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UNIFORMLY SUCCESSFUL.

President Roosevelt has a habit of "getting there." Some of the measures he has recommended to congress and some of the appointments he has made have aroused more than democratic opposition but he has met no defeat.

The president convened both branches of the new congress in special session early in November last, and within a week the house of representatives by an overwhelming majority approved the Cuban reciprocity treaty.

The Panama canal treaty, ratified at Washington, was rejected at Bogota, and immediately the department of Panama seceded from the United States of Colombia.

After four month's discussion the nomination of Leonard Wood as major general was confirmed, only two republicans in the senate opposing it, and five prominent democratic senators supporting the nomination.

FRANCE UNDER THE SWORD.

Persistent press reports concerning the effect of the present war in the far east upon the diplomatic balance of Europe credit France with a strong desire to cooperate with Great Britain in the offer to patch up the broil in the orient.

With the forces of the czar in retreat, as they seem to be at present, and with the Japanese fleet supreme in the China sea, France is brought to face a peril perhaps greater than any she has had to cope with since the treaty of Versailles.

on both shoulders. By the articles of the dual alliance with Russia, France is bound to see to it that Russia does not have to oppose Japan and England combined.

The tide of victory which has carried Japan into an almost undisputed possession of Korea would seem to guarantee that Great Britain will not be called upon to become an active ally in the field.

With this serious problem to face it is certain the government of M. Loubet will move with great caution. A misstep in either direction might mean war.

THE WORLD'S SAVINGS.

In the report of the comptroller of the currency of the last year there is a compilation of statistics of the savings banks of the world, confessedly incomplete, for full data are not obtainable from some of the countries.

Taking the list as it stands it appears that the aggregate of the deposits in the world's savings banks reaches \$10,000,000,000, a sum sufficient to buy out all of the stocks of the great trusts and all of the transcontinental railroads of the United States.

As is perhaps natural, although the Americans are not noted for thrift, the United States shows the greatest aggregate of savings deposits. France and the United Kingdom follow Germany in the number of depositors while the United States takes fourth in this respect.

It is one of the notable things in this showing that Japan, alone among Asiatic nations, has started savings banks.

It is reported that Admiral Dewey failed to land at Santo Domingo during his recent cruise because he feared that he would have to dine with United States Minister Powell, whom he discovered at the last moment to be a colored man.

Emperor Menelik, of Abyssinia, has not a minister at the national capital, but he is represented here in the Zoo by a fine young lion which has just arrived as a present to President Roosevelt.

Wall street capitalists claim that Attorney-General Knox failed to respect the administrative entity of the Northern Securities Company.

Pears'

soap does nothing but cleanse, it has no medical properties; for the color of health and health itself use Pears'. Give it time.

Must Distribute Surplus. Madison, Wis., March 26.—In the circuit court the case of the state insurance commissioner against the Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States was decided in favor of the state.

Lone Whaler Starts North. San Francisco, March 26.—The whaling bark Gayhead has sailed for a cruise in the Arctic.

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