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RUSSIA THREATENS AMERICA

Our readers will remember that a few days ago a request was made to our government for permission to lay a cable from the island of Guam to some point in Japan, connecting at the former point with the American Pacific cable. The fear that the Russians would cut the cable between Japan and Shanghai was the moving cause of the request. The question as to whether the granting of such request would be a violation of neutrality was submitted by the state department which decided that it would not. Russia differs with the American officers. She goes so far to say that she would consider such cable as contraband of war, which means that she would cut the cable as soon as she would get hold of it. Such conduct, of course the United States would not submit to. While the state department holds that the laying of such cable would not be in violation of the laws of neutrality, we doubt its granting permission. Such cable, while not belonging to Japan or laid for the purpose of aiding her in any way against Russia, would be of great help, especially should the other cable be cut, and it is not likely that our government would put itself in the position of rendering such aid to one of the belligerents. Still we do not like the idea of such threats as Russia's declaration carries. —Wilmington Messenger.

There has been a great deal of complaint by our subscribers, made to us since we have been publishing THE ENTERPRISE about not receiving their papers promptly. Some of our subscribers at Everetts claim that they cannot get their paper till Monday, Hamilton is the same way. We have put up with this kind of business until we are tired and worn out.

The papers are put in the Williamston office on Friday evening generally, it not Friday evening they are sent to the office in ample time to catch the train Saturday morning, this being the case, these papers should be delivered in Everetts, Robersonville, Parmele, Hassell, Goose Nest and Hamilton on Saturday. If they are not at these offices on Saturday then it is the fault of some one in the employ of Uncle Sam.

We pay Uncle Sam for delivering our papers, and the employes of Uncle Sam are paid to do their work.

We do not like to complain, but, it seems to be inevitable, and the next occasion we have for complaint we intend to do it to the best of our ability. We will see where the fault lies, whether it is at these offices

or the starting point. This is not written through any ill feeling toward any postmaster, but to let those who are at fault know that there must be a stop put to this dilatory way of handling the mail.

A great deal of kicking was heard last night on account of the street lamps not being lighted. It was a dark night and a bad one, and if the lights were ever needed it was last night. If we are to have lights it is just such nights as last night that we need them. If the commissioners don't give us lights on these nights, it is an needless expense to give them other nights.

Within thirty days, perhaps in a shorter time, the United States will be in full possession of the Panama canal property and the money will have been paid to both the republic of Panama and to the New Panama Canal Company.

It is true that Russia can muster an army of two or three million, but the walking to the Far East is mighty bad.—Atlanta Constitution.

**It Saved His Leg**  
 P. A. Danforth, of LaGrange, Ga., suffered for six months with a frightful running sore on his leg; but writes that Bucklen's Arnica Salve wholly cured it in five days. For Ulcers, Wounds, Piles, it's the best salve in the world. Cure guaranteed. Only 25 cts.. Sold by S. R. Biggs and all druggists.

**MOST DEADLY OF SNAKES.**  
 Brazilian Reptile Whose Bite is Almost Invariably Fatal.

The fer-de-lance is one of the most deadly poisonous snakes in the world. It is common in Brazil and some of the West Indian islands. The head is flat and triangular, the length five to seven feet. A horny spike at the end of the tail rasps against hard objects. The bite is almost instantly fatal, and even when immediate death is averted serious and eventually fatal troubles may set in.

The creature which fears the monster least is a brave cat. Seeing a snake, she at once carries her kittens to a place of safety, then boldly advances to the encounter. She will walk to the very limit of the serpent's striking range and begin to feint, teasing him, startling him, trying to draw his blow. A moment more and the triangular head, hissing from the coil, flashes swift as if moved by wings. But swifter still the stroke of the armed paw dashes the horror aside, flinging it mangled into the dust, says the San Francisco Call.

Nevertheless pussy does not yet dare to spring. The enemy, still alive, has almost instantly reformed his coil, but she is again in front of him, watching vertical pupil against vertical pupil. Again the dashing stroke; again the beautiful countering; again the living death is hurled aside, and now the snake's skin is deeply torn, one eye socket has ceased to flame. Once more the stroke of the serpent; once more the light, quick, cutting blow. But the trigonocephalus is blind, is stupefied. Before he can attempt to coil pussy has leaped upon him, nailing the horrible flat head to the ground with her two sinewy paws. Now let him lash, writhe, strive to strangle her. In vain. He will never lift his head. An instant more and he lies still. The keen white teeth of the cat have severed the vertebra just behind the triangular skull.

**A Bargain.**  
 The woman was at the bargain counter and was plainly distressed. The Brooklyn Eagle thus relates her woes and the remedy which she invented:

"These goods," said she, "have been marked down from \$5 to \$4."  
 "Yes, ma'am," replied the clerk.  
 "And these others have been marked down from \$5.10 to \$4."  
 "Yes, ma'am."  
 "I like the first."  
 "It's an excellent bargain."  
 "But the other is a better one," she insisted. "You couldn't make the five dollar goods three ninety, could you?"  
 "No, ma'am."  
 "I'd take them in a minute if you would."  
 "I am not permitted to do it."  
 "I'd much rather have them."  
 "You'll find them very satisfactory."

"But the other is the better bargain." She hesitated again. "Well," she said at last, "give me the five ten goods for \$4."  
 Later she confided in a friend, "They weren't at all what I want, but I'm too good a shopper to be satisfied with a discount of a dollar when I can get a dollar ten."

**NEWS FROM CAPITOL CITY**  
 (Continued from First Page)  
 Corporation Commissioner, Commissioner of Labor, and perhaps two or three other State officers, but most of the present officials will probably be renominated.

Although Judge Simonton declined to interfere at Charleston in the A. & N. C. Railroad order of Judge Purnell, it is now stated that he may come to Raleigh and sit in the case at a hearing in the U. S. Circuit Court. Meanwhile "Bunch" McBee is in charge as receiver.

**Working Overtime**  
 Eight hour laws are ignored by those tireless little workers—Dr. King's New Life Pills. Millions are always at work, night and day, curing Indigestion, Biliuness, Constipation, Sick Headache and all Stomach, Liver and Bowel troubles. Easy, pleasant, safe, sure. Only 25c. at S. R. Biggs and all druggists.

—Buy your Stationery Magazines, Papers etc., at the Enterprise Book Store.

—A fine lot of nice white envelopes at 4 cents a package, (25 in a pack) at the Enterprise Book Store.

—We have some Turner's N. C. Almanacs on hand, and will give one to each new yearly subscriber or to any old subscriber who renews their subscription for a year, as long as the Almanacs last. Come before they are all out.

—Send your orders for Letter-heads, Packet-heads, Bill-heads, Envelopes etc., to the Enterprise Printery.

—Read our ad. in this issue and see how you can get THE ENTERPRISE FREE.

—Turner's N. C. Almanac for sale at The Enterprise Book Store.

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**S. R. BIGGS**  
 and all good druggists. 8 oz. bottles, 50 cents; 18 oz. bottles, \$1.00. Teaspoonful in half glass ordinary water a dose. The \$1.00 size sent by prepaid express on receipt of price if your druggist will not supply you.

J. M. ECHOLS & CO.  
 Lynchburg, Virginia.

**Legal Advertisements.**

**Executor's Notice**  
 Having qualified as executor upon the estate of Richard Jones, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons holding claims against said estate to present them to the undersigned for payment on or before the 18th day of February, 1905, or this notice will be placed in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment.

This 18th day of February 1904.  
 JOHN A. JONES  
 Executor.

**IT MAY TOUCH THE HEART**

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**GET IT OUT OF YOUR SYSTEM NOW.**

**Rheumacide**

Will do the work quickly, effectively and without any injury to the digestive organs. In fact, it will leave you in much better condition every way, for it cleanses the blood of poisonous lactic and uric acids that cause rheumatism, kidney troubles, indigestion, boils, chronic constipation and catarrh, and the germs that leave one so easy prey to malaria and contagious blood poison. It is not only the greatest blood purifier, but hundreds of relieved sufferers testify that it does one thing that no other remedy does—

**CURES RHEUMATISM.**  
 "GETS AT THE JOINTS FROM THE INSIDE."  
 AT ALL DRUGGISTS.

North Carolina } In the Superior Court.  
 Martin County }  
 J. H. Bridgers  
 vs.  
 Mary Bridgers

The defendant above named will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Martin County, for divorce; and the said defendant will further take notice that he is required to appear at the next term of the Superior Court of said county to be held on the 2nd Monday after the 1st Monday in March, 1904, at the Court House of said county in Williamston, N. C., and answer or demur to the complaint in said action or the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in said complaint.

This 1st day of February, 1904.  
 J. A. HOBBS, Clerk  
 20-4 Superior Court Martin County.

**Notice of Land Sale!**

Pursuant to a judgment of the Superior Court of Martin County, made in a special proceeding entitled Francis C. Ward, Martha W. Hassell, Frank Lightfoot, William Lightfoot, and George Ward, Mamie Clyde Hassell and Eva A. Hassell minors by their guardian, W. C. Hassell, to the court, on the 4th day of February, 1904, and duly confirmed by the Judge of the Superior Court on the 7th day of February, 1904. I shall sell at public sale at the Court House door in Williamston, on

Monday, 7th day of March, 1904  
 at 12 o'clock, m.

the following lands in Jamesville Township, Martin County, to wit: The house and lot with all privileges and appurtenances belonging thereto in the town of Jamesville formerly owned and occupied by Mary A. M. Ward, adjoining the lands of John Ward on the North; L. M. Brown on the West; the A. C. L. R. Co. on the South, and Elm street on the East, conveyed to the parties above named by the will of said Mary A. M. Ward, also the 150 acres approximately, so conveyed of land in said Township adjoining the lands of Thomas E. Brown, Simon Jones, John H. Hardison and others; also a one sixth undivided interest in a town lot in Williamston adjoining the lands of Wheeler Martin and others, known as the William L. Mizell lot near the Court House on opposite side of the street, which said lot was also conveyed as aforesaid.

The terms of the sale will be CASH. This the 6th day of February, 1904.  
 H. S. WARD,  
 19-4 Commissioner of the Court.

North Carolina } Superior Court, March Term, 1904.  
 Joseph Slade  
 vs.  
 Annie Slade

The defendant above named will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Martin County for the purpose of dissolving the bonds of matrimony between plaintiff and defendant on the ground of abandonment; and the said defendant will further take notice that she is required to appear at the next term of the Superior Court of said county to be held on the 2nd Monday after the 1st Monday in March, 1904, the same being the 21st day of said month, at the Court House of said county in Williamston, N. C., and answer or demur to the complaint in said action, or the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief therein demanded.

This February 11th, 1904.  
 J. A. HOBBS,  
 20-4 Clerk Superior Court

North Carolina } In the Superior Court.  
 Martin County }  
 Martha Everett  
 vs.  
 Sandy Everett

The defendant above named will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Martin County, for divorce; and the said defendant will further take notice that he is required to appear at the next term of the Superior Court of said county to be held on the second Monday after the first Monday in March, it being the 21st day of March, 1904, at the Court House of said county in Williamston, N. C., and answer or demur to the complaint in said action or the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in said complaint.

This 1st day of February, 1904.  
 J. A. HOBBS, Clerk  
 20-4 Superior Court Martin County.

**Church of the Advent**  
 Services on the second and fifth Sundays of the month, morning and evening, and on the Saturdays (5 p. m.) before, and on Mondays (9 a. m.) after said Sundays of the month. All are cordially invited.  
 Rev. B. S. Lassiter, Rector.

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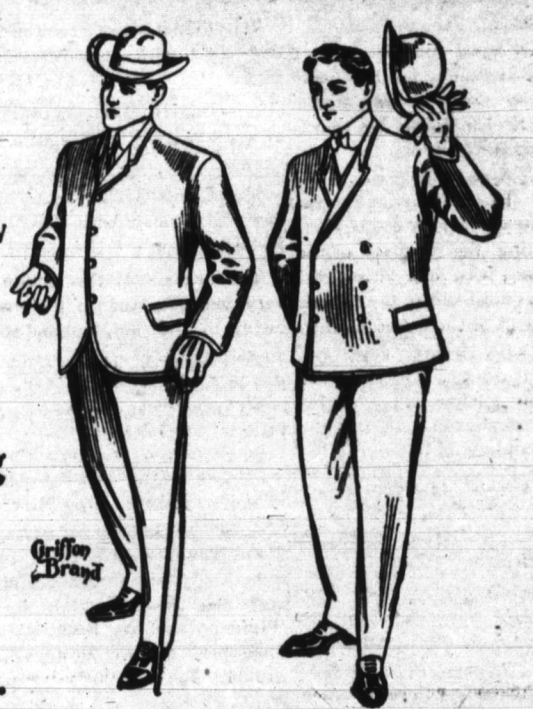
was not consumed in the great Baltimore conflagration. They escaped the fire, and are now on our counters ready for the inspection of our friends and customers.

We have also received our celebrated Spring and Summer line of

**"Grindstone" Clothing FOR BOYS**

The pants of which carry double knee and seat. Some of the coats are double breasted. This is the best line of boys clothing ever received in Williamston.

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