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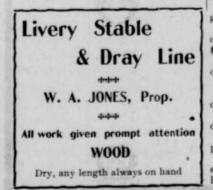
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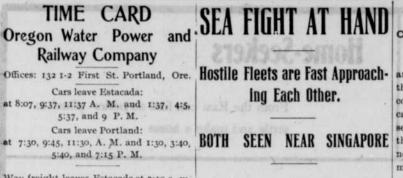
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China Sea, Most Probable Scene of Battle.

Singapore, April 8.-The belief is general here that a desperate engagement for the control of the seas is imminent off here between the Japanese minent off here between the Japanese detensive fleet, under command of Ad-miral Togo, and the Russian fleet com-manded by Vice Admiral Rojestvensky. The two fleets are rapidly approaching each other, and naval experts here be-lieve that a battle which will ¹ decide whether or not Japan is to retain suwhether or not Japan is to retain supremacy on the ocean as well as on

land will be fought within a fortnight. The captain of a coasting steamer which has put into Penang reports hav-ing passed a fleet of 27 armorclads 70 miles to the southeast. The fleet was flying no colors, and when he altered his course to inspect the warships a destroyer sailed up and admonished him to turn back. promptly heeded. warning The Was

Several Chinese junks that have arrived here bring the news that the con-verted fast merchantmen, formerly in the Yokohama-San Francisco trade, are patrolling every avenue through which the Russian fleet might pass in their rush toward Vladivostok, and the bulk of Admiral Togo's big fleet is kept in position where it can be hurled against the Russians as soon as sighted.

Accompanying the main body of the fleet are two floating furnaces that were built at Sasebo, and which are designed to repair all damage that may result to the fleet in its cruising operations. On these ships are mounted huge floating cranes, with which disabled guns can On be lifted and which are expected to prove of great service, should the Jap-anese suffer at the hands of the Russians.

It is the general opinion that the battle will take place in the China sea, and there is a diversity of opinion as to the outcome. While it is admitted that the Japanese fleet has the advantage of seasoned men and experienced commanders, it is also sure that the Russian admiral will enjoy the advant-age in weight of metal, and that he has improved the marksmanship of his gunners in the long voyage across is also sure. The battle is sure to be one of the most desperately contested in the history of naval warfare and the ele-ment of luck may play a large part in its outcome.

Forest Fire on South Mountains,

Gettysburg, Pa., April 7 .- Forest fires burning over an area of thousands of acres have started in the South mountains, the line of fire exending a distance of three miles. The destruc-tion of valuable lumber is great.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat-Club, 87c per bushel; bluestem, 95c; valley, 88c

Oats-No. 1 white, \$28@29 per ton; gray, \$27@28 per ton. Hay--Timothy \$14 clover, \$11@12; grain, \$11@12; cheat, reason for their recent absence

\$11@12. Eggs - Oregon ranch, 17%c -per

dozen. Batter-Fancy creamery, 22%@24c. Potatoes - Oregon fancy, 90c@\$1;

common, 75@85. Apples-Fancy, \$1.75@2.50 per box; choice, \$1@1.25.

Hops - Choice 1905, 23%@25c per pound.

Wool-Valley, 20c per pound; East-ern Oregon, 15@18c per pound; mo-hair, choice, 31@32c per pound.

Chairman Shonts Says It Will Furnish the Right Men. Chicago, April 10. - Western men

are to have a long leeway allowance in Dynamite is Found Hidden in the selection of capable engineers and contractors for the work of the Panama canal. Not that there is going to be a sectional discrimination in selecting SEEN NEAR SINGAPORE the subordinates who serve under the SECRET POLICE WERE IN PLOT new canal commission, but, as Chairman T. P. Shonts said today:

"We wish to employ the men who have practical knowledge of direct construction work, who can do the best and most effective.work for the government in the shortest reasonable time and for the best legitimate price— and ${\bf I}$ love

western men. "I had intended to make certain appointments before my departure for the East, but for purely business reasons I have decided to hold them off. I leave for New York tomorrow, and from there go to Washington, to be with the commission until such time in the near future as I can leave for Panama.

"In selecting superintendents, fore-men, engineers and the other skilled labor to be employed on the canal, we will dig up the man that can think, act and do honestly in the best way for the best interests of the United States government. We want the practical man who has had construction experience. And Western men in railway work have had this."

PUT NO TRUST IN MINES

Fortification Experts Favor Subma-

rines for Coast Defense. Newport, R. I., April 11.-The third committee of the fortification board, of which Admiral Charles N. Thomas, U. S. N., is chairman, is devoting special attention to the dangers incident to the use of submarine mines, and it is learned that emphasis will be placed on the advantage of substituting submar-ine boats for mines for harbor defense. Discussing this subject, a member of the committee said today:

"Mines cannot be relied on in times of war. Trials given submarines in Narragansett bay resulted unsuccess-fully, due chiefly to the strong currents which sweep trhough the harbor and entrances to the bay and make these defense extremely dangerous. This is one of the important subjects that the fortification board has already taken up and will thoroughly examine during the inspection of fortifications and the

land and floating defenses. "The established fact that a number of the Russian warships were blown up by their own submarine mines, and the present practice in England of discarding submarine mine defenses to a great extent in harbors where there are wide channels to defend and where the have fled. tides are strong, and placing there sub-marine boats, has added to the senti-ment in favor of replacing mines with boats.'

cavalry, commanded by First Lieutenant George T. Bowman, are in the guardhouse at Fort Ethan Allen tonight about 6,000 souls, is reported to be in as the results of disturbances following ruins. as the results of disturbances following payday, while as many more are being sought by a detail of soldiers. The 50 troopers left the post immediately after payday on Thursday, and many dis-turbances in this city and Winooski followed. The men claim a grievance aganist Lieutenant Bowman, as a

Want To Be Paid Monthly.

Santo Domingo, April 6.- The Bel-gian creditors of Santo Domingo have presented a proposition to President Morales and American Minister Dawto the Belgians, intimating that then they would favor the debt arrangement being concluded. It is expected that regarding the pending convention.



in Dungeon-Chance Leads to Discovery of Explosive.

St. Petersburg, April 6 .- At last the terrorists have succeeded in penetrating the cordon of guards about the czar, and in smuggling high explosives into the palace itself, and as a result there is a feeling of apprehension among all of the high officials and the guards about his majesty have been trebled. Late yesterday afternoon, as the guard at the palace was being changed, Lieutenant Colonel Shiraupsky, who was in command, noticed that one of the Cossacks who had been posted at the main door was wearing the sword of an infantry officer, and not the sabre of a Cossack. He thereupon called a corporal and placed the man under arrest. He was at once searched and in-7

criminating documents were found on his person. Search of the palace revealed two

packages of dynamite, placed against the main door of the imperial suite, in a dark corner where they were not likely to be noticed.

A searching inquiry was at once in-stituted, with the result that 12 secret police agents were arrested as accomplics, and all were hurried to the Peter and Paul fortress, where they were interviewed by General Trepoff.

The fact that the terrorists have succeeded in corrupting members of the secret police and soldiers has caused much alarm, and another attempt against a high official is looked for.

DEAD BY THOUSANDS.

Whole Towns Destroyed by Recent Indian Earthquake.

Calcutta, April 10. - Telegraphic communication with Dharmsala has been restored. The latest accounts show that the earthquake was even more disastrous than at first believed. Of a total population of nearly 5,000 in the town of Kangra, it is believed that only 500 are left alive. Many of these

Of the police only a deputy inspector and four sergeants are alive. Many eople are still imprisoned in the ruins. people are still impra, Palanpur, Dha-Dharmsala, Kangra, Palanpur, Dha-wan and all of the neighboring villages Cavalrymen in the Guardhouse. Burlington, Vt., April 11.—Twenty-five members of Troop B, Fifteenth pur, Nadaum or Hamirpur.

erieneed in excavating the ruins, but the Goorkhas are doing excellent work.

Should Agree on Life-Saving.

Washington, April 8. - The British nbassador, Sir Mortimer Durand, ambassador, Sir called upon Acting Secretary of State son for the monthly payment of \$25,000 Loomis today to urge a reciprocal arrangement between America and Great Britain respecting the equipment of ocean going steam vessels with life savthe situation will remain unaltered un-til the United States takes final action ferred to the department of Commerce and Labor.

WEST TO DIG CANAL.