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ICEBREAKER A FAILURE.

The Great Yermak Unable to Force Its way Through the Kara Sea.

The great Russian icebreaker Yermak, with Admiral Makaroff on board, has returned to Tromsoe, North Norway, after endeavoring in vain to force its way through the ice of the Kara sea to the mouth of the Yenisei river, Siberia, says the New York Sun. Its purpose was to steam around the north end of the Novoya Zemlia and break its way through the ice of the Kara sea to the Yenisei. It was found, however that the ice of the Kara sea was too heavy to be broken by the Yermak, in spite of the great weight and powerful machinery of that vessel.

The failure of the Yermak to carry out Admiral Makaroff's plans for last summers work disposes of the scheme, in which he has reposed much faith, of finally settling the question of the north pole by making a journey to it on his ice breaker. He has repeatedly expressed his confidence that the Yermak could break a road through any Arctic ice, and he proposed to command the ship on a voyage to the pole.

The failure of the Yermak this year, however, proves the impracticability of his scheme, as far as the Yermak, at least, is concerned. It is possible for an ice breaker to force its way to the north pole the achievement can be accomplished only by a vessel that is heavier and more powerful than the Yermak

This great ship, however, has abundantly proved its usefulness for commercial purposes. The vessel was built to break up the ice of the Baltic so as to give ships access to Russian ports and rivers at times when they are usually closed by ice. In March, 1898, the Yermak, fresh from the shipyards where it was built, entered the frozen port of Kronstadt with comparative ease, and then going to Revel liberated 33 vessels of a value of $7,500,000, so that they were able to go on their way with cargoes. Then returning to Kronstadt and St. Petersburg the Yermak opened the way for the entrance of 40 steamers several weeks before the ordinary time.

In 1899, the Yermak was subjected to still severer tests She went to Spitzbergen about the close of the season of navigation pushed into the polar ice and made a journey through the pack ice. She travelled in the pack about 230 miles. Her powerful machinery drove her bow far up on the ice that was 14 feet thick. Invariably the great weight of the vessel broke the ice and the Yermak went on its way at an average speed of three to four knots an hour. Such work as this makes ice breaking in the Baltic, where the ice is not likely to exceed five feet in thickness, mere child's play. There is no doubt that the Yermak is more than able to cope with any ice that is ever met in the Baltic.

The result of this severe polar test confirmed Admiral Mackaroff in his opinion that the Yermak would be able to cope with any ice in the Arctic regions. The result of this year's work, however, shows that he underestimated the thickness and toughness of portions of the polar pack. The Yermak is never likely to be of much service in the field of exploration,

The Box of Stockings.

The peachy chorus girl who stood at the end of the first row had just received a most peculiar present—a dozen beautiful silk stockings in a box—and it was anonymous. The peachy chorus girl was used to flowers, diamonds, and even pearls; but they were never anonymous. And the very idea of stockings! It was absurd! Still, they were very pretty, with double woven heels, and the box had a Paris label.

A Wall street broker who had become known as The Friend of the Chorus, through his generous tips on the market, took her to supper the next night, and she said that she hated to get anonymous presents and that if she knew who had sent her the stockings she would send them right back.

He laughed in an amused way over his champagne.

'Why, didn't they fit?' he asked, and he laughed again.

She told him she didn't intend to try them on until the man who sent them apologized. He still seemed amused. He said it was more fun to send things anonymously.

The next day the musical director of the company, who was a high roller with protegees among the chorus, whom he intended to help along in their art, called in to run over a little song that he had arranged for her to do alone.

She pouted as she told him the story as though it were a grievance. She thought it was horrid, she said. And every man she spoke to about it asked her if they fitted, and she couldn't tell who had really sent them.

She felt sure that the particular admirer who had sent them would come around and look unconscious in a couple of days. Men who send things anonymously always do.

Finally a Johnnie that she knew admired her called one afternoon, and she eyed him closely while she told him of the hosiery,

He smiled and winked in a knowing way.

'Did they fit?' he asked. He kept on looking knowing when she said she hadn't tried them on yet.

'I am sure no one intended them as an affront,' he said. 'Dont you like them?

'Oh they're pretty enough,' she admitted.

'Well, do they fit? he inquired; 'you see its so difficult for a fellow to know!

That day she had a letter from her sister in Syracuse saying that she had sent her a box of stockings on the way from the French steamer to the train, while in New York, and she hoped they were all right. She had only just had time to write to her about them. She didn't say anything about whether they fitted or not.

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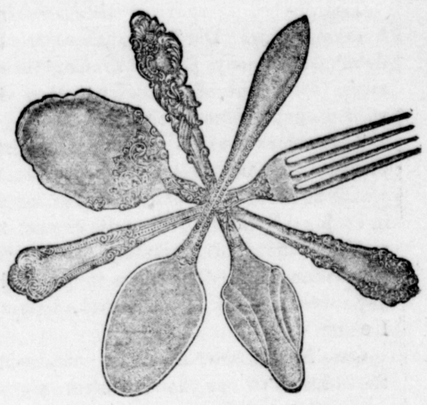

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