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To-morrow is the first day of the Summer Season. Are you ready for it—we are. Every department is ready for the demands of your Summer needs with the latest styles and effects.

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CHANGE OF TIME.

The change in time on the Grand Trunk does not affect the connection with the New York Central, but rather improves it. One can now leave Chatham at 6:13 p. m. and arrive in New York at 10 a. m. following day.

See your nearest ticket agent or write Louis D. Duggan, Chatham Passenger Agent, 69 1-2 Yonge street, Toronto, for further particulars.

A GOOD HOTEL AND WELL KEPT

Commissioner Martin Asks That Politics be Laid Aside in Considering Mr. Pleasence's Case.

Decisions of the New Board at Their Meeting Yesterday—Discussion as to the Hotel Rankin.

The new Board of License Commissioners for West Kent sat yesterday afternoon until nearly six o'clock and went carefully over all the licenses that had not been granted for the full year by their predecessors.

So far, however, practically no changes have been made in the manner of dealing with them. It was decided to lay the Sheldon application from Dupperville over for future consideration and lay the legal phase of it before the Government for instructions. The Park House license was extended for 30 days with the definite understanding that, in default of a settlement among the parties the license will then lapse; the D. M. Martin license was declined a further extension and the house license to-day; the Mount House license was extended 30 days in deference to the desire of the City Council with the understanding that the house then closes; the agreement for the Glassford license was confirmed; the shop license of W. D. Sheldon was extended one month to give proprietor opportunity, if he so desired, to sell his stock and transfer his license, and the license of John Pleasence, of the Hotel Rankin, after an animated discussion, was included by a majority of the Commissioners in the motion dealing with the Sheldon case.

Yesterday the Board inaugurated a new era in throwing their meeting open to the press and public along the open and fearless lines of the East Kent and other Boards, and there was no "exclusion of the papers."

The question of the license of the Hotel Rankin was the one in which public interest was most largely centered and the only one in which any difference of opinion among the Commissioners resulted. On reaching Mr. Pleasence's application, Commissioner Martin moved that it be granted for the full year. In so doing he pointed out that Mr. Pleasence kept one of the largest and best hotels in the district and had, so far as he knew and the records showed, endeavored to keep the law. "He may have been a bit of a stormy petrel at election times," he added, "but apart from politics there's nothing against him."

Neither Dr. Mitchell or Chairman Smith was disposed to support the resolution. Dr. Mitchell said he had, of course, heard a great deal about Irish Jack and understood he was very abusive, particularly at election times. He knew nothing but what he had heard, but he was not disposed to second Mr. Martin's resolution.

Mr. Martin said he did not believe that Mr. Pleasence was abusive. He might have been a bit noisy at election time, but nearly everyone was that, and he did not think Mr. Pleasence's policy called for a consideration of a man's politics.

Inspector Massey—I can tell you just what I think of that man. He's a bit abusive in the excitement of election time, but he's one of the biggest-hearted fellows I know. He would do anyone a good turn with all his heart.

Dr. Mitchell—The main matter is the honest keeping of the law, when the man's name is in the ring.

Mr. Martin—Pleasence has been keeping the law. He has had no complaints against him for some years.

Dr. Mitchell—But I am told he was specially protected by the crown officials.

Inspector Massey—Not since I have been acting. He has been strictly watched.

Dr. Mitchell—I did not mean you, Mr. Massey, but before that I understand there was a special arrangement with the crown officials.

Mr. Martin said that the enforcement of the law had been somewhat lax all over in the past, but the responsibility of the Board was not for the past. He had never known Mr. Pleasence to be breaking the laws. He would like to see him given a fair chance.

Dr. Mitchell—Then what would you do with Sheldon?

Mr. Martin—If the Board thinks they should both stand together, I would include Sheldon and grant them both for a year.

Chairman Smith—I don't see the advisability of it. Why not let matters stand as they are?

Dr. Mitchell—I believe in being plain and outspoken. Why not grant them 30 days in which to dispose of their property if they so desire?

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Mr. Martin—I am sorry, but it doesn't look right or just to me. That is the stand I have taken from the

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MANY ASK TO RE-CONSIDER

A Strong Sentiment That Commissioners Should Loyal Stand by Hanna's Policy

A Few Interviews Hurriedly Recorded From Among Many Expressions Respectfully Submitted.

That the Board of License Commissioners will reconsider their intention that John Pleasence must negotiate a sacrifice sale of the Hotel Rankin is the hope almost universally expressed by Conservatives on the streets this morning. It is generally felt that, in view of the admirable policy outlined by the Provincial Secretary and the new Government, the Commissioners will take the matter into their serious consideration, deciding to take the just and generous course, which will also bring so much political prestige to the Government and its position.

Among the views expressed by leading Conservatives were the following:

Ald. Chas. Austin—I shall deeply regret it if the Commissioners take away the Pleasence license. It will appear to the public all over the Province as an injustice which must do injury to the municipal Government policy. I had hoped the Commissioners would act along the lines of Hon. Mr. Hanna's letter of instructions and let the dead past bury its dead. Our Government is surely too big to engage in any personal feelings and will govern itself only by just and right conditions as they exist.

County Commissioner James Chinnick, of Raleigh, member of the Conservative executive, sincerely hopes the Commissioners will reconsider this matter. It will hurt the Government greatly all over to take away that license for the real owner, and (smilingly) I want to see a few more elections on the splendid policy Mr. Hanna enunciated. I feel sure if the matter is honestly and justly considered, Mr. Pleasence will get his license as he should do.

Ald. James L. O'Neil, of the Board of Health, I regret to hear the stand of the Commissioners and I hope it isn't final. Apart from the justice of the matter and the policy of Mr. Hanna, I think it good politics to deal generously with this matter. We as a party, are too big to worry about small things. We'll have to black for in order to come to the Board of Health.

Chairman W. S. Richards, of the Board of Health, I regret to hear the Commissioners' decision and hope they will reconsider it. We're not judging on the past. We have Hanna's policy before us—a bigger and better one than that of the former Government.

Dr. J. L. Bray, L.L.D., Chairman of the Board of Water Commissioners—I am very sorry to hear the decision. I have served with Mr. Sheldon on the Water Commission for years and always found him a straight and upright man. So far as I have ever heard the laws were obeyed in every way.

George S. Heyward—As a Conservative I shall deeply regret it if the Commissioners do not reconsider their decision. This kind of thing is our opponents' policy, not ours, and I hope, with the Hon. Mr. Hanna's splendid letter before them, the Board will do just what is right and just and worthy of the honored principles of our party and the Government.

Dr. George Musson—The Liberal-Conservative Government is surely too big and worthy to turn a good hotel man with a splendid house out because of some petty political difference. It is hardly right or just and, besides, poor politics. I earnestly trust the Commissioners will reconsider their decision.

Many other comments of similar character are being openly submitted for the consideration of the Board. In view of this almost universal opinion it is respectfully suggested that the Commissioners give at least a careful reconsideration to what may have proven a matter of misunderstanding rather than difference of principle.

CIVIC ENQUIRY

Full Investigation of the Alleged Bribery by Paving Agents on Friday Evening.

The civic investigation of the charges that the Bitulithic Paving or its agents had bribed or attempted to bribe the residents of Murray St. will open in the City Council chambers on Friday evening, when all citizens interested are invited to attend.

Alex. Cunningham, blacksmith at Prince Edward, came in on a C. T. R. local and went between freight cars that blocked the way on Queen St., when just as he was passing between two cars the engine coupled onto the train, crushing Alex's foot very badly. He was taken to the hospital. It is feared amputation may be necessary.

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THE RUSSIAN LOSS TWENTY-TWO SHIPS

Togo Reports Capture of Rojestvensky, Severely Wounded.

But St. Petersburg Reports That Russian Admiral Reached Vladivostok on Destroyer Buiny, With a Wound in the Head—Further Details of the Fleet of the Russians By the "Nation of Japan."

Washington, May 31.—The Japanese legation last night gave out the following telegram from Tokyo:

"Fifth report from Togo, received afternoon of May 30: 'The main force of our combined fleet upon accepting surrender of the Russian main force, near Misaki Rocks, on the afternoon of May 28, as already reported, stepped pursuit and while engaged in the disposition of surrendered ships found in a southwestern direction the Admiral Ushakov, a coast defense ship. Thereupon Ushakov and Yakumo were immediately despatched in pursuit and invited her to surrender, but she refused and was sunk at 6 p. m. Her crew of over 300 men were rescued. Cruiser Dmitri Donkoi was also found in the northwestern direction at



Japanese's Swift Torpedo Boat Destroyer.

4 p. m. and was immediately overtaken and fired upon vigorously by our fourth division and second destroyer flotilla. She was attacked that night by second destroyer flotilla and the next morning was found aground on the southwestern shore of Ureung Island, off the Korean coast.

Capture of Rojestvensky. "Our cruiser Sazanami captured toward the evening of May 27 in the south of Ureung Island the Russian destroyer Bledov, wherein were found Admiral Rojestvensky and another admiral, both severely wounded, together with eight Russians, including staff officers from the flagship Kniaz Souvaroff, which was sunk at 5:25 p. m. on May 27. They were all taken prisoners.

"Our cruiser Chitose, while cruising to the northward on the morning of May 28, sighted and sank another Russian destroyer. Our cruiser Niyutaka and destroyer Murakumo attacked also at noon on May 28 a Russian destroyer, which finally went aground."

Results of the Fight. "According to various reports hitherto received and statements of prisoners, the result of the battle from May 27 to May 29 is as follows: Kniaz Souvaroff, Alexander III, Borodino, Dmitri Donkoi, Admiral Nachmoff, Monomach, Jemchong, Admiral Ushakov, ens converted cruiser and two destroyers sunk. Nicholas I, Orel, Admiral Apraxine, Admiral Senavin and destroyer Bledov captured. According to the prisoners the Ostiaba sunk about 3 p. m. and the Navarin also was sunk. Almaz on May 27 was observed in a disabled and sinking condition, but her final fate is yet unknown. The full particulars regarding the injury to our ships are not yet in hand, but so far as I could ascertain none was seriously injured, all being still engaged in operations. The whole casualties are not yet ascertained. Casualties of first division are little over 400."

"Prince Yorihito in excellent health. Admiral Misu slightly wounded on May 28."

Russian Losses in Full. Sixth report received, the afternoon of May 30: "Loss of Ostiaba and Navarin confirmed. Sissel Veliky also definitely reported to have sunk on morning of May 28."

"Official statement of the Russian losses so far as ascertained: Following six battleships sunk: Kniaz Souvaroff, Imperator, Alexander III, Borodino, Ostiaba, Sissel Veliky and Navarin. "Following five cruisers sunk: Admiral Nakhimoff, Dmitri Donkoi, Vladimir Monomach, Stietiana and Jemchong. "Coast defense ship Admiral Ushakov sunk. "Two special service ships, Kamchatka and three destroyers. "Two battleships, Orel and Imperator, Nicholas I, two coast defense ships, Gen. Admiral Apraxine and Admiral Senavin, and one destroyer, Bledov, captured."

"Thus the Russians lost altogether 32 ships, the aggregate tonnage whereof amounting to 153,411 tons, besides cruiser Almaz, suspected to have sunk."

SAW TWO JAP SHIPS GO DOWN. Almaz and Grozny Tell the Story in Vladivostok.

Vladivostok, May 31.—Two ships alone of Vice-Admiral Rojestvensky's powerful flotilla, the swift cruiser Almaz, and the torpedo boat destroyer Grozny, lie at anchor here to-day in the quivering harbor of Golden Horn, they having separated from the fleet in the early stage of the battle which began in the Korean Straits Saturday, and headed in obedience to orders, with full speed to Vladivostok. Up to 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon, no other vessels of the Baltic fleet had yet arrived.

The Almaz Arrives. The Almaz, which arrived at her anchorage

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