

Watches in a Tantrum.

Watches are trying, vexatious things when they get to acting badly. There are few inanimate things that can bother one more when they turn really obstinate and rebellious. But, no matter how balky and stubborn your watch may be, we will engage to put it into apple pie order once more at very modest cost. Our repairers know their trade. They fix a great many watches in the course of the year, and few, indeed, are the cases where their work does not give absolute satisfaction. They repair jewelry too broken scarf pins, rings whose settings have worn loose, and all sorts of things of that kind, and do it as well as it could be done, anywhere. Have you work for them?

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ON THE VERGE OF A GREAT CONFLICT

Russia Will Not Recede From Her Position--Japan Realizes That She Must Fight and Is Confident of Victory

London, Jan. 29.—Havashi today said the Russian reply had not yet left St. Petersburg, and not the slightest inkling of its contents had been given out.

Japan is Reasonable.

London, Jan. 29.—The Central News today says it is authoritatively informed that Japan is not anxious to deprive Russia of access to warm water seas, and doesn't ask the evacuation of Port Arthur and Daini. Japan is ready to recognize Russia's special interests in those places and Manchuria.

Russian Troops Are Moving.

London, Jan. 29.—A dispatch to the Standard from Tokio says that, according to information from a reliable source large bodies of Russian troops are being moved to the Korean frontier from Fengmangcheng and other points in the interior of Manchuria.

A dispatch to the Daily Mail from Seoul reports the arrival of 1000 Russian troops at Antung yesterday.

A dispatch from Nagasaki to the Daily Telegram, affirms that the Korean government has bluntly refused the renewed demands of Italy for a gold mining concession in Korea.

The Pekin correspondent of the Times cables that Tseng Chi, Tartar general of Mukden, has telegraphed the foreign board at Pekin that the Russians have demanded that he supply 500 carts for immediate service. The board replied that owing to China's decision of neutrality Tseng Chi must decline to supply the carts in question.

Russian Activity Excites Japan.

London, Jan. 29.—A dispatch to Reuter's Telegraph Company from

Tokio says the elder statesmen were received in audience by the emperor today. Russian activity in the Korean frontier is exciting increasing uneasiness.

No Concessions in Manchuria.

London, Jan. 29.—The London Daily Mail prints a dispatch from its correspondent at St. Petersburg, stating that the Russian reply will concede the Japanese demands, in so far as they relate to Corea, but will refuse to make any concessions in Manchuria.

Troops Leave for the Yalu.

Paris, Jan. 29.—The Paris edition of the New York Herald announces the departure of the Ninth, Tenth and Eleventh Siberian Rifles for the Yalu river. The correspondent says that Vice-Admiral Alexieff is suffering from influenza, but he confers daily with his military chiefs.

Predicts War Next Month.

Seattle, Jan. 29.—Not only is war unavoidable in the Orient, but it will occur before the end of February. This is the opinion expressed by H. Hashi, publisher of the New York Japan and America, who arrived in this city today after a year's stay in Japan. He said in an interview: "Russia will not agree to the proposed terms, and a conflict is, therefore, inevitable. I believe it will occur within 30 days. I saw the Japanese troops leave for Corea, and at that time Japan had 30,000 soldiers in that country. Japan will certainly defeat Russia both on land and water. A Japanese army will be poured into

MASONS AT GERVAIS

The new Masonic temple at Gervais, erected in the place of the one burned a year ago, was last night dedicated by Grand Master Moran, in the presence of a large number of Masons throughout Oregon. The building is a substantial brick, and is a credit to the members of the craft in that city. Following the impressive ceremonies of dedication, the new officers of the lodge were installed by the grand master, assisted by some of the visiting dignitaries. Among the members from this city who were present were: Judge Geo. H. Burnett, W. W. Hall, H. B. Thielsen, Wm. Bennett, Wm. Warner, Chas. Lembecke, F. Van Patten, Dr. M. S. Skiff, Dr. W. A. Cusick, Dr. T. C. Smith, Jr., C. T. Bonney, F. W. Steusloff, Wm. Steusloff, John C. Slegmund and Lot L. Pearce.

A Fine Christmas Present.

Newt. Ferrell yesterday received a box by express from Roseburg, containing a pair of rare Scotch Collie pups, about six weeks old. He has no means of knowing where they are from, but suppose some old friend has made him a present. The animals are about six weeks old. They are handsomely marked like a Scotch Collie, but they have "moccasins" on their feet, so Newt is inclined to believe they are possibly crossed with the celebrated Alaskan dogs. They have long blue fur, and when grown will be as fine a pair of dogs as there are in the country. Money couldn't buy them of their proud owner.

Rev. James Matthews.

Rev. James Matthews, father of Prof. J. T. Matthews, of Willamette University, died Thursday at the home of the latter in this city. Mr. Matthews was born at the Parish of St. Paul, Cornwall. He came to Oregon in 1872, and was admitted into the Oregon conference in 1874. Ever since that date until a year ago, when he came to reside with Professor Matthews, he has been in active work in the Northwest, holding many prominent charges. Rev. Matthews was 67 years old. He died of exhaustion and melancholia.

Japanese Cruiser aSils.

Colombo, Ceylon, Jan. 29.—The Japanese armored cruisers Niasin and Kasaga, which arrived here January 27th, have sailed.

Local Social Realm

PERSONALS.

H. C. Porter, of Aumsville, is in the city today.

Theo. M. Barr went to Portland this morning for a brief business visit.

B. O. Schucking left for Portland this morning, for a few days' stay.

Mrs. W. G. Westcott went to Portland this morning for a business visit. Governor Chamberlain was a visitor for Portland yesterday afternoon.

J. E. Roberts, a prominent resident of Marion, is in the city for a few days.

Miss George Giltner went to Portland last evening, after a few weeks' visit here.

Mrs. L. M. Roney, left last evening for her home in Eugene, after a visit with her sister, Mrs. R. P. Bonham.

Dr. F. E. Smith has gone to Corvallis to visit relatives. Mrs. Smith has been at that place for several days.

L. C. Cavanagh, who has been seriously ill at his home, at No. 213 Cottage street, for the past two weeks, is again able to be about.

Messdames M. W. Hunt and J. T. Hunt, of the Waldo Hills, have been in the city for several days, guests of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. S. Downing, on East State street.

George D. Beaty, a son of F. J. Beaty, of Chemawa, arrived this morning from San Francisco for a two-weeks' visit with his father. He is in the navy, and for the past year has been on the training ship Mohican, cruising off the west coast of Mexico.

For Rent—Team, wagon and harness. Inquire, before noon tomorrow, of L. C. Fleher, corner car line and North Liberty street. 1-29-31*

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MERCHANT TAKES THIRTY GUESSES

City Subscribers Can Hasten the Disposition of the \$150 Tiffany Diamond Ring

About one-half of the guesses on The Journal Diamond ring guessing contest are out, and the contest can be closed in two weeks more if all the subscribers will simply take their free guess, and tell their neighbors to do the same. There are enough subscriptions falling due in the next two weeks to take up every guess, and the ring can be awarded.

Of course, The Journal could take all the remaining Diamond receipts and fill them out with guesses that would be just as good as anybody's guess, throw them into the sealed tin box, close the contest and award the diamond. But it would have two guesses to everybody's guess combined, and that would not be fair, and The Journal will adhere to its original program and agreement with the subscribers to make it absolutely their guessing contest. No one connected with this office nor any of The Journal office force will be allowed to have a receipt or a guess on the diamond, and when the unknown number is disclosed and the guesses made public it will be done in the same manner that the unknown number was formed—by a disinterested committee of subscribers, and the ring will be given away on their order. The close of the contest awaits the disposal of the rest of the Diamond Guessing Contest re-

ceipts to old or new subscribers. It is positively open to all and on equal terms—no one has any advantage and one guess is as likely to get it as another, if the guess is made according to the plan published in full in this paper. Study that plan if you have not taken advantage of it, do so at once and get a free diamond ring or pin or shirt stud—have it set as you like—besides getting your money's worth of a bright newspaper.

Subscriber Pays Sixty Months.

About a dozen of Salem's business and professional men yesterday took guesses on The Journal's \$150 diamond ring. One paid up 60 months' subscription, and says if he doesn't wear that ring it will be because some one else is a better guesser. But when it is remembered that the number is unknown, and that one number is just as likely to get it as another, it will not be surprising if a person with only a single guess takes the prize. Indeed this is one case where there can be no distinction as to persons or participants. All are on exactly the same level, and there can be no preferred class. If the guesses keep coming in at the present rate it will not be long until the contest will close, and the guesses seem to be on the increase from day to day. Don't put off your guess until it is too late.



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We have just received from our mill a limited number of White Blankets, slightly damaged in finishing, but otherwise just as good as perfect blankets. Call and examine them.

Prices from \$3.50 to \$4.50

\$18 Suit now \$12.50

Our Suit Sale is still on. Men are availing themselves every day of this opportunity to buy. The best patterns, best materials and the best made clothing to be had in the city at such low prices.

A large number of suits reduced from \$18.00 to \$12.50. You may be looking for something about \$18.00 reduced from \$25, or perhaps a more inexpensive suit, as a \$15 suit for \$10, \$12.50 for \$9, or a \$9 for \$8. We have them here.

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Underwear

Look in our show window. Underwear reduced from \$1.50 a suit to 45c a garment.

Salem Woolen Mill Store

C. P. Bishop, Proprietor

Watch Our Show Window.

Manchuria, and the Russians will be driven across the border." While in Japan Mr. Hashi was brought into close contact with government authorities, and thoroughly understands the situation.

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