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Russian Fleet Destroyed and Port Arthur Captured.

The latest news is that the Japanese have captured Port Arthur and destroyed the entire Russian fleet.

It was stated that the Japanese army first blew up the railroad fifty miles from the coast to cut off relief, then carried by assault the promontory overlooking the city and harbor.

Mounting heavy artillery they shelled the city and harbor, driving the Russian fleet into the sea, where the Japanese battleships and cruisers met them. In the resulting sea fight the Russian ships were all either captured or destroyed. The Japanese then attacked and captured Port Arthur, taking possession of the immense stores of coal and provisions. It was also reported that the Japanese had planned explosion all along the line of the Siberian Railway and that thus the Czar's army in the Far East was isolated.

A still later report says the bombardment of Port Arthur continues steadily.

Three Russian cruisers have been sunk and a Russian bank building has been destroyed.

Uncle Sam Won't Interfere.

State department officials deny that any agreement has been made to the effect that the United States and Great Britain would interfere after Russia has crushed Japan, and insist that Manchuria remain part of China.

Ever since the Turko-Russian war it has been customary for the great neutral powers to hold some sort of conference at the conclusion of the war to assure the vanquished nation in the struggle against undue exactions and punishment.

This was notably the case in the Turko-Russian war and attention is called to the fact that although Japan was the victor in the last war with China, the neutral powers, especially Russia and England, brought pressure to bear upon Japan to prevent it from pressing its advantage beyond reasonable limits.

Incidentally it was also pointed out that the two nations named profited themselves by the acquisition of most important strategic points which had been the object of Japan's operations. Therefore it is said to be within the probabilities that some kind of conference will follow a Russo-Japanese war. The United States has always held aloof from combination in such cases, but as in the case of the negotiations which terminated the Boxer troubles, the policy has been to work on parallel lines when such a cause is for the common good.

Neutral Nations.

The following nations have announced their intention of remaining neutral in the war between Russia and Japan:

United States, England, Austria-Hungaria and Netherlands. A message from Copenhagen says while the war is confined to the Far East, no formal declaration of neutrality will be made by the Danish government.

At Paris the ministry of marine has taken precautionary measures to have ships in readiness to reinforce the French fleet in Asiatic waters.

Holland has decided to maintain the strictest neutrality. In that

case Russian vessels bound for Port Arthur will not be allowed to coal at any of her ports in the East Indian waters.

Japs Injured Russia's Best Ships.

The Russian battle ship Retvizan was built by the Cramps at Philadelphia. She is of 12,700 tons displacement, has 16,000 indicated horse-power, and had a speed of 18 knots an hour. Her armor is of Krupp steel, from four to ten inches in thickness and her armament consists of four 12-inch guns, twelve 6-inch guns, twenty 3-inch guns and twenty-six smaller rapid fire guns. The vessel up to the time it was launched in 1900 was the fastest battle ship afloat. On the trial a speed of 19 knots was made in the face of adverse conditions. The Retvizan was built alongside the new United States battle ship Maine, and was the largest battle ship, in tonnage, ever built in America. The vessel is 376 feet long with a draught of twenty-six feet, and is named after Retvizan, a valiant knight who fought with Rurik, the founder of the Russian empire. It was launched October 23, 1900, and is the first modern battle ship ever launched for the Russian navy in a foreign country.

The Czarevitch is a battle ship of 13,110 tons, built in France. In armor, armament and speed she about equals the Retvizan.

The Pallada is a cruiser of 6,630 tons. She was built in Germany and was completed in 1902. Her armament consists of six 6-inch guns, twenty 3-inch guns and eight 1.4-inch guns. Her speed is estimated at 20 knots. The Pallada was launched at the Russian ship building yard on Galernii island near St. Petersburg. The vessel is 406 feet long and 55 feet beam. It belongs to the best class of Russian commerce destroyers. Her protection lies in an armored deck 2 1/2 inches thick and the coal bunkers are so as to keep out an enemy's projectiles.

LONDON, Feb. 11.—A special dispatch from Tien Tsin confirms the report that the Manchurian railroad has been blocked by the blowing up of a bridge on the line and that thirty Russians were killed in the explosion. It is reported, the dispatch adds, that the Russian steamers Nonna and Mukken, belonging to the Chinese Eastern Railway Company, have been captured by the Japanese.

Lloyds agent at Shanghai, cabling under date of yesterday, says it is reported and generally believed that a Japanese warship destroyed the Russian mail steamer Mongolia, bound from Shanghai for Dalney. The cablegram adds that three Russian warships damaged by the torpedoes at Port Arthur sank. (The ships referred to are the battle ships Czarevitch and Retvizan and the cruiser Pallada.)

TOKIO, Feb. 11.—Japan seized Massanpho Sunday and dispatched a force there. Japan will fortify the port and establish a naval and military base there.

Masanpho is an exceedingly important point, as it controls the Korean channel and is an excellent base for future operations.

The Shanghai correspondent of the Daily Mail says an important bridge on the Manchuria Railroad has been blown up and thirty men have been killed.

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To Send 20,000 Farmers to the Panhandle.

CHICAGO, Feb. 6.—Now that the Santa Fe has become interested in land and colonization schemes in Texas it is proposed to settle at least 20,000 farmers immediately. C. L. Tallmadge of this city and several others have secured more than 1 million acres in Northern and Western Texas. The land is between Higgins and Bovina. Immigration parties will be taken to Texas on the first and third Tuesdays of each month, when homeseekers' rates will prevail. The manager of the Santa Fe's land and immigration department says the plan has been preparing nearly a year.

It is understood that the Santa Fe has made a large appropriation to assist the colonization movement and that agents will be sent throughout the United States to spread information regarding Northern Texas and the Pecos valley of New Mexico. The persons here who have acquired this immense tract in Texas are also interested in large areas of land in New Mexico, most of which are irrigated and which they intend to settle as rapidly as possible.

A contract has been let for refitting and redecorating the Iroquois theater, in which 572 lives were lost December 30. It is uncertain whether the Iroquois will open as a playhouse, but the letting of the contract for repairs indicates that the theater will be reopened to the public as a place of amusement. The cost of the repairs will be about \$22,000, and the management hopes to reopen the house in the early spring. It is said the name of the theater will be changed to the "Northwest."

The steamship Gaelic sailed Wednesday from San Francisco for the Orient with 3,800 tons of freight, including 1,100 tons of flour for Japan, 1,200 bales of cotton, 400 tons of lead and five tons of shoe nails for use in the manufacture of footwear for the Japanese army. Among the passengers was John Fowler, United States consul at Chefoo, and about forty Japanese, who propose to enlist in their country's army.

An officer of the U. S. battleship Missouri says that vessel carries a 12 inch gun that with a seven-degree elevation will land a shot fifteen miles distant.

Judge Gray of Delaware announces that he is in no sense a candidate for the Democratic nomination for President.

Tire of Law Breaking and Saloon-keepers.

The American Bonding company, which has been furnishing sureties for liquor dealers throughout Texas has decided to quit the state, and as a result of this action it is believed that about twenty-five Fort Worth saloons, which are not rated in the first class, will be forced out of the business.

All of the first-class saloons are either protected or are offered protection by another bonding company, with the understanding that the rates will double that of the old figure—\$50 for a liquor dealer's bond and \$10 for a malt dealers bond. Formerly liquor dealers had to pay only \$25 for this bond and malt dealers \$5.

The company now making bonds for saloon keepers will accept only the best dealers—men who can furnish good references and who are worth at least \$5,000 clear of all exemptions.—Fort Worth Record.

The Postoffice department has announced that all rural free delivery carriers in the United States will have a holiday February 22, Washington's birthday anniversary. There are approximately 20,000 of these carriers.

Hon. John W. Robbins announces that he will not be a candidate for re-election as State Treasurer. His declaration that he will go out of office with Governor Lanham is tantamount to such an announcement. Next year Governor Lanham will retire from the gubernatorial office, perhaps to look after his national bank at Fort Worth, or to go into the bond brokerage business.—Mercury.

Congressman Bede has filed a formal application with the Minnesota State Prison Board for a full pardon for Cole Younger, the former bandit, now out on parole. The purpose of the pardon is to give Younger greater liberty, as he is now prohibited from exhibiting himself in public exhibitions. Younger is desirous of operating a show at the St. Louis World's Fair.

Leigh Hunt, the Iowan, proposes to establish a cotton plantation of several millions of acres in South Africa, to be farmed by negroes imported from the United States.

In a drunken brawl at Duncan, I. T., Tuesday, Charles Pugwell was shot by Otis Priddy a jointist. Pugwell died next day.

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THE Japs are good imitators of Americans in handling war ships.

BLOODSHED and murder again makes their black mark on the saloon town of Dalhart.

THE CHRONICLE editor has been somewhat disabled for several days with lagrip, rheumatics or something of the kind.

THERE is a bright future for the panhandle, if the proper effort is made to locate the many immigrants desiring new homes. The 20,000 farmers to be sent in by the Santa Fe, the effort being made by the Denver and farmers being bought out in the north at high prices are worth looking after.

RUSSIAN authorities are practicing the same deception with their own people that Spain did in regard to war news. They have published stories of Russian successes in Russian papers and have the dupes holding jollification meetings. Not much doubt but that she will meet with a similar fate.

UP in Kansas, where the inhabitants are not the sleepy, go easy sort, Miss Lizzie Butler, a teacher near Salina, whipped the boy of Mrs. W. H. Hollis, who with fire in her eye and faith in her muscle went to the school and thrashed the teacher, instead of giving the boy another dose as she should. Now her husband will have to settle with the court.

An attempt by the department of agriculture to secure the raising of other crops in Texas besides cotton can't attract the Texas eye from the figures 17½ in New York.—Vernon Hornet.

The department is doing a commendable work, nevertheless, and when the speculative bubble of the bulls bursts, farmers will again realize that it will not do to depend upon any one crop. A short cotton crop has helped prices, but market manipulation has had much more to do with the unreasonable high price than has the short supply.

"The Ardmoreite prints a long story telling 'how to raise a boy' but makes no reference to the fact that he can be raised two feet at a crack with a limber hickory," says an exchange. It might be well enough to state that the only person who will publish nonsense on how to raise a boy, is the one who never tried to do the task.

The Pacific Mail steamer Korea, sailed from Honolulu Monday without knowing that war had begun in the Far East, had on board 2½ million pounds of Kansas City extra mess beef, billed to the Russian government. Whether the beef will be eaten by the Russians, as was originally intended, or whether the cargo will be captured by the Japs is now a question.

It is said now that Hon. M. M. Crane will not enter the race for the U. S. Senate, and that Mr. Culbertson will have no opposition.

There is no more valid reason why the national government should not enter upon a system of interstate road building than that it should not improve the waterways of a country or deliver mail to the people.—Greenville Herald.

Leap year, according to a Boone county, Mo., exchange, is having its effect in Farber. A young man called on a girl in that town recently and she complimented him about his new suit of clothes. "It looks good enough to be a wedding suit," she said, "But this is a business suit," he replied. "Well, then," came from the girl, "don't you think it's time you were talking business?"

Coming to the Southwest.

The following from Farm and Home, of Chicago, is significant:

"Land hunger is more keen this spring than ever. The demand for high-priced lands in the middle and central states is increasing from those who do not wish to move to newer sections. Holders are more disposed than heretofore to sell out, and with their profits, buy larger tracts for themselves and their children of the cheaper lands in the northwest and southwest.

"I have just finished a 10,000 mile tour of inquiry into this peculiar situation, and believe that 1904 will see a movement of population into the southwest that will vastly surpass even the hegira of 1903 or of recent years. Good lands at low prices, wherever located, are certain to be profitable investments for those who settle up on and work them wisely.

"The tide just now is certainly for the southwest, toward which landseekers, colonists and tourists are traveling in unprecedented numbers. If all interested in the development of this section will improve to the utmost the present and coming opportunity, the increase in population and values will be rapid, substantial and permanent."

Denver Changes.

The changes that will take place on the Denver will not be of the character first announced. There is to be but one assistant superintendent in succession to James D. Welsh, who retires as superintendent. G. W. Rourke, who resigns as trainmaster of the Santa Fe, headquarters at Cleburne, will look after the entire road of the Denver from Fort Worth to Texline, with the title of assistant superintendent. Mr. Rourke will also look after the work of the trainmaster. His headquarters will be at Childress. The office of trainmaster, now held by J. E. Rathbone, will be abolished.—Record.

The Denver Working for Immigration.

In order to obtain industrious farmers along its line, the F. W. & D. Ry officials, headed by Mr. Sterley, have obtained over 400 names of farmers who are renters, but who have teams and some property, and who could be interested and settled in this country away from the boll weevil section if the proper effort is made. These farmers live in Limestone, Correll, McLennen, Henderson, Navarro and Colorado counties. Mr. Kennedy, the Clarendon agent, has a list that gives the number in each family, number of horses, cattle, wagons, etc., as well as nationality of the persons, and their postoffice address. Any one having land to rent can copy from this list of Mr. Kennedy's or from one in the office of the Priddy-Huie Realty Co. We have the list from two of the counties and will get the rest this week and mail to them from time to time copies of THE CHRONICLE, that they may learn something of our country and its people.

All the public school teachers went to the teacher's meeting at Amarillo yesterday, except Prof. Black and Miss Stout. Prof. Silvey returned last night, having landed the next Summer Normal for Clarendon. The vote stood Clarendon 26, Hereford 16 and Canyon 4. Prof. Silvey says the meeting was well attended and good work was being done. Lefevre was endorsed for State Superintendent of Public Instruction. Prof. Silvey also says he feels confident of being appointed on the State board of examiners. The next meeting of the Panhandle Teacher's Association will be in Memphis in April.

STATE NEWS.

On the Southern Pacific road 619 engines now burn oil for fuel.

Up to Thursday the treasury deficit had been reduced from \$500,000 to \$110,427.24.

At Quannah one-third of the pupils are kept from going to school by the grip and kindred diseases.

Stiff Chapel school house, ten miles northeast of McKinney, was burned Tuesday. Origin of the fire unknown.

A heavy hail did considerable damage near Pilot Point this week. Many windows were broken and heavy plate glasses in some of the stores.

John Stubblefield, of Azle, Tarrant county, has left for Japan, where he will give his services as scout to the Japanese government. He is an ex-Philippine soldier.

The carmen's strike at Ennis has been settled by the Texas Central officials agreeing to their demands. Ten hours shall constitute a day's work and time and a half shall be paid for overtime.

The contract for supplying the Terrell lunatic asylum with fresh beef for six months ending August 31, 1904, was awarded by the state purchasing agent to J. A. Hicks of Terrell, the contract price being \$3.23 per 100 pounds gross.

Thieves broke into the postoffice at Mansfield Wednesday morning and stole between \$700 and \$800 in stamps and money. After looting the postoffice the thieves pried open the door of the barn of Dr. W. B. McKnight and stole a buggy and a team of horses and drove to Fort Worth, where horses and buggy were deserted.

As a plan of settlement of the disagreement between the Houston Oil company and the Kirby Lumber company recently the Kirby company offers to buy all the timber lands of the Houston company by assuming the 7 million dollars timber certificates outstanding, and paying 8 million dollars in cash and secured notes.

At Tyler, Wednesday, in federal court Judge Bryant sentenced several negroes for violating the revenue laws. W. T. Hamill, a white man who had been convicted in the county court of Cherokee for violating the local option law, was given fifteen months at hard labor at the government penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kan., and a fine of \$100. Lee Ratclige, a white man of the same county, who was convicted in two cases, was given two years at hard labor in each case and \$100 fine.

Japan's Fighting Strength.

The official records of Japan give the following statistics of her military strength: Regular army—Infantry, fifty-two regiments, 4,160 officers and 143,000 men; cavalry, seventeen regiments, 400 officers, 9,300 men, 9,000 horses, artillery, nineteen six-battery regiments (684 guns), 800 officers and 12,500 men, 8,800 horses; artillery (fortress), twenty battalions, 530 officers, 10,300 men; engineers, 270 officers and 7,000 men; transport, 220 officers and 7,740 men, 40,000 horses. The reserves number 35,000 officers and men of all arms, with over 100 guns. The territorial army is given as 200,000 men of all arms, with 312 guns. With the national militia the total land strength of Japan is, in round numbers, 430,000 officers and men, 1,200 guns and 90,000 horses.

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The meats will be sent, not eastward, for export across the Atlantic and for transportation by way of Transsiberian Railway, but they are to be sent from San Francisco across the Pacific Ocean, despite the near approach to Japan which the freighters will have to make. Vladavostock is the point at which the boats transporting the meats will land and if a blockade should be established there by Japan an attempt will be made to run it.

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M. E. South, services every Sunday—Rev. G. S. Hardy, pastor. Sunday school 10 a. m. Prayer meeting every Wednesday night. Junior Epworth League at 2 p. m. Epworth League at 4 p. m. every Sunday.

Catholic, St. Mary's Church—Rev. P. H. Dunne, pastor. Sunday services: Mass at 10 a. m.; Sunday School after mass. Evening services at 7:30. Services every Sunday except on SOCIETIES.

I. O. O. F.—Clarendon Lodge No. 381, meet 1st and 3rd Thursday nights each month in 3rd story of courthouse. Visiting brothers made welcome. D. E. FOSKY, N. G. M. ROSENFELD, Sec'y.

W. O. W., Woodbine Camp No. 476—Meets in Odd Fellows Hall every Friday evenings. Visiting choppers invited. ED KIZER, C. C. J. E. COOKE, clerk.

A. F. & A. M.—Clarendon Lodge No. 700, meets 2nd Friday night in each month over the Bank of Clarendon. JAMES TRENT, W. M. R. A. CHAMBERLAIN, Sec.

CLARENDON CHAPTER, No. 316 R. A. M.—Meets the first Friday night in each month at 8:30 o'clock. Visiting companions cordially invited. W. H. MEADOR, H. P. J. S. TRENT, Sec.

K. of P.—Panhandle Lodge, No. 90, Meets 1st and 3rd Tuesday nights in every month in their Castle Hall, in Johnson's Hall. Visiting Knights cordially invited. J. M. CLOWER, C. C. F. A. DEBBS, K. of R. S.

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No. 7, Passenger and Express..... 7:15 a. m.
SOUTH BOUND.
No. 2, Mail and Express..... 7:15 a. m.
No. 8, Passenger and Express..... 9:30 p. m.
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Business locals five cents per line for first insertion and 3 cents for subsequent insertions. All locals run and are charged for until ordered out. Transient notices and job work are cash, other bills on first of month.

Business Locals.

Wall paper at Stockings.
Nicest assortment of candies in town, just in, at Blair's.
The Valentines at Stocking's store will touch the intended spot. Go see them.
Just received a big shipment of harness plow goods, etc., at Ruth-erford & Collins'.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Mrs. W. H. Martin and family are being visited by Mrs. P. P. Martin of Jonesboro, Ark.

John Burson of Paloduro and R. C. Dobson, of Mulberry Flat were in town trading Thursday.

Frank Martin, of the Martin-Bennett Co., leaves today for the eastern wholesale markets.

Charley Thornton, of Childress county, near Newlin, came up Thursday evening on a business trip.

Rev. A. H. Thornton and family left today for Childress county for a visit to relatives during next week.

R. E. Grabel, field editor of the Advance, will speak here on prohibition tonight and Sunday night.

Hon. W. B. Ware went to Fort Worth last night to appear before the court of appeals in the Barnett and Pyle case.

Mr. Blair has sold his hardware stock to Witt-Richardson Co., and will devote his time to groceries, grain and feed.

Roy Stocking left yesterday for St. Louis, where he contemplates getting a desirable position. Ernest Wright takes his place here in the drug store.

A number of Alanreed Masons were over last night to attend lodge here and make application for a lodge of their own. They will soon organize at that place.

Dr. J. S. Morris and family left Thursday night for Ardmore, I. T., where they will make their home. Prof. Black has rented and moved to the Morris residence, and Dr. Gray will use the office.

Word was brought here yesterday of the killing of Lee Cannon in the Cannon & Dilworth saloon at Dalhart, he being cut to death in a difficulty. He will be remembered as the man who built the steam laundry here a few years ago.

Clarence Dubbs has sold his country home, moved to town and bought his brother, Fred's, interest in the Globe confectionery and will be a Clarendon business man. We are pleased to have Mr. and Mrs. Dubbs as residents of our prosperous little city.

The commissioner's court was still working on reports yesterday afternoon, having had little chance to do anything else. J. G. Darden was appointed justice of peace of precinct No. 1, and the first Monday in each month was fixed as the time for regular sessions of his court. The assessor was instructed to assess land this year in accordance with improvements, location, etc., placing the value at so much per acre, and not assess improvements separate.

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Henry, the six-months-old baby of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Witt, died yesterday afternoon.

Dr. Denson, of Amarillo, will preach again Sunday and Sunday night at the Christian church. All invited.

In the runaway scrape, of which we mentioned Wednesday as having occurred that morning with the Silverton hack driver and two passengers, was caused by the tongue of the hack dropping down and giving the mules a scare. They ran about 100 yards when in crossing a ravine about eight miles from town, the hack was turned over and wrecked and dragged some ten or fifteen feet with driver and passengers in the wreck. The double-tree then broke and freed the team from the hack. The driver was T. W. Coleman, who had one bone in the right forearm fractured. The two passengers were T. R. Malone, of Fort Worth, on his way to Silverton to visit a brother. The other was E. H. Whittington, of Tascosa, on his way to the J A ranch to look at some cattle. Malone was badly cut in the forehead, the gash being about 4 1/2 inches long, to the bone. Whittington's face was skinned up considerably. They were taken to Fred Weidman's, near where it occurred, and Wint Barefield came to town for a doctor and Mr. Buntin, proprietor of the hack line. Dr. Carroll went out and patched up the cuts and bruises and put Coleman's arm in splints. Mr. Buntin and Charley Parks also went out and took Whittington on to the ranch. Yesterday Malone was able to come back to town and last night returned to Fort Worth. The team was found next morning wound up in some brush not far from the place of the accident. G. W. Hegwood is now driving the mail team until Coleman is again fit for duty. Malone talked some of a damage suit, but finally agreed to drop the matter if Mr. Buntin would pay his \$15 doctor bill and other expenses while here.

College Clatter.

The lagrippe epidemic is about over at the college now. Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy were able to take charge of their classes this week.

Little Bertha Weidman, who is recovering from the grippe, went home this week.

Willie Hightower has returned from a week's visit to her home in the southeastern part of the county.

Hugh Black is recovering from an attack of pneumonia.

Mr. R. N. Rutherford has taken his children and step-daughter, Miss Hunt, out of the college to move to Claude.

Miss Gabie Betts and Prof. Williams attended the Teachers' Institute at Amarillo, Friday. Maud McLean was put in charge of Prof. Williams' classes.

Mr. John Absher, a brother of J. H. Absher, entered college Wednesday. They left for Illinois Friday in response to a telegram that their father was dying.

Friday the public school boys and the college boys had a game of base ball.

Sallie Row Sydnor visited the Castalian society Friday afternoon and favored the society with a recitation.

Episcopal Church

Sunday next—Sexagesima morning service 11 o'clock. Ash Wednesday, Litany and Holy Communion 10 o'clock; Evening prayer and sermon 7:30.

Other Lenten services will be duly announced.

Groom.
CHRONICLE Correspondence.

Jim Long and Will and Fate Harris have returned from Beaver county and are all well pleased with the country.

Shirley Boydston, Charley Payne and Mr. Corbin were in town Tuesday shopping.

We are afraid our town will be stunted by Frank Dysart moving away.

Lum will have to get up off his back and on his feet when our new merchant, Mr. Witherspoon, gets to business.

C. E. Bodystun is going to start to sowing oats the 15th, if the weather is favorable.

C. L. Timmons' baby has been real sick, but is improving now.

Levi Angel was in town having some blacksmithing done Monday.

V. Wallace is going to move down on the Reck place and work for Bugbee, and Mr. Steed is going to move in where Mr. Wallace vacates.

Miss Frankie Harris and Mrs. Cora Harris made Mr. James a visit last week. RABBIT.

Silver, 250 Carloads, Going Over the Denver.

The Fort Worth and Denver City is now receiving the first shipment of a consignment of 250 carloads of silver ore from Autofogasta, Chili, for the smelters at Pueblo and Denver Colo. Thirty-five cars passed through here last evening. The cargo arrived at Galveston a few days ago and the ore is being handled from that port by the International and Great Northern road to Fort Worth. The cars of ore are sealed by the government. During the past year there has been a heavy shipment of this ore from the Chilean mines to this country where it is sent for reduction. Up to date the railroads above named have handled some five or six cargoes of this ore, and had the present winter not been so severe there would have been a much heavier receipt of this ore.—Telegram.

Some cow feed would be acceptable from some of our delinquents.

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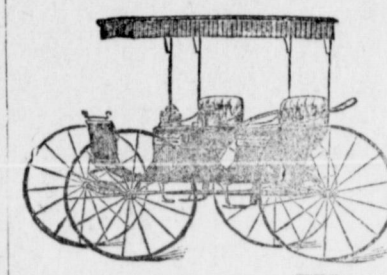
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Mental Science Fake.

In many respects the most remarkable trial heard for many years in a United States court in South is that now progressing in the United States Court at Jacksonville, Fla.,—that of the United States vs. Mrs. Helen Willmans Post, famous as a much-advertised mental science physician.

In opening the case last week, Mr. Stripling for the prosecution said Mrs. Post had asserted that through her mental treatment she could cure people of poverty; that she could treat women and enable them to marry men of their own choice; that she could make hair grow on bald heads; that she could treat persons of the gambling habit, or enable them to become successful in gambling; that she could restore lost affections and that she could remedy all undesirable conditions with which humanity might be afflicted.

Mrs. Post went to Florida eight or ten years ago, going to Sea Breeze, on the east coast. Here she began teaching in a small way, but soon gathered an immense clientele, reaching into every county, almost. She began publication of her paper, Freedom, and soon had a big printing-house in operation for doing her work, printing "instructions to patients" and many pamphlets. As money flowed in, she spread out and began building up the village until to-day Sea Breeze is a handsome town with many fine residences, several big hotels and many other attractions. It is said that at one time Mrs. Post's income was from \$500 to \$2,000 per month, coming in in sums of from \$5 to \$50 for treatment."

Mrs. Post, prospered in a worldly sense. She built herself a fine \$20,000 mansion, erected hotels, built boulevards, opened avenues and planted trees.

Finally Uncle Sam's postal inspectors began inquiries, evidence was obtained and indictments found against Mrs. Post, her husband and her son-in-law.

Mrs. Dayton, who had been Mrs. Post's head clerk for many years, testified that Mrs. Post was in the habit of opening the mail, taking out of the letters any checks, money orders or cash, and passing the letters on to the clerks to be answered according to standing instructions given them regarding the general conduct of the business.

Letters were read from patients asking for aid for every kind of ill and disease. One wanted to get a relative out of prison; another wanted her husband to leave her; one wanted golden locks instead of gray; an old man wanted to be made young; a man who had lost an arm wanted a new one; a gray-haired, toothless man wanted a new set of teeth and dark hair, women wanted to regain lost affections or seek new; a bald-headed man wanted some hair, and so it went on for scores of letters in this same vein. All had sent money, and on the envelopes was seen Mrs. Post's marking of the money received.

Many of Mrs. Post's women patients testified to cures wrought by her "thought treatment," and the closest cross-questioning by the District Attorney did not shake their testimony or their faith in Mrs. Post.

Before that several Government witnesses told of Mrs. Post's life in Sea Breeze and her alleged disregard for her patients. She was quoted as saying that she had her finger on the public pulse and could get all the money she wanted, and that it was "easy to fool the people."

Several patients told of being cured by Mrs. Post's "thought connection." Her star witness was

Mrs. A. L. Sherwood, a wealthy woman of Toledo, O., who said she was attacked with severe headaches while traveling in Europe, and while in Florence, Italy, she took the treatment and was completely cured in a short time.

With Mrs. Post's testimony Friday afternoon the defense closed its case.

Mrs. Post made a long plea for mental science, which she styled the highest science of the present age. She defended her advertisements, and said she could do all she claimed. To cure, she said, "healing thoughts must be sent to the persons afflicted, seeking them, not that they should seek you."

She told of many wonderful cures and said that hundreds of cured patients could be brought here, save of the great expense of bringing them, which she was unable to bear. As to her hair, she asserted that it was originally dark gray, but that through her mental science treatment it turned into a glorious auburn.

"I can treat 1,000 patients as well as one," she said, dramatically. "My thoughts flow out in all directions, seeking those afflicted, and if they are in a receptive mood they receive benefit."

Mrs. Post was disconcerted by testimony which alleged that she used hair dye, and she agreed to allow the jury to examine her hair to prove that its coloring was natural, but the court would not permit it.

After the trial had lasted ten days, Mrs. Post was convicted Tuesday of this week, after the jury had been out seven hours. The court has not yet passed sentence and the defense has been given ten days to prepare and submit a motion for arrest of judgment or a new trial. The defendant is under \$1,000 bond. The maximum penalty under the law is a fine not exceeding \$500 or imprisonment not exceeding eighteen months, or both, in the discretion of the court. There are eleven other indictments against Mrs. Post and her husband, C. C. Post, and her son-in-law, Charles C. Bergman.

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