

THE CHARLOTTETOWN GUARDIAN

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JAPAN'S GROWING COMMERCIAL MARINE.

All are familiar with the fact that Japan is a very considerable naval power. The echoes of her victory over the Russian fleet in the late war sounded round the globe. But not so many are aware that Japan is pushing into existence a strong commercial fleet which is rapidly taking a place in the carrying trade of the world. Especially is Japan aiming to share in the commerce between America and the far east.

At Tacoma the other day arrived the Japanese liner Panama Maru, of the Maritime Steamship Company. The Panama Maru is the fourth of the six ships operated by the Osaka line to carry the Japanese flag on the long Pacific voyages. Her sister ships now in commission are the Tacoma Maru, the Seattle Maru and the Chicago Maru. Three weeks ago the fifth ship, the Mexico Maru, was launched and it is expected that she will be in commission within two months. The last of these six ships, the Canada Maru, will be ready for launching in November and next March will begin the work for which she is designed, the freight and passenger service to Tacoma.

It is to be observed that these Japanese liners, while built primarily as freighters, are entirely modern in their construction and equipment, so that they can carry large cargoes and handle it with the greatest despatch. For instance, the Panama Maru is furnished with powerful derricks, each capable of handling a load of sixty tons. The liner is also fitted with large silk rooms, which are fireproof and waterproof, and are kept at a regular temperature, so that the bales of costly goods may be transported without danger of damage. The first trip brought to America a thousand

packages of raw silk valued at \$700,000 and 2,800 tons of tea.

The freight on the Japanese liner was unloaded and transferred to special cars in twelve hours after the ship arrived, and was promptly speeding away across the continent to New York. This incident serves to show that the Japanese liners on the Pacific, which can be operated at less cost than American or British ships, are likely to gain a principal share of the carrying trade of the Pacific within a few years. Already Japan is doing more of this trade than the United States, and Canada must look alive that her flag, like that of the great Republic is not to be driven off the western ocean.

The Japanese steamer referred to is not large, as modern steamers go being 400 feet long, 50 feet beam and a gross tonnage of 6,059 tons. She is licensed to carry 12 first-class and 186 passengers of lower classes. The prompt and economical handling of freight is the prime object, and in this line there is little doubt that success will be achieved. Half a dozen such steamers plying between Japan and America, give strong evidence of Japanese enterprise and the competition which Canada will meet from that quarter in the future.

It is most regrettable that in face of such developments by Japan, the commercial tonnage of Canada is yearly falling off. We built ships in the olden days under a revenue tariff and have almost ceased to build them since the adoption of protection. Tariff reduction and a renewal of the shipbuilding industry are now indicated as matters of prime importance if the Dominion is to hold her own against the swift invasion of the carrying trade of the Pacific by our smart competitors from the Far East.

SOME FACTS ABOUT FIRE LOSSES.

Leaving out all forest fires, the losses from fires in the United States in 1907 were equal to \$2.51 per head of the population of the country, according to the Boston Common. Thus the annual fire tax upon the people in the way of fire losses averaged \$12.55 per family of five persons. We have not the Canadian statistics at hand, but there is little doubt that the losses from fires in buildings and merchandise are quite as great proportionally in Canada as in the States, and in forest fires greater, because of our larger forests.

In the year referred to the fire losses were equal to half the value of all the new buildings erected in the country. This seems almost appalling, burning half what we build! Equally appalling is the contrast between the new world and the old in the matter of fire losses—\$2.51 per head in America, 33 cents per head in Europe. Chicago and Berlin have about an equal population, but Chicago's fire losses average \$6,000,000 a year against an average of \$150,000 in Berlin.

Wooden buildings in America as against stone or brick in Europe account for much of this difference, but careless building and the neglect or absence of inspection accounts for much also. For instance, here in Charlottetown every man is a law unto himself as to what manner of house he shall build and how he shall build it. It would be easy without official hindrance to build a dwelling or a shop in the heart of the city, in such fashion either by design or neglect that it would almost assuredly take fire the first time fires were lighted. This does not happen, however.

Our city has not suffered from fires as many others of equal size have suffered. This is largely due no doubt to the honesty of our people, their careful habits, the abundance of our water supply and the promptness and efficiency of our fire department. But we ought not to be lulled into false security and neglect any reasonable precautions. There ought to be careful official inspection of all new buildings, and of all electric installations at least. And the time must come when within the heart of the city there shall be no more wooden buildings erected.

In response to the general desire and to give their employees an opportunity to attend the sports on the Athletic Grounds, the principal stores and places of business in this city will be closed at 5 o'clock this afternoon.

Mayor Gaynor of New York when suddenly shot the other day by a would be assassin displayed admirable self-control and fortitude. Doubtless such courage in emergency, even in the face of death, ought to be more common than it is. The Persian idea, made ours by Emerson's translation is worth thinking over:

On two days it stands not to run from thy grave,  
The appointed, and the unappointed day;  
On the first, neither balm nor physician can save;  
Nor thee, on the second, the Universe slay.

"There are about 20 different shades in that lovely soft Fall-ette silk that Moore & McLeod are showing. This particular range is shown exclusively by this firm and is equal to most lines shown at 1.00. The special price is only 79 cents per yd. Moore & McLeod 8-174dtf.

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"Brown's big 'money-raising' sale is a splendid event to do economical purchasing. You can make your money, in many cases, do double duty. Visit the store while the sale is on. 8-16d31.

A Sweeping Victory for Gregg Shorthand

Gregg Shorthand won a sweeping victory in the Fifth International Shorthand Speed Contest, held at Washington, March 26, 1910.

Writers of Gregg Shorthand won FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD places.

Of the eighteen contestants who entered, fourteen were writers of Pitmanic shorthand, and four writers of Gregg Shorthand.

EVERY ONE of the Gregg writers qualified in the transcribing. One of the Gregg writers qualified on two transcripts within the allotted time, one of which won second place.

Ten of the fourteen writers of Pitmanic shorthand were disqualified for inaccuracy or failed absolutely in their attempt to transcribe their notes.

World's Record Established.

The winner exceeded the best previous record on non-count matter in the International Contest for the Miner Medal by twenty-three words per minute.

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Executors' Notice

The undersigned Executors of the last will and testament of Peter A. McInnes, late of Souris, in the County of Prince Edward Island, Medical Doctor, deceased testate, hereby notify all persons indebted to the estate of the said deceased to make immediate payment to them at the office of Fraser & McQuaid, Solicitors, Souris; and all persons having any claims against the said estate are hereby required to present the same, duly attested, at the office aforesaid, within twelve months from this date. Dated this eighth day of August, A. D. 1910. MICHAEL MCGORMACK D. O' M REDDY, Executors.

St. John, N.B. SEPT. 5 to 15 DOMINION EXHIBITION EASTERN CANADA'S GREATEST FAIR

A Grand National Event EDUCATIVE: Monster Industrial Exposition, Grand Horse and Cattle Show, Poultry, Pet Stock, Bees, Forestry and Minerals, Natural History, Flowers. ENTERTAINING: Fireworks Every Night, Bostonia Ladies Orchestra, Military Brass Bands, Two Vaudeville Theatres, Thrilling "Swing of Death", High Wire Performers, "Musical Ride", "Dragoons", "Monster Pike" and "Midway", Daily Cattle Parades, Horse Races at "Moosepath".

EXCURSION RATES FROM PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

Table with columns: Stations, Issue Sept. 3 to 14 Good to return 16th, Issue Sept. 5, 6, 7, 8 Return 7, 8, 9, 10th. Lists rates for Tignish, Alberton, Bloomfield, O'Leary, Port Hill, Summerside, Kensington, Freetown, Emerald Jet, Cape Traverse, Bradalbane, Hunter River, North Wiltshire, Charlottetown, Bedford, Mt. Stewart, C. rdigan, Montague, Georgetown, Morell, St. Peters, Bear River, Souris, Vernon, Vernon River, Murray River, Murray Harbor.

LODGING AND BOARDING INFORMATION LISTS ON APPLICATION.

PLAN YOUR VACATION FROM SEPT 5 TO 15

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Public Auction

I am instructed to sell by Public Auction at Hugh McLean's, Milton on Thursday Aug. 26 at 2 o'clock sharp, the following lot cattle: 4 head of large fat cattle, a number of fine steers for winter feeding, also 1 choice milch cow. Terms credit until Nov. 1st on approved joint notes. John Stewart, Auctioneer. 8-17d1wpd.

MARITIME SECURITIES.

Aug. 15, 1910. Quotations furnished by J. C. McIntosh & Co. Exchange Building, Halifax, N. S.

Table with columns: BANKS, Ask, Bid. Lists British, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Royal, Union of Halifax.

MISCELLANEOUS

Table with columns: Ask, Bid. Lists Acadia Fire, Acadia Sugar, Do. Ord., Brandram-Henderson, East Can Sav & Loan, Eastern Trust, Halifax Fire, Nova Scotia Telephone, Stanfields pfd, Do. Com., Trinidad Elec.

BONDS.

Table with columns: Ask, Bid. Lists Acadia Sugar, Brandram-Henderson, Halifax Tram, N. S. Steel Ists, Do Debenture Stock, Porto Rico, Stanfields Ltd, Trinidad Elec.

STOCK QUOTATIONS.

Table with columns: NEW YORK, Aug. 16—(Special)—Copper, Baltimore, B. R. T., C. P. R., Reading, Southern Pacific, St. Paul, U. S. Steel, Union Pacific, Missouri Pacific.

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FUNERAL NOTICE

The members of St. Lawrence Lodge No. 8, I. O. O. F. and Wildy Lodge No. 27, I. O. O. F. will meet at Odd-fellows Hall at 1:15 p. m. on Wednesday, Aug. 17th to attend the funeral of the late Bro Percy Tanton from the residence of Mr W. N. Tanton, Elm Avenue to People's Cemetery. Dress: black suit, silk hat, white gloves. J. W. Muley, Recording Secretary, St. Lawrence Lodge. George Waller, Recording Secretary, Wildy Lodge. 8-17d11.

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