RUSSIAN SOLDIERS CHEERFUL DESPITE RECENT REVERSES

Soldiers En Route to Far East Sing and are Merry--Chinese Villagers Evince Great Interest in Visitors.

Mukden, May 6.—Still no foreign newspaper correspondents are allowed at Liao Yang, where all the foreign attaches are detained. Captain William V. Judson of the engineer corps, U. S. A., who is to accompany the Russian army during hostilities, and Lieutenants Newton A. McCully, the United States naval attache and others have been provided with quarters there. The men on troop trains passing through Mukden on their way to the front are in excellent spirits and express confidence in Russia's eventual success. They ask their officers when they may expect to reach Japan and already want to know the Japanese names for tobacco, tea and other articles. Picturesque scenes are frequently witnessed at the wayside stations where the troops frequently remain over night. The soldiers are drawn up on the platforms, the bugles sound and then all uncover as the priest utters the evening prayer. Then the troops in each car, led by a tenor voice, break out into folk songs. The Chinese villagers with whom the soldiers quickly make friends, gather about, listening to the songs, which are mostly plaintive airs. The men, many of whom have been 40 days on trains on their way from the interior of Russia, are all healthy and join heartily in the songs. The Chinese commander of the district, accompanied by an escort attired in barbaric uniforms which contrasted strongly with their modern arms, waited at the station at Djandzun for an interview with General Kuropatkin, who later reviewed the garrison here. A large concourse of Chinese assembled to witness the review.

MILLION DID NOT LAST LONG.

New York Man Is Bankrupt After Seven Years' Speculation.

New York, May 7.—John Campbell Smith of this city, formerly a paper merchant, who inherited more than $1,000,000 five years ago, has filed a petition in bankruptcy, with liabilities of $408,300 and assets doubtful.

The petitioner was employed as salesman in the paper business by his grand uncle, Augustine Smith who died in January, 1897, leaving a large fortune, of which Mr. Smith inherited $1,000,000. He engaged in the paper trade, retiring in February of this year. Friends attribute the loss of his fortune to the slump in cotton following the Sully failure.

DENVER PLAYHOUSE GUTTED.

Loss of $55,000 Entailed by an Early Morning Blaze.

Denver, May 7.—The interior of the Curtis theater, which had just recently been newly equipped was destroyed by fire that started on the stage at 2:30 o'clock this morning. All the traveling equipment, costumes and scenery of the May Howard Extravaganza Company, which was showing at the theater, was burned. The total loss is estimated at $55,000.

The fire is believed to haev started from an improperly insulated electric wire. For a time the fire threatened to spread to the Chicago hotel, where the May Howard company and a number of others are guests. Heroic effort of the firemen, which was especially directed toward the hotel, prevented the fire from spreading, however.

To Check Tuberculosis.

New York, May 7.—Tests are being made of various chlorides and other chemicals, in connection with a project now under discussion by the health department to check the spread of tuberculosis here. It is planned, should the tests prove successful, to use disinfectants in the water with which the streets are sprinkled.

Alpha Delta Phi Convention.

Chicago, May 7.—A denial of the charge that Americans are materialists has been made by Hamilton W. Mabie before the Alpha Delta Phi Fraternity convention at the University of Chicago. Mr Mabie was elected president and Collin Armstrong of New York vice president. The next annual meeting will be held in New York. The convention closed with a dinner at the Auditorium. One hundred and fifty delegates from 24 colleges were present.

STOCK MARKET IS DULL.

Several Features Contribute to Make It the Less Active.

New York, May 7.—The dull and heavy stock market this week has shown no inclination to respond to any new development. Operations are withheld pending the effects to result from the large financial transactions working out, including the Panama canal payment and the Russian and Japanese loan issues, declining building activity, falling off in railroad traffic and dissatisfaction over the iron and steel trade outlook. The uncertain outcome of the season's deficient crops and the usual conservatism of the presidential year are all factors in the halt in the securities markets.

TUBE OF RADIUM MISSING.

Valuable Substance Disappears From Physician's Office.

Chicago, May 7.—A glass tube one-half an inch long, containing radium has disappeared from the office of Dr. William Allen Pusey Whether it was lost or stolen the loser does not know. The radium was receievd by Dr. Pusey a few days ago from Paris. He was treating a patient for an affection of the face when the precious substance disappeared. The missing radium was of the usual grade for scientific use, worth about $200,000 per ounce, troy.

NEW MANHATTAN BRIDGE.

Structure Will Cost Complete Enormous Sum of $12,000,000.

New York, May 7.—The needful appropriation of $10,000,000 having been voted by the board of estimate, work on the structure of the new Manhattan bridge over the East river will be begun July 1 When completed, it will cost $12,000,000, and from the standpoint of capacity will be the largest bridge in the world, and probably will be completed by January 1 1909. There will be eight railway tracks, as against six on the new Williamsburg bridge and four on the old Brooklyn bridge.

Dr. Herran Very Ill.

New York, May 7.—Dr. Thomas Herran, formerly in charge of the Columbian legation at Washington, is quite ill in this city from nervous prostration. With his family he has been here since the home government ordered him to withdraw from Washington. After a few weeks' vacation in order to restore his health he will go to Colombia, and expects to return to Washington in the capacity of minister, in the fall.

Engineer Instantly Killed.

Ogden, Utah, May 7.—In a collision last night between a switch engine and a chair car in the Oregon Short Line yards Engineer John C. Vanwhy of Ogden was instantly killed. Dr. Travener of Salt Lake was painfully injured and several passengers badly shaken up. The accident occurred on a "Y." The locomotive and chair car weer both wrecked and chair car were both wrecked and hours.

ROBBED THE GRAVE.

A startling incident is related by John Oliver of Philadelphia, as follows: "I was in awful condition. My skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back and sides, no appetite, growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Then I was advised to use Electric Bitters; to my great joy, the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continuerd their use for three weeks, and am now a well man. I know they robbed the grave of another victim." No one should fail to try them. Only 50 cents, guaranteed, at Charles Rogers', druggist.

HILL BUILDS CATHEDRAL

Contributes $1,500,000 Toward Erection of Fine Temple of Worship.

ENTIRE COST $3,000,000

Rest of Money in Sight—Two Wealthy Parishes of St. Paul Join in Movement to Build Edifice.

Chicago, May 7.—A dispatch to the Record-Herald from St. Paul says:

James J. Hill, president of the Northern Securities Company and the Great Northern railway, will suppliment his many gifts to the Roman Catholic church by a donation of $1,500,000, given jointly by himself and Mrs. Hill toward the erection of a new $3,000,000 cathedral. Two of the wealthiest parishes of St. Paul will join in its construction. Announcement of the gift has been made by the clergy in connection with further statements of progress of the cathedral movement. The remaining $1,500,000 is already in sight and will be given by other wealthy citizens.

EVER HAVE IT?

If You Have, the Statements of This Astoria Man Will Interest You.

Exer have a "low-down" pain in the back?

In the "small" right over the hips?

That's the home of backache.

It's caused by sick kidneys.

That's why Doan's Kidney Pills cure it.

Astoria people endorse this. Read a case of it:

D. E. Duncan, who is employed at the Astoria Soda Works, 426 Duane street, and who resides at the corner of Duane and Ninth streets, says: "I had been troubled with a weakness of the back and kidneys for a number of years. There was a constant dull aching pain in the loins and a numbness of the back, often extending through the whole muscular system as far up as the shoulders. Not only did my back ache, but there was a weakness from the kidney secretions which was very annoying and disturbed my rest. I heard about Doan's Kidney Pills and one day I stepped into Charles Rogers' drug store and got a box. I found them to be a great benefit. After the first few doses I felt better. I know of others who have used them with the same good results."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents per box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the U. S.

Remember the name Doan's and take no substitute.

A THOUGHTFUL MAN.

M. M. Austin, of Winchester, Ind., knew what to do in the hour of need. His wife had such an unusual case of stomach and liver trouble, physicians could not help her. He thought of and tried Dr. King's New Life Pills and she got relief at once and was finally cured. Only 25c at Charles Rogers' drug store.

The Northern Pacific Railway Company will place round trip tickets from Portland to St. Louis and return on account of the world's fair on sale as follows:

May 11th, 12th and 13th.
June 16th, 17th and 18th.
July 1st, 2nd and 3rd.
August 8th, 9th and 10th.
Sept. 5th, 6th and 7th.
October 3rd, 4th and 5th.

The round trip rate to St. Louis and return from Portland will be $67.50. Tickets will be good for return via any direct line.

A round trip rate of $72.50 will also be made from Portland to Chicago and return.

If a passenger desires to take in both Chicago and St. Louis the round trip rate will be $75.00.

All tickets will be good for 90 days from date of sale. Tickets will be good going ten days from date of sale so that a limited stop-over can be had on the going trip and on the return trip passengers can stop at their pleasure west of the Missouri river or St. Paul. These rates apply via direct lines, but if passenger wishes to return through California tickets can be sold accordingly, but at an increased rate of $13.50 added to above.

For any additional information desired, call or address A. D. Charlton, Assistant General Passenger Agent, Northern Pacific Ry., 255 Morrison street, corner of 3rd, Portland, Ore.