

TO STRIKE ON SUNDAY

Japanese Prepare to Make Vigorous Attack on Port Arthur.

RUSSIANS ARE ALARMED

Twenty-five Ships Will Be Sunk in the Channel and the Forts Will Be Stormed From the Outside.

(Journal Special Service.)
St. Petersburg, April 8.—A private dispatch was received from Port Arthur this afternoon which bore grave news from that stronghold. It was immediately on receipt of the message the czar held a consultation with several of his ministers, the outcome of which is not at this time known. The contents of the dispatch, however, were given to the public and announced that the Japanese have secretly planned to take Port Arthur this coming Sunday—the Easter of the orthodox church—and have prepared 25 vessels which will be sunk in the channel with the view of bottling up the Russian fleet. When this has been accomplished the Japanese will bombard the forts from without the harbor. It is said that the Mikado's naval officers at Port Arthur are at last confident that they will succeed in taking the place. It is further stated in the dispatch that the plan became known through the efforts of a Russian spy who has been working for two weeks among the Japanese forces.

RUSSIANS AGAIN DEFEATED.

Report Come That Japanese Were Victorious on the Yalu.

(Journal Special Service.)
London, April 8.—The Danzels Paris News association wires today that a report had reached the French capital that a fresh defeat was sustained by the Russians in the vicinity of the Yalu river yesterday. Their loss is said to have been heavy. While there is no confirmation of the report, it is generally believed, as it is said the same news is in the possession of the foreign office at St. Petersburg.

FOR PROTECTION OF MINE.

British and American Ministers Appeal to Korean Office.

(Journal Special Service.)
London, April 8.—The British and American ministers at Seoul have requested the Korean foreign office to send a strong guard to the British and American mines in the Ping Yang district, as a precautionary measure. It is feared that should the Russians become in power they will destroy all property in the district, regardless to whom it belongs.

PATRIOTIC OFFER.

Czar Refuses Gift From Peasants of Small Village.

(Journal Special Service.)
St. Petersburg, April 8.—Peasants in the small village of Yimkaya, in the department of Verones, have asked authority to subscribe 5,000,000 rubles for war expenses. This is equivalent to the entire possession of that community. The czar thanked his subjects, but declined to accept the liberal and patriotic gift.

ROBBERS TRACED TO A DESERTED CABIN

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Redding, Cal., April 8.—A cabin has been found where it is believed the Copley train robbers spent at least five days before committing their holdup and murder. Wells-Fargo and Southern Pacific detectives are working on the clue, but so far nothing has developed that leads to any suggestion as to the present whereabouts of the bandits. It is believed that in this lonely cabin the desperadoes planned the deed. The cabin is at Nigger Hill, one mile west of Keswick, and from all appearances the robbers returned to their rendezvous

after leaving the engine which brought them back to Keswick station. The detectives were told of the cabin by a Western Union lineman, who said he approached it three days before the holdup and had rapped at the door. A man appeared by opening the door only a few inches. The lineman says he heard other voices in the cabin. He was not admitted to the place. The detectives have a good description of the man the lineman saw at the door. At the bottom of a deserted 50-foot shaft the detectives yesterday found the discarded clothing worn by the two robbers while holding up the train. Five San Francisco newspapers bearing consecutive dates for five days before the crime were found in the cabin. On these facts the officers of the law base their opinions that the murderers occupied the cabin five days before the holdup, and that they returned there after the deed had been committed.

HUNT TO BE JUDGE OF MONTANA COURT

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Helena, Mont., April 8.—Advices have been received here that it is the intention of President Roosevelt to appoint Governor W. H. Hunt of Porto Rico as the successor of United States District Judge Hiram Knowles, whose resignation is to take effect April 15, he having reached the age limit. Governor Hunt is a son of former Secretary of War Hunt, who served under President Garfield. Prior to his appointment as governor of Porto Rico he served as associate justice of the Montana supreme court, and was also district judge of this county. He achieved fame during the Clark disbarment hearing, for refusing to accept an alleged bribe of \$100,000 to dismiss the proceedings instituted against John B. Wells, senator Clark's campaign manager. Judge Knowles left Helena yesterday and there will be no more sessions of the federal court until the arrival of Governor Hunt.

EGG HUNT BRINGS JOY TO CHILDREN

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Monmouth, O., April 8.—The hearts of the little people of the town have been made glad by an egg hunt, given by the public school teachers. Each child brought an egg, so colored that it could be easily recognized. These the teachers hid in and about the school grounds. Then the children were told to find their eggs. When the whereabouts of each precious egg was discovered, it was found to be only one of a whole nest full, the others being candy. The little hunters were, of course, delighted. The Sunbeam Woodman circle, known as the "New Circle," since it is a branch just organized by former members of the old one, made its debut last night with a banquet for its own members and a large number of invited guests.

A SERIES OF SALES

The Red Front Clothing Store Will inaugurate a Series of Clothing Sales Beginning Monday Mornng—First Announcement in Sunday's Journal.
We are much pleased to announce exclusively in The Journal that Mr. Ralph Frager, manager of the Portland branch of A. J. Prager & Sons, contemplates quite an astonishing reduction in clothing and no "wisecracks" prophecy is necessary to foretell the result—clothing, the right kind, will be sold at such a low price that it will be economy to buy. Low prices, quality considered, will be apparent at a glance. The Red Front is well known by its friends, of course, and they understand the plans on which its business is conducted, and Mr. Frager wants others to know his methods. A strictly one-price store, and not only clothing, but every article, has its price stamped in plain figures, and no mistakes are made, and customers and clerks are always satisfied with each others' dealings. Mr. Frager carries a complete line of goods in his clothing department and takes great pleasure in showing customers, who, when they become purchasers, are guaranteed entire satisfaction. As the logging camps are soon to reopen, there are many who will be glad to know that this firm has the only Portland agency for "The Three Lakes" and "A. A. Cutter" shoes, on which it is announced they are to have a series of special sales. Complete lines of spring and summer hats are now in and on exhibition and only a glance at the show windows will convince one of the extent of hats and furnishing goods carried by this firm in connection with their large line of high grade clothing. Coming, as these sales do, at this season of the year—early spring—it will prove a great money saving proposition to all who avail themselves of the opportunity offered them. Ordinary household accidents have no terrors when there's a bottle of Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil in the medicine chest. Heals burns, cuts, bruises, sprains. Instant relief.

MRS. BOTKIN IS DECLARED GUILTY

MUST AGAIN GO BEHIND PRISON BARS, WHERE SHE WILL PASS THE REMAINDER OF HER LIFE IN EXPIATION OF DUNNING MURDER—PRISONER BREAKS DOWN.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
San Francisco, April 8.—Mrs. Cordelia Botkin is found guilty of killing Mrs. John P. Dunning of Dover, Del. The jury took the case at 4:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon and later came into court for further instructions. It then retired again and at 11:15 o'clock announced that a verdict had been found. The prisoner was brought into court where there was a large crowd waiting. Judge Cook requested the foreman to submit the findings, which was done. After carefully scanning a small piece of paper the judge instructed his clerk to read the following: "We, the jury, find the defendant guilty of murder in the first degree and fix the punishment at imprisonment for life." During this ordeal the convicted prisoner sat staring first at the jury and then at the court. She betrayed great emotion and when she had learned her doom she turned with a wild expression to her attorney, George A. Knight, who said a few consoling words to her. Two deputies standing near the woman's chair helped her to arise and she was led to her cell in the jail below. Mrs. Botkin passed a bad night, sleeping poorly. For more than an hour after being returned to her cell she sat on the edge of her prison bed staring into vacancy. When sleep finally overcame her she seemed on the verge of collapse. She napped fitfully, moaning and occasionally mumbling incoherently. She was awake soon after daybreak, but despite her poor rest and the great strain on her nerves, seemed in better spirits. This morning she was taken to the Branch County jail where she has been in supposed confinement since her arrest in 1898.

The Crime.

The crime for which Mrs. Botkin was found guilty was the murder of Mrs. John P. Dunning of Dover, Del., after two days' illness. It developed that death was caused by eating poisoned candy which had been received from San Francisco. On the death of his wife, John P. Dunning was called from Porto Rico, where he was acting as correspondent for the Associated Press. Arriving at Dover he at once gave the police a clue to the author of the crime and named Mrs. Botkin, with whom he had lived a Bohemian life while working in San Francisco for more than a year before going to Porto Rico. Chief of Police Less of San Francisco, now dead, worked up the case in the Bay City, and at the first trial presented such strong evidence that the jury was convinced that Mrs. Botkin had bought the candy, the arsenic and had mailed the fatal package to her victims. The motive was proved conclusively to be due to the woman's mad infatuation for Dunning.

Mrs. Botkin at that time had a husband living in fair circumstances in San Francisco. She also had a son aged 20 years. She had left her husband, refusing to live an abandoned career. Her husband did not seek divorce, but continued to support her, refusing to believe all that was said about her. When proved of murder in 1899 Mr. Botkin secured a divorce. So carefully had the San Francisco police worked up the case that part of the label to the box of candy was found in the accused woman's room. It was proved that she had purchased the candy and poison. The direction on the box and the little affectionate note she had inclosed to the unfortunate woman in Dover were proved to be from her hand.

A second trial was secured on the ground that Judge Carroll Cook had in instructing the jury given full credence to testimony that the supreme court believed in doubt. Twelve witnesses were brought from Delaware at the trial, and a like number at the trial just concluded. The two trials have cost the county of San Francisco nearly \$100,000.

WILL BACK HIS VETO

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great injustice. The "fans" are all opposed to the ordinance. It is the general impression of Washington that Wilson veto the bill and that the council will uphold him. In fact, it is certain the ordinance will be killed if the mayor vetoes it, for there are enough votes already pledged to sustain the veto. There are four votes in the council which prefer to sustain a veto, and there are probably more, who, after due consideration, will change their votes. The ordinance was sprung as a surprise, and went through without much consideration.

INVOLVES BIG FIRM

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Influence exerted at Washington. It is said this influence has even been brought to bear on the president himself in an endeavor to avoid a scandal which might involve the administration. The work has been pulled over the eyes of the interior department by shrewd manipulators and the president made to play a part foreign to his desire and his policy to expose wrong doers. The effort to minimize the importance of the present and pending cases is obvious. The power of the defense in this direction is shown by the willingness in the early stages of the Hyde-Benson cases in certain newspapers to make out that the secret service work was that of irresponsible persons attached to the United States bureau.

The truth is that some of the cleverest men in the service have been working on and are still working on the frauds and nothing but unwarranted political interference by the government at Washington can prevent the unveiling of a remarkable story, telling how millions and millions of acres of public lands have been wrested from the people for the benefit of a lot of millionaires.

HERMANN'S FRIENDS CLAIM A VICTORY

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ly convention, which is to be held tomorrow. If they capture a solid delegation from that county, as they expect to do, Moody will have two thirds of the delegates from the eastern counties of the district, and with this powerful leverage they hope to bring in Mittomah's instructed delegation, which is now the only bar to Moody's nomination.



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TYPHOID FEVER CASES APPEAR

Typoid fever has broken out in the neighborhood of Twenty-second and East Ash streets, one child dying two weeks ago and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Ashley being sent to the hospital last week.

It is asserted that the cause is imperfect sanitary conditions and considerable alarm is felt by those living in the vicinity. The facts were reported this morning to Dudley Evans, the county health officer. He will make an investigation of the circumstances this afternoon.

Some time ago work was begun improving East Pine street. All the dirt removed was hauled to East Oak street and dumped into a gulch where is located a sewer. All the water flowing down this gulch has been retained by the dirt dam and now a frog pond exists there. The batrachian croakers are heard at night to an extent interfering with the slumbers of residents. The pond is an unhealthy spot and is causing general complaint.

It is also said that the drains of a number of houses in the neighborhood are not connected with the sewer. If Health Officer Evans should find the facts as reported he will draw the matter to the attention of the proper authorities and insist that immediate action be taken to ameliorate the conditions existing.

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NOMINATION OF HEARST FAVORED

KANSAS CONVENTION PASSES WARM RESOLUTION COMMENDING NEW YORKER'S ATTITUDE RELATIVE TO TRUSTS AND FINANCIALLY INDORSING HIM.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Wichita, Kan., April 8.—Kansas never instructs its delegates to national conventions, but the Democratic state convention held here yesterday went as far as it could in that direction when it passed a resolution paying a high tribute to Representative William Randolph Hearst and then elected delegates a majority of whom are enthusiastic Hearst men. The fact that Hearst was the only presidential possibility mentioned on the floor of the convention and the only one who received an indorsement, indicates that the Kansas Democracy is strongly for him. The tribute of the convention paid in resolution form could not have been warmer. The opponents of Mr. Hearst did not yield without a struggle, but were finally to compromise on the selection of a majority of the delegation from among the New York congressman's friends.

The first contest came during the afternoon. At that time the anti-Hearst forces thought they were stronger than the actuality showed them to be. The Hearst forces were equally willing for a test vote, and it came on a motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the election of delegates at large and alternates. Mr. Hearst's opponents wished to prevent any special attention from the convention being paid him and so desired to shut off any discussion.

Promptly the Hearst men moved to proceed to the election of delegates at large and alternates be tabled. The majority of the convention stood for the motion to table and it was carried by a comfortable vote. Then the speakers had their innings and the resolution paying the New Yorker as great a compliment as was ever bestowed by a Kansas Democratic convention was adopted.

The resolution refers to Mr. Hearst as follows: We call attention of the Democracy of Kansas, that in William Randolph Hearst of New York we recognize one of the foremost Democrats of the nation. He has used his great opportunities and power in all cases in behalf of the common people without counting the cost to himself. His single-handed legal contest against the coal trust, just successfully concluded in the United States supreme court, is the most signal victory of Democratic principles since the trusts seized the business of the country. We heartily indorse the great work he is doing in the interests of the Democratic party and his country and commend his example to good Democrats everywhere.

"DAUGHTERS" PLEASE LARGE AUDIENCE

An audience which filled Parsons' hall to the doors witnessed the "living pictures" given by the King's Daughters circle of Trinity church last evening. The entertainment was a big success, and the program was carried out without a hitch. The pictures in a massive gold frame were introduced in a felicitous manner by Frank Branch Riley, by clever jingles, advertising the business firms who were patrons of the entertainment.

Ralph Wilbur and Mrs. Henry McCracken, Mrs. George and Martha Washington, were very stately in their handsome colonial costumes. Mrs. Jack Keating in an original pose was a charming "fishermaid."

"Madame LeBrun and her daughter" posed by Miss Margaret Walters and little Winnifred Huber, were an admirable representation of the well known picture. Mrs. L. Allen Lewis in a gorgeous red and yellow kimono and wondrous coiffure was an ideal Japanese beauty.

Mrs. J. Wesley Ladd, in a rich brocade satin gown with pointed girdle and pannels, and a Gainsborough hat, was a beautiful Duchess of Devonshire. Miss Margaret Morrison, as an oriental maiden, wore a picturesque and striking costume.

"The Connoisseur," a jolly monk in a brown habit, holding a glass of wine to the light with a critical air, was capably posed by J. Wesley Ladd. Miss Inoigne Stuart looked like a miniature of the dainty maiden of long ago, with her poke-bonnet, rose-tinted cheeks and sparkling eyes.

Miss Agnes Hill and Miss Daisy Freeman posed as "Two Sisters," and Miss Annyrd Joy was an effective picture in "A Love Letter."

Dom Zan sang "Bedelia," while Miss Laura Dunne, in a fetching maid's black gown, white apron and cap, made the pose. Miss Ruth Maxwell appeared about 10 years old in her yellow lawn dress and hat, and won much applause as "Cherry Ripe."

PECULIAR VERDICT IS SUSTAINED

"We, the jury, find for the plaintiff against the defendant in the sum of \$25, that being the sum heretofore tendered and paid, and that being what we find to be the reasonable value of the services sued for in the complaint, and \$15 in addition to the above \$25." This verdict, one of the oddest ever recorded in the county, was brought in by the jury hearing the suit of John Ditchburn and N. E. Malarkey against J. W. Seavey, to recover \$172.35, claimed as due for professional services, as counsel. As \$25 was deemed a reasonable amount, and \$15 was added without any explanation, a motion was filed by Ditchburn and Malarkey that the verdict be set aside. Judge George held this morning that the intent of the jury was plain and denied the motion. Attorney John F. Logan asked for 30 days' time in which to prepare a bill of exceptions to be filed on appeal to the supreme court. The jury rendered a verdict for what

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