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LIGHT BURNS LOW

Senator Hanna Gradually Growing Weaker.

SINKING SPELLS FREQUENT

Oxygen Helps Superb Constitution to Rally.

END CANNOT BE AVERTED

Many Prominent Men Call in Person to Make Inquiries, and Telegraphic Communication Is Kept Up by His Relatives in Cleveland.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15, 3:45 A. M.—Senator Hanna had another sinking spell. Dr. Osler was called from his bed and he said Dr. Carter worked laboriously over the patient. As a result there has been a complete reaction, although the Senator has been left much weaker. Dr. Osler returned to his bed with instructions to be called should another spell be imminent.

The attack began with a severe spell of coughing, during which the milk given a short time before was vomited up. Dr. Fulcher first was called, and then Dr. Osler. Believing that the final struggle was at hand, Dan Hanna was aroused, and quickly was at his father's side, and preparations were made to call the rest of the family, but this was not done in view of the rally which followed the doctor's efforts.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15, 4:45 A. M.—All the members of Senator Hanna's family have been summoned.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15, 6:15 A. M.—In a last effort to save him, the physicians, at 6 A. M., gave a saline injection with brandy, resulting in a very slight rally.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—This had been a sleepless night for the Senator. He began with assurances of quite an optimistic character. The first news of the day from the sickroom was announced shortly after 7 o'clock A. M. The Senator, the doctors said, had passed a perfectly quiet night. His temperature at 7 o'clock was 102.5; pulse 120 and strong and regular, and his respiration was declared to be satisfactory, although no figure was given.

At intervals of two hours during the night Senator Hanna had been aroused and given nourishment, after which he immediately resumed his sleep. The doctors supplemented the announcement with the statement that the condition of the Senator at this time surpassed all their expectations.

Rapid Change for the Worse.
This statement hardly had been issued when an unexpected change for the worse took place. Dr. Osler had gone to Mr. Hanna's room and Dr. Carter and Secretary Elmer Dover had stepped down to the dining-room for breakfast. Dr. Rixey had not arrived and the Senator was alone with his nurses. Suddenly he became noticeably weaker. His rapid breathing excited alarm and other evident

signs of distress caused a hurried summons to both physicians.

On their almost instant arrival his pulse was beating at the alarming rate of 151 and his respiration was above 40. The oxygen apparatus was immediately put into use, the breathing cone was placed over the Senator's mouth and nostrils and relief secured. At 9:30 o'clock an official bulletin was issued covering this period. Its statement follows:

"Senator Hanna passed a favorable night, but he is weaker this morning. Temperature, 103.5; pulse, 120; respiration, 40."
"RITKEY."
"CARTER."

Rallies From Sinking Spell.
The physicians declined to make further comment on the outlook, but it was noticeable that their optimism of the early morning had been entirely dissipated by the 8 o'clock sinking spell. However, for the next few hours the reports which came unofficially from the bedside of the Senator all told of his wonderful recuperative powers.

At 10:30 Dr. Osler declared the distinguished patient to be entirely recovered from the depression of the early morning hours. At this time the doctor left for Baltimore with the understanding that he would return at 4:30 o'clock in the afternoon. Drs. Rixey, Carter and Fulcher remained in constant attendance. At noon an official bulletin was issued. It read:

"At 11 o'clock, noon, Senator Hanna's temperature was 102; pulse, 124; respiration, 38. He is resting quietly and shows a slight improvement over his condition when the morning bulletin was issued."
"RITKEY."
"CARTER."

The drop of nearly two degrees in the Senator's temperature between the 9:30 and noon bulletins was looked on as a most encouraging sign, especially in view of the fact that the bath had not been resorted to to reduce the fever. At the moment when the rails for the railroad are being laid over the ice. A double rupture of the ice has taken place some yards from Tanah, on the eastern side, leaving open gaps of several yards, which will have to be filled up with ice blocks.

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The best naval opinion here is to the effect that the detention of those Japanese at Port Arthur is a strategic necessity, to prevent the Japanese gaining information as to fortifications, troops, etc. An official said:

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APPEAL OF JAPAN

United States Asked to Apply to Russia.

JAPANESE HELD CAPTIVE

Taken From Steamer About to Leave Port Arthur.

CHINESE NEUTRALITY SECURE

Russia's Answer to Secretary Hay's Note Will Be Satisfactory—Assurances Are Received From Paris and London.

NEW YORK, Feb. 15.—A special cable to the Herald says:

According to a telegram from Missions, one of the so-dreaded storms that terrorize Lake Baikal, has broken that, and most unfortunately, just at the moment when the rails for the railroad are being laid over the ice. A double rupture of the ice has taken place some yards from Tanah, on the eastern side, leaving open gaps of several yards, which will have to be filled up with ice blocks.

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MARINES IN RUSH

Board Prairie With Their Entire Equipment.

SAIL UNDER SEALED ORDERS

North Atlantic Squadron Said to Be Going to Guantanamo.

RUMOR SAYS SANTO DOMINGO

Officials Deny That It Is the Purpose of the United States to Increase Landing Force Off Revolution-Ridden Island.

COLON, Feb. 14.—Hurried orders from Washington were received to embark a battalion of marines on the Prairie. A special train left Colon this morning and returned at noon with the 450 marines, who were encamped at Bas Obispo station on the Panamas Railway.

The Prairie boats were kept busy all day embarking the camp fittings, baggage, stores, etc., and this task is not yet finished.

Major Lucas will command the battalion, and the Prairie will sail tomorrow under sealed orders.

It has leaked out here that the marines are destined for Santo Domingo. Only about 100 marines now remain at Bas Obispo.

Deny Going to Santo Domingo.
WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—Naval officials say that while the Prairie with the 450 marines from Colon aboard will touch at Santo Domingo, that the real destination of the vessel is the naval station at Guantanamo. The purpose of taking the men there, they say, is to give them a change of climate and surroundings.

After they have been at Guantanamo for awhile, probably they will be sent back to the Isthmus, if the United States continues to keep up its present marines there, and others will be given an opportunity to go to Guantanamo.

Officials say it is not the intention of the United States to increase its marine landing force in Santo Domingo waters, that there is already an adequate number of men on board the ships now in those waters if any are needed for landing purposes.

Fleet Goes to Culebra.
WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—Word reached the Navy Department today that the battleship squadron of the North Atlantic fleet, including the Kearsarge, the Alabama, the Illinois and the Massachusetts, had sailed from Culebra for the naval station at Guantanamo. This is part of the regular programme of the movements of the squadron.

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