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FORT WINED AND CAPTURED THE PARAPET

Japanese Blow Up a Parapet and Occupy an Impregnable Position.

Request Made to Coal Japanese War Vessels.

Request Based on Precedent Established by Allowing Russian Warships to Coal Along the Route to the Far East.

Russian Garrison Escapes.

Russian Finances Shaky.

Request to Cool Japanese Warships.

Court-martialed 85 Sailors.

Japanese Off Javan Coast.

FROM DUNGEONS TO SIBERIAN MINES

Awful Fate of Nihilists Just Released From Secret Dens of Torture.

Russian Tortures Have Wrecked Three Lives.

Vera Figner, Col. Aschenbrenner and Brast Ivanoff Taken From Secret Dungeons After 20 Years of Unbearable Cruelty.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 29.—Three famous nihilists, leaders of the terrorist movement from 1875 to 1884, have just been released from the dungeons of Peter Paul after 20 years of solitary confinement.

They are Col. Aschenbrenner, Vera Figner and Brast Ivanoff. All three have become mental and physical wrecks under the soul-killing effects of the "silent" system of incarceration.

They were sentenced to death, but were reprieved and sent to Siberia. Ivanoff is little better than an imbecile, and Col. Aschenbrenner is dumb.

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THREE MEN KILLED.

Two Others Badly Injured by Boiler Explosion.

Chehalis, Wash., Dec. 29.—Presley Epping, Frank Dowell and R. G. Hicks were killed, and Roy Hicks and W. Beauchamp were injured, probably fatally, by a boiler explosion in the sawmill plant of Watworth & Neville at Watville, a few miles from this place.

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CONTRACT IS LET FOR PORTAGE ROAD

Nelson & White Will Build the Grade Only for \$115,000.

Contract Price Exclusive of Equipment.

Portland, Dec. 29.—Nelson & White, the contractors who are building the Great Southern railroad from The Dalles to Dufer, were yesterday awarded the contract for constructing the Celilo portage road, on their bid of \$115,021, exclusive of rails and rolling stock.

The contract will be awarded on the quantity price basis, compensation to be made according to the amount of materials used and work done.

The award was made to the state portage board, composed of Governor Chamberlain, State Treasurer Moore and Secretary of State Danbar, assisted by W. T. Neal, attorney for the Open River Association.

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EMPLOYEES GET CHRISTMAS GIFTS

Over \$1,000,000 Distributed by Chicago Firms in Presents.

Profit-sharing Plan is Widespread.

Each Employee of Many Large Concerns Given 10 Per Cent of Their Year's Salaries as Xmas Gifts.

Chicago, Dec. 27.—The profit-sharing craze has hit Chicago industries hard.

Banks, brokerage firms, manufacturing establishments and other large corporations which make a practice of sharing profits with employees have distributed more than \$1,000,000 in Christmas gifts.

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OFFICERS ROB THEM.

Government Will Be Called Upon to Clear Up Army Scandal.

Washington, Dec. 27.—Congress will be called upon to investigate a scandal at Governor's Island, N. Y. The charge made by the special civilian committee are of so sensational a nature and involve so many officials that members of the committee declare the war department could not be an impartial tribunal.

It is charged that officers of the post have misappropriated \$37,900 for their own comfort from the fund of \$40,000 appropriated by congress for the benefit of the enlisted men.

The money, the committee declares, was used to build an addition to the officers' club house and to refurnish and remodel the building.

Only \$2000 of the \$40,000 appropriated was spent on the part of the building devoted to enlisted men in the construction of a reading room.

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LAWSON IS AN OLD OFFENDER

Was Indicted for Fraud in New York City on April 22, 1890.

Grand Jury Found Him to Be Dishonest.

Charges Were That Criminal Investigation, Facts and Reports Had Been Circulated to Move the Stock Market With Intent to Defraud Innocent Purchasers of Stocks.

New York, Dec. 28.—While looking through the records of the court of general sessions today Chief Clerk Welsh dug up an old indictment against Thomas W. Lawson, returned by the grand jury of New York county April 22, 1890, and charging criminal libel under section 415, subdivision 2, penal code, which sets forth that it is a crime knowingly to circulate false statements, rumors or intelligence with intent to affect the market price of stocks, bonds or other evidence of debt of a corporation.

The indictment sets forth that on March 5, 1890, Thomas W. Lawson, and others issued a circular with intent to affect the market price of stocks, bonds and other evidence of debt of the Lawson Consolidated Store Service company of Boston.

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FROZEN TO DEATH WHILE ON A SPREE

Ta-car-nie, a Umatilla Brave, Found Dead on the Reservation.

Near His Lifeless Body a Bottle of Whiskey.

Victim Was Well Known in Pendleton and Was a Slave to the Liquor Habit—Narrowly Escaped Death by Drinking the Poison Intended for Anna Edna—His Fate is Common to Umatilla Indians—Five Crows, Most Noted of the Umatilla Tribe, Drove to Death in the Road While Drunk, Two Years Ago.

Frozen to death while in a drunken stupor was the fate Sunday night of Ta-car-nie, a Umatilla Indian. His lifeless body was discovered near his lodge yesterday morning with an empty bottle of Pendleton booze by his side.

The death of an Indian from exposure is a common occurrence on the Umatilla reservation. Last winter a Umatilla brave was found near the city limits in the east end of town. Two years ago Five Crows met death by freezing near the agency.

The death of Ta-car-nie recalls an incident of the murder of Anna Edna, an Indian medicine woman. The sorceress was poisoned and Columbia George and Toy-toy are serving life sentences for the crime.

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