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ADMIRAL HAS TROUBLE SECURING COAL SUPPLY

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AGENTS ARE NOW LEAVING VLADIVOSTOK.

Washington, May 18.—Richard S. Greener, commercial agent at Vladivostok, has cabled the American state department that all the foreign commercial agents there have asked to leave Vladivostok, and are given permission to reside in the cities of the maritime provinces. Mr. Greener himself was just leaving Vladivostok for Habarovsk.

RUSSIAN FORCE SOON DISAPPEARED.

General Oku's Headquarters, May 18, 8 p.m., via Pusan.—At noon to-day a Russian force, consisting of three or four companies of infantry, seven or eight squadrons of cavalry and three or four guns, appeared north of Changtu from the direction of Fenghua. After firing

THE DANGER FROM FLOATING MINES.

St. Petersburg, May 19.—The Russian newspapers call attention to the indifference in which the powers contemplate the danger involved in navigating the Eastern waters owing to the Japanese floating mines, contrasting this with the harsh criticism met in the war when the Russian fleet planted mines outside of Port Arthur. The Novoye Vremya says seven ships were blown up during the last fortnight, but the British press, so vigilant wherever Russians are concerned, does not utter a word against its ally.

COLLIERS LYING IN FRENCH WATERS.

Seigon, French Cochinchina, May 19.—Forty-three colliers, mostly Russian and German, are anchored off Nshue, under the supervision of the French gunboat, Carondelet. Twenty similar ships are off Cape St. James, near here, under the supervision of the French cruiser Daxas.

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Paris, May 19.—M. Francois Deloncle, Republican deputy for Indo-China, has submitted to the special parliamentary committee on naval affairs a remarkable report of the urgent necessity for strengthening the defences of Indo-China against the peril of a Japanese invasion.

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NAVY STATIONS IN THE DOMINION WILL BE KEPT IN STATE OF REPAIR.

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CANOE CAPSIZED.

Toronto, May 19.—Howard Cooper, eighteen years of age, son of J. H. Cooper, vice-president of the Canada Loan & Savings Company, was drowned in Ashbridge bay this morning by the upsetting of his canoe.

OPPOSER SCHEME.

Toronto, May 19.—The executive of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association decline to endorse the scheme for a tunnel between Prince Edward Island and the mainland on the ground that the project is too costly.

EMPIRE LEAGUE.

Toronto, May 19.—The British Empire League, at its annual meeting last night, passed resolutions endorsing Joseph Chamberlain's policy, favoring the union of Newfoundland with Canada and respecting proportionate representation in the Imperial parliament for colonies which contribute to the defence of the Empire.

CENTENARIAN DEAD.

Winnipeg, May 19.—Mrs. Bushie, who was born in Red River valley one hundred years ago, is dead.

BUILDING.

Winnipeg, May 19.—Building permits in Winnipeg this year are expected to aggregate between twelve and fifteen million dollars.

PAT STOCK SALE.

Calgary, N. W. T., May 19.—The Territorial fat stock sale concluded to-day. Prices were not so high as last year, but stockmen regard it as a genuine success.

PUBLISHER'S SUICIDE.

Montreal, May 19.—C. Theoret, the well-known law publisher, committed suicide this afternoon, shooting himself through the heart with a revolver. For some time he had been suffering from nervous prostration, and this afternoon was so much worried that his wife went to see a doctor about him. It was during her absence that he took his life.

CHEAPER LIGHT.

Electric Company is Making a Very Radical Reduction in Rates and Installation Charges.

THE B. C. ELECTRIC RAILWAY COMPANY WILL BEGINNING JULY 1ST, MAKE A SUBSTANTIAL REDUCTION IN THE ELECTRIC LIGHT RATES IN VICTORIA.

Under the existing system the following rates are charged: First 40 K W hours, 17c per K W hour; next 60 K W hours, 12c per K W hour; and over 100 K W hours, 10c per K W hour.

THE ELECTRIC COMPANY IN MAKING THIS 30 PER CENT. REDUCTION IN RATES HOPE TO INDUCE EVERY HOUSEHOLDER IN THE CITY TO USE LIGHTS.

MRS. TEMPLEMAN RETURNED TO OTTAWA FROM TORONTO ON THE 11TH INSTANT, ACCOMPANIED BY HER NIECE, MISS JOSIE McADAM, WHO WILL SPEND THE COMING SUMMER IN VICTORIA.

Mrs. Templeman and Miss McAdam will leave Ottawa in a few days for this city.

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