

## ALL CHEER CHIEF

### Kouropatkin Departs for the Far East

### GREAT THROG AT DEPOT

### Patriotic Demonstration Almost Without Precedent.

### MANY CELEBRITIES ON HAND

### General Egrestoff, White-Haired and Shaking With Emotion, Elds the Commander God-Speed for the Nation.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 12.—General Kouropatkin, accompanied by his entire staff, left here at 6 o'clock this evening on a special train for the Far East, where he will take command of the Russian army.

The departure of the General was marked by demonstrations of patriotism and personal regard, such as seldom have been witnessed in the Russian capital. Thousands of persons who lined the Nevsy Prospect, and the approaches to the Nicholas Railroad Station, vied with the highest personages in the empire, including the principal military authorities, members of the Imperial Council, foreign military attaches, members of the French Embassy and persons prominent in society, who had assembled inside the station, in giving vent to expressions of confidence in the new commander, who is to lead the Emperor's army to victory.

Just as the General arrived at the station, Grand Duke Nicholas Nicolaevitch, Grand Duke Peter Nicolaevitch and the Duke of Mecklenburg Strelitz, drove up and alighted.

### Storm of Cheers Greets Him.

Modestly, and without the accompaniment of music or escort, the General drove to the station in an open carriage. He was dressed in the fatigue uniform of his rank. The short, imposing figure of Russia's greatest General was instantly recognized by the populace, and his passage down the broad boulevard was followed by a storm of cheers which grew louder as the crowd grew denser near the station. Here the enthusiasm broke out into mighty shouts, and in spite of the cold the air was filled with hats thrown aloft by the frenzied people.

The Imperial waiting-rooms inside the station were crowded with celebrities, and the staircase leading from the courtyard were lined with a seething mass of picturesque uniforms—there were Cossack officers, bestarred Generals and distinguished naval men.

As General Kouropatkin reached the head of the stairs, General Egrestoff, white-haired and trembling with emotion, began to speak. Inside and out, there was an instant hush, and the General said: "I have come to bid you God-speed," said General Egrestoff. "We all wish you a safe journey, and with God's blessing we shall come here to greet you on your victorious return. Take this small image of Alexis, your patron saint, and wear it around your neck, and may the Almighty hold you in his keeping."

General Kouropatkin knelt reverently and accepted the talisman. Then he spoke in response. His few heartfelt words of thanks were uttered in so low a tone that they were hardly heard ten feet away. Thunderous cheers burst forth when the two warriors clasped each other in a strong embrace.

### Resemblance to General Grant.

General Kouropatkin then stepped forward. His strong personality was strikingly illustrated in the way he moved through the room. The czar's aides-de-camp, in their handsome uniforms, helped to clear a space in front of the little man, whose grizzled beard and piercing eyes suggested a resemblance to Grant. He was entirely self-possessed amid the surrounding excitement, and he walked easily and unaffectedly, greeting all present. As the car sped; every head was bared. As the train slowly gathered headway every voice in the vast multitude broke into a roar of cheers and blessings.

Behind General Kouropatkin stood his sons in cadet uniform, and through the door one caught a glimpse of the salon filled with flowers. Amid the flowers stood the General's wife, who, with his sons, will accompany him as far as Moscow.

### MAKAROFF HERO OF THE HOUR

#### Name of Russian Commander is on Every Lip at St. Petersburg.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 12.—Admiral Makaroff's name is on every lip at St. Petersburg today. He is the hero of the hour. The details of Thursday's fighting in Port Arthur did not become public until this morning, when eager crowds, unmindful of a heavy snowfall, gathered about Viceroy Alexiev's bulletins which were posted at every corner. The sorrow over the loss of the Russian torpedo-boat-destroyer was swallowed up by the admiration caused by the daring exploit of the Russian naval commander-in-chief in going personally to her rescue.

In a deep-seated conviction that hereafter there will be a complete change of sea tactics, Admiral Makaroff will make the fleet at Port Arthur an aggressive force. He enjoys the reputation throughout the length and breadth of the empire of being a daring officer who delects in brilliant achievements, and his action of Thursday adds to his laurels as a bold and fearless fighter who loves to

## CANNON FOR FAIR

### Speaker Pledges Hearty Support to 1905 Bill.

### WAY IN HOUSE MADE EASY

### Fine Opportunity Will Be Given for Consideration.

### COMMITTEE IS MORE LIBERAL

### Assurances of Leaders Make It Almost Certain That Appropriation Recommended Will Be Greater Than at First Proposed.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, March 12.—Speaker Cannon is heartily in favor of the passage of the Lewis and Clark Exposition bill, and will do everything in his power to assist the measure through the House. He so stated yesterday to Senator Mitchell, Senator Fulton and Representative Williamson, who called on him to discuss the prospects of the measure, and to ask that ample time be allowed for its consideration on the floor of the House. The speaker assured the Oregon men that as soon as the bill is reported by the committee on expositions he will take it up with the House leaders, and he is confident full opportunity will be given for its consideration.

Following this conference, the Senators and Representative Williamson called on Chairman Tawney, representing the Republican membership of the committee on expositions, and later on Representative Bartlett, of Georgia, the ranking Democratic member, and from each of these gentlemen received assurances which encourage them in the belief that the amount the committee will recommend for the Exposition will be considerably more than has been talked of since the bill has been before the House committee.

To members of the delegation the outlook for the passage of a bill carrying a liberal appropriation is now very encouraging. In view of Speaker Cannon's attitude, and the friendliness of the House committee, it is believed there will be no particular difficulty in securing the final passage of the bill.

### ASKS MONEY FOR COLUMBIA.

#### Mitchell Also Moves in the Interest of the Dalles-Celilo Canal.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, March 12.—In order that sufficient funds may be available for continuing the improvement of the Columbia River during the next fiscal year, Senator Mitchell today offered amendments to the sundry civil bill appropriating \$500,000 for continuing the improvement of the mouth of the Columbia River, \$255,000 for improving the Willamette and Columbia below Portland, of which amount \$200,000 shall be expended on the permanent improvement, and \$255,000 for dredging and maintaining the actual construction of The Dalles-Celilo ship canal.

Senator Mitchell also offered an amendment to the Indian appropriation bill confirming the title of the State of Oregon to indemnity lands selected in lieu of school sections relinquished in the dis-

## HAWAII MEN RISE

### They Hear Foraker Is to Control Patronage.

### DICK AND HERRICK CONFER

### Strong Protest Is to Be Made to Roosevelt.

### BITTER STATE FIGHT SURE

### Governor Says Foraker Dictatorship Will Be Considered a Personal Affront to the Friends of the Dead Leader.

### COMPLETES AMERICAN SYSTEM

#### Porto Rican Legislature Adopts New Code and Passes Many Laws.

WASHINGTON, March 12.—The following cablegram has been received from Governor Hunt, dated San Juan, Porto Rico, March 12: "Secretary of State, Washington: Legislature adjourned. Many important laws passed, among such American code civil procedure, thus completing entire American code system; reformed American judicial system law; vesting original power in Justice Supreme Court to determine all property questions between Government and Catholic Church; providing for commission to negotiate insular bonded loan for permanent public works, \$1,000,000 to \$5,000,000; providing for new penitentiary; for slight increase rum tax; for increasing resources of municipalities; authorizing all priests, preachers and magistrates to celebrate marriages, without parents first obtaining licenses; providing special study and cure paralytic anemia; establishing educational qualifications for electors; extending public school education; passing budget next fiscal year; also by unanimous vote, delegates rising passed strict law to prevent desecration American flag."

### ULTIMATUM SENT TO REBELS

#### Dominican Forces Are Given Forty-Eight Hours to Surrender.

SANTO DOMINGO, March 12.—The government has sent an ultimatum to the insurgents demanding their surrender, and granting 48 hours for non-combatants to retire. If this is not complied with the government will attack by land and sea, adopting such measures as it finds necessary, including a bombardment.

### INSURGENTS LOSE BIG BATTLE

#### Washington, March 12.—Very belated cablegrams from United States Minister Powell, just received at the State Department, report a big battle across the river from Santo Domingo, March 4, in which the insurgents were beaten and fled, leaving their guns and ammunition on the field.

### RESENTS CRITICISM OF FATHER

#### Son of Chief of Police Kills Man Who Assails His Record.

ST. LOUIS, March 12.—John Kieley, son of Chief of Police Kieley, tonight shot and killed Sanitary Inspector John Silence. Kieley immediately surrendered to the police. It is stated that Silence was overheard by Kieley sharply criticizing the efficiency of the latter's father in the capacity of Chief of Police and took umbrage. The altercation finally resulted in a shooting which Kieley in the hand. Kieley then shot Silence in the abdomen.

### LAWS CAN REACH TRUSTS.

#### Cortelyou Says, Not More, but Better Enforcement, is Needed.

CHICAGO, March 12.—Secretary George B. Cortelyou was the guest of honor at the banquet of the Merchants' Club. Fully 200 of the most prominent merchants and manufacturers of the city and adjacent territory were present, and the address of the Secretary "upon some problems and policies of the new department," was received with decided manifestations of approval.

Mr. Cortelyou outlined briefly the history of the organization of the Department of Commerce and Labor, and mentioned some of the aims of that department.

## LOVE OF JOSEPH

### Motive Which Saves Balfour for Time.

### PROTECTIONISTS ARE FIRM

### Premier Is Made to Uphold Chamberlain or Suffer.

### OWN CABINET IS IN REVOLT

### Two Threaten to Resign, and Leader Decides to Antagonize Unionists—Experts Predict Irish Party Will Soon Hold Scales.

LONDON, March 12.—The continued existence of the present government after the past eventful week in Parliament creates surprise even among its most faithful supporters. Premier Balfour kept the Cabinet in power by a majority of 48, gained at the expense of what is universally admitted to be a personal defeat for the Premier. For the first time since the fiscal question became a live issue in British politics, Joseph Chamberlain's followers showed their strength and intentions.

No less than 129 members of the House of Commons put themselves on record this week as willing to turn over Balfour rather than sacrifice their adherence to Mr. Chamberlain's out-and-out protection principles. As a result, Mr. Balfour has foregone his personal policy of retaliation, and retains office only by the support of those members of Parliament who openly uphold preferential and protective duties.

### Cabinet on Verge of a Split.

The complications within the Unionist party came during the week to an almost Gibraltar climax. On all sides it is admitted that a dissolution of Parliament alone can solve the existing conditions. The Cabinet itself, so recently constructed, has been on the verge of a serious split. During the week Austen Chamberlain, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Colonial Secretary Lyttelton, and several other members of the government threatened to resign unless Mr. Balfour withdrew his support of the motion which denounced Joseph Chamberlain's proposed preferential duties based on the taxation of food. Beseet within and without, Mr. Balfour gave in to the Chamberlainites, and still further antagonized the Free Trade Unionists.

In addition to the difficulties in which the fiscal question has involved what is known as "the strongest government of modern times," Mr. Balfour has been subjected to a personal attack, which heightened public interest in the proceedings at Westminster.

### Rosebery Attack Still a Sensation.

Lord Rosebery's passionate attack from the House of Lords on Thursday has not yet ceased to cause a sensation which can scarcely be realized, except by those who know how hard and fast are the conventions with which the upper house is hedged. Lord Rosebery spoke with a heat which entirely banished any idea that he simulated indignation. As a matter of fact, Lord Rosebery only voiced the bitterness against Mr. Balfour which prevails among the families of those members of the Cabinet who resigned, though the relatives for centuries had supported the Tory leaders.

Experts in British elections express diametrically opposed forecasts regarding the probable result of the appeal to the country, which is now somewhat impatiently awaited by the public. They all agree, however, that neither Mr. Chamberlain nor Mr. Balfour on their respective plans of protection and retaliation, is likely to be returned to power. The best-balanced opinion is that when Mr. Balfour either ends the tenure of the present government, or it is ended for him, there will be a series of sea-saw political evolutions with the Irish party holding the scales.

### Rosebery Will Not Be Calmed.

LONDON, March 12.—Lord Rosebery, speaking at Newcastle-on-Tyne, tonight, referred to the incident in the House of Lords on Thursday. He said he objected to heat in controversial matters. He had for long entertained friendship and regard for Premier Balfour, but when he was called a "calumniator," there was no man in the world from whom he would accept that description of himself without violent public repudiation.

### Civic Federation to Take a Hand.

NEW YORK, March 12.—An attempt is being made by the Civic Federation to avert the threatened lockout of the lithographers and printers of the country if they do not sign the employers' arbitration agreement. After a conference of the men representing the Federation, the union and the employers, a plan of arbitration from the point of view of the employers has been prepared, which will be submitted to the employers at once as a counter proposition to the employers' plan.

### No Word From Missionary.

NEW YORK, March 12.—Though cable inquiries were made today, the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions has received no word from Persia regarding Dr. Benjamin Lambert, the missionary who, it was reported last night had been murdered in Khol, Persia. No American missionary has ever been killed in Persia. The conditions in Northwest Persia have, however, been much disturbed for the past year or two.

### Investigating Dreyfus Papers.

PARIS, March 12.—The Court of Cassation today continued the investigation of the War Office documents in the Dreyfus case. At the conclusion of the examination of the papers, the taking of oral testimony will begin.

## GRAND DUKE AND GRAND DUCHESS VLADIMIR, OF RUSSIA



The most potent individuality in Russia today is Grand Duke Vladimir, the younger brother of the late czar and the uncle of Nicholas II. He is the president of the Council of State, and is supposed to provide the backbone for the young czar, who is regarded as a dreamer and a philosopher more than a statesman. Vladimir represents the reactionist party, that which would suppress all signs of liberalism. He is a stout and steadfast upholder of Russia's aims and ambitions. He is the soldier of the imperial family, and is always considered the most intellectually brilliant and ambitious member of the Romanoff clan.

Grand Duchess Vladimir, wife of the czar's uncle, holds great influence at court. She is a woman of extraordinary beauty, and has always played a great role in Russian society. She is taking an active part in raising funds for Red Cross hospitals in the Far East, and, with the aid of the Grand Duchess Elizabeth, has persuaded the government to send a number of portable churches on wheels to the Far East to attend to the spiritual needs of the troops.