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PORT ARTHUR TO SURRENDER

Japanese Must Fight or Withdraw—Contradictory Reports Concerning Port Arthur

Observer Special
Mukden, Nov. 17.—(Thursday) There was a heavy frost last night and it is cold today, driving the soldiers into their dugouts, along the entrenched lines. It is apparently impossible for either side to eject the other from their positions. The cold weather promises a cessation of activities for the winter. The wells are dry and both armies are using water out of the Shukai river, where soldiers approach unarmed to get their water, under recognized mutual sanction, not a soldier has been fired upon. Here is where the noble art of war is confined

to stoouffs and the exchange of cigarettes, jack-knives and food. Familiarities are inevitable when long lines are in contact.

Observer Special
London, Nov. 17.—This city is in a state of excitement over the information given out that a dispatch has been received by the exchange from Rome stating that a dispatch from St. Petersburg states that the Czar intends to settle the fate of Port Arthur by ordering its surrender to the Japanese at once. This is given full credence here and the official is expected early tomorrow.

Mrs W M Ramsey. A cordial invitation is extended to all members and friends of the parish.

The ladies will have on sale at this tea a beautiful line of Mexican drawn work consisting of lunch clothes and waist patterns in white and colors and the prices are very reasonable.

They also have various other pieces in this line also a choice lot of Armenian hand made lace besides other articles suitable for Christmas presents.

Stoessel Hopeful

St. Petersburg, Nov. 17.—The war office is in receipt of a dispatch from General Stoessel expressing entire confidence in being in being able to Port Arthur until the arrival of the second Pacific squadron.

Life Crew Lost

Norfolk, Va., Nov. 17.—A vessel from the Carolina coast say that the New Inlet life-saving station was destroyed by a tidal wave in Sunday's hurricane. Several men were lost.

Last Chief

Portland, Nov. 17.—Louis Savage the last chief of the Molalla Indians was today found guilty of murdering Frank Wachens a fellow Indian on the Grande Ronde reservation last April he was sentenced to life imprisonment in the penitentiary.

BALLIET ADMITS HIS GUILT

(Observer Special)
Des Moines Ia Nov. 17.—Letson Balliet who gained notoriety as a promoter of the White Swan Mining Co., of Oregon, today suddenly terminated the second trial in federal court for fraudulently using the mails by pleading guilty to the offense. His first trial two years ago ended with conviction after hard fighting, but a second trial was ordered by the higher courts.

Colored Vaudeville

First appearance of McKanias in La Grande for 15 years. See him he is one sight in a life time.

GEN. TAFT SAILS

With Party to Investigate Affairs in the Republic of Panama

(Observer Special)
Washington Nov. 17.—Secretary of War Taft leaves tonight on his mission of investigation and conciliation in matters pertaining to the republic of Panama. While enroute he will make a speech and will be entertained. He is accompanied by Mrs Taft and Oscar Oballa, minister of Panama, Wm N Cromwell, consul of the republic and Admiral Walker president of the canal commission. A great reception awaits the party upon their arrival at Colson.

LARGE HOTEL BURNS

(Observer Special)
Olympia Wash Nov. 17.—Fire destroyed the Olympia hotel, the largest frame hotel building in the state today. The loss to owners and guests is estimated at \$36,000. The guests all escaped without injury. There is a small insurance on the building.

(Observer Special)
Denver Nov. 17.—A fire today at the Denver Gas and Electric Company building caused the loss of about \$25,000. The cause of the fire is thought to have been spontaneous combustion. The men's clothing caught fire and two of them saved their lives by jumping into a tank of water. Two men were killed outright.

Must Go Home

(Observer Special)
Washington, Nov. 17.—The secretary of Commerce and Labor on behalf of the Bureau of Investigation today sustained the finding of Commissioner Dunn at St. Louis ordering the deportation of Geisha girls. Their manager had planned a tour of the states after the close of the fair.

Empress Birthday

(Observer Special)
Mukden Nov. 17.—This (Thursday) being the birthday of the Dowager Empress of China, flags and streamers are displayed on all the streets. Tartar general Talhoohi and territorial officials 'kowlawd' to the dowager's tablet in the deserted ancestral palace and purchased ten days prayers in all the dynasty about this "Chinese second capital."

On Trial

(Observer Special)
New York, Nov. 17.—The trial of Nan Patterson, the former actress, charged with the murder of Caesar Young, the wealthy horseman, was continued in the criminal court today. The greatest care is being used in the examination of the talsman. It is not expected the jury will be completed today. The public so far has been excluded but great crowds fill the corridors.

Japan Must Fight

(Observer Special)
Mukden, Nov. 17. If there is to be any activity at the front in the near future it is apparent that the initiative must be taken by the Japanese. It is reported that the Japanese are concentrating strong forces on their right and left center, undoubtedly with the realization that they are assured of a speedy success before attacking as it would be impossible for the armies to remain in the field without shelter owing to the cold nights. The Russians have greatly strengthened their positions and hope to hold Mukden through the winter.

A FEW QUESTIONS TO ASK YOURSELF

If You Have the Nerve to Answer them You are Above the Average

Occasionally it is wiser to devote some time to introspection, to self-examination. Self-examination should be done wisely and in the proper spirit, and during those periods when we have put ourselves on the witness stand do not forget the things of most importance. The next time you feel like holding an auto-examination, suppose you try a few of these questions on the witness:

- 1 What am I here for?
- 2 Of what use am I?
- 3 What is success?
- 4 Am I a success?
- 5 Why not?
- 6 Do I lumber the earth?
- 7 Did I ever have an original, unthought?
- 8 Who does my thinking for me?
- 9 Am I in a rut?
- 10 What is my personal opinion of myself?
- 11 What do my friends think of me?
- 12 If I should die to night, would anyone remember me in kindness in six months?
- 13 Did I ever add to the sum of earth's happiness?
- 14 Is my disposition agreeable?
- 15 Do I ever try to improve my character?
- 16 Am I better or worse than last year?
- 17 Am I progressing intellectually?
- 18 Are my habits of life such that I can recommend them to young people?
- 19 Am I a hypocrite?
- 20 Have I the courage of my convictions?
- 21 What is my weak point?
- 22 Do I overeat?
- 23 Do I control my appetites, or are they my masters?
- 24 Do I control my temper?
- 25 Am I fit to control anything?
- 26 What has the future in store for me?
- 27 Would I go out of my way to do a kind act if I knew I would never receive any benefit therefrom?

- 28 Have I wit enough to intelligently care for children?
- 29 Do I know enough about my body to take proper care of it?
- 30 If my body was a machine, could I pass an examination as engineer to take charge of it?
- 31 Do I dare to answer the above questions truthfully to myself?

Get yourself in a corner and admit honestly and fairly that you have a bad habit or a fault, and it will be easy to exterminate the same.—Suggestion.

Gone to Jury

(Observer Special)
Portland, Or., Nov. 17.—The case of Henry E. Meldrum, former surveyor general of Oregon being the first of the and fraud cases went to the jury this afternoon.

Colored Vaudeville

Miss Lizzie Perry, the Jewish oratorio the champion Lady Oake walker of the world see her impersonate any character and hear her sing 4 voices at once with McKanias at Opera House Wed. Nov. 23rd adults 50, children 25, Res seats 75.

Another Report

Observer Special
London Nov. 17.—Advice from Tokio state that General Stoessel commander of the Russian forces at Port Arthur is nearing the extreme limit of assistance.

Honored Washington

(Observer Special)
Washington, Nov. 17.—Prince Fushimi, personal representative of the Mikado in the presence of a distinguished gathering placed a wreath up on the tomb of Washington and planted a tree nearby which he brought with him from his native land, Japan.

Motorman Killed

(Observer Special)
Chattanooga Nov. 17.—As a result of a collision this morning on a rapid transit electric road, which was caused by a heavy fog motorman Buckner will die and several passengers were severely injured.

One Caught

(Observer Special)
Omaha Neb Nov. 17.—A special from Cheyenne says the robbers who held up and killed Cashier Mibdaugh at Cody have been captured in northern Wyoming. No details have been revealed.
The arrested bandit is in danger of being lynched. The crowd around the jail is increasing hourly, and officers fear they will be unable to stand off the crowd who are clamoring for the bandit.
Later. The mob which has been

Our Foreign Trade

During the nine months ending with September 1904 the imports from foreign countries to the United States amounted to \$751,377,535 and the exports of domestic articles, that is articles the growth and manufacture of our people reached \$965,434,637 making the total foreign trade for the nine months total \$1,716,812,172 worth.

All Invited

The Ladies of St Peter's Guild will on Nov. 30 give a tea at the home of

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Men's Scotch Mottle, very stylish	at 15 00	worth 18 00
Men's All Wool Cassimere	at 20 00	worth 24 00



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