

## News Summary

The Japanese battleship Asahi, ashore at Portsmouth, was successfully floated on Monday evening.

Latest advices from Dawson City estimate the total clean up for the Klondyke district at \$18,000,000 approximately.

Officers and men of the 21st Essex Fusiliers, at Windsor, Ont., have been notified to make all necessary preparations to take the field at an hour's notice.

The Canadian Rolling Mills, Montreal, has decided to make a cut of 25 to 42 cents on wire goods, including galvanized wire, barbed wire, and wire nails.

At the annual convocation of McGill University on Monday the degree of LL. D., Honoris Causa, was conferred upon Capt. A. T. Mahan, U. S. N.

The magazines of the month, and Black and White and Illustrated London News are always on sale at store of T. H. Hall, St. John. Mail orders are promptly filled.

The House of Commons Monday adopted by 185 votes to 40 a vote of \$1,930,000 for the completion of the Uganda railroad. Upwards of \$3,000,000 has already been expended on this line.

Four Italians were charging a hole with dynamite on Murdoch's section, No. 17, of the Rainy River railway, when a premature explosion occurred, blowing all four men to atoms.

The Prince of Wales has sent to Station Master Crocius, of Brussels, who is supposed to have saved his life, a scarfpin set with brilliants and rubies. It is shaped like the Prince's coronet and bears his motto.

The American garrison of Catubig, Island of Samar, consisting of thirty men belonging to the 43rd regiment, has been attacked by rebels. Twenty of the Americans were killed. The remainder were rescued from annihilation.

Chas. G. Horetzky, C. E., who took part in the original survey of the Canadian Pacific Railway and did some notable exploration work, died at Toronto on Monday in the 62nd year of his age. Mr. Horetzky of late years has been connected with the Ontario Crown Land department.

A. A. Putnam, an electrical engineer, of Rochester, N. Y., made an oral will the other day by talking into a phonograph. He signed his name on the wax roll of the machine with a hot copper wire and the witnesses did likewise. Legal authorities say that the will is valid.

The New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad lost two cases at Boston on Wednesday, involving total damages of \$27,000. The plaintiffs were Mary Fitzpatrick, a girl seven years old, who was awarded a verdict of \$16,000, and her uncle, James A. Fitzpatrick, who was given a verdict of \$11,000. Both were injured in the disaster at Sharon, Mass., on Aug. 21, 1898.

When James C. Flynn, Nationalist M. P., who had declared his attention of addressing a meeting of the United Irish League scheduled to take place at Newmarket, Ire., sought to enter the town on Monday, he found his way barred by two hundred police. Mr. Flynn was subsequently allowed to pass on giving an understanding not to address a meeting in Newmarket or its immediate vicinity.

Admiral George Dewey arrived in Chicago on Monday. After an informal luncheon given by the members of the general committee, a delegation of Canadians called on the admiral and presented him with a formal invitation to be present at a reception to be given in his honor at Hill Terrace, Port Stanley, Ont., on any day in July convenient to the admiral. The invitation included among its signatures the names of Sir Wilfred Laurier and Sir Charles Tupper.

The new agent general of New South Wales in London is said to be famous in Australia for one great saying. The debate was on the respective advantages of traffic by sea and land. "The railways," said the orator, "have cut the ground from under the steamer's feet." The bull is of the same nature as that of the English, not Irish, members of parliament, who said, "Depend upon it, Mr. Speaker, the white face of the British soldiers is the backbone of the Indian army."

Ellis Lever, an expert on economics, predicts that within three years the price of coal in England will be again doubled unless the exportation to foreign buyers is entirely prohibited or a heavy tax is placed upon any coal exported to be used by foreigners. He relates that only the other day an order was given by the Russian government for 500,000 tons of smokeless steam coal from South Wales for the Russian navy, and in addition some large purchases were made by the same government during the present year.

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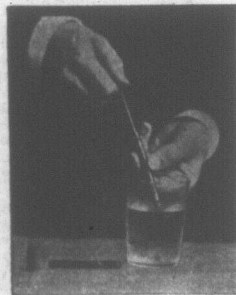
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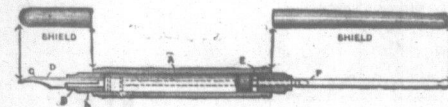
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