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25 pieces best quality heavy Canadian Print, in light, medium and dark shades, including navy blue, lilac, brown, red, etc., each color, regular value 12½c a yd.—on sale very special at

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Ladies' Ready-to-wear Lustre Skirts, made of extra quality fine Mohair Lustre in navy, brown and black, made in most correct style of wide side pleats, regular value \$5.00 each—on sale very special at

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Extra fine good wearing White Nottingham Lace Curtains, 3 yards and 3½ yards long, in good floral and conventional designs—on sale extra value at a pair,

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Ladies' Black Cotton Hose, guaranteed fast color, or full fashioned, stainless, recommended for wear and washing, very special value at a pair,

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Men's fine French Balbriggan Undershirts and Drawers, neatly finished, all sizes 34 to 44 in., special value at a garment,

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Wide American Muslins in the prettiest designs you ever saw, dainty, fresh, attractive, fast colors, exquisite designs, a special purchase, regular value 20c and 25c a yard—on sale special at a yard,

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Ladies' Black Parasols, Paragon frame, steel rod, fast black twill covering, excellent assortment of new handles, regular value \$1.00 each—on sale very special value at

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In Wall Papers we aim at exclusiveness. Our stock is selected from the designs shown by Mr. H. Birge & Sons Co., the recognized leaders in novelty Wall Paper manufacturers in America. You will see our designs in no other store and in the higher grade of papers you can have a design exclusively to yourself. Wall Papers from

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CARPETS

We are essentially a carpet house. No other store in this district attempts to show the immense variety we handle. You can get almost any style of carpet you want in our assortment and at prices as low as any store in Canada. We have many leading lines this season in Brussels and Wilton at a 20 per cent. reduction. You will not do yourself justice if you buy a carpet without seeing our stock.

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"MEATS THAT SATISFY"

Unexpected Guests to Tea?

With Laing's Canned Meats in the pantry, you can never be taken unprepared. 40 different kinds—made ready for the table at a moment's notice.

Laing's Canned Meats

save a hostess from embarrassment—enable her to plan the daintiest of luncheons and teas—and lend the spice of variety to every-day meals.

Your grocer should have Laing's Potted Meats, Cambridge Sausage, Corned Beef and the rest. Let us know if he has not.

The Laing Packing & Provision Company Limited, Montreal



The Revolving Month of June—THE MONTH—FOR—WEDDINGS

"All the world loves a lover," and the June bride is happy—never happier. The old earth never looked so lovely; the sunshine was never brighter; everything seems to smile on her; she's at peace with all the world.

A FEW SUGGESTIONS FOR WEDDING GIFTS.

DINNER SETS in French China, Austria China, and English Semi-Porcelain, ranging in price from

\$8 to \$50

TEA SETS in fine China, German, Austrian, English, and French

\$4 to \$20

TOILET SETS, an appropriate gift, too, new colors and handsome shapes

\$2 to \$15

LEMONADE SETS, just opened up a new stock

\$1 to \$5

CARVING SETS, a useful gift

\$2.25 to \$5

Silver-plated Knives, Forks and Spoons, a really necessary part of the equipment. A good assortment to choose from. Cold Meat Forks, Pie Knives, Berry Spoons, a new lot of Silver-plated and Gold-lined goods.

ODD CHINA, this is the store for pretty goods in this line; such an assortment to. We cannot describe it. You'll have to see it.

LAMPS for LIBRARY and PARLOR

\$1.50 to \$10

GRAY'S CHINA HALL, KING STREET, NEXT MCALL'S DRUG STORE.

ADVERTISE IN THE PLANET

RUSS STAFF ALL IN DARK

They Followed Rejstvensky Like Sheep to the Slaughter.

Not One Officer of His Staff Knew His Plans, and All the Conference Admirals Nebogoff Had With Him Lasted Only Fifteen Minutes—No Training En Route, and Demoralization When Battle Began.

Vladivostok, June 13.—A series of interviews with the correspondents of the Associated Press has had with naval officers who survived the battle of the Sea of Japan has developed a most sensational story of the causes of the Russian disaster first of all, and the complete demoralization which followed the sinking of the flagship Kikass and the wounding of Admiral Rejstvensky.

It is explained that not a single officer of the fleet knew the commander-in-chief's plans. The admirals in command of divisions knew no more than the sub-lieutenants and had to rely only on the signals of the flagship, Admiral Nebogoff, on whom the command devolved, had seen Rejstvensky only once after the juncture of their squadrons, and then only for fifteen minutes.

All the stories of extensive target practice in Madagascar, it seems, were false. During the entire voyage there was practically no training in gunnery worthy the name, and the big gun practice was confined to three shots per vessel. Their ignorance as to the happenings at Madagascar. Some of the crews certainly were untrained in gunnery, and exhausted by the eight months' voyage under trying moral and physical conditions were not a mist for the veteran Japanese, whose marksmanship was wonderful.

One by One They Go. They concentrated their fire on one ship until she was placed out of action and then on another, thus successively sinking the battleships Alexander III, and Kikass. Some ships were developed deplorable structural defects. The Oshibata sank without having a single hole below the waterline. Heavy seas entered the vessel above the water line, and the water then came in through the gun ports. Several times during the voyage, did not stand the strain they had been calculated to stand, and burst, flooding and heeling the vessel over until she turned turtle. The lack of homogeneity among the ships made it impossible to maneuver in harmony. The Vladimir Monomach, Admiral Oushakov and Admiral Senavin had to lag behind on this account, becoming easy victims.

Finally the ammunition was exhausted after the first day's fighting. Rejstvensky's position was cramped, and his transports were badly placed, and caused confusion, while the Japanese were raining projectiles even from machine guns on the Russian ships.

The latter, however, were huddled together blanketing each other's fire. Only the leaders of the columns could bring their guns to bear, and even these the untrained gunners fired wildly.

Victims of Mines. To render matters worse, the mines and torpedoes sown in the paths of the Russian divisions added to the confusion. The Borodino, Admiral Nakimoff and Navarin fell victims to these obstructions.

The sailors and officers were not altogether to blame. The main fault lies elsewhere. There were many heroes among the Russians. Capt. Bosh of the Oshibata committed suicide on her bridge as the ship sank rather than surrender. There were thousands of other heroes whose names the world will never know.

Japan Cavalry Keeps On. Toledo, June 13.—Official announcement is made at the headquarters of the Imperial army that a detachment of the Japanese cavalry succeeded in dispersing Russian cavalry in the vicinity of Hailuogang, six miles south of the Liyangwopeng. Hailuogang, two miles southwest of Hailuogang, was occupied. Another force defeated the Russians near Shaochengtun, 15 miles north of Kiangping, and Kachowatun, two miles northeast of Shaochengtun. An ambulance was occupied north of Shaochengtun, two miles east of Kachowatun, and ten miles west of Liyangwopeng.

No Japs Need Apply. Baltimore, June 13.—The navy department has passed an order barring the Japanese from the American warships during the war game on the Chesapeake. While the order is a general one, excluding all but regularly accredited persons, it is known to be intended especially to prevent the wily Japs from stealing any more of the secrets of American naval tactics.

Charged With Robbery. Toronto, June 13.—Robert Tushingham, a recent arrival from the old country, who is employed as night watchman at Bond's grocery store on King street, was taken into custody yesterday morning by Detective Duncan and Constable Welch on a charge of robbing William E. Bancroft, a guest at the Tremont Hotel, of \$250 on Saturday. He had \$150 on his person when arrested, and the detectives say that he repeatedly admitted his guilt. He was remanded by the police magistrate till tomorrow.

PEACE MEETING IS SURE

Official Assurance Given By Both Russia and Japan.

Conference Will Not Be Held in Washington, Both Belligerents Agreeing Upon That, But It May Be at Summer Resort or at The Hague—An Armistice As Soon as Arrangements Are Definitely Completed.

Washington, June 13.—Official assurance that the President's efforts to bring Russia and Japan together to discuss peace will be crowned with success was brought to the White House yesterday by Count Cassini, the Russian ambassador, who called by appointment and in the name of Emperor Nicholas formally accepted the President's offer of good will, and to state that they would appoint plenipotentiaries to meet the plenipotentiaries of Japan to discuss the question of peace. The place of meeting is at present being discussed.

President Roosevelt now has unequivocal assurances from both Russia and Japan of the acceptance of his propositions that they enter on negotiations for peace. The President likewise is assured of the sincerity of both governments.

Japan was the first of the two powers to indicate its acceptance of President Roosevelt's proposition. The formal response to his identical note of Thursday last was received from the Japanese Government Saturday.

While the response of the Russian Government is not reduced to writing, it is regarded for the time as sufficient for the negotiations.

It is believed that the place of meeting of the plenipotentiaries of the two Governments has not been finally selected. Briefly the situation is this. Japan does not wish Paris, and Russia is unfavorable to London or Chicago. Both are opposed to Washington for climatic reasons, though neither would oppose the selection of an American watering place, and among Newport and Manchester-by-the-Sea. Of the places under consideration in Europe, it is said Russia is most inclined to Geneva. Geneva is also considered, and it would not be objectionable to Japan.

As soon as the arrangements are completed definitely, an armistice will be agreed upon, and the great armies in Manchuria will have their bayonets pending the formal negotiations of a permanent treaty of peace.

Official Reply on the Way. St. Petersburg, June 13.—Russia's official reply is now on its way to Washington. Foreign Secretary Lamshed transmitted it to Ambassador Meyer and later the Ambassador had an interview with the Foreign Minister at the Russian capital.

Blanket Order. The members of the Council of the Ministry, has issued a blanket order forbidding newspapers to mention or to publish the proceedings of any congress or meeting held, without the permission of the Government.

St. Petersburg, June 13.—The Russian experiment in Parliamentarism will begin in September.

French Cabinet Changes.

Paris, June 13.—It is expected that several diplomatic and ministerial changes resulting from the resignation of M. Delcasse, until recently Foreign Minister, will be settled at today's meeting of the Cabinet. Leon Bourgeois will probably succeed M. Bihourd as Ambassador at Berlin, thus inaugurating a new conciliatory policy concerning Morocco. Premier Rouvier is still undecided about retaining the portfolio of Foreign Affairs, with the expectation that M. de Freycinet or M. Constans (Ambassador to Turkey) will enter the Foreign Office if Mr. Rouvier concludes to retain the finance portfolio.

G. T. R. Objected.

Lindsay, June 13.—The Board of Railway Commissioners met here yesterday. There were three applications for gas and flagging at railway crossings, and an application for inter-switching between the Grand Trunk and C. P. R. The Board reserved judgment as to railway crossings. The Grand Trunk opposed the inter-switching, claiming being heard, but the Board took evidence and reserved judgment, pending decision of London application, to be heard on the 20th instant, and also reserving the right to the Grand Trunk to put in expert evidence.

Paster Becomes Demented.

Leamington, June 13.—Entirely by influenza, followed by an abscess in the ear from which he suffered greatly, Rev. W. H. Locke, pastor of the Methodist Church here, who had just been transferred by the conference to Kincardine, is temporarily demented, and has been taken to London asylum for treatment. His wife is in Chatham Hospital, where she recently underwent an operation. Worry on her account, in addition to his own illness, had much to do with Mr. Locke's condition.

May Be Bannockburn.

Detroit, June 13.—A Duluth despatch says Capt. Price of the steamer Crescent City discovered about 15 miles west of White Fish Point, Lake Superior, the floating deck and cabin of a steamer. It is believed that the wreckage may be from the Canadian steamer Bannockburn, which disappeared in Lake Superior in November, 1902.

Even flattery may begin at home.

The most effective coquetry is incoherence.

"BUCK UP" OR "GET OUT"

City Council Tells Board of Health to Tend to Business or Members Will be Bounced Instantly

Matters Dealt with at Last Night's Civic Session—Mayor Cowan Makes Some Suggestions.

The City Council landed on the Board of Health with both feet last night, and the members thereof will in future attend strictly to business or promptly walk the plank. In fact those who don't show up at the next meeting will understand that their ticket of leave is filled in and their successors named. The Council has shooed its axe for the non-working ornaments and firmly professed its intention of having a Board that will in future report for duty when called and transact such business as may be awaiting attention.

It was evident that the Mayor and Aldermen have for some time had their eagle eyes on the delinquencies of the Health Board. The average wasn't stated but the peremptory manner of dealing with the case left the impression that the record of Board meetings was a meagre and shabby one—a quorum was secured at about one in six meetings called. As the members of the Board are, after all, appointed to meet and do business, and not exclusively to act as decorations for empty civic street parades, the Council last evening notified them to get busy—and the message was sent collect.

There'll be no "holding the fort" unless the members forthwith get down to honest hard work and make up for past delinquency.

Several other matters of importance came before the City Council session last evening. The Mayor and all the aldermen were present.

Chief Frichard reported that the mechanical gang was out of repair. He asked for a tape register. Property.

Requests to cut down trees were referred to Chief of Police.

The latter Day Saints asked exemption for site of their tabernacle from the city tax.

The Canadian Flour Mill Co. wrote protesting against blocking of Head street spur—Board of Works.

The Chatham Steam Co. asked the privilege of piping the streets—Finance.

W. H. Harper reported that the lane and sidewalk adjoining his premises were blocked by rigs and asked that the matter be attended to.

Electric Co. made application for service lines franchise on certain streets—Industrial.

The Algonac City Council extended a challenge for a baseball match at Algonac on July 4.—Referred to Ald. Westman.

The Engineer reported that to main all the streets for water service would cost \$17,898.75.—Finance.

Ald. Bell for Finance reported no action at present on grocers' closing by-law, that taxes for the Central school garden be exempted; that Wm. Chrysler be paid \$27 interest and that accounts referred be paid.

Ald. Bell recommended the endowment of a bed in the consumptive sanatorium at \$300.

The chairman also reported on the investigation re the Murray street pavement.

The report was adopted. Ald. O'Keefe, for Board of Works, reported that \$163 was paid E. T. Jones, and that he had done work necessary for this amount. Adopted.

Ald. Potter, for Parks and Cemetery, reported that the residence of the cemetery caretaker was beyond repair, and committee had instructed Architects Wilson & Son to prepare plans for new residence.

Ald. Potter also recommended that owners of lots fallen or leaning, should be instructed to repair them according to by-law.

The report was adopted. Ald. Westman, for Property, reported that the city pay one-third of cost of sanitary improvement to Harrison Hall; also recommended the dispensing of market caretaker in the meantime, while Mr. Chrysler will clean market twice a week for \$2 per week.

The report was adopted. Ald. Austin reported the arrangement made with the County Council re leasing offices in Harrison Hall.

The Mayor asked the committee to make their estimates as soon as possible.

The Mayor called attention to the Opera House, which he said must either be remodelled or closed. The Opera House was not nearly complying with the by-law. Referred to Property.

The Mayor said the Board of Health was appointed by the Council and they always failed to have a quorum.

On motion of Ald. Westman, the Clerk was instructed to notify the members of the Board that if they didn't attend the next meeting the Council would appoint other members.

Ald. Westman moved that the petition of Chatham Steam Co. be referred to the Board of Works.

SPORTING GOODS

BASE BALL

LACROSSE

FOOT BALL

LAWN TENNIS

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