

The Czar's Secret Newspaper

Special Correspondent.
S. PETERBURG, Dec. 26.—It has for a long time been thought, not only in Russia, but also abroad, that the life of Czar Nicholas resembled that of a prisoner, and that all knowledge of what was going on in Russia at large is carefully kept from his ears. All the responsibility for the horrors that have passed upon those who surround him—the nobles and the bourgeoisie—the czar himself being described as a good, harmless man, who with a different environment and better counselors would rule his empire to universal satisfaction.

Access, however, has lately been obtained to the czar's library which has led to the discovery of the kind of literature which Nicholas II is in the habit of reading, and to the discovery also of the "Czar's Journal," which, although it had been heard of for years, has hitherto never been seen by anyone except his immediate advisers.

At the express wish of the czar only one manuscript copy of this journal is privately issued by the members of the committee of censors of foreign literature under the immediate direction of the minister of the interior, and it can be imagined how difficult it must have been for anyone else to obtain a sight of it.

COMPLETE STATISTICS.
Ten to 15 folio volumes of this work have appeared yearly, of 500 to 600 pages apiece, and to these volumes have been added a number of reviews, letters, printed material, brochures, manifestos, lottery tickets of the revolutionary Red Cross, etc. On every volume are notes by the minister of the interior or his assistant, stating the place and time at which the czar read the journal, and his remarks concerning it. Marginal notes have also been added by Lieut. Gen. von Hesse, the czar's court favorite. The additions of the minister of the interior, the diemeykin, and his assistant in the reproduction of the journal, Baron Juchacz, were compiled from these notes.

To judge by the table of contents of this publication Nicholas II would seem to be one of the best informed persons in Russia concerning the revolution, and its history, for through the perusal of this journal he must have been aware of almost every detail of the revolutionary struggle since 1897. Not even the leaders of the revolutionary movement themselves were able to obtain such complete statistics and so full an account of the episodes of the movement as that possessed by the czar.

Accounts of the arrests of notable revolutionaries; the rising of the czar; the strikes; the relation of the home revolutionaries with those who had emigrated to England and Switzerland; the newly-published revolutionary books, brochures and proclamations (even Kautsky's pamphlet on the economic position of women is mentioned); the persecution of the Jews, the quarrels between the nihilists are all to be found in the journal. On all documents of interest, letters, etc., is written in the czar's hand "Read with enjoyment."

TOLSTOI IN EVIDENCE.
In many of these journals the name of Count Leo Tolstoy appears, and to judge by the regularity of information about him, and the speed with which the contents of his intercepted letters were imparted to the czar, the latter has taken a special interest in the author.

It must be pointed out that the philosopher of Jasnaya Polyana, in spite of his knowledge of human nature, for a long time shared the general opinion concerning the character of the czar, whom he, therefore, frequently undertook to enlighten and convert, as, for instance, in an open letter in 1896, and in many of his works respecting students' demonstrations, religious persecutions, etc.

Tsar Nicholas had, however, interested himself in everything that Tolstoy undertook, and through the medium of his spies, observed his every step. The consequence of this curious relation was, that while the poet himself was un molested, his friends and followers were persecuted, and his writings confiscated and destroyed.

This had been going on for more than ten years, and the aged philosopher again protested against it in an article which, together with his manifesto "I Cannot be Silent," was published by J. Ladaschikow of Berlin. Even as early as 1891 the czar was possessed of information about the poet, as will appear from the following important extracts from the Journal from April 20 to June 15, 1898.

"During the last days of March, Count Leo Tolstoy approached Vladimir Tchertkov and Paul Boulanger, followers of his, living in England, with the request that they should undertake with a person living in Nizza, because this person is willing to spend up to 100,000 roubles in bringing out a Tolstoyan journal, attacking the government."

HEADQUARTERS IN ENGLAND.
"It has been ascertained that Purgish, near Maldon, in the county of Essex, two hours' journey from London, was chosen as the quarters of Tolstoy's adherents, and through the medium of an English colony of Tolstoyans has been lately founded there, having

as its leaders the above-mentioned Tchertkov, Boulanger and Birjukow. An admirably arranged printing-house has been instituted, with as typesetters, Singens—who formerly worked in the printing-house of "Flegende Blätter"—and Anna Saharupow, a tradesman's daughter.

"The members of this newly-founded sect are in lively correspondence with Leo Tolstoy, who himself directs the activity of the Purgish colony.

"The increasing activity of his followers suggested to Tolstoy the idea, founded on a sympathy with the 'Public Society' of calling into life a 'deputational' organ through which his teachings might be spread abroad,

with the underlying principle that liberty of conscience, without political freedom, is unthinkable. This journal was to appear under the editorship of Paul Birjukow with the name of 'Shtetny' (Life). For this prospective undertaking 100,000 roubles have already been collected, of which Roskhanor Konditor Abrikosow, at present living in Maldon, contributed 20,000 roubles.

"Communication with Russia is so well organized that Tchertkov counts on a great circulation of the new journal, of which the first number, containing an introductory article by Tolstoy, will appear as soon as possible."

"Not long ago an elderly gentleman—whose name, unfortunately, cannot be discovered—came to Tchertkov from Russia, with a letter from Tolstoy. Neither could a copy of the letter be acquired; its general contents are as follows:

"I do not know whether you have received my letter in which I told you that the censor had cut out the 'open letter' which I asked you to have inserted in the Daily Chronicle from the copy of that newspaper which was sent to me. Please try to procure me that number of the Daily Chronicle, and send me my 'letter' as a cutting, not to my address, but to 'D' (Dachkowi) at St. Petersburg. I will not write much; my messenger will tell you everything of importance. I am impatiently awaiting the first number of the 'Shtetny'. The leading article for the second number will soon be brought to you. Tell the Moscow (Abrikosow) not to write to me; my correspondence is closely spied upon. Send everything to D. Dachkowi."

"The article which was in contemplation, which appeared in the Daily Chronicle on April 25, 1898, has now come out in Russian under the title 'Help for the Secretists,' and will in all probability be sent to Russia. The inclosed copy of this article was sent

Nicolaï Aleksandrovitch Abrikosow at Moscow, and was just recently confiscated.

"The above mentioned Abrikosow is probably a son or near relation of the well known Moscow confectioner, Abrikosow, and all necessary steps have been taken to establish his identity."

"This extract from the Tsar's Journal is of no absorbing interest in itself, but it becomes of striking significance when one considers it as a sample of the minuteness with which every detail of the revolutionary movement is laid before his majesty's eye."

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20c values, special, each.....	15c
25c and 30c values, each.....	19c
30c values, each.....	39c

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25c values, special, each.....	19c
30c values, each.....	25c
35c values, each.....	39c
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40c values, each.....	19c	50c and 60c values, each.....	29c
50c values, each.....	39c	60c values, each.....	59c
70c values, each.....	59c	\$1.00 values, each.....	75c

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Women's Trimmed Hats, values up to \$10.00.....	\$3.45
Women's Trimmed Hats, values up to \$6.00.....	\$1.95
Misses' and Children's Trimmed Hats, values up to \$3.50, at this sale for.....	\$1.45
Children's and Misses' School Hats, values up to \$2.00, at this sale for.....	98c
One lot of Children's School Hats, values up to \$1.25, at this sale for.....	58c

Leather Bags and Purses. Special at One-Fourth Off the Regular Prices.

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An advance sale of Long Silk Gloves, full 16-button lengths, double tips, in all colors. This glove as the season advances will sell for \$2.00. A chance to lay in a supply.

Our entire line of Long Kid Gloves: special at this sale, for.....	\$2.95	A very swell Gauntlet Glove of fine cash stock, strap wrist, tan, only, regular \$2.75 glove, special at.....	\$1.95
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HANDKERCHIEF SPECIAL

One special lot of fine Embroidered Handkerchiefs, slightly muscled during Christmas rush, 25c, 30c and 50c qualities. While they last at..... 19c || Ladies' Handkerchiefs, fine linen, fine Cambric or fancy printed. Special, the dozen..... | 50c |

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\$7.50 ALL WOOL PANAMAS.....	\$5.45	\$5.50 ALL WOOL PANAMA SKIRTS.....	\$3.45
In black, blue and brown, trimmed with satin bands and buttons, gored model, full sweep.		Colors, blue, brown, black, trimmed with folds of self-same goods, and buttons, gored model, a great bargain.	
\$6.50 ALL WOOL PANAMAS.....	\$4.45	\$4.50 ALL WOOL SKIRTS.....	\$2.95
In the plain and fancy stripe material, two rows of buttons down front, gored models, colors, black, blue, brown.		Brown and blue only, also pleats, trimmed with folds of goods, a limited quantity.	

Special Items at One-Half Off

20c Peter Pan Embroidery Collars at.....	10c	20c Dainty Embroidered Turn-overs, Special at.....	10c
20c Gibson Lace Collars, Special at.....	10c	One lot of Children's Printed Handkerchiefs, while they last Monday, at, each.....	1c

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Made of the extra good quality of the Elder and Flannellette materials, in the large floral and Oriental designs.		40c Short Kimonos, Clearance price.....	19c
\$1.35 Long Kimonos, Clearance price.....	89c	50c Short Kimonos, Clearance price.....	39c
\$2.00 Long Kimonos, Clearance price.....	\$1.19	\$1.50 Short Kimonos, Clearance price.....	95c
\$2.50 Long Kimonos, Clearance price.....	\$1.49	\$2.00 and \$2.50 Short Kimonos, Clearance price.....	\$1.49
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Ladies' Flannellette Gowns	Children's Flannellette Gowns
\$1.25 Night Gown reduced to.....	60c Gowns, reduced to.....
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\$2.00 Night Gown reduced to.....	90c Gowns, reduced to.....
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One lot Flannellette Skirts, values up to 75c, reduced to.....	49c

Children's Dresses Marked Way Down

One lot Children's Dresses, in the Warm Flannellette Material, dark colors. Special prices	19c
One lot of All-wool Dresses for Young Girls, ages from 8 to 14, values up to \$2.00. Clearance prices.....	95c
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Knit Underwear

Children's fine quality wool and cotton suits, sizes 2, 3, 4; special, the suit.....	50c	Ladies' fleeced Union Suits, in grey only; special, the suit.....	37c
The same in sizes 5 and 6; special, the suit.....	65c	Ladies' mixed wool and cotton Vests and Pants, gray only; special, each.....	39c
The same in sizes 7 and 8; special, the suit.....	75c	Children's fleeced Union Suits, good quality, grey only; special, the suit.....	33c
Ladies' good quality fleeced Vests and Pants, cream only, all sizes; each.....	25c	Children's fine white cotton Union Suits, heavily fleeced; special, the suit.....	39c

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25 and 30c Leather and Kid Belts, special for.....	19c	Leather Belts, values to \$1.00 special for.....	39c
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25 and 30c Brooches, Belt Pins, Stick Pins, Buckles, Collar Pins, Special, at, each.....	19c	One Lot of Brooches and stick Pins, each.....	10c
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