

THE MORNING OREGONIAN, THURSDAY, AUGUST 17, 1905.

The peace outlook is brightening. according to persons prominent in court circles. Opinion at Peterhof is not tinged with the prevailing peselmism of this city.

The Daily News correspondent is in formed from a reliable source that Mr. Witte will offer to pay a milliard of roubles (\$510,000,000) as war expenses and grant to Japan a lease of Bakbalin.

Count Lamadorff is understood to believe that Baron Komura will accept these terms, as otherwise a coalition of the powers would impose upon the Japanese government a less advantageous peace.

the agreement "in principle." ***********************

PORTSMOUTH, N. H., Aug. 15-The prospects of peace are distinctly brighter tonight. The plenipotentiaries are laboring with a seriousness and earnestness which leave not the slightest doubt that both are anxious to conclude a treaty. Though the main points remain to be contested and the plenipotentiaries speak as though the conference would go to pleces unless the other side gave way. the spirit of compromise is in the air. When he returned to the hotel tonight, Mr. Witte, who was tired out with his hard day's work, said:

"I am doing all I can do for peace Of the eight articles we have already considered, I have yielded seven. No other statesman in Russia would have dared to do so much and I have done what I have done on my own responsibility.

Crisis Will Come Monday.

From an authoritative source, it is now possible to forecast with a fair degree of accuracy that the crisis will come on next Monday. Articles 7 and 8, dealing with the fate of the Chinese Eastern Raflway, having been disposed of today. there remain in addition to the cession of Sakhalin, which was passed over, the question of indemnity, which comes up Japan iomorrow as article 9, the limitation of Russia's sea power in the Far East, the surrender of the interned warships and the grant to Japan of fishing rights on

erved in the present conference, it is now known that the second article under discus-

sion contained the question of returning Manchurin to China and that the article has been agreed upon. So it is understood that Manchuria is going to be restored under the charming administration of China. For It is believed these two questions are left by the articles for each country to arrange with the Celestial empire. Rusfear of Russia's enlargement, she has been revented from completing her work of ivilization in that province, where she spent sia will also have to settle a traffic arrangement with China, as the two roads illions of Russian roubles, retaining in together will constitute the world's best return only unpleasant memories, and now highway from Europe to the Pacific, and hey say that it is better to give Manchuria o nobedy than to Russia, for to return Man upon the operation and co-operation of huria to China means to return that provthe two roads their future success will dence to the state of barbarism. It is, however, asked if even the railroads pend. It is suggested that it was this very question of consulting China which

which out this province in three portions

caused the postponement of the final acand which should be an instrument of civili-zation and of development of her riches will opptance of this article, but there is nothbe abandoned to Chinese neglect. With reing substantial to support the suggestion. gard to the Harbin-Lisotung Railway line, the institution of a Chinese administration can be understood, as this line has no The question is complicated, and it re quired all the morning and the major portion of the afternoon session to come to strategic legitimate value except for China. But it is quize different with the line uniting ladivostok to Russia, which it is impos-It can be stated that the Chinese East sible for the Muscovite Empire, because of ern road has never been under the admin its strategic value to make dependent upon a Chinese administration. Technical re-

istration of the Minister of Ways and Communications, Prince Hilkoff, but alvarches have shown the enormous difficulty of uniting Vladivostok and Port Arthur with Europe around the Amur. So the civilized world welcomed the decision of Russia to ways under the control of a director nom inated by the Ministry of Finance. build a railway through Manchuria. Russia

Probable Basis of Compromise.

Must Settle With China.

in the gauge.

made this immense effort, which, considering the policy of the open door, will be of great There were persistent rumors about the and equal advantage to the commerce of the whole world. It is therefore just that Russia should have the material guaranty notel late today that several powers, including the Washington Government, are bringing pressure to bear upon Japan to that the rallway line should not run the least risk of being destroyed or cut by the brigands, or that it should suffer in case of forego "the cost of the war" and content herself with such other compensation as a misundemianding with China. The comshe can secure out of the railroad, the nerce of the world will gain very much if Russian property in Port Arthur and Dal-Japan should be entrusted with the guard-ing of the southern rallway line and Russia ny, and the cost of the maintenance of Russian prisoners in Japan, this only on with the protection of the north line, mutually pledging themselves to follow the p of the open door in the whole province. the theory that Russia will eventually agree to cede Sakhalin, which is now potentially conquered territory. This is un-Japanese Paper Expects Peace.

doubtedly the line of ultimate compromise, if compromise there is to be. The Associated Press can state authoritatively that neither the question

forrow will say: "The continuance of the conference is indicative of a hopeful prospect for the of making Vladivostok an "open port." conclusion of peace." The paper declares that, if the Russians had rejected absoor the Amur River an international waterway, as some papers have stated, lutely the questions of reimbursement and the cession of Sakhalin Island, the Jap-anese would have withdrawn from the is included in the Japanese terms. which, as developments have demonconference. strated, were given by the Associated important with the Corean and Manchurian questions. Japan's victories have Press the day they were submitted by been realized by the vast sacrifice of money

Stiff Fight for Interned Ships. Japan will make a stiff fight for the possession of the interned Russian war-

and blood, without the prospect of Russia's compliance in the payment of wa war. expenses and the transfer of Sakhalin Island. There is no reason why the con-ference should not be continued." ference should not be continued. The Nichi Nichi expresses the belief that

TOKIO, Aug. 16 .- The Nichi Nichi to-

These demands are equally

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16 .- Present con itions and probable future developments in the yellow fever epidemic at New Or-leans are thus described in the weekly report of the Public Health and Marine Hos pital Service, just issued, which says. "It is evident that the infection of the disease is quite widespread, and not con ined, as was at first hoped, to a few city blocks. There is no doubt that the fever existed in the city some time before it was reported. The local conditions are favorable for its spread. New Orleans is a "fresh-water city." It has been officially stated that there are 20,000 cisterns in the

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The drainage and water supply are far from satisfactory, though new water sup-ply, sewerage and drainage systems are under construction. While every effort is being made that science can suggest or experience dictate, it is not improbable that the fight in the City of New Orleans may be a long one. To prevent the spread of infection to surrounding states and restrict it within reasonable limits in the city would be alone a great measure of

The reports bears date of August 11, but ication was unavoidably delayed its pul until today.

SETTLES DOWN TO LONG FIGHT

New Orleans Is Encouraged by Decrease of Infection.

NEW ORLEANS, Aug. 16 .- The cam paign against yellow fever has now re-solved itself into dry routine and today brought little in the way of new developments. The fact that the deaths have tot risen in number is considered an important sign and that, with the dis-appearance of foci and the gradual perfection of the system under which the Federal authorities are battling prevent a rupid multiplication of fected squares, was considered by Dr White today to be sufficient to warrant him in saying that the situation was bright and the cutlook hopeful.

In 1878 at this time deaths were oc curring at the rate of from 20 to 40 day, with a very much smaller popula

Professor A. L. Mets, of Tulane Uni versity, was today put in full charge of the organization of the inspection service. Under his direction, squads will inspect all houses to se that cis terns have been acreened and sanitary onditions enforced.

It was sold today that, while Dr. of the Mar

Umbrellas Special at \$12.50 Regular \$2 Special purchase 50 women's at \$1.15 42-inch tan covert cloth Coats will be placed on sale today. The front is made in the new fly-front collarless

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To all except the last, to which Russia will agree, a negative answer has been returned absolutely, as in the case of indemnity and Sakhalin. Perhaps both the others may be modified and accepted by Mr. Witte in order to strengthen his poaltion in insisting upon a concession from Japan regarding its demands of an indemnity and Sakhalin. Before yielding on either of the latter, it can be regarded as practically certain that Mr. Witte would consult the Emperor. The exchange of views on the five remaining articles is expected to be completed on Friday or Saturday morning at the latest. The plenipotentiaries will then adjourn until Monday and the interim will probably be used by the plenipotentiaries to consult with their respective governments. When they meet on Monday, their last cards will be thrown upon the table. If there is to be bargaining, it will come then, and suddenly the conference will be over and peace will be assured. The plenipotentiaries will come together with ing a number of those sunk in battle otocols drawn up to sign and proceed to the elaboration of the "Treaty of Washington."

Railroad Question Settled.

Articles 7 and 8 were disposed of today, the former "in principle," the lat-"unanimously." according to the official bulletins. Article 7 provides for the cession to China of the branch of the on Sunday to spend the day with Baron Chinese Eastern Railroad, running south ess Rosen. from Harbin to Port Arthur and Dalny, with a branch line connecting at Niu Chwang with the Shan Hal Kwan-Tien Tsin road. Article 5 provides for reten tion by Russia of the line through Northern Manchuria, which forms the connecting link of the main line of the trans-Siberian and the Ussuri Railroad with its terminal at Viadivostok and Harborovak.

From both sides the Associated Press is informed that the acceptance "in principle" of article seven only means that certain phases remain to be elaborated. not that a dispute still exists. But this may be possibly only a convenient method of postponing until the final struggle the acceptance of an article which would be used in the ultimate compromise.

End of Manchurian Adventure.

Russia by the acceptance of these two articles in connection with articles 2, 3, 4 and 6, surrenders every vestige of her ambition in Manchuria. She closes the door to the warm-water loe-free port of Dainy, upon which she lavished her millions, and retains only the link of the railroad connecting her European posecssions with the maritime provinces upon the Pacific. The right to police it with Russian troops or railroad guards is given up and its protection will become the duty of China.

The Chinese Eastern road is T-shaped. sequently I believe there will be a rupture The stem runs south from Harbin, the but do not say on what day. Why lose top from the station Manchuris on the Amur to Pogranitchania, where it connects with the government-owned Ussuri the main points?" road to the coast. It was this "cut-off" which, more than anything else, paved the way for what is known as the "Manchurian adventure," changing the whole plan of Mr. Witte while Minister of Fi-nance. His object had been only to make of Tatlen Wan or Dainy "a commercial entry-port for foreign trade," but with jbe strategic rallroad behind it the War

ships. Mr. Denison, the American legal adviser of the Japanese mission, spent the Russian delegates divulged the nature most of the day in his office looking up of the Japanese demands, and suggests that the Japanese delegates abandon the the precedents on the subject. Japan is plan of secrecy and keep their people in-formed as to the progress of the conexceedingly anxious to obtain these ships and in her argument will quote ference. several international precedents in support of her demand. One reason why Wants Open Door to Siberia. the Japanese are so insistent upon this TOKIO, Aug. 16 .- The Asia, in disarticle is because of their intention not saing the proceeding of the peace to apply the indemnity, in case one conference at Portamouth, rest open Japan omitted to demand the opening of door in Siberia and the opening of shall be received, to the increase of the navy. The indemnity will be used for paying off financial obligations incurred the world. Vladivostok, as a free port, for the war, the granting of pensions it declares, would not benefit Japan much, but it would greatly assist the and the development of the Japanese educational system. To replace losses development of American commerce. to the fleet incurred in the war and to maintain the fleet up to a standard of strength and officiency sufficient to defend herself, Japan needs additional battleships and cruisers. If she obtains all of the Russian ships now interned in neutral harbors and succeeds in raisshe will have saved the necessity, for the present at least, of a large naval

surrender of the ships by Russia.

Mr. Witte has provisionally arranged

to go with Baron Rosen to Magnolia.

ing Failure of Conference.

portant clauses of the conditions.

Regulate Navigation in Corea SEOUL, Aug. 15.-(Delayed in trans-mission)-After repeated postponements. Japan has signed an agreement with Corea for the regulation of navigation on the coast and interior rivers for a term of 15 years. Paris Optimistic of Peace.

PARIS Aug. 16-Well-informed circles budget for construction. The London here display optimism relative to the outcome of the peace conference and gengovernment is strongly in favor of ineistence upon this article and Japan eral satisfaction is being expressed with the progress already made. seems to have set her heart upon the

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this, gentlemen of the Congress. Let us BOTH SIDES EXPECT RUPTURE sound the note of alarm to our brethren of the East, of the danger that threatens from that side."

Witte and Japanese Join in Predict-The question will be fought out first in the committee on resolutions which is to be appointed today, and then in the open PARIS, Aug. 17 .- The Matin states that Congress, when the committee shall make its report. Opinions differ among prom-inent delegates, on the ruling sentiment of Mr. Witte informed its Portsmouth correspondent that he expects to leave on the body, on the subject. It is quite prob-able that the Congress will take a mid-dle course between the two extremes and August 21, that he never thought there would be a happy issue to the conference and that he did not understand why the recommend less restricted admission of Japanese wished to continue the discusmercantile classes of Chinese into the United States and continued exclusion of sion after the delivery of the Russian note last Saturday, rejecting the two most imcolles. President Wilcox will make vigorcus recommendations, in his remarks today concerning the needs of amended The Matin correspondent was informed

immigration laws, and that a limited number of Chinese laborers might be ad-mitted to advantage of this country by Mr. Matsumoto, a Japanese deputy who accompanied the mission unofficially, that It was difficult to see how accord could should China make such demand. be arranged. Within a few days, he said. the plenipotentiaries would have eight

Represent Chamber of Commerce. clauses adopted and four clauses rejected.

The delegation, chosen yesterday to rep-"Supposing Japan waives the clauses resent the Portland Chamber of Com-merce at the Trans-Mississippi Commer-cial Congress, is composed of the followbearing on the surrender of the interned warships and the limitation of Russia's navy in the Far East," said Mr. Matsu ing members of that organization: President W. D. Wheelwright, Vice-President R. R. Hoge, Secretary E. C. Giliner, Jumoto, "will Russia accept the other two objectionable clauses relative to the reimbursement and the cession of Sakahalin. Everybody tells us," he continued. "that Mr. Witte will not liug L. Meler, J. Earnest Laidiaw, Hugh MrGuire, S. M. Mears, W. J. Burns, George Taylor and Jay Smith. listen to such a proposition. Con-

ALASKA EXCURSION.

Steamer Jefferson sails from Seattle August 20. Round trip, \$50. Inquire Alas-ke S. S. Co., Frank Woolsey Co., agents, time in discussion when it is known it is impossible to reach an agreement on 252 Oak street,

ENVOYS AT' TEA AND A DANCE ASK FOR A SAMPLE.

is in the Touro infirmary, has not yet fully entered the stage of con valescence, he is doing well and confidence is felt in his recovery. The fact that the physicians are now

assisting the Marine Hospital Service killed. in turning up all the existing cases of yellow fever is evidenced in an examnation of the report for the past 24 ours. Of 62 cases, 33 were reported by doctors as having come within their ractice.

Three cases of yellow fever have been taken from the steamship Sapphire at quarantine. The vessel was from Colon.



UNITED STATES.

Interstate Commission Finds Increase in Earnings, Decrease of Employes.

Washington, Aug. 16 .- The annual report of the Interstate Commerce Commission, giving the railroad statistics for the year 1904, shows that there were at the end of that year 297,073 miles of railroad in the United States.

The number of railway corporations included in the report was 2134. In the course of the year railway ompanies owning over 500 miles were reorganized, merged, etc. The mileage operated by receivers was 1312 miles. The number of roads in the hands of receivers was 28 and at the close of

he previous year 27. The number of persons on the payrolls of the railways was 1,294,121 or 611 per 100 miles of line, a decrease for the year of 16,416, or 28 per 100 miles. The wages and salaries ald for the year amounted to \$817,598.810.

The par of the railway capital out-standing on June 30, 1904, was \$13,213,-134,690, which represents a capitaliza-tion of \$64,265 per mile. Of the total total capital stock outstanding, \$2,696,472,010 or 42.53 per cent, paid dividends. The amount of dividends declared during the year was \$221,941,049, being equiv-alent to 6.09 per cent on dividend-pay-

ing stock. The gross earnings were \$1,985,574,-091, being \$74,327,184 greater than for the previous year. The operating ex-penses were \$1,335,896,252, an increase of \$81,357,401. The total of casualties to persons or

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the railways was 94,201 of which 10,046 power to meet these responsibilities, just the real help must come in the the number of persons I meed hardly say that I put moral betrepresented But it is absolutely impossible to do good work in promoting the spiritual SELF-HELP FOR THE NEGRO improvement of any race unless there is a foundation of material well-being, because this foundation necessarily im-

President Tells League It Is Foundation of Race Progress.

NEW YORK, Aug. 16 .- Two hundred colred men opened the sixth annual session of the National Negro Business League in this city today. The object of the league is to bring together the negroes who are engaged in business for themselves for mutual help and support. Booker T. Washington has been the president of the FACTS ABOUT RAILROADS OF league since its inception.

The following letter of President Roose-velt to Secretary Emmett J. Scott read: "Oyster Bay, Aug. 12, 1905.-My Dear

Mr. Scott: I wish all success to negro business leagues. If your organization is absolutely out of politics and is stimulating activity among your people and working to increase their ef-ficiency in the industrial world, it is also doing far-reaching work in the Right Ways way of giving them a realizing sense of their responsibility as citizens and



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"Sincerely yours, "THEODORE ROOSEVELT."

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