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JAP WAR VESSELS DESTROYED BY ACCIDENT

Yoshino Rammed by the Kasuga and Sunk--Battleship Hatsuse Ran on Mine and Went to the Bottom--Many of the Crews Perished

mine ten knots southeast of the river. It says:

fields 41/2 inches in thickness. The ulser's speed was estimated to be menty-three knots, her coal capacity ras 1,000 tons and her crew numbered

The cruiser with which the Yoshino slided may be the Kasaga (or Kamgi), a cruiser of 5,416 tons, built in threak of the war.

The Hatsuse was a battleship of red 741 men.

Disaster as Reported in Washington

Washington, May 19 .- An official rert from Tokio of the sinking of two nese boats by collision and mines s received at the Japanese legation afternoon. The dispatch says: Admiral Togo reports that while the

Has Decided to Take Indirect

Preliminary Steps and

Asks Subordinates to

Report on Violations

of Interstate Law

Washington, May 19.—Special.—At-

Trust and he has decided to

life indirect preliminary steps in the

tatter and his subordinates have been

erected to report as to whether pro-

mamerce and the restraint of trade.

Patternen represent the tobacco plant-

institute proceedings against the law.

wilnes shall be inaugurated for viola- The dpartment is doing business

an of the law pertaining to inter-state through one of its district attorneys.

are members of the House of Rep- the peons of Alabama wherein the de-

Mentatives from districts in Tennes- partment took the initative and inves-

En Kentucky, North Carolina and tigater the matter direct, with a fund

to who claim that the trust, other- shall be brought out respecting the

the British American Tobacco operations of the tobacco trust in its

Limited, is pursuing its bus- alleged discrimination against the to-

Ther states growing tobacco. These which it has for that purpose.

Knox Urged to Indict

Tokio. May 19.-Vice-Admiral Togo third squadron was returning from Port Arthur on the 15th during a deep for a change of sentence to life im- on the gallows the prisoner advised A report from Rear Admiral Dewa fog the cruiser Yoshino was struck by prisonment. It looks now as if there all his hearers to profess religion, as he that the cruisers Kasuga and the cruiser Kasuga off Shantung pro- is to be a hanging in this county, the had done, and hoped they all would estine collided during a fog off Port montory and was sunk. Ninety of her May 15th. The Yoshino crew were saved. The same day, when ank only ninety of her crew being ten miles southeast of Laotoshan with other vessels, the battleship Hatsuse gring details of the disaster, Vice- was struck by a floating mechanical mine and sunk. Just then the Rusat fourteen minutes past one in the sian fiotilla, consisting of sixteen tor- have been summoned up to this time. of May 15th, in a dense fog pedo boats and destroyers, approached, These witnesses are wanted to ascer-Fort Arthur, the Kasuga rammed but were repulsed by the Japanese tain if there is any whiskey being sold Yoshino, sinking the latter in a cruisers, who saved three hundred of in this county, and if so who is doing Ninety of her crew were the Hatsuse's crew, including Admiral the selling. What information the jury Nashelo and Captain Nakao."

same morning the Hatsuse, The legation has also received a dis- and presentments will be sent up to the cruising off Port Arthur, cover- patch giving an account of the Jap- the court at the end of the session. the landing of the soldiers, struck anese losses in the battle of the Yalu Two suits for damage have been in- terian church. Several hundred dele-

dred of her crew were saved by tor- 218, including five officers, and wound- last March, one Sunday night, Leathers ed 783, including 33 officers. Thirteen went to the Edgemont drug store and The Yoshino was a cruiser of 4,180 hundred and sixty-three Russian while the head clerk was out puras displacement and 15,000 indicated corpses were buried by the Japanese chased what he thought was Jamaica se-power. She was built in Eng- forces and 613 Russian prisoners were ginger from a young clerk. The purwas launched in 1892, was 350 taken. Guns and ammunition of war chase proved to be bella donna, and et long, had 461/2 feet beam and her captured consisted of two 13-inch the two men who had the thirst that aft was 17 feet. Her armament con- quick-firing guns, eight quick-firing called for Jamaica ginger came very sted of four 6-inch guns, eight 4.7- machine guns, 1,021 rifles, a number of near "passing in their checks." Now the runs and twenty-three 3-pound- horses and a large quantity of ammu- they want pay for the terrible "mental she had five torpedo tubes, her nition, clothing tents, etc. At Fen- and bodily sufferings." The cases will nored deck was 41/2 inches thick and chuang quantities of ammunition, be heard later in the year. gun positions were protected by clothing and provisions were captured."

Story Told by Russian Refugees

Chefoo, May 19.-Thirteen Russian refugees from Dalny assert that during a bombardment of Port Arthur on Monday, after the Japanese battleship Shikishima and cruiser Asama struck Philadelphia in 1897-'98, or it may be mines and sank. The refugees assert armored cruiser Kasuga, formerly that the Russian commander at Dalny Morino, purchased from Argentina showed them a telegram from Port Italy and taken by British officers Arthur giving the news of the sinking ith the Nisshinin, bought by Japan of the Japanese ships. They say that am Argentina, and formerly the Riv- the Russian torpedo boats went out of lavia to Japan, just previous to the the harbor, but retired when the Jap-

anese received reinforcements. The entrance of the harbor, they say, tons displacement and of the was completely blocked for some time, stest model. She was only completed but the sunken steamships that blocked 1900, was built in England, was 400 it were removed. This made a passet lond, had 761/2 feet beam, drew 27 age, but a dangerous one. The fleet of water, had 16,300 indicated has been ordered to remain in the harse-power and was fitted with water- bor until the arrival of Admiral Skrydboilers. She was completely ar- loff. The refugees made a statement rei with steel; her armament con- to the Russian consul in which they sted of four 12-inch guns, fourteen modified their story somewhat. They h guns, twenty 12-pounders, eight said it was the battleship Fuji, not the unders and four 21/2-pounders. She Asama, which struck a mine. She was four torpedo tubes. Her estimated | righted, according to their story, and was 19.11 knots. Her crew num- cruisers towed her off, but it was not believed that she could reach port. They declared that the Shikishima sank within two minutes after striking the mine.

The Russians Seem Bewildered

(Continued on page .2.)

"Yours respectfully,

In this case the same procedure is

being followed as in the merger case.

Some criticism is manifested on the

"It is intended that the full facts

"P. C. KNOX."

ALBERT POWELL TO HANG JUNE 30

No Ground for Appeal-Other Murderer of F. G. Simmons An American Citizen and a Matters in Durham Court

first since the county was formed.

The grand jury is making the "boys". skip around this week. Yesterday and today officers have been searching the county for witnesses ordered before the grand jury. Probably one hundred

FRANK DAVIS HANGED

Condomned Man Declared His Innocence to the Last

Kinston, N. C., May 19.-Special. Frank Davis was hanged here today between twelve and one o'clock. The execution took place in the county jail and was strictly private, only the physicians, necessary assistants, guards, and the required number of good and lawful citizens to witness the due execution of the law, together with the officers, were present. Davis was convicted of the murder of Chas. Pate at the November term 1903 of Lenoir superior court. The case was appealed to the supreme court and the lower court was affirmed. Davis declared to the last that he was innocent.

The Mormons Must Rally to Roosevelt and Save the Day

Salt Lake City, Utah, May 19 .- Senator Reed Smoot made a remarkable appeal to an audience composed en-London, May 19 .- It is reported that tirely of Mormons last night. In his Cossacks have destroyed the bridge at address the apostle declared that by Dr. Tayloe of this city and Dr. Hun-Roosevelt could not carry New York, and that the Mormons must rally to his support, carry Utah and save the day for the Republican ticket. Apostle the Tobacco Trust Roosevelt cannot carry New York, coming from him, is considered excathedra. In fact, it is stated that 10th, relative to the British American Senator Smoot's urgent appeal to the Tobacco Company, Limited, I have referred it with its enclosures to Mr. Utah apostles was the result of a conattorney for the middle district of Tenfurther direction to report such evi- Roosevelt. dence to me with his opinion as to its

The Registrar Cases

being General Knox is being pressed efficiency to establish a violation of Asheville, N. C., May 19.-Special. In the federal court yesterday evening the bonds of registrars Farrell and Bumgardner, who were indicted in 1902 for refusing to register negroes, were renewed and the cases set for hearing at the November term of court. This is the fourth time the cases have been The complainants to Mr. Knox in the ground in other cases, notably that of continued and the bonds renewed. It was said today that the case against registrar John Simpson of Rutherford county, would be called in the United States court at Charlotte next month.

Restraining Order Asked

their detriment in deflance of bacco growers and if possible a case he has recently construed by the made out against it. The department, In Rowan superior court here today a yond bent axles and shattered beams. court in the railroad merger however, appears to be only nominally petition was filed before Judge Justice The derailed cars were replaced by They have appealed to the at- interested in the proposition and has asking for a temporary restraining or- the train crew, assisted by Section- is a Japanese protege. He is no corious-They general to act and judging from not entered into the spirit of the pro- der against the town of Spencer to master B. O. Garvin and the local ly dishonorable, as he has proved in several civil positions. Last January forts are not without some de- arouse the highest hopes of those de- ing its taxes as levied last year. It is train inspection. Passenger traffic was he was a major, but has already been of success. Representatives Gain- siring a prosecution in the courts. In claimed the rate is in conflict with the delayed about an hour and a half. promoted to be a general and vice min-Tennessee this morning was in fact many believe that the tobacco general state law governing rates. The Conductor Waddell was in charge of ister of war. The following letter from the trust may be one of those against action was made returnable at a later the train, and Engineer Field of the Foreigners are surprised at the unwhich the administration is not going date, and the result of the injunction engine. The cause of the accident was scrupulous gang of Coreans forced into evidence that even the coolies hold the

ALFRED DANIELS ENTERS ETERNITY

Has Paid the Penalty

Durham, N. C., May 19 .- Special .- Al- New Bern, N. C., May 19 .- Special. bert Powell, a negro charged with Alfred Daniels the murderer of Furnicriminally assaulting his own daugh- fold G. Simmons, who was shot down ter, has been sentenced to hang on on his plantation in September 1903 June 30th. He was sentenced last night while driving trespassers from hunting just before dark, the jury returning a on his land, was hanged today in Trenverdict after being out of the court ton, the county seat of Jones. Danroom elighteen minutes. No appeal jels was carried to the gallows about will be taken to the supreme court, as 1:35 p. m. and at 1:38 the trap fell. one of the lawyers appointed to defend The prisoner hung for twenty-two minthe negro said there was nothing on utes before he was pronounced dead. which to appeal. Judge Cooke and It is said Daniels confessed while in Solicitor Brooks have both refused to jail that he shot Mr. Simmons, but sign a petition to the governor asking claimed it was in self defense. While

Will Consider Union of Northern and Southern Churches

Mobile, Ala., May 19 .- The forty-

is getting is not known, and a report fourth general assembly of the Southern Presbyterian church convened today in the Government Street Presbystituted against Mr. W. M. Yearby, gates are in attendance. After a serprior entrance. She signaled for "General Kurki reports the exact druggist. These suits are for \$2,500 mon by the retiring moderator, Dr. A. and instantly struck another number of casualties in the battle of each, and are brought by Frank How- C. Hopkins, of the First Presbyterian She sank in half an hour. Three the Yalu on the Japanese side as killed and J. D. Leathers. Some time church of Charleston, W. Va., the assembly was called together and Dr. W. A. Alexander read the roll call of commissioners appointed. The most important matter to come before the assembly is the proposed union of the northern and southern churches. The question of union with the Dutch Reform church will also be considered.

The states of Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas and Virginia are embraced in the general assembly and delegates are present from all. The two negro delegates, both from Alabama, are in attendance. The conference begun last night by the representatives of five theological seminaries supported by the church, was continued today.

The work of the conference is to prepare for the general assembly papers dealing with the management of educational institutions at which young men are prepared for the ministry. The general assembly will be in session ten

TWO MEN STRUCK IN THUNDER STORM

Killed and the Other Knocked Senseless on Railroad

Washington, N. C., May 19 .- Special. On yesterday during a terrible thunder storm a white man by the name of James Boyd was struck by lightning and instantly killed, and another white man named James Sawyer was knocked senseless. Sawyer fell across the track of the log road belonging to Mr. Surry Parker, situated about eight miles from Pinetown, and the log train backing ran over him, mangled his arm to such an extent that it was amputated later

ter of Pinetown. The case of State vs. John Reid and James Moore, for the murder of John Rue is now in progress. The state will Smoot is considered here as one of only ask for a verdict of murder in the President Roosevelt's closest friends second degree. Messrs. Rodman and and advisers, and the statement that Rodman, C. F. Warren and D. F. James of Greenville appear for the defendants.

Delaware Political Battle

Dover, Del., May 19 .- After a well-Abraham M. Tillman, United States ference he held with President Roose- attended meeting here this afternoon, velt early last week, and is the first the Democratic state committee connessee with direction to receive any appeal for help from the Roosevelt cluded to call together the Democrats evidence you may possess or that may managers. The Mormon apostle's of Delaware in state convention on be submitted by you or others, tend- friends give President Roosevelt credit Tuesday, June 7th, after the primaries ing to show a violation of the federal for delaying the Smoot investigation on Saturday, June 4th. Thus the first law relative to restraints on inter- which has been on in Washington, and gun of the campaign in which the state or foreign commerce and with are using this fact to make capital for Delaware Democracy is again to rally to a battle royal with the forces of J. Edward Addicks, who has already begun his biggest fight of all times, for the domination of Delaware and admission to the United States Senate, was fired. Federal Judge George Gray's friends are determined to have the delegation pledged for his support from beginning to end, but the Kansas City platform element of the party is already vigorously fighting the plan.

Wreck at Burlington

Burlington, N. C., May 19 .- Special. The second section of the through freight, No. 172, west-bound, was de- that statesman's recent visit to Seoul. railed at the western end of the yard here at 10:10 this morning. Seven cars loaded with pig-iron were derailed and Salisbury, N. C., May 19 .- Special, ditched, but no damage was done bea splittenile

Two Prominent Men Are Held for Ransom

British Subject in the Hands of Bandits and Held for Ransom

Tangier, Morocco, May 19 .- An American citizen named Perdicaris and his stepson, a British subject, were carried off by the well known bandit, Raisuli and his followers last night and will doubtless be held for a heavy ransom. The captives were staying at Perdicaris' summer residence, only three miles from Tangier, when the bandits attacked and captured them.

Perdicaris is of Greek origin, but is a naturalized citizen of the United States. He is very wealthy and has lived in Tangler for years. He married an English woman, whose son is his companion in captivity.

Foreigners are much excited by this bold raid, so near Tangier, and attribute it to the supineness of the government in failing to punish the bandits who last year captured Walter D. Harris, the correspondent in Morocco, of The London Times, and their failure to deal with general lawlessness in the the Pope's protest to the powers condistrict.

Back up Demands for Release

Washington, May 19 .- The state department received full confirmation of the kidnapping through a cablegram rom United States Concul Gummere, dated at Tangier today. The consul's report is to this effect:

Mr. Perdicaris, a prominent American citizen, long a resident of Tangier, and rich and well known, and his stepson, Mr. Varley, a British subject, were carried off last night from their country house, three miles from Tangier by a large band of native brigands, headed by Raisuli, the bandit, who carried off Mr. Harris last year. The Peridicaris goods. house was broken into about 8:30 o'clock last evening while the family Shut Down for Lack of Orders were in the drawing room and the two men were carried away.

ter have sent a special carrier to the brigands make in this matter and to insist that the terms demanded by Raisuli shall be granted in order to obtain the release of the captives.

Acting Secretary Loomis was in consultation today with Captain Winslow of the navigation bureau, navy department, respecting the dispatch of a United States warship to Tangier to steel car plant of the company is also back up the consul's demand. Of course there are a number of British warships within a few hours sailing and it is understood that as Mr. Gummere is cooperating with the British consel there will be no hesitation on the part of the British government in hurrying a British warship to the scene.

Warships Ordered to Tangiers

with a request from Acting Secretary of State Loomis, acting Secretary of Florence Wrigley, fifteen years old, an the Navy Darling sent a telegram to Tenriffe, Canary Islands, to be delivered to Rear Admiral Chadwick upon bris, being badly hurt. his arrival there, directing him to send a warship of his squadron to Tangiers sent to her commander if necessary. | company and not to the Armitage com-Admiral Chadwick commands the South | pany.

Atlantic squadron and is on his way to Madagascar by the European route, He left San Juan, Porto Rico, on Apri, 14 with the armored cruiser Brooklyn. the cruiser Atlanta and the gunboats Marietta and Castine, the two first bound for Teneriffe and the gunboats for Los Palmos, also in the Canaries. The distance from San Juan is 2,700 miles and the squadron should reach the Canaries by Monday.

The Bandit's Terms for Release

Tangler, May 19 .- Raisuli, the leader of the kidnappers, has written an exultant letter to Mohammid El Torres, the Sultan's foreign minister here demanding the withdrawal of the imperial troops from his district, the release of several of his followers who are in prison here, and the removal of the present Basha. When these demands are complied with he will inform the foreign minister how he intends to dis pose of his captives.

To Recall Ambassador

Paris, May 19.-The Temps says that the government has decided to recall M. Nissard, the French ambassador to the Vatican, if the published text of cerning the slights put upon him by France in connection with President Loubet's visits to Rome shall prove accurate.

Cotton as Contraband

London, May 19 .- In the House of Lords today Lord Lansdowne stated that Sir Charles Harding, British and bassador to Russia, had telegraphed that Russia's notification that she would treat cotton as contraband of war applied only to raw cotton, suita, ble for the manufacture of explosives, It was not meant to apply to piece

Johnstown, Pa., May 19.-The rail Mr. Gummere and the British minis- mill, the nine-inch mill and the plate mill, all departments of the Cambria court to inform the sultan's deputy to Steel Company, are closed down and comply with all the requirements the the employes are idle. The cause of the shut-down is due to lack of orders. Tonight the men employed in the Connemaugh mine of the company were notified that it would shut down indefinitely Saturday. Plans are also being made to bank at least one and perhaps two of the big blast furnaces. The idle and will not be started up for some

Destroyed by Explosion

Newark, N. J., May 19 -- A terrific explosion today in a frame building at the plant of the Armitage Varnish Company on Dawson street destroyed the structure and shattered the win-Washington, May 19 .- In accordance dows for blocks around. The only person known to have been injured was employe of the company. She was it the yard and was struck by flying de John L. Armitage, the head of the

varnish company, says that the buildwhere additional instructions will be ing blown up belongs to the Petrifold

Reeking and Tottering in the Hands of a Weakling

Corean Independence in Shaky Condition-Emperor a Prey to Witches and Fortune Tellers

Palace

Who Infest the

Seoul, via Chefoo, May 19 .- Corean independence is tottering. The court field for a new party and emperor. reeks with intrigues. A weak emperor is appointing and removing a faction desire the return of the Russians betorn cabinet and is concentrating in cause they are ignorant of the worst himself whatever semblance of govern- features of the Russian rule, while they ment the country still possesses. Y-t are sadly aware that Japanese occuhe is a complete prey to the witches and fortune tellers who are infesting entire country. The Japanese aggesthe palace and the victim of two scheming women who enjoy Japanese support. The most powerful of these ranks of three western provinces claimed by as chief concubine and has been para- China. They have also obtained exmount since the empress was murdered. | tensive trading privileges from muni-She is now the first lady in waiting, cipal governments for Japanese com-She has acted as interpreter during imperial audiences and received marked attention from the Marquis Ito during the emperor to move the east palace Today she is recognized as the go-between for Minister Havashi and the emperor. She steadily acquires power and the foreigners' residences. Eleven by pledging her alleged Japanese in- Japanese advisers expect to assume the fluence in support of Ladv Om's aspi- direction of the financial and political ration to the position of empress. Mean- administration within a month. time it is well known that Hyenyungun

ting the failure of similar taction in 1895. Doubt is widespread of the sincerity of the promised reforms, because it is inexplicable why they should be alienating the respectable element and leaving the creation of the new party to discredited politicians.

The numerous recent resignations from the cabinet are largely traceable to fear of the Japanese and their proteges, who refuse to recognize the old officials. The landed families hesitate to fill offices in this transition period, dreading the war and its uncertainties, The Japanese are thus clearing the

The provincial chiefs are reported to pation means the appropriation of the sively control the Corean telegraph system and demands the fishing rights

Minister Havashi repeatedly urges near the Japanese quarters. The emperor fears to leave the imaginary security of the vicinity of the legation

Last Monday Minister Hayashi advised the court that when it undertakes to employ foreign advisers or to renew present contracts it must submit, the proposition to the Japanese legation. The Japanese grip is becoming complete. The Coreans are everywhere suppressed. Daily street scenes giv office by the Japanese, who are forget- cowed there hatives in control.

sir: Replying to your letter of May to "run amuck" very strenuously. is unknown.