## KNOX'MANCHURIAN DICTUM INGENIOUS

France Believes Solution Offered, but Japan and Russia Most Concerned.

#### SITUATION HELD DELICATE

French Paper Asserts Motive Behind All American Diplomacy Is Commercial Supremacy Over

Japan in China.

PARIS, Jan. 9.—Although Franc-favors the preservation of the open door policy and Chinese sovereignty in Manchuria, it considers that the insues raised by the American proposi-tion to neutralize the Manchurian railways primarily concern Russia and

The French reply to the American memorandum, therefore, is likely to be determined by the attitude of Russia, France's ally. The French press regards the question as complicated. The France's ally. The French press regards the question as complicated. The Figure thinks the United States is tryying to retrieve the mistake of 1994-05, when it backed Japan to get Russia out of Manchuria, only to find that Japan had supplemented her there without benefit to the open door.

"Even if Russia acepts," says one paper, "Japan is not likely to agree. England is bound by a Japanese alliance, and a similar reserve is imposed upon us for like and other reasons."

Campaign On

The Matin believes that France will follow Russia's lead,
Gli Blas expresses the opinion that the situation is filled with gunpowder, and declares that the real issue is commercial supremacy in China, for which the United States and Japan are struggling. It charges that the entire struggling. It charges that the entire aim of American diplomacy is directed to that end, and insists that the United States has pushed China to resistance in every struggle with Japan.

United States Aggressive.

Even after the arrangements of October 4, last year," continues the paper, "in which China agreed not to construct a railroad in competition with the South Manchurian, American support comes forward for the construction of the Chin Chow Fu-Tsitslehav line.

"Now America proposes to go fur-ther and force Japan back into Corea, and thus render effective Chinese dom-ination of Manchuria, which today is

Secretary Knox's arguments dwell "Secretary Knox's arguments dwell upon the advantages of terminating the cause of constantly renewed disputes in Manchuria, but it is proper to ask whether the aim of the United States is always to the benefit of humanity and not to the promotion of her own interests. Tokio must give the answer. Already the Yankee policy has compelled Japan to take the military precontions that so greatly affirmed Buseln. Japan knows how to act quickly. Therefore the Japanese response will be awaited with inquietude."

### Knox' Solution Ingenious.

La Liberte considers the American as ingenious and inspired by the generous optimism characteristic of American diplomacy. It regards the proposition of the American Government as equitable in the interest of peace, but fears that Japan's attitude will not be encouraging.

"But the American initiative," says La Liberte, "at least will show whether the imperialism of Japan is compatible with the peace of the world."

KNOX MEMORANDUM PUBLIC

Russian Foreign Office Gives Out Statement of Proposal.

ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 9.- The Russian Foreign Office has issued a statement embodying the memorandum the United States Government bear neutralization of the Manchu-

This memorandum, as formulated hast week by Secretary of State Knox, offers a solution of the vexed ques-tion of control of the rallroads of Mantion of control of the railroads of Man-churia by providing a plan whereby they are to be neutralized through sale to China, an international syndicate to supply the finances for their purchase. This plan, it is hoped, will insure the removal of all friction between the two nations most interested—Russia and Japan—over the use of the lines to transport troops and supplies of war. Controlled internationally, for a busi-ness end, the principle of the open door, or equal opportunities, would be safe-guarded.

CHINA PINS FAITH IN ROCKHILL

Expects Him to Influence Russia t Agree to Memorandum.

PEKIN, Jan. 9.—The highest government officials are pessimistic with regard to British support of the proposals of the American Govern relative to the Manchurian raliways, and believe that more active German support would bring about a realization of the scheme.

The Chinese government is placing reliance in W. W. Rockhill, the American Ambassador at St. Petersburg, to secure Russian assent to the proposals, which would also mean French sup-

HARBIN APPROVES KNOX' PLAN

Only Means to Safeguard Equal Opportunities, Is Bellef.

HARBIN, Jan. 3.—The Chinese, British and American residents have held demonstrations in approval of the American memorandum.

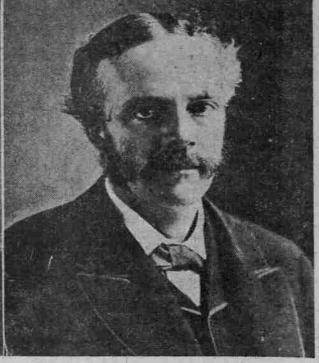
The British subjects approve the memorandum on the ground that the plan furnishes the only means to safeguard equal opportunities in trade and commerce.

HOSPITAL LOST IN MINE Seven Perish When Building Is Engulfed by Cave-In.

VIENNA, Jan. 2 .- The sudden cave-in of an abandoned mine at Raibl, in Corinthia, Saturday, completely en-

gulfed a small hospital building. Not a vestige of the hospital remains Seven inmates of the hospital, including Surgeon Wessely and his family, PREMIER AND EX-PREMIER OF ENGLAND, WHO HEAD OPPOSING PARTIES IN ELECTION FIGHT





PREMIER HERBERT ASQUITH.

EX-PREMIER A. J. BALFOUR.

## LORDS FIGHT HARD

REFORM LORDS, ROSEBERY

Dukes and Lords Take Up Election Issues and Speechmaking, Willoughby de Broke Leading

Activity Intense.

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the United States the Liberals has endeavored to show that the protec tionist policy has not done for th United States what it is claimed by its adherents to have done, and they have pointed to the demand for a reduction of tariff now being voiced in America negle to that effect.

The protectionist feature of the cam paign has been the only live matter the Tories have been able to stuff into their

Anything that takes a fling at Ger is grateful to the ears of the British workingman, but it is notable that wherever such phrases as the "rapacity of the Dukes," or "the predatory Lords," have been used in public speaking they have been received with pe sulfar popular pleasure, manifested by groans or uproarious applause

Lord Rosebery has made a little cam-paign, all by himself, his argument be-ing based on a scheme of his own for "reforming" the House of Lords.

Rosebery Says, "Make Lords Work." "Do not abolish the House of Lords," says the ex-Prime Minister, "but reform it; cut it down to a small num er of members and make them work. On all sides the intense activity of the peers as campaigners receives comment.

Never before in the memory of man has an election issue brought into the open so many noble Lords. As a campaigner, Lord Willoughby de Broke easily heads the list. His Lordship has addressed 14 meetings and has dates fixed up to the very day before the polling begins.

The Duke of Norfolk has already addressed seven meetings and has two more on his list. Lord Cawdor and Lord Ridley have spoken at 12 meettheir list. Lord Curzon has addressed six meetings and Lord Miller will have

spoken seven times before the election These are the principal noble orators but not the only ones. Every borough, county and district borough has had and has Peers out on barrel heads speaking for the privileges of the Lords, for the church and the consti-

### ALASKAN RATES INCREASED

Traffic War Dropped, and Lines Prepare for Rush of Freight.

SEATTLE, Jan. 9.-Freight and pas which were reduced three months ago by the three big companies, with the purpose, it is alleged, of driving the steamer Humboldt off the run, have been

steamer Humboldt off the run, have been restored to the old figures. The Humboldt is still in the field, and her owners are said to be seeking a second steamer in San Francisco.

It is said that the Humboldt Company has come to an understanding with its competitors. The smaller company presented evidence of discrimination last year against the White Pass & Yukon Railroad Company to the Interstate Commerce Commission and to the Canadian government, the railroad operating in both Canada and the road operating in both Canada and the United States, and controlling traffic between Skagway and the Yukon River All transportation lines are preparing for heavy business

2-BIT DRINKS TOO DEAR

American Consumers Abroad De mand 15-Cent Cocktails.

BERLIN. Jan. 9.—(Special.)—Some distinguished members of the American community in Berlin have begun a movement to reduce the price of cocktails in Europe. They say the time has come to point out to proprietors of American bars, with which the old world is now well supplied, that 25 cents is an extortionate price for the Yankees National drink.

for Manhattans and Martinis since the sumption of them began in Europe, and other American bar specialties have ost in proportion.

Americans in Berlin intend cancassing their brethren in London, Paris, Vienna and other capitals where Amer can bars are maintained, and organizing a campaign for lower-priced American drinks, which hotel, restaurant and cafe proprietors will find it hard to resist. Their demand at present is for 15-cent cocktails, but they are prepared as a compromise to fashionable in New York and collect 20 cents for highballs, golden fizzes and gin rickeys. Other drinks must be reduced proportionately, declare the crusaders, or the patronage from which American bars on this side mainly thrive will be withdrawn

### DEATH DEJECTS MADRIZ

DROWNING OF GENERAL DIAZ MOURNED BY PRESIDENT.

Nicaraguan Head Esteemed Him as Best Envoy Obtainable-Probe of Execution On.

MANAGUA, Nicaragua, Jan. 9.—Presi-tent Madriz is greatly cast down by the eath of General Formas Diaz, who was trowned while on his way to Managua o discuss a peace settlement. General Diaz was a warm friend of Madriz and it would have been possible for the President and the representative of the provisional government to go over the whole situation with expectation of an

Dr. Madriz is hopeful of the early ap-pointment of a delegate in the place of General Diaz, but he fears that the new General Diaz, but he fears that the new peace envoy will represent only the Lib-eral element of the revolutionists. Word has come to him that the Conservatives, led by General Chamarro, mean to con-tinue fighting and he has been warned that Chamarro and his army are ad-vancing toward Managua through the Department of Chontales. The govern-ment will oppose the advance at La ment will oppose the advance at La Mango.

According to the advices received here evolutionists and it is believed one fac-ion will reject all overtures of peace. President Madrix has ordered court proceedings to be instituted to punish persons responsible for the execution of froze and Cannon. As exiPresident delaya does not appear officially in the ecords of the courtmartial, the responsibility cannot be fixed on him. But posst-bly some official will be found guilty, probably Salomon Selya, the Prosecuting Attorney who officiated at the trial. He may, however, produce instructions from Zelaya authorizing his action. In that event Congress may order the trial of

### QUEEN LIL WANTS LAWS

Former Ruler of Hawaii to Plead for Liberal Land Measure

CHICAGO, Jan. 2.—Former Queen Lill-lokalani, of Hawaii, and a party of clatives and friends were in Chicago oday en route to Washington to con-



District Attorney Fickert, of San Francisco, Who Can't Find Grand Jury Evidence in "Trol-ley Cases."

fer over proposed legislation giving the inhabitants of Hawaii more liberal

cents is an extortionate price for the Yankee National drink.

That has been the sum demanded Gas Tips.

## HENEY CLEWS GONE

Grand Jury Evidence Against Calhoun Is Missing.

American bars to imitate the FICKERT CANNOT FIND IT

Langdon and Special Prosecuto Said to Have Removed Documents, Only Huge Transcript Left-Demand May Ensue.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 9 .- (Special.) -District Attorney Charles M. Fickert, who moved into the office just vacated by Langdon and Heney, today declared he could find no trace of any of the evidence taken before the grand jury in the so-called "trolley cases," most important of which is the Calhoun alleged bribery case, scheduled

houn alleged bribery case, scheduled to come up in court tomorrow.

Fickert was angry at the disappearance of the grand jury evidence, which represented many thousand dollars paid to Detective Burns and his stenths. Although the statute calls for the filing of such evidence by the District Attorney, Heney and Langdon are said to have removed it. Whether Fickert will make a formul demand for it remains make a formul demand for it remains

have removed it. Whether Fickert will make a formal demand for it remains to be seen. He said today:

"There is nothing for my guidance in the Calhoun case except 17 books of 400 pages each of transcript of the testimony in the case. It would take a man about a month to read and digest this mass of 7000 pages. This means much work which could have been obviated by a record of grand jury proceedings, such as the law stipulates shall bekept on file in all such cases. There is also no record here of the work done by Detective Burns and his 25 assistants for over two years, for which the city paid sevtwo years, for which the city paid sev-eral hundred thousand dollars."

IT'S RIDICULOUS, SAYS HENEY

Prosecutor Asserts Supervisors' Confessions Are on File for Fickert.

Francis J. Heney, here to try the Binger Hermann case, when shown the dispatch concerning the missing "trolley case" evidence, denied that evidence affecting the Calhoun cases had been withheld by either ex-District Attorney Langdon or himself. The statement is ridiculous on its fac

Minheld by either ex-District Attorney Langdon or himself.

"The statement is ridiculous on its face and scarcely need be denied," said Mr. Heney. "It is known to every man, woman and child in San Francisco that we refused to disclose our evidence against Calhoun in the trolley case, and for that reason the grand jury did not have a stenographer. The evidence was not taken down and could not have been turned over to Mr. Fickert. The newspapers denounced us for not doing so.

The evidence of the Supervisors who made confessions, was taken down by stenographers as the stories were recited before the grand jury, and those confessions were used in four trials, the records of which are in the court of San Francisco. It is well known that Judge Lawler refused to allow any of the records to be taken away by evan the attorneys in the cases. The Supervisors confessions were used in fone trial of Calhoun. Three copies of all the evidence in each of those cases are on file, making 2 copies of the confessions which are available for Mr. Fickert.

The assertion that hundreds of thousands of dollars were paid to Burns and his assistants in their work of collecting evidence is on a par with the balance of District Attorney Fickert's declaration. The city only appropriated Scool for that work, and \$12,000 of the amount was turned back by Langdon. Burns devoted most of his time to gathering evidence about the Jurors and fouching their qualifiestions. Everybody feared the jury would be "packed," and we received reports from Surns on 2400 jurymen. That was the sort of work he was doing. I am not sure, but I think Langdon even turned over those papers, valueless as they would be in a retrial of the case.

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"The confessions of the Supervisors related to not only the trolley cases against Calhoun, but the other graft cases which have been tried there."

George Hardy Dead.

HILLSBORO, Or., Jan. 2 .- (Special.) George Hardy, aged about 50 years, and a native of Tilnois, died at the Hillsboro Sanitarium this morning after a week's Illness with pneumonia. He had been a resident of this county for about twenty years. He has no relatives in this section.

An attack of the grip is often fol-lowed by a persistent cough, which to many proves a great annoyance. Cham-berlain's Cough Remedy has been ex-tensively used and with good success for the relief and cure of this cough. Many cases have been cured after all other remedies had failed. Sold by all dealers.

Morgan & Robb, 250 Stark street, will write your contract bonds for you.

## GAYNOR PROVES MURPHY'S SORROW

Flattering Remarks Overpower ex-Boss, Who Now Is Recluse.

NEW MAYOR BIG SURPRISE

Unhappy Man Is He Who No Longer Wears Crown, but Not Word of Protest Is Heard-Advice Is Followed.

BY ELOYD F. LONERGAN. NEW YORK, Jan. 3 .- (Special.)-Two althful Tammany men were seated in he headquarters of the Timothy D. Sul van Association on the Bowery. Their lothing was tattered and perhaps their norals were bad. But they were the type of men who have made New York City a emocratic stronghold.

"What is that guy Gaynor going to do or us?" asked one.

"He has already done it," replied the other. "He's given Charlie Murphy something that no other boss ever gother's given him kind words. And you know that kind words are more than

"But Where Do We Come In?"

"- Coronets," replied Top: "where

Coronets," replied Top; "where do we come in?"
"We don't," said the other.
And that is the answer.
Charles F. Murphy is so overpowered by the flattering remarks Mayor Gayner has made concerning him, that he has sought the seclusion of his country estate at Good Ground. And the Tammany Tiger is snariling, because Gaynor seems to be as bad as the reformers who are avowedly the enemies of the organization.

tion.

Murphy, despite the prayers and protests of his district leaders, insisted upon the nomination of Gaynor for Mayor. He believed that the Judge would "prove loyal," and also make certain the success of the entire Tammany ticket.

Tammany lost everything except Gaynor, and as soon as the new Mayor was seated in the City Hall, he picked out a new pen and wrote as follows:

I would advise some good women and

I would advise some good women and clergymen who are writing to me about Charles F. Murphy and what they call the "white slave" traffic to go up and see him and say a kind word to him. They may be surprised. Thou shalt not hear false witness is also one of the commandments. There are more vices than one.

Then the Mayor picked up another pen, and with it wrote out a list of nomina-tions. Not one of the lot was a man who could evoke a cheer in Tammany Hall,

"That Unhappy Man" Is Murphy.

It is really so bad that the Evening Post editorially alludes to Murphy as "That Unhappy Man," and not one word of protest has been heard.

One man on the list, and only one, is recognized as an active adherent of Tammany Hall.

This exception is Rhipplander Walde.

many Hall.\*

This exception is Rhinelander Waldo, named as fire commissioner. Waldo was a soldier in the Philippines. He served briefly as deputy police commissioner. Then he organized the police on the Catskill Watershed. In 1508 he ran for Congress and was decisively defeated. He is rich and energetic, but as fire commissioner will have mighty little chance to help the "gang" even if he feels so inclined.

For the fire department has a force-ful chief, Edward Croker, who has made his personality felt. Mayor Gaynor has openly declared that he regards Croker as "the greatest ever." Should it come to a show-down between the chief and declared that he regards Croker he greatest ever." Should it come show-down between the chief and omnissioner, the chief and omnissioner, the chief would win Everybody knows that, including Everybody knows that, including Valdo. All of which leads to the tion that Waldo will be a meek, and obscilent little executive. If my gives him orders they will be sed by Croker before they are carnote effect. The effection today paves the way for the election today paves the way for the annexation of Milton, Puyallup and Stellacoom, as it takes in all of the district lying between the present city limits and those towns, the population of the district being about 6000.

The towns which will be annexed as a result of today's voting are Edgewood. North Puyallup, Breckon, Earle, out. Everybody knows that, including Mr. Waldo. All of which leads to the prediction that Waldo will be a meek, mild and obedient little executive: If

ried into effect.

The other selections of Mayor Gaynor are surprises. Heretofore the principal sources of "Influence" have been found in the department of police, water sup, ply, gas and electricity, docks and street

Police Commissioner Is Friend. Police Commissioner Baker, who holds over, is a friend of the Mayor. He has been told, most emphatically, that poli-ticlans must have no say in his depart-ment. Baker is "wise," and can be re-

ment. Baker is "wise," and can be relied upon to carry out orders. Besides, he has no entangling alligness.

The new head of the department of water supply, gas and electricity is Henry S. Thompson, a high-class Democrat, who has never been active in politics. His first assistant is Professor Edward W. Bemis, the well-known economist, whose efforts for civic reform would never arouse the interest of Charles F. Murphy.

The Commissioner of Docks is Caivin

The Commissioner of Docks is Calvin The Commissioner of Docks is Calvin Tompkins, for years active in the Chizens Union. Mr. Tompkins is classified as a Democrat because in 1892 he voted for Grover Cleveland, and in 1904 he indorsed Alton B. Parker. But if he has ever voted the Tammany County ticket, nobody in New York knows it. "Big Bill" Edwards, the street cleaning commissioner, who is still in office, will probably hold over. His speciacular work in the department has seemingly won the favor of the Mayor. But he won the favor of the Mayor. But he hasn't a "cinch" by any means, and be knows it.

The only bright spot for Tammany in the present mixup is the fact that it still controls the Board of Aldermen, but under present arrangements to of Aldermen amounts to very little. It is some minor patronage, but mighty has some minor patronage, little real power.

Tammany Men Unhappy.

Of course, in the various departments there are many Tammany men holding subordinate positions, who are protected by civil service, but even they are unhappy, despite the fact that their names remain on the payrolls. For, horrible as it may seem, they are actually being compelled to work, something they have never done before.

In all the bureaus the official hours for labor have been from 10 to 4.

for labor have been from 10 to with anywhere from one hour and half to two hours for lunch, and as t half to two hours for lunch, and as the majority of the clerks were late in arriving and more than prompt in departing, it can be seen that as a general rule very little was accomplished. All the fusion officials have decreed that the office hours are from \$ 10 5, and that the "lunch hour" means not more than 60 minutes. Mayor Gaynor has fallen in line as have his countries. has fallen in line, as have his con

sioners, and the general rule seems to be that city employes are experted to give laber in return for salaries. It has also been the custom among certain classes of employes not to show up except on pay days. Of course, as some people point out, there is economy in this arrangement, as the city does not have to supply desk room or light or stationery to such officials. But the new officials seem determined

Announce for Tuesday

# A Special Feature

IN OUR ANNUAL CLEARANCE

### Woolen Underwear and Hosiery

When prices will be marked on Ladies'. Misses' and Children's Woolen Underwear and Hosiery, offering such great savings that no shrewd, economical buyer can afford to miss this opportunity for anticipating the entire year's supply. In this sale prices are forced to the very LOWEST LEVEL. See window display and tomorrow's Oregonian.

to have their lieutenants in attendance regardless of expense or outraged feel

ngs. Controller Prendergast has also added Controller Prendergast has also added to the general gloom by decreeing that autos are not needed in the city departments except in certain exceptional cases. He found six attached to lefs own department and ordered them to be sold. Furthermore, he declared his intention of holding up all bills from other bureaus, unless he was satisfied that the expense was a necessity. And as the city's auto bill is about \$490,000 a year it can be seen that there is a a year it can be seen that there is a considerable saving in this one item

There are 35 assembly districts in Manhattan and the Bronx. Each has a Tammany leader and in two there are dual leaders, making 37 in all. The day before Gaynor and the Fusionists took charge, 34 of these men beld public office. Here is the list to-day:

day: City Clerk, Scully (elected by the Board of Aldermen); Deputy City Clerk, Oakley (elected by the Board of Al-dermen); Court Clerk, Harburger (ap-pointed by a Tammany Judge after his defeat for Coroner); State Senator Frawley, State Senator McManus and City Magistrate Flon, the last three be-ing holdovers. Total, 6. Number of leaders who are eating

nowballs, 28. Snowbails, 28.

Number given office by Gaynor, 8.

So take Mayor Gaynor's advice: "Go up to Tammany Hall and say a kind word to Charlie Murphy."

But don't do it unless you can aprint or fight, for the boss is mighty peevish

TACOMA GROWS SUDDENLY

Annexation Election Gives City In-

crease of 6000 in Population.

wood, North Puyallup, Breckon, Earle, Lakeview, Midland, Parkland, Regents Park, Reservation and Fort Stellacoom. The towns all voted as one district, the

total combined vote deciding the issue

## HEIRESS NOT FOUND

Girl's Millionaire Grandfather Breaks Silence.

DISPROVES RECENT RUMOR

Roberta De Janon Still Missing With Hotel Waiter, According to Unqualified Declaration of \_ Wealthy Relative.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 9.—Breaking llence for the first time in several days, Robert Buist, the millionaire grandfather of Miss Roberta De Janon, made an unqualified declaration today that no trace of the young helress has been found

since she disappeared from the Bellevue Stratford nearly two weeks ago. "I have been grieved and surprised at the belief evidently entertained in some quarters that my granddaughter had been restored to me and I had attempted to conceal the truth," Mr. Buist said. "Nothing could be further from my pur-

"When Roberta is back with us once more—and I hope it will not be much longer now—I will not hesitate to let the whole world know that she is mine again "I can only say that I have neither heard from her, seen her nor obtained any information whatsoever concerning her whereabouts or movements since I

kissed her good-bye when I left her

our apartments at the Bells

Big Water Tank Ready ATTALIA, Wash., Jan. 9.—(Special.)- )
Fin North Coast water tank, with a
capacity of 55,000 gallons, is about com-Japanese will not be employed

by this company at this point as first re-



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