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WAR IMMINENT.

The Fleet of Japan is Preparing for Action.

Will Not Submit to Russia's Occupation of China. The Celestial Empire in an Uneasy State. Washington Officials on the Crisis.

LONDON, December 29—A special dispatch from Shanghai, dated yesterday, says:

"It is reported that a Japanese fleet of over twenty warships is waiting near Goto Island, outside Nagasaki, fully equipped for war and only awaiting instructions. This includes the Yashima and the Fuji, two of the finest vessels in the Japanese navy, and the Chen-Yuen that was captured from China.

"The Japanese fleet, it is understood, is acting in close touch with the British squadron under Vice-Admiral Sir Alexander Buller, commander-in-chief on the China station.

Japan will certainly oppose a permanent Russian occupation of Port Arthur. The sudden dissolution of the Japanese Diet was owing to the war spirit. It is expected that the Japanese fleet will attempt to prevent the landing of reinforcements from Odessa for the protection of the Russian trans-Asiatic railway in Manchuria."

YOKOHAMA, December 29—Owing to the failure of the premier, Marquis Saigo to reconstruct the cabinet all the members of that body resigned.

The newspapers demand the formation of a very strong ministry, capable of coping with the situation in the East.

PEKIN, Dec. 28.—The German question is unsettled. China's difficulty is increased owing to the uncertainty of the attitude of the powers. Germany's withdrawal from Kiao Chau bay is said to be conditional upon her finding a suitable naval station elsewhere. China is becoming alarmed at the present situation. The government appears to be utterly powerless. No answer has been received from Russia concerning the proposed loan. There are calamitous forebodings connected with the sun's eclipse on the Chinese new year day.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—The Japanese minister has not yet been advised of the resignation of the entire cabinet, and he feels that while the resignation may have been tendered, the Emperor will not accept them unless it becomes apparent that an entirely new cabinet under Marquis Ito can be formed. Marquis Ito has been in private life much of the time since his notable achievements during the China-Japan war, and it is not believed he is ready to return to the cabinet. He is strong with all parties, however, and has the people behind him, so that he may again assume the premiership if the emergencies demand it. The Yokohama dispatch refers to Marquis Saigo as the present premier, which is said at the legation to be an inaccuracy, as Marquis Matsugata has been premier up to this time, with Marquis Saigo as minister of marine.

The reference in the dispatch to the public sentiment in Japan for a strong ministry, capable of coping with the situation in the East is one of the first intimations direct from Japan that she may take a hand in the controversy centering in China. While he has received no official advices as to the purposes of his government Mr. Hoshi expresses the personal conviction that Japan will not be quick to enter into the controversy, but will maintain an independent and neutral attitude for the present, at least.

SNAKES TURNED LOOSE.

Huge Constrictor and Pythons Living in Chicago. May Turn Up Where Not Wanted.

CHICAGO, Dec. 28th. A huge boaconstrictor and two deadly pythons escaped from their cages during the fire which destroyed the Coliseum and if the reptiles have not succumbed to the cold they are now gliding around somewhere in Jackson park.

The snakes were owned by Lou Nickells, the old time showman, and were brought to Chicago and placed on exhibition at the Coliseum but a few days ago. The reptiles were the largest of their species in captivity and before they passed into the possession of Mr. Nickells were exhibited throughout the country by Barnum & Bailey.

When the fire started one of Mr. Nickell's employes was in the cage cleaning it, and becoming excited at the clouds of smoke pouring through the building, neglected to close the door of the cage, when he jumped to the floor.

Mr. Geimas fled and when he reached the exit turned and beheld the three snakes gliding rapidly over the floor and a moment later the reptiles passed into the open air, the boaconstrictor leading the way and the two pythons following closely behind.

The reptiles passed around the corner of the burning structure and when last seen were making for the Midway.

The boaconstrictor measured fourteen feet and weighed 210 pounds. The two pythons were five feet in length and were of the most deadly kind. The reptiles were valued at $2,000 by Mr. Ickells.

The association of academies closed its session yesterday, but will meet with the Teachers' Assembly in the summer.

AT THE STATE CAPITAL.

Insane Man Escaped. Unpicked Cotton on State Farms. Revenue Collection Good. Otho Wilson Is Happy.

JOURNAL BUREAU,
RALEIGH, N. C., Dec. 28.

There are many prominent educators here to attend the meeting of the association of academies. Prof. Hugh Morson of the Raleigh Male Academy is president of the association, and welcomed the members to our city. The paper on "Athletics in the secondary schools" presented by Prof. Oldham was one full of interest. The association adjourns tomorrow.

One of the inmates of the insane asylum here escaped on Monday. It is E. H. Baker of Youngsville, and he left coat and shoes. With the weather as bitter cold as it is here the authorities fear he may have frozen to death.

Last week was a gay week for society people here, but this week is the banner gala week of the year. There are card parties, dances and club meetings piled up on each other every night. No one here who is "in the swim" can complain of "dull Raleigh" at the winding up of the year 1897.

There is a prospect that the street car line, going out to the eastern part of the city, will be re-built. The rock quarry from which granite is being quarried for street improvements is out there and the line may be opened for hauling the output of the quarry.

There will probably be an immigration commission bureau formed if the United States Supreme Court does not by its decision on the fertilizer tax question abolish the agricultural department. Mr. John Graham of Ridgeway will be the commissioner if one is appointed.

Dr. Abbott of the Railroad commission reaches here at noon today. He evidently intends to sit with the new members of the commission.

Mr. Mewborne who takes charge of the penitentiary Saturday says that there are fully 500 bales of unpicked cotton in the fields at the State farms.

Mr. Jarvis of the auditor's office says that if the State is as successful next year as it has been this in collecting revenue, it will be able to pay all extra appropriations, and have $40,000 to begin 1899 with and to pay the legislature. A session of the legislature costs about $72,000.

On Christmas the pupils of the blind institute here for the whites were given a reception by the Governor and his wife at the mansion.

Thomas M. Argo seems to have the inside track as to the district attorneyship for this section. He is by far the ablest man yet named.

Superintendent Ray of the asylums for the white blind and colored deaf, dumb and blind, hopes to put up more buildings next year. Of course there must be an appropriation for the cost of all this.

Otho Wilson is rejoicing that he was not here when Caldwell and Pearson broke into the office of the R. R. Commissioner.

Latest News Items.

Chicago, Dec 28. Martin Julian today on behalf of Robert Fitzsimmons made the following signed statement: "Fitzsimmons will defend his right to the title of champion. Mrs. Fitzsimmons has released him from his promise of retirement."

Hagerstown, Md., Dec. 28. The town authorities have decided to enforce the tramp ordinance recently passed, and today Police Justice Young committed four tramps, one colored, to five days hard labor on the streets. Tomorrow morning Sheriff Seibert will hand over the tramps, chained together at the feet, to Street Superintendent Buchanan, who will put them to sweeping the paved streets.

Washington, December 28. The conference between Mr. Sefton, the Canadian minister of the interior, and Secretary Alger did not take place today. Secretary Alger had not sufficiently recovered from his illness to undertake the work of arranging the details of the Klondike relief expeditions. Mr. Sefton said tonight that he hoped to conclude his visit within the next two days, and that there was no doubt the two governments could make an arrangement which would be mutually beneficial in extending relief to the Yukon miners.

DISCHARGED WITHOUT CAUSE

Railway Commission Dismiss Employe to Make Room For New Man.

Special to Journal.

RALEIGH, December, 30. Railway Commission discharged Fagan as clerk to board of tax equalization simply to make place for Senator Sharpe of Iredell.

No charges were made and no hearing was given to the dismissed man.

The Wilmington Suicide

Special to Journal.

RALEIGH, N. C., December 30—The real name of the woman Manie Mays who suicided at Wilmington was Nettie Blake of Raleigh. Her father had cast her off.

Purnell Appoints a Beaufort Man.

Special to Journal.

RALEIGH, N. C., December 30. Judge Purnell appoints J. M. Worley, of Beaufort, United States commissioner.

CASTORIA.

This fac-simile signature of Chas. H. Fletcher is on every wrapper.

FRANCE TAKES SOME.

Twelve Thousand Square Miles With a Million Chinese.

In Line With the Other Grabbers. French Press Approves. The Interest in Washington is Unabated. Eclipse in China Excites Celestials.

SHANGHAI, December 29. It is reported here that the Admiral of the French fleet has hoisted the French flag on Hai-Nan Island, between the China sea and the Gulf of Tonquin. The Chinese offered no opposition.

LONDON, December 30—A dispatch to the Daily Mail from Singapore confirms the report of the seizure of Hai-Nan Island by the French.

Hai-Nan Island is off the south coast of China and separates the Gulf of Tonquin from the China sea. It has an estimated area of 12,000 square miles and a population of a million Chinese, exclusive of wild tribes in the interior. Some of the mountains in the centre rise above the snow line. It has several large rivers. The coasts are generally rocky, but the west coast is low and the south coast has some good harbors. Timber is a principal product. This is sent to Annam, Siam and Singapore. Other exports are rice, sugar, wax, pearls, coral, salt and a little gold and silver. Its capital is Kiong-Chou, a populous city on its north coast.

PARIS, Dec. 29. The French press is beginning to protest loudly against French inaction in the far East and the alleged subserviency of the government to Russia.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 29. The rapid movements of events in the far East continues to be an absorbing topic in diplomatic circles here, particularly at the embassies and legations of the Powers which are interested in an apparent struggle for Chinese territory.

If the scramble for Chinese territory went as far as the complete absorption of the old Empire by foreign nations, the United States would in that event be called upon to do more than protect the interests of American citizens in China. Then a condition would arise similar to the extermination of Poland. Poland had established a precedent in international affairs, said a prominent diplomat, and following that precedent if China was to be absorbed then it would be a question with the United States in common with all the nations of the world.

The State Department has just received a copy through United States Minister Denby, of the recent curious decree issued by the Emperor of China, to ward off the wrath of Providence, as indicated in the eclipse predicted for New Year's Day.

The document is pronounced by experts to be a masterful exhibition of typical Chinese statesmanship, in view of the existing critical condition of affairs in the Celestial Empire.

Received by the Governor.

Special to Journal.

RALEIGH, N. C. December 30. County Supervisors Associations elected C. H. Mebane, president. J. E. Rollwell of Warren, Secretary.

There were 27 supervisors present also a large number of teachers both of public and private schools. The association was given a reception by Governor and Mrs. Russell at the executive mansion.

Cotton Mill Accident

Special to Journal.

RALEIGH, December 30. Two thousand pounds of shafting at the Cotton Mills fell today. Two boys were hurt by the accident.

NO MORE PASSES.

Free Traveling for Politicians Gets a Big Back Set.

Railway Commission Returns Its own Passes. No Names Mentioned. Commissioner Abbott Takes his Seat Quietly. Other Actions.

Special to the Journal.

RALEIGH, N. C., Dec. 29. Railway Commissioner Abbott arrived and went to the office where he told Caldwell and Pearson, the new commissioners, that as the Supreme Court had recognized them he would do likewise. So the full commission met this afternoon.

Abbott says that he never had any intention not to work harmoniously with whom soever the Supreme Court placed in power.

The Railway Commission at their meeting this afternoon adopted a resolution agreeing to enforce the commission act prohibiting the use of free passes.

The Commissioners returned passes sent them by certain railroads whose names they refused to give.

The Commission refused to grant the Western Union Telegraph Company any further time for an answer in its case regarding the reduction of its rates in this State.

THE STATE CAPITAL.

Governor Russell Invited to Georgia. Major Wilson Going to Law. Stanly County Railroad Bonds.

JOURNAL BUREAU,
RALEIGH, N. C. Dec. 30, '97.

Dr. Abbott gracefully accepted the two new commissioners yesterday and they disposed to business. Several railroads had sent Messrs. Caldwell and Pearson passes. These were returned yesterday with thanks and also there was enclosed a copy of the resolution prohibiting these passes which these new brooms propose to have enforced. At its session the railroad commission refused to grant the Western Union Telegraph Company any additional time in which to file a reply in regard to the reduction of rates. The telegraph company asked until April to file an answer.

Mrs. Watson was today taken to Johns Hopkins Hospital to have an examination made to see if the ball, fired by her husband, which has produced paralysis from her waist down can be located and extracted. Her case is a most peculiar as well as a most pitiable one.

The largest string of partridges I have ever seen was brought in yesterday from this county, by one of Raleigh's pet society boys. He was very proud of the returns from his shot gun, and his "silver bullets."

Governor Atkinson, of Georgia, has written and asked the pleasure of Governor Russell's company at a supper of "possum and taters" to be given at Newnan, Ga., tomorrow night.

Mr. John Graham says that if he is to be made "immigration commissioner" he does not know it.

It is reported that Major J. W. Wilson will institute criminal proceedings against the two new commissioners for breaking into his private office in the R. R. commission apartments.

Eight miles of the south eastern branch of the Wilmington and Weldon railroad towards Ashepole has been graded. It will probably be carried on to Hub, 12 miles further.

It is said that there has been a large amount of building done here during the last four years, and yet the tax books do not show any increase in tax valuation approaching the amount expended in property improvements.

Since Sept. 1st there has been on the market here 18,521 bales of cotton against 21,968 for the same period last year. Then it brought 6, now it brings only 5.

Senator Sharpe, of Iredell, has been a very constant visitor at the Railroad Commission office for several days. It is now learned that Clerk to Fagan, who is clerk to the commission doing work of tax equalization does not count chairman Caldwell, Fagan is an anti Butler, while Caldwell is one of Butler's chief backers. The board has today been in secret session to consider the case of Fagan vs. Sharpe.

The Stanly county people say they have never repudiated the Albemarle Yadkin railroad bonds. They say that the railroad never gave the county the stock subscribed for and that they were paying $6,000 interest on something intangible.

Judge Purnell appointed J. W. Worley of Beaufort County United States Commissioner.

The commissioner of agriculture has called a county supervisors of public roads to meet here. There were over [illegible] counties represented.

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Judge A. [illegible] today [illegible] Mr. [illegible] will be [illegible] Mr. [illegible] to the [illegible] Mr. [illegible] to the [illegible]

R. L. Messenger [illegible] the Farmers' Union [illegible] and Business Manager [illegible] Office.

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THE MARKETS

Yesterday's market quotations furnished by W. A. Darbyshire & Co., Commission Brokers.

NEW YORK, December 30.

STOCKS.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Peoples Gas	96	96	96	96¼
C. B. & Q.	99½	100	99	99½

COTTON.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
January	5.76	5.83	5.76	5.83

CHICAGO MARKETS.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
WHEAT—				
May	92½	92½	91½	92¼
CORN—				
May	29½	29½	29¼	29½

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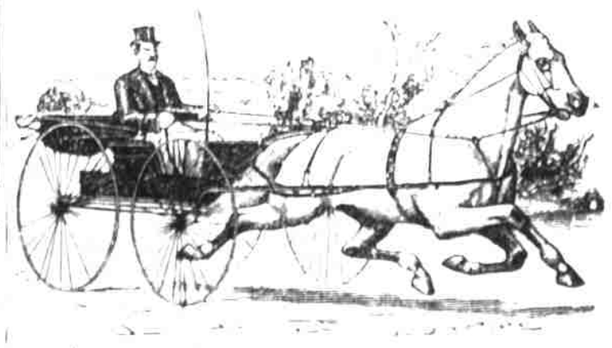

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