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Ladies Wash Suits at \$3 48.

Ladies white wash Suits, waist and skirt, handsomely trimmed with dainty lace insertion, all sizes, regular price \$6.50, on sale for \$3.48.

Ladies fine white Organdie dresses, handsomely trimmed and embroidered, regular price \$8.75 the suit, on sale for \$3.48.

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16 pieces of Veilings, black and colored, spot and plain, regular price 25, 35 and 40c a yd., on sale in the Millinery department at 10c.

Ladies Straw Sailors at 39c each.

65 Ladies Straw Sailors in the newest seasons styles and shapes, ready-to-wear, regular price up to \$1.25 each, on sale for 39c.

Children's Parasols for 10c.

Children's fancy cotton covered parasols in very neat designs and colorings, neat natural handles, on sale special to day at each 10c.

Clearing Sale Ladies White Gloves

10 dozen Ladies white fabric Gloves

Ladies Wash Suits

in the newest style, dome fasteners, extra fine value at the regular prices, placed on sale to-day at the following reductions.

25c White Gloves for 19c
35c " " 23c
50c " " 34c

Harvest Sale of Muslins at 13c

Our final wind up sale of Muslins begins to-day, and yours is the loss if you do not take advantage of it.

Dress Making

Our second dress making Department will be opened about September 1st, under the management of Miss Morrison, from Toronto. Dresses, tailor made suits and skirts, will be made at very moderate charges. Orders received from this date will be given prompt attention.

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RUSSIA MAKES PROTEST

Against Action of Jap Destroyers
Taking Out Ryeshitani.

Chinese Naval Officials Warned Japanese to Keep Hands Off the Clash Between the Russian and Japanese Torpedo Boat Destroyers.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 13.—Russia has formally protested to Japan, through France, against the action of the Japanese torpedo boat destroyer Ryeshitani in attacking the Russian torpedo boat destroyer Che Foo.

This prompt action is based upon the official report of the Russian Consul at Che Foo, which is very explicit on the subject of the dismantling of the Ryeshitani, saying that not only were the breech blocks of her guns and all her small arms removed, but her engines were rendered useless. The vessel therefore was reduced to the condition of a hulk.

It is stated here that both France and Germany are supporting at Peking in the protest of the Russian Government against the action of the Japanese torpedo boat destroyers in attacking the Russian torpedo boat destroyer Ryeshitani in the port of Che Foo.

Chinese Tell the Story.

Interviews with Admiral Sah and Capt. Ching, who is in command of Saiyung, indicate that Admiral Sah informed the commander of the Japanese destroyer that the Ryeshitani must be returned, as neutrality had been flagrantly violated.

Capt. Ching says that when the Japanese destroyers entered the harbor of Che Foo he sent an officer on board and assured Commander Fujimoto that the Ryeshitani was disabled, and that his officers and crew had signed a parole. Later the admiral followed his messenger and personally repeated his information at length, whereupon Commander Fujimoto said he had no designs on the Ryeshitani.

Prepared to Blow Up.

When the lieutenant from one of the Japanese destroyers boarded the Ryeshitani, at 3.30 o'clock in the morning, the crew which brought him, with rifles in their hands and bayonets fixed, followed their officer. Captain Shestakovsky protested against this, saying: "I am unable to resist, but this is a breach of neutrality and courtesy." Capt. Shestakovsky then secretly commanded one of his lieutenants to prepare gunpowder with which to blow up the Russian destroyer. To gain the time necessary to make ready for this step, Capt. Shestakovsky argued the point of international law with the Japanese officer, whose reply to all the contentions of the Russian was: "Come to the open sea and fight, or prepare to be towed out."

Left Overboard Together.

Continuing his account of the occurrence, Capt. Shestakovsky said: "The Japanese officer told me to surrender and that as a prisoner my life would be spared. This insult so stung me that I struck the Japanese before I intended to. I was afraid that the explosive to blow up our vessel had not yet been prepared. My blow knocked the lieutenant overboard. In going he dragged me with him. I fell into the water. I clung to his throat and pummeled him until my hold was broken."

The crew of the Ryeshitani meanwhile had been fighting with the Japanese sailors, who used their rifles and bayonets. The fighting men scurried over the deck and fell overboard in struggling pairs after the example accidentally set by the captain.

Shot Four Times.

Capt. Shestakovsky, seeing his men fighting on the deck of the destroyer, attempted to climb back on board and command them. He was shot at four times, and while in the water he received a deep wound in the right leg.

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The explosion entirely demolished the western wing of the mills, in which the boilers were situated, three storeys in height, scattering bricks and timber in all directions. A few minutes later there was only a heap of ruins sticking out of the canal to mark the spot.

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How the four men who were working in the vicinity of the boiler escaped with their lives is a question unanswerable. They were working right under the arch leading from the main building to the wing which was demolished. The men were Edward Hudson, William Sneath, Hugh Doherty and John Lawrence.

Boilers Ran Dry.

The explosion was probably caused by the boilers running dry. The loss to the paper mills will be heavy, though the amount is not yet known.

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We can also show you all the material for working these such as Belding's Silks (in filo, twisted, royal and rope), Cotton Floss, Linen Floss, Etching Cotton, Mending Cotton, Padding Cotton, Crochet Cotton, Knitting Cotton Silco, Lace Thread (from 100 to 1000), Glasgow Lace Thread, Barbour's Linen, Battenburg Bra'id, Point Lace Braid Pins, Needles, Embroidery Hoops, Thread (both cotton and silk), Netting Needles, Crochet Hooks, and all the other articles used by a lady to beautify her home and dress.

Let us also remind you that the season for **Bedroom Slippers** is near at hand, and we have just received a large shipment of not only the **Hartford Soles** but also the famous all leather one, with the detachable wool sole.

So we take pleasure in extending to you a very cordial invitation to visit our store and enjoy the inspection of our choice goods.

ALD. M. COIG MAKES GOOD

Organizes Special System of Vigorous Retrenchment in His Department.

Several Works Must Be Abandoned But the Committee Will Keep Within Estimate.

Whatever may be said of the failings of Ald. Archibald McCoig and no one has yet accused the general civic Minister of Public Works of crowding Gabriel for the harp and wings—it is generally accepted that he has the faculty of "making good" his utterances at the Council Board and carrying out his plans and pledges. It was not to be wondered at, then, that, following his vigorously expressed ultimatum at Monday's meeting of the city fathers when they slashed the estimates of his department and placed his limit some \$1,500 below the record of last year, he yesterday assembled his committee colleagues with the city engineer and superintendent and gave them a typical heart to heart talk on internal economy and such like.

Moreover he had his civic schedule thoroughly overhauled. There was choppng here and trimming there. Aye and knife were wielded with ruthless regularity. When the committee gasped there was another figure wiped off for good measure—that was all.

"I'm afraid there will be many indignant citizens and a plethora of complaints this fall," he murmured with a sigh, "but we can't better ourselves. We furnished our figures as closely as we could possibly estimate; the Council have gullotted them despite our protest—and it must now be our aim to live within the allotment. Let us have no overruns—no deficit. I sincerely regret that many important works and improvements must be abandoned—but it will be some solace to the people to know that we have accepted the inevitable and, despite the drawbacks, are saving them half a mill on the heavy taxation."

There were present at the meeting the full committee with the exception of Ald. Mounter, and City Engineer Jones.

After going over the various works under way and previously planned for the purpose aforesaid—and attending liberally to each—it was decided to form a regular although diminished corps of street cleaners and caretakers for the season of mud and slush. Two men will be assigned to North Chatham, one to the over-the-creek district, one to Ward One, one to Ward Two, while the white-winged Dutchman will be called upon to assume responsibility for the condition of the main thoroughfare. In cases of special emergency recruits may be called in—but the emergencies must not be numerous.

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