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OF GASTONIA

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No. 7336.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT.
Office of Comptroller of the Currency.

WASHINGTON, D. C., DECEMBER 30, 1904.

Whereas, by satisfactory evidence presented to the undersigned, it has been made to appear that The Citizens National Bank of Gastonia, located in the town of Gastonia, in the county of Gaston and State of North Carolina, has complied with all the provisions of the Statutes of the United States, required to be complied with before an association shall be authorized to commence the business of banking;

Now therefore I, Thomas P. Kane, Deputy and Acting Comptroller of the Currency, do hereby certify that The Citizens National Bank of Gastonia, located in the town of Gastonia, in the county of Gaston and State of North Carolina, is authorized to commence the business of banking as provided in Section fifty one hundred and sixty-nine of the Revised Statutes of the United States.

In testimony whereof, I witness my hand and Seal of Office on this Thirtieth day of December, 1904.

T. P. KANE,
Deputy and Acting Comptroller of the Currency.

A NAVAL TEST.

Plan to Honor Smoke Emission of a New Cruiser.

The new cruiser Milwaukee, now nearing completion at the Union Iron Works in San Francisco, when she starts on her official trial trip next summer will undergo a novel test, says the New York Post. In addition to the usual tests of speed, turning, stopping, backing and performing other evolutions, the Milwaukee will be observed for the amount of smoke she emits from her stacks. The volume and character of smoke given out while steaming has become regarded as a factor of the vessel's efficiency, for her visibility at sea is largely measured by the smoke she gives out, a steamer's smoke being ordinarily seen long before the vessel herself becomes visible. It is further desired to measure the smoke emission on account of its being a valuable index of the efficiency of boilers and furnaces, excessive smoke indicating inefficient fuel or imperfect combustion of the fuel.

According to the plans at present suggested, a series of photographs of the cruiser will be taken while she is under way, and from these taken at fixed intervals of time, the amount of smoke may be determined with fair accuracy. Excessive smoking will be remedied as far as possible, and data may be obtained from which to avoid or lessen the smoke in future warship construction.

The Song of the Gun.

I bow brightly left and right
To my devoted people,
I look a long of dynamite
Murdered of me from a step.

I ride along serene and calm,
I'm moved by the concussion
Of dynamite and bangie bomb
From patriotic Russians.

To never seem to let an eye
Is always my endeavor,
Though I'm shot at and bullets fly
And shotgun pop forever.

To shoot at Kings of course, would be
Entombed somewhat as treason,
But here it's different. For me
It's always open season.

Whom I I feel part of mine,
I've sent my mighty army
To strike and cut there it can be,
A bomb exploded from behind
Removes me through the ceiling.

When some good subject's hand I clasp
Though often shot at I'm
He leaves me cotton in my grasp,
I afterward discover.

Yet all uninterested am I;
It's always my endeavor
To strike and cut there it can be,
Though bombs boom on forever.

To fight the men of far Japan
I've sent my mighty army
And objects that cut there it can be,
Have little chance to harm me.

When the almighty bloody party
I got a rifle every
I got them up in hundred lots
And ship them to Liberty.

And that I had a peaceful shot
I think I'm rather clever,
For in the midst of blood and strife
I see my head above the clouds.
-James McLaughlin in New York Journal.

GLIMPSES OF GOPON. CRITICISM OF STOESEL

Russian Priest, Leader of the Strikers in St. Petersburg.

GLEBE STUDENT OF SOCIALISM

Border of Pigs and Goats in the Youth. He Has Become a Leader of Men by Their Force of Character.

Father George Gopon, leader of the St. Petersburg strikers, visited the United States in 1901 and toured New York in company with a guide and they went on to Gastonia as a delegate to the St. Louis anti-slavery convention of the Young Men's Christian Association.

Those who met him in Boston describe him as a very energetic person, who did not look more than forty years old, whereas he is nearly sixty-five. His family name is Agathon, but for political reasons he has changed that to Gopon.

In both New York and in Boston the priest took a lively interest in politics, educational and political methods. He visited and examined every institution of a public character that he could, and spoke his return to Russia he has been a leader of men by their force of character.

The man who has perhaps come into closest contact with Father Gopon is Christiana Brinton, an art critic of New York, who has spent many years in Russia and has known Father Gopon for more than ten years.

"The priest is a peasant," said Mr. Brinton. "He comes from the peasantry of Poltava, and in his thoughts and feelings he is at one with the workmen who are now fighting for their liberties."

"Like White, he was a border of pigs and goats. He was a child and like White, he was a leader of men by their force of character. His only education. His people were poor plain peasants who gave their all to give him a good education, and in return he has given his mighty intellectual power to the people of his class. The workmen worship him. His work is a relief to the poor.

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"I have never seen a man so impressive. He is a son of the social and economic conditions surrounding the poor classes of the land is a relief to the poor.

"The strikers too, respect him, and that is one of the reasons why he was not killed during the recent rioting in St. Petersburg. The Russian soldier is a deeply devout creature, and not one of them would think of firing on a priest who carried a cross on his head.

"The Gopon's face is one of the most impressive that I have ever seen. He is a son of the social and economic conditions surrounding the poor classes of the land is a relief to the poor.

"But the priest has carried on his work by means of addresses to the people and discourses, which he has written in vast numbers. His close study of Socialism and his observation: while in this country and Europe, he has given him a vast store to draw from, and he has used it liberally for his flock.

"His pamphlets are written in Russian and sent to Switzerland, Stuttgart, Vienna and England, where they are printed and distributed among the people to whom he reaches.

"He is a rather a nihilist, an anarchist and an extreme Socialist. He is merely a teacher of enlightened thought and advanced political wisdom to the people. All students who have read his works hold him in the highest esteem as a liberal, coherent and genuine man."

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Port Arthur Commander Was Incapable, Says Czar's Admiral.

General Kozlovskaya Was Incapable of the Siege and That Port Arthur Could Easily Have Held Out For Another Month—The Great Admirals' View For the Enemy.

The first Japanese naval attack on Port Arthur was an absolute success. It was a success in the sense that the Japanese fleet was able to enter the harbor and capture the fortress.

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CHINA FOR MRS. ROOSEVELT

Notable Pieces Added to the White House Collection.

Mrs. Roosevelt recently secured several additions to her collection of presidential china, says a Washington dispatch to the "Philadelphia Public Ledger."

These consist of eight pieces of the Washington and Madison ware. They were originally loaned to the collection by Mrs. James Bradley of New York, a prominent member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, who has taken great interest in the work of Mrs. Roosevelt in collecting antiques of the presidential era.

In the belief that the effort to collect antiques of the presidential era at the White House is a work of history as well as patriotism, Mr. Bradley consented to make the loan of her collection.

The Washington consists of an old rose English cut glass tumbler, a glass preserve dish of the same make, an old Canton ware pickle dish of the white porcelain and a fish bowl of Sheffield plate. These pieces were obtained by Mrs. Bradley at the final settlement of the H. L. D. Lewis estate in Virginia.

The Madison pieces consist of two handsome enameled china, which were used by Mrs. Madison while mistress of the president's house; a gray bowl and saucer of the Madison set and an exact match to the Madison plates which were given to the White House collection by Mr. J. Henley Smith of Washington a short time ago and a decorated cup and saucer of French china.

Mrs. Bradley obtained these pieces from the Payne Todd collection. It will be remembered that Payne Todd was the son of Dolly Madison.

The South's Great Year.

There is one striking point worthy of general attention, and that is, while rising by far the largest cotton crop ever produced, larger than the world generally had supposed that the south could cultivate and pick with its present labor supply, this section at the same time has raised its largest grain crop in addition to all of this, has steadily developed its industrial and railroad interests, says the Manufacturers' Record.

The people of the south have thus been doing more work and accomplishing greater results during the last twelve months than ever before.

War's Effect on Chinese.

The Chinese are in some respects the worst sufferers by the Russo-Japanese war in Manchuria, says the Philadelphia Press. It is reported that 20,000 of them are homeless about Mukden and in a starving condition. They have no rights apparently that either Russians or Japanese are bound to respect.

WHITE and COLORED WASH GOODS

Only the whiteness of the snow itself can match the beauty of the white wash fabrics we have just placed in stock—but we have the colored also—all new and fresh. This assortment comprises everything in

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All Prices From 5c Yard Up!

DRESS LINENS—36 to 100 inches wide, 25c to \$1.25. TABLE DAMASKS—\$1.00 to \$1.75. (TRAFFIC TO MATCH.)

These are beautiful goods—every thread put in for service as well as beauty.

JAMES F. YEAGER

BILL FOR A STATE SONG

Measure introduced in the South Carolina Legislature.

A bill was recently introduced in the South Carolina house of representatives by Representative A. J. Brantley for the adoption of a state song, which author by Stone Island, musician of Charleston, says a dispatch from Florence, S. C., to the St. Paul Dispatch.

When the bill was presented the assistant clerk of the house offered to sing the song to the members, but the offer was declined, and the song was referred to the committee on legislation. Following the passage of the bill, the bill was referred to the committee on legislation.

Where the child is healthy and the parents are good, there is no need of a doctor. Give a child a clear head for South Dakota.

All hail to Dakota! With glad hearts we sing the praises of our native land. Give a child a clear head for South Dakota.

Where the western breeze blows, October and frost give. Give a child a clear head for South Dakota.

They gather from the east, And they gather from the west. Give a child a clear head for South Dakota.

YELLS IN LAUNDRY LINEN.

Many women living in the West, who have a custom of getting their clothes out of doors to dry, find that the clothes are often ruined by the sun and wind.

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Have your cake, muffins, and tea biscuit home-made. They will be fresher, cleaner, more tasty and wholesome.

Royal Baking Powder helps the house wife to produce at home, quickly and economically, fine and tasty cake, the raised hot-biscuit, puddings, the frosted layer-cake, crisp cookies, crullers, crusts and muffins, with which the ready-made food found at the bake-shop or grocery does not compare.

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