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LOSING HEART

CONFIDENCE IN KUROPATKIN FADES AND DELAYS DEMORALIZES ARMY.

Russian Squadron Is at Chagos Islands in Indian Ocean—Japan Warns Chile Not to Sell Warships—Other News.

Tokio, Jan. 10.—Information which has reached certain reliable quarters here states that the Russian generals in Manchuria are losing confidence in General Kuropatkin, and that the Russian situation around Mukden is a serious one. It is feared that if Kuropatkin attacks the Japanese position along the Shakhe River, he will court disaster, and that his further retreat will mean the demoralization of his army.

This information goes on to show that there is constant bickering at Russian Manchurian headquarters, and that the soldiers are discontented, their dissatisfaction beginning with the series of retreats at the battle of Telisu and the withdrawal from Liao Yang, when it was believed it was possible to hold that place. The climax came with the Russian defeat at the battle of the Shakhe River, following Kuropatkin's strongly worded order directing the forward movement, dated October 2. This defeat brought a storm of criticism on the commander-in-chief and resulted in discord among the officers.

Long inaction, the informant alleges, is undermining the morale of the Russian army, and it is pointed out that recent skirmishes and outpost brushes indicate that the Russian soldiers are becoming disheartened, as they do not show their former fighting spirit or qualities.

The siege guns to be sent to Manchuria from Port Arthur will probably be placed in advanced positions for the purpose of enabling the Japanese to shell far into the Russian lines.

Paris, Jan. 10.—Japan has informed Chile that further sale of vessels to Russia will be followed by summary punitive measures. This information comes direct from the foreign office, but has not yet been published in Paris.

According to an official of the office, Japan is greatly irritated over the matter, and has even gone so far as to hint broadly that the Chilean coast would make a fine target for the Japanese warships.

At the same time a similar protest was made to the Argentine Republic, in spite of the fact that such a threat might be considered an offense against the Monroe doctrine. The source of this information leaves no doubt as to its correctness.

Dr. Motono, the Japanese minister here, says he has no knowledge of any such communication on the part of his government. At the same time he took occasion to criticize the new republics. A member of the Japanese legation said that, if the United States should take no measures to prevent any further action of this sort, it would not be fair to invoke the Monroe doctrine against Japan.

Speaking unofficially, members of government circles say that this incident shows that Japan has grown so self-complacent over its victories that it can run the risk of losing the good will of even the United States.

Port Louis, Island of Mauritius, Jan. 10.—It is rumored here that a Japanese squadron is at Diego Garcia, Chagos Islands. The Russian Admiral was informed January 2 that Japanese warships were proceeding to meet the Russian squadron, and the vigilance of the latter was redoubled.

The aid-de-camp of the Russian Admiral, in an interview at Tamatave, capital of the island of Madagascar, was quoted as saying that the Russian squadron would require a month to cross the Indian Ocean.

The Chagos Islands are in the Indian Ocean, and a southward extension of the Maldivian group, which is 300 miles southwest of the coast of India. They are claimed by Great Britain.

London, Jan. 10. The corres-

pondent at Port Arthur of the Daily Mail says that on January 8, 20 Japanese were killed by the explosion of a contact mine inside one of the forts, and that two mines in the town also exploded.

No Pity Shown.

"For years fate was after me continually," writes E. A. Gullidge, Verbona Ala. "I had a terrible case of Piles causing 24 Tumors. When all failed Bucklen's Arnica Salve cured me. Equally good for Burns and all aches and pains. Only 25c at Allen & Woodward's Drug Store.

Tokio, Jan. 10.—The navy department says that the district covered with submarine mines had a radius of 40 miles outside of Port Arthur. It reports the destruction and explosion of 696 of these mines in one day. Two additional survivors of the third expedition of the Japanese to blockade the entrance of Port Arthur have been found in Russian hospitals. They have been transferred to the Japanese.

New York, Jan. 10.—The ball given by Mrs. William Astor last night was the occasion of one of the most gorgeous displays of jewelry ever witnessed in the United States. The aggregate value of the jewelry is estimated by a jeweler who has sold millions of dollars' worth to be \$20,000,000 and extraordinary precautions were taken to protect the guests from thieves, ten detectives being employed.

The value of jewels worn by the principal guests was:

Worth \$750,000, Mrs. William Astor.

Worth \$400,000 to \$500,000, Mrs. John Jacob Astor, Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt, Sr., Mrs. O. H. P. Belmont, Mrs. Clarence H. Mackay.

Worth \$300,000 to \$400,000, Mrs. Perry Belmont, Mrs. Oelrichs, Mrs. Orme Wilson, Mrs. Alfred Gwynne Vanderbilt, Mrs. Stuyvesant Fish, Mrs. Ogden Mills, Mrs. Levi P. Morton, Mrs. M. S. James A. Burden.

Worth \$200,000 to \$300,000, Mrs. Harry Payne Whitney, Mrs. Payne Whitney, Mrs. George J. Gould, Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt, Jr., Mrs. Oliver Harriman.

Washington, Jan. 16.—A sensation was caused in this city today by the discovery of what appeared to be a definite and serious attempt to blow up or deface the statue of Frederick the Great, given to the United States by Emperor William of Germany and erected in the Arsenal grounds, near the Army College, on the Potomac River waterfront, in the southern part of the city. It was believed at first that a crank had made a real effort at destruction of the statue, but after a careful investigation the police officials say the material used was incapable of producing damage. The evidence so far secured, the police announced tonight, tends to show that the attempted effort to injure the statue was amateurish to a degree. It is regarded as an attempt to work up a sensation.

Detectives learned that a negro hackman named Arthur Cath took the man thought to have perpetrated the affair from the Pennsylvania railroad to the statue. Apparently, he had just arrived in the city. His baggage consisted of a small and worn dress suit case. The man told the hackman to drive slowly to the barracks grounds. When the statue was reached, the stranger alighted, ran up the steps leading to the westerly terrace of the war college esplanade, and disappeared behind the pedestal of the statue.

A minute later he ran back to the cab, and the hackman noticed that his grip was missing. The man jumped into the cab and ordered the hackman to drive out of the grounds as quickly as possible. Soon after getting out of the grounds the stranger jumped out, paid the hackman and disappeared. The man had hung his suitcase by a wire hook to the wire fence surrounding the statue. A few minutes later a negro discovered it and dislodged it from the fence. As it fell to the ground, it exploded. Aside from throwing a few splashes of mud upon the steps of the pedestal, no harm was done. One of the explosion was the hurried building of a small wooden box beside the statue, where a watchman will be stationed all the time hereafter.

Remember Nolan & Callahan's January Sale is now reaching its full blast. Bargains all along the line.

AT SALEM

LEGISLATURE ORGANIZED AND BIG CRIST OF BILLS INTRODUCED.

Much Good Is Expected to Be Accomplished at the Hands of the Solons, for the People.

Salem, Jan. 11.—Among the bills introduced in the house today are the following: Irrigation code prepared by irrigation commission, for election of road supervisors, to authorize land to be condemned for school purposes, to provide for printing and stamping upon all original boxes, packages or cases containing blasting powder and fuse of the date of manufacture.

That the articles of incorporation shall be prima facie evidence of the existence of corporation.

To define the rights of riparian owners.

To prohibit dumping sawdust and sawmill refuse into streams.

To authorize school superintendents to use institute funds for holding local institutes.

To authorize corporations to act as administrators, guardians, receivers, etc.

To protect timber against forest fires, providing for the appointment of forest rangers and a closed season.

To extend the time of the state labor commissioner.

To establish a board of commissioners for the promotion of uniformity of legislation in the United States.

Providing for the manner of locating placer claims.

Relating to the powers and duties of executors and administrators.

Relating to the state library and appointing a librarian.

To provide for the monthly payment of salaries to employees in state institutions.

Repealing the \$5,000 limitation on the value of human life where death resulted by negligence.

Regulating the appointment, qualification and duties of notaries public.

Amending the insurance code by levying a license on insurance companies.

Salem, Or., Jan. 11.—The urgency of the bill making gambling a felony on the last day of the special session of 1903 led to stringent measures by the senate this morning to prevent a recurrence of such a crime. Immediately after organization, Coe introduced a resolution, prefaced by a reason for such action providing that the president of the senate appoint a responsible person to act as senate bill messenger, under oath, who shall be held accountable for all bills and documents transmitted to or from the house. Members and clerks intrusting bills to the messenger to receive receipts from him, and he in turn from persons to whom they are delivered.

In speaking to a motion to adopt the resolution, Coe said that a house bill making gambling a felony, introduced by Hutchinson of Multnomah, and carried in the house by a majority of one, was stolen on the evening of the last special session while on its way to the senate, that a scandal resulted and that he did not want any officer acting for the senate to hide or steal any more bills.

Since seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

The usual resolutions to investigate state officers and institutions were offered. Miller declared that the investigating committees in the past had put the state to a great expense for clerks and stenographers. He moved that a committee of three be appointed to consider the resolutions of investigation and decide on an effective and economic method to be followed. He strengthened his contention by insuring the disappearance of \$30,000 in the state fund office of 1895, which was not discovered until 1901, though the books were examined at great expense at each legislative session. The motion was adopted and Reed, Maloney and Smith appointed a committee.

Lawyer Kintner introduced the first bill providing that the local district attorney be the county clerk of his tax levy by January 1 of each year.

The intention is to enable certain towns in Grant county to levy a tax in January which had failed to do so in December. The bill was referred to Rand, chairman of the last judiciary committee.

Miller introduced a senate joint concurrent resolution providing that the joint appropriation bill be introduced and printed not less than seven days prior to adjournment. Adopted.

A motion by Malarkey that each member be authorized to employ one clerk or stenographer was adopted unanimously.

Joint concurrent resolution No. 1, by Pierce, providing that no bills should be introduced in either house during the last ten days and that no bill passed by either house should be sent to the other during the last five days, was adopted.

A resolution by Whelan was adopted, to furnish members with five copies of the daily paper, to be selected by each.

Salem, Jan. 12.—The following bills have been introduced in the Senate:

To permit school districts and municipalities to give notice of special tax levies by February 1, 1905.

To provide for a constitutional convention.

To amend subdivision 3, of 3360 of the code, so as to provide that in apportioning school funds each district shall first be paid \$100 in lieu of \$50, before the per capita distribution is made.

To repeal section 2906 to 3911 of the code, relating to health officers at Astoria, Coos Bay and Garman.

To fix the salaries of state officers.

To amend the charter of Hillsboro.

To create the Third Eastern Oregon Agricultural Society.

To amend section 1790 of the code so as to raise the statutory age for rape from 16 to 18.

To reimburse the common school fund for the loss of the State Agricultural Society.

Abolishing the office of county recorder in Benton county.

To amend the charter of Springfield.

To establish a bureau of Mines and Geology at the State University, and appropriating money therefor.

For the protection of salmon.

For the protection of salmon and sturgeon.

To repeal section 2027 of the code. For the protection of sturgeon.

For protection of salmon.

To create a state mining bureau.

To make county surveyors ex-officio roadmasters.

To fix fees of county recorder and clerk, amending act of 1903.

For relief of Mrs. Mary Nibbler to the amount of \$77.45 for meals for members of Tracy and Merrill posse.

To amend section 132 of the code prescribing the procedure at the trial cases.

(by request)—For relief of Mrs. Amanda J. Herren.

To regulate use of water from stream in Oregon.

To amend section 2024 of the code relating to protection of game birds in Eastern Oregon.

To amend section 5408 of the code, authorizing municipalities to condemn water rights.

To authorize the transfers of estates in guardianship from one county to another.

To amend section 2022 of the code, to protect prairie chickens in Eastern Oregon.

To amend section 2010 of the code relating to deer and antelope.

To condemn land for public school purposes.

To abolish office of county recorder in Baker county.

To fix salary deputy county clerk in Baker county.

To fix salaries of school superintendents in Baker county.

Repeal compensation of sheriff of Baker county.

To amend the T. Rees title registration law.

(by request)—To regulate peddling.

To incorporate Hot Springs, Baker county.

At the close of the year 1904, in which our sales have been the largest in the history of our house, we wish to thank our patrons and friends for the generous part in our success and beg to assure them that our aim is true in all that Quality, High Quality and Honest Value imply, and that with their support, we will carry the Nolan & Callahan business to more marked success in 1905 than we have ever before. We will endeavor to give our friends and customers the very best of our goods, and to give them the very best of our service.