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LAST EDITION LIVE STOCK MARKET

Official Receipts 105 Cars, 2,532 Cattle; 123 Cars, 8,660 Hogs; 32 Cars, 7,851 Sheep.

LIBERAL RUN OF STEERS

Trade Active But Prices Were Generally 10 to 15 Cents Lower.

BIG SHOWING OF GOOD BEEF

Butcher Stock Was Mostly 10c Lower, But no Stagnation Apparent—Limited Supply and Good Demand for Feeders of Right Kind—Hogs Open 5c Lower, But Become Firmer—Sheep Active and Steady.

RECEIPTS FROM JANUARY 1, 1905.

	1905	1904
Cattle	120,718	141,862
Hogs	551,682	472,998
Sheep	227,399	218,263
Horses	7,755	7,410

LIVE STOCK IN SIGHT.

	Cattle	Hogs	Sheep
Chicago	12,000	39,000	19,000
Kansas City	6,000	3,000	3,000
St. Joseph	4,500	9,000	3,000
St. Louis	2,500	8,000	7,000
East St. Louis	3,000	7,500	4,000

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CATTLE.

Steers Sold Fairly Active At 10 to 15c Lower Prices.

The supply of beef steers was proportionately the largest on the market in many months, but supplies elsewhere, and especially in the east were also large for Thursday and prices ruled lower in consequence. At the close yesterday Chicago was 10c lower on all kinds except the best and this was followed by a further sharp decline today, and this gave the local buyers license to reduce values here, included in the supply today were quite a good many lots of good to choice heavy export steers that sold from \$8.25 to \$8.50, which was the highest price paid on this market for full loads since the extremely high prices prevailing three years ago, yet the market on this class was generally considered right at 10c lower than yesterday, although some of the trade thought the top steers would have sold for practically the same figure as yesterday. Buyers, however, considered them fully 10c lower as they had more weight and were of better quality than the \$6.50 steers of yesterday. The great bulk of the supply consisted of good tidy light medium and medium heavy dressed beef and shipping steers that met a very strong demand at prices 10c to 15c lower, and inasmuch as general conditions warranted the decline, sellers were inclined to trade freely on offerings that received such bids. Of some of the less desirable kinds trading was inclined to be less active as bids in many cases were lower than the general trade indicated, but before a clearance was made such offerings sold well in line with the decline noted on other kinds. Dressed beef and shipping kinds sold largely at \$7.50 to \$8.00, which was common to fat light and medium dressed beef styles sold from \$5.50 down.

STOCKERS AND FEEDERS.

There was a good demand prevailing for desirable stock and feeding cattle today but fresh arrivals were limited and ran largely to the common to fair quality light and medium weight steers. Dealers were comparatively free buyers of the kinds offered at steady prices, but they wanted well-bred young steers and good to choice heavy-hayed feeders or warm-up steers, but no good heavy feeders of consequence were of sale and packers were taking about everything that had flesh enough to make them decent killers. The supply of all kinds of stock in the hands of dealers in the stock division has been pretty well decimated the past few days by the nominal country demand and it would be long before the better grades of stock of this weight should offer in any quantity the next few days. The demand continues very strong for kinds of stock in cows and stock bulls at prices fully as high as at the beginning of the week, but very few are arriving.

STOCKERS AND FEEDERS.

31.....	830.45	38.....	461.45
12.....	785.45	18.....	500.00
1.....	740.45	3.....	458.00

YEARLING AND CALVES.

4.....	620.40	11.....	451.00
17.....	484.80	1.....	350.85
13.....	464.85	21.....	427.75

25.....	1135.65	6.....	960.50
29.....	1394.60	19.....	909.50
19.....	1343.65	1.....	1071.50

COWS, BULLS AND MIXED.

The fact that the continuous advances in cows and heifers during the past three weeks, made values at this point top heavy and out of line with every other market for the styles offered, caused buyers of butchers' stock to make an effort to put values on a plane with competing points, but they only met with moderate success. The supply of desirable cows and heifers was rather limited considering the aggregate receipts, but buyers were united in exacting a 10c decline and succeeded in buying the most of their supplies on this basis. Some of the fair cutters and cheap grades of cows, however, did not show so much decline and occasional lots were steady. Bulls and stags were fully steady and in demand and values were about 25c higher than the first part of the week. Trading was quite active on all offerings and a good clearance was made in reasonable time.

FEEDING COWS AND STOCK HEIFERS.

1.....	1020.40	1.....	1170.30
1.....	1260.75	1.....	920.50
1.....	1180.50	1.....	1150.00

Packer's Cattle Purchases.

Swift and Company.....	650
Nelson Morris & Co.....	413
Hammond Packing Co.....	443

Stock Sheep Purchases Yesterday.

Clinton Hull.....	16
Hess Bradberry.....	1

Stocker Movement Yesterday.

Missouri—	Cars	Head
1.....	1.....	1.....

IOVA—

J. D. Renon, Blockton.....	1	27
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LITTLE LOSS FROM DIPPING.

Guthrie, O. T., April 13.—Secretary Morris of the Oklahoma Livestock commission received word from an Oklahoma inspector in the southern section of the territory saying the reports started by cattlemen in regard to the heavy loss of cattle from dipping at certain southern points were not true, but were given out in hopes it would cause the department to rescind the dipping order. The inspector stated that so far there were but three cattle lost from dipping. Cattlemen are trying to evade the order and in one instance a cattlemen was fined \$350 for violating the quarantine regulations.

ITEMS IN BRIEF.

Top cattle \$6.55. Plenty of good cattle here again. Hogs active but average a little lower. Very few little pigs seen on the market. Sheep and lamb market holding up well. Top hogs today in load lots \$5.45 same as yesterday. Not many wagon hogs coming. Farmers too busy. Quality of hogs good with plenty of smooth heavy. J. A. Bucher, of Bern, Kansas, had two loads of cattle, one of butcher stock and one of nice fat little steers that sold at satisfactory prices. Tom Miller, of Nortonville, Kansas, had in a big shipment of heavy fat branded cattle that showed plenty of corn and alfalfa, fed in the way that reaches the ribs. Joe Clow, of Bondena, Kansas, was among arrivals on the South St. Joseph market with a shipment of cattle. He is a Hereford man and has a herd of about forty of the pure-bred whitefaces. Nate Ong, one of the big shippers of Nebraska, whose headquarters are at Edgar, and who is a consistent friend of the South St. Joseph market, was here today with two loads of hogs. A. H. Bowman had in yesterday from his feed lots at Lawrence, Nebraska, a two load lot of 1200-lb cattle that sold at \$6.25. These cattle had been fed six months on a ration of corn and alfalfa and had made a good gain.

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS.

Options	Spiced	Highest	Lowest	Close	Yesterday
WHEAT	115 1/2	117 1/2	115 1/2	116 3/4	115 1/2
May	87 1/2	88 1/2	87 1/2	88 1/2	87 1/2
July	87 1/2	88 1/2	87 1/2	88 1/2	87 1/2

MADE IT ALL FARMING.

Divided Money With First Wife and Has Plenty Left. Topeka, April 13.—John G. Cooper, who was married to Clara E. Stooky, of Leavenworth, at Kansas City yesterday, is a big farmer in Osage county. He separated from his first wife two years ago and she got a divorce and half of his farm property. She and the children live on the property awarded her. Mr. Cooper has been living part of the time on his farm and "batching," the rest of the time in Topeka. He and his bride have arrived and for the present will live here. He is worth about \$50,000. He made it on a Kansas farm.

CATTLE FOR THE PHILIPPINES.

Guthrie, O. T., April 13.—Five carloads of cattle from Texas were shipped through Oklahoma this week en route to the Philippines. The cattle are owned by J. K. Lansing, a Texas cattlemen, and are for breeding purposes. Mr. Lansing has two brothers in the Philippines, who will make the breeding of fine cattle a specialty.

AMUSEMENTS TONIGHT.

Crystal—Polite Vaudeville. Lyric—A Life's Mistake. Orpheum—A Runaway Match. Lyceum—The Mummy and Humming Bird.

NEBRASKA CROP CONDITIONS.

Weather Favorable and Farm Work Makes Good Progress. Lincoln, Neb., April 13.—The first ten days in April were warm with deficient precipitation in most parts of the state. Showers occurred generally during the first three days, but they were light in most southern counties with a rainfall of less than half an inch. In northern and western counties the rainfall exceeded an inch in some places. Snow fell to a sufficient depth to whiten the ground in some northeastern counties. J. W. Curry, Arapahoe, Wilcox & Hillman, Wauneta, Will Kirby, Sterling, B. C. Chariton, Roca, J. Hartzell, Diller, W. T. Lucas, Chester, Jno. Coulson, N. H. Cooper, Amana.

ANOTHER GOOD MARGIN.

W. J. Clancy, of Stella, was among the Nebraska delegation on the market today. He brought in a load of heifers that sold at \$4.65. These heifers were bought on the South St. Joseph market last November at \$2.20 per cwt. They were roughed in a week less than February and were then taken up and put on feed. They made a gain of about 200 pounds and sold at a margin of \$2.45 per hundred over original cost.

CAN SEE IT GROW.

"Alfalfa is six inches high and you can see it grow up our country," said J. F. Grone, of Bruning, Neb., who was here today with two loads of hogs and taking occasion to look over the cattle market. "Land around Bruning is worth \$500 per acre, but is not being bought at the prices. The few bunches of cattle in my neighborhood are being held and fed for the June market. Wheat looks fine and a big acreage of corn will be planted."

HE MADE A HIT.

"I am not only pleased with the sale, but I think I made a hit by coming to the South St. Joseph market." This was the expressed sentiment of Peter Brunk, of Norcor, Kan., who was here today with a drove of 103 fed western steers averaging 1,300 pounds that sold at \$6.35. The cattle had been on feed five months, made a good gain and paid well for the high priced corn.

TO STAMP OUT MANGE.

Government Will Combat Disease in Western Kansas. Great Bend, Kan., April 13.—The United States bureau of animal industry has taken hold of matters and will try to stamp out cattle mange or scabies in western Kansas. Dr. A. Elckhorn, a government inspector, is now here for the purpose of advising the farmers what to do for the itch. Should stockmen desire to dip their cattle, the government inspector will furnish the necessary information as to the preparation of the dip, and also, if time will permit him, he will supervise dipping, and in such cases the owner will have no difficulty in receiving a certificate, which will be required by the railroad companies for the offered shipments.

GET YOUR CHECKS CASHED.

At Drover's and Merchant's bank, corner Cherokee and Lake avenues. Bank open Thursday and Saturday night.

THEY ARE STICKERS.

Geo. Pretzman, of Fairfax, Mo., sold a string of 31 smooth fully fat 1,500-lb cattle this morning at \$6.55. "Yes," said Mr. Pretzman, "we make some of these kinds of cattle out around Fairfax and there are a few loads still left, but we are not up to normal in number on hand at this season of the year. We are a feeding section, not much attention being given to raising the young stock, but we stick to the game and don't run for cover whenever there is a break in the market."

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THROUGH THE BLACK BELT.

Good Roads Train Touring Iowa This Week.

Des Moines, Ia., April 13.—There is no question but that the good roads train of the Northwestern, which will make a tour of the "black belt" of Iowa this week, will accomplish much good," said J. S. Trigg, editor of the Iowa State Register. "The real problem to be met in all that large section, where there is neither rock nor gravel, is to learn how best to treat the dirt road, for that is the only sort of a road which the people will have for thirty years at least. Proper grading, unobstructed outlets for the surface water, tile drainage for the roadbed

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LIVE STOCK TRADE OF GERMANY.

The foreign horse trade of Germany is very large and important. In 1903 up to date of 115,807 horses of various breeds were purchased from other countries.

Observation Cafe Cars now in service on Wabash day trains between Kansas City and St. Louis.

THROUGH SLEEPER TO CHICAGO.

VIA THE ROCK ISLAND. Through Pullman sleeping cars, St. Joseph to Chicago, are being operated in the Rock Island's Fast Express.

Settlers Rates to Points in Minnesota, North and South Dakota. The Chicago Great Western Railway will, on March 7, 11, 21 and 28th, and April 4, 11, 18 and 25th, sell one-way tickets to Minnesota and North and South Dakota at greatly reduced rates.

BUFFALO BULL SLAUGHTERED.

A buffalo bull recently slaughtered in Iowa brought its owner nearly \$1,000, says the State Register. The head sold for \$600, the hide for \$300 and the meat for 50 cents a pound.

WYOMING RANGE GOOD.

Drovers Journal: Reports from the Wyoming ranges, according to Brand Inspector C. L. Talbot, are practically unanimous that there had been no losses to speak of and that cattle had come through the winter in excellent condition.

TEXAS CHICKENS.

A news item from Ennis, Texas, says: A car load of poultry is being loaded here for shipment to New York. A poultry dealer from Des Moines, Iowa, has had buyers in the country for several days and a stream of wagons have been unloading into the car all day.

NEW MEAT REGULATIONS.

New and strict meat inspection regulations are to be put in force in Milwaukee, Wis., as the result of abuses due to the large amount of country-killed meat sold in that city.

BRITISH MEAT IMPORTS.

National Provisioner: Imports of fresh meat into Great Britain from all countries for the year to March 13 were as follows: Beef, 972,226 cwt., compared with 910,102 cwt. for the same time in 1904; mutton 706,515 cwt., against 582,582 in 1904; pork 170,975 cwt., against 187,515 cwt. in 1904.

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INOCULATING SOIL FOR LEGUMES.

It is perhaps unjust to criticize people for trying to get something for nothing, says the Brooders Gazette. Human nature is built on the receiving plan. Nearly any man will take what is offered to him in honorable fashion, and especially if it seems to be the expression of a desire to help him on the part of a public department organized for that purpose.

TABACCO TRADE LESSENING

Exports from Philippines Show a Marked Falling Off During Last Fiscal Year.

CATHOLIC CHURCH GROWING

United States and Island Possessions Have 22,127,354 Members—Chicago Diocese One of Largest.

Milwaukee, Wis.—In the United States and their island possessions there are 22,127,354 Roman Catholics, according to figures compiled for the Catholic directory of 1905 to be published by the M. H. Witkowsky company, of Milwaukee.

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CHICAGO GREAT WESTERN ENTERS UNION DEPOT

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BILL THAT HITS PASTORS.

Delaware Ministers Are Alarmed Over Proposed Measure to Transfer Weddings.

ARE YOU GOING EAST?

In making your arrangements for your vacation this summer it would be well to consider convenience and saving of time.

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WOULD MAKE SUGAR.

AMERICANS IN MEXICO PLAN TO USE MAQUEY SAP.

Latter Is Source of Pulque, the Popular Native Drink—Great Difficulty Which the Inventors Must Overcome.

City of Mexico, Mexico.—Two Americans in this city, one a railroader and the other a chemist, are evolving a scheme to make sugar from the maquey sap, which produces the yeasty stuff called pulque.

Pulque, ever since its discovery in this country nearly 12 years ago, has been a curse of Mexico. Some physicians think it is good for kidney disease, but that is the only aspect of good it has if its curative properties be conceded.

Should the inventors succeed in making sugar from the pulque plant, they will add the temperance movement by turning the sap into safer commercial channels, or at least cause the pulque beverage to rise in price and thus perhaps curtail its use by the poor of Mexico.

Compared with the sugar production of the United States, that of Mexico is small, and it would be singular if the product of this country should originate from anything but cane.

The production in the northern republic is 69,000,000 pounds a year, while in Mexico it cannot pass 20,000,000 pounds, or less than two pounds a year per capita.

Deducting the exported sugars of Mexico, and adding the imported article, the consumption of the home article in Mexico is about five pounds per capita.

The same difficulty besets pulque and the cane product—the necessity for the manufacture of the sugar before the cane or sap turns sour. The milk of the maquey, it is said, will not stay good longer than 24 hours, but the inventors declare they can produce a white, pure sugar.

Tomasa Asada, chief of the bureau of sugar industry in Formosa, is in Mexico, looking into the sugar production of the country to ascertain whether Mexico can export some of her product to Japan where it is needed.

Mr. Asada, before coming here, visited Hawaii, Cuba and points in the United States. When he finishes his errand here he will go to South America.

Mr. Asada says that Formosa is the only sugar producing region under the Japanese flag, and about 40 years ago was one of the leading producers in the world, but production declined, owing to the system of government bounties paid in Germany and other lands on beet sugar exported.

The per capita consumption in Japan is about 12 pounds a year, but the output is only about one-tenth of what is needed for local demand.

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Kansas Village Burned.
Chetopa, Kan., April 12.—News has reached here that the village of Elms, Kan., 15 miles west of here, has been burned. Eight buildings were destroyed.

ARE OPENLY DEFIANT

Lawyers of Russia Form National Reform League.
TO ASK PARLIAMENT AND MINISTRY.
All Professional Classes Are Asked to Join in Movement—Police Could Not Suppress Them.

St. Petersburg, April 12.—The formation of a national professional reform league to unite the activities of lawyers, doctors, teachers, engineers and other professional classes of Russia to bring about the democratization of the government and the institution of a representative parliament and a responsible ministry, is the ambitious project set on foot by the National congress of Lawyers which has finished its work here. The plan proposed is the formation of national associations of the various professional classes, each of which shall elect delegates to a central bureau which is to direct and co-ordinate the efforts of the "intellectuals" in the direction of reforms. Other classes which have openly manifested liberal tendencies on many occasions, and notably the doctors at their recent congress in Moscow, are likely to accept the invitation and unless interfered with, a powerful reform force is likely to spring into being soon.

The deliberations of the lawyers, which were carried to a conclusion in direct disregard of the police orders and which were participated in by 172 delegates representing every judicial district in Russia except Siberia, resulted in the organization of the national legal association and the election of a central bureau of 13 which is empowered to select legal representatives for a proposed central committee to draft preliminary plans for the organization of that body.

The leaders of the movement declare that their plans do not contemplate any assault on the monarchical form of government or disloyalty to the empire, but the elimination of absolutism and the establishment of participation by the governed in the direction of affairs, and especially in certain matters, as the budget and taxation; and the point of the election, though by a small majority, of a resolution committing the assembly to "extra legal measures to show hatred of the existing order and bring about a democratic and legal regime of government in Russia," bears out this declaration. A feature of the meeting was a special honor shown the Polish delegates at the first session when the entire assemblage rose and remained standing facing the section occupied by the Poles while a speaker pronounced a eulogy upon them. The Poles, however, did not participate in the following sessions which were held in defiance of the police, merely sending their visiting cards each day.

The delegates met in accordance with secret arrangements, at different private houses, assembling before the arrival of the police and disregarding orders to cease their sessions. At Wednesday session, however, the police promptly placed a cordon around the house in which the delegates were to meet and prevented all but 15 from entering and sent word to those that all delegates not residents of St. Petersburg must leave the city immediately. As the congress had finished its programme, adjournment sine die was pronounced, the lawyers as a final protest drafting a statement to the chief of police that this general order to delegates en bloc to leave the city was "illegal and that they would recognize the withdrawal of permission to remain in the city only if it were delivered to each delegate personally."

Another zemstvo congress has been called to meet in Moscow on May 8 in which representatives of the nobility also will participate. From three to five delegates from each provincial zemstvo have been invited. It is reported that an endeavor will be made to align the Moderates with the nobility in favor of reforms without going to the length of the constitutionalism of western Europe.

PRESIDENT IN CAMP.

Shows Great Endurance and Vitality—Enjoys His Outing.
Frederick, Ok., April 12.—Wednesday was an ideal day for President Roosevelt and his party of hunters in the "Big Pasture." The weather has been cool and cloudy, enabling the horses and riders, as well as the dogs, to do the best there is in them. The president appears to be a whole show by himself, and he is constantly surprising the old plainsmen. One of the longest runs of the entire chase occurred during the fore part of the week, when a wolf was chased over the hills and through creeks and timber for ten miles. Only the hardiest and best riders could keep up such a terrific pace as this for any distance. When the wolf was finally captured there were but four of the party within sight of the animal. Bob Burnett, Guy Waggoner and John Abernathy, three old time cowboys and the fourth member was President Roosevelt. About fifteen of the dogs are taken in each set and the remainder of the pack are heard for miles.

The party goes out about 6:30 each morning and returns to camp about 11 for dinner. Fresh horses are saddled by the attendants and the start is made about 1:30 in the afternoon. One of the diversions of the camp was a series of foot races in which the

president also participated. Here he failed to distinguish himself, however. Last night a coon was discerned in the woods. This animal was finally caught in Deep Red creek and is now in camp as one of the live trophies of the chase.

GASOLINE MOTOR CAR.

Union Pacific Testing New Equipment Designed for Use on Branch Lines.
Omaha, April 12.—The final tests have been given to a gasoline motor car designed at the local shops of the Union Pacific railroad for use in suburban and branch service. The car has made a number of trial runs, the final test being given Wednesday, followed by an exhibition of the car at the Union station. The car, which has been in course of construction for several months, is the invention of Superintendent of Motive Power W. R. McKeen of the Union Pacific. Mr. McKeen explains that the difficulty with all former attempts was to build a motor that could be operated without vibration. This obstacle has been overcome in the McKeen motor by the use of a low gear. Should the new car prove a success considerable new equipment of the same nature will be placed on the Union Pacific branches. The car is designed for both freight and passenger service.

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THE COMMITTEE MAKES STATEMENT.

Could Not Legally Refund Gift Once Accepted—Committee Declines Questions of Economics or Socialism.
Boston, April 12.—A statement was made public by the prudential committee of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions which Tuesday voted to accept \$100,000 offered to the board by John D. Rockefeller. Two weeks ago the prudential committee adopted the report of a subcommittee recommending the acceptance of the money, but in view of the strong protest made by the congregational clergy final action was deferred until Tuesday, when a supplementary report was made by the subcommittee. This report together with that of two weeks ago was adopted. The supplementary report, which was made public Wednesday takes up the objections of the protestants and asserts that they are not sufficient to prevent the board from accepting the money. One of the principal points raised in the report is the claim of the committee that the American board cannot now legally return Mr. Rockefeller's money because the decision of the highest courts are to the effect that trustees who have once accepted a gift and assumed certain obligations have no power to return the gift and to absolve themselves from these obligations. The committee holds that by returning the gift, as suggested by the protesting clergymen, the American board would be made responsible not only to those for whose benefit the gift was designed but also to the present officers' successors. This statement refers to the fact that the board already has used one half of Mr. Rockefeller's gift, which had actually been accepted on February 14. The committee holds that the action proposed by the protestants, namely, the return of the gift would have been wrong, for it would have expressed "disapprobation and condemnation of a man when he was doing an act of benevolence."

The committee says: "This would have been to confuse the issue and to act contrary to the Christian spirit. 'To prevent any man from doing good in a wrong way in which to condemn him for evil. To condemn him when he is doing a good deed is to commend him when he is doing a bad deed.'"

The committee also contends that the board is not organized to decide on questions of temperance, economics or socialism. An attempt at this, it says, would be an assumption of authority outside of its character. It is held that the return of the money would be the passing of judgment upon the character of the donor and the business methods he is alleged to have used and that this would be a wrong to the church of which he is a member. The committee adds: "Any accusations against him could not in christian courtesy be acted upon unless he had first been tried by the church which endorses him as a member in good and regular standing."

E. B. Fish Before Jury.
Chicago, April 12.—E. B. Fish, an employee of Schwarzschild & Sulzberger, was the principal witness of the afternoon. Great secrecy was maintained regarding Fish and his evidence. It was rumored, but not verified, that his testimony related to the disappearance of seven persons who are wanted as witnesses in the investigation and who are said to have gone to Canada at the commencement of the proceedings before the grand jury.

Mohler Is Vice President.
Omaha, April 12.—Announcement was made at local headquarters of the Union Pacific railroad of the election in New York by the board of directors of A. E. Mohler to be vice president and general manager of that road.

IN SUPREME EFFORT.

Japan to Make Desperate Attempt to Take Vladivostok.

THINK IT CAN BE DONE IN ONE MONTH

If Accomplished It Would Leave Rostovskiy Without Refuge Even in Event of Victory Over Togo.

Washington, April 12.—Field Marshal Oyama plans to capture Vladivostok before the Russian fleet, or any part of it, can reach that port. This information has been received through trustworthy channels. One of the greatest strategists the world ever saw is now being played in Asia and Asiatic waters, and military students as well as diplomats are watching it with the keenest interest. For the Japanese the capture of Vladivostok would be a trump card. They have not captured the place yet and may fail to do so. The thawing of the soil and the mudiness of the roads in a factor now working heavily against them. But if they succeed they will have checkmated a possible Russian move—the assembling of a part of their fleets at this strong base, and subsequent harassment of Japanese shipping and raids on transports.

In laying out their strategy the Japanese have tried to foresee all possible contingencies. Among these is the chance that Rostovskiy may be able with a part of his fleet to escape Togo's ships and make his way to Vladivostok. Even if there should be pitched battle between the squadrons and the Japanese were decidedly the victors in the engagement, a considerable number of Russian ships might make their way to the naval base, and by strengthening the defense there, make it a much harder nut to crack afterward. If the land forces of Japan can capture Vladivostok during the coming three or four weeks, or before the survivors of Rostovskiy's fleet can get there, a great point will have been scored. The Russians, no matter in what condition they may find themselves after the forthcoming series of engagements with Togo, will have no haven of retreat no place to retire for repairing and refitting.

The Japanese believe they can take Vladivostok during the coming month. Almost any time now may come news of the arrival of Gen. Kawamura's army before the city. It is well known that Oyama is making a flank movement in force toward Kirin and to the eastward thereof. This force is supporting Kawamura who should now be near the city.

According to reports received here the Russians have sent a large garrison in Vladivostok. Most of the troops formerly stationed there have been sent to reinforce the main army in Manchuria. Nor is the port strongly defended by fortresses and guns on the land side. The Russians never anticipated an attack from the rear. There were many things which have actually happened since this war began. In building Vladivostok they planned a wellnigh impregnable naval fortress. Such it is. But its land defenses are weak. The Japanese believe that within two or three weeks after starting their siege they may carry the place by assault. It may cost a lot of men, but the same is deemed worth the candle.

WE INTRODUCED JAPAN.

Baron Kaneko Aroused Great Enthusiasm by So Stating at Convention of Military Orders.

New York, April 12.—Declaring it was the United States that gave to Japan the guns, the smokeless powder, the telephones and telegraph with which victory on the battlefield had been won, Baron Kaneko of Japan aroused great enthusiasm at the banquet tendered by the New York Commandery to the general officers and delegates attending the fourth biennial convention of the Military Order of Foreign Wars.

TO REMOVE A JUDGE.

W. B. Hooker, of the New York Supreme Court Stands a Good Chance of Losing His Job.

Albany, N. Y., April 12.—The removal of Justice Warren B. Hooker from the supreme court bench of the state of New York by a concurrent resolution of the senate and assembly was the conclusion drawn from the evidence given before the assembly judiciary committee and presented to the committee in an argument by Former Deputy Attorney General Henry B. Coman, counsel for the committee of inquiry. Mr. Coman read his conclusions of fact, embracing six different postoffice appointments—those of Frank P. Ball, Maurice Hooker, Ora Caldwell, Thomas O'Neill, Minerva Jeffrey and Katherine Clark; the Dunbrink post-office leases; and the judgement against the City of Dunbrink. In each of these cases Mr. Coman declared that the conduct of Justice Hooker

was immoral and tended to submit the administration of justice by Judge Hooker on the bench to contempt and disgrace.

PRESBYTERIANS TO UNITE.

Sufficient Number of Votes Already Received to Assure Union—Others to Come.

Nashville, Tenn., April 12.—Cumberland Presbyterian headquarters here announced that the proposition for union with the Northern Presbyterian church had received the requisite 58 votes, with others of the 114 presbyteries of the Cumberland Presbyterian church yet to hear from. The deciding vote was cast Wednesday by the Pennsylvania Cumberland Presbyterian presbytery. It is said that the Northern Presbyterian church is voting for union in the ratio of ten to one. It has already settled the question of separate presbyteries for negroes. The general assemblies of both churches will meet on May 17, the Cumberland Presbyterians in Fresno, Cal., and the Presbyterians in Winona Lake, Ind. The votes will be declared in both. Friends of union, however, do not expect that union will be actually perfected in less than two years, considerable time being required to perfect the details.

COMMITTEES' STATEMENT

Congregationalists Tell Why They Could Not Refuse Rockefeller's \$100,000.

COULD NOT LEGALLY REFUND MONEY

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HE REFUSED THEM MONEY.

New York, April 12.—Because he had not heeded letters demanding money, which bore the peculiar signature of the mysterious black hand society, a bomb was exploded under the house of Pietro Calozza, an Italian barber, in Brooklyn. The stoop of the house was wrecked but Calozza, his wife and their one child escaped without injury.

BARQUES FOR THE PRESIDENT.

Lawton, Ok., April 12.—Gov. Ferguson and Dennis Flynn, passed through Lawton on their way to Frederick, Oklahoma, to participate in a banquet at that place. An effort will be made to persuade President Roosevelt to leave his camp and attend the banquet. A hundred persons will be present including several prominent Oklahoma politicians.

OTHER ROADS CUT RATES.

St. Louis, April 12.—With the exception of the Vandalls all of the roads entering St. Louis from the east have met the absorption of switching charges at this site of the Mississippi river announced Tuesday by the Chicago & Eastern Illinois railroad. The reduction is effective on carload lots only. The Vandalls will begin the absorption of switching charges on Friday, it is announced.

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AMBASSADOR MEYER ARRIVES

Belief General That Confidential Communication Was Carried from President Roosevelt.

St. Petersburg, April 12.—Ambassador Meyer presented his letters of credence to Emperor Nicholas at Tsarko-Selo. In diplomatic circles the keenest interest is manifested at the first interview between the emperor and the new American ambassador, owing to the widespread belief that President Roosevelt has already allowed the information to be conveyed to both belligerents that he stands ready, upon their mutual request, to undertake the promotion of peace. It is supposed that Mr. Meyer delivered a confidential communication to His Majesty from President Roosevelt; but so far as is ascertainable the emperor did not discuss the question of peace with the new ambassador.

Dr. Washington Gladden's Comment
Columbus, O., April 12.—When informed of the final action of the prudential committee accepting the Rockefeller gift, Rev. Washington Gladden, D.D., said: "The prudential committee has placed itself on the broad and intelligible position that all gifts must be received no matter what may be the character of the giver nor by what immoralities or crimes his gains may have been gathered. That is a great testimony from such a high authority. From this decision the appeal will now be taken to the conscience of the Congregational churches and the conscience of Christians."

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United Metal Workers Out.
Washington, April 12.—President Samuel Gompers, of the American Federation of Labor, issued a statement to labor organizations affiliated with his organization announcing that the United Metal Workers' International union is no longer affiliated with the American Federation of Labor. The communication recites that there have been complaints of the infringement of the organization named on the territory of other trades unions.

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