

Japan and Russia.

Washington, N. C., 27.—Representative McCleary of Minnesota, who has always taken a deep interest in foreign affairs, regards the latest news from the Orient as most momentous. According to his view of the situation it will be only by a master stroke of diplomacy that war between Japan and Russia can be averted.

"The friction between Russia and Japan over the Manchurian question," said Mr. McCleary this morning, "has reached that point where fire is produced. The diplomatic game which has been in progress for nearly a year to keep intact the Chinese empire is fast drawing to a close. This seems evident by the publication of most of the correspondence between the powers. Japan has never forgiven Russia for the advantage taken by the latter when the treaty of peace was signed by Japan and China. And now, before the completion of the Trans-Siberian Railroad, it would seem to be the golden opportunity for Japan to strike at the Russian bear. On the other hand, I think it will be conceded that Russia is better prepared for war than has been for several years.

"A war with Japan over Manchuria would have the effect of quieting Russia's internal dissension, for it would at once arouse the patriotism of the very element that, according to the press reports, is on the verge of insurrection. Russia feels the necessity of having Manchuria, because without that outlet her great continental railroad will have been constructed in vain. So you see the Russian diplomats have never for a moment lost sight of the immense value of Manchuria. Russia also wants Korea. This Japan understands full well, and it is really the bone of contention between them. So far as Manchuria itself is concerned, Japan does care. But there must be some excuse for antagonizing Russia, so the wily Japs play Manchuria against Korea.

"In the event of war between Japan and Russia, which may come now, at almost any moment, the United States would of course be neutral. I don't think any other European power would become involved, provided assurance was guaranteed that their rights would be preserved."

KING EDWARD PLEASED.

He Returns Thanks to the State of N. C. for Sympathy Expressed.

News and Observer.

It will be remembered that among the first resolutions passed by the General Assembly of 1901, was one of condolence and sympathy to the people of England and to King Edward VII on the death of Queen Victoria. These resolutions were forwarded to England through the office of the British Embassy in Washington.

Yesterday Secretary of State Grimes received from Sir Julian Pauncefote, the British Ambassador to the United States, a reply to the message from North Carolina, which reads thus:

"British Embassy, Washington, March 22. Sir, I have the honor to inform you that I duly forwarded to the Marquis of Lansdowne for transmission to its high destination the resolution sent to me by you on behalf of the State of North Carolina on the occasion of the deeply lamented death of Her late Majesty, Queen Victoria, Empress of India. The King was much pleased at this touching tribute to the memory of the late Queen, and I am instructed to convey to you His Majesty's most sincere thanks for this highly appreciated mark of sympathy.

"I have the honor to be Sir, Your obediently, "PAUNCEFOTE.

Child Thieves Fail.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., March 26.—A daring attempt was made to kidnap Edward McAvery, aged 11 years, of this city to-day. Two men picked him up in the yard of his father's house, carried him to a surrey, placed a handkerchief saturated with chloroform over his nose and drove away.

The child became unconscious from the drug, and when he revived he found himself on the backseat of the vehicle, which was then jarring over a country road. Young McAvery jumped from the carriage. One of the men ran after him, but the youngster's cries attracted the attention of the occupants of another carriage, which was passing at the time, and the kidnappers becoming scared, whipped up their horses and disappeared.

THE PENSION BILL.

More Liberal Provisions for Confederate Veterans.

Sunday's News and Observer.

The act to amend chapter 198, of the laws of 1889, for the relief of certain Confederate soldiers and widows, provides that there shall be paid by the State to every person who has been for twelve months immediately preceding his or her application for pension a bona fide resident of this State, and who is incapacitated for manual labor and was a soldier or sailor in the service of the Confederate States of America, during the war between the States, and to the widow remaining unmarried of any soldier or sailor (provided said widow was married to said soldier or sailor before April 1st, 1865.) the following sum, annually:

1. To such as have received a wound which renders them totally incompetent to perform manual labor in the ordinary vocations of life, \$72.00.
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4. To such as have lost one eye and to widows remaining unmarried, and all soldiers who are now disabled from any cause, \$30.00.

If the fund from the special pension tax in any year should be insufficient to pay the above pensions, the State Treasurer shall pay them out of the general fund, provided that in no year shall the total exceed \$200,000.

All persons entitled to pensions under this act, whether heretofore drawing pensions or not, shall appear before the county board of pensions on or before the first Monday in July, 1901, for examination and classification. Provided that those unable to attend shall present a physician's certificate of inability.

All laws enacted since January 1st, 1890, granting pensions to particular individuals, are hereby repealed.

No inmate of the Soldiers' Home at Raleigh, nor any person who was a deserter or who receives a pension from any other State or the United States shall be entitled to a pension under this act.

All ex-Confederates who have become totally blind since the war, or who lost their sight or both hands or both feet in the Confederate service, shall receive \$120.00 a year, paid monthly.

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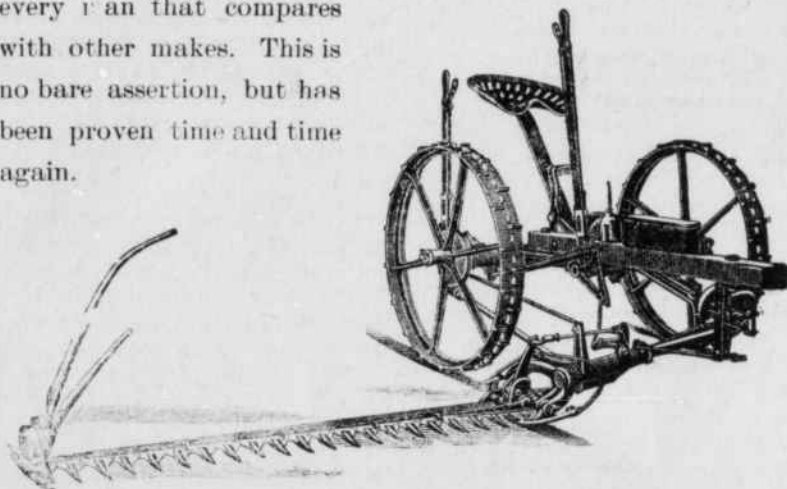
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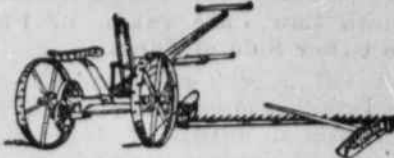
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