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NEXT STAGE OF THE WAR.

In a conflict between an insular and a continental Power the former, if it have command of the sea, has the advantage of being able to change its points of attack at will. A continental Power is tied down to fixed ways of communication, and the initial deployment of its armies controls the whole future development of a campaign. The sea has as many highroads as there are ships. Ten thousand Japanese aboard of transports could keep one hundred thousand Russians marching and counter-marching simply by making demonstrations first against one and then another place. It would be impossible for the enemy ashore to tell whether the demonstration be mere ruses, or whether a landing be really intended; he would always have to be prepared for the latter eventuality, and would be required to shift his forces accordingly.

A complete change of base has in fact been made by the Russian General in the expectation of a Japanese landing at Niuchwang or some other point near the head of the Liao Gulf. The Russian centre has been moved down from Harbin into the Liao Valley, thus lengthening the line of communication between the principal Russian base and weakening the defence of the railway to Vladivostok. What if the Japanese should decide to make this railway the point of attack? The mobility of an amphibious army would enable it to instantly transfer its objective from Niuchwang to the coast of the Japan Sea, one thousand miles away. The movements of the floating force would be absolutely concealed from its enemy. An army afloat carries its bases with it wherever it goes, and all its strategic evolutions are conducted out of sight of curious eyes out on the ocean's depths.

The Japanese on the Yalu are evidently merely a containing force; where the main army of Japan is and where its blow will fall nobody knows. Nobody, however, can believe for a moment that the Japanese General Staff has been asleep since February, when the war began. When the blow falls it is likely to be as swift and heavy as it will be unexpected.

UN SOUND PLANKS.

By the Ross Government new principles have been laid down in the discussion and in the vote just taken on the Sault question. The first is that a Government is justified in loaning credit, which is equal to money, to a private company which applies for such assistance. But the exercise of the power is discretionary. If a farmer or a business man without a pull should seek aid of this class he would be promptly turned down. On the other hand, if a couple of powerful politicians who hold the fate of a Ministry in the balance insist that the loan, in which they will share, be given, the money or the credit is at once forthcoming.

This is a wide departure from the old practice, and if may be fairly described as one of the planks of the "new Liberalism." The second plank that has been laid down makes membership of the Legislature a more profitable occupation than it has hitherto been supposed to be. It seems that the member may stand between the recipient of a railway subsidy and the contractor for the work that is to be performed, and collect a "rake-off" of 10 per cent. on the gross amount paid to the latter party. If a million dollars should be involved in the contract one member of the Legislature who voted the subsidy can thus collect \$100,000. This is really delightful for the M. P. E. There are no means of knowing so far whether the member of the Legislature is permitted to retain the 10 per cent. or is expected to hand it, or any portion of it, over to the machine. In the former case the legislator certainly gets his money easily. In the latter case we have an answer to the problem, "Where did the money come from?" It is difficult to believe that the subsidized railway company would voluntarily pay the members who get the "rake-off." Most business men object to the go-between because he is taking money which really belongs to them. It must surely be under pressure that the "rake-off" is arranged. Who, outside of the Government itself, can apply the pressure? It is the Government which decides whether or not the subsidy shall be given, and it can easily say "No rake-off; no subsidy." This phase of the new or Ross Liberalism certainly calls for serious public consideration, and for enquiry. The province ought to know how far it

100 Doses For One Dollar

Economy in medicine must be measured by two things—cost and effect. It cannot be measured by either alone. It is greatest in that medicine that does the most for the money—that radically and permanently cures at the least expense. That medicine is

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It purifies and enriches the blood, cures pimples, eczema and all eruptions, tired, languid feelings, loss of appetite and general debility.

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has gone and how much it costs. Hardly less important is the decision of yesterday that the members of the Legislature who are directly and financially interested in a proposition before the House may vote upon it.

This determination is a reversal of the Parliamentary practice and of the rule applicable to all positions of trust. It is an elementary principle of trusteeship that no trustee shall hold the dual position of director of the trust reposed in him and of pro-fitter by that trust. In the public arena the requirement in this regard is all the more exacting because it would be a great danger to the State if representatives who are responsible for the finances could vote money into their own pockets under any pretext whatever. The position which the Ross Government took yesterday is that its supporters may help themselves out of the public treasury, and surely this, added to the 10 per cent. "rake-off," is the last straw!—Mail and Empire.

There are eight protests against members of the Legislature, as follows:

Against Liberals—North York, Hon. E. J. Davis; Sault Ste. Marie, Mr. C. N. Smith; North Perth, Mr. John Brown; North Norfolk, Mr. A. Little, and North Grey, Mr. A. G. Mackay.

Against Conservatives—North Renfrew, Mr. E. A. Dunlop; Centre Bruce, Mr. Hugh Clark, and Muskoka, Mr. A. A. Mahaffy.

GIT TO YOUR CYCLONE CELLARS!

Mr. Mahlon Cowan's return to Ottawa will be awaited with interest. His opponents have been saying hard things about him during his absence, and as he is not particularly distinguished for turning the other cheek wigs on the green may be looked for when he resumes his place.

Seventy-five people out of every hundred need Scott's Emulsion just at this season; the other twenty-five would be benefited by it—there's scarcely anyone whose general condition would not be improved by Scott's Emulsion at this time of the year. It puts on solid, healthy flesh and builds up the whole body.

That is what Scott's Emulsion is guaranteed to do. As Scott's Emulsion has been the standard for thirty years this guarantee means something.

By reason of the great scarcity of cod liver oil just now substitutes of all kinds are being offered to the public.

Insist upon Scott's Emulsion and you will get the pure oil and the best emulsion made.

Scott's Emulsion never changes in quality, purity or effect.

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Real Estate bought, sold or exchanged. Money to loan at low rates. No commission charged borrowers. Houses to rent. Collections made. Fire and Life Insurance in safe companies. Call and see us. Office King St., opposite Market.

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THE LOCAL BUDGET

Briscoe's Bicycle repairs and livery! Miss Mary McDonald was in the city Friday.

Smoke Quail on Toast, five cents, on one made.

Miss Ella Stewart, of Tilbury, was a guest in the city last week.

M. W. Allen, of Cleveland, O., was a visitor in the city Friday.

Henry Kerby, of Dresden, was a Chatham visitor Friday.

Quick, energetic hardware clerk and salesman wanted by A. H. Patterson. Apply at once.

Geo. Beardon, of Austin's, is confined to his home through illness.

Wanted, good strong boy to look after horses and make himself generally useful. Apply at this office.

Allan B. Cameron, of Wallaceburg, was a visitor in the city Friday.

Misses Laura Ingalls and Bertha Coatsworth attended a ball in Dresden Friday night.

Thos. Marshall, formerly of residence of the third concession, Chatham township, has purchased the residence of Mrs. William Oldershaw, Elizabeth St., and will occupy it.

The wedding is announced of Miss Emma Willmore, of Chatham township, daughter of Bishop Willmore, to Henry Simmons, of Dover township. The wedding will take place on the 27th of this month.

Where the skin is destroyed by burns or scalds apply Weaver's Cerate, reduced with sweet oil or lard. Otherwise the Cerate in full strength should be used.

The "Junior Anchors" baseball team have re-organized for the coming season and are ready to meet all comers, boys under 14 years of age. Geo. A. Griffin is the captain.

"The only thing I want a ride in now is Dumont's airship and I'll be satisfied," remarked Dr. Tye this afternoon. "I had a ride in an auto the other day out Queen Street. We only caused two runaways and a killing dog. I think I'll have to ride with Dumont at St. Thomas in the summer."

Terrible Experience of Mrs. M. Sears of Lochaber, N. S.—Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets To The Rescue.

Mrs. M. Sears, of Lochaber, N. S., relates an experience that should make all sufferers from indigestion stop and think. It shows what the future may have in store for those who neglect the first slight aches and discomforts that tell of a disordered stomach.

"I was a great sufferer from Dyspepsia," says Mrs. Sears. "I had terrible pains in the pit of my stomach and lost about fifty pounds in weight. You can imagine my case as very acute. I was almost starved. I tried various medicines and on several occasions tried to get relief through the use of a stomach pump. I went to Newfoundland on a trip for my health.

"But it was no use. I could not get relief and had almost given up hope of ever being cured when an advertisement led me to try Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets. I got one box and must say I never had such relief in my life. I continued using them and gradually regained my lost weight and strength."

You can quickly cure your indigestion and escape the terrors of Dyspepsia by using Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets. They mean comfort now and security for the future.

A Table For a Boy's Room.

This table, illustrated in the Ladies' World, is for the boy's room. Get two shoe boxes at the shoe store and stand them on end a little way apart. Make a top to go upon them of a size so that the ends and edges will project two or three inches over the boxes. The top should have a rectangular piece of dark green cloth glued to it in the manner shown, leaving three inches or more of the wood to show all about the cloth. The wood can be

stained a cherry color if desired. The interiors of the boxes are now to be fitted with a number of drawers, drawer "pulls" being placed upon the front of these and the whole front and sides of the boxes being stained the same color as the top. This will make a fine writing or reading table, and the drawers will be most convenient for holding the boy's treasures—writing material, "collections" of this, that and the other thing, his camera and photographic material. Oh, there will be plenty of things to put into those drawers!

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Are the telling features of this Carpet Stock. We have been very busy in our Housefurnishing Section. Our present stocks are the largest and best selected we have ever placed before you. In addition to quoting the lowest cash prices we cut, make and lay free of charge any carpet at 50c. a yard and upwards. The fact of the matter is if you have any care for economy and excellence you cannot afford to overlook these stocks of Carpets and Housefurnishings. We have one plain cash price on every piece of goods, and that is the only price at which they are sold. If you are a cash buyer these prices should interest you.

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Best English velvet carpets, rich heavy pile, beautiful designs and colorings, borders to match, special a yard \$1.15

New Enoleums, oil cloths, mats, rugs, blinds, lace curtains, tapestry, curtains, chenille curtains, curtain sets, curtain lace, sash nets, bobbin nets, curtain serims, curtain muslins, curtain poles, curtain rods, etc., at lower prices than the same quality can be bought for elsewhere.

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