

NOTED MAN DIES

John R. Procter Expires Suddenly.

HEART TROUBLE IS CAUSE

Apparently in Best of Health When Stricken.

ROOSEVELT IS SHOCKED

He Was a Close Friend of the Deceased, Who Was Prominent Civil Service Commissioner and Kentucky Official.

JOHN ROBERT PROCTER. Born in Kentucky, March 16, 1844. Entered University of Pennsylvania, but left to serve in the Confederate Army.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—John R. Procter, of Kentucky, president of the United States Civil Service Commission and an intimate friend of President Roosevelt, died of angina pectoris at the Cosmos Club in this city today, aged 59 years.

Surgeon-General Wyman, of the Public Health and Marine Hospital Service, was at the club at the time and immediately administered medical aid.

The President and Mrs. Roosevelt were shocked at the news. They called personally at the clubhouse, and spent considerable time at Mr. Procter's bedside.

Mr. Procter had been a frequent visitor to the White House ever since Mr. Roosevelt's accession to the Presidency.

Accept Propaganda of Union. PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 12.—The result of the sheet steelworkers' conference this week is:

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LORD ABINGER PASSES AWAY. Heart Failure is Brought on by Shock of a Fall.

PARIS, Dec. 12.—Lord Abinger died in the Lariboisiere Hospital here today from heart failure brought on by the shock of a fall down stairs in a restaurant.

HOCH DER KAISER

Berlin Shows Joy Over the Return of His Majesty.

COMING WAS UNEXPECTED

Emperor and Empress Attend the Theater, and He Appears to Have Fully Recovered From Effects of His Operation.

BERLIN, Dec. 12.—Berlin was agreeably surprised this afternoon by the sudden visit of the Emperor and Empress, most of the people being incredulous regarding the presence of the Sovereigns, although the imperial flag was flying from the castle, until their Majesties drove from the station.

GRAIN INSPECTOR FOR OKLAHOMA.

TRIES TO TIE HANDS OF WIFE

M. Porel Tells Theaters to Make No Contracts With Mme. Rejane.

HAS PLAN TO REACH THE POLE

FRANCE'S POLICY FOR PEACE.

Minister Delcasse Points to the Entente With Great Britain.

CONSUL-GENERAL UNDER FIRE

Serious Charges Filed Against American at Coburg.

Due to Domestic Inefficiencies.

Kishinef Cases Dragging Along.

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TO MAKE PLANS FOR WAR

Composition of the Convention.

COMPLETE TRIUMPH FOR REYES

Colombians at the Polls Choose Him for President.

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about January 1, of Don Carlos. The state of health of Luciano de Castro, chief of the Progressistas, or Liberal party, and his advanced age, make it impossible for him to entertain the idea of putting himself again at the head of the ministry, a task which will in all probability fall to Viesca Beirao, of the same party, who is considered an able statesman.

Only a Blind for Russia. MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 12.—In special correspondence from Hong Kong, the Commercial West today states there is much evidence to show that Russia is in virtual control of the railway system of China, built and projected. The Belgian concessionaries are said to be but foils for Russia, and the employment of American engineers to be but a blind.

Duty on Sugar Abolished. LONDON, Dec. 12.—The countervailing duty on sugar heretofore imposed by the Indian government has been abolished for all sugar produced subsequently to August 31, in countries adhering to the Brussels convention, provided the sugar is not shipped from a part of the country not adhering to the convention, nor has traversed such a country.

News From Servia Disquieting. PARIS, Dec. 12.—The Memorial Diplomat says the news from Servia is extremely disquieting. According to dispatches received here, the personal situation of King Peter and the Cabinet appears to be very delicate. The country is divided into irreconcilable factions and the revolutionary movement is gaining ground.

Nicaraguan Minister Resigns. MANAGUA, Nicaragua, Dec. 12.—The Minister of Foreign Relations, Senor Aguilar, has resigned.

AMERICA'S FIRST REPUBLIC. It Was Not the United States, but the Republic of Louisiana.

Springfield Republican. The first republic in this hemisphere to succeed in compelling recognition of its independence was, of course, the republic of the United States in Washington, D. C.

Bolivar Will Oppose Hostilities. WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Consul Malmros from Colon sends word to the State Department, by cable, that the captain of the French steamer which arrived at that port yesterday from Cartagena reports he was informed by an official at that port that 300 Colombian soldiers had embarked on the Colombian gunboats Cartagena and General Pinzon and sailed for the mouth of the Atrato River.

Flagship for Haytian Navy. NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—The steam yacht Scythian, formerly owned and commanded by Miss Susan Day, of this city, and recently sold to the Haytian government, has arrived in port and will be fitted up at once as the flagship of the Haytian navy.

Malcontents Are Reported. PANAMA, Dec. 12.—About 90 prisoners from Panama arrived here at noon today, and were taken to the Haytian government.

San Salvador Praises America. SAN SALVADOR, Republic of Salvador, Dec. 12.—The newspapers here publish editorials today approving the attitude of the United States in recognizing the new Republic of Panama and affirming that the United States in doing so and preventing Colombia from reconquering the isthmus does not violate any treaty with Colombia.

President of Bolivia Resigns. NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Senor Lacio Velasco, vice-president of the republic, has resigned, says a dispatch from La Paz, Bolivia, to the Herald. The Congressional committee to which the matter was referred, has replied in favor of accepting the resignation.

Torpedo-Boats Ordered to Panama. WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—The torpedo-boats Perry and Paul Jones have been ordered to proceed from the Mare Island (Cal.) Navy-Yard to Panama to augment Admiral Glass's fleet. The Paul Jones will be placed in commission at once.

Fumes From Blast Kill Them. MANILA, Dec. 12.—Three Americans and seven natives were killed yesterday by the explosion of a blast of tord dynamite in a quarry of the Atlantic & Pacific Company at Mariveles, near the entrance to Manila Bay. Among those killed were Joseph Law, superintendent, and Thomas Strader, engineer.

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SHAWHAN'S TOYS TOYS TOYS. This is the place and now is the time to buy your holiday presents. Don't wait until the last minute and then rush in expecting to find complete assortments from which to choose. Come in now and take your time in selecting your wants.

Good News From the Suit and Cloak Room. There are many appropriate and desirable articles in our suit room that will make very acceptable holiday presents. Everywhere you turn you will be greeted with some handsome garment that you can offer to some member of the family or to a near friend as a gift.