

## Great Center of Russian Unrest



for naval vessels and one commercial harbor, capable of accommodating 1,000 ships. During the winter season part of the transportation of freight to St. Petersburg is effected on railways built on the ice. The town has a population of about 65,000, but the industries are chiefly in connection with the government navy yards. It was founded by Peter the Great in 1710, and the house in which he lived is one of the show places. In some of the

churches specimens of Peter's work as a carpenter are also enshrined. In the matter of schools Kronstadt is fairly well equipped, there being a school for sailors, a naval academy and two gymnasia. Two canals traverse Kronstadt, whose streets are regular and well paved, but all the houses, with the exception of those owned by the government, are chiefly of one story only. The commerce of the town is highly important.



THE WINTER PALACE

### MEANS EXPANSION OF TRADE

Increased Output of Gold Will Have Good Effect.

Feast days and holidays, Sundays and work days throughout 1905, each will give the world over a million dollars of new gold. The mines of the earth will yield this year \$375,000,000 of gold. F. A. Vanderlip, the New York banker, looks forward in the near future to an annual average output of \$400,000,000 of new gold for at least a considerable number of years. He does not think this startling yellow flood will be a yellow peril to those business relations which are based on terms of money so as to cause any vital derangement of affairs. But he does think there is likely to follow just what followed in the two former periods of the world's history when there was an extraordinary production of gold added to the monetary stocks. One of these periods followed the discovery of America when the treasures of Mexico and Peru were exploited. The other was in the years following the discovery of gold in California and Australia. In each case a mighty impulse was given to the exploitation of virgin fields of development. It is not improbable that the next few years will witness the expansion of the field of commercial enterprises into new places. Countries that are commercially and industrially backward will yield to this important influence. At our hand is South America on one side and China and Japan on another. Beyond are Africa, the other Asiatic countries, and eastern Europe. The Yankee rapidly is awaking to their commercial possibilities. If he will have an influx of gold more than ample to sustain the credit operations for his domestic affairs he will look to new fields of exploitation. The wider use of credit which these new fields will develop in turn probably will absorb the increasing gold stock in beneficent uses, preventing it from ever becoming a serious menace to business organizations.—Chicago Tribune.

### MICROPHONE IS THE LATEST

Brings London and Rome in Telephonic Communication.

Tete-a-tete between London and Rome, 1,100 miles apart, is the latest telephonic revelation. Prof. Majorama has invented the microphone for use with the telephone, whereby experts of London and Rome have already held disjointed conversation. To establish telephonic communication between the two cities is said to be perfectly simple, provided the connecting wires are thick enough. It is merely a question of money. In telephoning long distances sections of wire are used, which are effective for intermediate points, but perhaps not substantial enough for the entire distance. Failing the necessary substitution of thicker wires the alternative is the use of the microphone, which makes it possible to hear words transmitted over the thinner wires. The longest distance for effective telephoning from London is at present to Marseilles, 800 miles distant.

### Could Not "Rattle" Schwab.

It takes a good deal to disturb the mental equilibrium of Charles M. Schwab, the steel magnate, and the Clover club of Philadelphia realized this at its latest dinner. Mr. Schwab was one of the guests and was down for a speech. When he began his remarks the club members started their usual catcalls and interruptions, with their accustomed object of disconcerting the speaker. Very few men are able to withstand this assault, but Mr. Schwab was ready. He was suave and self-possessed throughout the ordeal, and when the din became so great that he could not be heard he calmly turned to a neighbor on the platform and started to tell his story. These were new tactics for the Clover club, and after a few trials the steel man was permitted to complete his speech.

### Shock to His Pride.

"A well known dramatic author told me he once took a couple of friends to a play of his own," says Frank Drome. "He did not mention to them that he was the author. Their faces as the play proceeded lengthened; it did not seem to be their school of comedy. At the end of the first act they sprang to their feet. 'Let's chuck this rot,' suggested one. 'Let's go somewhere else,' suggested the other. The well known dramatist followed them out. He thinks the fault must have been with the dinner.



PORT ALEXANDER

### EDUCATION NEEDED IN RUSSIA.

First Requisite for Success of Popular Government.

If popular government in Russia is to meet with even moderate success it will be necessary for that country to put every dollar it can raise for a good many years into educational facilities. Of the 126,000,000 of people in the empire 99,000,000 are unable to read. According to official statistics the number of persons in schools of all grades in Russia is 1,350,000. It takes a good deal of energy and struggle in America to keep our public affairs going as they should go and many costly mistakes are made. Yet in this country, with a population of two-thirds that of Russia, we have over 13,000,000 of our children and young people in schools, ten times as many as Russia, and only 6,000,000 of our people, ten per cent, are illiterate, as compared with the 99,000,000, or 80 per cent, of Russians.—Nebraska State Journal.

### CHAMBERLAIN MAN OF REPOSE

English Statesman Quiet in Manner, but Shrewd Observer.

Of Joseph Chamberlain a critic says: "He is one of the most restful men I have ever met. There is no flurry or haste or bustle in his manner. He is what our grandfathers would have called a 'dry stick.' His voice in conversation has a quizzical tone, his wit is dry, his manner is that of a shrewd and somewhat bored observer rather than that of an active participant. He leans back in his chair, sitting rather low, his hands folded, his eyes studying those about him with quiet, contemplative interest. He never appears eager to make a point in conversation, and one only becomes aware of the quickness and wakefulness of his mind by some shrewd remark which brings general conversation back to the point from which it first set out, or to some definite conclusion.

### In Training for High Position.

August Belmont III has begun his business training just as his father did, having gone to work in the banking house of August Belmont & Co. He is doing just such routine work as always falls to the lot of the youngest clerk in the establishment. The young man is quiet and earnest in manner, seeming intent on mastering whatever is brought to his notice. When he shows that he has made good progress he will be promoted to a junior partnership, but for the next few years life will be real and earnest for August III. Just as the first August Belmont trained the present head of the house for the vast responsibilities he was to assume, so the youngest August Belmont will be trained for the task which will be his when his father lays down his work.

### School for Backward Children.

Miss Olive Jones has established in the heart of New York's swarming east side a school for backward children. The children in each class will be of practically the same age and will have equal opportunities to learn. Miss Jones hopes that one of the great causes of truancy will be remedied in her school, children who have for any reason got behind their mates and have to join classes with the little fellows are made fun of and to avoid this ridicule these backward big ones play truant.

### HANDICAP JUST ABOUT RIGHT

Local Man Unaware He Was Up Against Champion.

John Roberts, the English billiard player, has just returned from a trip to Australia. One day he was in a small city on the big island, when a local player entered the billiard room where Roberts was. The local man did not know Roberts. Some of his friends who did put up a joke on their unsuspecting champion that the stranger in the corner was a very good player, who might be able to give him a few points. The provincial was nothing loath and requested Roberts to play a game of 100 with him. Roberts replied that he would be pleased, and as to a handicap he said he would reserve the right to fix that after he had seen the local man play his first stroke. This offer was considered a somewhat strange one by the challenger, but he accepted it and opened the game with a miss. Roberts then said: "I will give you 99," and proceeded to run out with an unfinished break of 100.

### THINKS FAIRY TALES DO HARM

English Duchess Would Have Children Learn Lives of Great Men.

From London comes news that the duchess of Somerset has ordered the teacher of her village school no longer to read fairy tales to the children. The duchess explains her abhorrence of myth and legend in these peremptory words: "I protest against filling children's minds with such nonsense and such impractical ideas. They should be taught from their earlier years, instead, the lives of the world's great men, Julius Caesar, Dante, Napoleon and Milton." Now, it is rather unfortunate for the citation of great men by the duchess that one of them, the first Napoleon, is credited with the cynical statement that "history is a fable agreed upon," while the names of Messrs. Dante and Milton are preserved as the authors of great works of imagination. And as for Julius Caesar, well, he was no novice at fairy tales. The arbitrary duchess has no little boy or girl of her own.—Boston Globe.

### Meant to Be Complimentary.

At a reception given in Paris not long ago by Lady Colebrook a French municipal councillor wished to compliment an Englishwoman and her pretty daughter. The mother wore a fawn-colored gown, the girl being in pink. "Mildred," said the councillor, "your lovely daughter might well be called the pink of beauty." "Au, monsieur," was the reply, "you are prone to flattery, I fear." "But no," said the Frenchman, whose knowledge of English is somewhat limited. "I speak the truth. Indeed, all must admit that mademoiselle is the pink and you the drab of beauty."

### Fifty Years in Bed.

A woman has died recently in Carmarthenshire, Scotland, to whom a strange story attaches. Fifty years ago, when she was twenty-four, she fell in love with a man who won from her a pledge to marry him. Her parents, however, disapproved of her choice, the mother declaring that sooner than permit her daughter to wed the youth she would keep her in bed all her life. Strange to say the girl took to her bed at once, and never rose from it again, losing all interest in the outside world.

### GEOGRAPHY AS IT IS TAUGHT

Map Making Made Easy, But Little Knowledge Absorbed.

Little Rob was the prize geographer of his class; that is, he could locate cities, and bound countries with great glibness. He could draw the rivers, mountain ranges and cities from memory. Rob considered geography purely in the light of a game, in which he always beat, but he never associated it with the great world about him. Rivers to him were no more than black, wiggly lines; cities were dots and States were blobs. New York was green, Pennsylvania was red and California was yellow.

Of course Rob had never traveled. He was born in a canon near the country school he attended. One day the teacher made the discovery of Rob's idea of geography through the following incident. After vainly inquiring of several of the children where British Columbia was located, she called on Bob, who, as usual, was waving his hand excitedly, wild with the enthusiasm of pent up knowledge. "It is on page sixty-eight," he declared.

After the roar had subsided the teacher explained that that was only a picture of British Columbia. Then she asked Bob to bound British Columbia.

"Can't, teacher; it is all over the page."—Success Magazine.

### WENT THROUGH TO OTHER SIDE

Perfect Demonstration That Irish Lake Was Bottomless.

Among the hills of Sligo there is a small lake renowned in that region for its fabulous depth. A well known professor, who was in that part of Ireland this summer, started one day for a mountain, accompanied by a native guide. As they climbed Pat asked him if he would like to see the lake, "for it's no bottom at all, sorr." "How do you know that, Pat?" asked the professor. "Well, sorr, I'll tell ye. Me own cousin was showin' the pond to a gentleman one day, sorr, and he looked incredulous like, just as you do, and me cousin couldn't stand it for him to doubt his word, sorr, and so he said: 'I'll prove the truth of me words,' he said, and off went his clothes and into the water he jumped."

The professor's face wore an amused and quizzical expression. "Yes, sorr, in he jumped, and didn't come up again, at all, at all."

"But," said the professor, "I don't see that he proved the point by drownin' himself."

"Is it drowned? Divil a bit drowned at all he was. Sure, didn't a cab' come from him the next day in Amc'-ca, askin' for his clothes to be sent on!"—Liverpool (Eng.) Post.

### "Help Thou Mine Unbelief."

Because in some vague way my soul doth know That o'er us all, who strut our little And build frail structures time shall overthrow, There sits the one whom rolling orbs Because e'en through my blindness some bright ray At times has pierced to lighten up faith's error, I dare to lift my sightless eyes and say: "Lord, I believe; help thou mine unbelief."

This body's clay. What then? It is the wine Within, and not the flask, that counteth still, And somewhat in this earthly clay of mine Doth dream as clay ne'er did, nor ever will.

Who is this potter that doth give his ware These dreams that pass beyond time's utmost reef, Bright, deathless dreams that on and outward fare?— "Lord, I believe; help thou mine unbelief."

Dim creeds perplex, and yet his truth doth stand; The warring sects war on, nor ever cease, Their petty prattle heard on every hand, Till through the discords all doth strike his peace— "Lord, I believe; help thou mine unbelief."

"You'll find it bound in this good churchman's chest." Father of all, heed thou my broken cry: "Lord, I believe; help thou mine unbelief."

—A. J. Waterhouse in San Francisco Call.

### Nelligan Knew His Place.

Ex-Councilman Peter Nelligan, the superintendent of the old Catholic cemetery in North Cambridge, Mass., and the local undertaker were on the way to call upon a friend, "Tim" Callahan, who was confined to his home by sickness. The undertaker was preceding the cemetery superintendent up the walk to the front door, when the quick step of Dr. John Somers caused both to look back and to step aside for the busy doctor.

"Oh, go ahead; you need not step aside for me, Mr. Nelligan," said the doctor.

"Oh, no! You first, doctor, and I last. I know my place in this procession," said the modest custodian of graves.

"Tim" happily got well, and no one enjoyed the order of precedence established by Nelligan more than he.

### Tears, Idle Tears.

Mrs. De Witt Talmage, at a tea which she gave in Washington in Mrs. Fairbanks' honor, said of a little girl: "She is a remarkable little girl. Her mind is so original that I think she will grow up to be a genius. The other afternoon, awakening from her nap, she called her mother to her. 'Mamma,' she said, 'what was I crying about before I went to sleep?'"

"You were crying, my dear," she answered, "because I wouldn't let you have your father's watch to play with."

"Oh, yes, I remember now," the little girl's face contorted and she burst out again. "Boo-hoo! Boo, boo-boo-hoo! Boo-hoo!"—Topeka Journal.

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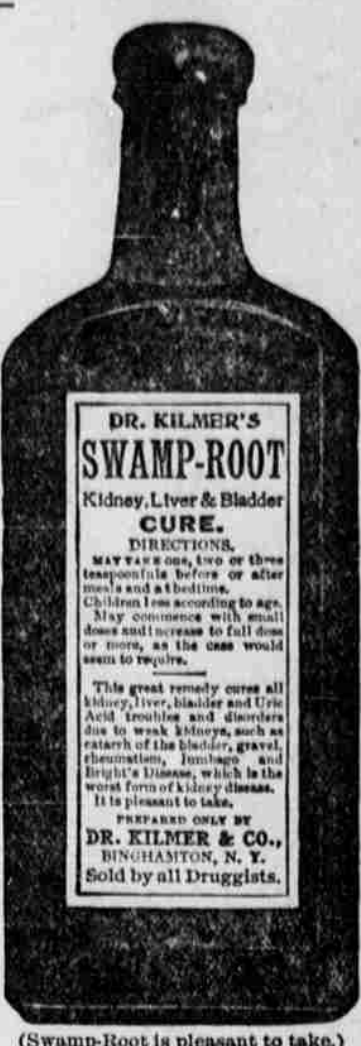
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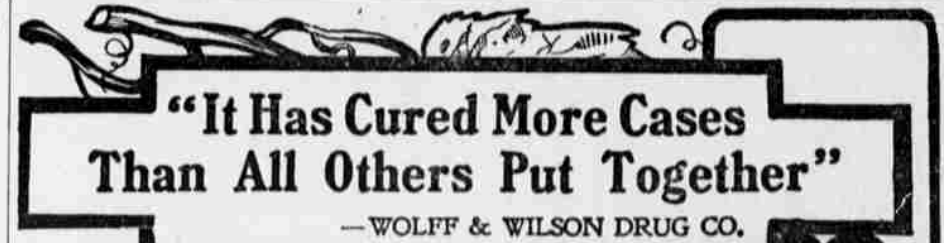
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