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Novi Krai on March 24, that a sentry cutter stationed in the roadstead reported what looked like a submarine vessel two mlies off shore. Launches from a torpedo boat were sent out to investigate, but found no trace of the vessel.

Torpedoes at Long Range. The same issue of the Novol Kral con tained reports that the Japanese torpede

boats were firing Whitehead torpedoes at a range of a mile at the warships guarding the entrance to the harbor. Several spent torpedoes were picked up by the Russians. It is not impossible that one o' these spent Whitehead torpedoes exploded against the battleship Plobleds

Lieutenant Doukelsky, one of the officers of the Peteroplavlovsk who survived the disaster, succumbed to his injuries yesterday and several other survivors are not expected to recover. Four hundred and fifty members of the naval reserve, whose terms of service expired in 1903, left this evening for Port Arthur to replace the men lost by the explosion on the flagship and another detachment will leave tomorrow. Schilling, the torpedo expert, has gone to Vladivostok to take charge of the two submarine bouts there. Other subnarines are going out in sections.

Omelal Jap Report. WASHINGTON, April 16 .- The Japanese

legation tonight received the following cable dated Tokio, April 16: Adhiral Togo reports that the combined fleet, as previously planned, commenced on April 11 the eighth attack on Port Arthur. The fourth and the fifth destroyer flotilias and the fourteenth torpedo flotilias and the steamer Keryo reached the mouth of Port Arthur at midnight of the 12th and effected the laying of mines at several points outside of the port, defying the enemy's searchilght.

The second destroyer flotilia discovered at dawn of the 15th one Russian destroyer trying to enter the harbor, and after ten ninutes' attack sank it. Another Russian lestroyer was discovered coming from the

irying to enter the harbor, and after ten indices attack sank it. Another Russian lestroyer was discovered coming from the lirection of Liao Tshan and was attacked, but it managed to fice into the harbor. On our side no casualities except two seamen on the Ikazuchi slightly wounded. There was no time to rescue the enemy's. There was no time to rescue the enemy's arews, which drowned as the Bayan approached. The third fleet arrived offside of Port Arthur at 8 a. m. when the Bayan name out and opened fire. Immediately afterward the Novik. Askold, Petropaviovsk, Pobleda and Poltuva came out and made an offensive attack. Our third fleet saticed the enemy fitteen miles southeast of the port when our first fleet, informed through wireless telegraphy from the third leet, suddenly appeared before the enemy attacked them.

While the enemy was trying to regain he port the battleship Petropaviovsk struck

while the enemy was trying to regain the port the battleship Petropavlovsk struck he mines laid by us the previous evening and sank at 10:32 a. m. Although snother thip was observed to have lost freedom of novement the confusion of the enemy's thips prevented us from identifying it. They finally managed to regain the port.

Our third fleet suffered no damage and he enemy's damage, beside above mentoned, was probably slight also. Our first leet did not reach firing distance. Our leets retired at 1:09 p. m. and prepared for mother attack. They salied April 14 to Port Arthur. The second, the fourth and he fifth destroyer flotillas and the ninth orpedo flotilla slso joined at 3 a. m. and 7 t. m.

No enemy's ship was found outside of the

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is revived by a statement published in the | port. Our first fleet arrived at the port at port. Our first fleet arrived at the port at a.m. and discovered three mines laid by the enemy and destroyed all. The Kasuga and Nisshin were dispatched to the west of Lao Tishan and made indirect bombardment for two hours, it being their first action. New forts on Liao Tishan were finally silenced. Our forces retired at 1:30 p.m. The Kashuga and Nishin were purchased from Argentine.

RUSS LIKES ACTION OF FRANCE

Sees in Agreement with Great Britain Chance of Russia to Supplant

Germany.

ST. PETERSBURG, April 16.-The papers here, which since the Anglo-French agreement had been distracted first by the holldays and then by the stirring events of the last few days, are now discussing it significantly and in a friendly fashion, finding German prestige, the plan for German hegemony naving been already upset by

agreements. The Russ says:

For France, and perhaps for all of Europe, the Anglo-French agreement is a turning point. France was being drawn toward dermany against its will. Emperor William has made it one of the principal tasks of his life to reconcile France to its fate, but besides the Berlin road there is one other open, namely, the London road. French statesmen had long anticipated the moment when they would have to choose between them. Germany is now abandoned to involuntary isolation. France has left it irrevocably. Its complete isolation will not depend upon Russia if the latter concludes an agreement with Great Hritain Germany's position will be critical. The prospect is so pleasing to Great Britain that it will scarcely place unacceptable conditions before Russia. Great Britain knows that its agreement with France will become friendship if Russia desires to join the coalition. Germany understands that the Anglo-French agreement will not weaken the dual alliance, which it simply supplements.

decided to remain and vigorously renew the assault in the hope of dealing a final blow to the Russian fleet. The reason for detaching one torpedo fottilla on Thursday last has not been revealed, but it is probable that it carried orders to Rear Admiral Uriu to bring up his squadron or to send either colliers or an additional supply of ammunition.

DAMAGE ONE JAPANESE CRUISER Port Arthur Sends Delayed Report of Latest Bombardment.

FORT ARTHUR, Friday, April 15.—At 6 o'clock this morning a small Jananese squadron appeared on the horizon and soon drew off, but at about 10 o'clock a hostile field. They formed in two divisions, one taking up a position behind Cape agreements. The Russ says:

HINTS AT FOREIGN INTERFERENCE

Russian Paper Asserts that Britain or United States is Helping Japan.

ST. PETERSBURG, April 16.-No further letails have been received of yesterday's bombardment of Port Arthur, except that it was practically without results so far as injury to the ships or fortifications is concerned. The loss of life was insignifi-

The mystery of the sinking of the battleship Petropavlovsk has not been cleared That it touched a mine placed Japanese torpede boats during the night is not officially admitted, but there is a growing disposition in unofficial quarters to accept this as possibly being the true explanation. That the mine was laid by a ruse of the Japanese is generally believed although some speculation is indulged in which may almost be described as fantastic. For example, the possibility of the introduction of an infernal machine into the coal bunkers is advanced as an explanation of the explosion, which undoubtedly occurred on board the battleship. The only

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thing affirmed with absolute certainty is that it was not a Japanese shell, as no fighting was in progress. All the papers scout the theory of the destruction of the Petropaviovsk having been caused by a submarine boat, except the Novoe Vremya, which indignantly rejects the idea that Vice Admiral Makaroff committeed unintentional suicide by being blown up by one of his own mines, contending that both the Petropavlovsk and Pobleda were struck by torpedoes fired from submarine boats, affirming its conviction that the two new Japanese cruisers which appeared with the fleet for the first time on this occasion brought with them a couple of English or American submarine boats and hinting that

There is considerable criticism at the meagerness of the official dispatches, some of the papers strengly appealing to the emperor for full, complete information, saying the empire and people are ready to make sacrifices and are strong enough to accept any news, even the worst, adding that the emperor's subjects desire something more than a repetition of General Souvorouf's famous telegram sent during the Turco-Russian war, reading: "Ismaila lies at the feet of your majesty.

The Novosti complains especially at the absence of newspaper telegrams from the numerous correspondents at the front, arguing that it will weaken popular interest in the war, resulting in cutting down the stream of contributions to the war

WOULD SECURE RUSSIAN RIGHTS

mbassador McCormick Would Permit American Corporations to Sue in the Courts.

ST. PETERSBURG, April 16.-Ambassa dor McCormick hopes to secure the signature of the treaty giving to the United States corporations the right to sue in Russian courts and to Russian corporations the right to sue in the courts of the United States in time to have it ratified by the United States senate before its final adjournment.

To accomplish this he is arranging with Foreign Minister Lamsdorf to avoid referring the treaty to the council of the empire by taking advantage of a clause in the Russo-German treaty permitting its extension to other countries without such

RUSSIANS MASS TROOPS ON YALU

Iwenty Thousand Stand Ready to Re-

pulse Landing of Japanese. TOKIO, April 16.-Private advices from forea confirm the reported massing of 20,000 Russian troops on the right bank of the Yalu river, with the object of resisting the Japanese invasion of Manchuria. Aithough it is unknown when and where the Japanese will attempt a crossing of the Yalu it is still believed that when ready they will force a passage without serious

It has been discovered that an error was made in reporting the number of Russians killed in a skirmish at the Yalu river last Tuesday west of Wiju. The number was given as twenty-two,

but it has been learned that an error was made in translating the cipher telegram. The number actually killed was only three. Vice Admiral Togo's report of the sev enth attempt upon Port Arthur is eagerly awaited here, although no misgivings are therein promise of better relations with felt on account of the delay. It is believed Great Britain and a new heavy blow to that Vice Admiral Togo is aware that serious damage was inflicted upon the Russians on Wednesday last, and that he has the Russo-Austrian and Franco-Italian decided to remain and vigorously renew the assault in the hope of dealing a final

ions, one taking up a position behind Cape Liao Shan, shelling the shore and the Tiger peninsula, while the other bombarded the Golden Hill and other batteries from a point opposite the roadstead. The fire was continued intermittently until 1 o'clock in the afternoon.

The Russian ships replied with an indirect fire, and made good practice, one shot damaging a Japanese cruiser. According to some reports two Japanese ships were injured. There was no damage done to the forts or the town. Some Chinese were killed and a few Chinese and Russians were wounded.

ANOTHER STORY OF THE DISASTER

London Gets Report Telling How the Admiral Was Killed.

LONDON, April 16 .- A dispatch to the Central News from Port Arthur, dated yesterday, gives the following account of

the mid-week fighting:
Late Tuesday night eight torpedo boats
put to sea to scout. At about 5:30 the next
morning, when the flotilia was returning,
two boats, the Bozstrashni and the
Smyeli, were overhauled by the ships of
the enemy which had been cruising in the
neighborhood, but out of range of the guns
of the forts. The Bezstrashni and the
Smyeli were attacked by six Japanese torpedo boats which were covered by four

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cruisers and two battleships. During the firing a Japanese shell struck the tempedo room of the Beastrashni. There was a severe explosion and the boat was completely wrecked. The other torpedo boats turned back to the aid of the Beastrashni and the armored cruiser Bayan also came to help the Russian torpedo boats. The Japanese fire was concentrated on the Bayan, which picked up five of the Beastrashni's crew and then covered the withdrawal of the rest of the flottla, which reached the harbor safely. On the arrival of the flottlia Vice Admirial Makaroff left the barbor with the battleships Petropavlovsk, Poltava and Pobleda and the protected cruisers Askold, Diana and Novik and attacked the Japanese fleet. The latter began to retire, whereupon the Russian battleships returned toward the harbor. On their way back the explosion occurred on board the Petropavlovsk, which sank in two minutes. Seventy-five members of its crew were picked up, but the rest, about 55 men, perished. Verestchagin, the painter, who was on board the Petropavlovsk, which sank in two minutes. Seventy-five members of its crew were picked up, but the rest, about 55 men, perished. Verestchagin, the painter, who was on board the Petropavlovsk, perished. This afternoon the bodies recovered after the explosion were interred.

PALACE IS ONLY A MASS OF RUINS

PALACE IS ONLY A MASS OF RUINS Proximity of American Marines Reas-

sures Emperor. (Copyright by New York Herald Co., 1904.) hlegram-Special Telegram to The Bec.)-Nothing remains of the entire imperial palace, an enclosure 250,000 square feet in extent, which was completely destroyed by fire last night, but a heap of smoldering ruins. The scene of devastation includes the emperor's private apartments, the government's offices, barracks and imperial

guard. Lack of water and absence of fire fighting appliances prevented effectual attempts

to save the property. The emperor and the crown prince es caped unharmed and are now in the detached imperial library building, immediately adjoining the United States lega-United States marine guard. No loss of life is reported.

Several million dollars worth of property is destroyed. This burning of the imperial outside. residence, a sacred building, is the most terrible calamity possible to the superstitious Oriental mind, portending dire fate powder on the outside would catch, and unto the nation and imperial line. Notwithstanding this the population has hitherto made no demonstration. The city is quiet and there is no apprehension of trouble. members of the diplomatic corps this morning. The emperor has apparently recovered from the shock caused by the burning of done the can was shoved into the openthe palace and was calm, making inquiries as to the health of the women of the legations, etc. His intimates report that he is ing any flames from penetrating the magntill nervous, however.

The heaps of smoldering ruins are being guarded by a cordon of vigilant soldiers stationed one foot and a half apart around the palace walls.

The superstitious populace is excited and depressed over the fire, regarding it as an evil portent. The fire furnished a wonderful spectacle. The steep mountains about day, hurrying crowds of frantic Corean and Japanese troops arriving on the scene fear for the American legation for a time. American marines formed a bucket brigade and United States Minister Allen took extreme precautions to prevent the flames reaching the legation, All the Corean government records and accounts were lost, together with much treasure. The loss is estimated at \$3,000,000.

TOGO SAYS HE SET THE MINES Reports to Tokio that Sinking of the

Petropavlovsk Was His Work. TOKIO, April 16 .- The report of Vice Admiral Togo on the seventh attack on Port Arthur has been received here. He eays that at midnight of the night of April

12 the Japanese sunk mines off Port Arthur. At 8 o'clock the next morning he withdrew his ships fifteen miles out. The resume its practice as soon as the court Russian battleship Petropavlovsk struck one of the Japanese mines Ten free trips to the World's Fair each

week. See coupon on page 2.

DEATH RECORD.

Mrs. Julia C. Gariss. TECUMSEH, Neb., April 16.-(Special.)-Mrs. Julia C. Gariss died at the home of her son, Libni Gariss, in this city today; 'clock this morning a small Jananese She had been in poor health for some time. Her age was 67 years. Mrs. Gariss was a native of New York state; was fleet, numbering twenty-three vessels, was married to Jacob S. Gariss in Mason ounty, Illinois, in 1855, and was the mother of twelve children, six of whom are living. The deceased had lived in this county for thirty-one years. The husband died April 6, of this year. Thursday, funeral will be held at the house Monday afternoon, conducted by Rev. W. F. Smith of the Baptist church, and Interment will

be made in the Tecumseh cemetery. Mrs. W. S. Dexter. HARVARD, Neb., April 16.-(Special.)-A telegram was received yesterday by J. D. Bain from W. S. Dexter at Orlando, Fla. announcing the death of his wife at that place from consumption. The body is being brought to Harvard for interment. Mr Dexter is well known in Omaha as manager for Rosenbaum Bros.' commission house. Mrs. Dexter was a daughter of G. M. Pike and had spentmuch of her life both before and since her marriage, in Har vard, where she had many friends.

Mrs. Mary Hale. BATTLE CREEK, Neb., April 16 .- (Special.)-Mrs. Mary Hale, aged 83, died at her home here today. She was the wife of Warrener Hale, who died here last Mon-Bhe was very feeble at the time of her husband's death and sank steadily afterwards. Deceased was born in Virginia and moved with her husband and family to this county twenty-two years ago. The funeral will be held Monday afternoon from

the residence.

Louis Graunke. WEST POINT, Neb., April 16 .- (Special.) -Louis Graunke, 77 years of age, died at his home in this city Thursday evening. Deceased was one of the first settlers here arriving in this county nearly forty years ago. He leaves eight children, most of them residing in the vicinity. The remains will be interred in the Greenwood cometery, northwest of the city, under the auspices of the German Evangelical church.

Mrs. Emma Jurgenson. WEST POINT, Neb., April 16 .- (Special. -News has been telegraphed to this city of the sudden death in Kansas City of Mrs. Emma Jurgenson, a former resident of this place. The deceased leaves a husband and a large family of children. She moved, with her husband, who is on the police force of Kansas City, to that place some years ago.

Mrs. Frank Label. BEATRICE. Neb., April 16.—(Special.)— Mrs. Frank Label died at her home at Wymore Thursday afternoon after an illness of three weeks, aged @ years. She was a native of Bohemia and was a highly respected resident of that place. Mrs. Anna M. Fitch.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., April 16.-Mrs. Anna Mariaba Fitch, wife of former Congressman Thomas H. Fitch, and an author ess of considerable fame three decades ago is dead at her home in this city.

Captain V. A. Bigelow. LA CROSSE, Wis., April 16.-Captain V A. Bigelow, one of the ploneer steamboat men of the upper Mississippi and former owner of the Jessie B. Warsaw, Eclipse

and other boats, is dead, aged 60 years. Ten free trips to the World's Fair each

week. See coupon on page 1

earth," said an officer of the navy here today, who is thoroughly familiarized with the circumstances of the explosion on the Missouri and the conduct of the officers and men during the fifteen minutes that SEOUL, April 16.-(New York Herald Ca- the fire raged in the turret's handling

> Information received today from the Missouri throws but little additional light upon the cause of the explosion, all agreeing that the rapid firing was the primary cause. The day brought forth many incidents of heroism displayed by officers and men Two of the men now in the hospital will receive recognition from the department for valiant services. These two men are

Seamen McDade and Welles. While others of the crew assisted in saving the ship from total destruction by explosion of the magazines the vessel would undoubtedly have gone to the bottom but for the act of these men. They were in tion. They felt secure from molestation magazine D 25 when the explosion occurred there because of its proximity to the and sparks began dropping from the turret to their magazine. At the time the trough through which powder is passed was open and about four charges of powder on the

Makes Plug of His Body. McDade saw the danger, knowing the less the opening in the magezine * as alosed that, too, would explode, he reached his arm through the opening and attempted to unfasten the catch to close the opening The emperor received in audience the but it refused to work. He then placed his body in the opening until Welles could empty a large powder can. When this was ing, partly closing it. The men then filled all cracks with swab, thus preventazine.

On deck men stood at their posts like real heroes. The strain was not of the kind when a ship is in battle, but one more terrible, for every man expected the ship to go up any minute by the explosion of the magazines. Standing by the side of the men was the chaplain, who would oc casionally encourage the men with "Steady, the city were lighted up as though it were boys." Not a man flinched, although death stared eveyone in the face.

Down in the deadly fumes, which ren in double-quick time. There was extreme adered many unconscious, were Captain Cowles and a number of the officers. One man who had been shoved out of the handling room said while dying in the arms of the chaplain;

"Captain Cowles has saved three men besides me." The poor fellow died, however, in five minutes. An officer speaking today sald:

Display Wonderful Courage. "Never in my life have I seen such discipline, heroism and courage as displayed when that terrible accident occurred." There is absolutely no truth in the reports sent out from Pensacola that the Texas had a parrow escape from a blowback. The report that many desertions have occurred is equally false. Target practice is going ahead as though no aceident had occurred and the Missouri will

of inquiry is concluded Admiral Capps, chief of the bureau of construction and repair, today made a personal examination of the Missouri. With sonal examination of the Missouri. With LAWSTRONGERTHAN TREATY jurisdiction of officers of the government the exception of the wiring and slight LAWSTRONGERTHAN TREATY by giving them the right to decide quesdamage to the holsts, the vessel remains

Paymaster General Harris of the navy has received the following additional subscriptions to the fund for the relief of the families of the sailors who lost their lives by the accident on the battleship Missouri: R. B. Roosevelt of New York, \$100; Miss Alice Roosevelt, \$10; Captain W. H. Brown-son, \$50; J. B. Kendall of Washington, \$50; Keuffel Esser company of New York, \$50; Colonel William Lamb, \$50; General Wil-liam Crozier, \$10; Thomas Pagry, \$10; P. J. Porwitz, \$10; Clarence Robinson, \$5; Mrs. A. H. Richards, \$10; Mrs. Livingstone Hunt, \$10; M. Glarence, the Peruvian misle-\$10; M. A. Calderon, the Peruvian minister \$50; Commander F. A. Miller, \$25; General T. H. Bitss, \$25; General W. B. Rich ester, \$35; James T. Williams, \$1., \$5; Caroline C. Kirkland, \$5; Mrs. John Kean, \$50 and Miss Susal L. Kean, \$25.

OIL COMPANY STARTS BOATS Standard Corporation Takes Steps to Reduce Transportation Charges

on Its Product. CHICAGO, April 16.-The Chronicle today says that a feet of oil steamers, with special docking facilities at all the ports on the Great Lakes and an immense wharfat Whiting, Ind., for the expeditious handling of the oil vessels, are improvements now being placed in service by the Standard Oil company. The purpose is to lessen the shipment of oil by rail and avoid the anti-rebate laws.

Five vessels of the oil fleet already have been constructed and will make their first trips this season. As many more will be ready to be put in service by the opening of next season. These oil steamers are ingenious structures of steel, divided into ompartments to prevent injury from the churning of the oil. They were built at a cost of \$250,000 each. Each is a great floating oil tank constructed something on the whaleback order and holds more than a whole train of oil cars.

The oil fleet is to ply between Chicago, or Whiting, and all the principal Great Lake ports and will travel even as far as New York. As the steamers are all owned by the Standard Oil company, they will reduce to the minimum the cost of transporting oil between Chicago and eastern points and the company will be nearly independent of

The oil with which the vessels are to be loaded is pumped from Ohio through pipe lines, thus avoiding the freight charges on the raw material for the 200 miles from Lima to Whiting, where is located the Standard company's largest plant and the world's largest oil refinery. The oil steamers are the first ever op-

erated on the Great Lakes. By the steamer route, oil can be carried from Chicago to Buffalo at a cost of about 5 cents a barrel

PROMOTER DEAD IN HIS ROOM Charles Lippman, Capitalist of St. Joseph, Retires to His Room

and Takes Morphine. ST. JOSEPH, Mo., April 16.-Charles Lappman, promoter of the electric line between this city and Maryville, was found dead in the Metropole last night. 'A bottle

is believed he committed suicide. With his brother, Adolph Lippman, the nan now dead was engaged in many finana short time before his death was seen about the streets. A friend went to his ending his life and left no letters of explanation.

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Opinion of Attorney General Knox on Chinese Exclusion Act. CHINA HOPES FOR WORE LIBERAL TREATY

Question Considered by Negotiations Have Not Progressed Sufficiently to Indicate Its Precise Nature.

WASHINGTON, April 16 .- Attorney General Knox has handed to the president his opinion regarding the validity of the Chinese exclusion law. While the opinion has not been made public it is known that the attorney general holds in effect that the denunciation of the treaty by China does not operate to nullify the existing laws and that the exclusion can be enforced as rigidly hereafter as under the treaty.

After the denunciation of the existing treaty by China, the subject of the exclusion of Chinese was considered by the president and his cabinet. The president also discussed the matter with leaders in congress. In accordance with the action of the Chinese government, the treaty will expire December 7 next. It was manifestly necessary that it should

be determined before the adjournment of the present session of congress whether or not the law enacted orginally in 1892 would continue in effect after the treaty had lapsed. This question was refred to the attorney general by the president, and it is on that question he has prepared an opinion. In its effect the exclusion law is more

drastic than the treaty. While the treaty is in force the points of difference between the law and the treaty are decided in accordance with the terms of the latter. It is the hope of the Chinese government that a new treaty will be negotiated which will prove more favorable to Chinese immigration than is the present treaty. Indeed, such a treaty is now being consid ered, but the negotiations have not progressed sufficiently to indicate what the precise nature of the convention may be eventually.

Hitt's Chinese Measure. bill which seeks to strengthen every weak place in the Chinese exclusion act, drawn by the Department of Justice, was introduced in the house today by Chairman Hitt of the committee on foreign affairs. The first section obviates any embarrassment on account of the denouncement by the Chinese government of the treaty between the United States government and that country by striking from the Chinese exclusion act the words, "If not inconsistent with treaty obligations." The second section permits the entrance into the United States of persons of Chinese descent who are citizens of the United States by birth, also those who are granted by law the privilege of admission, "and no

others." The words "Chinese person," or "person of Chinese descent," are defined in the bill to mean "any person descended from of morphine was found in the room and it a Mongolian ancestor which ancestor is now, or was at any time subsequent to the year 1800, a subject of the emperor of cial enterprises. He was very wealthy and China." The word "laborers" is construed to include all persons of Chinese descent not specifically permitted by law to enter room and found him dead. Lippman had or remain within the United States, The been drinking, but appeared to be all right provision of the act of 1863, defining the when he retired. He said nothing about word "laborer" to embrace skilled and unskilled manual laborers is repeated. Another section of the bill extends the

tions of fact upon which rest a claim of citizenship set up by a Chinese person as they have to determine matters of fact relating to the admission of any allen. The immigration law of March 3, 1900, is made to apply to Chinese immigration in all of its provisions, thus providing for the exclusion of Chinese suffering from

contagious diseases. Another important section of the bill gives the United States the right of appeal heretofore limited to defendant Chinamen. Kansas City Gets Bonds.

Secretary Taft has directed the accepance of the bld of the American National bank of Kansas City for the entire lasue of \$3,000,000 Philippine certificates of indebtedness at the rate of \$101,181. Japanese Minister III. Mr. Kogoro Takahira, the Japanese min-

ister, who has been suffering from a severe cold for the past few days, is confined to his home Test Case on Army Uniforms. Judge Advocate General Davis of the army, has recommended that steps be taken to make a test case against civilians who make a business of purchasing army uniforms. Quite a traffic prevails in that line in the vicinity of nearly all the large army posts, and a recent case reported from Fort Assiniboyne has led to the de-

HEAVY SNOWS IN MICHIGAN Storm Throughout State, with Fall Varying from Eight to Ten Inches.

termination of the authorities to take the

matter into the courts.

DETROIT, April 16.-Heavy snowstorms are reported in many parts of Michigan tenight. At Port Huron there is ten inches of snow; at Bay City, eight inches; at Lansing, Lapeer and Holly twelve inches; at East Tawas, four inches; at Cadillac, five inches, and at Muskegon, six inches.

FORECAST OF THE WEATHER Warmer and Showers Tonight and Probably Monday for No. branks and lows.

WASHINGTON, April 16.-Forecast for Sunday and Monday: For Nebraska, South Dakota and Kansas -Warmer Sunday; showers Sunday night and probably Monday.

For lows and Missouri-Fair and warme: Sunday; Monday, rain. For Illinois-Fair and warmer Sunday and Monday; light variable winds. For Wyoming-Fair and warmer Sunday:

Monday, fair For Colorado-Fair Sunday and Monday Warmer Sunday in east portion. For Montana-Fair and warmer Sunday Monday, fair.

Local Record. OFFICE OF THE WEATHER BUREAU.
OMAHA, April 18—Official record of temperature and precipitation compared with
the corresponding day of the last three