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Minister of Education Promises Maple City a Summer Demonstration in Manual Training

Dr. McKeough's High Tribute to The War Situation in the Far Principal Plewes and the Position Occupied by our Schools

Dr. McKeough returned last evencational Association convention in Toronto. He is delighted with his visit and found the meeting both ateresting and instructive. Many questions of interest and importance to education were intelligently discussed. At the next meeting of the Board he will present a full report of the more important subjects discussed. Attending associations of this description stimulates and enthuses one in matters appertaining to schools and education, and it was a matter of regret that the doctor was unable, owing to professional duties, to remain to-day. The sub-ject which was discussed and talked over more than any other in all sections was the proposed changes in Public and High school courses of study. A committee of nineteen having been appointed at the last meeting of the association to report at this meeting, Messrs. L. K. Murton, B. A., and Mr. Parkinson, Editor of The Teacher, read their report before the trustee section.

fore the trustee section.

"I was quite proud," said Dr. McKeough, "of the able and energetic
principal of the Central school, Mr.
J. W. Plewes. He opened the discussion in the training depertment on
the 'Development through self expressions in our Public schools,' one
of the phases of manual training.
He handled the subject in his usual
spirited and clean manner and illustrated the subject by the work of
the pupils of the Central school. He
was heartly and warmly congratulated at the conclusion of his address
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in fact I thought he was the most able and competent master in the "So far as I gould judge the Chatham schools are among the most if mot the most progressive, schools in the Province, and I hope I am not immodest if I say that, compared with the trustees from different parts of the Province I had the pleasure of meeting, the Chatham (Board of Education would compare most favorably in their earnest desiré for the proper education, in their spirit or progress, in their practical common sense and general up-to-date efficiency." Through the kindness of Mr. Pardo, he had an interview with Hon. Mr. Harcourt, the Minister of Education, in reference to giving a demonstration this summer on manual training in Chatham, according to the resolution of the Board Tuesday night.

Mr. Harcourt received him most kindly, asked how our free library was progressing, and remembered with much pleasure his visit to the Chatham schools and, if he could the assured of a good attendance, Chatham will have manual training demonstrated fluring the summer months.

In the Toronto World of to-day says:

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JAP SPIES CAPTURED.

The correspondent of the Times at Che foo, cabling Wednesday, says the file of the food appeared to the Flow of containing Wednesday, says the stead to be food and the pleasure of meeting, the Chatalam has possession of plans of the new fortifications.

VIOLATION OF NEUTRALITY.

The Standard's Tien Tsin correspondent has a violation of neutrality.

INDIA METHODE IN COREA.

A Port Arthur despatch says:—"The Associated Press correspondent has had an interview with a high person was progressing, and remembered with much pleasure his visit to the Chatham schools and, if he could the saured of the administrative reforms introduced through the influence of the Japanese. Apparently reforms introduced through the influence of the Japanes

monstrated fluring the summer months.

The Toronto World of to-day says: In the training department, A. Mc-Intosh, speaking on "Practical Teaching," wished to banish lesson helps from the school room as subversive of all true effort on the part of both pupil and teacher.

The plan of placing every student on his own responsibility was advocated by him as a means of eliminating the waste of time and energy in training schools. J. W. Plewes, Chatham, and inspector A. H. Leake advocated manual training, and color work from Chatham was made. The section was enthusiastic for the new curriculum, and resolved "that we cannot accept the assumption of the council of University College that the Provincial University obshould be the final arbiter in matants."

ence of the Japanese. Apparently reflecting the views of the Emperor, this personage said:—"I saw the Japanese action. It is an attempt to apply to Corea the policy which the British have adopted in India. My country has reason to sympathize with the Russians, knowing the justice of their policy toward the natives of Amur, where many Coreans labor."

"The sailors of the fleet who distinguished themselves in the recent Japanese attacks were decorated with the Cross of St. George Sunday by Vice-Admiral Makaroff in the presence of Grand Duke Cyril, cousin of the Emperor. Vice-Admiral Makaroff in the presence of Grand Duke Cyril, cousin of the Emperor. Vice-Admiral Makaroff in the presence of Grand Duke Cyril, cousin of the Emperor. Vice-Admiral Makaroff in the presence of Grand Duke Cyril, cousin of the Emperor. Vice-Admiral Makaroff in the provincial University College that the Provincial University on the council of University College that the Provincial University on the council of University College that the Provincial University Colle made. The section was enthusiastic for the new curriculum, and resolved "that we cannot accept the assumption of the council of University College that the Provincial University should be the final arbiter in matters concerning the Public and High schools."

FLOOD FIGURES

At the time of the recent freshet, ing and as a result has some interesting information to impart. The figures are only approximate. current ran at the rate of 8 feet per second or 5.45 miles per hour when the water was 20 feet above low water mark. The water discharged per second by the river at this height was 46,400 cubic feet, or 290,000 imperial gallons, or 17,400,000 gallons per minute. This would be 1,044,000,000 gallons per hour. These figures are computed considering the river to have a channel 200 feet wide and 29 feet deep. There is 29,878,400 cubic feet of water in one square mile of water a foot thick. The water discharged by the Thames would cover one square mile 5 feet every hour.

JAPANESE FORCE NOW DIVIDED

Seven Squadrons, Four are Watching Port Arthur and One Patrolling Corean Coast.

East-Two Squadrons Cruise Between Vladivostock and N. Japan.

London, Thursday, April 7. - The ng from attending the Ontario Edu- Daily Telegraph's Seoul correspondent says he learns from, a Japanese sailor who participated in the attacks on of these are watching Port Arthur, the fifth patrols the Corean coast, and Vladivostock and North Japan. Two torpedo boats were much damaged in the engagements, but otherwise the fleet was little injured. The damages to the Japanese cruisers Iwate and Yoshino have been repaired, and the essels have joined the fleet.

SIGHTED JAP WARSHIPS.

A Port Arthur despatch says the Russian battleship Peresviet reports that she sighted the enemuy to-day in Kwan-Tung waters. All is quiet here. Kwan-Tung is a peninsula in the ex-treme south of Manchuria, and a short distance north-west of Port Arthur. PATROLLING PEI CHI LI.

The Daily Telegraph's Wei Hai Wei correspondent, under date of April 6, says Russian warships are patrolling the Gulf of Pei Chi Li.

SEARCHED BY RUSSIAN CRUISER. The Times correspondent, who is ur, cables that his vessel was held up by Russian armored cruiser Bayan, flying the flag of Vice-Admiral Makaroff, which chased and later searched his steamer thirty miles outside of Port Artnur. He says the Bayan shows the scars of damage recently inflicted by the Japanese, but that she is a fine ship and well handled. "In overhauling us," he says, "her officers and crew appeared a little finely drawn, but they nevertheless were of good material."

soldiers say that they did not come east to lie on their backs, and that it is time to march."

A RUNAWAY

Raleigh, and driven by his daughter took fright at J. T. O'Keefe's red run-Queen St. yesterday afternoon. The The rig collided with another and

Miss Crow was thrown out, receiving a masty bruise on the knee.

The horse took the sidewalk near E. C. Gammage's grocery and ran as far as Harvey St. Opposite ex-Ald. William Potter's store, the horse turned a complete somersault. This was probably the greatest circus stunt ever perpetrated by a runaway horse. Mr. Potter thought that the animal's neck was broken sure, but, when the horse was released from its mixed-up position in the buggy, it was found to have escaped serious injury. That is, of course, the horse. The buggy was pretty much shattered,

Hands out Another Gold Brick to the Earnest Prohibitionists in his "48-Hour" Letter

Confesses in the Legislature that it Means Nothing--- A Matter of two More Broken Promises

Toronto, April 6.-By his answer to the temperance deputation delivered this afternoon, Hon. Geo. W. Ross Port Arthur that the Japanese fleet cian and not a statesman. By it also is divided into seven squadrons. Four two more promises are shattered. He promised that it would be delivered in 48 hours. It was not delivered until the sixth and seventh cruise between after 50 hours. He promised that it would "clear the atmosphere on the subject." It clears nothing, settles nothing, announces nothing, unless it is the Premier's firm conviction that the temperance people like to be hum-

Here it is in all its native beauty, as delivered to Rev. J. A. Rankin this afternoon at 4.15, just fifty hours and fifteen minutes after the deputation had been dismissed.

"My Dear Sir,-In reply to the deputation which I had the honor of receiving yesterday, I desire to express my concurrence in the view presented by the different speakers that nothing short of the prohibition of the sale of liquors in hotels and the strict sole of liquors in hotels and the strict control over sales for purposes generally recognized as proper and legitimate, would fully protect society from the evil effects of excessive drinking, so far as legislation can be invoked for that purpose.

"Your decided preference for such a measure as against amendments of the license laws I understand to mean that you do not favor at present any other form of temperance legislation."

"If the Government is unable to gively the measure desired this session, it will be our duty to consider what means are available for further action.—Yours truly, G. W. Ross."

Much was expected of the Premier

Much was expected of the Premier after Monday's definite and self-im posed promise to return a careful, decisive, written reply within 48 hours. Both sides displayed anxiety, and expectation to-day ran at fever height It was thought the Premier was at least about to take a bold, decisive stand. Temperance people hoped for something drastic and dramatic; the liquor interests feared it. Naturally, therefore, there is great disappointment at the hesitating, shuffling manner in which the boasted prohibition
Premier seeks to further trifle with a
great moral question. There are yet
those who tunns ize will do the grandstand act at the end of the session and
introduce his bill, reorganize his Cabinst and go to the country. It will
doubtless be this or nothing — with
grave dangers on either hand.
Asked his opinion, Rev. Mr. Rankin
would say nothing. He intimated that
it would come up at a meeting on
Monday next.
In the House to-night Mr. Whitney
very properly and very strongly took
the Premier to task for conveying his
views to deputations and the press
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views to deputations and the press before the representatives of the peo-ple in the Legislature. In reply the Premier confessed that it might be found that the statement meant noth-ing. If nothing else the reply pre-sents an interesting problem in math-ematics:—If it took fifty hours to write the letter, how long did each word take?

SUNSHINE CONCERT

The Intermediate Sunshine Society gave a very pleasant and happy con cert and supper at the Home of the Friendless yesterday afternoon. The Sunshiners who took part were Misses Queenie Taylor, Beatrice Von Gunten, Floss'e Smith, Beta Smith, Irene Paterson, Jean Angus, Babe Eddington, Lilly and Erva Thomp-

Eddington, dilly and Erva Thompson, Roselyn McLean, Mollie Shack-leton, (Marjorie Waddell and Hope Rankin.

Mrs. Paterson, The superintendent of the Society, held a short religious service, after which hymns and solos were given for the agod immates of the Home, after which, a splendid supper, provided by the Sunshiners, was served.

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