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Florenceville, Japan, South Africa.

The following article, taken from the Nagaski Press, of Napaski, Japan, will be interesting to many readers of the Dispatch. "We publish the following extract from a

letter received by a local resisdent, Mr. F. Upton, from his son Otto, a youngster of 18, who is a trooper in Bethune's Mounted Infantry, serving in South Africa. As will be seen, the letter has reference to another of those cowardly acts of treachery which have been so common on the Boer side throughout the war. Young Mr. Upton, it may be mentioned, was brought up in Kobe and left that port some six years ago to join a relative in Natal. The letter is dated, "Near Dordrecht, Cape Colony, September 13th,'

"At 10.25 a.m. on the 12th, inst. we suddenly got orders to saidle up and parade at 11 a m. We started galloping pretty nearly at once and kept it up with but few pauses till about 2 p.m. when we came up to Commandant Smutts's commando, of whom we had got news in the morning from one of the Dordrecht Volunteer Guard. We opened fire with the 15 pounder and pom pom on one ridge, and the maxims further down on a smaller one at a distance of 1900 yards. The Boers cleared to another position and we followed up. The enemy took up a strong position on a stony kopje and we took up one on an undulating ridge about 1,000 yards away, and others took up a position on a higher ridge behind us. Our first position in this second move was on the latter ridge. The Colonel then sent No. 2 maxim and "D" Squadron on to the nearer ridge. "B" Squadron than moved off on the left. Our next move was done by No. 1 maxim trotting

"When we got to the ridge we opened fire at once. I was up by the gun, as I had to help with the ammunition. The Boers were jolly cool, I must say one fellow kept walking from one boulder to another as quietly as though not a single shot was being fired. I expect he was incouraging the others. We drew back at dark and off saddled, and slept as best we could. "B" Squadron was sent out because the white flag was shown. When, however, they got within 300 or 400 yards the treacherous brutes opened fire and killed five of our men, in addition to wounding Lieut. Pollard, Sergeant-Major Brown, and four troopers. Two men were captured and its ally. stripped of their clothes and given the rags of their captors in exchange and then released. They also stripped Lieut. Pollard. During the evening the Boers cleared Sergeant Major Brown died from his wounds in the early morning. We found one dead Boer, and there must have been more killed and wounded, as the top of the kobje was covered with bullets, pieces of shell, etc., and there were traces of blood as well."

Mr. Frank Upton is a son of the late Col. brother Charles living at Florenceville, and interests above described. Mrs. Joseph Barker, Mrs. E. R. Squires, of Wicklow and Mrs. Joseph McCready, of Jacksonville, are his sisters. He has been in Japan for many years. He was home some twelve years ago, when many people will remember his little son, Otto, who is now in Bethune's Maunted Infantry.

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#### GREAT BRITAIN AND JAPAN.

A Fast Alliance Between These Two Great Powers for the Preservation of China and Corea.

London, Feb. 11 .-- An important parlimentary paper was issued to-night, giving the terms of a practical alliance between Great Britain and Japan for the preservation of China and Corea.

The paper says that the agreement may be regarded as an outcome of the events of the past two years. Through the Boxer troubles Great Britain and Japan had been in close and uninterrupted communication and actuated by similar views.

"We each desired," says Lord Lansdowne, "that the integrity and independence of the Chinese empire should be preserved and that there should be no disturbance of the territorial statu quo, either in China or the adjoining regions."

London, Feb. 11.-Lord Lansdowne further says that the British government was largely influenced in entering upon this important contract by the conviction that it contains no provisions which can be regarded as aggressive or self seeking. He says it is concluded merely as a measure of precaution and that it in no way threatens the present position or legitimate interests of other

The following are the terms of the agree-

"The government of Great Britain and Japan, actuated solely by a desire to maintain the statu quo and general peace in the extreme east, and being, moreover, especially interested in maintaining the independence and territorial integrity of China and Corea, and in securing equal opportunities in those countries for the commerce and industry of all nations, hereby agree as follows:

Article 1 -The high contracting parties, having mutually recognized the independence of China and Corea, declare themselves to be entirely uninfluenced by any aggressive tendencies in either country. Having in view, however, their especial interests of which those of Great Britain relate principally to China, while Japan in addition to the interests she possessess in China, is interested in R. B. OWENS. Proprieto a particular degree, politically as well as com-

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mercially and industrially, in Corea, the signatories recognize that it will be advisable for either of them to take such measures as may be indispensable in order to safeguard these interests, if these be threatened either by the aggressive action of any other power, or by disturbances arising in China and Corea, necessitating the intervention of either of the contracting parties for the protection of the lives and property of its subjects.

Article 2 .- If either Great Britain or Japan, in defense of their respective interests, as above described, should become involved in a war with another power, the other contracting party will maintain strict neutrality and use its efforts to prevent other powers from joining in the hostilities against

Article 3-If, in the above event, any other power or powers should join in hostilities against that ally, the other contracting party will come to its assistance and will conduct war in common and make peace in mutual agreement with it.

Article 4-The contracting parties agree that neither of them will, without consulting the other, enter into separate arrangements pton, of Florenceville, and he now has one with another power to the prejudice of the

Article 5-Whenever in the opinion of either Great Britain or Japan, the above mentioned interests are jeopardized, the two governments will communicated with one another fully and frankly.

Article 6 provides that the agreement go into effect immediately, remain in force for five years and be binding for a year after Nerviline is a protection and safe-guard either party denounces it. But if, when the date fixed for the expiration of the agreement arrives, either party thereto is actually engaged in war, the alliance shall ipso facto continue until peace is concluded

The agreement is signed by Lord Lansdowne and Baron Hayashi, the Japanese minister to Great Britain.



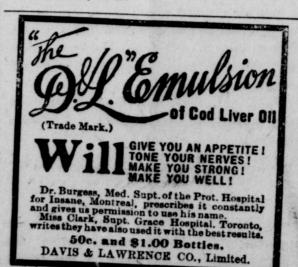
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#### Canadian Cattle in Aberdeenshire.

The removal of the British embargo on Canadian cattle is evidently still a live question, in Scotland, as shown by the following item from a recent issue of the "North British Agriculturist," a paper which has strongly opposed the free admission of Canadian "Stores."

"A rather curious debate for a Literary Society, "should the restriction on Canadian cattle be removed?" was held in the Public Hall, New Deer under the auspices of the local Literary Society. The local papers state that there was a large attendance, and considerable interest was taken in the debate. Mr. Nilne, coachbuilder, supported the negative, and Mr. Godsman, of Mains of Fedderate, the affirmative. Mr. Nilne made an able speech in favor of his side, pointing out the injury that would be done to small farmers and crofters who depended mainly on their stock for a living, were Canadians admitted: but Mr. Godsman who argued mainly on Free Trade theories was one too many for him and in the end carried the affirmative by a considerable majority. The great majority of those present were not farmers at all, but the vote shows how opinion may go even in this large cattle breeding country."

Unless all signs fail, the Second Annual Ontario Auction Sales to be held in Ottawa, on Feb. 12th., and in Guelph, Feb. 28th, will prove a pronounced success. The inspector appointed to visit the farms of all breeders who had entered stock, have now completed their work. Only animals of good quality and in good thrifty condition, that are likely to prove profitable to purchasers have been accepted. Among the latest entries are two fine young Guernsey bulls from the herd of Hon. Sydney Fisher of Knowlton, Que., which is without doubt the largest and best herd of Guernseys in Canada at present. Both contributors to the sales and prospective buyers will feel confident of the ultimate success of this plan, when they know that the innovation is supported by such men as Hon. S. Fisher, Hon. Jno. Dryden, A. Johnston etc., etc. Catalogues of the sales are now ready for distribution, and may be had on application to the Sec'y., Mr. A. P. Westervelt, Parliament Buildings, Toronto. F. W. Hodson,

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#### Mr. Wu's Opinion of a Liar.

(From 'Success.')

The reporter who lied to the Chinese Minister at Washington, Wu Ting-Fang, about his salary, no doubt deluded himself with the thought-if he gave the matter a thought at all-that it was a 'white lie' that would hurt nobody. But let us see the sequel:-

On the first occasion, when he called to interview the Minister, he was asked what salary he received. 'One hundred and fifty dollars a week," glibly replied the youth. 'It is too much. It is altogether too much,' said the more candid than polite Wu Ting-Fang, You are not worth more than twenty five dollars a week.'

The Chinese Minister, it is said, learned later, through other newspaper men, that the reporter had not spoken the truth, and that, instead of a hundred and fifty dollars a week, he received but sixty dollars. Consequently, when he again represented himself at the Chinese Legation for information for his paper, he was curtly dismissed by Wu Ting-Fang with these words: 'You lied to me about your salary. If you will lie about such a thing as that you will lie about anything. I do not trust you. I have nothing to say to you. I want to revise my former estimate of your value. Instead of being worth twenty five dollars a week, you are not worth anything, sir.'

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