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### MANHATTAN MESSAGE OF DECIDED INTEREST

#### CITY IS BRIDGE-WHIST MAD— "PIGEON FLATTERING," A NEW GAME.

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—The army of transatlantic travellers who arrive in and leave New York every year is greater than the standing military force of any country on earth. It is larger indeed than the population of any city in this country with two exceptions, totalling over 2,500,000 every year. Last year showed a falling off of transatlantic travel at this port of nearly a million from the average, but even so its proportions were tremendous. Every day 1870 ocean travellers arrived and 2400 departed. In other words a transatlantic arrival took place every fifty seconds, while some one sailed away every forty seconds. In all 670,680 persons came into the country through this port and 859,841 left it, the eastward travel being in excess by 178,801. To handle this travel an equivalent of one steamer of the largest type now in existence sailing each day is necessary. The greater part of the travel both east and west bound as might be expected, is made up of steerage passengers. During 1908 this class constituted nearly two-thirds of the incoming total, amounting to 402,000 or more than one-half of the country's total immigrants arriving at all ports which amounted to 782,870. Each of these newcomers brought in on the average \$23 in real money. Of those admitted 172,293 could neither read nor write, and 10,912 immigrants were rejected, on account of mental, moral and physical defects. That there is little cause to worry over a possible depopulation of the United States because of the excess travel to Europe is shown by the fact that even under the last year's abnormal rate, it would take more than 500 years to get rid of the present population with-

### PE-RU-NA TONIC FOR COUGHS, COLDS, CATARRH.



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84 Tenth St., Washington, D. C.

#### Cold and La Grippe.

Mr. C. Happy, Hardin, Kay Co., Mo., writes: "I can safely recommend Peruna as a remedy that will cure all catarrhal troubles."

"It was of great benefit to me, as it cured me of catarrh of the throat, and I took a very bad cold and had la grippe last February. It settled in my throat and lungs. I took three bottles of Peruna and it cured me."

"I highly recommend it to all who are sick, and I am glad to add my endorsement to that of others."

#### Pe-ru-na for Colds.

Mr. L. Clifford Figg, Jr., 2229 East Marshall St., Richmond, Va., writes that when he gets a cold he takes Peruna, and it soon drives it out of his system. For several years he was not entirely well, but Peruna completely cured him. People who object to liquid medicines can now secure Peruna tablets.

out allowing for the natural increase within the country's borders.

As a result of seeing a purple rat, various New Yorkers have of late climbed into permanent seats on the water wagon, after having taken the pledge. In this case, however, the animal in question is not a figment of the imagination, but a real purple rat, the first and only one of its kind, which is now on exhibition at the Zoo. It is the result of years of breeding, which were not, however, conducted on behalf of the temperance movement. Nevertheless, casual male visitors who have ever chanced upon this unique animal have adjourned strong drink forever more. The world's first purple rat is as might be expected, a freak. Several years ago a foreigner began experiments in crossing black, white, gray, brown and all other colored rats in an attempt to produce a tortoise-shell rat. Just what he expected to do with such an animal is unknown, unless indeed he intended it as a diet for tortoise-shell cats, after which it was to be patterned. The tortoise-shell rat, however, has not been achieved up to the present date, but one of the curious and unexpected results of the breeding experiments looking towards its creation was the purple rat now on exhibition here.

#### SIBERIA'S LUMBER SUPPLY.

The account of the forests of the Amoor region and the prospects of their commercial development are of substantial interest, as the world is now beginning to realize the threatened inadequacy of its timber supply and to take careful stock of the chief productive areas remaining. Comparatively little attention has so far been paid to the utilization of the forests in the Russian Far East, though concessions have been sporadically worked, and an Australian and a British company have lately been included among those which have acquired concessions from the Russian Government. According to the estimate of the forest department the Amoor and maritime provinces contain 509,000,000 acres of forest land. It is by no means so densely timbered, however, as the forests of North America. Both hard and soft woods are found in considerable variety. The latter include white cedar, pine, larch, fir and spruce, and the former walnut, ash and oak.

The right to cut timber on a large scale may be obtained either by way of concession for a term of years or by contract. Recent concessions have been granted for four years only (this being the maximum that the Governor-General can accord), with an extra year for taking away the timber felled. Though this period can be extended on application, yet it is generally recognized that it is too short, and efforts, which are likely to prove successful, are now being made to have the regulations on the subject altered and a longer term allowed. Areas which the Government desires to sell are from time to time put up at auction either at Vladivostok or at Khabarovsk, the terms and conditions being published beforehand. They are adjudged to the highest bidder, who is required to pay down the equivalent of the royalty for one year on the number of trees put up to auction, a certain portion of the forest being allotted for each year of the currency of the agreement. Moreover in the case of feeling rights obtained by the form of a cession, some money deposit will generally be insisted upon. Felling tickets may also be obtained from the local forest officials, giving the right to cut small quantities of timber on payment of the Government royalty.

At present the Russian authorities insert a clause in all contracts stipulating that Russian labor shall alone be employed. As they are actively encouraging immigration however the resultant hindrance to industry may be expected to diminish. The report includes full schedules of the royalty levied on timber of different classes and in the different areas. It also describes the existing facilities for transport and shipping, which are still in a predominantly undeveloped state. Other miscellaneous information includes the terms of the forest regulations and the scale of export duty. There is also an outline map.—London Times.

### Terrific Blizzard

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rain storm of the past 24 hours which has prostrated telegraph and telephone wires, stalled trains, wrecked building and isolated communities, struck Chicago tonight and was reported in the central vicinity of Detroit. The wind blew 40 miles an hour in Chicago and the thermometer dropped 20 degrees to 10 above.

Snow covered the streets and orders were sent to every police station to turn no shelterless person away.

No trains are running tonight in the stormbelt of Iowa, Minnesota and Wisconsin.

OMAHA, Jan. 29.—Although the wind which swept Nebraska and adjoining states has partially abated tonight, the mercury has fallen below zero.

At Lincoln the damage is great. It is estimated \$50,000 will not cover the damage in Omaha.

The wind still blew 42 mile an hour tonight. Telegraph companies had little opportunity to repair the wires during the day and communication with the outside cities is still limited.

### Perkins and Thorne

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States Steel 5 per cent bond at 119. The Steel Company bonds were quoted at 82@84 and are now worth 102@103.

Perkins testified that during the panic period, it was felt if Tennessee Coal & Iron stocks were taken out of the various loans in some way it would prevent a great many failures and avert a spread of the panic. He says when the news came from Washington that this transaction—the sale of Tennessee to the Steel Company—would be permitted, the news had the effect for the better on the market and Perkins has always thought it stopped the panic. Perkins did not care to mention the name of the "institution", but reluctantly replied that he meant an association of individuals. He was excused from naming the institution.



BOB RALSTON,

#### "The Lieutenant and the Cowboy"

If you will take Foley's Oino Laxative until the bowels become regular you will not have to take purgatives constantly, as Foley's Oino Laxative positively cures chronic constipation and sluggish liver. Pleasant to take. Owl Drug Store, T. F. Laurin, Prop.

#### MYSTERIOUS SHOOTING.

SAN DIEGO, Jan. 30.—Bruce Scheffer, a well known contractor was shot and killed tonight by Mrs. Effie Dugan, wife of his partner and sister of his deceased wife. The cause is a mystery. Mrs. Dugan admitted the shooting, but declined to give any reason.

#### A Religious Author's Statement

For several years I was afflicted with kidney trouble and last winter I was suddenly stricken with a severe pain in my kidneys and was confined to bed eight days, unable to get up without assistance. My urine contained a thick white sediment and I passed same frequently day and night. I commenced taking Foley's Kidney Remedy, and the pain gradually abated and finally ceased and my urine became normal. I cheerfully recommend Foley's Kidney Remedy. Owl Drug Store, T. F. Laurin, Prop.

### WHERE DID IT GO

#### ALL MISERY OF INDIGESTION VANISHES PROMPTLY

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Tell your pharmacist to let you read the formula plainly printed on these 50-cent cases of Pape's Diapepsin, then you will readily see why they cure Indigestion, Sour Stomach, Heartburn and prevent at once such miseries as Belching of Gas, Eructations of sour undigested food, Nausea, Headaches, Dizziness, Constipation and other Stomach disorders.

Some folks have tried so long to find relief from Indigestion with the common every-day cures advertised that they have about made up their minds that they have something else wrong, or believe theirs is a case of Nervousness, Gastritis, Catarrh of the Stomach or Cancer.

This is a serious mistake. Your real trouble is, what you eat does not digest; instead, it ferments and sours, turns to acid, Gas and Stomach poison, which will putrefy in the entire digestive tract and intestines, and, besides, poison the breath with nauseous odors.

A hearty appetite with thorough digestion, and without the slightest discomfort or misery of the Stomach, is waiting for you as soon as you decide to try Pape's Diapepsin.

One candy-like Triangule, taken after eating, will promptly digest all your food, the same as a strong, healthy stomach would do it.

#### NEW CENSUS OF PEKIN.

Minister William W. Rockhill forwards detailed statistics showing the census of the population of Peking made during 1908 by the Imperial Chinese home office (Min-Sheng-Pu) after the new division of the city into twenty-three police districts. Mr. Rockhill summarizes the returns:

The census was made by "families," and these in turn were divided into "principal families" and "additional families," or into "principal tenants" and sub-tenants." The total number of families in the inner or Tartar city is given as 79,009, and in the outer, or Chinese, city as 46,999, making a total of 128,008 families.

Recent Japanese official work give the number of people per household in the urban districts of Japan as about 4.99. An unofficial census made in 1907 of the city of Swatow, in Kuang-tung province, works out 5.4 per household, and the unofficial census of 1881 of Wen-chow, in Chekiang province, 5.14. Chinese officials and others who have been consulted on

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