

# JAP WAR WITH THE STATES.

## Are Both Combing Preparing For the Struggle?

### Idea That is Coming in the Mind of Those in a Position to Judge

Washington, Oct. 16.—Preparations for a hostile emergency in the Pacific are occupying the time of military and naval authorities to such an extent that all other work has been suspended in some branches of the two services. The war fever is spreading through the personnel of the army and the navy. Many officers are now aware of the circumstances which led to the decision to send the battleship fleet to the Pacific, and with their eyes opened in that respect, they are watching the trend of events with absorbing interest.

The idea that war is coming is apparently fixed in the minds of some of those having superior means of obtaining information as to the Government's attitude. Under orders from the Navy Department, the entire working force at navy yards on the Atlantic coast is being employed in making ready the vessels of the battleship fleet for the so-called practice cruise to the Pacific.

Under equally imperative directions, new fire control systems are being installed on the battleships which will go to the Pacific. A "torpedo company" of the Army Artillery Corps has been sent to Subig Bay to chart and mine that important body of water and engage in torpedo practice. Army rifles of six, ten and twelve-inch calibre and 12-inch mortars are being sent to Subig Bay as fast as they are completed.

The decision of the President to send the battleship fleet to the Pacific has its inception—at least its apparent inception—in disquieting information furnished to the military departments of the Government by confidential agents abroad.

At the time of the latest revival of feeling against Japanese on the Pacific coast which resulted in attacks upon Japanese subjects in San Francisco and brought the anti-American agitation in Japan to its highest point of feverishness, the stories of Japanese military activity assumed a character which, apparently, gave great concern to the President and certainly alarmed some of the military and naval advisers. These reports were all placed before the President for his perusal. At Mr. Roosevelt's instance, or of its own volition, the General Board of the Navy gave consideration to the information at hand that Japan was getting ready for another hostile struggle. In the minds of the members of the board there was only one answer to the question: Why is Japan making all this preparation? The outcome of their deliberation was a recommendation to the President that the Atlantic battleship fleet be sent to the Pacific. On June 27, Secretary of the Navy Metcalf took the record of the General Board's views to Oyster Bay and laid it before the President. Before Mr. Metcalf left Sagamore Hill the President had directed him to order Admiral Evans' battleships to proceed to the western coast of the United States.

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# DUMONT ECLIPSED.

## HENRY FARMAN'S AEROPLANE NOW HOLDS THE RECORD.

### Made a Flight of Nearly Three Hundred Meters in Paris Yesterday—The Machine Obeyed Her Rudder Perfectly.

Paris, Oct. 15.—Henry Farman this afternoon succeeded in driving an aeroplane a distance of 285 metres through the air, thus breaking the record of 220 metres held by Santos Dumont. After a few preliminary runs against a fresh southwest wind he set his fifty-horsepower motor at full speed, and the machine was soon scudding along at a rate of twenty miles. After a run of only a hundred metres, he raised the front of the horizontal rudder through a slight angle and the apparatus slid easily into the air. At a height of twelve metres he again adjusted the rudder and maintained that height throughout almost the entire distance. "By the way, I did it," Farman said, "I am convinced that I can fly a mile or more without the slightest difficulty. The machine obeyed its rudder perfectly and throughout the flight I had complete control."

# STEMMING THE FLOOD.

## Fewer United States Publications Coming to Canada.

Ottawa, Oct. 16.—The Post Office Department reports that as the result of a new agreement to the second-class postal rates between Canada and the United States, which went into effect last spring, the flood of cheap American newspapers and magazines, used merely as advertising mediums, has practically ceased to pour into Canada. Until May last hundreds of tons of American newspapers and magazines of the cheaper and poorer class were carried weekly by the Canadian mails.

Since the new rate of one cent for four ounces has been in force there is not one pound of this objectionable class of American mail matter coming into Canada for every thousand pounds that came in before. The congestion in the Canadian mail service caused by the handling of this immense mass of United States publications has been relieved, and the relations between the two countries in respect to revenue and expenditure on international mails are on a more equitable basis.

# Great Razor Sale.

We offer our stock of razors, value about \$1,500, at closest prices: King Shaver and Carbo-Magnetic at \$2.00, Griffon's \$1.25 and \$1.50, King Cutters, Lands' and Wade's Butcher's best \$1.25, Reynolds' \$1.00, Welch Safety, an excellent razor, \$1.50, Gem \$2.50, and many others—Gerrie's drug store, 32 James street north.

Nicholas Noble, the Queen street west, Toronto, fruit merchant, convicted of assaulting Dr. Andrew Edle, was sentenced to six months in the Central Prison.

# WIFE WANTED.

## CHICAGOAN'S "WANTED" SIGN BROUGHT RESULTS.

### Now Asks: "Which One?"—Letters to Him Seeking Suggestions Foretell Popularity of His Plan.

Chicago, Oct. 17.—N. H. Matthews closed the lists of his individual matrimonial bureau last evening. He admits the number of "entries" is large. He wishes to publish abroad to the feminine affinity seekers that no more candidates will be considered.

A number who wish to know the exact state of affairs rang the bell of the Matthews flat, 1305 North Halsted street, last evening. In fact, women had been calling all day long. Until last evening however, Mr. Matthews remained at home to receive them.

As the shades of night gathered about the substantial looking three-story flat building Mr. Matthews donned a high collar and a brand new tie. After giving instructions to his eldest daughter, he stroked the dust off one of his old time walking sticks, threw back his shoulders and with a jaunty step left the house.

"Tell all callers that I am considering no more applicants," he told his daughter. "I am going over to see two or three this evening."

He had no more than left the house than a woman wearing a long gray fur stole about her neck, a blue suit and hat with a blue feather in it, alighted from a Halsted street car at the corner of Dewey place, just north of the Matthews place. With apparent nervousness she paced back and forth before the flat building.

When she rang the bell a nicely dressed young woman, the eldest daughter, wearing a dark skirt and a white shirt waist with white starched stock tie, responded.

"No, Mr. Matthews isn't in this evening. Did you want to see him about—"

"—out that advertisement?" the girl questioned.

"Well—ah—in a way, yes. I thought he might want to get a housekeeper," was the reply.

"Well, papa has engaged a housekeeper who will be here to-morrow. He instructed me to receive no further applicants."

"Is that so? I noticed that the parlor was all dark. I feared I should not have put it off so long. But it was so far—"

At this juncture the door was closed, for it was apparent that no welcome was forthcoming from the prim 20-year-old daughter.

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The daughter expects to return to her school to-day. Just who the new housekeeper will be was not divulged. Considering the number of applicants, however, it is conceded that the accepted one should feel like a prize winner in that she outshone all the rest.

"Marry? No, no, not so hastily," said Mr. Matthews earlier in the evening. "I don't expect to get married for a few weeks. My plan to gain the acquaintance of women desiring to get married has been successful. There is no use of urdu haste."

Evidently Mr. Matthews' former desperation, signified by the window sign, "Wife wanted," has developed into a calm deliberation. It is now a question of "which one." Mr. Matthews took a day off yesterday to keep up with the general advice from the callers, who were received until late evening, each mail delivery brought an avalanche of letters. Between calls Mr. Matthews, with no small amount of interest, poured over the mail. Some letters he considered worth consideration and laid them apart from the rest.

"Who would think that I am running a matrimonial bureau," said the tinner. "All those letters aren't from women. A lot of them are from men who want wives about as badly as I do, only they seem to be afraid to say so in the open. Of course I will not supply them with any of the names I have. Some say that if I am successful they will try the window sign idea. I wouldn't be surprised to see the 'wife wanted' sign become a general as the 'room for rent' or 'fore sale' window cards."

# HOW TO TEST YOUR KIDNEYS.

If any of your family have been troubled with kidney disease make a test of the urine and satisfy yourself whether you need a good remedy before the disease has caused serious complications. To-morrow morning put some urine in a glass or bottle and let it stand for twenty-four hours.

If it shows particles or germs floating about, is milky or cloudy, or contains a reddish sediment, then your kidneys are diseased.

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# FOUGHT DUEL TO THE DEATH.

## Elk at Riverdale Zoo Kills Big Scotch Buck in Battle.

Toronto, Oct. 17.—The elk at Riverdale Zoo killed the Scotch buck in a fight through the fence in the paddock yesterday morning. The tragedy was the outcome of ill-feeling of some months' standing, and the stricken deer was pierced in the head by the elk. Each animal stood on its own side of the fence in the duel, but the Scotch deer had been dehorned after killing a doe a year ago, and he was at a disadvantage in the death struggle. The elk at High Park is said to be becoming cross, and fears are entertained that he may break down his fence and injure some person.

To cure a cold in a night—use Vapo-Cresolina. It has been used extensively throughout more than twenty-four years. All drug stores.

# The Daily Fashion Hint.



Smart useful gown of dark blue cashmere with washable underbone of sheer linen and lace. Narrow soutache braid trims effectively.

# LET HIM GO.

## BLIND RIVER FIRE CHIEF GETS BENEFIT OF DOUBT.

### The Magistrate Before Whom Was Tried the Case of George Raymond Decides That He Shall Go Free—Sensational Evidence Given by a Hotel Clerk.

Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., Oct. 16.—The case against George Raymond, the chief of the Blind River Fire Department, charged with causing a series of incendiary fires at Blind River, was closed last night, and Raymond was allowed to go. The case had caused much interest, and a large quantity of evidence was taken, the proceedings lasting the entire day and far into the night. Raymond was defended by J. A. Mulligan, of Sudbury, and the case for the Crown was in the hands of Mr. U. McFadden, who acted for his brother, the Crown Attorney. The case was tried before Magistrate Williams, before whom Raymond elected summary trial. The charge was that he fired the Edwards and King boarding houses, and the prisoner pleaded not guilty.

For some time the authorities at Blind River have had three secret service men in the town endeavoring to locate the incendiaries. Important evidence was given by Charles Rogers, clerk at the Inverary Hotel, who swore that on the night of the Edwards fire he heard Raymond remark to two unknown men, "they are on our trail, we must be careful." Raymond also made reference to the Edwards boarding house and the Presbyterian Church. Rogers told what he had heard to the police, and several names were positively identified by Detective Hart, of the Thiel secret service agency, as the man who set a fire between the Edwards and King boarding houses.

Magistrate Williams stated there was some doubt in his mind as to whether Raymond was the guilty party, and dismissed the case. He stated, however, that in his opinion all the fires had been of incendiary origin.

The cases against Govva, Lablance and Gaudreau, three other suspects, were also dismissed.

# BIG PAYMENT OF HEAD TAX.

## Over a Thousand Chinese Arrive by Empress of China.

Vancouver, Oct. 16.—Forty-eight thousand five hundred dollars in head-tax money was paid in by ninety-seven Chinese, who arrived yesterday from the Orient by the Royal Mail steamship Empress of China, which reached port this afternoon. She brought a big list of steerage passengers, principally Chinese, there being only four Japanese passengers and one Japanese stowaway, and no Hindus. Of the Chinese, eighty-eight were landed at Victoria, twenty-six of whom paid the head tax.

Five hundred Chinese were landed at Vancouver, and seventy-one of this number paid the head tax, a hundred and fifty-four are certificated to return to Canada free, a hundred and fourteen are in transit to United States points, and a hundred and sixty-one are bound through in bond to the West Indies and other countries.

# To Open Branch in Canada.

Montreal, Oct. 16.—The Comptoir Nationale d'Exempte, one of the largest banks of France, which has a capital of \$250,000,000, will, it is announced, open a branch in Canada in the spring. The branch will be located in Montreal.

# A WESTERN SENSATION.

## GREAT YUKON ROBBERY FOLLOWED BY SUICIDE.

### The Prisoner, Who Killed Himself After His Arrest, is George Kincaid, of the Public Works Department—Formerly Resident in Peterboro—Another Man Under Arrest.

Vancouver, Oct. 16.—A Dawson despatch says: "George Kincaid, head foreman of the Public Works Department in the Yukon Territory, 5th headquarters at Dawson, arrived on Sunday in charge of the police, at Selkirk, one hundred and seventy-five miles above Dawson. He was charged with stealing \$40,000 which mysteriously disappeared from the registered mail sack delivered in Dawson July 29 from Fairbanks by the steamer Seattle. Kincaid was placed aboard the steamer Prosperator yesterday morning on his way to Dawson and died three hours before the arrival of the boat. A vial supposed to contain poison was found in his bunk. On Monday night he was well and ate heartily. It is believed that the man was so overcome with shame because of his capture that he ended his life."

It is believed that Kincaid stole the gold from the Post Office when he worked in the Government service. He had confederates, who carried away the sacks, opened them, melted the gold, mixed it with Klondike dust and sold it to the banks. Only a small portion was recovered.

Richard L. Hall, bookkeeper of the M. & N. saloon of Dawson, a former restaurant proprietor, was arrested on Thursday on a similar charge to that on which Kincaid is held. Hall is confined in the barracks at Dawson. It is reported that he has made a confession implicating a number of Dawsonites. The arrest of Hall and Kincaid caused the biggest sensation here in years, both having been prominent Klondikers. Kincaid is a native of Peterboro and went to Dawson in 1898.

# Peterboro Friends Shocked.

Peterboro, Oct. 16.—The Peterboro friends of Kincaid were shocked last night to learn of his tragic death. He was a native of this town, and all his family connections were highly respected. Kincaid was a man of about forty and had been a carpenter while resident in Peterboro, where his reputation was excellent. "The story that Kincaid killed himself because of shame is a quite probable one to those who knew him," said a Peterboro acquaintance. His relatives knew nothing of the tragedy last night.

# BIG DAMAGE CLAIMS.

## Fifty-Four Presented by Japs Aggregating \$13,900.

Ottawa, Oct. 16.—Fifty-four claims, ranging from one dollar to one thousand dollars, have been filed by Japanese residents of Vancouver for damages sustained by them during the recent riots. The damage to property, consisting mostly of broken glass, is placed at \$2,400, and the damages asked for business losses amount to \$11,500, making an aggregate of \$13,900.

Nothing could be more thorough than the manner in which the claims are presented. Each case is treated as a separate claim and is accompanied not only by an affidavit of the damage, but also by a photograph of the building, showing the injuries done by the mob.

# SCOTLAND

The relatives here of the late Mrs. J. Inksetter sympathize with her husband, Mr. John Inksetter, of Ancestor, and son, Dr. Inksetter, of Philadelphia, also her aged father and sister, Mr. Daniel Lottridge, and Miss Lottridge, of Stoney Creek.

Mrs. M. J. Nucur has purchased a house and lot near the station, of Mr. William Foster, which is now occupied by Mr. Glover and family.

Farmers are very busy at present harvesting their apples and root crops. The apple packers are in the neighborhood, and will be shipping soon.

Mr. E. Guest, of Mount Pleasant, passed through the village on Monday on business.

Mr. B. McKicking spent Sunday with relatives near Kelvin.

Mrs. M. J. Nucur spent Sunday at Evergreen farm.

# TWEEDSIDE

Mr. and Mrs. Katzenmire, accompanied by her sister, Miss Alice Moore, of Hamilton, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Nichol, visited at Mr. David Fleming's on Sunday afternoon.

A few from this neighborhood attended the sale at Mr. Jackson's, Abingdon, on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Augustus Althouse and daughters, Clara and Ira, visited at Mr. Wm. Lamplough's at Winona on Sunday.

Miss Hulda Switzer and her brother, of Lisgar, have been visiting their sister, Mrs. Wm. Patterson, for a short time.

Mrs. Elmer Tweedle, of Gianford, was in the neighborhood on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Tweedle and son Oscar visited her sister, Mrs. Wm. Sheldrake, of Smithville, on Friday.

Miss Maude Merritt, of Smithville, was a guest at Mr. William Watts' on Sunday.

Mrs. Robt. Penfold spent Thursday of last week with Mrs. Edward Bradt.

Mrs. James Whitaker and children, of Grimsby, visited her mother, Mrs. J. H. Springsstead, last week.

Mrs. W. J. Patterson and son Victor, accompanied by Miss Hulda Switzer, visited friends on the Ridge road on Sunday.

# JERSEYVILLE

The closing football game of the season was played between Trinity and Jerseyville teams on the latter's grounds, on Saturday afternoon. The score was 1-0 in favor of the Jerseyville team.

Miss Maud Oliver, of Woodstock, spent the week end with her relatives, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Cochran.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. McPherson were in Welland on Wednesday.

Mrs. Medames W. R. Turnbull, of Toronto, and Wesley and George Wait, of St. George, visited on Thursday at Mrs. W. D. Wait's.

Mrs. S. Misener, of Railham, was visiting relatives in this village last week.

There passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Wm. Herriot, on Tuesday, Oct. 15, 1907, one of the oldest residents of this village, in the person of Mrs. Sarah Heacock, relict of the late Wm. Heacock, in the 87th year of her age. Deceased was born in the county of Antrim, Ireland, and came to Canada years ago, settling in this village in 1854 and residing here ever since. She was a member of the Methodist Church, and labored to mourn her loss one daughter, by whom she has been tenderly cared for for a number of years. The funeral will take place on Thursday at 1 o'clock from the residence of her son-in-law, Mr. Wm. R. Herriot, to Jerseyville Cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Markie spent Sunday with relatives at Langford.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Scott Wait visited on Sunday with relatives at St. George.

Mrs. Orton Dymont, Miss Rilla and Master Clifford Dymont, of Hamilton, were the guests, on Sunday, of relatives in this village.

Mrs. Nelson Smith and children spent Saturday and Sunday with relatives at Wellandport.

Mr. S. B. Miller, of Mount Vernon, spent a few days this week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Miller.

# SECTIONMAN KILLED.

## Stephen H. Murphy Meets Death Near Stratford.

Stratford, Oct. 16.—Stephen H. Murphy, G. T. R. sectionman, was instantly killed by a train yesterday evening. He was walking between the rails on a switch when a car was given a flying shunt from the main line. Murphy apparently did not see or hear the car approaching, and was knocked down, the car passing over him, severing both arms and legs and mangle the body. Deceased had resided in Shakespeare a number of years.

The body of J. Strachan, a tailor of 572 Ontario street, was found in Toronto Bay, yesterday, at the foot of York street. A note was found in his shop saying that he was unable to work, as he was suffering from sciatica, and could not make a living.

The Imperial Chinese troops have driven the Boxer rebels to the mountains of Kwangtung, killing seventy of them.

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