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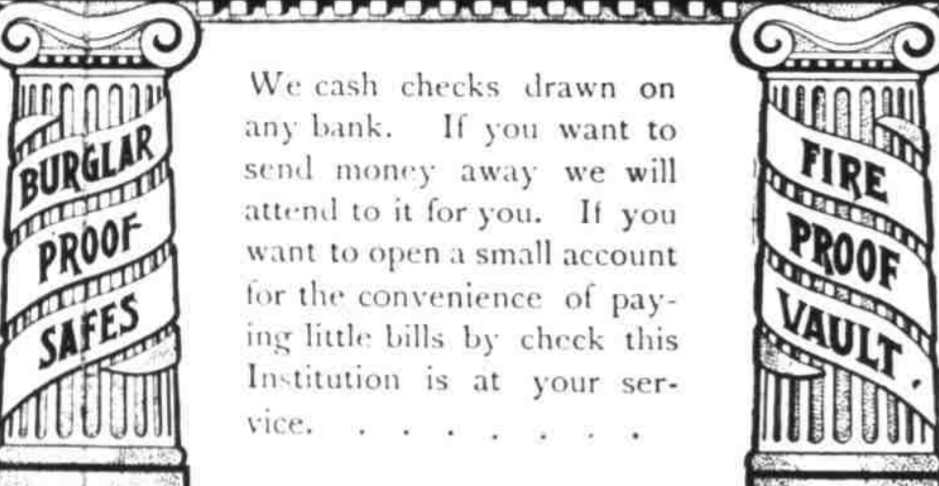
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THE WAR AT AN END

JAPAN YIELDED, AS FORETOLD. ARMISTICE SIGNED BEHIND VEILS.

Witte Went to Day's Conference Far From Hopeful and Was Strained by Komura's Yielding. Not Only the Indemnity Question, but Minor Disputed Points—Lasting Peace Believed to be Assured, If Not Alliance Treaty Expected to be Ready by End of Week.

PORTSMOUTH, N. H., Aug. 29.—The long and bloody war between Japan and Russia is ended. The terms of peace were settled by Mr. Witte and Baron Komura at the sessions of the conference this morning, and this afternoon preliminary arrangements for an armistice were concluded and the actual work of framing the "Treaty of Portsmouth" was by mutual agreement, turned over to Mr. De Marten's Russia's great international lawyer, and Mr. Dennison, who for 25 years has acted as the legal advisor of the Japanese Foreign Office.

The treaty is expected to be completed by the end of the week.

This happy conclusion of the conference, which a week ago, would have been shipwrecked had it not been for the heroic intervention of President Roosevelt, was sudden and dramatic.

For the sake of peace, Japan, with the magnanimity of a victor, at the last moment yielded everything still in issue. Russia refused to budge from the ultimatum that Nicholas had given to President Roosevelt through Ambassador Meyer. No indemnity under any guise, but an agreement to divide Sakhalin and reimburse Japan for the maintenance of the Russian prisoners, were his last words. They had been repeatedly reiterated in Mr. Witte's instructions, and in the form of a written reply to the Japanese compromise proposals of last Wednesday they were delivered to Baron Komura this morning.

Baron Komura gave way on all the disputed points. With the presence that has enabled the Japanese to enjoy the mental processes of their adversaries on the field of battle and upon the seas, they had realized in advance that peace could be obtained in no other way. They had their government. President Roosevelt had also, it is said, advised Japan that it was better to meet the Russian positions than to take the responsibility of continuing the war for the purpose of collecting tribute. The Mikado, at the session of the cabinet and elder statesmen yesterday, had sanctioned the final concession: When Baron Komura yielded, the rest was mere child's play.

Although Mr. Witte is not a diplomatist, they declare that he has outmaneuvered the Japanese, yielding one by one to the conditions until he forced them into a corner on the main issue of indemnity and left them to escape except surrender or to convert the war into a war to collect tribute. The Russians declared that diplomatically the Japanese made their colossal blunder when they agreed to consider the conditions certain.

Baron Komura following the rule he has set himself, declined to make any statement, and Mr. Takahira would only say when asked to make a statement:

"For the sake of humanity and civilization, and as we believe, in the interest of both countries and the world, we have made peace."

Mr. Witte said: "The Japanese wanted to take our interned ships, and I have not consented. The Japanese

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wanted to limit our naval power in the Far East, and I have not consented. The Japanese wanted war indemnity or reimbursement of the war; say, demanded it, and I have not consented. The Japanese wanted the Chinese Eastern Railway south of Harbin, but I gave them only the railroad in the possession of their troops south of Chantufu. The Japanese wanted the island of Sakhalin and I refused it, agreeing, however, at the last moment to cede the southern half and then only because I was commanded by my sovereign to yield, and obeyed. Not only do we not pay so much as a kopeck, but we obtain half of Sakhalin, now in their possession. At this morning's meeting I presented my written proposition, which was the Russian ultimatum. It was accepted by the Japanese. I was amazed. Until I was in the conference room I did not think what would happen. I could not anticipate such a great and happy issue. It was a crisis. I had made up my mind not to strike out a letter of the ultimatum I submitted. So far as I was concerned, it was ended. But I could not tell how it would work on the Japanese mind. It was a complete victory for us."

POLICE PROTECTION IN RURAL DISTRICTS.

Mrs. W. H. FULTON, In Atlanta Journal.

I frequently get letters from the people of the State asking my co-operation in securing reform measures or better legislation. Many subjects are noted in these letters. Among them I select the following from to-day's mail:

"Dear Madam: Duplicates write an open letter to the present house of representatives—write to the individuals if possible in regard to passing a country patrol measure for the protection of rural homes."

"I think such a bill was killed in the last legislature. I do feel the need of such a measure. I live a full mile distant from any white family. During the fall and winter I am obliged to be away from home until after nightfall."

"There is a lot of shooting going on. The public highway has much pistol shooting after night. There is nobody to investigate such matters as it now stands. These offenders should be rebuked or brought to trial. Do all you can on this line. I am a constant reader of your letters or articles in The Journal and a great admirer of your writings."

"Wishing you many, many years of continued usefulness, I am truly yours, FULTON."

There is not a day of life that I do not recognize the necessity for some organization of the farmer class in rural districts for the better protection of the helpless and innocent, who are not safe in their own homes when they are necessarily left alone by the male members of their respective households. There should be some prevention of crime as well as frequent or prompt punishment of criminals.

I have urged this question so often, so persistently and apparently so hopelessly, that I am almost despairing as to my capacity for arousing public sentiment on this subject.

The land is full of illness and vagrancy. Idlers and vagrants are a menace to the peace of the community. There should be some authority in the land by which these roving characters can be overlooked. We have a vagrant law on the statute books now by which authority is given to take up and examine such persons but there seems to be no officer charged with such duty—or perhaps nobody is paid to do the work and what is everybody's business is nobody's business and all goes by default.

To carry out this vagrant law there must be enough capable persons engaged to do the work of supervision. In every district there should be several men ready for service all the time and the various squads should be drilled and disciplined under proper rules and regulations. It might be called patrol duty and the members of this patrol force might be exempted from other civic duties such as road working, etc., while they were liable for this patrol service for the common good.

I am not competent to frame a bill to cover the point I am here to emphasize, but in plain words, I do not hesitate to say there should be organized bodies of men, of good character and prudence who will be on the qui vive for questionable people and they could be utilized also to aid the sheriff in locating criminals after foul deeds are perpetrated.

I felt helpless and in a measure wronged when nobody instituted a search for the vicious creature who set an incendiary fire in our barn and crib a few years ago and destroyed so many farm animals, and so much property went up in smoke within thirty minutes. Doubtless there were people who

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were sorry for us but there was nothing done to ferret out the criminal, although there were tracks and suspicious vagrants in the vicinity. Do give some protection to helpless women and children, legislators!

It makes me tired when I see tax money hung around for all sorts of schemes and yet no white farmer's wife or daughter is safe to walk the public highway alone, and they should be given some sort of protection in their homes, that they may not quake and tremble in their helpless condition every time husbands and fathers go to the field to plow, reap or sow their crops as husbandmen.

If it was generally understood that suspicious characters must give an account of themselves and every stranger would be required to state his business or be found engaged in some sort of work that is lawful or common to the country, there would be no difficulty in applying this moribund vagrant law for the safety of homes and peace-loving households. But the law ought to be stricken out if it is a dead letter because of neglect or insufficient authority to enforce its provisions.

I am satisfied that poor Mr. and Mrs. Holbrook would be alive today if it was not a fact that no effort was made to protect the helpless and aged or preserve the peace until an awful crime of brutal murder and robbery had been perpetrated on an innocent and harmless couple of citizens, who were massacred by a gang of well known wretches in the neighborhood in cold blood. Such a lawless gang should not have been tolerated in a law-abiding community long before that aged couple were murdered in their own home.

The foul deed must be done it appears, and the helpless can be strengthened before there is any sort of effort made to protect the people who are still alive and able to cry out in horror at such outrages.

The old proverb reads: "An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure."

What a pity it is that our people have not the foresight and prudence which would go such a long way towards the preservation of human life and relieve the anxiety of those who are terrorized by reason of their helplessness!

Terms of Peace Arranged.

Charlotte Observer, 30th.

The war in the Far East is to come to an end. The terms of peace were agreed upon at Portsmouth yesterday by the envoys representing Japan and Russia. Russia cedes half of the island of Sakhalin to Japan and pays no indemnity. These are the two prominent facts in the case—the balance is detail. The result is a triumph for Russian tenacity and diplomacy. Beaten in war, the Muscovite has largely retrieved the fortunes lost in the field and on the sea by the clear victory won in the arena of diplomacy. The Japanese envoys would not of themselves have made the bargain which ends the war. Their course was mapped out at Tokio by the Emperor, the cabinet and the elder statesmen, and the envoys had but to follow it. The world, however, is concerned not with the details, but the main fact—the fact that there is to be peace. And, however reluctantly, every candid mind must admit that for this the chief credit is due to President Roosevelt. It was he who promoted the peace conference and he who held the envoys together when, several times, further negotiations seemed useless. It was his insistence that, on these occasions, secured further conference, he keeping in communication all the while with Tokio and St. Petersburg, and these further conferences have eventuated in peace, which at times appeared impossible. Not Japan and Russia alone, but the world, is the debtor of the President of the United States, and the people of the country, without regard to party, may well feel pride in the glory with which he has crowned his name.

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SAM JONES' LETTER.

Atlanta Journal.

I am writing this letter en route from Chicago to old Salem Coahuatqua, near Petersburg, Ill. These fast trains run smoothly on the splendid roadbeds, and heavy steel rails.

For the first time in my life I find myself getting a little dubious of these railroad accidents and those Missouri storms. The railroad wrecks or the storms have neither got any blood out of me yet, but I have this year made several near-death escapes.

The traffic is so heavy both in freight and passengers that I wonder sometimes that there is not more accidents and wrecks. The modern safety appliances and good management as well as good luck keeps us out of many a wreck.

I am glad to note some improvement in the yellow fever situation in New Orleans, but sorry to see that the reports outside of the city are not encouraging. It's an awful strain and draft on a community to go through an epidemic of yellow fever.

This is a great big country in which we live, and when one section is stricken other sections offer climate and refuge to the stricken ones.

Colonel John Temple Graves, for the United States Senate. Georgia has no cleaner character or broader-brained man than John Temple Graves. He is worthy and well qualified. Senator Bacon is a lawyer and logician, and stands at the forefront in the upper house of congress. Wonder if Georgia will have a primary on the United States Senate candidacy? If so, Colonel Graves is the winner. He speaks as well as he lives. Tom Watson, Sam Small and Seab Wright are the only three men in Georgia who can hold their own on the stump with John Temple. Colonel Graves has as much right to run for and as many good qualities to fill such a post of honor as any man I know.

Go it, gentlemen, I admire you both, and would be satisfied with either. Governor Bob Taylor and Senator Carmack, Tennessee, are grooming for a race like that in Tennessee and they will have warm times. Bob with his fiddle and bow, and infinite fund of funny stories, the general good nature and inimitable memory, moves smoothly with the crowd on board as a board on a smooth sea. But Carmack is the 20th century limited on land. A blast of his whistle means clear the track or take the ditch. Bob Taylor is a succession of zephyrs that fans the brow and soothes the soul. Carmack is a cyclone. Bob has humor, Carmack sarcasm. Bob stirs the sensibilities and Carmack stirs your sense. Bob will give them warm pudding, Carmack cold steel. Bob is good on the stump, Carmack great. Bob is the choice candidate, Carmack the choice Senator. If they join in debate over the State I predict—

So, come into the arena Colonel Graves. We all despise a dull time. If an office worth having it's worth running for, against all odds and all comers. I'll tip my hat to the victor and weep with the one that weeps, so to speak.

I only desire for my country that every office be filled by a clean, noble, true man, who thinks more of principle than he does of party.

"Aye" said Youth, "it must be hard to get along without a woman."

"There is only one thing harder," replied Cynicus.

"And that?"

"To get along with one."

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