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RUSSO-JAPANESE WAR ENDS! Peace Finally Declared.

Japan Magnanimously Waves Indemnity and Cedes Half of the Island of Sakhalin to Russia.

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 session 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 Martens, 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 intercession 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 Czar 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.

TOTAL SURPRISE TO WITTE.

Mr. Witte went to the conference declaring he was powerless to change the dot of an "i" or the cross of a "t" in his instructions. Czar Nicholas' word had been given not only to him but to President Roosevelt, the head of a foreign State. When Baron Komura, therefore, first offered the new basis of compromise outlined in the dispatches last night (the complete renunciation of indemnity, coupled with a proposition for the redemption of Sakhalin at a price to be fixed by a mixed tribunal consisting of representatives of the neutral power—in fact, if not in words, the solution offered by President Roosevelt) Mr. Witte again returned a non possumus. It was what Mr. Witte termed in his interview with the press the "psychological moment." Mr. Witte did not flinch. He expected a rapture and as he expressed it afterward he was stunned by what happened. Baron Komura gave way on all the disputed points. With the prescience that has enabled the Japanese to gauge the mental processes of their adversaries on the field of battle and upon the sea, 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.

CZAR KEEPS INTERNED SHIPS.

Article 10 and 11 (interned warships and the limitation of Russia's sea power in the far East) were withdrawn. Japan agreed that only that portion of the Chinese Eastern Railroad south of Chantuma, the position occupied by Oyama, should be ceded to Japan. Both sides, once the deadlock was broken, wanted a "just and lasting" peace, in that spirit it was decided to practically neutralize Sakhalin, each country binding itself not to fortify its half of the island, and Japan assuming an obligation not to fortify the La Perouse strait between Sakhalin and Hokkaido, which would bar Russia's commercial route to the Pacific.

The plenipotentiaries went farther. They decided to add a new clause in the nature of a broad provision for mutual commercial privileges by which each country will secure for the other the benefit of the "most favored nation clause," and the "open door."

LOOKS RATHER LIKE ALLIANCE

The new treaty therefore will be a wonderful friendly document, of character almost to raise the suspicion that the two countries have not negotiated peace but have concluded the basis of a future alliance. There is, however, no evidence as rumored that any secret clauses are to be appended to the present treaty.

Before leaving the conference building, felicitations were exchanged with the President at Oyster Bay. Both Baron Komura and Mr. Witte telegraphed. The former confined himself to apprising Mr. Roosevelt of the conditions upon which peace had been concluded. Mr. Witte frankly laid his tribute at the President's feet. In his message he said:

"History will ascribe to you the glory," and added the expression of Russia's hearty appreciation of the President's "generous initiative."

Mr. Roosevelt replied with words of thanks and congratulation.

Throughout the late afternoon and evening messages of congratulations by the score poured in upon the president from people both in America and in Europe. The great part he has played in bringing about the success of the conference and in promoting the interests of civilization is recognized throughout the world, as is indicated by the cordiality and wide range covered by the congratulatory dispatches. None of these messages was made public.

A NEW JERSEY EDITOR'S TESTIMONIAL.

M. T. Lyneb, Editor of the Phillipsburg, N. J., Daily post writes: I have used many kinds of medicines for coughs and colds in my family but never anything so good as Foley's Honey and Tar. I cannot say too much in praise of it." Sold By Funderburk Pharmacy. C. O. Floyd, Kershaw S. C.

Few people who go up in the air use an airship.

Some men would rather be in politics than be right.

What man has done woman thinks she can do better.

One blow starts the trouble—and occasionally ends it.

Newberry Free of Rum Demon.

Dispensary Knocked Out in Honor of Evans and Blease.—Vote 2 to 1 or Better.

Special to Greenville News.

Newberry, August 29.—Here in the home of Chairman E. H. Evans, of the board of directors, and Cole Blease, its champion, the dispensary was knocked out today by a vote which was early estimated at more than two to one. The result was not a surprise to the advocates of the law, for they realized immediately after the Spartanburg investigation that the evidences of corruption and graft had changed sentiment, and while many citizens may have doubted the effectiveness of prohibition, they wanted to register a stinging rebuke to the system so bitterly condemned by the better element in South Carolina.

The first fourteen precincts reported showed 237 votes for the dispensary, with 783 votes against it. There are 24 precincts in the county. The result cannot be changed by the vote at the other precincts.

Senator Blease went into the campaign and fought vigorously for the dispensary, making speeches and publishing letters for the cause. His encounter with a minister at Young's Grove is believed by many to have had the liquor chances. It was practically conceded, however, that the dispensary crowd was whipped and the public simply waited for the returns to see how the majority had grown.

What it Cost Newberry to Vote Out a dispensary.

The action of the citizens of Newberry in voting out the dispensary was not precipitate. The matter had been discussed on the stump and in the papers. The determined spirit of the people is therefore all the more apparent.

Last year Newberry county received from the profits of the State dispensary \$6,376.64, none of which was from the "deficiency fund" but all from the surplus fund which under the law cannot be participated in by counties voting out the dispensary.

In addition to this the profits divided between county and town last year were as follows: Baxter's beer dispensary, \$608.40; Prosperity, \$1,970.98; Newberry, \$10,918.40; making a total of \$13,504.18.

In addition to losing these profit items, which might have been duplicated or even made larger this year, the county of Newberry will have a levy of 1-2 mill on its \$5,678,265 of taxable property to enforce the law, this tax amounting to \$2,849.32.

The items in the aggregate are as follows:
Surplus school fund .. \$ 6,376.24
County and town profits 13,504.18
Half mill tax .. 2,849.32
Total .. \$22,729.74

USED FOR PNEUMONIA.

Dr. C. J. Bishop of Agnew, Mich., says, "I have used Foleys Honey and Tar in three very severe cases of pneumonia with good results in every case. Refuse substitutes. Sold by Funderburk Pharmacy. C. O. Floyd Kershaw, S. C."

Gallows For a Daring Raider.

Lexington, Ky., August 29.—Withered by age and exposure, tottering on the brink of the grave, William H. York, known as the "daredevil of Morgan's Raiders," occupied a cell in the Jefferson County Jail charged with the murder of his brother, James R. York, 86 years old, in his home in Anderson county, last Friday afternoon, when the members of the household were attending the county fair in Lawrenceburg, Ky.

The prisoner is 77 years old and Pinkerton detectives say they have convincing evidence of the old man's guilt. He stoutly maintains his innocence, and asks everyone who visits him if it is creditable that his wrinkled old hands would be guilty of the foul crime charged against him.

William H. York fought gallantly under Gen. John H. Morgan. He was known to his comrades as "daredevil Bill." Since the war he has had the respect of his fellow men in Anderson county, and although the circumstances seem to point clearly to his guilt, few believe that he could have committed the deed of which he is accused.

James R. York, the murdered man, was one of the wealthiest men in the county, and had long been regarded as one of the most philanthropic men in the State. He was a widower and resided with Mr. and Mrs. William Wallace, the latter a niece, and the daughter of the brother who is now accused of the murder. A short distance from the Wallace home lived William York with another daughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Byrdwhistle.

The elder York had always been very liberal to his brother and the latter's family. Long ago he deeded the house and farm on which he lived to Mrs. Wallace. He had made other rich bequests to the other children of his brother William, and the latter, too, had frequently come in for much of his brother's fortune. Finally, becoming disgusted with William's recklessness, James York refused to give him further aid. It is said that more than a year ago he made a will in which he bequeathed part of his fortune to his nieces and nephews, and made generous bequests to educational institutions, but cutting the brother off without a dollar. When this fact became known it is said the brother became angry, and several times threatened James. The detectives even assert that several months ago he tried to hire a man to kill his brother, offering \$100 for the deed.

The Wallace and Byrdwhistle families returned to their home from the fair about the same time on Friday afternoon. Lying on a cot in the hallway of Wallace house was the body of J. R. York, his head almost torn from the body with two loads of shot from a double-barreled shotgun.

Mr. and Mrs. Byrdwhistle discovered that their shotgun, which had hung over the door in their bedroom for years, had been discharged, but the person using it had replaced it on the rack over the door upside down, and when the door was opened it struck the hammers of the gun, causing it to fall to the floor.

From the time the detectives were first detailed on the case suspicion pointed to the brother.

"I have lived a good, clear life,"

said the aged prisoner, when seen in his cell in the jail today, "and I had hope to have my name honored and respected. I had hope to have my children stand at my bier and say, 'He was a good father, and no act of his ever tarnished the name he gave us.' But now that hope has passed. I will be proved innocent, I know, ever there will come into the minds of my children and my friends the horrible suspicion that maybe I did commit this awful crime."

York has long been a sufferer from heart trouble, and it is the opinion of his family that he will not live to survive the charge against him. The men who were with him in the war have rallied to his support.

No Date Fixed for the Reunion of Confederates.

Special to Greenville News.

Columbia, Aug. 28.—No action has been taken by any city in the State toward securing the Confederate reunion which will be held sometime this fall, and it is likely that efforts will be made to have it held here during fair week. The gathering was not held in May as is usually the case, but was postponed by General Carwile on the request of many of the veterans who wished to come to Columbia and who know that this city would have its hands full with the educational conference in the spring.

Ex-Dispenser Bouzard in Jail.

Orangeburg, August 29.—A warrant was issued yesterday by Magistrate C. P. Brunson, of this city, for the arrest of Mr. Harvey F. Bouzard, formerly county dispenser at Fort Motte, and he was arrested to-day. The warrant charges that the "said Harvey F. Bouzard, being county dispenser at Fort Motte, did misappropriately, misuse and otherwise wrongfully dispose of moneys and property of the State of South Carolina, of the county of Orangeburg, and of the town of Fort Motte, to the amount of \$2,271.81." The warrant is formal in its specifications and follows the wording of the statutes to a large extent.

A Coin 612 Years Old.

The Observer.

Winston-Salem, Aug. 28.—Mr. Kalil Honey, an Assyrian, who conducts a grocery and fruit store on West Fourth street, is the possessor of an Asiatic coin which is 612 years old, having been made in 1293. The coin is known as Narshhocompse, and is valued at about five cents in United States currency. The coin is about the size of a half dime, and is made of silver. Mr. Honey brought it to this country and has had it made into a cuff or stud button.

Florence to Vote on Dispensary.

Special to News and Courier.

Florence, August 29.—Florence County will now have an opportunity of voting on the question of "dispensary or prohibition." Such was the decision of County Supervisor James B. McBride to-day, after he had completed the work of going over the various petitions and verifying the signatures of the petitioners. The election will be held on Tuesday October 3.

Familiarity breeds contempt for mosquitoes.

Boyd Evans Won't Dabble in Newberry Situation.

Special to Greenville News.

Columbia, Aug. 29.—No action will be taken in Newberry by Boyd Evans in the dispensary situation. Mr. Evans stated this morning that as yet he had nothing to do with the matter in that county and that there were only three counties in which he was interested—Pickens, Union and Marion. In the two first the matter is now in the courts. An election has been ordered for Marion for September 17 and Mr. Evans said this morning that he would carry the case into court should the election be decided against the dispensary. He did not say on what grounds this would be done, but it is presumed that the same point will be raised there as was raised in other counties—that the signatures to the petition for the election were not all genuine and that all of them were not registered voters. Mr. Evans was inclined to think if there was a full vote the dispensary would win in Marion, but he doubted seriously whether there would be anything like a full vote.

After Viewing Remains of Dead Friend, Asheville Man Dies.

Asheville, Aug. 28.—James Dougherty, a well known white citizen of Asheville, who for years operated a number of teams here, was found dead at his boarding house in the depot section of the city this morning. It is said that last night Mr. Dougherty went to view the remains of G. C. Gentry, who was killed yesterday evening, and that the sight of the corpse somewhat affected him. He went home, however, later during the night, and early this morning inmates of the house heard a noise in one of the halls but little attention was paid to it. This morning Mr. Dougherty was found dead.

Good for Mr. Jordan.

As long as Mr. Harvie Jordan is at the head of the Cotton Association it will never be a pack horse for politicians and office-seekers. Mr. Jordan has put his foot down hard on this. In the constitution he was instrumental in having a clause inserted that if any office-holder in the Cotton Association accepts a political office or even becomes a candidate for one, he forfeits his office in the cotton association. Mr. Jordan has demanded the resignation of several officers in Georgia on this account, and a high-up officer in North Carolina will likely be called to law on the same thing. "This is a business movement," Mr. Jordan says, "and we are not going to put out time and money into a scheme to benefit the country and allow it to be used as stepping stones by selfish people for their own ends. This has been the death of a good many farmers' organizations, and we are determined to steer clear of it."—Monroe Journal.

SPOILED HER BEAUTY.

Harriet Howard, of 209 W. 34th St., New York, at one time had her beauty spoiled with skin trouble. She writes: "I had Salt Rheum or Eczema for years, but nothing would cure it, until I used Bucklen's Arnica Salve." A quick and sure healer for cuts, burns and sores. 25c at Crawford Bros., J. F. Mackey & Co's, and Funderburk Pharmacy, drug store.