SIGNS OF PEACE

Lamsdorff Said to Favor End of War.

SALVE TO RUSSIA'S PRIDE

Promise to Leave Manchuria Long Since Made.

EMPEROR'S COUNCIL IS ENDED

St. Petersburg Diplomats Believe If Japan Makes Any Sort of Reasonable Offer It Will Lead to Opening of Negotiations.

ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 9 (2:10 A. M.)—The conference which Emiperor Nicholas has been holding with members of the Joint Court of the Empire, M. Witte and other members and advisers, on the internal and external situations, has been concluded, but nothing has occurred which would indicate that the government is prepared to depart from its present programme of continuing the war to the bitter end. Nevertheless, talk of peace was heard Sunday in many quarters, the foundation for it being ascribed to Foreign Minister Lamsdorff's alleged position in favor of such a course on the ground that, aside from the humiliation to military prestige involved it would only mean the relinquishment of Manchuria, to which Russia already is formally pledged.

There is no confirmation of this statement of Count Lamsdorff's position beyond the general knowledge that he always has belonged to the peace party. It is quite probable that the peace talk gossip has been produced by the arrival of foreign papers, as it receives no encouragement in responsible quarters here.

The belief, which existed in exceptionally well-informed diplomatic circles, that Japan would follow the fall of Port Arthur with moderate peace propositions has not been realized. Up to the present time nothing has reached the government, either through the United States or other channels. Diplomats here cannot figure out the general lines of a peace treaty at this juncture which both belligerents could accept, but realize that if Japan makes any sort of offer, unless it is rejected outright as not entertainable, negotiations would be opened, and negotiations at once entered upon in which friends of both parties could use their good offices and bring about good terms. This is the only hope for a termination of the war which diplomats can see.

Solemn services in honor of those who fell in the defense of Port Arthur were held on Sunday at the Kazean Cathedral and the Troitka Monastery. The service passed off without demonstration of any sort. Neither the Emperor nor members of the Council were present. A requiem was held simultaneously in the chapel at Tsarko-Selo.

Although Field-Marshal Oyama took pains formally to communicate the news of the fall of Port Arthur to General Kuropatkin, announcement has not been made to the army in Manchuria, or at least no mention of such announcement is made in dispatches from the front of the manner in which the news was received there. One curious dispatch spoke of a big celebration of New Year's day along the Japanese lines, the Russians evidently mistaking jubilation over General Stoessel's surrender for New Year's festivities.

PRISONERS OF THE JAPANESE

Three Generals and a Rear-Admiral Arrive at Tokio.

TOKIO, Jan. 8.—Lieutenant-Generals Fock, Smyrnoff and Gorbatowsky and Rear-Admiral Wiren have been brought to Japan as prisoners of war. General Stoessel will leave Dalny January 12 on a Japanese transport for Nagasaki. He will be accompanied by the other paroled officers. The Russians probably will remain in Japan a few days and then proceed on a French steamer to Europe, going by way of the Suez Canal.

General Nogi reports that the officers paroled to date number 441 and orderlies 228.

Reports previously received were to the effect that both Lieutenant-Generals Fock and Smyrnoff had been killed at Port Arthur. January 2, a St. Petersburg dispatch denied that Fock had been killed, but admitted that he had been wounded. A dispatch received from Mukden January 7 said that while the death of Fock had not been published, it had for six weeks been accepted there as a fact. The report of General Smyrnoff's death had never been confirmed.

The only Prince Admiral known to have been at Port Arthur was Rear-Admiral Prince Ouktomsky. A St. Petersburg dispatch on Saturday said that reports had been received there from Chefoo that Prince Ouktomsky had arrived at Chefoo on board a launch.

REFUSE PAROLE.

Generals Fock and Smyrnoff Will Remain Prisoners of War.

HEADQUARTERS OF THE JAPANESE THIRD ARMY, at Port Arthur, via Fusan, Jan. 8.—General Fock, commander of the Fourth East Siberian Rifle Brigade, and General Smyrnoff, who commanded the forts, have decided to go to Japan as prisoners of war.

There were five Admirals at Port Arthur, including Prince Ouktomsky, and one of these will go to Japan. Fifty per cent of the officers will share imprisonment with their men.

Twelve naval attaches visited Porth Arthur and inspected the sunken vessels of the Russian fleet.

The above dispatch and the earlier dispatch from Tokio indicate that the rumors of the death of General Fock were without foundation.

NAVAL STATION AT ARTHUR

Garrison Will Be Small—Dalny to Be Opened.

TOKIO, Jan. 8.—(Noon.)—The Japanese intend to establish a naval station at Port Arthur. Vice Admiral Shibayama will probably be placed in charge of it.

The military administration at Port Arthur will retain only a small garrison as soon as the prisoners are withdrawn and order is restored.

The fleet is busily engaged in clearing mines, but owing to their great number navigation will be unsafe for a long time. Only government craft will be allowed to enter the harbor.

It is probable that Dalny will soon be opened to neutrals. The Japanese companies are prepared to establish weekly service to that port.

It is proposed shortly to float a fourth domestic war loan under the same conditions as the third was negotiated.

TRANSFER OF PRISONERS MADE

Nogi's Report That the Work Was Finished Saturday.

TOKIO, Jan. 8.—General Nogi's report, received at 11 o'clock, Saturday night, announced that the transfer of Port Arthur prisoners was completed Saturday afternoon. Saturday's transfers were as follows:

	Officers.	Men.
General Stoessel's Kwantung command	9	39
General Stoessel's headquarters	6	15
Engineers, company	11	289
Telegraph corps	4	61
Railway detachment	1	55
Cavalry	4	177
Officers and crews warships—		
Retvizan	22	...
Pobieda	32	...
Pallada	11	...
Peresvietet	15	...
Poltava	16	311
Sevastopol	21	567
Bayan	15	200
Bobr	12	90
Giliak	4	52
Otvashni	6	124
Giliak	5	72
Korsur	7	173
Naval defense headquarters—		
Naval defense headquarters	5	320
Harbor office	80	823
Naval brigade	30	31
Torpedo brigade	10	142
Field posts and telegraphs	33	27
Totals	306	3654

Three Judges and three clerks of courts were also transferred.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—The Japanese Legation today received the following cablegram from the foreign office at Tokio, under date of today:

"General Nogi on Sunday reports the delivery of Russian prisoners under capitulation was completed on Saturday. The total of the prisoners was 878 officers and 23,491 men, which whereof 441 officers and 229 orderlies gave parole so far. General Smyrnoff, General Fock, General Gorbatovsky and Admiral Wilmann preferred to be sent to Japan as prisoners, while Stoessel will leave Dalny for home on January 12."

SQUADRON LEAVES SUDA BAY

Vessels of Second Pacific Fleet on the Way to Port Said.

SUDA BAY, Jan. 8.—Vice-Admiral Bottovsky's division of the Russian second Pacific squadron, consisting of the cruisers Oleg, Izumrud, Dnelper and Rion, and the torpedo-boat destroyers Grozny, Gromski and Rezity, which has been delayed in Suda Bay left this afternoon for Port Said.

Attempts to Sink Sevastopol.

TOKIO, Jan. 8.—In a report received here last night Rear Admiral Katsoka reviews the attempts of the Russians to destroy the battleship Sevastopol and the coast defense vessel Otvashni, their sinking of the vessels for the purpose of blocking the entrance to the harbor and the dash for freedom of the torpedo-boat destroyers Skory, Stratni, Vlastni and Serdity, which reached Chefoo, and the Smyrli and Boiki, which reached Tsingtau.

The report says that the Japanese protected cruiser Akitsushima and a flotilla of torpedo-boat destroyers followed the four first-named Russian vessels toward Chefoo and that the protected cruiser Chiyoda and a number of torpedo-boat destroyers followed the Smyrli and the Boiki to Tsingtau. In both ports, the report says, the Russian vessels were compelled to disarm. The report in conclusion says:

"I beg to report that our brilliant strategical movement in this direction was successfully completed."

Religious Services for Prisoners.

HEADQUARTERS OF THE THIRD JAPANESE ARMY, Jan. 8, via Fusan.—The Russian prisoners, while waiting today at Changkingtsu, a railway station for Dalny, celebrated the approach of their new year. Religious services which were held in the morning at 10 o'clock, and the assemblage of prisoners was addressed by a Russian priest in full canonical dress. After the services there was music and dancing on the open ground in front of the station.

The 8-year-old daughter of a Russian officer was among the prisoners. Fifty per cent of the officers are going to Japan.

No Warships at Madagascar.

SPECIAL CABLE.

PARIS, Jan. 9.—It has been learned from unimpeachable authority that up to 7 o'clock Sunday evening no Russian warships entered the Madagascar port of Diego Suarez, which is the only one on the island offering accommodation for war vessels. The opinion prevails here that Madagascar will not be made the point of concentration of the Russian ships and that if any of them enter the harbor it will be only to effect repairs.

There are some who believe that Russia's frequent declarations that the Baltic squadron would assemble off Madagascar were made in order to mislead the Japanese.

New Vessels for Yokohama Route.

VICTORIA, B. C., Jan. 8.—The steamer Keemun, which arrived today from Liverpool via Japan, brought news that the Toyo Kisen Kaisha has decided to build two 12,000-ton liners for the San Francisco and Yokohama route. The material has been ordered in England. The Japanese foundries are too busy with government orders to supply steel. The steamers will be built at Nagasaki.

Major-General Fock, One of the Prisoners of War.

New War Loan in Japan.

SPECIAL CABLE.

TOKIO, Jan. 9.—It is learned upon good authority that Japan will soon float a fourth domestic war loan in about the same manner which was adopted at the time of the third domestic loan. The Ministry of Finance is silent on the matter, but the opinion prevails that the Government does not intend to appeal to foreign bankers until such a step has become absolutely necessary.

The Government is also anxious to have it fully understood that the financial condition of the Mikado's subjects is such that they are in a position to furnish their country with all the funds necessary to carry on the war, while Russia has been compelled to make an appeal to foreign bankers and grant them large premiums.

Soldiers Have Christmas Tree.

HUANCHAN, via Mukden, Jan. 8.—The expected advance of the Japanese, which the Chinese prophesied would take place on the passing of Christmas, has not occurred. Even the usual cannonading has not taken place. The troops celebrated Christmas yesterday quietly. There were Christmas trees in many companies and little celebrations in officers' quarters. Many men exchanged presents, mostly their own handiwork, quaint and curious gifts, there being little obtainable in the way of conventional presents.

Hospitals Scattered Through City.

LONDON, Jan. 8.—The correspondent at Tokio of the Times says: The map of Port Arthur which the Russians produced on December 18 in support of their complaint that the Japanese fire was damaging hospitals shows 17 hospitals scattered throughout the old and new towns. To avoid hitting these the Japanese batteries would have had to refrain from firing altogether in the direction of both towns.

Frustrates Outpost Attack.

ST PETERSBURG, Jan. 8.—General Kuropatkin reports the frustration of a Japanese attempt to surprise his center front the night of January 6, and the bayoneting of 21 Japanese the night of January 3, by a cavalry reconnaissance in the valley of the Taitse River, in the direction of Saimchan.

FIGHT OVER JUDGES

Peabody's Appointees Will Meet Opposition in Senate.

DEMOCRATS EXPECT TO WIN

Republican, Apparently Defeated at Polls, May Not File Contest Until After Adams Has Been Sworn Into Office.

DENVER, Colo., Jan. 8.—A hot fight is expected in the Senate when the Judges of the Supreme Court made yesterday by Governor Peabody came up for confirmation. The Democrats held a caucus tonight and at its close declared that they would fight the nominations to the Supreme bench of Bailey and Goddard with all their power. They claim, moreover, that with the Republican Senators, Campbell and De Long, voting with them they will be able to prevent the confirmation.

The Republican leaders declared this afternoon that they had received personal pledges from enough Republican Senators to insure the confirmation of the two men. They were not, however, overconfident of the issue, and admitted that there would be something of a fight before the confirmation was made.

It is Governor Peabody's present intention to contest the election of Governor-elect Adams. Under the law he cannot file notice of contest before the sixth day of the session, which will be tomorrow. He has, however, several days in which to file his notice of contest, and he may not do so until after the inauguration of Governor-elect Adams. The latter said today:

"I do not know whether Governor Peabody will make a contest or not, but I expect that he will. I am in a much better position for such a proceeding now than I was two days ago. At that time the investigation was confined by the court to the City and County of Denver. Now it includes the whole state, and I feel confident that the Democrats can show as many or more fraudulent Republican votes in the outlying counties as the Republicans claim were cast by the Democrats in Denver. I am certain that if the entire state is brought into the contest, as it must be if Governor Peabody decides on such a course."

VANCOUVER'S NEW POSTMASTER

Daniel Crowley.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Jan. 2.—(Special.)—Daniel Crowley, who has been appointed postmaster for Vancouver, is one of the best-known citizens of this place. He was born in Wisconsin in 1857. He moved to Nebraska in 1879, where he resided for 14 years. During this time he served for two terms as postmaster in Burnett and showed himself to be an earnest and painstaking official. From Nebraska he came to Washington in 1883 and has resided here ever since. Mr. Crowley was elected County Clerk in 1890, which office he held for two terms. Besides being interested in prune-raising, he has been engaged for some time in real estate business.

The fight for the office of postmaster has been on for about two years with three contestants for the place. Just before the expiration of DuBois' term, about two years ago, application was made by C. G. Shaw for the office. He was lucky in securing the indorsement of both the Senators, while Mr. Crowley had to be content with the indorsement of Representative Cushman. According to the usual precedent, Cushman's indorsement would rule, but the matter could not be adjusted, and thus the affair held while Dubois remained in office. A strong effort was made in his behalf to hold the office for another term, but evidently it was thought that a change would even the matter somewhat.

KILLED IN EXPLOSION.

Naked Lights Ignite Gas in Washington Mine.

SEATTLE, Jan. 8.—(Special.)—Patrick McHughey was killed, John Gardner fatally injured and Godfrey Lundon was seriously hurt in an explosion in the Pocahontas mine, in the southern part of this county this afternoon. The men had gone into the shaft of the mine, which had been abandoned six months ago, disregarding the warning signs at the entrance to the slope. The naked lights on the men's caps ignited the gas and the explosion resulted. Lundon crawled two miles to Palmer, the nearest town, and told his story. A relief party recovered the dead body and cared for Gardner, who, physicians say, cannot live.

NICHOLAS HUMPHREY FOUND

Missing Idaho Resident Located in Portland Institution.

MOSCOW, Idaho, Jan. 8.—(Special.)—Nicholas Humphrey, the old man who suddenly and mysteriously disappeared from his home in Moscow October 24 last, was located yesterday by a private detective under direction of the Sheriff's office here, at the Home of the Friendless, in Portland. Humphrey is reasonably well and contented in his new home under the name of John Ryan.

There is no question of the correctness of this information, which solves the mystery over which there has been so much contention for the past two months. So far as the officials are concerned, they will take no further action.

RUN DOWN BY TRAIN.

Montana Man Disregards Signal, and Is Seriously Injured.

BUTTE, Jan. 8.—(Special.)—A Miner special from Great Falls says that John Kaupt, disregarding the warning whistle of a freight train, continued working his handcar and was run down and fatally injured. Charles Jones, a fireman at Columbia Falls, attempting to board a moving freight train, fell and was fatally hurt, dying an hour later.

Deposed Officer's Dignity Jarred.

NEW WESTMINSTER, B. C., Jan. 8.—(Special.)—A sensation was created in the city yesterday when it became known that Acting Chief Johnson, of the city police force, had suspended ex-Chief Miller, who was reduced in rank by the Police Commission a few days ago. Miller was on duty as an ordinary policeman when Acting Chief Johnson instructed him to assist in the execution of a search warrant on a shack in the west end of the city. Miller refused and seemed to consider the duty beneath him. Johnson ordered him to go, and Miller again refused, upon which Johnson suspended him.

Denis McCarthy.

ALBANY, Or., Jan. 8.—Denis McCarthy, an engineer on the Southern Pacific road between Albany and Lebanon, died this morning after a week's illness. McCarthy came here two years ago from Ashland, where he owned property. He was one of the oldest engineers on the road. He leaves a wife, son and daughter. The body will be shipped to Ashland.

Mascot for Women.

London Globe.

The favorite mascot of women bridge-players is said to be a gunmetal blackberry studded with turquoise. They believe that it insures them against loss. What would happen if four owners of mascots played together we do not know. The mascot would have the busiest time of his life trying to insure them all against loss.

Mrs. Casey—An' wot be ye goin' to make of yer boy, Mike? Mrs. O'Toole—Well, we intinded him for a bookcarrier, like his pa, but the boy's arm was so good at hittin' aqhe red bricks while the last strokke was on that now Tim is goin' to have him train for a ball player.—Cincinnati Commercial-Tribune.

NEW LIBRARY BOOKS.

Recent Accessions Now on the Shelves Ready for Patrons.

New books that are now on the shelves of the Portland Library ready for patrons are as follows:

Library Economy.

Clark, J. W. Care of books.....R022 C593

Philosophy Including Ethics.

Briggs, LeB. R. Routine and ideals..170 B854
Podmore, Frank. Modern Spiritualism. 2v.....133.9 P742
Sidgwick, Henry. Philosophy, its scope and relations.....104 S568

Religion.

Cross, A. L. Anglican episcopate and the American colonies.....283 C951
Jewish encyclopedia, v. 8.....R296 J59
Nicoll, W. R., ed. Expositor's Bible. 25 v.....R220.7 N643

Sociology.

Abbott, G. R. Macedonian folklore..398 A121
Adams, Jane, and others. Philanthropy and social progress; seven essays, with an introduction by H. C. Adams..361 A222
Bateman, G. W., tr. Zanzibar tales told by natives of the east coast of Africa.....398 B328
Collar, George, and Crook, C. W. School management and methods of instruction.....37 2 C697
Cushing, F. H. Zuni folk-tales.....299 C984
Denver, Colo.—Juvenile court. Problem of the children and how the State of Colorado cares for them.....364 D416
McMurry, C. A., and McMurry, F. M. Methods of recitation.....371 M168
Shaler, N. S. Citizen; a study of the individual and the government.....320 S528
Spearman, F. H. Strategy of great railroads.....385 S741
Tarbell, I. M. History of the Standard Oil Company.....338 T179
Webster, W. C. General history of commerce.....380 W355

Science.

Santos-Dumont, Alberto. My airships.....533.6 S237

Useful Arts.

Barker, A. F. Introduction to the study of textile design.....677 B255
Baum, F. G. Alternating current transformer.....621.3 B247
Durley, R. J. Kinematics of machines; an elementary textbook.....621 D963
Foster, E. W. Elementary woodworking.....694 F754
French, George. Printing in relation to graphic art.....655.3 F873
Hancock, H. I. Physical training for children by Japanese methods.....613.7 H234p
International Textbook Co., pub. International library of technology, v. 9, 10, 14, 17, 21, 38.....R000 161
Mitchell, Stephen. Mine drainage..622.6 M622
Sargent, D. A. Health, strength and power.....613.7 S245
Wheeler, C. G. Woodworking for beginners.....694 W562

Fine Arts, Including Amusements.

Bradford, C. B. Angler's secret.....799 B799
Cundall, Joseph. Wood-engraving..741 C972
Dalziel, George, and Dalziel, Edward. Brothers Dalziel; a record of 50 years' work in conjunction with many of the most distinguished artists of the period, 1840-1890.....760 D153
Henderson, W. J. Modern musical drift.....780 H497m
Kelley, L. E. Three hundred things a bright girl can do.....790 K29
Lucas, E. V., and Lucas, Elizabeth. What shall we do now?.....790 L933
Sturgis, Russell. Appreciation of sculpture.....730 S933
Witt, R. C. How to look at pictures.....750 W827

Literature.

Collins, J. C. Studies in Shakespeare.....822.33 Ds
Lanier, Sidney, ed. Boy's Percy..821.08 L287
Lanier, Sidney. Shakespeare and his forerunners. 2 v.....822.33 Dls
LeBow, C. H. Pieces for every occasion.....808.5 L618
Meynell, Mrs. A. C. (T.) Rhythm of life and other essays.....824 M614r
Page, W. H. Imaginary portraits..828 P296
Reppilier, Agnes. Compositions.....814 R425c
Shakespeare, William. Rolfe, W. J. Life of William Shakespeare.....822.33 RR

Shaw, G. B. Man and superman..822 S534m
Wendell, Barrett, and Greenough, C. N. History of literature in America..810.9 W466

Description and Travel.

Baedeker, Karl. United States, with an excursion into Mexico.....R917.3 B133
Butler, E. S. (T.) Lady. Letters from the Holy Land.....913.6 B985
Hanbury, D. T. Sport and travel in the Northland of Canada.....917.1 H233
Hearn, Lafcadio. Japan, an attempt at interpretation.....915.2 H436j
Jebb, Sir R. C. Modern Greece.....914.95 J44
Low, C. R., ed. Captain Cook's three voyages around the world.....910.4 L912
McDougall, John. Saddle, sled and snowshoe; pioneering on the Saskatchewan in the sixties.....917.12 M127
McNaughton, Mrs. Margaret. Overland to Cariboo.....917.1 M169
Schierbrand, Wolf von. Russia; her strength and her weakness.....914.7 S322

History.

Bourke, J. G. On the border with Crook.....970.1 B774o
Goodspeed, G. S. History of the ancient world.....930 G653
Laut, A. C. Pathfinders of the West..977 L380
Morris, Charles. Historical tales; the romance of reality; American.....973 M875
Morris, Charles. Historical tales; the romance of reality; Spanish-American.....970 M877
Smith, W. H. Revised history of Indiana. 2 v.....977.2 S664

Biography—Collective.

Dictionary of national biography; ed. by Leslie Stephen and Sidney Lee; errata. v. 68.....R920.042 D534

Biography—Individual.

Eliot, George, pseud. Blind, Mathilde. George Eliot.....B E42B
Lamb, Charles. Dobell, Bertram. Side lights on Charles Lamb.....B L218D
Napoleon I, Emperor of France. Fournier, August. Napoleon the First; tr. by M. R. Corwin and A. D. Bissell; ed. by E. G. Bourne.....B N216F
Ruskin, John. Letters to Charles Eliot Norton.....B R936l
Ruskin, John. Letters to M. G. and H. G.; with preface by G. Wyndham....B R936le
Wellington, Arthur Wellesley, First Duke of. Ellesmere, Francis Egerton, First Earl of. Personal reminiscences of the Duke of Wellington; ed., with a memoir of Lord Ellesmere, by his daughter Alice, Countess of Bradford.....B W452R
Wellington, Arthur Wellesley, First Duke of. Morris, W. O. Wellington, soldier and statesman and the revival of the military power of England.....B W452Mo
Yonge, C. M. Coleridge, C. R. Charlotte Mary Yonge, her life and letters....B Y55C
Zola, Emile. Vizetelly, E. A. Emile Zola, novelist and reformer.....B Z98V

Fiction.

Baldwin, C. S. American short stories..R181a
Blundell, Mrs M. E. (S.) Manor farm..R936m
Crawford, F. M. Whomever shall offend..C928w
Gerdes, C. W. Prospector.....G662p
Herrick, Robert. Common lot.....H566c
Hills, N. D. Quest of John Chapman....H634q
Kelly, Myra. Little citizens.....K291
Sarlatte, Mrs. A. (K.) Week in a French country-house.....R351w
Sherwood, Mrs. M. E. (W.) Transplanted rose.....R354t
Thompson, E. E. S. Monarch the big bear of Tallac.....T469m
Thurston, Mrs. K. C. Masquerader.....T545m
Wells, H. G. Food of the gods and how it came to earth.....W454fo

Books for Children.

Defoe, Daniel. Life and strange surprising adventures of Robinson Crusoe of York, mariner; ill. by the brothers Louis and Frederick Rhead.....JD6141

g-Gift.

TALES OF THE STREET AND TOWN

LITTLE EMILY was fractious. She would not go to sleep. Her mother tried reading fairy tales. They kept Emily very wide awake and quiet, but when her mother was tired of reading the tot was still restless.

"I can't get to sleep, mamma, I know I can't, unless you come to bed too."

"But I can't go to bed now, child; I've got lots to do. Please be good and shut your eyes, and pretty soon it will be morning."

Restless Emily.

Little Emily sighed resignedly, and closed her big black eyes tightly.

Her mother, after a moment, softly withdrew. Soon after a subdued sobbing recalled her from the next room. She brought Little Emily's new Christmas dolly.

"Here, dear," said the mother; "I'll tuck dolly down beside you, and she will go to sleep with you, so you will not be lonely. See how nicely dolly shuts her eyes!"

Again the resigned sigh, and again the mother withdrew. Soon afterward, however, came the sound of sorrow, the wail of loneliness and injury.

"Oh, dear! Emily, you are so trying! What is the matter with you?"

"M-M-Mamma, I—I love dolly—b—but I can't go to sleep with her. I—I want a skin face! (Boo-hoo-hoo)" The mother gave in and supplied the skin face. Emily nestled up to her, and was promptly fast asleep.

A CONDUCTOR on one of the railroads running in to this city has been much annoyed from time to time by a certain cranky passenger. The latter is a frequent patron of the line and never fails to kick about something connected with the railroad company. He didn't like the company and he didn't like the conductor. "The service on this line is outrageous," he exclaimed loudly one day. "Trains are always behind time, passengers are jerked silly by incompetent engineers, passengers are insulted if they venture to complain. The public ought to get even with the company somehow. I'd be willing to walk myself."

The Troublesome Passenger.

"We'd be mighty willing to have you walk," said the exasperated ticket-puncher.

"Huh, you would, would you?" Was the reply. "Well, I could get even with the company by paying my fare to you, only I'm not stuck on you anymore than I am on the company."

HALF-A-DOZEN local newspaper compositors had determined to have their New Year's eve lunch at an all-night restaurant. Therefore, a short time before the "knock-off" for the regular midnight half-hour, the proof-boy went around to the machines to get the order of each operator. The one at machine No. 5 wanted an oyster stew. The boy made a note thereof and went on to the next, and so on until he had the six orders for the restaurant.

A few minutes later the boy dashed into the restaurant.

"Here's the orders for the compositors," said he, handing a slip of paper to the waiter. "Have 'em ready by 11:30."

And back he ran to the composing-room. Promptly at 11:33, the six compositors, their hands and faces shining freshly from soap and water, hurried into the eating-house.

"What crowd's going to banquet here?" cried the first to enter. Then the others saw and wondered.

Half the tables of the place had been set together in the middle of the house, making one long table capable of accommodating more than a score of people.

"All ready for you, gents," said the waiter. "Are the others coming right along?"

Speedily it dawned upon the understanding of all parties that a mistake existed somewhere. Finally the waiter found the original order-slip given him by the proof-boy. In his haste the latter had written the number of the linotype machine against each order, so that the paper ran as follows:

5. Oyster stew.
4. Ham and eggs.
6. Baked apple and glass milk.
3. Hamburg steak.
7. Porterhouse and French fried.
2. Coffee and hot cakes.

The waiter and the cook are not expected to cool off for a week yet.

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QUICK MEDICAL TREATMENT.

Health Board Will Discuss Plans for Emergency Hospital.

The City Board of Health will meet today and it is expected that at this time the discussion of the establishment of a City and County Emergency Hospital will be brought up and some action taken. City Physician Zan and Health Officer Biersdorf have been taking an active interest in the creation of such an institution in view of the growth of the city and especially of the liability of serious accidents during the coming Exposition.

The same question has been brought up before, but each time the project has been turned down on account of lack of funds. Now, however, in the estimation of a great many interested in the handling of sick and injured persons, the time has come when such an institution is a necessity and should be provided by the city, with perhaps the co-operation of the county authorities.

From some of the expressions of opinion heard it is evident that the sentiment is changing and that the members of the Board of Health are tending to the belief that it is time to make provision for the accidents happening in the city, and it is possible that the board may decide today to establish the hospital at some central point in the city.

Mrs. Woodcock to Assist.

When F. J. Heney is installed as United States District Attorney this afternoon by Judge Bellinger the courtroom will be found to be smiling with glad flowers. Upon the bench behind which will sit the austere magistrate, the garlands of the hothouse will flaunt their gaudy colors. For Mrs. M. L. Woodcock, Oregon's foremost public woman, will be there betimes to decorate the barnlike hall.

"Don't you think somebody ought to sort of fix up the room with nice flowers?" asked Mrs. Woodcock yesterday afternoon, when she was accosted while carrying an apple-box full of many dollars' worth of flowers. It seems as if some lady ought to remember Mr. Heney, far from his family and friends. "Do you suppose it will get into the Eastern papers like those stories about me and my 'National?'" asked the simple old lady. "Isn't it a good way to get newspaper advertisement?" she commented. "If you write anything about it put 'other papers copy,' will you?"

When Mr. Heney enters the courtroom he may yet be disappointed, however, for they have hard-hearted bailiffs at the Federal Court, and they may not let Mrs. Woodcock carry out her amiable purpose.

THE DAY'S DEATH ROLL.

Ex-Governor Lloyd Lowndes.

CUMBERLAND, Md., Jan. 8.—Lloyd Lowndes, ex-Governor of Maryland, died suddenly at his home here today.

The Governor retired at about 1 A. M. He arose at 8:00, took a bath and began to dress, preparatory to attending church services. His sudden fall attracted the attention of Mrs. Lowndes, who was in the room. She summoned assistance and the unconscious man was placed upon the bed. Physicians were hastily summoned and were quickly at the bedside, but death had occurred before their arrival. Death was due to heart failure.

Mr. Lowndes was 60 years old. He left five sons, one of whom is Charles T. Lowndes, of Colorado Springs, Colo.

(Lloyd Lowndes was born in Clarksburg, W. Va., February 21, 1845. He graduated from Alleghany College, Meadville, Pa., with the degree of bachelor of letters. From 1895 to 1899 he was Governor of Maryland, being the only Republican ever elected to the Gubernatorial chair of that state. Lowndes was a capitalist, president of the Second National Bank of Cumberland, Md., and of the Union Mining Company, of Alleghany County. He was also a director of the Fidelity & Deposit Company of Baltimore, and of the New York Mining Company. His home was in Cumberland.)

Why Russia Exists.

Collier's.

A Russian Grand Duke meets the views of the people of his country by a genial observation: "These peasants think, I suppose, that Russia exists for them, as a dog does for its fleas." Which means that the Russian people are now desiring a voice in their affairs so modest and small that in America the necessity of the request seems almost ridiculous. The Empress is afraid that if the people are given any more liberty they will explode bombs on her infant son.

"Did you ever read 'He Fell in Love With His Wife?'" "No, and I ain't goin' to read no such fool thing, either."—Houston Post.

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