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#### A Japanese Letter.

The spirit animating the Japanese navy, and we may be sure it is representative of the national sentiment as a whole, is admirably portrayed in a letter written by the commander of a Japanese torpedo boat shortly before the battle that annihilated the Russian navy. The letter was written to a friend in England and published in The London Times. It is impossible not to admire the devoted patriotism of the writer, who yet speaks in generous and sympathetic terms of his country's foes. The story told by the writer of "Father" Togo's ruse to reach his home quietly when arriving in Tokio after a previous victory is a delightful one, and one wonders whether he was equally successful after his wonderful victory over Rojestvensky. Here is the letter in full: -

Dear O,-A thousand apologies for my lengthy silence. We have been and are still busy, busy preparing a royal reception for the guests from Baltic.

When we of Suiraidau (torpedo corps) meet ashore we discuss and often wonder if, after all, the Russians will come or will they fail us. Do they know that we are ready? To the north-west lies the harbor of Masampho, to south that of Sasebo, while Moji is on our east, and here we are waiting, waiting for the enemy. Will he never come?

If you do not hear from me when a meeting has taken place, take this as my farewell. I do not expect to see you again in this life, except, perhaps, in your dreams. When my boat goes down I shall go, too, and a Russian ship with us.

It takes her weight in shells to sink a torpedo boat-it's marvellous how they (the shells) do not hit.

I have seen, not one, but many torpedo actions, and I know. With six compartments in the boat we ought to be able to close in within yards of the target before she is sunk. If we hit, we shall go down with the Russians; if we are hit the Russians shall come with us, for the last man alive will steer the spare torpedo in the water. What is life but a dream of summer's night? Can one choose more glorious an exit than to die fighting for one's own country and for the Emperor who is a ruler and leader to the nation's heart? Does not many a worthy man end his life's chapter obscure for want of opportunity? Then let us uphold the honor and the duty of being Japanese. By going down with them we shall, in a measure, pay the debt we owe for the slaughter of these poor innocent peasants. They, too, are fighting for their country, so shall Bushi honor Bushi. There are more torpedo boats and torpedoboat destroyers than the number of ships in the whole fleet of Admiral Rojestvensky, and if each of them destroys or disables one of the enemy's vessels it ought to do.

Father Togo, now grey-haired, walks quietly to and fro on the bridge of the Mikasa, and keeps silence, so all will go well. Do you remember the story when he went up to Tokio for the first time since the commencement of this war? Some public school boys were determined to unharness the horses off his carriage, at the instignation of the Asahi, I believe, and themselves draw it up to the gate of the Imperial Palace. Well, Father Togo got wind of this, and so he sent his chief of staff in the carriage, while he was seen, but not recognized, to be walking towards Nijubashi, with his little daughter's hand in his. Will he play another trick upon the poor unsuspecting Russians when they

I bid you again farewell. Work, work, and work, for the coming Japan depends on you young fellows. I remain your ever humble brother.

T. N.

#### A Jewel of a Juryman.

Lawyer-"Have you formed any opinion on this case?"

Juryman-"No, sir."

"Do you think, after the evidence on both sides is all in, you would be able to form any opinion?"

"No, sir." "You'll do." -- [New York Weekly. WOODSTOCK, N. B., SEPT. 6 1905.

The author of the following poem is one of the old-timers among the settlers of the province of British Columbia. He has written several novels dealing with life on the frontier and several fine poems. The latter have given him his truest fame. "The Sea Queen Wakes" is one of the strongest calls to the defenders of the Empire since the time of Thomas Campbell. Captain Olive Phillips-Wolley owns the whole of Piers Island, in the Gulf of Georgia, and it is there that he now does most of his literary work. This poem was written just after Emperor William had sent his message of congratulation to Paul Kruger upon the unsuccessful ending of the "Jamieson Raid." It was upon the occasion of the assembling by Great Britain of the flying squadron at Plymouth.

THE SEA QUEEN WAKES.

She wakes! in the furthest West the murmur has reached our ears. She wakes! in the furthest East the Russian listens and fears-She wakes! The ravens clamour, the winds cry

overhead: The wandering waves take up the cry, 'She wakes whom nations dread!'

At last, ye have roused the Sea Queen; at last; when the world unites She stirs from her scornful silence, and wakes to Her last of fights Alone, with a World against Her, She has turned

on the Snarling crew,
No longer the Peaceful Trader, but the Viking North Seas knew.

She calls, and Her ships of battle-dragons Her seas have bred-Glide into Plymouth harbour and gather round Beachy Head.

She Wakes! and the clang of arming echoes through all the Earth, The ring of warriors' weapons; stern music of soldiers' mirth.

In the world there be many nations, and there gathers round every throne The strength of earth-born armies, but the sea is

England's own. As She ruled, She still shall rule it, from Plymouth to Esquimault, As long as the winds are tameless—as long as the

waves are salt.

This may be our Armageddon: seas may purple with blood and flame As we go to our rest forever, leaving the world a

name. What matter? There have been none like us, nor any to tame our pride; If we fall, we shall fall as they fell, die as our

fathers died-What better? The seas that bred us shall rock us to rest at last, If we sink with the Jack still flying nailed to the

Nation's mast. -OLIVE PHILLIPS-WOLLEY.

#### Dyspepsia.

Medical science doesn't seem to be able to cure it. One professor says one thing about all the time people keep on suffering terribly. Now what's the use of wasting words in argu ing the matter? Why don't you get some Hutch tablets and try them? Take one after each meal. Plenty of people have cured themselves in this way, and that ought to be proof enough that it will cure you too. It is an unusual medicine and does unusual things. It's a doctor for ten cents. 200 sent for \$1.00. One gives relief.

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