

## MATTERS IN THE ORIENT.

### War With the Insurgent Filipinos Is Ended.

### Chinese Emperor Officially Restored—Mount Ariaca Shows Signs of Eruption.

Although Oriental travel is virtually dead at the present season, and but 26 first-saloon passengers arrived by the Empress of China yesterday evening, these 26, and the files of Chinese and Japanese papers borne by the steamship give a large and more interesting budget of Oriental happenings than has been brought by any recent vessel from the dreamy East. In brief the news may be catalogued as follows:

Capt. Jewell, U. S. N., commanding the flagship Brooklyn, who is on his way from Manila to Washington, describes the war with the insurgent Filipinos as practically ended, the forces of Aguinaldo having been dispersed, and the revolutionary general being a fugitive without following, in the mountains.

The Chinese emperor has been officially restored to life—that is, a proclamation has been issued from Peking denying its predecessor which announced Kwang Hsu's suicide—and the reform party is organizing for his restoration to power, having at last commanded recognition of its existence. In the same connection, the exiled prime minister, Kwang Yu-Wei, has telegraphed from Singapore, where he is the guest of the king, that he can place an army of 20,000 in the field at any time on behalf of the deposed monarch.

Great excitement prevails in Yokohama in consequence of a more than usually threatening eruption of Asama volcano, 70 miles distant from Yokohama, the belching of lava from its crater having commenced the day previous to the Empress' sailing—February 23—and the summer homes of the American and European colony of Yokohama being in danger, with all customary avenues of communication cut off.

The congregation of Russian warships in the harbor of Nagasaki has alarmed Japanese officialdom and caused the promulgation of a law prohibiting foreign warships to the number of more than two from visiting any Japanese port in company. Opinions differ as to the nearness of war between the Mikado and Czar, but each nation is making increased preparation.

The religious freedom bill, aiming to give effect to the provisions of the Japanese constitution granting equality to all religious belief, has been defeated in the upper house, chiefly through defects in drafting and the systematic opposition of the conservative wing of the Buddhist church, which objected to the abolition of Buddhism as the state religion.

The United States battleship Oregon has arrived at Yokohama for a fortnight's vacation, this being in accordance with Admiral Dewey's plan for preserving the health of the men while on duty in hot countries.

Li Hung Chang has assumed duty as viceroy of Canton, and has at once set himself to the task of clearing out the pirates of that district. A carefully arranged plot for his assassination was discovered just in time to avert the projected tragedy.

Through the explosion of a gun on the U. S. S. Wheeling one man of the ship was killed and others injured. The British officials of Hong Kong at once subscribed \$5000 for the relatives of the killed.

British officials have been frequent victims of outrages, amounting even to murder on Burmese territory, and prompt steps are being taken for the punishment of the offenders.

All Japan is discussing the approaching marriage of the prince imperial, and interesting gossip is being published concerning the betrothed pair. The wedding is fixed for April or May.—Victoria Colonist.

### Outside Marine News.

A dispatch from Monterey, Cal., dated March 4, says: "The British Columbia sealing schooner Diana, Captain Nelson, has reached this port, where she will take on provisions. Her catch up to date was 450 skins. The sealer Enterprise, Captain Bishop, which came here last Sunday, has sailed, to continue her cruise. Her catch for the season was 247 skins.

The San Francisco Chronicle says: "A hunting boat from the British sealing schooner Ainoka of Victoria is reported to have supplied with water and provisions by the keeper of the life saving station at Yaquina bay on

February 24. George Joyce, J. Hones and J. Bremley were in the boat. They had left the Ainoka two days before, and got lost in the fog. After the men had received the necessary food and water, they put to sea again, heading for Hequeta Head lighthouse.

The steamers Victorian and Prosper got into collision about noon on Sunday in the harbor of Port Townsend. Forty feet of the Prosper's main house from the forward gangway on the port side to the after cabin were stove in. No one was injured, though for a moment it seemed that the smaller vessel with her officers and 15 or 20 passengers would be sent to the bottom. The Victorian's afterguard did the damage, driving clear through the Prosper's side in places, though the former was not injured.

The missionary brig Pitcairn has sailed from San Francisco for Cape Nome. The Pitcairn has about 200 tons of freight stowed away in her hold and on deck, and about 50 miners have taken passage on her. The captain estimates that he will receive about \$15,000 for his cargo and passengers. It is reported that he paid but \$5000 for the brig, so that if he has good fortune on the voyage his venture ought to be a prosperous one.

### Russia and Japan.

Russia and Japan have embarked in a war of retaliatory restrictions, and Japan is also protesting to the United States against the application of American coasting laws to Hawaii—which it is anticipated Japan will be cut off—the Japanese-American and Philippine-American trades. Considerable indignation and alarm have recently been caused by the appearance of a fleet of seven Russian warships at Nagasaki, which has induced the issuance of a proclamation that not more than two foreign warships of any one nation may at the same time be permitted to anchor in any port of Japan. The war feeling grows rapidly throughout the empire, and while the imminence of conflict has been much exaggerated, it is admitted by even the ultra-conservative press that diplomatic relations are strained almost to breaking. The news of vast Russian naval preparations at Port Hamilton and Masanpo has stimulated the war feeling, and counter preparations, involving several millions expenditure have been initiated in Japan, while arrangements are going forward for the greatest naval review in the history of the Orient. The Chuo states that Russia has not abandoned her designs upon Masanpo and is collecting warships in Korean waters, the squadron in question consisting of the flagship Russia and nine modern warships, three of which recently visited Nagasaki.

### Increased Yukon Fleet.

It is reported the Victoria-Vancouver Transportation Company has secured or is negotiating for the fleet of four steamers at Wrangell owned by the Canadian Pacific railroad, and will put them on the Upper Yukon this season. Some of the fleet, it is said, will ply between Dawson and Clouseleigh, and some on the lakes.

Capt. W. C. Marsh, of Skagway, a master of Yukon river steamers, who has returned from a trip of several weeks to the Sound, reports that Col. Williams, owner of the Bennett lake steamer Clifford Sifton, purposes to make her the swiftest passenger craft on the headwaters of the Yukon. He says:

"The colonel has ordered two new boilers for the Sifton, and intends to have them installed and the craft ready for use again the coming season.

"I have been working for contracts for furnishing wood to steamers on Yukon waters, and hope to be awarded contracts to supply 1000 cords this summer."—Daily Alaskan.

### Marine Laws.

Washington, March 8.—The house committee on merchant marine and fisheries held an extended session today, with a view to completing the shipping subsidy bill, which had been under consideration for some time. The bill as originally introduced, served as a basis for action, a number of amendments being made along the lines of the substitute measure proposed by Representative Myer. These amendments have been incorporated in the main in the senate bill, so that action of the house brings the two houses in virtual agreement on the form of the measure. The voting disclosed that the majority was united in the general plan of revising the bill.

By a vote of 10 to 4 the bill was finally ordered reported, and Representative Grosvenor, chairman of the committee, was authorized to submit the report. Grosvenor summed up the results by saying the committee had agreed to the amendments in the senate bill, and also to a few other new amendments. On the final vote all the Republican members favored the bill as amended, and all the Democrats op-

posed it, except Chanler, who did not vote.

Stevens' anti trust amendments were agreed to.

As summed by him, they are as follows:

"That any vessel or owner of a vessel entering a trust to increase the price of export freight, or in restraint of export trade, shall cease to draw compensation under this bill."

The second provides substantially:

"That any combination or conspiracy of ship yards engaged in building vessels for compensation under this act is declared illegal and upon proof of combination or conspiracy of ship yards having a capacity of one-third of the tonnage of the United States, the secretary of the treasury is authorized to admit foreign vessels to take place of new vessels constructed under this act, except that such new vessels shall not enter the coastwise or lake trade."

Another amendment agree to, which is not in the senate bill, reduces the bounty 5 per cent annually after ten years.

Fitzgerald of Massachusetts, the ranking Democratic committeeman, offered a "free ship" amendment, which was defeated, although the Democrats and Jones of Washington and Fordney of Michigan voted for it.

The Democrats of the committee will submit a minority report opposing the bill as reported.

### Five Years for Bigamy.

Cornwall, March 9.—Wm. Hammett, alias Henderson, was today found guilty of bigamy and sentenced by Judge Pringle to five years in Kingston penitentiary. About 20 years ago Hammett married Miss Henderson, who died some ten years later, and on May 3, 1898, married Miss Alexander, daughter of a respectable farmer living at Tweed. Two children were born to them and Hammett deserted his wife and located at Cardinal, where he became acquainted with Miss Ida Gardner, of Morrisburg. After a few weeks' courtship they were married by Rev. Mr. Anderson, Church of England minister of Morrisburg, under the assumed name of Henderson.

### Women's Rights in Korea.

"Women as well as men can ride on the cars." Such is the translation of paragraph No. 2 in the rules or notices to the public prepared by the Korean president of the Seoul Electric Railway Company. The introduction of this trolley line is referred to by a correspondent of Harper's as "the first step toward civilization in the Hermit Kingdom," and certainly it seemed that a wide departure from the customs of the country would be made when Korean women availed themselves of President Yi Cha Yun's offer.

Formerly women were not allowed on the streets in the daytime, but a curfew bell was rung at 8 o'clock in the evening, after which hour the men were required to remain indoors, while the women took their exercise.

### Italy's Heir by Prince.

The birth of a son to the Duchess of Aosta, it is said, was a great shock to the Princess of Naples, which has increased her very natural grief at her own childlessness. Prince Amadeo (who by virtue of this childlessness is now in succession to the throne) is a small, fair haired baby of about a year, with more than the ordinary amount of babyish winning ways. One day the princess met the little chap in a corridor in his nurse's arms. She would have avoided him, as usual, but as she passed with averted head he suddenly held out his fat, dimpled arms, and on the impulse of the moment she took him from the nurse, while her eyes filled with tears. The little fellow laid his lips on each of her lids, stroking her cheeks with both hands. She gave a sob and has ever since been his most devoted slave.

### Sulphur's Clean-Up.

Mr. Jonas, of 21a on Sulphur, is in the city and while he will not even estimate the value of the gold that will be taken from that creek at the cleanup, he admits that it will be enormous and far above the general estimate. Mr. Jonas does not anticipate any trouble from lack of sufficient water for sluicing purposes.

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