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FIFTY-FOURTH YEAR.

TROUBLE STARTS IN COLORADO.

Legislature Goes Into foint Ses sion and Confusion Immediately Results.

QUESTION OF RIGHT TO PRESIDE

Lieutenant Governor Haggott and Speaker Dickson Both Claim It.

TWO CLERKS ASKED TO CALL ROLL

Both Begin to Read-Protest From Gov. Feabody Received and Committee Appointed.

Denver, Jan. 6 .- At 11 o'clock this morning the legislature went into joint session. Confusion at once resulted, when Lieut.-Gov. Haggott, the presiding officer of the senate, took his posttion beside Speaker Diekson to direct the joint session. Mr. Dickson refused to give way.

"The clerk of the house will call the roll," sald Speaker Dickson with a thump' of his gavel.

"The clerk of the senate will call the roll of the senate," said Lieut.-Gov. Haggott.

Immediately the two clerks commenced to call the rolls, amid great confusion. But few names had been called when Representative Frewen

"Mr. Frewen has the floor," shouted Lieut.-Gov. Haggett with a thump of his gavel.

"Mr. Frewen, you are out of order," shouted the speaker. "Mr. Frewen, you have the floor," re-

peated Lieut.-Gov. Haggott. Bang! Bang! went the two gavels. The two men stood side by side behind

the speaker's desk, both refusing to The confusion was so great that no voice could be heard, and although Mr. Frewen continued to address the as-

sembly his voice was not distinguisha-A motion to adjourn was made and seconded. It came to a vote, the ayes and noes sounding in about equal

"The ayes have it and the joint session is dissolved," shouted Lieut.-Gov.

Haggott. "The noes have it and the motion is lost," shouted Speaker Dickson, Whack! went the lieutenant-gover-

nor's gavel.

"The assembly is not lissolved,"

"I repeat that the session is ended and the senators will leave the room. said the lieutenant-governor, amid great confusion. Many of them did not leave the room but stood behind the seats of the representatives watching

Speaker Dickson refused to recognize the passage out of the senate and declared that although the senate had left the room the joint session was still in progress.

Represesntative Frewen raised re peated points of order to the effect that no joint session was being held and was promptly ruled out every time by the speaker. A rollcall was finally ob-tained on the point of order that no Joint session was in progress, and it was declared lost by a vote of 49 to 6. Representative Griffith then presented

protest from Gov. Peabody against ne manner in which the last election The reading had proceeded but a few

minutes when Represesntative Frewen interrupted with a point of order that the protest was not germane to any subject under consideration. He was ruled out of order by the speaker and appealed from the decision of the chair. The speaker refused to put the appeal despite Mr. Frewen's repeated dmands Mr. Street moved that the assembly adjourn and the speaker declined put it. Mr. Street insisted that his motion was in order according to the rules of the house. He was informed by the speaker that no rules had been adopted for control of a joint session. "Then all the more, Mr. Speaker," shouted Mr. Frewen, springing up, "are

you proceeding without warrant in Cheers from the gallery greeted the remark. The chair directed the reading of Gov. Peabody's protest. The clerk continued while Mr. Street continued to clamor for recognition on a question of personal privilege. The speaker re-fused to recognize him in any way. The reading of the protest was fol-The reading of the protest was followed by the presentation of a resolution providing for the creation of a committee of 15, two-thirds of the members from the house—one-third from the senate to canvass the vote with

daily reports and a final report not later than Monday. As soon as the reading was finished Mr. Griffith demanded a rolleall on the adoption of the resolution. Sixteen members of the senate responded to the olleall, two of them present declining

When Senator Morgan's name was declared that the treatment given to the presiding officer of the sen-ate had been an insult, but he would vote for the resolution rather than af-

filiate with the Dmocratic party.

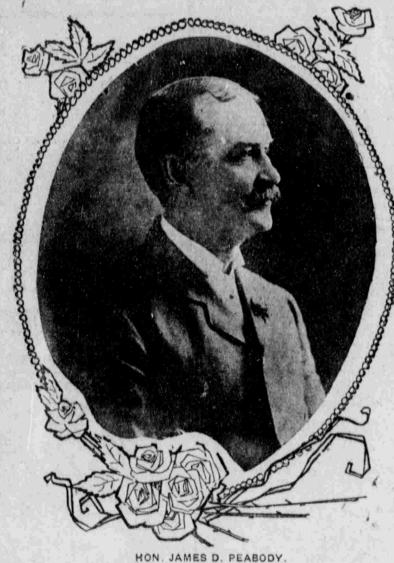
The resolution was adopted by a vote of 51 ayes, noes 1, the negative vote being cast by Senator Wood, Fifty votes constituted a quorum. The ernor was then informed of the reof his protest and the adoption of the resolution creating the committee.

Temperatures.

Chicago, Jan. 6.— 7 a. m. tempera-tures: New York, 24; Boston, 8; Phila-delphia, 30; Washington, 32; Chicago, 26; Minnespolis, 18; Cincinnati, 34; St.

Wm. Hudnall Dead.

lena, Mont., Jan. 6.—William Hudstate examiner of Montana, died state examiner of Montana, died shome in Helena early today of a quantum of diseases aged 52 years. Helena, Mont., Jan. 6.—William Hudnall, state examiner of Montana, died a his home in Helena early today of a



Whom the Republicans Desire to Continue as His Own Successor

SPIRITS OF THE DEAD COMMUNE WITH THE LIVING.

New York, Jan. 6 .- Discussing psychical science in an address delivered at a meeting of the American Institute for Scientific Research, the Rev. Dr. Heber Newton has made the assertion that the spirits of the dead communicate

with the living, that telepathy is a power possesed by many men and women, that clairvoyance is an established science fact, that it may be possible for men to carry halos about their heads and, in short, that a variety of beliefs regarded by the majority of persons as superstitious can be demonstrated as truths.

"I know a woman of fine culture and high character," he said, "who will not trade her gift for commercial purposes most remarkable powe known as psychometry-the power of holding a sealed letter in her hand and giving a diagnosis of the physical condition of the writer and a picture of his character; of taking a bit of stone from an ancient villa of Cicero, for example, the nature of which is entirely unknown to her, and calling up a vision of the villa as it existed in Cicero's time and of its owner. She is incapable of fraud and her case is but one of

others which I know. "Mesmerism was laughed out of court at the opening of our century, and it is back again, in good standing, under the alias of 'hypnotism.' So one may run on through a list of strange, unaccountable, mysterious and most unbelievable powers of man, leading up to that nightmare of the dogmatic sci-

For the first time in the history of man these powers have been scientifically investigated in our day. Already the result is that a considerable num-ber of eminent men of science have had the courage to avow that, after allowing for illusion, fraud and every possible hypothesis of intercent hypothesis of interpretation have been driven up to the ultimate so lution of the problem—the belief in the actual communication of the spirits of those whom we call dead, with the liv-

"The possibilities of mental medicales" are only being opened. Its application to the most distressing form of human malady is full of beneficient results. Its potency in character reform and the cure of the drink habit seems vast and

'Religious faith is finding its true foundations in the recognition of man as a spiritual being, a being who has had dominion over nature given to him as the child of a vaster spiritual being, the Lord of all Life."

Women Go on Strike.

New York, Jan. 6.—Women to the number of 600 employed in a tobacco factory at Fricase have struck for increased pay, says a Herald dispatch from Milan. They hombarded the factory with stones. The prefect of the province of Milan advised by telephone, sent a company of infantry to suppress the disturbances. In the collision eight soldiers were wounded. Many women were arrested.

The Prince Adelbert Floated.

New York, Jan. 6.—The Hamburg-American line steamship Prinz Adelbert from Genoa, Palermo and Naples with passengers and a general cargo, which ran aground in the lower hay early today, was floated off the Mud bank safely at 5 o'clock this morning. Size proceeded at once to quarantine.

More Double Stars Discovered

Berkeley, Cal., Jan. 6 .- More double stars have been discovered and meas stars have been discovered and measured at the Lick observatory. The latest bulletin issued by the university contains an account of another hundred new double stars discovered and measured there. These new double stars are of the same character as those previ-ously discovered at the Lick observa-tory. The distance between the two components in most of them is very small, and nearly all would be difficult objects to observe under conditions less favorable than obtain at Mounta Ham-

Hon. John T. Glenn Dead. Monmouth, Ill., Jan. 6.-Hon. John J.

Glenn, circuit court judge of the Tenth Himols district from 1877 to 1903, died today aged 74 years.

Judge Glenn has been active in the legal and political affairs of Illinois for almost half a century and had an en-viable record on the bench, few of his decisions having been reversed by the supreme court. He was a close per-sonal friend and classmate of White-law Reid, editor of the New York Tribune. His grandfather served as a

PORT ARTHUR

It is Maintained at Yahutsui in Accordance With Terms

EFFECTS OF BOMBARDMENT.

Of Surrender.

Damage Inflicted Seems Small-Carriages Moving About-People Do Not Appear to be Starved.

London, Jan. 6.-Special dispatches from Tokio say that the Port Arthur garrison was marshalled at 9 o'clock Thursday morning at Yahutsui, in accordance with the terms of the supplementary agreement.

The Standard's Port Arthur correspondent reports that the town appears to have been little damaged by the bombardment. Carriages and rickhas. he says, are moving about with welldressed people who apparently are anything but starved. The ruined forts resemble hills shaken by a mighty con-vulsion, and in many cases every trace of the works has disappeared.

According to the Daily Mail's Wei Hai Wei correspondent, the British cruiser Andromeda, which sailed from Wei Hai Wei, Wednesday morning, from Port Arthur, with officers and sur-geons and hospital supplies, which was not allowed to make a landing at Port Arthur, had a narrow escaps, having passed two floating mines.

NON-RESIDENT COMBATANTS. Chefoo, Jan. 6 .- The authorities of Thefoo are ready to receive the first ortion of the 1,000 resident non-combatants at Port Arthur who are to com here. Up to 10 o'clock tonight, how-

THEO. THOMAS' FUNERAL. Takes Place in Chicago With Simple Ceremonies.

Chicago, Jan. 6.—The funeral of The-odore Thomas took place in St. James Episcopai church today with simple rites. The Chlcago orchestra attended as an organization at the church, and afterwards formed part of the cortege to the receiving vault at Graceland cemetery, where the body will be kept until forwarded for interment to New

By request of the family, no floral offerings were sent. Denial of the Chi-cago Federation of Musicians' request to furnish a large band was made when it was decided not to hold an elaborate funeral, and the Rev. James S. Sloane was even requested to refrain from a special sermon. Only the burial service of the Episcopal church was said. Al-though simple the service was imposing by reason of the notable attendance of musicians and representative Chicago-ans, and the assistance of "The Wind Choir" of the orchestra, which gave chorals from Bach and Beethoven.

A STANDARD OIL BUY. Purchases S. F. Coke and Gas Company.

San Francisco, Jan. 6.—The Chronicle today says:

The entire stock and control of the San Francisco Coke & Gas company has been purchased by the Standard Oil company. The amount of money paid for the concern is not stated, but it is said to have been a good round sum. This is construced to mean another contest for the control of the lighting of San Francisco from the opposition company, the San Francisco Gas & Electric corporation, being placed, it is said, in a position where it must either sell out or fight. The San Francisco Coke & Gas company was started in 1800, and for the last four years it has manufactured cohe by a process which also allowed for the extraction of illuminating gas. The latter product was disposed of under a contract to the San Francisco Gas & Electric company until last fall, when the agreement expired, and it has not been renewed. A New York organization subsequently reorganized the concern, and it was rumered then that New York capitalists would put un money to fight for the control of the lighting business in this city. It is only now that the real parties in interest are known by the appearance of the Standard Oil company as purchaser. In the sale of the Coke & Gas company interest it is understood that the present officers of the company will hold office until there is a reorganization. San Francisco, Jan. 6.-The Chronicle

ADMITTED CHARGE AND HIT OFFICER.

Then There Was a Give and Take Fight and a Ride to the Station.

AFTER THAT THE RECKONING.

The Story of Some Stolen Grain and How the Cutprits Were Brought To Face the Law.

Officer Bert Seager had an experience this morning that he will not soon forget. As a result of that experience, Charles Cromer, aged 26 years, and James Thompson, aged 60, are in jall, and Seager is nursing a bruised optic. Cromer is charged with burglary, and Thompson is accused of receiving stolen property and assaulting an of-

Yesterday afternoon the police received word that the Salt Lake Transfer company's place had been burglarized and a quantity of grain stolen. Officers Seager and Moore were detalled on the case, and succeeded in locating seven sacks of the stolen pro-The burglary occurred at 18 east Fifth South. The grain was concealed behind the fence near the The officers learned that Cromer had broken into the storehouse, took the grain and hid it. Thompson then sent one of his drivers, Louis Symmons, with a wagon, and took the grain to Thompson's place.

About 9 o'clock this morning, Cromer was arrested on the charge of burg-lary and was taken to the station. The officers then learned that Thompson had bought the stolen property. They went to his place and Seager asked him if he had sent a wagon for the stolen grain.

stolen grain.

Thompson replied in the affirmative.

"Is that the kind of business you are in?" asked Seager.

"I don't know that it is any of your business, you ——" said Thompson.
Seager had started out of the place when Thompson suddenly struck him a blow on the left eye.

Then there were doings.
Seager not only arrested Thompson, but he paid him in kind and made him wish he had not been so rash. Thomp-

wish he had not been so rash. Thompson was taken to headquarters and locked up on the charges mentioned above. Yesterday, seven sacks of stolen. Six were taken the day before, the stuff being taken out through the roof, and it is alleged that Thompson

has been buying it, knowing that it was stolen. Cromer, Thompson and Symmons are now under arrest and will be tried in Judge Diehl's court probably tomorrow afternoon.
The officers are now searching for the balance of the missing grain. HILL THE HOUSEBREAKER. Ed Hill, the man arrested a few days

ago by the police on the charge of housebreaking, was arraigned before Judge Diehl today and entered a plea Judge Dien today and entered a piece of guilty. He was held to the district court and released on \$300 bail.

Hill broke into the room of Miss Julia Wallace, 216 State street, and stole therefrom \$45 in cash, a gold watch valued at \$30, a diamond ring worth \$50 and two gold rings valued at \$10. WILL GO HIGHER.

George Williams and Frank Martill, the men who were given a preliminary hearing yesterday afternoon on the charge of grand larceny, were this orning held to await the action of the strict court. They were acused of district court. stealing a buggy, valued at \$60, from Frank Beckstead.

While Judge Diehl ordered the men held, he stated that he did not believe they would be convicted by a jury in the district court. In default of \$200 bonds, they were taken to the county tell. The same defendants, with J. King,

are having a preliminary hearing on the charge of burglary. It is alleged that they broke into a barn and stole a set of harness,

CHANGED WILLIE'S PLEA.

The preliminary hearing of Willie Duncan, the boy charged with the lartwo typewriters from smith-Premier company, was set this morning for Jan. 11. This morning the boy entered a plea of guilty to the charge of grand larceny, but his attorney changed it to one of not guilty.

Hency Back in Portland.

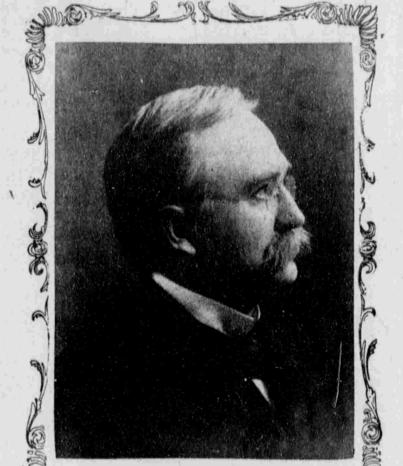
Portland, Jan. 6.—Francis Joseph Heney, special prosecutor in the land fraud cases now progressing in this city, returned to Portland from San Francisco today. Mr. Heney has little to say ament land frauds at this juncture, but says he is prepared to resume the work of investigation immediately upon the reconvening of the federal grand jury next Tuesday. Mr. Heney decliped to make a statement regarding the specific causes which prompted him to ask for the removal from office of John H. Hall, United States atterney for the district of Oregon.

........... ONLY EIGHTY RUSSIAN OFFICERS ACCEPT PAROLE.

At Port Arthur with the Third Japanese Army, via Fusan, Jan. 6.-Only 80 Russian officers have accepted parole.

All the regular Russian troops have marched out of Port Arthur and will leave for Port Dalny today. Japanese troops entered the city yesterday to keep order, Non-combatants are allowed the option of remaining at Port Ar-

The Japanese navy is removing mines and the Japanese hulks at the harbor mouth. All the forts have been taken over by the Japanese.



HON. ALVA C. ADAMS. Whom the Democrats Wili Seat as Governor on Monday Next

IN INDIANA

Gov. Durbin Says Time Has Come For Adoption of Drastic Measures to Eradicate It.

IT IS SOMETHING ASTONISHING

Venal Voters Are Duly Listed-In Township Trusteis Election Votes Bring Twenty five Dollars.

Indianapolis. Jan. 6.-Winfred T Durbin, retiring governor of Indiana, in his annual message to the legislature today said concerning political corruption: "The time has come for the applica-

tion of drastic remedial measures to the plague of corruption which is fastening itself upon our politics. We have in Indiana advanced legislation for the protection of the purity of the ballot, but the statistics of political debauchery in this state for 1904, if it were possible to present them, would be nothing short of astounding. I an Informed by unquestioned authority that in a single county in Indiana cast-ing in 1902 a little more than 5,000 votes there were in the last campaign nearly 1,200 voters regularly listed as purchasable and that \$15,000 raised by assessment from the candidates and otherwise, was spent by the contending political parties in the effort to control the county.

tion during the past few years where, in contests for township trustees, votes have brought \$25 and \$30 each. Our present need is legislation framed in the light of a clearer conception of the enormity of the offense involved in the purchase or sale of a vote. Our present statutes is farcical, as it places no penalty on the vote buyer. I be-lieve consideration should be given as to the advisability of requiring the gradual introduction of voting ma-

As a parting warning to the legislature, the governor says:
"If reports current can be credited this session of the legislature will be called upon to resist the importunities of the most corrupt professional lobby of the most corrupt professional lonby that has visited itself upon any general assembly in the history of the state. Already the names of members of the general assembly are being used and the necessity of large sums of meney to prevent needed legislation or to pass a questionable measures. pass questionable measures is being urged."

House Adjourns Till Monday. Washington, Jan. 6.—The house to-day passed the fortifications bill with amendment and adjourned until

NO CHANCE ON FRONT IN THE FAR EAST

Gen. Oku's Headquarters, via Fusan, Jan. 6.—During the last three days the Russian bombardment has been the heaviest in six weeks. For two days following the fall of Port Arthur hardly a shot was fired. Since then many heavy guns have been brought I_lo use and there has been firing almost constantly. The front is unchanged and there is no indication of a movement being made in the near future. The Japanese are using their searchifghts in the great rejoicing and mightly celebrations of the fail of Port Arthur.

MONTANA LEGISLATURE. Will Ballot for a United States Senator Tuesday Jan. 10.

Helena, Mont. Jan. 6.—The Montana legislature will ballot for United States senator to succeed Parls Gibson Tues-day Jan. 10.—The Republicans have a day Jan. 10.—The Republicans have a majority of eight on joint ballot, 53 votes in all, or three more than the number required to clott. Former Senator T. H. Carter, the leading candidat of the party, endeavored to bring about a caucus last night, but falled, only 38 members attending. The effort will be resumed next Tuesday evening. It is expected during the first balloting Tues-day, which will be in separate houses. Carter, former Senator Mantle, former Senator Sanders, former Senator Pow-Tokio, Jan. 6.—Gen. Stoessel day, which of Carter, former Senator Mantle, former and the other Russian officers who will leave Port Arthur on parele will return to their homes to Nagasaki.

Consad and H. L. Frank will receive G. Conrad and H. L. Frank will receive 0000000000000000000000000000 the Democratic vote.

?????????????? BILLS TO PUNISH POLYGAMY

IN IDAHO.

(Special to the "News,") Boise, Ida., Jan. 6.-In both houses today bills were introduced making polygamy and adultery a crime and fixing the 🙎 punishment therefor. It is belleved both bills will be passed without opposition as sentiment is strong among both Gentiles and "Mormons" that they should be enacted into a law. The legis-lature adjourned until Monday.

OWEN LOADED DOWN

WITH DOCUMENTS. (Special to the "News.")

Washington, D. C., Jan. 6.-C. M. Owen returned to Washington this orning. He is loaded with documents and information, but he has assumed an air of mystery and declines to express himself in any way on the subject of the Smoot hearing. Atty. Tay-ier will probably not take any further active part in the hearing. He is de-sirous of assuming his new duties as judge of the Northern district of Ohio and will leave for his home in the state at once with the idea of closing up his personal business affairs at the earliest ossible moment in order to take his possible model in order to take his position on the bench with the least possible delay. It is not yet known who will succeed him as principal attorney for the protestants,

DODGE MORSE CASE.

Son of Rich Waman Appears Before the Grand Jury.

New York, Jan. 6.—W. R. Geishenen, a son of Mrs. William B. Geishenen, widow of a millionaire banker, and a number of servants employed in the Gelshenen manslon, appeared before the grand jury today in connection with the investigation of the Dodge-Morse case. An attempt made yesterday to serve a subpoena upon Mrs. Gelshen-in for ner appearance before the grand Jury which was begun yesterday and continued today, was unsuccessful. Asst. Dist. Atty. Garvan, who is assisting Mr. Rand in presenting the case to the grand jury said that his officers who have been watching the Gelshenen house told him that 15 or 20 trunks were taken from the house today marked "S. S. Deutschland" and addressed to "Naples." The Deutschland will sail tomorrow from Hoboken, N. J. Whether Mrs. Gelshenen preceded her baggage to New Jersey and is therefore out of the jurisdiction of the officers ury which was begun yesterday and out of the furisdiction of the officers or is still in this city is not known at the district attorney's office. Her son, day, said that his mother was not at

STRIKE AT BAKU. Six Strikers and One Cossaek

Are Killed.

Baku, Caucasus, Jan. 6 .- An encount Baku, Caucasus, Jan. 5.—An encount-er between strikers and Cossacks took place at Balakhany, trans-Caucasia, yesterday. Six strikers and one Cossack were kill and many persons were wounded.

A BOTTLE'S TRIP. Thrown Overboard it Travels Thousands of Miles.

Chicago, Jan. 6.-An envelope postmarked from a small port in Scotland and containing a letter he had threwn overboard in a bottle near the middle of the Atlantic ocean last July, has just been received by J. A. C. Fenton, secretary of a local brewing com-

On July 3, while returning from Liv-erpool on the Royal Mail ship Bavarla, Fenton wrote the following letter which he bottled and tossed into the

Bound for Mortreal. Sailed from "Houlid for Mortreat. Salied from Liverpool July 28, 1904, at 5 p. m., This bottle was thrown overboard by me at 12 o'clock toon, on Sunday, July 31. Lat. 56.27 N; long. 28 W. Will the findr please return to me, stating where ad at what time he picked it up and reatly oblige."
The reply was sent from Achninve

cinces, Jongue, Sutherlandshire The bottle, after traveling several thousand miles, was picked in Ruge Muckey in Achninver bay iles of Cape Wrath. Its trip lasted

Larry O'Neil Executed.

Noil, alias Henry Milton, was banged the state prison here today for the murder of James Ghilee, an aged salcon-keeper of San Francisco.

WARNING TO GREAT BRITAIN.

War With Russia Would Mean That She Would Dig Her Own Grave.

TRIPLE ALLIANCE INVOLVED.

Interests of France, Germany and Italy Lie With the Muscovite Cause.

PEACE TALK MOST INOPPORTUNE.

Editor of the Novoe Vremya Discusses Situation and Says the People Must Take Action.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 6 .- Count Tolstol's son, Leo, in an article upon Great Britain's constant desire to embarass Russia declares Great Britain is preparing her own grave and hastening her own end if she forces war with Russia, "as France, Germany and Italy are bound to realize that their interests ie with Russia's."

PEACE TALK INOPPORTUNE. St. Petersburg, Jan. 6 .- Regarding

the peace talk abroad, M. Souvorin, editor of the Novoe Vremya, in a signed article in that paper today passionately declares that the voice of the nation should give an answer in order that the world might understand once for all Russia's position. The emperor, he added, should consult with representatives of the land as his predecessors did before the days of John the Terrible. While papers. abroad now say that peace should be concluded without dishonnor if peace vere made they would declare it disgraceful. What the people want he (M. Couvorin) cannot affirm but the idea of ending the war at this junct. ure is abhorrent to him and he believes to the Russian people. If the inscriptions on the banners of demonstrators and the action of some of the zemstvos in favor of peace represented the voice of the nation it would mean the collapse of all of Russia's aspirations and farewell to her position in the far east and her dreams of an open road to the sea, and the creation of a yellow peril in Asia which would threaten civilization and mean Russla's retirement into her Muscovita shell and the disappearance from the stage of this great power. The army, M. Souvorin further says, holds the honor and fate of Russia in its hands. M. Souvorin then reviews sorrowfully the record of bitter humiliations suffered thus far and the chances for the future. In concluding he declares the government must decide and weigh well the consequences but the editor insists the people must be united as "disunion, riots and revolution mean the downfall of the fatherland."

THOMAS' MUSICAL LIBRARY. A Public Bequest of it Will Soon Be Made.

Chicago, Jan. 5.—The announcement of public bequest of Theodore Thomas' unique musical library—a rare collection of scores and parts and manuscripts from he famous masters—is to be made with-

ng his entire career the leader col-Some of the original scores of Wag-ter Liszt and other composers, it is said, will be presented to the public library.

RUSSIAN WARSHIPS. Japanese Sink a Number of Them

In Port Arthur Harbor. Tokio, Jan. 6, 10:20 a. m .- The pavy department announces that the Jupsunk the following Russian war vassels in that harbor:

Torpedoboats, the Gaidamak and Torpedoboat destroyers, the Jettrny, Sisik and Boevol. The armored cruiser Bayan is lying on the south coast of the harbor severely damaged, and the gunboat Bobr is entirely burned as the result of the Japanese shelling.

Tokio, Jan. 6.—Discussing the condition of the Russian war vessels at Port

tion of the Russian war vessels at Port Arthur a naval officer said to the Associated Press today;

"Gen. Nogl has just detailed the commander of the naval leading party to examine the Russian ships at Port Arthur and superintend the transfer of the naval munitions, etc. At present there are only 10 serviceable vessels there and those were used by the Russians to regain the shore after setting fire to the warships, sinking vessels and almost blocking the harbor mouth. "It is still unsafe to bring outside vessels through the mine fields and entrance obstructions. The lack of divers' appliances and small boats make it inpossible to closely examine the water filled hulks and it is difficult to destroy

them at short notice." Severe Cold in Italy

New York, Jan. 5.—Severe cold con-tinues in the principal towns of Italy, according to a Herald dispatch from Rome. A heavy snow has fallen in Na-ples and in Bart.

The rivers Orno, Odige and Covere are

CITY HLL BURG.

At Springfield, Mass., and Will Probably be a Total Loss. Springfield, Mass., Jan. 6.—The city hall is barning and probably will be a total loss. The police court building is

also burning.

The city hall is practically a total loss. The police headquarters building probably will be saved. Smith and Murray's department store caught fire in the rear, adjacent to city hall but