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WILL JAPAN WIN.

John A. Ewan, who was the Toronto Globe correspondent in Cuba and South Africa, writing in the March Canadian Magazine, states that he believes Russia will lose Manchuria. He says:

"I am of those who believe that they will be driven out, and that Japan will do the work. The only possible chance that Russia had of preventing that result was by retaining command of the Chinese seas. That she has lost already, and Japan is left with the easiest sort of accessibility to the scene of conflict. There can be very little doubt that she will be able at any time within the next three months to place more men on the battlefield than her opponents. The courage of the little brown men is unquestioned; their patriotism is the only thing that resembles the fervor of a religion, and an enthusiasm similar in degree to that which in the ages of faith sent men and delicately nurtured women to the beasts in the arena or to the stake, prompts the Japanese soldier to parallel sacrifices and devotions. It is safe to say that if Russia wins victories they will be costly ones, and one repulse, however severe, will not discourage these active, daring and hardy warriors of what the Chinese call the Dwarf Nation.

"In this estimate there is no disposition to undervalue the resolution and military power of Russia. It is undoubtedly enormous, but it is just as undoubtedly unwieldy. The international expedition for the relief of the besieged legations in 1900 afforded an unusual opportunity of contrasting the soldiery of the various nations, and the general opinion of the competent judges who observed the demeanor and conduct of the troops engaged was that the Japanese probably deserved to be put in first place and the Russians last. It is safe to say at all events that man for man the Japanese is the equal of the Russian. It makes very little difference how many hundred thousand men there are in the Russian Empire. The question is, how many are there east of Harbin, for it is in these regions that the fighting will take place. Every circumstance seems to point to the fact that Japan will have more men at the points at which she chooses to strike than Russia will. Korea is already safe from Russian occupation. No Russian army dare venture down the peninsula while Japan's vessels are ranging up and down on both sides of it. Having accomplished this without loss of any kind, she will be able to turn her whole energies to pressing the Russian intruders out of Manchuria. It must be remembered that in this work they have the sympathy of the native population. They will be able to advance leaving behind them a minimum of men to protect their communications, whereas Russia will be beset by enemies on every side."

BRITISH INTERVENTION.

Ever since the civil war in the United States the Americans have insisted that several times during the four years of rebellion—notably the midsummer of 1863—the British Government was on the point of recognizing the independence of the Southern States. So unreasonable have some of the Americans been in this matter that many of them have attributed to cowardice the fact that Britain did not recognize the confederacy! It is pleasant, now, to have the Americans discover that they have all along been fighting a bogey.

The New York Tribune tells of a letter which was written many years ago by William Ewart Gladstone to Henry Clews, of that city, which Mr. Clews has now made public. It was written on May 30, 1889, in recognition of the receipt of a copy of Mr. Clews' book of memories, and runs in part as follows:

I think it would be less than ingenuous if I did not, after reading what relates to the cabinet of Lord Palmerston, make some reference to it.

Allow me to assure you that, so far as the cabinet is concerned, you have been entirely misled in regard to matters of fact. As a member of it, and now nearly its sole surviving member, I can state that I never at any time dealt with the subject of recognizing the Southern States in your civil war, excepting when it learned the proposition of the Emperor Napoleon III. and declined to entertain that proposition without qualification, hesitation, delay or dissent.

In the debate which took place on Mr. Roebuck's proposal for the ne-

gotiation Lord Russell took no part, and could take none, as he was a member of the House of Lords. I spoke for the cabinet.

You will, I am sure, be glad to learn that there is no foundation for a charge which, had it been true, might have aided in keeping alive angry sentiments happily gone by.

The New York paper says: "We can conceive nothing more direct, explicit and unequivocal than that. It is a declaration that the British Government never but once during our civil war so much as considered the question of recognizing the confederacy, and that on that one occasion it did so only to refuse, instantly, unconditionally and unanimously, to have anything to do with such a scheme. This declaration is, we know, in flat contradiction to much history that has been written and to many impressions that have widely prevailed. But it was made by the foremost British statesman of his day, a man who was a leading member of the British Government at that time and who unquestionably knew all that was going on, and a man, moreover, who was regarded with peculiar confidence and veneration by Americans, and was generally esteemed as a conspicuous exponent of morality and truth in public life. It seems impossible, in such circumstances, to suppose either that Gladstone was ignorant of the facts or that in his letter to Mr. Clews he deliberately misstated them. Yet the alternative is to dismiss the bogey tale of the menace of British recognition and intervention as an unfounded and wicked fiction.

"Mr. Clews has done a real service to the English-speaking world in thus making known this impressive bit of evidence, which, coming as it from beyond the grave, in the notes of an eloquent and masterful voice now otherwise forever hushed, may, well serve as an epitaph above 'angry sentiments happily gone by' and never again to be recalled."

JOHN'S PREFERENCE.

Toronto Star.

Russia says she will be ready to fight on March 20. John Dillon is said to have wired that it would suit him better to have Great Britain's allies trampled on St. Patrick's Day.

FAIR PLAY FOR YOUTH.

Toronto World.

There is one thing that old age owes to youth, a debt that should ever be paid, and that is to give juniors a chance. Perhaps the place where this is most true is in the administration of great corporations by boards of directors. Venerable presidents have as a general thing little desire of turning responsibility over to younger men. The way to make good directors is to train them; bring them in early and send them on up the line.

THE BIBLE IN THE SCHOOL.

Bystander in Weekly Sun.

Whether the reading of portions of the Bible would do much toward the formation of character may be doubted. It may be doubted whether the different churches can be brought to agree in the treatment of the text or perhaps even in the principle of selections. Into schools which are the property of all, nothing sectarian can be admitted, and it is difficult to be religious without being sectarian. Better than any religion which can well be taught in public schools was the home religion, beautifully portrayed in Burns' "Cottager's Saturday Night." But here the Cotter is wanting.

GUSH.

Woodstock Express.

The Americans are great hero worshippers. While the daughters are worshipping at the shrine of the foreign lords, the fathers are engaged in heaping sickeningly fulsome praise and gush on some of their own public men. Here is how President Roosevelt recently described his lieutenant, Mr. Root:

"Elihu Root is the ablest man I have known in our governmental service. I will go further. He is the greatest man that has appeared in the public life of any country, in any position, on either side of the ocean in my time."

Rich, isn't it? But the president is not in the same class with the Rev. Dr. Cortland Myers, of Brooklyn, when it comes to a use of the superlative degree. Listen to the Rev. Dr. Cortland Myers as he discourses from his pulpit:

"This last week I was in the president's private office with him, and had the honor—the supreme honor—of shaking his hand. I do not think I have washed that hand with soap since. I do not think I will ever wash the memory off that hand. I would like to take that splendid grip with me out of this world into the next, and have it as a part of my resurrection life; for the man who has shaken hands with Theodore Roosevelt has shaken hand with a man."

Public men in Canada have never lacked a proper appreciation of their worth, but the Canadian idea of patriotism, fortunately, rises above the disgusting flattery as practiced by our neighbors, and of which the instances quoted above are samples.

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DAYS OF AULD LANG SYNE

Interesting Events of Ye Olden Times Gathered from The Planet's Issues of Half a Century Ago.

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Married—On the 14th inst. at the residence of the bride's father, by the Rev. A. McColl, Mr. John A. C. Owen Sound, C. W., to Miss Cordelia Clifford, second daughter of W. H. Clifford, Esq., of Chatham, C. W., and late of Yonge street, Toronto.

The following were the Reeves and deputy Reeves of the county for 1858: Gaudin, James Smith, Reeve; Harwich, Geo. Young, Reeve; John McMichael, deputy Reeve; Raleigh-Stephen White, Reeve; W. Emerson, deputy Reeve; Zane, H. D. Munroe; Howard, Wm. McKerracher, Reeve, Francis Ogilvie, deputy; Chatham, Duncan Campbell, Reeve; Dover, east and west, Jos. Ouellette, Reeve, and Orford, Thomas Ridley, Reeve.

The members elect of the new council of this town met together in the town hall at about 2 p.m., on Tuesday last for the purpose of being sworn into office and also to select from amongst themselves the proper persons to fill the offices of Mayor, Reeve and Deputy Reeve. The oath was administered by A. P. Salter and C. G. Charteris, Esqs., to the following gentlemen, viz.: Dr. Askin, Dr. Cross, Richard Monck, Francis Martin, Robert Duff, Walter McCrae, Thomas A. Ireland, William Baxter, and Alexander Knapp. Dr. Askin was elected Mayor, Dr. Cross, Reeve, and Mr. Monck was elected Deputy Reeve. Dr. Rowley Pegley was appointed one of the auditors.

SINGULAR PRESENT.

Among the many magnificent presents in preparation for the Princess Royal on the occasion of her marriage is one which, though simple in itself, possesses a peculiar interest. It is a riding whip, but is a memento of a very favorite horse. The butt is formed of a piece of the hoof set in a hoof of solid gold. The shoe of this golden hoof is formed of diamonds, the nails being represented by fourteen beautiful rubies. The base of the bottom of the foot is a mass of small diamonds. The handle of the whip is formed from one of the horse's bones, most highly polished round which is twined a serpent of brilliant. A more beautiful or characteristic souvenir it is impossible to imagine.

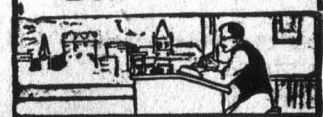
A CURTAIN LECTURE FOR MR. HAYS.

Brantford Expositor.

The storm king is no respecter of persons. Mrs. Hays, wife of the general manager of the Grand Trunk, became stalled in her gilded palace car on Monday, and for upwards of 24 hours was compelled to view a Perth county landscape in water garb. We imagine we hear the lady telling her hubby what she thinks of his road.

Hope springs eternal in the human breast.

Don't Worry!



—The man who leads a sedentary life frequently believes he is the victim of some serious malady.

—Do not alarm yourself. So many things that seem like "serious trouble" are only some form of Indigestion.

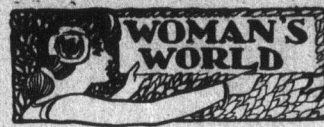
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DR. ELLA A. HUNT.

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Dr. Hunt is womanly to her finger tips—a believer in women, a friend of women. She believes that all doors stand ajar for the woman who has the courage to enter and the ability and determination to succeed. That she herself had no thought of possible failure is proved by her very first business transaction in St. Louis—that of leasing an elegant suit of rooms in the Equitable building for five years, with an option on them for ten years. She still occupies them.

That professional life has robbed the doctor of none of her feminine instincts is evidenced by the fact that she is always becomingly and artistically dressed. In short, Dr. Hunt is a fair representative of what the twentieth century woman may and should be.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

A Homemade Plate Rack.

A homemade plate rack that costs less than half a dollar, while smaller ones sell for \$2 or \$3 in the department stores, is bound to be a veritable boon to the woman who cannot afford a china closet and who could not spare the money to buy the china with which to fill it even if she could get the closet. No matter how humble a home may be, there are bound to be treasured bits of pretty ware that never see the light of day except when the pantry is cleaned. With a substantial rack there is no reason why the dainty cups and saucers should not be enjoyed by the family every day. For the foundation of the rack choose a common pine board four feet long and three inches wide. This may be supported by the common iron brackets that cost about 3 cents apiece at toy or hardware stores. Stain the board brown and fasten firmly in place. About two inches above the shelf place a common curtain pole about half an inch in diameter. The pole should be put up exactly as for a curtain by screwing the fixtures to the wall and slipping the pole into place. Six inches farther up place a similar pole. This should have the fixtures cut down to bring it nearer to the wall. One little woman was so pleased with her ingenuity that she intends to have another and narrower shelf placed above the long one just described, with only one rod. On this she will show off her saucers. Under the shelf are placed a number of small brass screws screwed into the pine board to hold the cups.

College Women as Mothers.

It is a matter of observation that often the college woman makes the best mother. She may not be the happiest girl of her mother's flock, the most popular belle in society or the most domestic or adaptable bride, but when she has children all the inherited lore of motherhood, supplemented by a trained, disciplined mind familiar with facts, is hers.

The college woman does not stupefy her infant with drugs, nor bind it with bands of iron threaded linen, nor feed it with pork fat or sugar, nor dose it with herb tea, nor dress it like a doll, nor "show it off" to strangers. She studies the individual child, and all the lore of her "salaried days" becomes transfigured in mother love. As her children grow older the college woman travels on with them exultantly, finding new joy with every year and growing young in heart and sympathies as time goes by. And you may be sure her girls will all be college girls and her boys all college boys unless there are some who are better without such training, in which case she will know enough not to force the wrong sort of educational experiences upon unwilling or unappreciative learners.—Woman's Home Companion.

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"Oh, Mr. Montgomery—Edgar—this is so sudden, but you may ask papa!"

Ready to Grow!

Manager—We must put a great deal of realism into this forest scene. Can you get some one to growl so as to resemble a bear? Assistant—I think so. There are six or seven stage hands who have not received their wages for three weeks. I'll call them.

An Unforgivable Fellow.

"I didn't close my eyes once last night."

"That so? Insomnia is a miserable thing, I must say."

"Oh, I slept all right enough. They closed themselves."—Cincinnati Times-Star.

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