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JAPANESE CRUISER DESTROYED.

The Captain and Thirty-Eight Others Went Down With the Ship—Progress of the Bombardment of the Fleet at Port Arthur.

Tokio, Dec. 10.—The Japanese cruiser Saiyen struck a mine and sank November 30.

Fifteen officers and 175 men were rescued. Captain Tajima and thirty eight others went down with the ship.

The Navy Department announces that the Saiyen commanding the detached squadron, while co-operating with the army in bombarding Port Arthur, November 30, struck a Russian mine and was seen to be enveloped in smoke. The gunboat Akigi which was also engaged in shelling Port Arthur immediately ceased firing and went to the rescue of the Saiyen. Finding that the latter was making water rapidly the Akigi anchored near the sinking ship and co-operating with the other Japanese ships, launches succeeded in rescuing fifteen officers and 175 men, but the others went down with the ship.

Tokio, Dec 10.—The Japanese reported at 10 o'clock Friday night as follows:

"Our bombardment today resulted in five hits on the Pobieda and seven on the Bayan setting her on fire and causing a twenty-five degrees list to port. She threatens to keel over at high tide. The upper decks of the Retvizan and Poltaya are submerged to the foot of the conning towers.

"The Pallada is listing considerably to port and the pobieda to starboard, both exposing their hulls below the water hull. At high tide a portion of their upper deck seem to be submerged.

"The Peresviet at high tide has her stern walk and fore torpedo tubes submerged.

"The Giliak is lying close to land near the southern base of Peiyu mountain. She has listed 20 degrees is evidently damaged and is resting on the bottom.

"The Sevastopol left the harbor at dawn and anchored, evidently for the purpose of escaping our bombardment."

Tokio, Dec. 10.—It is rumored here that since the commencement of the bombardment of the Russian fleet in Port Arthur harbor the observers on 203 Metre Hill have seen nothing of the Russian fleet of torpedo boat destroyers, and it is presumed it has taken shelter behind Laoti mountain.

The Japanese fleet lying off the entrance to the harbor is constantly on the alert in anticipation of an attempt being made by any of the Russian warships to escape and seek refuge in some neutral port.

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A. R. FOSHAY

Roxboro, N. C., Dec. 7, 1904.

MONUMENT FOR VIRGINIA DARE.

Movement to Have a Memorial for First English Child Born on American Soil—Board Marks the Grave on Roanoke Island.

NORFOLK, Va., Dec. 12.—Announcement of the fact that the grave of Virginia Dare, the first English child born on American soil, is practically unmarked and uncared for, has aroused interest in a movement here to have erected a suitable memorial to her.

It is probable that H. L. Maynard, Representative in Congress from this district, will be asked to petition Congress for an appropriation to cover the cost of a suitable monument to take the place of the wooden slab which now marks the last resting place of Virginia Dare, on Roanoke Island, N. C.

Roanoke Island is an isolated spot. Comparatively few persons inhabit the island, which is occasionally visited by hunters, especially during the winter season, when duck and other game are plentiful in the waters surrounding the spot. It was upon this island that colonists from Plymouth under command of Governor John White, the grandfather of Virginia Dare, settled in 1587.

Owing to the recent connection by cable communication between Norfolk and the island has become more frequent, and the heretofore isolated spot has been brought into some prominence. Traffic to and from the island will likely increase owing to new transportation facilities, and it is probable that the burial place of Virginia Dare will soon become a Mecca for tourists.

The only mark designating the grave of Virginia Dare is a weather beaten board, placed there by one of the islanders, who happened to be conversant with the facts in the history of Virginia Dare. The grave is located on the southern end of the island.

An early history of North Carolina records the fact that on Aug. 18, 1587, Eleanor Dare, daughter of Governor John White and wife of Ananias Dare (or of the Governor's assistants, gave birth to a girl, the first English child born on American soil, at Roanoke Island, N. C. The child was named Virginia, and on the Sunday following her birth she was christened. There is no reference as to who performed the baptismal rite, nor is there in the list of colonists any name having a prefix or suffix such as would denote that there was a minister among them.

With her birth and christening the history of Virginia Dare begins and ends. History records that soon after her birth her grandfather sailed for England for supplies, and that upon his return no trace of the colonists whom he had left behind could be found.

TAXES—TAXES!

I am forced to collect the taxes of Person county in order that I may comply with the law and settle with the State Jan. 1st 1905. All persons owing taxes will please come forward and settle same at once, otherwise I will have to place them in the hands of my deputies, which will add cost to which you already owe.

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Very respectfully,
S. P. SATTERFIELD,
Agent Penn Mutual.

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