge of forgery. It is said he made and cashed several fraudulent checks for large amounts before leaving town and is an adept at the handwriting art. When arrested he had a check for \$5 made payable to the Oasis hotel of Greeley and drawn on the Bank of Amarillo. He will be held in the Denver county jail until the arrival of the sheriff from Texas. Gant is said to have served a term in Colorado for a similar crime.

A Las Vegas dispatch says that Bertha Beisman, the eight-year-old daughter of a Mineral Hill ranchman, shot and killed herself on the night of June 16th. The little one climbed up to pull a cloak from a hook. Covered by the garment was a loaded revolver. This was pulled to the floor, exploded, and the bullet went through the girl's body, killing her almost instantly.

The Southern Manufacturing and Supply Company of Roswell, which will manufacture railroad cars and rice milling machinery, has been incorporated by Houston and Beaumont, Texas, parties with a capitalization of \$100,000.

Arrested for Land Frauds.

A Roswell dispatch of June 24th says: B. H. Tallmadge was later arrested on another charge of subornation of perjury in connection with alleged fraudulent land entries and was placed under bond on this charge of \$2,500, making \$7,500 in all.

The alleged tools he used in the alleged fraudulent entries is T. M. Rabb, a well known blacksmith of this city. Rabb will be immune from prosecution by the government. Tallmadge furnished both bonds without trouble and left to-day for Chicago.

It is rumored to-night that several prominent real estate men have mysteriously disappeared in the past twenty-four hours. E. J. Bates, a well known ex-newspaper man, was placed under \$500 bond as a United States witness.

Grosvener Clarkson, the special agent of the United States General Land Office, who has been here for the past three months conducting the examination at the land office, will not talk for publication, but it is certain that other arrests will follow.

Tallmadge has brought hundreds of prosperous land seekers to Roswell and the valley and is held in the highest regard by the great majority of the citizens, who believe that he will prove his innocence of any fraud at the proper time.

Mail Pouch Robbed.

One of the boldest robberies that has taken place at Belen since the hold-up of the First National Bank some months ago occurred last night, says an Albuquerque dispatch of June 24th, when a registered package containing \$2,000 consigned to the First National Bank in this city was extracted from a mail pouch at the Santa Fe station.

The mail carrier had taken the pouch from the postoffice to the depot to be sent upon the train from El Paso. Some time during the night the pouch was slashed open with a knife and the package extracted. This morning the rifed pouch was found behind the station.

Bank officials, upon discovering that the pouch had been robbed, at once telegraphed the United States marshal's office here and also postoffice inspector's office in Denver of the robbery. Detectives were detailed on the case, but as yet not the slightest clue has been obtained as to who the robber was.

It is said that the money was insured, and if this is the case the bank will not be out anything.

Michael Flood Shot.

An Albuquerque dispatch of June 24th says: Michael Flood, formerly a well known baseball player, was shot four times and fatally injured this morning in the Opera Club saloon by Robert McSherry, bartender at the Antlers saloon. Flood was keeping bar at the time he was shot.

Flood has one wound in the intestines which is pronounced mortal. Trouble had existed for some time. It is claimed that Flood precipitated the trouble and fired three shots, one of which struck McSherry in the head, making a painful but not dangerous wound. McSherry was arrested. Two men who were present at the shooting have disappeared.

Navajo Indians Strike.

An Albuquerque dispatch of June 24th says: Two hundred Navajo Indians employed by the Santa Fe as track workers and graders in western New Mexico have gone on a strike, demanding an increase of 10 cents a day in the wage scale. The Navajos are the only track laborers to be found in that section and the walkout is causing some inconvenience. This is the first strike among the red men of the Southwest. The union is thoroughly organized and all offers from labor agents and railroad men are referred to the "president" of the union.

Governor Otero has appointed Daniel Sandoval probate judge of Colfax county, vice Juan D. Fresques, deceased.

At Tierra Amarilla June 22d, Judge John R. McFie sentenced Gregorio Velasquez to one year in the penitentiary for forgery, and Samuel Pachaco one year for defacing brands.

It is reported at Santa Fe that all vegetation is being destroyed in northern Santa Fe county, especially around Pojaque, by the army worm. Efforts are being made to stop the ravages of the insect.

Henry P. Bardshar of Prescott, Arizona, a Rough Rider, appointed collector of internal revenue for the district of Arizona and New Mexico, to succeed A. L. Morrison on July 1st, arrived in Santa Fe with his wife June 22d. Bardshar is a mining man, a graduate of Oberlin College, and is aged thirty-three years.

C. E. Grunsky, of Washington, District of Columbia, consulting engineer to the supervisor of the United States Reclamation Service, was in Roswell last week and in company with W. M. Reed, reclamation engineer for that district, inspected the Hondo reservoir. From Roswell Engineers Grunsky and Reed went to Carlsbad, where they inspected the work that is being done on the Avalon project five miles north of that city, and on Saturday the two went to El Paso. This week they will go up the Rio Grande valley as far as the Elephant Butte dam site at Engle. Engineer Grunsky's inspection trip is more especially for the purpose of looking into the Mesilla valley proposition as to its bearing on international relations.—Santa Fe New Mexican.

A company of Albuquerque business men, composed of W. H. Green, president of the traction company; City Attorney M. E. Hickey and J. T. McLaughlin, contractor, recently began arrangements for the erection of a \$50,000 sand-lime brick plant in Albuquerque. The manufacture of brick out of sand and lime is a comparatively recent invention. This is one of the first plants to be built in the Southwest. It is said brick made by this method are far superior to the burnt clay product. The result of the project is awaited with interest.

CHINESE MERCHANTS

TO RECEIVE FAIR TREATMENT

President Roosevelt intervenes in Behalf of Better Classes of Chinese.

Washington, D. C., June 25.—By direction of President Roosevelt action has been taken by the administration which not only will facilitate the landing in this country of Chinese of the exempt classes, but also will eliminate from the Immigration Bureau such administrative features as have been the subject of criticism by the President. It is the declared intention of the President to see that Chinese merchants, travelers, students and others of the exempt classes shall have the same courtesy shown them by officers of the Immigration Bureau as is accorded to citizens of the most favored nations.

Representations have been made to the President that in view of alleged harsh treatment accorded to many Chinese seeking a landing in the United States, the commercial guilds of China have determined to institute a boycott on American manufacturers. The representations, backed by the authority of the American Asiatic Society and commercial bodies throughout the country, induced the President to make an investigation of the situation with a view to remedying the evils complained of if they were found to exist. The subject was discussed thoroughly with Secretary Metcalf of the Department of Commerce and Labor, who has supervision of the Immigration Bureau.

As a result of the inquiry, orders have been issued to the diplomatic and consular representatives of the United States in China by the President himself that they must look closely to the performance of their duties under the exclusion law and see to it that members of the exempt classes coming to this country are provided with the proper certificates.

These certificates will be accepted at any port of the United States and will guarantee the bearer against any harsh or discourteous treatment. Such treatment, indeed, will be the cause of the instant dismissal of the offending official, whoever he may be.

In addition to the President's orders Secretary Metcalf has issued instructions to the Immigration officers which it is believed will remedy the difficulty heretofore complained of by the Chinese government and individuals. It is anticipated that the prompt action taken by this government to meet the objections by the Chinese will eliminate the possibility of serious trade difficulties between China and the manufacturers of this country.

PANAMA CANAL CLAIMS.

Meeting of Consulting Engineers Called at Washington.

Washington, June 25.—President Roosevelt yesterday issued a call for a meeting of the board of consulting engineers of the Isthmian commission for September 1st in this city. The order makes General George W. Davis chairman of the board and provides that if deemed necessary a visit to the Isthmus may be made.

The text of the order follows: "Executive Order, June 24, 1905: 'It is hereby ordered that a board of consulting engineers consisting of Gen. George W. Davis, Alfred Noble, William Barclay Parsons, William H. Burr, General L. Abbot, Francis P. Stearns, Joseph Ripley, Isham Randolph, Herman Schussler, Henry Hunter, nominated by the British government; Herr Eugene Ticauser, by the German government; M. Guerdard, by the French government; M. Quellenec, consulting engineer of the Suez canal, and one to be designated by the government of The Netherlands shall convene in the city of Washington at the rooms of the Isthmian Canal Commission on the 1st day of September, 1905, for the purpose of considering the various plans proposed to and by the Isthmian Canal Commission for the construction of a canal across the isthmus of Panama, between Cristobal and Lobocá, and that the deliberations of the board of consulting engineers shall continue as long as they may deem it necessary and wise before they make their report to the commission.

"The Isthmian Canal Commission is directed to have all the proposed plans in such detailed form, with maps, surveys, and other documents sufficient to enable the consulting engineers to consider and decide the questions presented to them.

"Should it be deemed necessary by the members of the consulting board they may visit the Isthmus before making their final report. If there is a difference of opinion between the members of the consulting board minority reports are requested.

"Gen. George W. Davis is hereby designated as chairman of the board of consulting engineers. Instructions more detailed will be given in time to be presented to the board when it first convenes on the first of September.

"The chairman is directed to communicate the contents of this order to the different members, with such other details as may be necessary.

"THEODORE ROOSEVELT."

Moffat Road Financed.

Denver, June 26.—The Republican yesterday morning says: David H. Moffat returned last evening from New York, where he has been for two months in the interest of his road, and engaged in the stirring times connected with the historical Equitable Assurance Society battle.

"I have financed my road," Mr. Moffat said.

Superintendent Deuel of the Moffat road and Mr. Evans met him at the depot. With the money in the bank, and that was what delayed him to make certain that nothing would slip, Mr. Moffat and his officials will go into the building of the road with renewed vim. He has not only all the necessary money in bank, but he has made arrangements to meet every future obligation right on the spot.

To his friends Mr. Moffat expressed himself as unusually well pleased with the outcome of his visit East. He has won out against the powerful odds that were pitted against him at one time.

MURDER AND SUICIDE

FEARFUL GRAND LAKE TRAGEDY

Inaane Mother Kills Four of Her Children and Then Shoots Herself.

Denver, June 27.—A dispatch from Hot Sulphur Springs, Colorado, last night says: Mrs. Watt C. Gregg, who, while in a fit of temporary insanity, shot and killed four of her five children and then shot herself through the abdomen, at Grand Lake on Thursday, died at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon. Mrs. Gregg was a woman about forty-two years of age. Seven years ago she lost three children by scarlet fever and was for a long time prostrated with grief, and it is thought that constant worry over the loss of the children affected her mind. The family had a pleasant home and was financially comfortable. The funeral of the mother and children will be held at Grand Lake to-morrow at 10 o'clock. The four children will be buried in two coffins.

The oldest boy, Lloyd, about fifteen years old, was away from home, and so escaped.

The children killed were a babe six months old, who was sitting in a high chair and whose head the mother shot off. Its body was found in the chair. Josie, nine years old, was shot twice through the breast; Ralph, five years old, was shot through the heart, and Harold, three years old, through the stomach. All the children died almost instantly. The mother then shot herself in the left side, the ball passing through her body and out of her back.

Watt Gregg, the husband, was at a neighbor's house near by, and on hearing the shots started for his home accompanied by a man. They first discovered the body of Mrs. Gregg lying in the doorway in a great pool of blood. She begged them to kill her. Passing on into the house the grief-crazed husband found the lifeless forms of his four children where the cruel bullets had stricken them down.

Neighbors immediately telephoned to this place and the coroner, sheriff, district attorney and a physician started for the scene of the awful crime.

The inquest was held to-day and the verdict was that the children were killed by the mother while deranged. A second inquest, held on the body of the mother, resulted in a verdict of suicide.

The father is so distressed over the calamity that friends fear he will make an effort at self-destruction and are keeping him under surveillance.

FIGHTING AT WARSAW.

Streets Barricaded and Revolutionary Proclamations Posted.

Warsaw, June 26.—Disorderly crowds have thronged the streets since early this morning. They erected barricades at Ogrodowa, Krochmalna and Wronia streets, on top of which they placed red flags. The police and soldiers stormed these barracks and ten persons were wounded by bullets or bayonets. Another affray took place at Zenszka street, where Cossacks charged the crowd and wounded three persons. In the central market a crowd attacked a patrol with revolvers, to which the patrol replied with volleys, killing a boy and wounding three other persons. Five workmen who had refused to strike were stabbed to death by their comrades. Revolutionary proclamations have been posted on the walls and 200 persons have been arrested.

A heavy rain fell all day and this is believed to have prevented more serious collisions.

The Social Democrat party and the Jewish Bund announce that the fight against the government must continue, but it is believed that with the present show of military force the situation will be controlled. Thirty-four battalions of infantry are stationed in the town.

A bomb was thrown last night at a carriage occupied by the chief of police, K. M. Pavloff, of the town of Czenstochowa, government of Pietrkow. The chief of police and seven other persons were seriously wounded.

The city is in a state of siege. Patrols of cavalry and infantry are moving in every street.

Plenipotentiaries Named.

Washington, June 27.—Russia has given reassurance of its intentions in the peace negotiations by placing the president in possession of the tentative selection of her plenipotentiaries, as follows: M. Nelidoff, Russian ambassador at Paris, and Baron Rosen, the newly appointed Russian ambassador at Washington.

Russia thus having taken the initiative, it is believed Mr. Takahira, the Japanese minister, during his call at the White House yesterday informally told the President that Japan's selections, also tentative, were Baron Komura, the Japanese minister for foreign affairs, and Kogoro Takahira, the Japanese minister at Washington.

Fortifying Vladivostok.

London, June 26.—The Japanese correspondent of the Daily Telegraph at Moji, Japan, represents the Russians as making strenuous efforts to improve the defenses of Vladivostok, and says that the whole of the Usuri district has been denuded to the point of famine in order to provide the fortress with adequate food and supplies.

The correspondent adds that General Linevich has issued strict orders to non-commissioned officers and men to refrain from the use of alcoholic liquors, threatening them with severe penalties for violations of these orders.

Rebate Prosecutions.

Washington, June 27.—The attorney general has placed the matter of carrying out the President's directions to prosecute certain railroad corporations, including the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railroad Company, for giving rebates, under the direction of Assistant Attorney General Purdy. The latter will devote all of his time for the present to this work and has gone to Kansas City for that purpose.