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LASTING QUIET IN RUSSIA, the Journal in fact, is not to be expected now. The success of Japan meant that the Russian bureaucracy must go even if the Russian dynasty had to go with it.

Compton, it is seen from the foregoing, belonged to the Popes until 1904. Mr. Hunt has now increased somewhat the majority he scored in the general election.

THE USURERS A well organized and sharply prosecuted campaign against the usurers was recently begun and is still being carried on by the Montreal Star.

THE SHADOW OF PAST TRAGEDIES "A notable feature of the New Year's reception at the White House," according to the Boston Herald, "was the guard stationed at the main entrance, which had special duty it was to see to it that no one entered or joined the receiving line, who had his hands, or either of them, in his pockets, or who carried a handkerchief in the shape of a weapon. This is a rather grim reminder of the tragedy at Buffalo, when President McKinley fell a victim to the pistol concealed in the hand of his assassin. From that day to this the hands of those who go to shake hands with the president are carefully scrutinized by officers specially designed for the purpose."

ST. JOHN AND PORTLAND In a self-satisfied vein the Portland (Me.) Advertiser says of the Allan line's abortive attempt to withdraw its ships from St. John:

"Of course, the city which it is proposed to sidetrack is the port of the Atlantic coast, and the later statements from Ottawa are to the effect that the scheme may be blocked. Portland will never have reason to fear that any up-to-date equipment of ocean steamships will make this port less available for them, as appears to be the case with her Bluebonnet."

GRIM POSSIBILITIES The German Emperor says he cherishes no warlike designs against France, but France and Great Britain are openly suspicious. That the Kaiser intends war upon France must be doubted, though his continual preparedness and aggressive temper must continue to be a source of uneasiness.

IN COMPTON Incomplete figures which the complete returns are not likely to affect materially, give Mr. A. B. Hunt, Liberal, a majority of some 330 votes over Mr. Rufus H. Pope, Conservative, in yesterday's election in Compton.

NOTE AND COMMENT Governor Higgins tells the New York legislature that he will not be asked to present a bill to amend the act of 1904, which provides for the election of a majority of the members of the House.

THE SYRACUSE JOURNAL The Syracuse Journal lightly annexes Canada, in this fashion:

"Though she seems to be absorbing our men and money, it is only the method by which the United States is really absorbing Canada. Some day Canada is to be a part of us."

KILLING THEIR EXPORT TRADE "It has been found," says the Chicago Chronicle, "upon investigation, that no less than 132 of the leading manufacturing concerns of the United States have been moved to Canada, and fifteen of these have their principal establishments in Chicago. The Illinois Manufacturers' Association is going to give some attention to the matter shortly and consider whether anything can be done to render this location of branch plants in a neighboring country unnecessary."

"There are three or more manufacturing concerns in Hartford, we believe, which have Canadian plants. One large local concern has one of them. This is the natural and necessary result of the present United States tariff system which tends to encourage the establishment of factories in other countries even more rapidly than here."

A tariff which protects the American workingman is a good thing and should be maintained. But a tariff system which operates to encourage the building of branches of American factories all over the world is not a tariff for the benefit of the American workingman. We might have had an open market in Canada or everything we produce if our government had agreed at the right time with the Canadian government to erect factories there. We are doing the same thing in respect to Germany, France and other countries. Even in England there is likely soon to be a tariff on American manufactured products, which will close that market to the American workingman.

How long is it going to take for the wage-earners of the United States to get their eyes open to the true nature of what is known as the stand-pat idea? We must modify our tariff or suffer greatly in the near future. At present the tendency is to force our manufacturers to provide themselves with factories all over the round globe, in order to be able to sell their wares to produce.

NEW QUEBEC CALLIOT MINISTER. Quebec, Jan. 5.—John O. Kaine, M. L. A. for Quebec west, was born in this morning at a minister with honors in the provincial cabinet. He is representative of the Irish Catholics in the cabinet.

BARRED The flat-topped timidly entered the modern apartment house.

"You have apartments to let?" he asked, searching for an allowance.

"And do you allow dogs?"

"All birds?"

"No, the parrot?"

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