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THE PORT ARTHUR DISASTER

blow. Off in grief. they cannot get it. who will feel the disaster most keenly sible for these conditions. They have n miral Makaroff, and the death of that popular hero of the Slavs, appear enorts which reach the outs peived b Russian cruiser, which was herself sunk ontrivance. Thus, if one version at hand, the loss of the ent the awful climax the scorn of the nations ever since the Japanese struck their first daring blow at Port Arthur. al, his snips c many and his ship would be appalling in time of peace. The disaster takes on much greater proportions at this time, when the oth Admiral Makaroff and the Patronavlovsk were inestimable because of the position in which the nation stands, and because to replace them is an impossibility. There will be world-wide regret over the catastrophe, a regret which would be somewhat tempered had the news been that the fighting admiral had died leading a forlorn hope against the enemies who bover, bawk-like, beyond the harbor mouth. This blow will cause consternation in St. Petersburg. It must have a tendency to depress the spirit of the Russian navy, already-somewhat weakened by previou reverses of a most serious nature. It fell where Russia has shown herself weakest in the East, and yet, where her pride was most engaged-in the Port Arthur squadron. Its sentimental value in lending new to the Japanese war fever considerable. Also it will be increase the chance that Admiral Togo has of effectually sealing up Russia's remaining ships in the beleagured harbor, hastening the fall of the city, and making more uncertain the already uncertain plan of the Czar's advisers to send pigeon-l the Baltic fleat 16,000 miles to the Yellow Sea and effect a junction with the harrassed squadrons hiding at Port Arthur and Vladivostock. If the harbor entrance can now be closed. Japanese transports may use the seas without a guarding squadron, and troops and supplies may be landed at will. The growing weakness of Russia afloat means' that the Japanese will have no difficulty in keeping their lines of communication open and will be able to send food and ammunition without stint to the legions they are pouring into the fighting zone for the great shove northward.

valuable time to the good rork, it is likely that most parente will ing from it. The average business man's taxes go year after year. This year the increas

will be considerable ,and the public service If the New Brunsw will demand large expenditures. Under favor of the amended bill propose to ma for the benefit of the Bank of New Bruns vick. The branch banks are willing 5 pay their share-if the burden is made

The Common Council should never have proposed a law such as that which the egislature was first asked to pass, for would not give St. John an equitabl ent law reaching all wh and as should pay taxes Having proposed it were foolish to the knowledge that they are meeting with few would like to see carried into effect support and success in their good work As the matter is one of business, affect will be welcome to the people of the prov ing St. John alone, the legislature should ince generally.

deal with it without being influenced by party politics. The bank tax bill receiv. THE WATER SUPPLY. The citizens' meeting which is to be held the whole. The House show amittee's view of it. And th ply will be likely to awaken the alderm

plays favorites is worse than no bill at all. Its passag that there is not water enough to supply would create intense dissatisfaction here householders, and that men starting new industries requiring water have been told

EXIT ENGLAND.

One of the mildest and yet most co The Common Council is directly respon rincing sets of resolutions ever devised h by Penobscot Division No. 1, A. O. H., of believe he is a competent man who knows Bangor, Maine, and forwarded to Senator what he is talking about. If they are con-Hale and Frye and Congressman Powers vinced that he is incompetent they have these admirable sentiments were engrosse was decorated, no doubt, with doves and the American. Irish and British flags intertwined. A portion of the delicate premanufacturing purposes and before the fire in Short's stable. Even the fire and mble follows "Whereas, a small, noisy, ignorant an

the action of the insurance men have not persistent minority in America, composed largely of aliens, English servants, decend the addermen perceptibly. Most of them are now too busy seeking re-elecants of Tories and traitors of the Revolution to pay much attention even to public tion and degenerate Americans, are conbusiness of vital importance. The pres-ent aldermen will be in office until May. If a majority of the present board are losted they may feel it necessary to get olish an alliance of Ameri

THREE-QUARTERS vessel, the famous and nearly the whole ship's OF CENTURY AGO

Early in February the Russian torped transport Yenisei ran afoul of one of he ninety-five men. Next day the Bevarit Life in the Aroostook Wilder-200. Now follow the flagship, 709 men and Russia's greatest sailor No navy eve countered such a series of misfortune traceable to incompetency. Russia is hard hit. Yet she has scarcely begun to fight.

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annot point out all the objections to t

project before that day but they c

Newfoundland will have an "old hom

reek" in August. The government will

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overnment should do something alon

that line for the celebration here in June

The report that Mr. T. C. Burpee, no

has confirmed the news.

Before the G. T. P. am

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riefly refer to the more serious ones.

NOTE AND COMMENT. A WOMAN'S MEMORY. There will be no sorrow in Tokio.

> Nearest Neighbors Six or Eight Miles Away-Bears, Wolves and Indians-Millerites Preaching the End of the World-The Aroostook War-Lonely Winters-Money of Noi Value -- The River the Only

ness in the Days of the

Pioneers,

Highway.

Editor of the Fort Fairfield (Me.) Ra

at railways, is renewed. It i It is with interest that I have read the that Mr. Pottinger is to be supe conces of the Aroostook pioneers annuated but neither he nor Mr. Burpe It carries my mind back to those days. yes, even farther than those, back to the days when the country stretched away on either side of the Arostook river a shaggy wilderness unmarked by road or footpath from Washington county to Quebec, back to the days when the river out the route. Many sections of th s the great highway, and the canoe in numer and the ox sled in winter took nion have heard promises that the railroad would serve them. What points

the place of the pneumatic-tired carriage and the fancy jumper of today. I was born on an island in the Aroos-took river, in what I believe is now the Mr. Hazen could not tell the Attorney Though I am no General what he thought of him last ever uite sure, I think this is the same islan ing without lapsing into poetry. The that is now owned by our former towns man, John F. Currier. It was known at that time as Munford's Island; but since other opposition speakers stuck to prose The Attorney-General didn't appear to be quarters of a century have passe wounded deeply by the metrical attack. He probably felt thankful that the opposi state its exact location.

state its exact location. I was quite small when my parents moved away from there, and there is but one incident connected with our story there that I distinctly remember. That is the time when two religious fanatics arrived there and began holding meetings Mr. Sears is all right. He will get the

rotes of the boys, and they will elect him, because they know he will be too busy as lvantages yo nayor to write any more poetry .-- Chat

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The story of yesterday's disaster may take on another complexion when all the facts are known. We do not yet know that the Japanese were not responsible for it. In any case the Bear is sorely stricken.

A WORTHY CAUSE.

The New Brunswick School for the Deaf, which has been established by those interested in an afflicted class for whom there is universal sympathy, is to be incorporated. A delegation, consisting of Messrs. A. Q. Skinner, O. H. Warwick, James Ready, J. Harvey Brown and Judge Trueman, is now in Fredericton to secure the necessary legislation. The school as a permanent and properly organized and eintained institution, it may be assumed. will now be in a position to receive the per capita grant fixed by a bill passed at the last session of the legislature.

The bill of last year specifies that in case proper school for the deaf is organized which is in circulation. The whole quesand maintained in New Brunswick, it may tion of taxation is a business matter and receive a grant for each of such as pupils should be dealt with as such, here and at are sent to it by their friends or guardians. Fredericton. The bill does not make it compulsory The bill as amonded is opposed by quite upon New Brunswick deaf children to at. as many Liberals as Conservatives. Busitend any particular institution. If some ness men object to the bill as it stands bego to the Halifax school, for instance.

from their long sleep.

charge of civic matters in future must set bout repairing the blunders and inactivity of the present board without delay. If every a 36-inch main to Silver Falls is necessary, it cannot be laid too quickly. There is long ago. A suggestion has been made that to tap Donaldson Lake would give the city a sufficient water supply. The superintendent is not sure about it. Some say, a gravitation supply cannot be had

without going to Loch Lomond. One alterman maintains that the money spent in trying to stop the famous leak which the last part of which is: has been in existence since 1854 could have "That we are opposed (for many hidebeen used to increase the volume of wate ous reasons) to any union of America with a country whose rule in Ireland, In-dia, South Africa and China is the synso much that the pressure would be sufficient to supply the high levels. The superitendent suggests three or four onym of brutality and dishonesty; that we

emedies and estimates the cost of each. are opposed to it because it is fraught Had the council dealt with the reports as their gravity demanded, weeks ago, the work of reforming the water supply system would have been under way by this

alliances with none' The authors of this pleasing resolution The aldermen preferred to file the reports. This creates a peculiar situation. If the reports were worth no more than our war with Spain, attempted to crippl our movements by uniting Europe against ble space, the superintendent is a useless official. If they were valuable us." This discovery is new. It had been reports, the aldermen who pigeon-holed thought heretofore that Germany, not England, was disposed to invite Europe to them, and who have taken no further action in the matter, were not fit to trans- join in despoiling the great American eagle act the city's business. The civic election this year will be no The main thing is that perfidious Albion such farce as it has been on some occa- has been exposed once more and that "de

sions. General interest in civic bu and a strong demand for competent city administration will cure the council of its gor, Maine, in declining an alliance with lethargy. New candidates and old ones a nation whose prime minister is not fit should be judged simply by their capacity to occupy the humble post of janitor in and their determination to serve the city the building from which Penobscot Divisfaithfully. There is no other test. The ion issued the burning words which will nan who best serves the taxpayers is the wither the British Empire and sow its

best alderman. It is clear that there must be a change at city hall, whether it be made by the present aldermen or their bear it?

successors. The condition of the water supply, and the neglect which has led to that condition, show that a new spirit is necessary. And the present stir in civic politics gives some promise that the new

spirit will be noticeable during the coming May.

IT IS A BUSINESS MATTER. ration of a petition asking the The cira withd rours 1 to a report that the movement against the measure is a political one, started by the Conservatives. This story, unfortunately is calculated to weaken the attempt to kill assailed battleships or cruisers in compan the bill at Fredericton. St. John bank during daylight and without support. taxes do not constitute a political ques-The "official" account of the loss of the tion in any sense. No one had a right Petropavlovsk which comes from St. to give political color to the petition Petersburg this morning is studiously vague. Though a mine is named as the instrument of destruction, the ship's boil-

such confused account followed the blowing up of the Maine in Havana harbor, cause it will reduce the amount of money that school will receive so much per head which the city should derive from the internal.

fain accomplish by dum-dum bullets, lyddyte and famine, when the time seems near without the protection of some mighto sacrifice the muse to sordid questions ty power she must reap the dead harvest of civic business?

of horror and destitution which she throughout her whole brutal career, in every land and clime and time, has unmen" was the cry in Labor Hall last evenceasingly sown under the hypocrital guise of Christian civilization; and "Whereas, well knowing that any union ing. There is much to be said in favor of it. But no one would willingly replace Whereas, well knowing that any union of virtue with vice is a triumph of vice; that a union of American ideals with Brit-ish practices is a triumph of pirate civili-ish practices is a triumph of pirate civili-resentative if you can put a better man in his place. But stir up your present representative in any case, for three out civility of an other the structure they prayed and await-red in van the final blast of Gabriel's horn. need of definite information on several of virtue with vice is a triumph of vice; even the present city fathers by men who points which should have been cleared up that a union of American ideals with Brit-are less competent. Beat your present rep-

ham World.

plishing the execution of a treaty of ar-bitration and alliance between the gov-ernment of the United States." There is more along this line of high thinking before we come to the "resolve,"

American torpedo boat during a night nanceuvre off Havana. The New York was at fault. The coolness of the torpedo-

boat commander, a son of Fremont the Pathfinder, saved the flagship and the with danger in that it is certain to arouse admiral from destruction. Russia now lifferences, and, among the races, national feuds and that we call upon all decent Americans to join us in securing honest friendships with all nations but entangling

assert that "it was England alone who, in to be of the most frightful character.

RECIPROCITY WITH CANADA A LIVE ISSUE

system, and the method of choosing delet gates may give rise to some argument. The other matters upon which a divis-ion is possible is the question whether the platform shall declare in favor of Cana-dian reciprocity. Mr. Foss, who has been active recently in behalf of a trade reci-procity treaty with Canada, had arranged for a vigorous opposition to the adoption of resolutions which omitted reference to

a trade treaty with Canada.

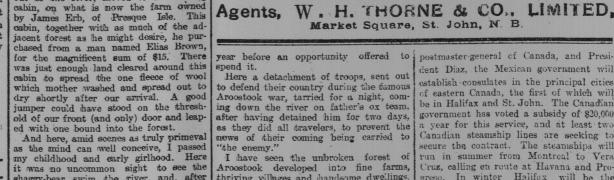
instrument of destruction, the ship's boil-ers are said to have exploded first. Some such confused account followed the blow-form to be reported would contain a clause favoring, in a general way, Canadian reci-procity, but it was also declared that the and, as in her case, there is a suggestion plank inserted would not be one which that the explosion may have been wholly would satisfy Mr. Foss and his friends.

that school will receive so much per head per pupil. As the New Brunswick school is a home institution, however, and will be a good one with an efficient board of managers composed of prominent business pan who have kindly decided to devote which the volume of its business and the

because they know he will be too busy as mayor to write any more poetry.—Chat-han World. Has the World man been authorized to announce that Mr. Sears will forswear poetry if he is elected? And, is it right to sacrifice the muse to sordid questions of civic business? •••• "Out with the present mayor and alder-"Out with the present mayor and alder-Men's Buits, Youths' Long Pan Suits, sizes 32 to Boys' Three-Piece Suits, and that a certain day of that October hed been designated when the coming of the Messiah was centain. Many of the colonists believed this to be so. And on Boys' Two-Piece Suits,



admiral from destruction. Russia now feels such a blow as would have shaken the nation to the south of us had Fremont not been the man he was. In war with modern destructive contrivances the result of negligence or successful attack is likely to be of the most frightful character. Descent forest as he might desire, he pur-chased from a man named Elias Brown, for the magnificent sum of \$15. There was just enough land cleared around this



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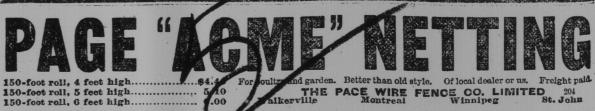
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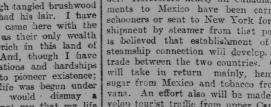
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join in despoiling the great American age of some tailfeathers. But that is aside. The main ting is that perfidious Atbias ins been sposed once more and that "it is aside. The main ting is that perfidious Atbias is an aside more and that "it is aside.
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Halifax, N. S., April 13-Preparatory to the inauguration of the new steamship service between Canada and Mexico re-cently arran of for by Sir William Mulock, ests of the Toronto Globe. cently arr



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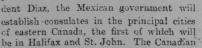


velop tourist traffic from upper Canada to Mexico during the winter months. The run from Halifax to Vera Cruz, twelve hours, railway journey from Mexico, will be made in nine or ten days. Canadian exporters lock also for largely increased trade with Cuba as result of the establishment

of the Mexican line. L. Cortes, formerly Cuban consul a Boston, who has been transferred to Hali iex, as chief consul for Canada, speaks enthusiastically of the prospects of increased exports to and imports from this country nadian manufacturers have been court ing the West Indian and South American markets for some time, and in the future vigorous efforts will be made to secure the trade of these countries, which with a sub-

sidized steamship line, they think, will not be very difficult.

A. C. McPhee is in the city in the inter



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government has voted a subsidy of \$20,060 a year for this service, and at least two Canadian steamship lines are seeking to secure the contract. The steamships will run in summer from Montreal to Vera Cruz, calling en route at Havana and Pro-

greso. In winter Halifax will be the Canadian terminus. Coal will also be taken from Sydney, as it is believed a good market can be opened in Mexico for Cape Breton coal; but the bulk of the exports will be manufactured goods, fish and lum-ber. Heretofore nearly all Canadian shipments to Mexico have been carried in schooners or sent to New York for trans shipment by steamer from that port. It is believed that establishment of direct steamship connection will develop a large trade between the two countries. Canada will take in return mainly, hemp and sugar from Mexico and tobacco from Ha vana. An effort also will be made to de-

