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# JAPANESE FLEET APPEARS IN THE MALACCA STRAITS

## Has Gone to Intercept the Baltic Fleet--Polish Women in Open Revolt Against Conscription.

### Subjected by Cossacks Armed With Whips - Japanese Gain Important Ground Near Port Arthur, But May Have Lost 203 Meter Hill--Rumored Offers of Mediation--The Czar Is Utterly Intolerant Toward the Liberal Element in Russia.

Singapore, Dec. 22.—Two Japanese battleships, four cruisers and 12 destroyers have passed here, steaming westward. It looked as if a concentrated attack on the Baltic fleet is planned.

Gone to Meet Them Half Way. Singapore, Dec. 22.—Two Japanese warships, apparently converted cruisers, have been seen off Singapore.

Japanese Driven Out. St. Petersburg, Dec. 22.—Kuropatkin reports that during a series of reconnaissance yesterday the Japanese were driven from their positions in the woods near the railway bridge across the Shakhe river, and their entrenchments were destroyed.

Commission Organized. Paris, Dec. 22.—The North Sea inquiry commission met in the office of the foreign minister at 10 this morning. Admiral Kasanokoff, dean of the commission, presided. Admiral Fourcroy was elected president. Admiral Spain, of Austria, was chosen the fifth member. The commission adjourned until January 9.

Witnesses Arriving. Bordeaux, France, Dec. 22.—The steamer Paraguay arrived this morning with four officers from the Russian Baltic fleet whom Admiral Rozhdestvensky put ashore at French Congo in order that they might return to testify before the North Sea commission. They bring a detailed report from Rojdestvensky and other important papers.

Japs Gain Important Positions. London, Dec. 22.—The Tokio correspondent of Reuters, wires that the Japanese had captured important positions on Pigeon Bay, to the west of Port Arthur.

Rumors of Mediation. London, Dec. 22.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Central News wires that a persistent rumor is current in the Russian capital that England and France will shortly attempt to mediate in the Far Eastern war. Official confirmation is lacking.

Polish Women Rebel. St. Petersburg, Dec. 22.—An anti-war riot was started today by women.

# TEAM RAN AWAY WITH A CORPSE

## FIRE ALARM AROUSED THE TRAINED HORSES.

They Followed the Procession to the Fire Drawing the Improvised Hearse Containing the Body of a Fireman--Were Stopped With Difficulty and the Obsequies Proceeded After the Unexpected and Shocking Interruption.

La Crosse, Wis., Dec. 22.—The clang of the fire alarm, jarring discordantly with the muffled bell, yesterday turned the funeral of Thomas Prof. The oldest fireman of La Crosse, into a rout. The coffin, laid and draped on a horse cart, drawn by two of the finest horses in the service, was opposite the central station when the alarm sounded. Behind it was the large aerial truck. With a swing it was guided out of the procession and started to the fire. Scarcely had it cleared the procession when the horse cart carrying the coffin swung into line, the horses struggling madly to follow their mates, but were checked after running some distance.

When the aerial truck whirled from the cortège the firemen acting as pallbearers, sprang to the apparatus and were carried to the scene of the fire. The funeral was postponed until the blaze was extinguished, when the services were resumed.

### MORE SENTENCES.

Democrats Being Fined for Contempt of Court. Denver, Col., Dec. 22.—City Detective W. H. Green, John Desaye, Frank McMahon and Robert Goodman were sentenced today to the supreme court for six months in jail and \$100 fine, for contempt of court in connection with election frauds in precinct 3, ward 4.

Liar! Liar! Liar! New York, Dec. 22.—Cornelius Bliss, treasurer of the republican national committee, said today that Lawson's \$5,000,000 campaign fund story in the coming January number of Everybody's is absolutely false.

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The Amalgamated and Others Fail to Produce Any Evidence Against the Author of "Frenzied Finance"—H. H. Rogers, One of the Most Labeled Men in the Bunch, Will "Allow the Charges to Go Unchecked"—Donohue Serves Notice He Will Fight With His Po.

Boston, Dec. 21.—Thomas Lawson in an open letter to H. H. Rogers, this afternoon says that he will not be indicted in New York.

"In the light of recent happenings and innumerable threats against me, I wish to notify you, and through you, all those seeking me, that I will in self-defense shoot at sight the first man who calls upon me, or in any way comes into my presence without giving me notice."

Will Not Indict Lawson. New York, Dec. 21.—District Attorney Jerome today informed Charles M. Beattie, counsel for Henry Wellington, who has been trying to get Lawson to assist him in indicting Thomas W. Lawson, that the matter is dropped so far as the district attorney is concerned, owing to insufficient evidence.

Call Off the Dogs. New York, Dec. 21.—The Evening Globe this afternoon says that H. H. Rogers and others mentioned in the recent stories of election corruption and bribery have decided to call off the fight on Lawson and allow his charges to go unchecked.

Donohue Didn't Say It. New York, Dec. 21.—Donohue, the financial writer who was reported to have sent Lawson a message warning him not to print an advertisement attacking him, or he would take the midnight train to Boston to do things to Lawson, this morning denied having made the statement ascribed to him, or of sending a telegram. He said: "I am a man of peace. I am not fighting the man, but I am prepared to defend myself if attacked by Lawson. My weapon is my pen, and I propose to tell the people what I know of conditions, fairly, accurately and fearlessly."

Much Married Mormons. Thomas Chamberlain the Father of Fifty Children. Washington, Dec. 21.—Charles M. Owen, of Salt Lake, testified that Apostle John W. Taylor is generally reputed to have five wives, and has taken two within three or four years past.

Bankruptcy Court Trying to Find Package of Valuables. Cleveland, Dec. 21.—Mrs. Mary Lovell, for 12 years housekeeper for Dr. Chadwick, was a witness in the Chadwick bankruptcy hearing before Referee Remington today. She told of taking a mysterious postmarked envelope to contain securities, to a conference of lawyers at the Hollenden Hotel. They said it would be turned over to a man named Pine, who is a relative of the Chadwicks. An effort will be made to secure Pine for a witness.

Controls Chadwick Property. Cleveland, Dec. 21.—Referee Remington by decision today gave Nathan Lusser, receiver of the estate of Mrs. Chadwick, absolute control of the Chadwick property.

Dr. Wall, the government physician, today gave the opinion that Mrs. Chadwick is physically able to appear and give testimony. Mrs. Chadwick will appear as witness in the bankruptcy proceedings.

Both Houses Adjourn. May Not Use Pension Building for Inaugural Ball. Washington, Dec. 21.—The house failed to reach an agreement regarding the use of the pension building for the inaugural ball, and adjourned until January 4.

The senate adjourned for the Christmas holidays today after a four-minute session.

Carriers Removed. Washington, Dec. 21.—Postmaster General Wynne today dismissed rural carriers R. E. Nevin, of Berthoud, Col., and J. W. Whitehead, of Medina, O., for permissive activity during the late campaign.

Two Killed in Wreck. Menominee, Mich., Dec. 21.—Spreading rails caused a wreck of the St. Paul passenger train at Lena, near here, last night, killing Engineer Garvin and Fireman Miller.

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# PATTERSON CASE IN JURY'S HANDS

## LEGITIMATE LIMITS OF A VERDICT DEFINED.

Prosecution Retracts Theory That Young Could Not Have Fired the Shot Which Killed Him--Judge Gave Lengthy Exposition of What Constitutes a Reasonable Doubt--Court Included Certain Testimony of Value to Prosecution--Indications of Protracted Session.

New York, Dec. 22.—Justice Davis stated during the recess he would not charge the jury until tomorrow, and Prosecutor Rand began the summing for the prosecution when court opened after 2. He agreed with the defense that either Young killed himself, or the defendant killed him, or he declared it physically impossible for Young to fire the shot which caused his death.

Charging the Jury. New York, Dec. 22.—Judge Davis commenced his charge to the jury in the Patterson case at 10:58 this morning. The court room was crowded and many turned away. Sir Charles Wyndham, the English actor, is an interested spectator of the proceedings.

Before beginning the charge the judge asked the counsel if they had any requests to make. Lawyer Linger, for the defense, submitted a long typewritten document, and Justice Davis gave a lengthy exposition of the questions of reasonable doubt.

After considering the question of motive, the justice explained the difference in degree of murder and manslaughter, and said that the jury is bound by any statement of counsel that he would accept only an acquittal or a verdict of murder in the first degree. He told them to pass upon the testimony of the defendant as upon that of any other witness.

The court excluded all testimony regarding the disappearance of J. Morgan Smith.

Gone to the Jury. The jury retired at 12:25. Justice Davis left the court room at 4:45, with instructions that he would be accessible by telephone at home up till 11 tonight. If no verdict is reached by that time the court will stand adjourned until 10:30 tomorrow.

Great Crowd of Police. The crowd of curious persons about the criminal court building is so great this afternoon that additional details of police supported by mounted police are required to keep them back. All the entrances are guarded.

At 3:30 Nan Patterson was in the court house awaiting the verdict. While showing some signs of nervousness, she seemed perfectly confident of acquittal.

CROWN PRINCESS BARRISHED. Her Only Fault Her Longing to See Her Children. Berlin, Dec. 22.—Former Crown Princess Louise, the divorced wife of the king of Saxony, today made a desperate effort to see her children, but was repulsed by the sentries. The police served notice of her expulsion, and she will be sent from the front door under police surveillance this afternoon.

Louise wrote a letter to the king imploring his permission to see her children. The police insisted on her departure from Dresden, which occurred at 4 this afternoon. The people made demonstrations in favor of the princess at her departure.

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### IMPORTANT WITNESSES SAID TO BE MISSING.

Two State Senators Will Be Under Fire and a United States Senator and a Congressman Are Coming Home on the Run--Investigation Is Being Directed by a Special Envoy of the Interior Department--Evidence Against Hermann Said to Be Damaging.

Interest naturally centers in the question whether Senator Mitchell and Congressman Hermann will be implicated by the evidence to be submitted to the grand jury. Both officials were interviewed last evening and expressed themselves as confident of establishing their innocence. They refer to the investigation as "malicious persecution" on the part of Secretary Hitchcock.

Senator Mitchell and Congressman Hermann will arrive in Portland Friday evening and will undoubtedly be given an early opportunity to appear before the grand jury. Against Hermann the government has some very strong evidence. Much of it relates to facts which were published last spring during his campaign for reelection to congress. He will be obliged to explain why he ordered patents to issue upon the fraudulent homestead entries of Pater and his confederates, and that too, at a time when he was in possession of evidence of their fraudulent character. He must explain also why these applications were railroaded through to patents, sometimes within three days after their receipt at Washington, while legitimate settlers had to wait from one to three years.

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# BRITT AWARDED THE DECISION

## Referee Claims He Was Entitled to it as Being the Most Skillful Boxer.

### THE FIGHT CLOSED WITH THE TWENTIETH ROUND.

The Total Receipts Were \$35,000—Nelson Put Up a Game and Skillful Fight and Not All Are Satisfied With the Referee's Judgment, Although It Was Probably Impartial and Judicious--Neither Man Was Seriously Damaged--Nelson Was Game From Start to Finish.

San Francisco, Dec. 21.—Jimmy Britt secured the decision over "Batling" Nelson last night after 20 rounds of fierce fighting. Both men fought until almost exhausted and the decision was given on points.

Nelson fought with the fierceness of a tiger and did not appear in any worse form than his plucky antagonist when the gong sounded on the last round, but Britt showed the most skillful and ring generalship. In the closing round the California boy was punching the Chicago boy all over the ring, but his blows lacked sufficient force to put a quiver on his opponent.

At several stages of the fight Nelson was badly punished, but he always kept gamely coming up to the firing line. Only once did he have the local boy in distress, and then Britt's excellent generalship and the advice of his seconds saved him from going too close to the danger point.

Defeated Man a Wonder. Nelson is unquestionably a wonder in the pugilistic world. Time after time after taking blows heavy enough to put out an ordinary fighter, he would come up apparently in easier form and bring the fighting into Britt's territory.

Referee Roche announced that he gave the fight to Britt on cleaner hitting and a greater number of points scored. A retrospect of the fight bears out the justice of the decision, although Nelson did most of the leading. Britt displayed greater ability as a boxer, and his blows were cleaner and more forceful; while Nelson was sadly deficient in long arm blows and most of his attempts to reach his opponent while both men were free, were ineffectual.

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It was almost daylight when they retired to sleep late. Nelson still feels the referee's decision was wrong.

The receipts in round numbers was \$35,000, of which the fighters get \$5 per cent. Britt's share is \$11,550 and Nelson's \$1760.

CANADIAN NAVY. Dominion Government Will Build Three Cruisers. New York, Dec. 21.—The action of the home government, says a Tribune special from Montreal, in withdrawing the Atlantic and Pacific fleets from Canadian waters, will in the near future result in the construction of three cruisers by the Dominion government as a start in the naval program which Sir Wilfrid Laurier has in mind.

For a long time the premier and his colleagues have felt the correspondent asserts, that Canada should undertake the construction of a navy which in time would afford to the coast line an adequate defense. The training of naval reserves, which is now in progress in West Indian waters is part of the policy in view, and it is expected that an announcement in this connection will be made at the coming session of parliament.

Franchise Extended. Walla, Walla, Dec. 21.—Edwin S. Isaacs, who for the past three years and maintenance of an electric car line in the streets of Walla, Walla, has secured from the council an extension of time. He will give a bond of \$2000 to construct the line by April 30, 1906, or forfeit that amount.

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