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ROJESTVENSKY PREDICTS HIS OWN DEFEAT.

With the Port Arthur Fleet Destroyed Russian Admiral Goes Only to Perish at Togo's Hands.

Admiral Rojestvensky expects to meet the fate of Admiral Cervera. He believes the Japanese will smash him all to pieces the first chance they get at him, as Sampson's fleet smashed Cervera at Santiago. "We are going to a shambles," are the words which Rojestvensky recently used in description of his mission to the far east.

According to this report, which comes through trustworthy channels, Admiral Rojestvensky is highly indignant because the Russian fleet at Port Arthur did not make a sortie and cripple some of the Japanese fighting craft.

"All I ask of the Port Arthur fleet, is that it shall make a bold effort to escape, and in doing so destroy or cripple two of the Japs' four battleships. If they do that the balance of power will be so changed that upon my arrival in the China Sea I can take care of the remainder of the enemy's fleet."

"And if the Russian naval commander at Port Arthur fails to put two Japanese battleships out of commission?" the admiral was asked.

"Then we go to the far east only to perish," was the bitter reply. "The Japanese outclass us in high-power guns and will smash us to pieces."

Inasmuch as the Port Arthur fleet has been destroyed and is no longer able to do anything towards clearing the way for Rojestvensky, the bitterness of the officer's feelings may be easily imagined. The man who brings the foregoing information adds that Admiral Rojestvensky believes he and his men are to be offered as a sacrifice upon the altar of Russian naval pride. Among the masses of the people in St. Petersburg and Moscow—the remainder of Russia don't count for much in the expression of public opinion—there is a general demand that something be done to stay the tide of defeat at sea, hence the belief in the minds of men who have recently been in Russia, that the government will force Rojestvensky to give battle to Togo, notwithstanding the moral certainty that the Russian second Pacific squadron will be easily disposed of by Togo's ships.

Letter from Dr. A. M. Tupper.

The SENTINEL was glad to have a friendly letter last week from Dr. A. M. Tupper, an old Woodstock boy, but now a prominent professional man in the city of Rockport, Mass. As portions of his communication are of much local interest, and right to the point, we reproduce them for the benefit of our readers. He says:—"Although it is many years since I left Woodstock I still read the SENTINEL with interest, and am pleased to note the advance the town is making. Your County Hospital is one of your institutions which should be liberally supported as it must be a great benefit to the community. Nowadays so much better work can be done in a hospital than at the ordinary private house, to say nothing of the poor and the stranger.

Another institution you should have there, and I don't see why you don't have it, is a public library. Why don't you start the ball rolling? I remember the old Mechanic's Library, where, when I was a boy I used to go for books. It used to be up in Col. Dibble's office. Its patrons were few in number, but there were some good books on its shelves. There must be a large number of people in Woodstock who would help out such an undertaking—the formation of a good public library—a free library where all could go and benefit from.

With good wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. I am yours sincerely,
A. M. TUPPER."

Teachers are Scarce.

There are several vacant schools for next term in the county, many of them desirable. The SENTINEL has learned that Mr. Cronkhite of the Grafton school has resigned, to enter the U. N. B. The Watson Settlement district, and the school at Piercemont are also to be vacated. These are only a few that we have heard about. The prospect for higher wages is very encouraging. We would like to see the teachers receive a 25 per cent increase in their provincial allowance. They deserve it.

HOCKEY.

The Provincial Hockey League will have five competing teams. They are Sackville, Moncton, Neptunes, Mohawks and a York County combination comprising the pick of the Trojans and Crescents. Much to the regret of everyone, the St. Stephen Thistles will not be represented. Sussex applied for admission to the league, but the ambitious Kings County boys were thrown down with an awful thud. It is really too bad that Sussex is not represented, more particularly since it is clear that no valid reason has been given for keeping them out. Woodstock never was in the league, and perhaps never deserved to be, but we have some ambitious and really clever youngsters who know the game, and if they had a few years' practice would be able to go up against the best, but alas! next year there will be no rink. As it is, the local team should get on some exhibition matches. The St. John Neptunes, for instance, might be induced to come and give us an illustration of Winter Port Hockey.

Nearly an Accident.

A few days ago what might have resulted in a fearful accident happened a few miles above Hartland on the C. P. R. Through the fault of someone a train that should have crossed another did not get its orders, and went right along. Luckily a long stretch of straight track prevented a collision. The two trains came within a short distance of one another. An investigation has been held.

County Court.

The adjourned session of the county court opened on Monday afternoon. In the criminal cases against H. A. Connell, charged with shooting with intent to do grievous bodily harm; and against Linda Drost, for concealing the birth of an infant, the grand jury found "no bill". The only civil action, that of Kennedy vs. Hale, et al, was postponed. This will be tried without a jury.

Severe Injury.

The friends of Mr. John Harper, Jacksonville, the veteran president of the Liberal Association, will be sorry to learn of a bad accident which he sustained last week. While using an axe he drove it clean through his foot, making a fearful gash. Dr. Kierstead put several stitches in the wound. For a man of his years Mr. Harper bore the injury with great fortitude and is doing as well as can be expected. His friends hope to see him around in a few weeks.

A Close Call.

At Sackville station on Saturday, Rev. Mr. Deinstadt, who was on his way to P. E. I. to attend the funeral of his mother, attempted to board the train, while it was in motion, and in doing so the reverend gentleman made a mis-step and would have been dragged under the car, had it not been for the timely help of two gentlemen who succeeded in pulling him out of danger.

Merchants, Read This.

One of the largest and most successful advertisers in Canada sent us a letter the other day. Here is one paragraph.

"As you are aware, we are at present carrying an advertising contract in your paper, which has always proved to be a very profitable medium and is giving us entire satisfaction. It is therefore our intention during the coming year, to continue as in the past, to take advantage of your publicity and the popularity of your journal."

There is a moral in this for those who are not already "SENTINEL" advertisers.

From The West.

There are many Carleton County people in the West, particularly on the Pacific coast of the United States, not a few of whom read the old home paper, THE CARLETON SENTINEL. Two who have been for a long time away are Mrs. J. L. Dow and Mrs. Harriett V. Orser, both now living in Snohomish, Washington. Mrs. Dow lived at Lower Brighton, and is the widow of the late John L. Dow. Mrs. Orser is the widow of the late Rev. George Orser, founder of the Primitive Baptists. These aged ladies now far from the homeland wish to be remembered to all their friends in the County.

THE CANE.

Final standing:—
F. B. Carvell..... 739
W. P. Jones..... 492
C. L. Smith..... 326
Dr. Hand..... 317
W. W. Hay..... 304
Mayor Good..... 108
F. R. Shaw..... 106
F. B. Meagher..... 85
Scattering..... 397

N. B. Teachers' Union Salary List.

For Grammar School, Superior and First Class Males, other than Principals of Grammar Schools, \$300 per year; Second Class Males, \$240 per year; Third Class Males, \$170 per year; Female Principals of Superior Schools, \$300; Grammar School, Superior and First Class Females, other than Principals of Grammar and Superior Schools, \$175; Second Class Females, \$165; Third Class Females, \$130.

A Splendid Present.

A number of the friends and admirers of the Citizens band waited upon Prof. J. H. Donovan one day recently and presented him with a magnificent silver cornet.

The genial Joe was taken completely by surprise but managed to neatly thank the givers.

The Yukon Election.

The last delayed contest in the federal election has been held, and the seat has gone conservative. Dr. Thompson, a former Nova Scotian, winning by about 500 majority. His opponent was Hon. Fred Congdon, who resigned the governorship of the territory to contest the election. The standing of the parties now is as follows:—

	Lib.	Con.
Ontario.....	38	46
Quebec.....	34	11
Nova Scotia.....	18	0
New Brunswick.....	7	6
P. E. I.....	1	3
Man.....	7	3
N. W. T.....	7	3
B. C.....	7	0
Yukon.....	0	1
	139	75

Majority for Liberals, 64.

To the Editor of Carleton Sentinel:—

Will you kindly give me a little space in your paper to correct a statement I saw in the Woodstock Press of November twenty-first. It says:—"Liberal papers are not correct in their statement that the majority given Sir Wilfrid Laurier in the recent elections is the greatest in the history of Canada. Of course the majority is large, but Sir John A. Macdonald had, in 1873, a majority of 88 members."

The above statement is not correct but I suppose it is as near to the truth as it ever gets. Here is a statement of how the election stood in 1873:—

	Con.	Lib.
Ontario.....	59	29
Quebec.....	49	20
Nova Scotia.....	14	7
N. B.....	5	11
Manitoba.....	3	1
B. C.....	6	0

Conservative majority 68

Just twenty out of the way, and in 1882 the conservatives had 68 of a majority, but in 1887 they had 46 and in March 5, 1891, Sir John Macdonald was sustained with a reduced majority, but increased by subsequent bye-elections. So you see that Sir Wilfrid's majority is one of the largest since confederation.

Will you kindly insert this in your valuable paper for the benefit of all it may concern.

I am, sir, one of your old subscribers.
G. P.

Cedar Cove, Vancouver, Dec. 11th, 1904.

Mixing Canadian and Western wheat.

A correspondent asserts that a mixture of Canada hard wheat with United States Western wheat improves and cheapens flour. He says:—"Mills in Buffalo and Minneapolis are making this better and cheaper flour, but they cannot sell it to people of the United States without paying 25 cents on every bushel of Canada wheat. They have given bonds to sell only to foreign countries. Officials paid by the people guard these mills to insure that Britain and Japan shall get every pound of flour at a lower price than the United States people would be glad to pay for it."

The body of the late Paul Kruger, formerly president of the South African Republic, has arrived in South Africa for burial in the Transvaal.

JOTTINGS.

E. A. Savage of Pioneer called at the SENTINEL office one day recently. Mrs. Garden of Winnipeg is the guest of her sister, Mrs. W. M. Connell.

Rev. George A. Ross wears a pleasant smile these days. There is a boy at the parsonage.

The town schools closed somewhat prematurely on Monday, owing to a few cases of diphtheria.

Dores R. Sharp of Pembroke, who is a student at the U. N. B., is spending his vacation at home.

The Primitive Baptist Quarterly Meeting will be held at East Windsor on January 7th at 10 a. m. M. P. Orser, clerk.

General sympathy will be felt with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Fewer of Farmington, whose six year old son, Charlie, died on Monday.

Rev. H. Goring Alder of Andover, who spent many years in the West Indies, lectured here last Friday under the auspices of the Epworth League.

The large boxes in the post office have been lettered, and the locks repaired. It is now safe to climb the steps leading to the office, thanks to a wooden covering.

Rev. Wylie H. Smith pastor of the Maudslayi Baptist Church, has resigned, to take effect the first of January. The reverend gentleman who formerly had charge of the Florenceville circuit, expects to move to Bangor.

Members of the W. O. T. U. and all friends of the poor are requested to send their Annual Christmas Contribution to the S. S. room of the Advent church on Maple street on Friday, 23rd Dec, where a committee will be waiting to distribute the same. Mrs. Jordan, president.

Murray Mansfield of the People's Bank Staff, Quebec, has been ill for a number of weeks at the hospital in that city, suffering from typhoid. We are glad to hear that he is now much improved, and hopes to come home to recuperate, in a few days. J. Harold McLaughlin is now at the Quebec Agency taking his place.

Early Monday morning the firemen were called out in response to an alarm sent in from the Baird building, occupied by E. W. Mair and Dr. Thompson. It seems that a fire broke out in the doctor's hallway, and burned through the ceiling. Not much damage was done. There was ample insurance to cover the loss.

Alexander Bell of Woodlawn, one of the prosperous Richmond farmers, called at this office on Monday. Mr. Bell had a great yield of potatoes this last year, no less than 830 barrels from a six acre field. With tubers selling at a dollar a barrel there is money in this kind of farming, and no person is more ready to recognize it than our good friend.

J. C. H. Brooks, representing the Merchant's Portrait Company of Toronto, has been in Woodstock and surrounding country for upwards of five weeks delivering enlarged photographs and collecting. The company had unfortunately one or two agents who took several crooked orders, hence Mr. Brooks, who is favorably known in the county, was sent here by special request to explain matters and hold the good reputation of the Company, which has been most satisfactory to all concerned. Mr. Brooks, who resides in Montreal, is an ex-newspaper man, having been connected with the Montreal Herald and Gazette, is the right man in the right place, for none but a newspaper man can smooth over things in the most approved manner.

It is now nearing the time when several hundreds of our subscribers should renew. To those who have already done so we extend our thanks. We regret to think there are many who let their subscription run unpaid from year to year. Some months ago we plainly said to all that the price of the SENTINEL, if paid in advance or within the year, is One Dollar. To those who are slow and will not pay in advance or within the year the charge is One Dollar and Fifty Cents. We will allow every person who owes us anything to settle at the dollar a year rate during the present month. After January first we will on no account whatever allow any rate less than \$1.50 per year on delinquent subscriptions. Furthermore, many names on our list will be given to a collector who cannot be expected to do his work for nothing. This is fair warning to all. Let there be no misunderstandings or errors. Look at the last receipt you obtained.—tf-49.

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Port Arthur.

Nothing seaworthy remains of the once powerful Russian fleet in the East. Whether the Baltic fleet will be of any use when it reaches Port Arthur is a hard question to answer. Discussing the situation the *Scottish American* says:—

"One thing certain is, that what has now been done seems to have convinced the experts that it is exceedingly improbable that Port Arthur will be able to hold out until the arrival of the Baltic fleet. That is, assuming that no further damage will be done, and that the Russians are not put to any additional straits. But meantime the Japanese will be pegging away with those four heavy field guns which they have somehow managed to get into a commanding position on the top of that high hill, and judging by what they have already accomplished it does not seem to be expecting too much that the Japanese will soon now make it too hot for the Russians to remain in any part of Port Arthur. The importance attached to the possession of that high hill was shown alike by the Japanese determination to gain it, and the dogged opposition of the Russians. After losing it the latter did their utmost to dislodge the Japanese, but ultimately gave up the attempt as hopeless, and now have ceased to direct any fire from the other forts against that high hill. This would indicate that the Russian garrison is exhausted. At all events the Japanese are carrying on their work of destruction upon Port Arthur from there almost uninterruptedly."

There is no doubt that this siege of Port Arthur will rank among the greatest in history. It is difficult to decide whether the besieged or the besiegers most command our admiration. Though the actual period of the investment of Port Arthur has only been about four months (though many it may seem longer) it may be said that the Russians have held it ever since the war broke out, and have done so with a bravery and devotion unsurpassed in history; but the Japanese must be their superiors in several most important respects, for throughout the long series of engagements they have been successful, notwithstanding the enormous difficulties they had to contend with. Now the whole civilized world would be glad to see the slaughter ended without another shot fired. No more honour is to be gained by either party through continuing the frightful bloody conflict. The consensus of opinion among all nations would seem to be, that Russia was entirely to blame for the outbreak of this war, and that it alone is to blame for its further continuance.

Public Notice.

As Christmas and New Year's Day fall on Sunday the places of business will observe the following Monday in each case, as a Public Holiday, of which all persons are requested to take notice and govern themselves accordingly. (a)

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