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RUSSIAN VICTORY CONFIRMED

Japanese Army Underwent a Tremendous Sacrifice at Port Arthur

Several Minor Victories Have Been Scored by the Japanese--Cholera and Famine Follow in the Wake of War

London, May 24.—The Central News at St. Petersburg telegraphs that the Red Cross has reports of a Japanese defeat. The casualties are the same as those given in the Bourse report of the Port Arthur fight current day, 15,000 Japanese and 3000 Russians. The Central News' report says the fight at Feng Huang Cheng.

London, May 24.—The town of Anju in Korea, was attacked and destroyed on the 16th by the Russians. The Japanese garrison set fire to its houses and stores and retired in good order.

Paris, May 24.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Matin, says: "It is persistently rumored that the Vladivostok squadron has captured three cruisers bought by Japan from Chile."

St. Petersburg, May 24.—The admiral denies the report of the capture of three Japanese cruisers by the Vladivostok squadron.

London, May 24.—The Central News at St. Petersburg that cholera has broken out at Feng Huang Cheng. Hundreds of Japanese are dying daily.

Seoul, May 24.—A force of Japanese has been dispatched from Gensan, on the east coast, to disperse the Cosak raiders in Northern Korea.

Manila, May 24.—Kuroki reports that on May 21st one section of infantry overpowered the enemy's naval cavalry of 200 hundred strong, eight miles from Kuantien. The enemy fled in a northeasterly direction, leaving a trail of dead. There were no Japanese casualties.

St. Petersburg, May 24.—Russian correspondents at Liao Yang telegraph according to Chinese reports, a force of Russians under General Fok captured and massacred seven Japanese battalions near Kinchou. The Japanese are reported leaving Feng Huang Cheng and moving north.

DIDN'T FIRE THE SHOT

Murderer's Defence Sounds Much Like Rot

Rising Sun, Ind., May 24.—"I did not fire the shot which killed my sister," emphatically declared James Gillespie, on the stand this morning. "Neither have I the slightest idea who did." He denied having knocked his sister down in a quarrel. He went hunting the day before the murder with the shotgun used in evidence. He left the gun with Earl Seward, and did not see it again for two days. Mrs. Belle Seward, the last of the four defendants, gave testimony similar to the Barbour's. The Gillespie cross-examination failed to bring out any new features.

Condensed Milk. Lynch was re-elected president of the International Typographical Union by a majority of 7000. Senator Mathew Stanley Quay, of Pennsylvania, is reported improving today. The First National Bank at Cape May Closed this morning; deposits \$50,000. The most important matters discussed at the morning session of the Presbyterians, at Buffalo, was an overture from the synod of Asia asking release from its relations with the assembly, that it may be made one with the synod of India, already existing. It was referred to the committee on foreign missions.

There is a Point
in the downward grade of prices below which cheapness ceases to be economy. We always keep the quality of our goods above that point. That is why the merchandise you get at

The New York Racket
Always gives satisfaction. Our new dry goods department is a lively place. Salem ladies always wanted a cash dry goods store. Now they have it, and they're satisfied it is the place for cash buyers to trade. We have a very full assortment of the newest dress fabrics and trimmings

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Are noted for their honest wearing qualities. They are perfect fitters and the styles are the seasons' latest. Do you find it hard to keep your boy in clothes? Just try one of those

"Jane Hopkin's Boy Proof" Suits
For him. It will stand the racket if anything will. Men who are particular about their clothing want the right patterns, and they want a suit that will keep its shape. That's the special feature of our line of

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All coats are lined with hair-cloth. They are made to give satisfactory wear. Hats, Shirts, Hosiery, Underwear. Everything in Ladies and Men's furnishings.

Salem's Cheapest One Price Cash Store.
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THE BARONS DRIVEN TO THEIR HOLE

Candidate Hearst Scores Another Victory Over the Kings of Coal

New York, May 24.—The Interstate commerce commission today resumed investigation of the complaint by Hearst against the Reading and other railroads carrying coal to the seaboard from the anthracite regions. Under the supreme court decision the commission will demand a production of the contracts refused last year. President Baer produced the contracts of the Temple Company, conjointly with the Jersey Central, Lackawanna & Erie, Susquehanna and Reading railroads. Counsel read from each per centage of tonnage to be accorded to several coal carrying companies, ranging from 29 to 42 per cent. The former was the Reading and the latter the Susquehanna. Being asked to produce the contract of April 10, 1899, between the trunk lines and the Temple Company, Baer's counsel objected, saying it was not called for, but on examination of subpoenae, he said he would produce them later. Replying to Commissioner Prouty, Baer said: "The Delaware, Hudson, Pennsylvania, New York and Ontario Western are not in the agreement with Temple. The Pennsylvania did not own any lines reaching the mines. Baer said he was not any more prepared to state now than last year what the increase in the cost of mining caused by the strike was. Much significance is attached to the presence of United States District Attorney Burnett, believed to be an order from Knox to represent the government. President Baer, of the Reading, was the first witness. He was asked to produce the original contract of February 27, 1899, between the Temple Iron Company, the Guarantee Trust Company and the Lehigh Valley Coal Company. He did so. Counsel for Hearst read contract showing railway company agreed to pay six per cent on stock of Temple Iron Company, and to make up deficiencies in June and December with interest.

MACEDONIA FRONTIER CROSSED

Confidence of Some Spanish Tribes Has Been Lost

Sofia, May 24.—Sarafoff, the Macedonian leader, has crossed the frontier into Macedonia. It is believed this presages the renewal of an insurrectionary movement. Madrid, May 24.—Telegrams from Cueta state that the tribes in the neighborhood of Tangier intend to capture one of the foreign ministers, as a protest against the Anglo-French treaty.

The director of the census estimates that the population of the United States will be 90,000,000 in 1910. General Miles has no chance for the Democratic nomination for President.

FRANCE HOSTILE IN ROME

As a Result Their Ambassador Must Go Home

Paris, May 24.—After a meeting of the council ministers today a note was issued officially announcing the recall of the French ambassador to the Vatican.

Rome, May 24.—Cardinal Merry Del Val, papal secretary, is quoted as saying the holy see is confident that a satisfactory solution of the French situation will be arrived at, but should the French chamber endorse the governments anti-clericalism, the Pope may submit the whole affair to the judgment of the European powers.

REPUBLICANS RALLY AT THE OPERA HOUSE

And Not at the Armory as Was Advertised---Three Speakers Tonight

Warhorses of the Party Will Prance, Young Voters Will Shout and Everybody Unite to Knock Enemy Out

The Republican campaign in Marion county will be enlivened by the presence of a United States senator and a congressman at Salem. Fulton and Herrmann will speak at the Grand Opera House this evening, and not at the armory, as advertised in this paper by mistake. Judge Hewitt, of Albany, will also speak. Reception Committee.

The following were appointed at the Republican headquarters to receive the speakers: Chas. A. Murphy, county chairman; Hal D. Patton, state committeeman; Mayor Frank Waters; Senator Croisan; District Chairman Walter L. Tooze, of Woodburn; W. C. Hawley, of Willamette University.

Hon. J. N. Smith will preside and introduce the speakers. The ushers will be Zadoc Riggs, Mac Hofer, Paul Wallace, Lloyd Hauser, Ellis Richardson, John Reynolds. Ladies especially invited.

The Program.
Music.—Salem Military Band, W. S. McElroy, leader.
Address—H. H. Hewitt.
Selection—Stalwart quartet.
Address—Hon. Binger Hermann.
Vocal solo—Geo. Snyder.
Address—Hon. Charles W. Fulton.
Selection—Stalwart quartet.
America—By the band. The audience is requested to rise and join with the Stalwart quartet in singing the national anthem.

Compressed Hash.

Cattlemen are again slaughtering sheep near Fossil, Eastern Oregon. The Hearst men are said to be in control of the Ohio Democratic convention. Portland will try to raise a fund of \$50,000 to entertain the mining congress. Secretary of the Navy Moody is till at Washington. John H. McDonald has been sentenced to two years for perjury committed in an Oklahoma land contest. The American Unitarian Association is in session at Boston. The Dunkards and German Baptists of the United States are in convention at Carthage, Mo.

SOLONS OF SAN JUAN

About to Negotiate a Five Million Popular Loan

San Juan, May 24.—The insular legislature adjourned today, but immediately reopened for the first extraordinary session, called to negotiate a loan of five millions from the United States.

TO ST. LOUIS FREE.
Elect your favorite to go absolutely free.
VOTE OFTEN

Go. Meyers & Sons

SALEM'S GREATEST STORE
THE "WHITE CORNER" (TRADE MARK)
RENTED

TO ST. LOUIS FREE.
Elect your favorite to go absolutely free.
VOTE OFTEN



LADIES' SUITS
All are distinctively this season's models and very excellent choosing is here.

\$17.50 to \$20.00	Tailor Suits.....	\$13.65
\$22.50 to \$26.00	Tailor Suits.....	\$17.85
\$26.50 to \$30.00	Tailor Suits.....	\$19.65
\$35.00 to \$40.00	Tailor Suits.....	\$26.60

Tomorrow's Sale

Wednesday Surprise Sale No. 177. This is another special for the men which promises to be another record-breaker. This week we are offering

Men's Fancy Hose

In blacks with lace effects and fancy embroidered designs, colors in stripes, plaids and checks. Come early for best choosing. 19c

Extra special values, pair



Go-Carts
Easy choosing from our line of beauties. Styles, designs and parasols quite different from carriage man's stock. Let us show you the line.

\$3.50 to \$20

St. Louis Fair Trip

Total number of votes.....1889
Number persons voted for.... 39

TEN HIGHEST

Miss Mellen, East	704
Miss Thomas, Park.....	266
Miss Kramer, East	102
Miss Sylvia Metcalf	102
Miss Cosper	89
L. Patrick, Eastern Star.....	80
Miss Knight, Music	77
Miss Prunk, Elocution	73
Miss Gordon, North	59
Mrs. Holstinger, Lions	55

You get one vote with every 25c purchase, 2 with 50c purchase, 4 with \$1.00 purchase, and so on.

VOTE OFTEN



Hammocks
How pleasant to lounge around in a fine, large, roomy hammock. Splendid values here.

68c to \$5.00

Desirable, Dependable Clothing
If you've got your mind made up as to what you want for a summer suit, you'll find it here—if it's right. Every man we fit makes a favorable impression—as far as clothing can do it. Let us fit you out.

\$10 to \$25