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EMPEROR NICHOLAS PAYS TRIBUTE TO GENERAL STOESEL

Czar Issues Receipt Exhorting His People. Russian Strength Grows With Adversity, He Says, And God Will Yet Give Victory to Russian Arms.

Affecting Scene When Captured General and Family are Carried to Their Quarters, Being Saluted in Respectful Silence and Treated Kindly.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 14.—In a receipt addressed to the Army and Navy Emperor Nicholas pays a tribute to the defenders of Port Arthur, and adds: "My gallant troops and sailors! Do not let this sorrow dismay you. Our enemy is strong and daring. This fight against him occurs seven thousand miles from our home but Russia is powerful. In the thousand years of its existence there have been still heavier trials, worse and more threatening dangers, but Russia ever arose from the trial with renewed force and strength. Do not let your souls be troubled by lack of success and heavy losses. Russian strength grows with adversity. With all Russia I join in the belief that the time is coming when God will give strength to our glorious army and navy to arise and break the forces of the enemy."

An Affecting Scene. Nagasaki, Japan, Jan. 14.—The Japanese transport Kamakuru, conveying General and Madam Stoessel, two of the Russian commander's personal attendants, seven other officers, two ladies, and six orphan children, arrived today and were received by a guard of fifty police and several officers and Gen. Stoessel. The Russian general was attended in a grey military overcoat and wore a sword. He looked well and walked with a steady step. Stoessel slowly wended his way up the hill to a pretty situated bungalow on Inasa Hill, where he will be quartered. Dozens of Russian officers saluted in respectful silence. The closing act of the great drama caused a feeling of sadness which was not dispelled by the glorious weather, the beautiful surroundings and the kind reception accorded the Russians by the Japanese.

CASUALTIES AT NEW CHWANG.

As Usual Japanese Losses Are Light While Russians Suffer More Heavily. Tokyo, Jan. 14.—The Japanese casualties in the recent fighting at New Chwang and other places involved in the Russian raid are estimated to be one killed and fifteen wounded, all non-commissioned officers or privates. Russian total losses are estimated to be over three hundred. The Japanese report that the supplies and munitions stored at New Chwang and Niu Chiatung were not damaged.

NOGI RECKONS UP TO HIS SPOILS.

Tokyo, Jan. 14.—Gen. Nogri reports that the delivery at Port Arthur has been completed. It includes the following: Prisoners of war, 24,369; Permanent forts, 50; Guns, of which 54 are of large calibre, 140 of medium calibre, and 343 of small calibre, 546; Shells, 82,670; Powder, tons, 127; Rifles, 35,252; Rifle cartridges, 2,266,800; Horses, 1,020; Battle ships, except Sebastopol which is entirely sunk, 4; Cruisers, 4; Gunboats and destroyers, 12; Ten steamers, besides small steamers 25 of which need slight repair. The original garrison at Port Arthur is now estimated to have been almost 50,000 men. About 13,000 wounded Russians will be brought to Japan. Confused reports reach Tokyo of the condition of the buildings at Port Arthur.

PRIESTS WILL NOT MARRY DIVORCED

Ministers of Episcopal Church in Kansas City Unite to Check Divorce Evil. Declare They Will Not Marry Any Man Who Has Living Wife. Kansas City, Jan. 14.—The following has been signed by every priest in active work in the Episcopal Diocese of Kansas City: "We, the undersigned clergy, in view of the magnitude of the divorce evil, hereby give notice that we will not solemnize Holy matrimony in any case in which either party has a husband or wife living who has been divorced for any cause arising after the marriage."

CHARLOTTE BANKS LEAD THE STATE IN CAPITAL, SURPLUS

Our Banking Institutions are far in the Lead as to Loans and Discounts. An Interesting Batch of Figures From Four Leading Cities.

In the Matter of Deposits and Surplus, Charlotte Leads Raleigh and Greensboro Combined. Wilmington Leads the State in Deposits.

Charlotte has long been recognized as the leading banking center of the State. This distinction is indeed a creditable one and the figures that the News presents today will do doubt open the eyes of those who are inclined to be skeptical along this line. A News representative called on Capt. A. G. Brenner, cashier of the Commercial National Bank, this morning, and asked for the comparative statements of the banking institutions in the four principal cities of North Carolina, Charlotte, Wilmington, Raleigh and Greensboro. In a few minutes the figures were forthcoming. The figures presented below were compiled up to September, 1904, and are absolutely correct up to that date, if the last three months of the past year were taken into account, Charlotte would still lead by even a larger margin than up to the record made in September.

KAISER ON STOESEL. Says Russian General is a Model For Soldiers, Admired by All the World.

Berlin, Jan. 13.—In a letter asking the Czar's consent to decorate General Stoessel, Emperor William writes: "The defense of Port Arthur will remain forever an example for the soldiers of all peoples. The hero who commanded your faithful troops is admired in my army and by me. In order to give expression to our sympathy and admiration for General Stoessel and his valiant troops I hope for your consent to confer on him the order of Pour le Merite, our highest military decoration, founded by Frederick the Great. I shall grant the same honor to his brave opponent, General Nogi."

TROUBLE IN CONGO. Reported That All Whites on Upper River Have Been Slain.

Berlin, Jan. 13.—An uprising of natives has occurred in the Congo Free State, according to missionary advices to the Tagliche Rundschau. The centre of the trouble is in the upper reaches of the Congo river, where, it is reported, all the whites have been murdered. Catholic missionaries and missions are said to have suffered especially.

FIRE AT APEX. Destroys Several Important Business Houses—Supposed To Be Work of Burglars.

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 14.—Fire started at 9 o'clock this morning in the Post-office, destroying Town Hall, stores of Hunter & Olive, Wayland Matthews, the Apex Feed Co., The Apex Publishing Co., and the offices of W. F. Utleys and Dr. H. U. Utley. The loss is \$10,000. It is believed that burglars started the fire to destroy evidences of their burglary. As yet there is no clue.

Earl of Cairns Dead. Cause of Death Not Disclosed.

Cannes, Jan. 14.—The Earl of Cairns was found dead in bed in the Union Club today, the cause attributed to heart disease. The Earl when he was Viscount of Garmyle, was defendant in the noted breach of promise case and had to pay Miss Portescue, actress, \$50,000. He was born in 1863; not married.

Chance to Save the Indians. New York, Jan. 14.—With the removal of a considerable part of her cargo, the steamer Indus today rested on almost even keel. It is believed there is a good chance to save the wrecked vessel if the weather continues favorable.

Robbers Shoot a Merchant. Muncie, Ind., Jan. 13.—Two robbers attempting to crack the safe in the Postoffice in the Red Key, 15 miles from here, were surprised by J. C. Turpin, a merchant this morning. The robbers shot Turpin, probably fatally. A posse is in pursuit.

DOUGLAS TRIES TO SETTLE THE STRIKE

For a Conference Between Fall River Manufacturers and Representatives of the Strikers. Massachusetts Governor Submits Proposition.

By Associated Press. Boston, Jan. 14.—A conference was today held at the instance of Governor Douglas between a committee of the Cotton Goods Manufacturers of Fall River and representatives of the strikers. Governor Douglas submitted his proposition which, it was understood, was that the strike be declared off and the operatives go back to work immediately, leaving the issues to be disposed of in some manner to be declared upon at today's conference.

SMOOT TRIAL PROCEEDS. One Witness Does Not Seem Disposed to Answer Questions Asked.

By Associated Press. Washington, Jan. 14.—Hugh M. Douglas, of Springfield, Utah, who was expelled from the Mormon church in 1874 or 1875, testified in the Smoot investigation today. Chairman Burrows asked the witness to state the nature of the ceremony performed when he was married in the endowment house. Mr. Douglas replied: "I do not believe I care to tell that."

GEN. M. C. BUTLER MARRIES. Former Senator From South Carolina Marries Mrs. Walter Whitman This Morning in New York.

New York, Jan. 14.—Gen. Matthew C. Butler, formerly United States Senator from South Carolina, and Mrs. Walter Whitman, of New York, were married today in St. George church by Rev. Dr. V. S. Rainsford. Only a few friends of General and Mrs. Butler were present. The bride was given away by Patrick Calhoun, Perry Belmont was best man. General Butler's home is in Washington.

LOOK OUT LETTER CARRIERS. House Passes Hearst Resolution Calling Upon President to Tell About Political Activity.

By Associated Press. Washington, Jan. 14.—The House passed this morning the resolution introduced by Representative Hearst calling upon the President and the Postmaster-General for information relative to political activity on the part of letter carriers. The House then considered private pension bills.

MURRAY CASE NOT ENDED. Nothing New in the Case Today—The State Has Rested Its Case—Trial Continued Next Week.

Special to The News. Durham, N. C., Jan. 14.—Nothing new occurred today in the Murray case. The State has rested its case after the examination of 12 witnesses. The attorneys for the defense have put on the same number to noon today. The case cannot be finished until next week.

BATTLE IN KENTUCKY. Feud of Many Years Standing Culminates in Meeting in Which Leaders Are Killed.

By Associated Press. Cincinnati, O., Jan. 14.—A Special Agent from Whitesburg, Ky., says: At Holman, this county, feud factions led respectively by W. Roark and Henry Holcomb, have met and the two men named killed, as well as John Holcomb. Buford Holcomb is wounded, probably mortally. The trouble originated in the murder of one of the Roark's sons years ago. The two factions have been armed and in for a meeting for several weeks.

One Car Doubles Him Up. Shenandoah, Pa., Jan. 14.—Luke Dowling, a driver at Indian Ridge Colliery, had a thrilling and narrow escape from being ground to death under mine cars this afternoon. While the cars were in motion he slipped and fell under them, but, with rare presence of mind, stretched at full length on the bed of the track, allowing six cars to pass over him safely.

To Jail For Quoting Job. Sunbury, Pa., Jan. 14.—For quoting the Bible story of Job, Samuel Esabach, of Watsonport, today, to serve a sentence of six months, the Federal court stating that the prisoner had perverted and misapplied the Scriptures.

Ex-mayor of Charlottesville Condemned to Die January 20th, Wants Time to Settle up Business Affairs. Governor Will Be Asked to Commute.

By Associated Press. Richmond, Va., Jan. 14.—Counsel for J. Samuel McCue, former mayor of Charlottesville, sentenced to be hanged on January 20th for the murder of his wife, announce that they will ask Governor Montague for a short respite in order that the condemned man may be able to settle certain affairs in which several persons are interested. It is understood that Mr. McCue's counsel will take advantage of the respite, if granted, to prepare papers asking the governor for a commutation of the sentence or for pardon.

CLERKS WILL HAVE TO EARN SALARIES

Resolution Passes Making Them Serve on Other Committees. Various Bills of Interest and Importance are Introduced in House and Senate.

Special The News. Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 14.—In the House today a resolution introduced by Mr. Williams of Pitt, vigorously advocated by McNinch and Alexander, of Mecklenburg, was adopted requiring the clerks already appointed to committees to serve on other committees without additional compensation. It is a measure for economy. McNinch declared that it was a waste to pay men \$4 a day when around town they do nothing, he said, but keep records on the committee, and are scarcely doing an hour's work a day. The committee on mills will make assignments for clerks now in service.

JAPAN TO BE PEACFUL. Pledge to That Effect Given by Ex-Minister in London.

London, Jan. 13.—"I am in a position to declare positively in the name of Japan," said ex-Minister of Interior Baron Suyenaltzu, Marquis Ito's son-in-law, in an address to the Central Asian Society tonight. "That when the present war ends Japan will honestly and faithfully pursue a policy of peace, no matter in what way the contest may terminate. "The 'yellow peril' agitation is senseless, mischievous. The basic principle of Chinese civilization is essentially pacific and Japan only desires to press onward in the same path of civilization as the countries of the West."

Fox Saved by Freight Train. Slatetale, Pa., Jan. 14.—A fox, chased by a hound this morning, headed for the Berks & Lehigh Railroad. A freight train came along at a moderate pace. The fox dodged underneath a car and got through safely on the other side. The hound attempted to follow, but was caught and killed.

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CHARLOTTE. Capital and Deposits Loans and Discounts

Table with 4 columns: Institution Name, Capital, Deposits, Loans and Discounts. Rows include Charlotte National, Commercial National, First National, Merchants and Farmers, Southern States Trust Co., Southern Loan and Savings Bank, etc.

WILMINGTON. Capital and Deposits Loans and Discounts

Table with 4 columns: Institution Name, Capital, Deposits, Loans and Discounts. Rows include Atlantic National, Atlantic Trust & Banking Co., Merchants National Bank, People's Saving, Wilmington Savings & Trust Co., etc.

RALEIGH. Capital and Deposits Loans and Discounts

Table with 4 columns: Institution Name, Capital, Deposits, Loans and Discounts. Rows include Citizen's National, Commercial and Farmers, Mechanics Dime Savings, National Bank of Raleigh, Carolina Trust Co., Raleigh Loan and Trust Co., Raleigh Savings Bank, etc.

GREENSBORO. Capital and Deposits Loans and Discounts

Table with 4 columns: Institution Name, Capital, Deposits, Loans and Discounts. Rows include City National Bank, Greensboro National Bank, Greensboro Loan and Trust Co., People's Five Cent Savings Bank, Southern Loan and Trust Co., etc.

A SPLENDID SHOWING. The News has never made more satisfactory gains in circulation than during 1904. Never in its history has it had so many expressions of approval and commendation from its readers. A comparative sworn statement of actual average circulation for the past three years shows the circulation to have been as follows: SEE HOW IT GROWS. Year: 1902 (972,885), 1903 (1,107,505), 1904 (1,264,674), Dec. '04 (120,535). Average each day: 3118, 3538, 4027, 4464. FIGURES TELL THE TALE. These figures show the gain for each year to have been as follows: Gain 1903 over 1902 (420), Gain 1904 over 1903 (489), Gain Dec. 1904 over Dec. 1903 (859). These figures show that we have nearly 1000 more subscribers today than we had the same day last year. If the News was a good advertising proposition then it is Nearly 25 Per Cent. Better Now. These figures tell the whole story. We cannot find words sufficient to express our appreciation of the splendid support given us by the people. NEWS PUBLISHING COMPANY, W. C. DOWD, Prest. and Gen. Manager.