

JAPAN MISTRUSTS GREAT BRITAIN.

Lord Cranborne Wants "Russia's Rather Special Position in Manchuria" Recognized.

CHINA IS ALSO MISTRUSTFUL.

No Longer Seeks British Assistance, Consulting Only American and Japanese Ministers.

Peking, Nov. 15.—The foreign diplomats at Peking are awaiting developments in the Russo-Japanese negotiations with the keenest interest, but are not sanguine of their success, because they are unable to see what terms are possible, unless one nation distinctly surrenders.

Japan has asserted that Russia's fulfillment of the evacuation convention is essential to an agreement, and has promised China not to sanction any arrangement impairing China's sovereignty in Manchuria.

All of Russia's officials in the east declare that her domination of Manchuria is necessary for her interests and the safety of the Trans-Siberian railroad, and that Russia must hold all that she has taken.

Advices from Japan are to the effect that the Japanese are growing bolder against England, because they believe that the latter country is unfaithful to her alliance with Japan. They now think that England entered into the alliance, expecting that its proclamation would result in Russia withdrawing from Manchuria, and, therefore, regarding war as a faint possibility.

Russia refused to retire, and now England, fearing that she may be drawn into war through the alliance, is exerting her influence as an ally to induce Japan to recognize what Lord Cranborne called "Russia's rather special position in Manchuria."

Premier Balfour's exhortation to Japan to make moderate demands is also considered helpful to Russia in the negotiations, by noting that England's support of Japan is lukewarm.

It is noticeable that China no longer seeks British assistance regarding Manchuria, but consults only the American and Japanese ministers, instead of all the diplomats as formerly.

"Jersey" Jim, Thief, Dead.

New York, Nov. 17.—James K. Johnston, alleged by the police of Europe and America, to whom he was known as "Jersey Jim," to have been one of the cleverest thieves in the world, is dead at Trenton, N. J. He was born there and grew up in the church, but suddenly forsaking his Christian associations, he went to California with the "forty-niners" and opened a gambling house in San Francisco. In a year or two he amassed a fortune and moved to Paris, where he lived in luxury.

When his money was nearly gone he returned to America and a few months ago was arrested for stealing a pair of shoes.

Last of the Blubber Fleet Arrives

San Francisco, Nov. 17.—The steam whaler William Hayley, the last of the blubber hunters to leave the Arctic, has arrived here after a fruitless cruise. Fifty pounds of whalebone, secured by trading, and two polar bear cubs was about all of value the whaler brought home.

THE BOODLE FUND.

Atty. Folk Will Ask Court to Make Disposition of It.

St. Louis, Nov. 17.—It has been made known that Circuit Atty. Folk will, in the course of a few days, file a petition in the circuit court, asking that final disposition be made of the \$75,000 boodle fund, which played such a prominent part in the record grand jury investigation by turning it over to the city of St. Louis for use in some public enterprise. The money was held in escrow in the safety vault of the Lincoln Trust company, pending the passage by the house of delegates of the measure giving to the St. Louis and Suburban railway the right of way over certain thoroughfares in the city, together with other important franchises. The money, which was deposited two years ago, was to have been paid over to members of the "boodle combine" after the bill became an ordinance. But the grand jury investigation and indictments and trials prevented.

Mr. Folk has not yet determined in what manner the petition will be drawn.

JUMPED ON TO THE STAGE.

Zealous Clerk Finds a Way to Serve Papers on Mrs. Carter.

New York, Nov. 17.—A zealous lawyer's clerk has caused considerable excitement at Belasco's theater by leaping to the stage from a box and serving papers on Mrs. Carter giving notice of a suit for an injunction restraining the Belasco management from producing an old play in this city.

The curtain had just been raised on the first act when the clerk, elbowing his way through a box occupied by several ladies and their escorts, leaped to the stage. Mrs. Carter was about to begin her lines when the documents were thrust into her hands. For a moment she appeared greatly frightened by the intrusion and the clerk, driven back from the wings by stage hands, was compelled to leave by the aid he came. He hurriedly fled to the street.

Only a few persons in the audience saw the papers and realized what had caused the incident and it was some time before the excitement died out.

The suit is said to arise from a dispute with another manager and part owner as to the rights for the play in this city during the season.

HANSACKER DISCHARGED.

Was Arrested Charged with Shooting Deputy Sheriff.

Port Jervis, N. Y., Nov. 17.—Gottlieb Hansacker of Black Lake, Sullivan county, who was arrested on Friday on the charge of being one of the three gamblers who shot Deputy Sheriff William Shells on Chester W. Chapin's premises when he was trying to arrest them for killing a deer, has been discharged. Hansacker convinced the district attorney that he was nine miles from the scene at the time of the shooting. The deputy, whose wounds were thought to be fatal, is recovering.

IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

Domestic—Don't you want to go out this afternoon, Mrs. Mary, I should like to go out, but I'm afraid it will inconvenience you.

Domestic—Oh, never mind me, marm; it's so long since you've had an afternoon off I must insist that you take one today. But be sure and come home early. I may have callers, you know, and I shall want somebody to tend the door.—Boston Transcript.



Mrs. Weisslitz, Buffalo, N. Y., cured of kidney trouble by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

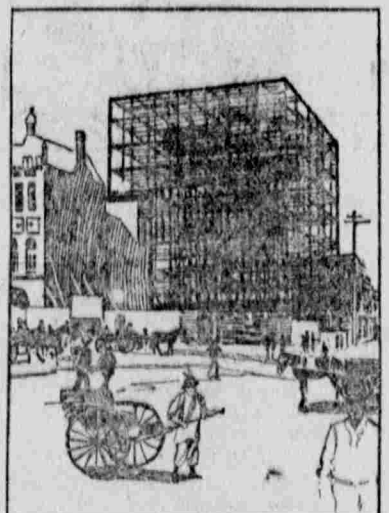
Of all the diseases known with which the female organism is afflicted, kidney disease is the most fatal. In fact, unless prompt and correct treatment is applied, the weary patient seldom survives. Being fully aware of this, Mrs. Pinkham, early in her career, gave careful study to the subject, and in producing her great remedy for women's ills—Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound—made sure that it contained the correct combination of herbs which was certain to control that dreaded disease, woman's kidney troubles.

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The accompanying illustration shows the construction of the first steel building which the South African town of Johannesburg has ever possessed. A peculiar interest attaches to this building in that it is the work of a New York firm and is built entirely on American lines.



lines. When finished it will be the finest structure in the city. Curious crowds assemble daily to watch the progress made by the busy workmen. It is said that this is but the first of a number of similar buildings for which contracts will be awarded to Americans.

AS A CHILD UNDERSTOOD IT.

In a class in arithmetic in one of the lower grades of a public school, the word "average" was encountered in the lesson. The teacher, wishing to make sure that the work was understood, asked the class if they knew the meaning of the word. One boy, raised his hand, and in reply to the teacher's question, said:

"Please, ma'am, it's what a hen lays an egg on."

"What?" exclaimed the astonished teacher.

"Well, that's what my book says," replied the boy.

The teacher requested him to bring the book and show her the statement to which he referred. He got out his reader and pointed to the sentence: "The hen lays one egg a day, on an average."—R. M.

MARGARET'S DISCOVERY.

Little Margaret is only five, but she is very observing. It was she who discovered the baby's mother that night, and this is the way she announced it:

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AFFECTS SERVICE TO THE COAST

Two Through Trains Will be Discontinued and Schedules Between Chicago and Denver Re-arranged

Chicago, Nov. 16.—In the interest of Southern Pacific, Union Pacific, St. Paul and Northwestern railroads have decided to make reductions and changes in the Chicago-California services beginning next Sunday. Two through trains, known as No. 5 and 4, will be discontinued as through trains, and the service between Chicago and Denver will be re-arranged, although not diminished.

The trains of the Northwestern and St. Paul railroads which run between Chicago and the Pacific coast bear the same number, and are united at Omaha, where they are taken up by the engines of the Union Pacific.

On the St. Paul train No. 5 now leaves Chicago at 8:35 a. m. and on the Northwestern a few minutes later for San Francisco, Los Angeles, Portland and Seattle. The opposite train, No. 4, leaves San Francisco at 8 a. m. and arrives in Chicago at 9:55 p. m. These trains are to be taken off.

In order that the Chicago-Denver train service may not be diminished, the two railroads out of Chicago have decided to put on a new Chicago-Denver train, to be known as No. 11. This train will leave Chicago at 10 a. m. on the St. Paul and Northwestern, and will be combined at the Missouri river, arriving at Denver at 2:30 p. m. In addition to these changes the Northwestern will change the time of departure from Chicago of its Colorado special. This train now leaves here at 6:30 p. m. and will hereafter leave at 10:15 a. m. Eastward there will be no change in the Colorado special.

NEW FREIGHT RATES.

Those East of Buffalo Have Now Become Effective.

New York, Nov. 17.—New railroad freight rates east of Buffalo have become effective which means an advance of 1/2 cent per bushel on wheat, oats and barley. In view of this, the railroads, in deference to the requests of the grain traders, have made the usual advance in rates at the close of navigation. The rates now current will remain in force until Dec. 31, when they will be advanced to the figures current before September 15.

THE HAMBURG-AMERICAN.

Will Establish Passenger and Freight Line to the East.

New York, Sept. 17.—In discussing the results of his visit to this city, Herr Albert Ballin, director-general of the Hamburg-American line, has confirmed the reports of an arrangement for ocean service in connection with the New Kansas City, Mexico and Orient railway. "A contract has been completed between our company and the Kansas City, Mexico and Orient railway," he said, "by which we will establish a passenger and freight line to the far east and a line of freight ships to Australia, Mexico, which is to be named Port Stillwell, in honor of the president of the company. We expect that the railroad will be finished in two years and it and the steamship lines will form a community of interests for quite a long period."

"Is it true," he was asked, "that there are any existing difficulties between the railroad and the United States national merchant marine companies?"

"It is not," was the reply. "To prove this I will say that negotiations are being on now between the White Star line and the Hamburg-American line which, if completed, bring these two concerns into very close touch, so far as their traffic between New York and the Mediterranean is concerned."

Herr Ballin declared that subsidies by the various governments have so far shown a lack of good results. "So far," he declared, "no government has succeeded in really helping its shipping trade by nursing it in this artificial way. On the contrary, it has resulted in an inferior condition wherever promulgated."

SAN PEDRO MEETINGS.

Directors Elected for Railroad and Construction Co.

The annual meeting of the San Pedro, Los Angeles Salt Lake railroad was held at the office of the general attorney in the McCormick block yesterday afternoon. The meeting was purely a formal affair. C. C. Whittemore, W. S. McCormick and C. K. McCormick, alone being present and holding proxies to the amount of 25,000 shares. The following directors were elected: W. A. Clark, R. C. Kerens, J. Ross Clark, T. E. Gibson, F. M. Hill, R. L. Rule, W. S. McCormick, Thomas Kearns, Reed Smoot, E. W. Clark, Ross W. Smith and H. L. Bettie. The latter, who succeeded Terry S. Heath, is auditor of the road at Los Angeles.

At a latter meeting the same gentlemen represented in stockholders of the Emperor Construction company and elected the following directors:

W. A. Clark, R. C. Kerens, J. Ross Clark, T. E. Gibson, Ross W. Smith, H. L. Bettie, Clarence K. McCormick, David Kleth and Reed Smoot.

TO FUND INDEBTEDNESS.

Colorado Fuel & Iron Co. Will Meet to Revise Indentures.

New York, Nov. 17.—It is reported that an effort will be made to revise the indenture of the Colorado Fuel & Iron company's debenture notes at a special meeting of stockholders to be held in Denver, Dec. 15, 1903. The agreement contained in the indenture provided that there should be no further indebtedness incurred by the company until these debenture bonds were paid off. It is proposed to fund some of the loans which have been made to the company not long ago by leading stockholders.

HOMER INFLUENCE.

It was during the reading lesson in one of our public schools that a little lad read in a jerky, expressionless way, "Mamma, see the hawk."

The reading was so very poor that the teacher said: "John, you know you would not talk that way to your mother."

"No," replied the lad.

"Well, now," said the teacher, in a kindly way, "you read it exactly as you would say it to your mother."

And here is his reply: "Look, mom, at that there hawk."—Philadelphia Ledger.

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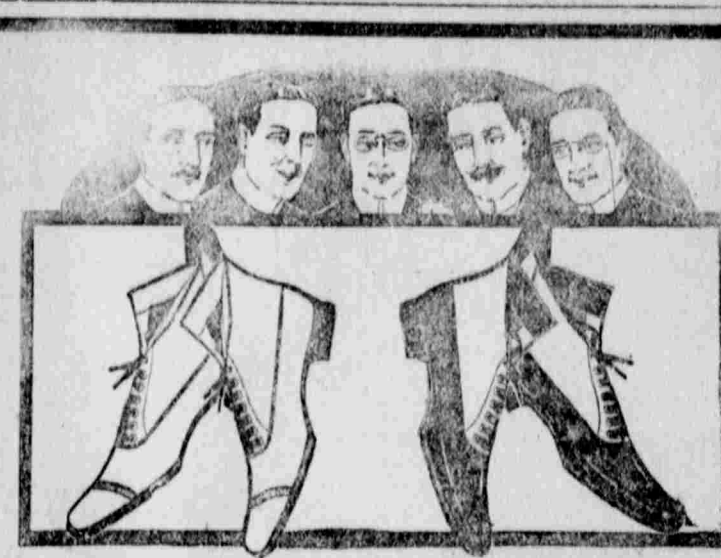
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