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OUTLOOK IS GLOOMY

Radical Press of Russia Sees No Hope with the New Year.

SPIRIT OF REACTION IN ASCENDANT

Members of that Faction Decorated in New Year Distribution of Honors.

NOTED WRITER PREDICTS BANKRUPT

Affray in Restaurant in Which Student is Killed Causes Talk.

CASTS A GLOOM OVER SOCIAL FEATURES

Emperor and Empress Hold Reception at Which Only Diplomatic Corps and Few Nobles Are in Attendance.

ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 14.—The note struck by the radical press in reviewing the past year and commenting on the outlook for the new year is an extremely pessimistic one.

These newspapers generally see no prospect of internal peace, but they unite in expressing the hope that 1906 will not end as did 1905 with the spirit of reaction strongly in the ascendant.

The Novoye Vremya and the Slovo, on the contrary, look to the duma to put a seal on the people's liberties and to restore tranquility.

M. Amfrotov, one of the most brilliant of Russian journalists, who served a term of imprisonment for famous political feuilleton in which he arraigned the members of the imperial family as public bandits and who recently has been living in Rome, in an article on Russia's future predicts that the coming year will witness the political and financial bankruptcy of the government.

The list of the number of decorations on the officials associated with the policy of repression, M. Durnovo, who so far as the proletariat organizations are concerned, is the best hated man in public life, has been promoted from acting minister of the interior to minister, thus increasing the influence of the bureaucratic hierarchy.

EMPEROR AND EMPRESS RECEIVE

The emperor and empress held a New Year's reception in the palace at Tsarskoe Selo today, to which the members of the diplomatic corps traveled in a special train from St. Petersburg. The reception was a formal affair, to which only the court functionaries, diplomats and a few nobles were invited.

TRAGEDY TALK OF THE DAY

The sanguinary tragedy in the famous restaurant, "The Bear," at an early hour this morning, in which a student, David Koff, was shot and killed by Count Sheremetiev and the count was badly battered by friends of the dead man, has cast a shadow over the New Year festivities. The custom of making New Year calls obtains in Russia to a larger extent than in any other part of the world.

GENERAL INJURED BY BOMB

CHEKHOFF, Russia, Jan. 14.—Two bombs were hurled today at General Khovostoff, governor of this province, as he was driving home from the cathedral. The governor was seriously and his wife slightly injured.

FRIEND OF LIVINGSTONE DEAD

Man Who Joined Famous Missionary in Work Dies in South Africa.

PRaise FOR AMERICAN BISHOP

Pope Compliments St. Rev. William O'Connell, Whom He Sees to Japan.

MARQUIS ITO'S GREAT POWER

Japanese Statesman is Now Most Influential Man in Politics in Asia.

FREE TRADERS JUBILANT

Minister Churchill Says Protection is Dead in Great Britain.

UNIONISTS TAKE A DIFFERENT VIEW

Sixty-Eight Districts Elect Today and in Them Several Members of Present and Late Cabinet Are Candidates.

COMPROMISE TALK IN THE AIR

Speaker Cannon and His Friends Not Inclined to Enter into It.

TRANSPORTS BADLY NEEDED

General Staff Presents Argument for Increase in Merchant Marine.

NEBRASKA WEATHER FORECAST

Snow and Colder Monday, Tuesday Fair.

PUBLICITY A REMEDY

Senator Dryden Depends Upon it Largely for Control of Insurance.

BILL READY FOR SUBMISSION IN SENATE

Endorsed by President and Best Constitutional Lawyers in Land.

EXAMINATIONS LIKE NATIONAL BANKS

Penalty of One Hundred Dollars Per Day for Failure to Make Reports.

WIDE SCOPE IN POWER OF DIRECTION

Bill Follows General Lines of One Framed Last Year, but Has Been Materially Broadened and Strengthened.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14.—Senator Dryden has revised his bill contemplating government control of insurance and will introduce it in the senate tomorrow.

He has followed very closely the investigation conducted by the New York legislative committee and this has aided him in perfecting his measure. He is confident that any press that will correct the evils exposed by the New York inquiry, and coupled with this are safeguards for the detection of wrongdoing and the punishment of those so offending.

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