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LIANG TUN YEN.

PEKIN, Aug. 14.—Japan has broken off her railway negotiations with China in an ultimatum issued here, and is to begin at once to reconstruct

the Antung Mucken line. The ultimatum comes without warning, justifying the Wai Wu Pu. Preparations were rushed secretly during the last week for work on the

ONE MAN REGULATES BUSINESS OF A TOWN

Iowa Village Adapts Novel Method to Increase Trade

Author is Bearing All Expenses, and Many Great Improvements Have Been Made in Two Months.

DEXTER, Iowa, Aug. 13.—One man, J. W. Pilkington of Des Moines, has assumed the huge project of taking full charge of the business of a whole town.

Every enterprise in this place is under his direction, is being run according to his ideas and the systems he has installed, and he is entirely responsible for success or failure.

The task Mr. Pilkington has assumed is perhaps without a parallel in the business history of this country and is an idea so radical that if it succeeds its adoption is certain in other communities.

Mr. Pilkington starts out with the idea that the application of city methods is what is needed to stimulate the business of a country town. He is the editor of the Merchant's Trade Journal and his headquarters are at Des Moines.

For seven months he will be the power behind the throne which will dictate every business move that is made in Dexter, and it is at the end of that time progress has not been shown it will be an end of the experiment. But it is a big gain if it will be up to the town to go ahead on the same lines.

In Dexter Mr. Pilkington is represented by Guy Q. Pogue, and the two men together control all the banks and business houses. They spend the money, formulate policies, superintend the buying and selling, and in general show what ought to be done to boost the town.

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Mr. Pilkington is taking all the risks and is hearing all the expenses of the test. His main contention is that a store with up to date methods and fair deal to its customers ought to succeed anywhere.

Dexter is a small town, with a population of 800. It is five miles from Stuart and fourteen miles from London. Owing to his inability to leave his business in Des Moines, Mr. Pilkington has sent Guy Q. Pogue in charge of the store. Immediately after taking charge

M. R. A.'S NEW PREMISES

NOW OPEN FOR BUSINESS

1909 a Splendid Addition to Stores of the Big Dry Goods Concern—A Handsome Front.

Surmounted by a tower which serves to give an impression of unity with the stores on either side of it, the modern constructed front of the new 1909 annex lends a dignity and attractiveness to the King street facade of the big establishment of Manchester Robertson Allison, Ltd., which it is impossible to achieve when the two former stores were separated by another of totally different appearance.

The scaffolding has been removed during the last few days from in front of the big dry goods concern and discloses the latest ideas in store architecture with the most attractive appearance possible in a narrow building. The ground floor is still in the hands of the builders, but the other four have been completed and the second is now open for business.

On four of the floors the entire front is of plate glass broken only by the frames which divide the windows into three sections. A large skylight in the rear of the building throws the light downward through a well in the upper stores as far as the second floor which, by the way, is said to be one of the finest in Canada devoted to this line of goods.

The whole new building will be devoted to ladies' wear and in the large room which takes up the whole second floor there is already a beautiful display of feminine apparel. The room is 102 feet in length by 21 feet in width, and is 13 feet high. The walls and ceiling are covered with steel sheathing of a pretty design which adds greatly to the appearance of the room which, by the way, is said to be one of the finest in Canada devoted to this line of goods.

The fittings are very handsome. Shelves and cabinets cover the walls and give room for display as well as storage of a large quantity of goods. The large counters are of mahogany and are in addition five counters of the "silent" variety. These with the addition of a large glass fronted cabinet in the rear give an opportunity to display the daintier articles which are for sale.

At the rear of the large room a comfortably fitted section is partitioned off for correct fitting adding considerably to the convenience of patrons. Artificial light for the new store is furnished by four clusters of Tungsten electric lights, each of seventy-five candle power. The other floors will also be completed shortly when a grand opening of the whole building will be held.

BERESFORD'S CHARGES

LONDON, Aug. 13.—The Imperial committee's sub-committee, which was appointed to investigate the recent criticisms made by Admiral Lord Beresford of the state of the navy, has issued its report, which is signed by Premier Asquith, the Earl of Crowe, Secretary of the colonies, Viscount Morely, secretary for India, Sir Edward Grey, secretary for foreign affairs, and Richard Burdon Halden, secretary for war. The report practically exonerates the admiral, Lord Beresford, of charges of having led the country by the unwise organization and distribution of the fleet, having too few cruisers and small craft and inefficient war plans, but it finds that the admiral is blameable for inharmonious cooperation.

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MAINE FIRES ARE NOW WELL UNDER CONTROL

But Highway is Still Picketed With Militiamen and Large Gangs of Men are Battling With Flames.

BIDDEFORD, Me., Aug. 13.—With militiamen picketing the highway for five miles of its length and large gangs of men working in the woods setting back fires, the forest fire which burned over a square mile of valuable timberland last night and early today, was believed to be well under control tonight. Further damage will doubtless be caused in the standing timber, but it is thought that all danger to buildings along the Pool road and the other roads in the vicinity of the fire is over.

The members of company G, National Guard, State of Maine, who assisted last night in the battle with the flames were called out again late this afternoon, when a report was received here that the fire had started up anew. They went to the scene five minutes from the center of the city and succeeded in saving the residence of Lorenzo Norwood, which was seriously threatened. Tonight the men were stationed at points along the road to prevent damage by falling sparks. The fire was still burning in the woods quite briskly at a late hour.

ESPERANTISTS IN ANNUAL SESSION

National Hobbies Association Meets at Old Orchard—Cruise Completes Trials

Dr. J. A. Scott Dead.

CHAUTAUQUA, N. Y., Aug. 13.—The Esperantists of the North American Association, in session today elected as president Dr. D. O. S. Lowell, head master of the Roxbury Latin School, Boston.

OLD ORCHARD, Me., Aug. 13.—The sixth annual meeting of the National Hobbies Association, began here tonight at the Camp Grounds and will continue until August 23. In the afternoon the president of the Association, Rev. C. J. Fowler, of Boston, who is expected to arrive next Tuesday, will give the opening address.

BAR HARBOR, Aug. 13.—The United States cruiser Salem, which had her standardization trials off Rockland Wednesday, arrived here tonight from the Lamont coal station. She will sail on Sunday for Boston.

BAR HARBOR, Me., Aug. 13.—Dr. Joseph Allison Scott, of Philadelphia, a brother-in-law of George Wharton Pepper, of that city, died today at Northeast Harbor.

Clias Robinson is reported for encumbering Celebration street with rubbish and having no light on the night, displayed, of the 13th inst.

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FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

URNES-WITHY DECLARE DIVIDEND OF 5 PER CENT.

Ability to Pay Dividend Is Good Proof of Stability in Trade.

LONDON, Aug. 14.—Furness, Withy and Company, Limited, at the eighteenth annual meeting have declared a dividend of 5 per cent.

Sir Christopher Furness, M. P., in moving the adoption of the directors' report and balance sheet, recommended a dividend of 5 per cent, remarking that at the last meeting he spoke of the general commercial outlook at that time as being more unsatisfactory than at any period since the formation of the company. That forecast had unfortunately been borne out.

The entire industry and commerce not only of Great Britain but of the whole world had labored in the trough of a depression probably unparalleled since the time of the last war. Furthermore, the outlook today was not at all what they could desire.

The circumstance that their dividend was limited to 5 per cent, was, he continued, no more agreeable to him than it was to any other of the shareholders. Yet he conceived that their ability to pay a dividend this year was as good a proof of stability as could in trading be desired.

As the result of their general trading their profit for the year was in excess of the figures for last year by £16,088 16s. 8d., the total being last year £206,884 12s. and this year £222,973 16s. 8d.

The declaration of this dividend is the more interesting when it is remembered that barely more than a year ago Sir Christopher and his employees went into a profit-sharing plan in the shipping business to make an effort on both sides to prevent the annoyances of strikes.

FINANCIAL BRIEFS.

The crop bulletin of the Commercial West, Minneapolis, has this to say: "The Northwest is harvesting a phenomenal crop of wheat, 230,000,000 bushels, the most remarkable crop in fact in its history. The more one sees of it the more he is impressed with this conviction. Not only is the acreage large but the average yield per acre due to long and well filled heads and to an unusual freedom from rust spots and this field is far above the average of recent years. A feature of the crop has been the rapid ripening to an extended period of clear, hot weather, the longest period of such weather during the last seven summers. Not only will the crop movement start early but weather permitting there will be the greatest rush of wheat to market the Northwest has ever seen. It would be folly to say that the farmers will not get a fair price for their crop, and as the railroads are prepared for the rush an unusually early heavy movement may be looked for, regardless of price."

Sterling exchange is reflecting the more active money market on this side. Banking accommodation is much cheaper in London than over here, and money may be always depended upon to flow where it can find most remunerative employment.

Under such circumstances large operators will naturally transfer their speculative burdens to London; but, on the other hand, arrangements have already been made for quite a fair amount of new crop grain to be exported, and it begins to look as though wheat and corn will be of much greater importance as makers of exchange this year than last year.

On the Puget Sound it is estimated that 450,000 cases of sockeye salmon have been packed. Ananias and Port Townsend plants, according to special advices today, have furnished 162,492 cases, the remainder being divided between Bellingham, Point Roberts, Blaine and Friday Harbor. The fish port at Warmouth Point, operated by E. A. Sims, was lifted yesterday with a catch of 100,000 sockeyes, which is said to constitute a record.

The St. Anthony Reef Gold Mine, in Sturgeon Lake, Thunder Bay District, has been sold to the New York firm of Drayler for \$350,000.

The visible supply of wheat east of the Rocky Mountains, including Canada, according to Bradstreet's, increased last week \$19,000 bushels. Corn decreased 562,000 bushels, and oats decreased 729,000.

The total visible supply follows: Today—East of Rocky Mountains, 15,065,000 bushels; Europe and Africa for Europe, 46,500,000 bushels; total, 62,065,000 bushels. A year ago—East of Rocky Mountains, 25,700,000 bushels; Europe and Africa for Europe, 49,300,000 bushels; total, 75,000,000 bushels.

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