FALL OF PORT ARTHUR DENIED

VLADIVOSTOK SQUADRON MAY SOON BE CAPTURED—CZAR SUMMONS DE WITTE.

London, July 30.—A Tokio correspondent of the Times, under date of July 30, says: The cruisers of the Vladivostok squadron were seen north of the island of Idzu, at the entrance of the Bay of Tokio, this morning. It is believed the Russian cruisers will be driven off or brought to bay in the course of a day.

Tokio, July 30.—The rumored fall of Port Arthur is officially pronounced to be untrue.

GENERAL ASSAULT BEGAN.

Russian Fleet Unwilling to Attack Admiral Togo.

Chefoo, July 30.—Refugees who have just arrived from Port Arthur confirm previous reports that a general assault has been begun by the Japanese on that fortress, and they declare that the Russians are sanguine that the Japanese could not succeed in capturing the place, even though they had twice as many troops. The Russians, according to the refugees' stories, are still hopeful of succor from General Kuropatkin. They are unwilling to believe the reports of his defeat at Ta Che Kiao.

The refugees further confirm the reports that the Russian fleet is in a state of repair, but that the fleet is unwilling to attack kthat of Admiral Togo on account of the mines which the Japanese place nightly at the entrance to the harbor. It was believed at Port Arthur that if the Vladivostok squadron or reinforcements from General Kuropatkin should arrive the Russian fleet would take the risk of going out. Ammunition is said to be growing scarce, and the large fort guns are not often discharged.

Attempts to manufacture ammunition in Port Arthur are reported to have been failures. All public buildings are being used for hospitals. The sick and wounded are being well-cared for by volunteer nurses. The wounds made by the Japanese rifles are dangerous only when vital spots are reached. Hundreds of badly wounded have quickly recovered from their wounds.

An American named Holt reports that Lieutenant Newton A. McCully, the American naval attache now at Port Arthur, is well.

DE WITTE HONORED.

Czar Said to Have Offered Him Title of Chancellor.

London, July 30.—A dispatch from Berlin to the Daily Telegraph says it is stated in diplomatic circles that M. De Witte, who left St. Petersburg yesterday, received a long telegram yesterday from the czar, asking his advice and offering him the post of minister of the interior, with the title of chancellor, which has been in abeyance for years. De Witte replied, asking for a short time to consider the proposition, and concurrently expressing a hope that should the czar finally so honor him he would have a free hand to carry out internal reforms which are necessary to pacify the country.

St. Petersburg, July 30.—President of the Ministerial Council, De Witte returned yesterday from Berlin. His success in concluding the Russo-German commercial treaty is hailed as a great victory.

SQUADRON DISAPPEARS.

Togo Reports Disappearance of Vladivostok Fleet.

Tokio, July 30.—The Vladivostok squadron has disappeared and it is possible that its raid is over and that it is heading homeward. The Pacific Mail company's steamship Korea will be held at Yokohama and the steamship Siberia at Kobe until their safety is assured. The German mail steamship company is using Kobe as a terminal for the transshipment of passengers and cargo.

RUSSIA FILES PROTEST.

They Demand Damages for English Shipments of Contraband.

London, July 30.—Russia has filed a formal protest at the foreign office against British shipments of contraband to Japan. It is learned that the Russian government, since the beginning of the war, has carefully watched the manufacture of goods intended for the use of the Japanese government, and as soon as it was established that such goods were about to be shipped to a hostile destination the facts were officially communicated to the British government, with the request that measures be taken to put a stop to it. It is further asserted that in many cases the government has not taken action, and it is understood that when the war ends Russia proposes to present a bill for damages to the British government which will offset the indemnities claimed for the seizure of British steamers.

It is also learned that Russia does not intend to hasten the settlement of the right of the vessels of the volunteer fleet to pass the Dardanelles since if negotiations on the subject were conducted at this time, as desired by Great Britain, Russia might be forced by the existing situation to grant concessions she would afterward regret.

Sick Headache.

"For several years my wife was troubled with what physicians called sick headache of a very severe character. She doctored with several eminent physicians and at a great expense, only to grow worse until she was unable to do any kind of work. About a year ago she began taking Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets and today weighs more than she ever did before and is real well," says Mr. George E. Wright, of New London, New York. For sale by Chas. Strang, druggist.

RUPTURE SEEMS CERTAIN.

French Reply to Papal Authorities Will Be Presented Today.

Paris, July 30.—The vatican's reply to the French note demanding the recall of the letters summoning the bishops of Dijon and Laval to Rome was received at the foreign office yesterday and is being translated for the council of ministers. It consists of two notes dealing separately with the cases of the two bishops. The impression prevails that a rupture is almost inevitable.

The council of ministers, after sitting until 5 p. m. discussing the vatican situation, decided to keep its decision secret.

Premier Combs, when questioned after the council adjourned, declared that diplomatic etiquet forbade him to speak. This remark is interpreted to indicate a complete rupture of diplomatic relations with the holy see.

The French government's note was telegraphed last night to M. de Courcel, the secretary in charge of the French embassy to the vatican, who will communicate it to the vatican authorities today.

It is believed that the embassy staff will leave Rome tonight and that the papal nuncio will leave Paris.

WARSHIP OHIO READY FOR TRIAL

Anchored Off Santa Barbara Waiting for Clear Weather.

Santa Barbara, July 30.—The battleship Ohio, which is to hold her official trial trip in Santa Barbara channel, arrived from San Francisco yesterday at 9:20 o'clock and anchored two miles off shore. It had been expected that she would reach this port at 5 o'clock in the morning. The cause of the delay was not made known. The Ohio is surrounded by a small fleet, comprising the gunboat Annapolis, the torpedo boat destroyer Paul Jones, Preble and Perry and the government tugs Fortune and Unadilla. No attempt will be made to make trial trips before Monday, because of a very heavy fog hanging over the channel a few miles from shore.

PURSUED BY FIER FIEND.

Two Incendiary Fires in Santa Rosa Cause Heavy Loss.

Santa Rosa, July 30.—Twice in twenty-four hours fire visited Henry W. Ungewitter's possessions, and there are strong suspicions of incendiarism. Thursday his barn was burned and his home narrowly escaped, a valuable horse lost its life and there were other heavy losses, with no insurance. Two young men narrowly escaped with their lives. Friday fire was discovered near the Ungewitter meat market, but the blaze was extinguished before material damage was done. Had the fire gained headway very serious loss might have been inflicted in the heart of the business section.

There is no disputing the fact that man's heart is often reached through the stomach. Happy the housewife who can please her husband's appetite with well cooked food for the table. Many a man is grouchy, ugly, nervous, suffering from distress after eating, heart palpitation, and all through the overworked stomach.

Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, which helps the digestion of food in the stomach, assists the blood in taking up the proper elements from the food, helps the liver into activity, thereby throwing the poisons in the blood and vitalizing the whole system. This assimilation helps in the oxidation of the red blood corpuscles, the poisons in the system are eliminated, the heart gets the right kind of blood and the person feels invigorated and vigorous in consequence. As a tissue builder it is far preferable to cod liver oil or any alcoholic compounds or tonics, because it gives the blood and the tissues the food elements they require and maintains a person's nutrition by enabling him to eat, retain, digest and assimilate nutritious food. It overcomes the gastric irritability and symptoms of dyspepsia. Because of the good [illegible] Pierce's Golden Medical [illegible] constipation and the [illegible] starts, con- [illegible] and symptoms headaches, [illegible]

HEROES RESCUE HOTEL GUESTS

DARING DEEDS ENACTED AT THE BURNING OF HOTEL LYNNWOOD, SAN FRANCISCO.

San Fracisco, July 30.—Flames and smoke swept through the Lynwood, a six-story building, at 18 Mason street yesterday, driving the inmates to the stairs and fire escapes. Heroes were ready to risk their lives for the imperiled, and after many a thrilling scene had been enacted all hands were saved, although some of the rescued will be nursing burns for many days to come.

James Price, the 17-year-old elevator boy, ran his machine to the upper floors to arouse the lodgers, knocked at the door of a cripple, was close pressed by the flames, and escaped only after he had hung for ten minutes from the ledge of a six-story window. For minutes at a time he was hidden by clouds of smoke and toward the end the flames almost licked his hands, but he clung fast and finally a rope reached him and the firemen hoisted him to the roof.

Mrs. D. Harkins of Nevada City was overcome by smoke. Fireman William P. Sawyer climbed up a standpipe, swung on the fire-escape, reached the prostrate woman and brought her down to the sidewalk. Then Sawyer went back and rescued a man and a woman who lay suffocating in a smoke-filled hall. Miss Nellie Alexander hung from a window on the fifth floor until a fireman came to her relief. Phil McSweegan, employed by a burglar alarm company, saved a woman from the top floor. T. J. Dwyer, who used to be a fireman, couldn't resist the old impulse, and rushing into the burning building saved N. Attell, a cripple, from death. Heroes sprang up for every emergency, and but for their efforts half a dozen people might have lost their lives.

The greatest damage done by the flames was in the fifth and sixth floors, although all the floors were flooded with water. J. A. McPhee, proprietor of Lynhood hotel, estimates his loss at $7000. He carried $4000 insurance. The damage to the structure is estimated at $15,000. The Peerless Awning and Tent company lost stock and machinery valued at $2000. Another $1000 will cover the losses of the inmates, making a total of $25,000.

SOCIALISTS APPLAUD CRIME.

Russian Socialists Declare It Their Duty to Assist Russian Brethren.

Berlin, July 30.—The Social Democrats held a meeting last night to receive a report of Herr Liebknecht, the counsel for the Social Democrats who were tried recently at Koengsberg on the charge of sending an archistic literature into Russia. Four thousand persons, including many Russians, attended. After reviewing the trial, Liebknecht declared it was the duty of German Socialists to assist their Russian comrades, and said that he would neglect no opportunity to send them printed matter.

Liebknecht spoke in the harshest terms of the late Russian minister of the interior, Von Plehve, characterizing him as the "bloodhound of Vina, whose hands are soiled by the blood of hundreds of thousands of working men."

There was prolonged applause when the speaker declared that he saw Russians embrace, kiss and weep for joy when they heard the news of the minister's assassination.

BUSINESS MAN TWICE DEPORTED

Denounced Governor Peabody and His Military Subordinates.

Cripple Creek, Colo., July 30.—Patrick McCarvel, one of the men who were deported to the Kansas line by the military in June, returned to Victor, where he owns property, including a large hall and business block valued at $25,000. When McCarvel disembarked from the train he was taken in charge by Major H. A. Naylor, acting city marshal. McCarvel was allowed to attend to some business affairs and was placed on board the first outgoing train with a warning that in future police protection would not be afforded him should he again return. McCarvel was originally deported for openly expressing sympathy with the miners' union and denouncing acts of Governor Peabody and his military subordinates.

FINAL DECREE OF FORECLOSURE

Portland, Me., July 30.—Judge Putnam in the United States circuit court Friday entered final decree of foreclosure and sale against building plants in different parts of the country controlled by the United States Shipbuilding company on bills of equity brought by the Mercantile Trust company of New York and the New York Security and Trust company of New York.

WILL COMMAND ISLAND STATION.

Washington, July 30.—Captain Henry W. Lyon has been chosen to succeed Rear-Admiral Silas W. Terry as commandant of the Honolulu naval station upon the latter's retirement next December. Rear-Admiral Terry will be retired for age. He was born in Kentucky and was appointed to the naval academy from that state September 23, 1855. He reached the grade of rear-admiral in March, 1900.

SLEEPING VOLCANOES

A thin, vapory smoke, lazily ascending from its crater, may be the only visible sign of life in the sleeping volcano; but within is a raging sea of fire, molten rock and sulphurous gases. Those who make their homes in the peaceful valleys below know the danger, and though frequently warned by the rumblings and quakings, these signs of impending eruption go unheeded. They are living in fancied security; when the giant awakes with deafening roars, and they are lost beneath a downpour of heated rock and scalding ashes. Thousands of blood poison sufferers are living upon a sleeping volcano, and are taking desperate chances, for under the mercury and potash treatment the external symtpoms of the disease disappear, and the deluded victim is happy in the belief of a complete cure; but the fires of contagion have only been smothered in the system, and as soon as these minerals are left off will blaze up again. Occasional sores break out in the mouth, a red rash appears on the body, and these warning symptoms, if not heeded, are soon followed by fearful eruptions, sores, copper-colored splotches, swollen glands, loss of hair and other sickening symptoms. Mercury and potash not only fail to cure blood poison, but cause mercurial Rheumatism, necrosis of the bones, offensive ulcers and inflammation of the stomach and bowels. The use of S. S. S. is never followed by any such bad results. It cures without the slightest injury to the system. We offer $1,000 for proof that it contains a mineral of any description. S. S. S. is an antidote for contagious blood poison, it destroys every atom of the virus and purifies and strengthens the blood and builds up the general health.

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AMERICA NOT SATISFIED.

Unwilling to Accept Russia's Interpretation of International Law.

Washington, July 30.—W. Mynderse a New York attorney, representing some of the cargo owners of the steamer Knight Commander, sunk by the Russian Vladivostok squadron, called at the state department and had a short informal conference with Solicitor Penfield respecting a formal presentation to the Russian government of the claims of these owners for the destroyed cargo. It was arranged that a written brief should be submitted later on, embodying the legal points sought to be made in this case.

It is clear to the officials here that regardless of any rules which Russia may have laid down for her own government respecting the sinking of neutral ships, the practice, opposed as it is to all modern principles of international law, cannot be permitted by this government without a strenuous protest.

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BATTLING NELSON DEFEATS HANLON

ONE OF THE FIERCEST BATTLES IN HISTORY OF THE RING.

San Francisco, July 30.—Battling Nelson won a wonderful fight last night from Eddie Honlon. The game little Californian, just out of the east with newly acquired speed and cleverness and steam, could not withstand the terrific fighting of his always oncoming opponent. Cut to ribbons, bleeding at nose and eye, Eddie stood up until it was cruelty to allow the fight to proceed. Just twenty-four seconds after the beginning of the nineteenth round Billy Delaney threw the towel into the ring and another good little boy was carried to his corner, a fallen idol.

The real end of the fight came in the eighteenth round. For three periods preceding Nelson had been persistently cutting Eddie about the face and head with short-arm punches and uppercuts. The California boy withdrew into his crouch and the Dane pierced that defense; the California lad danced around the ring with his guard open, and the Dane followed him with swings that connected and stung. Finally, just before time for the bell in the eighteenth, the Dane came in close and threw up to Eddie's chin a right hook.

Hanlon was staggered. He clutched desperately at Nelson and hung on. Not waiting for the break to be made by Referee Roche, Nelson shoved Eddie away. Then it was that Nelson saw, and the crowd saw and knew that Eddie Hanlon, the 'Pride of California," was a beaten boy. Fod instead of setting himself for another assault Eddie fell ignominously to a heap on the floor.

Standing over the bruised and battered fighter, the referee callad the count to nine, and as the dazed youngster staggered to his feet the gong sounded and there came a much-needed period of rest.

In the tense, nervous excitement it was not for some moments that the crowd realized what had happened. Men had climbed to their chairs and were standing, wild eyed and hatless, uncertain as to whether the end of the round had come, or, what some of them feared more, the end of the fight.

Wise old Billy Delaney leaned over Hanlon and applied restoratives. In Nelson's corner Ted Murphy was talking coolly and collectedly to the boy he calls affectionately "The Great Dane." And then the sixty seconds were up and there came the ring of the gong.

Hanlon never got to the center of the ring. Like some wild beast of prey, Nelson sprung from his corner with a bound and rained blows about his opponent's face and head. Poor little Eddie Hanlon, trying always, could do nothing but cover up and take the punishment.

With his hands before his face in that crouch so familiar to San Francisco fight followers, "the pride of California" was buffeted about the ring like a crippled boat before an all powerful storm.

Referee Billy Roche looked appealingly at Trainer Billy Delaney. The crowd yelled "Stop it! Stop the fight!" men who had wagered Hanlon money joining in the cry. And still Delaney made no move. And then, less than half a minute before the end of the period, the belated towel was thrown into the ring and it was all over.

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LEAKING GASOLINE CAUSES FIRE

San Diego, July 30.—Fire in the Roxbury building in this city yesterday came near causing the destruction of the block. A leaking gasoline tank caught fire while a reservoir was being filled. A woman seized the tank and started to carry it downstairs, but was so badly burned that she dropped it on the stairway. The flames spread rapidly, but assistance came in time to save the building. D. O. Joy was so badly burned that he was taken to a hospital. The fire department extinguished the flames before great damage was done. The woman's injuries are not serious.

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July 13, 1904.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make Final Proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before A. S. Bilton, U. S. Commissioner, at his office, in Medford, Oregon, on Friday, August 26, 1904, viz:

LORENZO P. ASBURY,

on H. E. No. 9318, for the N. E. ¼, Section 26, Township 36 South, Range 1 West.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:

George Brown, of Eagle Point, Oregon; Carl Bieberstedt, John Neustrom, James Owens, of Wellen, Oregon.

J. T. BRIDGES, Register.