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NERVY ROBBER MAKES EASY PICK-UP

Relieves a German Logger From the North Shore of the Columbia of All the Coin He Had.

Wore a Mask and Carried a Gun That Minimized the Possibility of Argument.

NO CLEW TO THE BOLD THIEF

Turns the Trick Near Commercial and Seventcenth and Gets Away in the Darkness,

One of the most daring holdups that ever occurred in Astoria took place last night near the corner of Seventeenth and Commercial streets, in a part of the city that is much frequented. The robber is described as having been a small man, but he carried a convincing argument in the way of a dangerous looking gun, and his demand for money was made in a most decisive tone. He secured \$22.

The victim of the robbery was Theodore Meyer, who works in Henry Holk's February 2. Gonzales Valencia was orth shore logging camp. Last night elected vice-president. bout 9:30 he started east on Commertial street for an evening walk, and when a short distance east of the foot of Seventeenth street was accosted by he robber. There is no light at the point where the hold-up occurred and Meyer was not aware of the presence of the robber until he presented the gun and demanded the money.

The robber wore a heavy black mesk over his face and probabily had stepped behind a telegraph pole when he observed the approach of the strapping his Oregon Short Line, has obtained

to have gone into the railroad yards, where he could easily evade pursuit. "If the robber hadn't shoved that gun under my nose, I would have eaten him up," said the big logger, discussing the hold-up. "But I did not fancy the appearance of the gun. Just a moment or two after the man took my money two other men came along from down town, but the robber had disappeared.' The police, who have kept the city free from suspicious characters for months, have no clew that might lead to the arrest of the robber. The holdup occurring last night is the first that has taken place for a long time. The last trick turned occurred at almost the same spot, the victim osing a soldier. who was relieved of a sum of money and some jewelry belonging to his sweetheaert. The robber last night relieved Meyer of everything he had in the way of valuables. Because of the darkness Meyer is unable to give an accurate description of the man, except to say that he was about 5 feet 7 or 8 inches in height, weighing from 10 populace is not aware of the diplomatic to 145 pounds. He went about the job proceedings and although it is generin a businesslike manner that denoteed

ran along Commercial street, disap-

pearing in the darkness. He is believed

previous experience. Officer Oberg says the circumstance tends to emphasize the need for more street lights between Seventcenth street and the depot, and expresses surprise that more robberies are not committed there.

Reyes Elected President.

Washington, Feb. 6 .- A private dispatch received here from Buena Ventura, announces that General Reyes was elected president of Colombia on

Harriman May Have Control. San Francisco, Feb. 6 .- Southern Pa-

cific surveyors are now taking an active part in locating the final surveys for Senator W. A. Clark's Los Angeles and Salt Lake Railroad, south from Calientes, Nev., to Daggett, Cal. For this reason it is believed in railroad and financial circles that E. H. Harriman, either through the Bouthern Pacific Company or the Union Pacific or

DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS BETWEEN JAPAN AND RUSSIA ARE BROKEN

Baron de Rosen, Representing St. Petersburg Government at Tokio, Expected to Depart for Home in Few Days

While Japanese People Are Not Fully Aware of Situation, they Know That War Is Imminent, and Await the Clash With Same Equanimity That Has Characterized Them During Preliminary Stages of Controversy.

matic relations between Japan and and Japan will be equally unable to Russia have been broken. Baron De Rosen, the Russian minister, is expected to depart in a few days. The ally known that the country is on the eve of war, the people await the clash with the same calmness that marked their demeanor in the 'preliminary

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stages of the controversy.

Author Believes That Lasting Triumph

Can Not Be Effected. Paris, Feb. 6 .- Public attention riveted on the omnous war cloud hang-

ing over the far east, and newsaupers Japan. reflect public feeling that was is very near at hand, only the most conserva-

tive maintaining that a pacific solution I possible. It is notceable that those havng governmen relations take discouraging views.

M. Leroy Beaulieu, the eminent author and authority on Russia and the far east, being asked what he thought of Russia's controversy with Japan, made the following reply;

"In the event of war I am convinced that neither party will be able to conquer the other. Russia will not be

Tokio, Feb. 6 .- It is clear that diplo- ¡ter a conclusive and lasting overthrow, penetrate into Russia and give a lastng effect to any temporary triumphs."

Anxiously Await Developments. St. Petersburg, Feb. 6 .- The scene

of the Russo-Japanese negotiations has shifted, and now Russia waits for Japan to see how her latest word is to be received. As each communication has passed between the capitols of the contesting powers, the situation has become more tense, until it is now feared NEITHER POWER CAN CONQUER that diplomacy is making its last exchange and the questions at issue may

go to the arbitration of sterner methods. Russia tonight is keenly awake to the possibilities of the situation and is eagerly waiting the first intimation which may give a clew to the temper of

Little News Reaches London. London, Feb. 6 .- A day of tension

and apprehension has been passed here and London is still without information regarding developments in the far eastern situation other than news received by dispatch to the Asociated Press.

Up to a late hour tonight no further Russian reply to Janan's demands had ed a roll of bills.

that no gambling or anything of a questionable character was going on in the rooms. In vain the officer again demanded admittance, but he was refused, and after a heated discussion, with Collins he left the saloon. Cantwell says he will place the entire matter before the council as soon as possible.

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Children Nearly Burned.

Sumpter, Ore., Feb. 6 .- Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Case, of this city, sat at the theater, applauding the acts and thoroughly enjoying the play, while their home burned and their two little children came near to death by the blaze or suffocation. Their residence was completely gutted and only the efforts of bystanders saved the little ones. Neither father nor mother knew of the fire until all was over.

Two men rushed into the burning building and carried the children to safety. Earl Case, 8 years old, was unconscious, lying on the floor of his room, when found. The other child, a girl, was carried from the upper story, J. E. Shinn, an electrician, being her rescuer.

The fire occurred Wednesday night and the damage totals \$1000.

Mrs. Maybrick Guarded.

London, Feb. 6 .- Mrs. Maybrick is serving out her last few months of of Epiphany at Truro, Cornwall. She prison. Even the sister with whom she associates and the servants have no At first newspapers were surreptitously supplied her, but it was discovered and a severe reprimand followed.

Witness Is Held.

Butte, Feb. 6 .- Less than half an hour was consumed by the jury in Judge Mc-Ex-Congressman on Trial. dispatches had been received at the Jap Clernan's court yesterday, in reaching Cripple Creek, Feb. 6 .- Attorney John anese legation, the officials there in- a decision that Dominick Rolando water M. Glover, a former congressman from sisting that except for news contained not guilty of the charge of marger. Misouri: was placed on trial in the disin the press dispatches, they were still On Uovember 4, last, Rolando was trict court today on the charge of havwithout even an intimation of how the drinking in a saloon in Butte and flash- ing murderously assaulted Sergeant Distmore of the Colorado He claims that after leaving the tional Guard. The case arrises from place John Sullvan and Dennis Hol- the fight on December 28 last, when land, with whom he had been drink- Glover resisted arrest by the militia ing, atacked him and attempted to re- and was wounded. Glover is conductlieve him of his money. Durng the ing his own defense. mixup which followed, Holland was stabbed in the breast and died short-To Investigat Iroquois Fire. " ly afterwards as a result of his injuries. Chicago, Feb. 6.-Formal application As court adjourned, Judge McClerwas made today by States Attorney Washington, Feb. 6 .- The official an- | well since morning. Temperature, nan suggested to County Attorney Deneen for a special grand jury to in-Breen that Sullivan be held until the vestigate the Iroquois theater fire. If attempted robbery could be investi- is planned by Deneen to make the ingated. A warrant was issued and Sulli- quiry exhaustive and every effort will van soon occupied the cell Rolando had be made to fix the criminal responsibility for the fire, if any exists.

AMERICANS IN DANGER IN DOMINGO

State and Navy Departments at Washington Receive Notice of Bad State of Affairs on Island.

Training Squadron Instructed to Take Steps for Adequate Protection.

PLANTATION IS BESIEGED

Pending Receipt of Full Particulars Regarding Johnston Tragedy No Action Will Be Taken.

Washington, Feb. 6.-Simultaneously at the state department and the navy department today, announcement was made that a serious state of affairs is her life sentence for killing her hus- prevalent in Santo Domingo. Comband in the country home of the sisters plaint has been made to the state department by owners of the Isidro planis guarded from communication with tation that their property had been bethe outside world as jealously as sieged and appeal is made for immethough she was still in Aylesbury diate relief. A cablegram was dispatched to Rear-Admiral Wise, commanding the training squadron, now at idea she really is Mrs. Maybrick. No Guantanamo, instructing him to take newspapers are allowed her and only immediate and effective steps for adesuch books as are given by the sister. | quate protection of American lives and property at the Dominican capital.

Admiral Wise is not instructed regarding the killing of Machinist Johnson, pending a receipt of full particulars telegraphed for today.

German from the logging camp. Covcontrol of the Clark road. ering Meyer with the revolver, the rob-Judge Parker, President.

ber said: "Have you any money !"

- "I have," replied Meyer.
- "Then hand it over," commanded the

robber.

Meyer reluctantly went down in his pocket and produced his purse, the rob- tice Alton B. Parker, of the court of ber meantime keeping him well covered. appeals, only to be interrupted at the The purse contained \$20 in gold and end by repeated cheers for "Judge \$2 in silver. As soon as the robber got Parker, the next president of the Unitthe money he turned to the east and ed States."

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On Clothing, Furnishing

Goods, Hats, Shoes, Etc.

Excepting only Dunlap Hats, E. & W. Collars, Oil

and Rubber Goods and Dents Gloves.

THIS MEANS A GREAT SACRIFICE

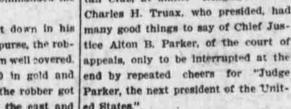
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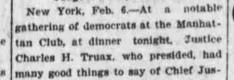
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SALE COMMENCES

Monday, January 4, 1904.

P.A. STOKES





to penetrate into Japan and adminis- been received.

CONDITION OF SENATOR REGARDED FAVORABLE

pulse at \$ o'clock folows: "Senator Hanna has rested fairly regarded as the more important.

nouncement of Senator Hanna's condi- 102.4; pulse, 92." No comment was tion tonight is regarded as favorable. made by the doctor on a higher pulse A bulletin written by Dr. Rixey after tonight, there being an increase of 10 taking the senator's temperature and beats over last night. The temperature, which is practically unchanged, is been liberated from.

JUDGE CLANCY SAYS LAW IS UNGONSTITUTIONAL PER CENT REDUCTION

Butte, Mont., Feb. 6 .- Judge Clancy for the enactment of disqualifying a judge from trying cases that may come today denied the motion for a change of venue under the law passed by the before him, and to make such a law last legislature, on the ground that the effective it would be necessary to law is unconstitutional. The court is

amend the constitution. Proceedings will be begun immediately in the suof the opinion that under the constitu- preme court to compel Judge Clancy tion of the state there is no provision to grant a change of venue.

ALBANY OFFICIALS DEFIED BY HUSKY SALOON MEN

til this week.

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between the saloon men and an closed and remained unused until Wedofficer since the resolution closing gam- nesday night. Then it was noticed that the roms were lighted up. Light rebling games, etc., passed the city coun- placed darkness again Thursday night cil, occurred last evening. Since the so an investigation was determined upresolution was passed. Albany has on. Officer J. W. Cantwell, acting unbeen a closed town and the officers der the general orders in the resoluhave not been able to discover any tion, which the city council passed gambling whatever, although they have and under special instructions of the made numerous investigations. There comittee on health and police of the was no trouble of any kind in enforc- council, visited the saloon last evening ing the provisions of the resolution un- and commenced an investigation. He ascended the stairway leading from the

One of the sections of the resolution inside of the saloon to the rooms above which passed the city council ordered but found them locked. He demanded the closing of certain rooms above the admittance, but Frank H. Collins, one Bureau saloon, owned by Collins & of the proprietors of the saloon, who McAlpin, and also ordered that all | refused to open the doors, saying the stairways and direct comunications be- rooms were rented for private purposes tween these rooms and the saloon below by Williams, who conducts a lunch be abolished. After the passage of the counter inside the saloon, and saying

Second School Term Begins Monday and we are ready for it. SCHOOL BOOKS. PENCILS and TABS, everything needed received today and will be ready for you bright and early Monday morning. J. N. GRIFFIN. Groceries, Hardware, Ship Chandlery, Paints, Oil and Glass--Hardwood Lumber Boat Supplies etc. @ @ @ AT -FISHER BROTHERS Cor. Bond and 12th Sts. - - - - Astoria, Oregon

The quiet, artistic beauty of any home is easily marred by lack of taste in wall decorations. We wish to state that the New Year will find us in a better position to do decorating than ever before. New patterns are beginning to arrive, and all we ask is that you favor us with an opportunity to show you the line.

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