

## HAS BRIGHT FUTURE

### SENOR CORRAL WHO IS TO BE MEXICO'S VICE PRESIDENT.

Was Himself the Author of the Bill Which Created the Office—Highly Praised by President Porfirio Diaz.

City of Mexico Special. "President in reserve" is the designation employed by Gen. Porfirio Diaz in referring to his secretary of the interior, chosen by the nationalists as their candidate for the vice presidency.

"I congratulate you," said the president, addressing a delegation from the convention, "on having nominated as a candidate for the vice presidency a citizen who, in addition to his upright character, enlightenment and public spirit, demonstrated by admirable service in various important posts, possesses the moral and physical energies which are proper to his relatively youthful age, and for which not even a career of patriotic abnegation and honorable service can afford a substitute."

Little did Ramon Corral think when he drew up and presented to the chamber of deputies the bill creating the vice presidency and extending the presidential term from four to six years, that he would be the man selected to fill the vice presidential post and later become in all probability the successor of Gen. Diaz, the great soldier who has earned the title of "peace president."

The question of the retirement of Gen. Diaz was settled a year ago, when both the nationalists and liberals nominated the president to succeed himself.

The amendments to the constitution as finally adopted provide that in the event of the death, disability or absence from the republic of the president, the vice president shall immediately assume the duties of the presidency without the necessity of taking a new oath. Neither can he resign except for very grave reasons, which must be passed upon by the congress, and neither can he leave the republic without the permission of congress.

The law authorizing the amendments makes the vice president ex-officio president of the senate, but leaves the incumbent free to accept other offices



SENOR RAMON CORRAL. (Minister of the Interior and Future Vice President of Mexico.)

and perform the duties for which he may be selected by the president, the bill declaring that it is not expedient that the vice president be condemned to be a mere passive spectator of the public affairs which at any time he may be called upon to direct. Probably Corral will retain the portfolio of interior affairs.

It has long been the desire of the president to lay down, at least temporarily, the reins of government, rest from his arduous duties and make a tour of the principal cities of the United States and Europe. The clause "in the amendment allowing leave of absence, the vice president serving ad interim, gives him the opportunity, though whether Gen. Diaz will embrace it cannot now be stated.

Ramon Corral was born in Alamos, State of Sonora, January 10, 1854. He made his appearance in the political world as the editor of two newspapers, El Fantasma and the Voz de Alamos. Both of these publications were opposed to the administration of Gen. Ignacio Pesquera, who controlled the local government of Sonora for 20 years. In 1875 he exchanged the pen for the sword, and when the revolution of August 11 of the same year began, with Gen. Francisco Serna at its head, Corral took an active part in it, maintaining on the battle field the same principles he had proclaimed in the columns of the press.

Elected to the legislature and afterward appointed secretary of state, Corral assisted in the elaboration of many of the laws that are to-day in force in the state, more especially those pertaining to fiscal regulations.

In the assembly of 1887 he was elevated to the vice governorship of Sonora, and he virtually had charge of the executive power during most of the term by reason of leave of absence granted to the constitutional governor. Corral retired from the position in 1891, acted as secretary of state until 1896, and was then unanimously elected governor for two terms. One of the results of his efforts is the College of Sonora, in the capital of the state. Numerous schools and a multitude of industrial enterprises throughout the state owe their existence to his initiative.

Corral became governor of the federal district of Mexico on December 19, 1900, and on January 16, 1903, was sworn in as minister of interior in the cabinet of President Diaz. His capacity for government has been demonstrated. His personality is very attractive. He possesses a rare combination of affability and authority. Being a native of a frontier state he has come into frequent contact with Americans and understands and appreciates the character of the American people.

## QUEER JAPANESE CUSTOM.

### How the Boy Liars of the Flowery Kingdom Wash Away Their Transgressions.

Yokohama (Japan) Special. Among the many curious customs that offer such an endless source of interesting study to the westerner traveling in Japan perhaps there is none that arouses his interest so much as that which obtains throughout the Flowery Kingdom, among the rich and poor alike, of washing away their children's lies by a species of shower bath that is a cleanser of the physical as well as of the moral being.

Abutions play a large part in every form of Japanese worship. Before the shrine, which is to be found in almost every home there is a sort of crude bathtub made in the stone floor. The water for these is supplied from pipes which send a heavy stream down from the roof. Seated before the altar in the middle of the "tub" the prevaricating culprit is made to suffer the penalty of his many lies. The volume of water comes dashing down upon his defenseless head with a force that would make a robust American lad "see stars."

But the Japanese liar knows that there is no other way to appease the wrath of the injured god of truth, so he succumbs to the inevitable with a much better grace than that with which his western brother takes his whipping, and sits before the shrine of his family divinity, reading aloud for the benefit of a number of bystanders the long list of lies that has brought him to this uncomfortable pass.

The shrine before which this moral water-cure takes place resembles those which are so common in the houses of Catholic countries. The decoration of flowers and numerous candles is much like that with which the pious Italian adorns the altar of the Virgin or his patron saint. Only the hideous little squatting figure of the Japanese god shows that this is an infidel shrine. In the morning the reverent head of the house puts a cake, a little heap of rice and a sprig of green upon the altar, an offering intended to propitiate the god and draw down his blessing upon the family. When darkness comes a little lighted lamp is placed before the idol to cheer him in the long hours of the night, during which, according to Japanese belief, he faithfully guards the household from all harm.

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## NEMESIS OF PORT ARTHUR

### Gen. Nogi, Jap General, Who Is Besieging the Fortress, Known by This Sobriquet.

Tokio (Japan) Special. Gen. Nogi, who is in command of the forces that are attacking the Port Arthur forts from the land side, has under his command a force that is variously estimated by the Russians and Chinese at from 30,000 to 60,000. He is one of



LIEUT. GEN. COUNT NOGI. (Japanese General who is conducting siege of Port Arthur.)

the ten Japanese officers who hold the rank of general. He was promoted to this rank a month ago. In the Chinese war he was in command of one of the divisions that took Port Arthur, and later in the same war was commander in chief of the army that invaded Formosa. After the Chinese war he was governor general of Formosa.

Had a Dream Worth Having. John Stonebrunner, of Springfield, O., is a believer in dreams. He dreamed that at a certain spot, near Beatty, he saw a settler burying gold. The repetition of the dream, two days later, caused him deep reflection. He went to the spot indicated, and there unearthed gold coins to the value of \$1,500. The treasure is supposed to have been concealed there in the year 1745, by a French settler.

## LIVELY GRAND DUKE

### BORIS INVITED CHORUS GIRLS TO SEE A REAL WAR.

His Conduct Angered Gen. Kuropatkin and Led to Personal Encounter—Czar Said to Be in Hot Fury.

St. Petersburg (Russia) Special. Just what will be the punishment meted out to Grand Duke Boris for his remarkable ideas of war, which, after slaying Gen. Kuropatkin across the nose, resulted in his being recalled from the far east, is interesting high official and social circles.

The consensus of opinion seems to be that Boris will be exiled to the southern Russian estates of his father, Grand Duke Vladimir.

The czar is furious at the escapades of the dashing but profligate young Boris. The full details of the war career of the grand duke have leaked out and have created the greatest indignation.

As soon as Boris received his orders to proceed to the front he gave a dinner to his friends in the operatic chorus, and there are few pretty St. Petersburg chorus girls that do not know Boris. As the dinner rolled along, Boris waxed enthusiastic in talk about the glories of war.

"Dear Boris," said a tall, divinely built girl, raising a wine glass, "how we shall miss you. Won't we, girls?" There was a clatter from the wine glasses and a chorus of "Yes, yes. Poor, dear Boris, we shall miss you, indeed!" Staggering slightly from the effects of the wine, but his eyes sparkling with good fellowship, the dashing, handsome and reckless young aristocrat waved his champagne glass in the air and cried:

"Why miss me, girls, at all? Come along, all of you. I invite you to be the guests of Boris in the far east. Matters are dull here in St. Petersburg. I promise you a royal good time."

The girls were enthusiastic, and the next day announced to their friends that they were going to Port Arthur to view the war as the specially invited guests of the royal family.

A few days later Grand Duke Boris boarded a luxuriously fitted-up train of special cars with a few officers. With



GRAND DUKE BORIS. (Russian Prince who went to war with a Bevy of Chorus Girls.)

them were the several girls and a small army of maids. The slow trip over the wild, desolate route in Siberia seemed to pass only too quickly.

One entire car was stocked with champagne and so great was the demand that it was exhausted before the end of the journey.

Arriving at headquarters the royal party and its girl attendants created a sensation. Kuropatkin was shocked. He did not say anything for a time, however, and night after night there were orgies in the camp.

Word came to Boris that a small army of Geisha women were traveling not far from the Japanese army.

"We will introduce them to Russian cigarettes," said Boris, and he proposed an expedition to capture the pretty Japanese women. All the officers present agreed to take part in it, but the next morning it was forgotten.

Another brilliant thought occurred to the champagne-muddled Boris. At one of his dinners he arose and proposed this toast:

"To the devil with the God of War. Let us drink three bumpers to the Goddess of Love."

They were drunk with a cheer. And it was the straw that broke the commanding general's patience. He commanded Boris to appear before him. Boris staggered into Kuropatkin's headquarters drunk.

"You must ship those women back to St. Petersburg," the old general said, sternly.

"How brutal you are," leered Boris. "No; I mean it," said Kuropatkin, losing patience. "They are demoralizing the entire camp. This is not an opera bouffe, but a real war."

"You beast," shouted Boris, beside himself with rage, and drawing his sword he made a lunge at the general, who, if he had not stepped back nimbly, would have been killed. As it was, he was wounded in the nose.

The czar was informed by telegraph all the particulars and recalled Boris. The St. Petersburg girls returned on an ordinary soldiers' train, in marked contrast to the manner in which they had departed for the seat of war.

In Kuropatkin's headquarters the Goddess of Love was buried for once and all and the God of War was again placed on his pedestal.

Japs Use Proper Method. The Japanese address their letters the reverse of what we do, writing the country first, the county next, then the city, the street and number and the name last of all.

## SYMPATHY IS MISAPPLIED.

### President of Yale University Plays Samaritan and Is Taken for a Daring Robber.

New Haven (Conn.) Special. No matter who a man is, there is usually one subject upon which he dislikes to converse, and in the case of President Hadley, of Yale university, it is the settling of dislocated jaws.

Mr. Hadley had been shown just how to do it by a physician of his acquaintance. That was months before his knowledge was unexpectedly called into service. On a Fall river steamer the head of the New Haven college was sharing the stateroom of a gentleman who had taken pity upon the late-comer, who



ARTHUR D. HADLEY. (President of Yale Who Was Carried Away by Gratitude.)

could get no room for himself. Mr. Hadley, of course, had the upper berth.

In the middle of the night from the lower berth came gurgling sounds, surlies and low moans. Mr. Hadley jumped down and snapped on the light. There lay his benefactor, his chin tight against his breast, his mouth open, and his lips drawn rigid. President Hadley recognized the signs.

"Be calm, sir," he said, excitedly. "I know just what to do."

Wrapping a towel about his thumbs to prevent their being caught when the jaws should fly into place, he climbed into the berth and kneeling by the man's shoulders took the ends of the jaw firmly in his hands and began to work it into place.

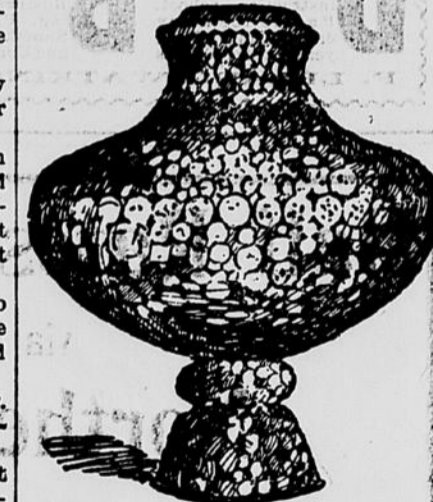
The rest of the story is merely this. That President Hadley had to spend practically all the rest of the night trying to explain to his cabin mate, the ship's captain and surgeon, and half the other officers that he was merely endeavoring to do a kindness and had no thought of assaulting a peaceful citizen who happened to have a nightmare.

## PRECIOUS VASE OF COINS.

### It Is the Work of 25 Years and Is Covered with Ancient and Modern Money Pieces.

Philadelphia (Pa.) Special. The fruits of 25 years of labor and saving are visible in a curious vase made by Edward Rausch. The vase is over five feet high and 32 inches at its largest diameter. Its exterior, from top to bottom, is composed of coins, ancient and modern, great and small, representing the money tokens of all peoples, which have been carefully made fast to a surface of copper. Some of the coins are extremely rare. Among them are crude bars, rings and bolts, which were once used as the medium of exchange by African and other savage tribes. Spanish coins of early date are seen in abundance, and some early

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PRECIOUS VASE OF COINS. (Made by a Philadelphia Man and Valued at \$75,000.)

Greek coins are there. Sicilian spoon money, early Japanese bars and forks, African horseshoes, shell money of sea coast savages, as well as the most modern coins, are to be seen.

The value of the vase Mr. Rausch places at \$75,000. Its makers, who lives at No. 2331 North Twenty-seventh street, is a cornicemaker, and by birth a German. He says the vase is the only one of its kind in the world. He began to collect the coins in 1879, and, though not possessed of wealth and dependent for his living on his daily toil, he collected so rapidly that he soon conceived the idea of making the vase. He found, however, that what looked like an immense pile of coins when loose covered only a small patch on the vase, and then he devoted his life to finishing the article.

## Mystery of the Rain Tree.

The mystery of the rain tree of the Canaries is a cloud that hovers about it constantly; this is condensed to water, which saturates the leaves and, falling from them in constant drops, keeps the cisterns which are in excavation beneath them always full of water.

## NORTH DAKOTA NEWS

### North Dakota Democrats.

The Democratic state nominating convention was held at Grand Forks, and a full ticket was placed in the field. In addition to the usual routine, the greater part of the day session was taken up with an effort to oust Chairman Brynjolfsson on the ground that his election at the Fargo convention was irregular. The convention after a long debate, ratified the election of the Fargo convention.

The resolutions adopted reaffirm the St. Louis platform, "denounce the republican 'machine,'" demand minority representation on all state boards; condemn republican extravagance in the state, and favor the direct primary, the initiative and referendum, national grain inspection and the widening of the powers of the interstate commerce commission.

Resolutions on the death of J. P. Birder were adopted by a standing vote.

The following ticket was nominated: Presidential Electors—J. B. Boyd, Cavalier; John Brugger, Williams; Otto Grethen, McLean; R. B. Blakemore, Cass.

Congress—A. G. Burr, Bottineau; N. P. Rasmussen, Barnes. Governor—M. F. Hegge, Traill. Lieut. Governor—G. S. Cryne, Stark. Secretary of State—H. O'Keefe, Walsh.

Auditor—Charles Bade, Dickey. Treasurer—R. B. Foss, Ward. Commissioner of Insurance—D. M. Holmes, Grand Forks.

Attorney General—S. Serungard, Ramsey.

Superintendent of Public Instruction—C. G. Schmidt, Statsman.

Commissioner of Agriculture—R. Schultz, Wells.

Railroad Commissioners—F. Martin, Eau Claire; Joseph Bjoern, Sargent; Axel Johnson, Eddy.

The convention endorsed the republican candidates for the supreme bench, N. C. Young and Edward Engerud.

### The Wind Blew.

In a storm near Ryder in the house of Geo. Hart were Wm. Krause, Harry Holstman and a man named Sampson, and their escape from death was miraculous. The house was lifted in the air and carried to the top of a barn some rods distant, where it rested a few minutes after which it was again taken up in the air and whirled around until it finally went to pieces, the occupants falling to the ground. They escaped with but few bruises and their recollection of the trip through the air was very hazy. Otto Beecher, who also lives near there, was caught out between the house and barn and escaped serious injury by lying down and holding to the grass. He was whipped around, but he managed to hang on.

The grain binder was carried about half a mile and dropped bottom up in the center of a flax field, and other farm machinery scattered all over the farm. The crop was apparently unharmed.

### State Organization.

Representatives of seventeen independent farmers' elevators and grain buyers met in Fargo and took preliminary steps toward a state organization for the purpose of uniformity of prices, terminal elevators and better railroad rates, so they can compete with the old line elevators. Secretary McDonald of the Minnesota Farmers' Exchange was present, and temporarily the North Dakotans will affiliate with his organization. Three directors were chosen to represent the state on a joint board of nine from the Dakotas and Minnesota. O. G. Major of Hope and C. S. Shippy of Hope were elected chairman and secretary of the preliminary state organization.

### After Violators.

David Robert, game warden for Stark county, is after violators of the law which says that it is a crime to kill, take into captivity or ship, out of the state any antelope until the year 1911. The warden has three parties bound over to the district court, and is after other reported offenders of this law. One party brought in one day three young antelope which he was offering at \$25 each. The man had to give bonds in the sum of \$500 ere he could go home, and by the time the warden gets through with him he will probably realize that North Dakota has one game law at least which it is not well to disregard.

### News Notes.

Charlie Palda, brother of the judge, while driving in Williams county, found an old Indian hatchet made of iron, which is evidently very ancient, and which he prizes very highly.

An Emmons county claim holder who was annoyed by the depredations of wandering stock took up some of the cattle that were trespassing, and having no other means of taking care of them, he picketed them, not realizing that the average range animal is not accustomed to the picket rope. One cow thus fastened broke her neck, and the settler, fearful of the vengeance of the cowboys, abandoned his claim and lit out.

The Drayton Brick company shipped a large consignment of bricks across the line to the Canucks. Jamestown will spend \$24,500 on its schools in the next year. Of this sum \$17,000 will be raised in taxes and the rest will come from the state funds.

A case of glanders is giving the authorities some trouble out at Goodrich, and a good deal of feeling has been aroused by the shooting of the horses affected.

John Erfert, aged 70 years, died on the Great Northern east-bound flyer, near Devils Lake.

## THE NEWS IN BRIEF.

### For the Week Ending July 30.

The commercial treaty between Germany and Russia has been signed. Fire in an immoral resort at Nashua, on the Minnesota iron range, burned three persons to death.

Twelve business houses were destroyed by fire at Mora, Minn., causing a loss estimated at about \$70,000.

Dr. Henry G. Green, of Atlanta, Ga., is dead as the result of being run down by a street car near the world's fair at St. Louis.

Albert F. Dawson, private secretary to United States Senator Allison, was nominated for congress by republicans of the Second Iowa district.

The house of John Harper, at New Haven, in Hamilton county, O., burned, and Mr. Harper and his wife, both over 80 years old, were burned to death.

During a heavy rain at Elizabeth, N. J., Patrick Meckeeseey, 60 years old, employed by the city, was drowned in a sewer which he was engaged in cleaning.

Andrew Anderson and Charles F. Johnson were killed by lightning near Rock Rapids, Ia., while fishing. Searching parties found their bodies side by side.

Rear Admiral George A. Converse has been appointed chief of the bureau of navigation, navy department, to succeed the late Rear Admiral H. C. Taylor.

The Pacific Mail company's steamer Korea, which it was rumored, had been captured by the Russian Vladivostok squadron, has arrived at her destination safely.

The death of John Rogers, sculptor and designer of the famous "Rogers groups" of statuary, is announced. It occurred at his summer home in New Canaan, Conn.

Henry R. Hodges, his wife and three children, living about six miles from Statesboro, have been killed and their home burned. Robbery is supposed to have been the cause of the crime.

The cotton mill strike in Fall River, Mass., has tied up the mills so completely that by noon Tuesday not a wheel was moving in the \$1 millions where a reduction of 12 1/2 per cent. in wages has taken place.

J. H. Murley, of Denison, Tex., a freight train brakeman, who recently inherited \$30,000, and who was making his last trip as brakeman, fell under the wheels of his train and was killed.

The comptroller of the currency has appointed E. B. Shaw, a national bank examiner, as receiver of the First national bank, of Grinnell, Ia., whose doors were closed by the directors Tuesday.

Samuel H. Coriell, an insurance agent, of Dallas, Tex., shot and killed his wife while she was asleep. Coriell then shot himself through the head, dying instantly. Jealousy is given as the cause.

There were 79 passengers and 840 employes of railroads killed and 1,630 passengers and 10,554 employes injured in accidents on railroads in the United States during the quarter ended March 31, 1904.

Gen. Leonard Wood, commanding the department of Mindanao, Philippines, has taken steps to have swimming taught the soldiers of his command as the result of numerous accidents in the water.

After voting for three days and nights, having cast 692 ballots without change, the deadlocked Fourth Missouri district congressional convention, in session at St. Joseph, took a recess until August 3.

Gov. Peabody, of Colorado, has issued a proclamation calling off military rule in Teller county and placing the Cripple Creek district in charge of the civil authorities. Military rule was proclaimed in Teller county on June 8.

The coal pocket at the Portsmouth (N. H.) navy yard was completely destroyed by fire, together with 6,000 tons of coal, causing an estimated loss of \$125,000. The cause of the fire is believed to have been spontaneous combustion.

Capt. Van Schick and Federal Steamboat Inspector Fleming and former Inspector Lundberg were indicted in New York by the federal grand jury in connection with the disaster to the General Slocum on June 15 last when nearly 1,000 lives were lost.

## THE MARKETS.

New York, July 30.	
LIVE STOCK—Steers	4 25 @ 6 15
Hogs, State, Penn.	6 25 @ 6 35
Sheep	3 00 @ 4 75
WHEAT—Minnesota Patents	5 00 @ 5 25
WHEAT—September	5 25 @ 5 50
December	5 25 @ 5 50
CORN—July	5 1/2 @ 5 1/2
RYE—No. 2 Western	65 @ 70
BUTTER	12 @ 17 1/2
EGGS	15 @ 24
CHICAGO.	
CATTLE—Prime Steers	6 10 @ 6 40
Fed. Texas Steers	4 25 @ 5 75
Medium Beef Steers	4 50 @ 4 80
Heavy Steers	5 50 @ 6 00
Calves	5 20 @ 7 00
HOGS—Assorted Light	5 50 @ 5 75
Heavy Packing	5 15 @ 5 50
Heavy Mixed	5 25 @ 5 50
SHEEP	4 40 @ 4 40
BUTTER—Creamery	12 @ 17 1/2
Dairy	11 @ 15
EGGS—Fresh	11 1/2 @ 15 1/2
POTATOES (New) per bu.	2 50 @ 3 00
MESE PORK—Cash	12 25 @ 13 00
LARD—Cash	6 80 @ 6 85
GRAIN—Wheat, July	5 1/2 @ 5 1/2
Sept.	5 1/2 @ 5 1/2
Oats, September	3 25 @ 3 25
Barley, Feed, Mixing	20 @ 25
Rye, September	60 @ 70
MILWAUKEE.	
GRAIN—Wheat, No. 1 North	\$1 01 1/2 @ 1 02 1/2
Corn, September	89 1/2 @ 89 1/2
Oats, Standard	41 1/2 @ 41 1/2
Rye, No. 1	71 @ 74 1/2
DULUTH.	
GRAIN—Wheat, July	\$1 00 1/2 @ 1 01 1/2
September	85 1/2 @ 85 1/2
Flax, On Track, July	1 23 1/2 @ 1 23 1/2
Oats, On Track, Arrive	35 @ 37 1/2
ST. LOUIS.	
CATTLE—Beef Steers	4 00 @ 6 05
Texas Steers	4 20 @ 4 40
HOGS—Packers, Best Heavy	5 20 @ 5 50
Butchers, Best Heavy	5 45 @ 5 65
SHEEP—Natives	3 75 @ 4 25
OMAHA.	
CATTLE—Native Steers	3 40 @ 5 55
Stockers and Feeders	2 60 @ 4 00
Cows and Heifers	4 10 @ 4 85
HOGS—Heavy	5 00 @ 5 10
SHEEP—Wethers	3 70 @ 4 00