

## FIRED ON OWN SHIPS

LATEST ACCOUNT OF THE DOGGER BANK AFFAIR INDICATES THIS

### THE SHIP AURORA WAS STRUCK

Story of Searchlights and Careless Management of the Great Fleet Looks Worse.

Report That Japanese Have Met With Serious Repulse at Mukden, But the Story Lacks Confirmation as Yet—Were Lured Into Ambuscade.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 5.—The official statement issued from naval headquarters gives Rojstvensky's latest account of the Dogger Bank affair and explains how the Baltic fleet fired on its own ships. The statement follows: "After Kazan Novoroff ceased firing, two searchlights of the Dmitri Donskoi and the Aurora suddenly appeared on the left of the ironclad division. The Dmitri Donskoi showed night signals. Fearing that the projectiles from the hindmost ships of our division should hit our own vessels, the signal to cease firing was made from the Novoroff. The order was at once obeyed. It is stated five projectiles struck the Aurora."

The foregoing statement is the first official confirmation of the fact, previously published in these dispatches, that during the North Sea affair shells came aboard the cruiser Aurora.

**Russians Claim Victory.**  
Mukden, Dec. 5.—There is a persistent rumor that a force of Japanese sent to turn Rensenkampff's flank has been repulsed with great loss. The story is not yet officially confirmed. It is stated that Rensenkampff awaited the Japanese at the mouth of one of the captured passes and the Japanese threw themselves into the ambuscade, where after a fight the Russians collected 500 Japanese corpses. It is added that 1000 more Japanese corpses were impossible to collect owing to the fire of the Japanese. This does not include the Japanese wounded. The Russian loss according to this account, was thirty or forty men.

**Japanese Are Foiled.**  
Mukden, Dec. 5.—On the night of December 2 the Japanese began a heavy fire on the Russian fleet. The Russian artillery answered vigorously for several hours, then slackened. The Japanese, imagining the Russian fire was silent, captured passes and the Japanese threw themselves into the ambuscade, where after a fight the Russians collected 500 Japanese corpses. It is added that 1000 more Japanese corpses were impossible to collect owing to the fire of the Japanese. This does not include the Japanese wounded. The Russian loss according to this account, was thirty or forty men.

**DRIVERS WILL NOT STRIKE**  
NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—The 3000 members of the drivers' union, known as "The Liberty Dawn Association," today voted not to strike, but to accept the offer of \$2 per day and to receive one day off in twelve.

**THE CHADWICK AFFAIR.**  
They Declare Positively That Carnegie Signed the Notes—Bank Officials Arrested.

Cleveland, Dec. 5.—There were numerous developments today in connection with the affairs of Mrs. Cassie L. Chadwick, whose complicated financial affairs have already caused the closing of the Citizens' National Bank at Oberlin, Ohio. President Beckwith and Cashier Spear of the bank were brought here from Oberlin by United States Marshal Chandler and deputy shortly before noon.

## HOLIDAY GOODS

Our Assortment is Now Complete. Remember that the most desirable goods go first, so don't wait till the last week before Christmas to buy your presents.

Dolls, Games, Picture Books, Toilet Cases, Work Boxes, Manicure Sets, Handkerchief Boxes, Glove Boxes, Jewel Cases, Photo Cases, Necktie Cases, Shaving Sets, Collar and Cuff Boxes, Cushion Tops, Handkerchiefs, Neckwear, Ribbons, Towels, Table Linens, Stamped Linens. Everything suitable for the holidays.

If you prefer Practical Presents give your friends a pair of Shoes, a Suit of Clothes, a comfortable Overcoat or one of those fine Waterproof Raincoats. Give your boy a nobby little suit and make him happy. We have an excellent line of Dry Goods from which you can select a nice Waist Pattern or a Dress Pattern for your mother or sister. They may appreciate some thing practical more than any fancy present you can get for them.

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## THE ELECTION BADLY MIXED

FACTIONS INSTEAD OF PARTIES CAST VOTES YESTERDAY.

### CORNELIUS IS BARELY ELECTED

In the City Election Yesterday the Regular Republican Ticket Was Badly Scratched.

Three Opposing Aldermen Selected and Cornelius Elected Marshal by a Majority of Only Eight Votes Over J. L. Skipton, Who Ran Independent.

### Summaries of the Vote.

For Mayor, F. W. Waters ..... 1256  
For Recorder, W. A. Moores ..... 1263  
For Marshal, T. E. Cornelius ..... 644  
For Marshal, J. L. Skipton ..... 636  
Majority for Cornelius ..... 8  
For Treasurer, F. Meredith ..... 1263

The Democrats in the disguise of "Republican Independents" elected Fred Steustoff alderman from the First Ward, P. L. Frazier in the Fifth Ward, and Skaffe in the Sixth Ward.

The above is the summary of the results of the election held yesterday for the selection of officials for the city government. It was a hard fight and a close result so far as the offices where there was opposition was concerned. The day was fair and there should have been a good vote polled, yet it fell behind the election of two years ago. It is said that especially in the North End, in Highland and out towards the Fair Grounds there was a dire apathy noted all the day, and there were at least sixty votes in the Fifth Ward that were not at the polls.

The result was a surprise in one way, yet there is a deep feeling that the regular nominees were kaffed right and left by their own party men. It is said that there were questions of factions in the fight that could not be downed. It is said that the failure on the part of some of the members of the party to support the Republican ticket has its cause in various shrievalty fights where the Republican candidate has been beaten by Democratic nominees.

However, the fight is over as far as the election is concerned. Special policemen were appointed by the city marshal and recorder it is said for the purpose of preventing electioneering within fifty feet of the polls but when it was discovered that their duties consisted principally in handing out ballots marked "Republican and Independent Ticket," on which the Democratic candidate for marshal had placed his name and that of the Democratic candidate for alderman in that ward, the mayor took a hand in the matter and the special policemen were called off.

A good deal of complaint was made at the collection or instance of the payment of poll tax before allowing any one to vote, some claiming that the action resulted in the disfranchisement of a number of voters. It is even said that some of the people who were refused a vote will make complaint against the judges of election and have them arrested for their acts in this matter.

However, the charter is clear in this particular, its constitutionality, of course, being open to question until decided by the Supreme Court of the state. Section 15 of the charter act of 1902 says: "No one shall be entitled to vote who has not paid, unless he be exempted thereon, a poll tax for the year in which he offers to vote the receipt therefor, signed by the street commissioner of the city, being sufficient evidence therefor the judges and clerks of election at the polls where said citizen offers to vote."

Chairman L. R. Stinson was interviewed by a Statesman reporter and said: "The Republican city committee feels highly gratified over the election of the entire city ticket, which insures the city of Salem a clean, progressive Republican administration for two years. The city council will be composed of ten Republicans out of fourteen members. Considering the apathy of the voters, the enforcement of the poll tax exclusion, which is un-Republican and un-American, and the unwarranted presence of special police at each polling place, leaves the result of the election beyond our expectation. It is certainly a great victory for good government."

### Vote by Wards.

First Ward—  
For Mayor, F. W. Waters ..... 176  
For Recorder, W. A. Moores ..... 178  
For Marshal, T. E. Cornelius ..... 78  
For Treasurer, F. Meredith ..... 104  
For Alderman, H. A. Johnson ..... 108  
For Alderman, F. Steustoff ..... 53  
Second Ward—  
For Mayor, F. W. Waters ..... 245  
For Recorder, W. A. Moores ..... 244  
For Marshal, T. E. Cornelius ..... 141  
For Marshal, J. L. Skipton ..... 105  
For Treasurer, F. Meredith ..... 244  
For Alderman, C. A. Baker ..... 148  
For Alderman, Linn ..... 97  
Third Ward—  
For Mayor, F. W. Waters ..... 127  
For Recorder, W. A. Moores ..... 127  
For Marshal, T. E. Cornelius ..... 75  
For Marshal, J. L. Skipton ..... 54  
For Treasurer, F. Meredith ..... 127  
For Alderman, Paul Wallace ..... 88  
For Alderman, Webster Holmes ..... 40  
Fourth Ward—  
For Mayor, F. W. Waters ..... 241  
For Recorder, W. A. Moores ..... 247  
For Marshal, T. E. Cornelius ..... 103  
For Marshal, J. L. Skipton ..... 146  
For Treasurer, F. Meredith ..... 243  
For Alderman, J. C. Goodale, Jr. .... 238  
Fifth Ward—  
For Mayor, F. W. Waters ..... 181  
For Recorder, W. A. Moores ..... 184  
For Marshal, T. E. Cornelius ..... 73  
For Marshal, J. L. Skipton ..... 92  
For Alderman, A. H. Fisher (R) ..... 82  
For Alderman, P. L. Frazier (D) ..... 83  
Sixth Ward—  
For Mayor, F. W. Waters ..... 181

## CONGRESS IS IN SESSION

BOTH HOUSES HOLD BRIEF SESSIONS AND ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF DEAD MEMBERS

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE TODAY

Both Houses Open Session With Prayer from Reverend and White Haired Chaplains.

Committee Appointed to Wait on the President is Named and Resolutions of Respect in Memory of Late Senators Hoar and Quay are Adopted.

### WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—

With the Senate in session thirteen minutes and the House fifty-three minutes, the last session of the Fifty-eighth Congress assembled today. The time of both bodies was devoted entirely to the usual formalities of the opening day. There were cordial greetings between the different members. There was a great floral display and the galleries of both houses were filled with hundreds of visitors, with beautifully gowned women predominating. The gavel of Senator Frye, speaker pro tem of the Senate and President Cannon, of the House, fell exactly at 12 o'clock. The opening prayers were made by Chaplains Rev. Dr. Edward Everett Hale in the Senate, and Rev. H. N. Couden, in the House. In both the Senate and the House committees were appointed to wait upon the President and inform him that Congress was ready to receive any communication he had to send. Resolutions in respect to the memory of the late Senator Hoar, of Massachusetts, and Quay, of Pennsylvania, were adopted by both Houses, and a vote of adjournment was taken in further tribute to their memory.

The President's message will be received today.

### GOING TO TRIAL.

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### IN PEST HOUSE.

Salem Couple Contract Small Pox at Tacoma, and Are Quarantined.

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### GASOLINE TANK EXPLODES.

Causes Danger to Life and Serious Damage to Property in New York Garage.

NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—Ten persons were injured and \$50,000 worth of property was destroyed as the result of explosions caused by a spark leaping from a gasoline machine on which a chauffeur was working in an automobile garage at West Thirty-ninth street today. Forty autos were destroyed or badly damaged, and so rapid was the fire that the men working in the second story of the building had no opportunity to escape to the stairways, and were forced to leap from windows. Sparks which started the fire communicated with a tank holding 100 gallons of gasoline. The hundred gallon tank exploded soon after the fire started, and the spread of the flames caused ten explosions. The site of the garage is in the heart of the theatre and hotel district, Broadway, and the rumor spread that the Metropolitan Opera House and several big hotels were doomed. An immense crowd gathered and the police reserves were summoned to keep the people out of danger. The garage was destroyed, but little damage was done to nearby property.

## WILL BRIEFLY DELIBERATE

JURY WILL REQUIRE BUT LITTLE TIME FOR A DECISION.

### ARGUMENTS ARE BEING MADE

Judge O'Day for Defense Belittles and Ridicules the Testimony and Witnesses.

The Burden of the Argument for the Defense is That Government Failed to Make Case Against Defendants—Scores Montague and Heidecke.

### PORTLAND, Dec. 5.—

The arguments in the land fraud cases were continued today with Lawrence F. Pater of Eureka, Cal., the first speaker of the day. The burden of the argument was that the government had failed to make out a case and that the testimony of the government's principal witnesses, Montague and Heidecke was unworthy of belief. Judge O'Day followed Pater, who prefaced his argument with a defense of himself. He then attacked the efforts of the government to convict the defendants in a sarcastic vein. He ridiculed the testimony and belittled the witnesses. His argument was exhaustive in detail and covered the history of the case from its inception. When Judge O'Day concluded his argument the court adjourned until tomorrow. It will take at least another day to finish the trial. Tomorrow Special Prosecutor Henry will occupy the forenoon, and possibly part of the afternoon. Following this will come the charge to the jury. It is thought the deliberations of the jury will be brief.

### JURY IN PATTERSON TRIAL

Not Yet Selected—Miss Patterson's Health is Better—Nervousness Disappeared.

NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—The second trial of Nan Patterson, who is accused of the murder of Caesar Young, commenced today. When adjournment was taken for the day the three jurors had not been chosen. Miss Patterson, who has been ill of tonsillitis for several days, appeared in excellent spirits. Her manner was very vivacious, and the nervousness so noticed during the progress of the first part of the trial, has entirely disappeared. She was seen by her jury father. The work of selecting the jury will be continued tomorrow.

### A BUFFALO BANK CLOSED.

BUFFALO, Dec. 5.—The German Bank of Buffalo was closed today by State Superintendent of Banks Kilburn because of the run which began with the opening of its doors and continued to grow in volume as the day advanced. A big crowd of excited depositors gathered in front of the German Bank seeking information. All this excitement caused the inevitable result of sending the nervous depositors hurrying to the bank. Soon after the announcement was made that the German Bank had closed, the Buffalo Clearing House Association issued a statement that it would stand by the German American, and meet all demands made on it.

### TREATY WILL NOT BE MODIFIED.

PARIS, Dec. 5.—The reports that France has given adhesion to Russian overtures for modifications of the treaty of Paris so as to permit the Black Sea fleet to pass through the Dardanelles are officially denied. The authorities say that no such application has been made and at present there is no indication of any modification of the treaty.

### STEAMER BERTHA SAFE.

FLORENCE, Dec. 5.—The steamer Bertha, fifty days out from San Francisco, over which considerable anxiety had been felt, arrived today. She was driven off her course by the recent storm.

### CASTORIA.

LONDON, Dec. 5.—The Daily Mail learns that private application was made yesterday, it is believed, at the Bow street court, for the arrest of Burke Roche and the captain who navigated the turbine yacht Caroline to Libau, and also for the arrest of a third person, presumably "Mr. Sinnett"

## SALEM STREETS

VISITORS SAY CEMENT WALKS ARE LIKE RIBBONS ON FIG STYES.

### Probability That Principal Business Streets Will Be Laid With Bitumithic Pavement at Early Day—Petition is Being Circulated Properly.

Two men were standing on the side walk, near the State House, on Court street yesterday afternoon and as a Statesman reporter was passing, he heard one of them say: "So they are niggating the street paving question again are they? Well, do you know this street would be a disgrace to any backwoods village, and I know personally that there is not a mile of road within twenty miles of Corvallis, with the exception of along the river bottom, that is not 50 per cent better than the average street of Salem. Why, look there, will you! The mud and slush comes up to a horse's ankles, and it is almost impossible to cross the street without going shoe deep in the filthy stuff."

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