HIDDEN PICTURE PUZZLE.

Where In the Girl's Pet Cat?

FIRST BATTLE GOES TO JAPS

Attack on Russian Fleet at Port Arthur Disastrous to Russians.

VESSELS PUT OUT OF SERVICE

Three Battleships and Two Cruisers Are So Badly Damaged That They Are Useless—Cruiser and Torpedo Gunboats Give Up Without a Shot.

St. Petersburg cable: Three battleships and two cruisers so badly damaged that they are useless, three cruisers partially crippled, one cruiser and two torpedo gunboats captured without firing a shot, forts at Port Arthur damaged, 150 men killed, and two officers and fifty-four men wounded.

This is the record of casualties inflicted by the Japanese on Russian arms at Port Arthur in two daring dashes at the Czar's strongholds in the far east, and at Chemulpo, Corea, where the capture occurred.

The Japanese fleet escaped without a scratch after its two attacks.

The Japanese have landed in Corea in half a dozen different places without difficulty and with no opposition.

Twelve thousand men are already ashore, and thousands more are on the way. The march to Seoul has already begun, and the capital will soon be occupied.

Russia is Stunned.

Russia is stunned. The suddenness of the disaster, coming as it did when totally unexpected and catching the Czar's navy sapping, has shocked the country to its core.

The news of the naval engagement at Port Arthur came in two bulletins separated by eleven hours' time. The first was from Admiral Alexieff himself, the second from the chief of staff, Major General Flug. The latter sent the following cable dispatch to the Czar, under date of Port Arthur, Feb. 9:

"By order of the Vl. ---y, I beg to report that this day at about 11 o'clock in the morning a Japanese squadron, consisting of about fifteen battleships and cruisers, approached Port Arthur and opened fire. The enemy was received with a cannonade from the shore batteries and the guns of our squadron, which also participated in the engagement.

Losses in First Conflict.

"At about noon the Japanese squadron ceased its fire and left, proceeding southward.

"Our losses in the fleet were two officers wounded, nine men killed and fifty wounded. On the shore batteries one man was killed and three were wounded.

"The battleship Poltava and the cruiser Novik each had a hole knocked in her side below the line. The forts were slightly damaged.

"MAJOR GENERAL FLUG."

The bulletin telling of the first disaster, which occurred at midnight, previous to the disaster to the Port Arthur, was from the Czar's Viceroy himself, and read:

"I most respectfully inform your majesty that at or about midnight of Feb. 8-9, Japanese torpedo boats made a sudden attack on the Russian squadron in the outer roads of the fortress, in which the battleships Retvisan and Cesarevitch and the cruiser Pallada were damaged. An inspection is being made to ascertain the extent of the damage. Details are following my your majesty."

Admiral Alexieff, amplifying his first telegram to the Czar, telegraphed later as follows:

"I most humbly report to your imperial majesty that the three injured vessels were not sunk, nor were their boilers or engines damaged. The Cesarevitch received a hole in her steering department and her rudder was damaged; the Retvisan was damaged in her pumping apparatus under the water line, and the Pallada received injures amidships not far from her engines.

Battleships Are Beached.

"After the explosions the crushers hastened immediately to their assistance and in spite of the dark night measures were taken to bring the damaged vessels to the harbor. We had no loss in officers. Two marines were killed, five were drowned, and eight were wounded. The enemy's torpedo boats received a heavy fire. Two unexploded torpedoes were found near the attack."

Port Arthur has been put under martial law.

So badly were the battleships injured in the first engagement that they were unable to return to the harbor. They steamed in close to the forts, and were beached in the channel, thus blocking the way and preventing the fleet which is outside from getting in, and the torpedo boats which are inside from getting out. The Pallada, seriously disabled, with a jagged hole below her water line and a broken screw and rudder, was later towed back, and now lies outside the harbor, but under the protection of the guns of the forts.

Japs Take Prizes.

Reports were received later of the partial disabling at Port Arthur of the protected cruisers Iiana and Askold, and the small cruiser Boyarin, the capture, without firing a shot, of the protected cruiser Varyog and the gunboat Korelts at Chemulpo, Corea, and the capture off Nagasaki of the gunboat Mandjur.

In the second engagement the Poltava and the Novik were both struck below the water line, and so seriously damaged that at first it was believed they would sink. They managed, however, to work their way slowly towards the harbor, and are now lying outside. Undoubtedly they will temporary repairs the crew can accomplish.

Fleet is Crippled.

For fighting purposes the eight warships are useless. This seriously cripples the Russian fleet, putting out of commission, as it does, three of the largest battleships she had in her fleet of eight.

The negligence of the Russian commander in permitting the Japanese to get near enough to attack in attack is severely criticized here, but not officially. It is known that the last thing expected by the Russians was an attack on the stronghold at Port Arthur, which the Russians looked on as almost impregnable. Later, but it is remembered that the Japanese opened hostilities in the Chinese-Japanese war by a torpedo attack, and officials feel that Alexieff should have provided for preventing it.

Professor Resigns.

Duluth, Minn., special: Prof. F. L. Barber, instructor in chemistry in the Duluth high school, has resigned, following charges by two high school girls that he had kissed them against their will. Prof. Barber denies the charges.

Steel Magnate is Dead.

Pittsburg, Pa., special: Henry William Oliver, the well-known steel man and financier, is dead here after a brief illness.

MASKED MEN ROB IOWA FARMER

Victim is Bound and Gagged and Robbed of $1,500.

Des Moines, Ia., special: Two masked men bound and gagged Fred Suyley, a farmer near Olive, a small town five miles west of here, while he was talking and stole $1,500, the proceeds of a livestock sale. Unconscious from the cold Sayler was discovered three hours later and removed to his home. The money was drawn from the bank to meet obligations.

MINE EXPLOSION FATAL TO FOUR

Fire Boss and Three Others Killed by Ignition of Gas.

Scranton, Pa., dispatch: Evan Gabriel, fire boss at the Storr shaft of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad company, was instantly killed and James and Edward Webber, brothers, and William Joyce were fatally injured by an explosion of gas. They were investigating conditions, when a naked light carried by Jones caused the explosion.

ILLINOIS NEWS

Choice News from over the State, carefully selected for our readers

ACCUSED OF SWINDLING WOMEN

Inspectors Say Chicago Man Used Fifteen Mail Orders.

Postoffice inspectors at Chicago arrested C. W. Thompson, whom they charge with swindling women all over the United States under fifteen aliases. He was arraigned and held in $1,000 for a hearing Feb. 15. According to the government officials Thompson operated under the following mail order names: Woman's co-operative club, Woman's industrial bureau, Amazon advertising agency, Occidental whole sale company, Woman's union league, Amazon chemical company, Oso chemical company, Colonial commercial agency, Woman's commercial agency, Utopia manufacturing company, Ladies' industrial league, Inter-Ocean school of journalism, Lincoln manufacturing company, Occidental commercial agency. Thompson advertises to pay women 20 cents a letter to do writing for him at home, that they must send 50 cents for a contract and secure other subscribers.

WIDOW WINS ODD DAMAGE SUIT

Knoxville Must Pay $2,500 for Death of Drunken Prisoner.

The jury in Knoxville returned a verdict in the case of Mrs. Addison Means against the city of Knoxville, giving her $2,500. In January, 1903, Mr. Means was arrested for drunkenness and confined in the Knoxville calaboose. During the night he stumbled against the stove, knocking it over. He was unable to rise and the coals set fire to his clothes, burning him frightfully. The fire out, he began to freeze, and when found next day both feet were frozen. He died from his injuries.

Release Officials From Jail.

Justice Early and Constables Gambrell and Johnson were released from jail in Springfield on a writ of error and supersedeas issued from the Appellate court in the Northern district at Peoria. Judge Thompson, in the Sangamon Circuit court, had sentenced the officers and constables to a term of three months in jail for alleged contempt of court. The contempt charge was based on their arresting and serving a writ of replevin by which gamblers regained possession of considerable gambling dials which had been seized under a search warrant issued by Judge Thompson.

Revival at Vandalia.

Union revival services participated in by the members of the Methodist, Presbyterian and Baptist congregations, are in progress in Vandalia. Cottage prayer meetings are held throughout the city, both in the forenoon and afternoon, and there are a dozen meetings going at the same time. Much interest is being manifested, and many have professed conversion.

New Traction Company.

The Central Traction Company of Taylorville has been granted articles of incorporation by the secretary of state. The capital stock of the concern is $210,000. The incorporators are Ernest Hoover, John E. Thomas, W. A. Powel, John Dacy, R. U. Vollintine and Ed. Hoover. The company will build an electric railway from Assumption to Taylorville.

Gold Badge for Fireman.

In consideration of efficient services rendered for fifteen years, Chief of Department in the Firemen's Benevolent association of Quincy for twenty-eight consecutive years, a handsome solid gold badge was given to Henry Meiser.

Boy Guilty of Larceny.

Guy Cole, aged 15, was found guilty of larceny by a jury in Danville court at Springfield and ordered sent to the state reformatory. Cole has been frequently arrested.

Favor Primary Elections.

A large majority of the republican voters in Quincy and Adams county have expressed themselves in favor of having primary elections.

Is Killed by Train.

Henry H. Allen was instantly killed by a Chicago and Alton passenger train at Springfield. He leaves a wife and two children.

Coal Falls on Miner.

Fred Schultz, aged 24, was probably fatally hurt by falling coal in the Kolb coal mine at Mascoutah.

Masonic Schools.

Masonic schools of instruction will be held at Danville Feb. 16, and Aurora March 1.

Is Sent to Asylum.

At Vandalia Harry Lape was adjudged insane and taken to the asylum at Anna.

Pastor's Mother Is Dead.

Mrs. Anna Jane Morrison, who died at Springfield Feb. 7, was the mother of Rev. Hugh Morrison, pastor of the First Christian church. She was taken ill with pneumonia and died very suddenly.

Postell Clerks Elect.

The Quincy branch of the United national association of postoffice clerks elected officers as follows: Wood president; Elmer Lummis, vice president and treasurer; M. J. Bauer, secretary.

COAL INDUSTRY IS THRIVING

Great Activity Follows Opening of New Shafts in the State.

The development of the coal industry of southern Illinois since the adoption of Sunset Day, by John, state mine inspector of the Seventh district, has exceeded all expectation, and if the demand for the mineral keeps pace with the supply the business in twelve months will have more than doubled since 1902, breaking all previous records in either the anthracite or bituminous fields. All over every county where coal is known to exist in paying veins, the scramble for the land continues. Capitalists from Pennsylvania, including the Markles, have invested heavily. Lands remote from present railroad facilities have been bought, and in two instances work on development begun before a railroad reached the spot. Two new lines of railroad built to handle the coal traffic have been opened. Eight heavily capitalized new companies have entered the field and eighteen new shafts are going down. In every instance where a new shaft has gone down the machinery and equipment have been of the best known, showing a degree of permanence that puts confidence in the industry. The demand for labor can hardly be met, and when spring opens acute competition will probably exist between the coal operators of the Illinois field for labor, the farmer to put in his crops and the operator to push improvements.

Wolf Kills Farm Stock.

In Ramsey township a large gray wolf is creating havoc among young horses, pigs and lambs, and the losses sustained by the farmers have already amounted to considerable. For several days the destruction of farm stock had become quite noticeable, and a systematic effort was inaugurated among the farmers to locate and ascertain if possible the cause. E. B. Stokes has lost over 100 lambs, besides pigs and calves. This wolf has been seen several times, but all attempts to capture the animal have been futile so far. Large rewards have been offered by the citizens of Ramsey township for the wolf's scalp. A wolf drive is now being talked of in which every citizen of that township is invited to participate.

Onion King's Last Request.

Exacting a promise from his relatives that they would keep his body seventy-two hours, Henry W. D. Stulliam, aged 67, was buried in the Missouri Point, opposite Alton, died. His relatives complied with the request, but it became known that Henry was a veteran of the civil war and had been an inmate of the Quincy soldiers' home.

Run Down by Electric Car.

While entering the Jacksonville on the Troy road in his sleigh, Henry F. Stulven, a prominent young farmer of near Edwardsville, was run down by a car of the Suburban electric line, the horse being killed and the sleigh wrecked. Mr. Stulven was thrown to one side and not seriously injured.

Carnegie Organ Fund.

Andrew Carnegie has made a donation of $1,000 to the Presbyterian church of Mattoon for the purpose of installing a new pipe organ in the church. The donation was secured by correspondence between Mr. Carnegie and Rev. Raisa Morley, pastor of the church.

Swallows Fishhook.

C. F. Scott, of Rochester, a traveling salesman, was relieved of a fishhook by M. W. Clark of Edwardsville, Ill. Scott had swallowed the hook while bowed by Scott while eating a hearty breakfast and had lodged in his throat.

Gets $500 Damages.

Mrs. J. F. Standifer, administratrix of the estate of her husband, was given a verdict of $50 against the Chicago and Alton railways for the death of her husband who was run down by a train in Venice about one year ago.

Blames Poor Sewerage.

Andrew O. Proffit has brought suit against the city of Pana for damages amounting to $5,000 on account of the death of his wife and two children about a year ago, which he claims was due to defective city sewerage.

Peach Crop is Destroyed.

Authorities on the fruit crop declare that the continued cold and intensity of the weather has destroyed the peach crop in central and northern Illinois.

Racing Dates.

The Mississippi valley fair circuit has fixed upon July 22 to 29 as dates for the summer race meeting in Quincy.

Organize Elevator Company.

The farmers in the vicinity of Ludlow, Champaign county, have organized the Ludlow farmers' elevator company, with $10,000 capital, and will build an elevator on the Illinois Central railroad at Ludlow. The directors are L. N. Bear, W. S. Watson, James McCabe, H. L. Conklin, H. C. Weber, Michael Walsh, Albert Johnson, Thomas Peterson and John Anderson. The directors organized by electing James McCabe president, Michael Walsh secretary and L. N. Bear treasurer.

VETERAN CLEARS HIS RECORD

Proves Service for Confederacy Was Not Valuable on His Part.

When James McReynolds of Upper Alton applied for a pension many years ago he was rejected on the alleged ground that he had voluntarily borne arms against the federal government prior to his enlistment in the Union army. McReynolds was a mail carrier for the United States in Arkansas when the civil war broke out. Some time after the town was captured and the postoffice seized in the name of the Confederate government. His father was postmaster, and the son, who was under age, continued to carry mail and to defend it was obliged to bear arms. These facts became known to the pension commissioner and many years ago McReynolds' claim for pension was rejected. He has since proven that his service in the confederate mail service was not voluntary and had been notified that his record has been cleared and that he may again take an examination before the pension board.

Jurors Demand Fees.

After returning a verdict in Judge Beach's court in East St. Louis in the case of the people against Mrs. Cora Wood, the jurors refused to leave the room until paid for their services. As the verdict was in favor of the defendant, costs against the people, Alexander Flanigan represented the defendant, and State's Attorney Mc-Murdo and W. C. Kinkopf the state. Judge Beach suggested that if no one else would pay the jury he would, and Attorney Flanigan offered to donate a portion of his fee to pay the jury, which each received 50 cents. Judge Beach has since made a rule not to call a jury unless the litigant asking for it will deposit the amount of the jurors' fees.

Greenville College.

The trustees of Greenville college met at Greenville and elected five new trustees as follows: Representative P. H. Ashcraft, C. A. Fleming and W. Sherman and J. H. Moss of Greenville and C. H. Hoffman, Greenville. The trustees also elected the following officers: President, Rev. P. H. Ashcraft; vice president, Rev. C. A. Fleming; secretary, W. F. Doering; treasurer, F. P. Jones. The executive committee is composed of Reverends Ashcraft, Fleming and Sherman and Messrs. R. D. Hayde, F. Blakeley, T. H. Bilyeu and W. F. Doering.

Wild Dogs Killing Stock.

Residents of Godfrey have reported the ravages of a pack of wild dogs in the vicinity of Jerseyville township. The dogs have been pursuing people, and reports have been received of stock being killed by them. Godfrey people say that the dogs have been driven into desperation by the cold and hunger, and it may be necessary to organize a hunt to kill them. Dogs have been having been pursued by the pack and several of them escaped on fast, horses.

Burlington Branch is Completed.

The Jacksonville and Concord railway has been completed. The new road is eight miles in length, is the property of the Burlington system, and is built to connect Jacksonville and St. Louis with the St. Louis division of the Burlington. The Jacksonville and St. Louis was completed about eighteen months ago by the Burlington on account of the rich coal fields which it taps.

Road to the Ohio River.

A certificate of incorporation has been issued to the Illinois and Kentucky railroad company, with the principal office in Colorado. The road is to be constructed from Harrisburg, Ill., to the Ohio river and to Marion, Carter Mills and Eldorado, Illinois, Williamson, Saline, Pope and Hardin counties, in Illinois.

Refuses New Trial.

The federal court at Springfield overruled the defendant's motion for a new trial in the case of Charles Krickbaum against the Louisville and Nashville railroad, in which Krickbaum was awarded $5,000 by a jury for the burning of his home at Aviston by sparks from a locomotive on that road.

Constables in Jail.

Attorneys for Justice Frank E. Barr and Constables Johnson and Gambrel, now serving jail sentences for contempt of court, are preparing a bill of exceptions, and the case will be taken to the appellate court as soon as possible.

Miners Care for Injured Man.

Peter Murphy, a miner, who was seriously injured in the mine of Adam at Centralia by falling slate, has been brought to the hospital at Springfield by the mine workers' union.

Domestic Science Delegates.

Mrs. W. E. Carlin and Miss Grace Enos of Jerseyville have been elected delegates to the Illinois state domestic science association to the state meeting of the association, which will be held in Decatur Feb. 23 to 26.

Jackson County Teachers.

Mrs. Emma M. Bryan, county superintendent of schools for Jackson county, has issued a call for the annual winter session of the county teachers' association. It will be held in Carbondale on Feb. 12 and 13.

A WOMAN'S MISERY.

Mrs. John La Rue, of 115 Paterson avenue, Paterson, N. J., says: "I was troubled for about nine years, and what I suffered none but a sufferer know. I used about every known remedy that is said to be good for kidney complaint, but without derriving permanent relief. Often when stoping to lift a heavy the backache has been so bad that it brought tears to my eyes. The last time was so severe that I was compelled to give up my household duties and lie down. There were headaches, dizziness and blood rushing to my head to cause bleeding at the nose. The first box of Doan's Kidney Pills benefited me so much that I continued the treatment. The stinging pain in the small of my back, the rushes of blood to the head, and other symptoms disappeared."

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Grape-Nuts Silver Lining Theory.

Dr. James E. Kelly, the well-known New York surgeon, was discussing the medical decline of professional men.

"Still, there's a silver lining to every cloud," said he. "For instance, there's a young man in Broadway one day used to be a throat specialist in Harlem.

"How does the silver-lining theory apply?"

"Oh, he doesn't look as much down in the mouth as he used to," replied the doctor.

Centenarians of Different Nations.

More people over 100 years old are found in mild climates than in the higher latitudes. According to the last census of the German Empire, of a population of 45,000,000 only one person eight have passed the hundredth year. France, with a population of 40,000,000, has 213 centenarians. Italy and there are 146; in Ireland, 578; in Scotland, forty-six. Sweden has ten and Norway twenty-five. Belgium five, Denmark two, Switzerland three. Spain, with a population of 18,000,000, has 401 persons over 100 years of age. Of the 2,580,000 inhabitants of Servia, 575 have passed the century mark.

Largest Motor in the World.

It is in the huge forests of Canada where the biggest specimens of trees are seen. They have been specially designed by a Chicago inventor for hauling logs over rough and rocky roads. One of these machines is capable of dragging a train of 200 tons weight at a speed of four or five miles an hour. It is the only machine in existence that will draw a heavy load through the forest on four rubber tires, with a traction wheel in the rear weighing seven tons. The machinery is enclosed in a box-like affair, giving the motor a somewhat strange appearance, but it makes its way along the forest roads.

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