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## A MANLY UTTERANCE

The MAIL will call attention to the manly communication of R. D. Hume, in another column. As he takes this view of the matter, after the scrvy treatment he received from certain of his opponents for which, however, the MAIL does not consider Mr. Coke responsible, his late supporters can certainly afford to swallow their disappointment and heartily support the nominee.

Mr. Hume shows himself a man of larger caliber than many of those who were instrumental in accomplishing his defeat.

## THE TICKET

The ticket nominated at the Coquille City convention is a strong one. John S. Coke, who heads it, is a clean young man of marked ability, and the other candidates are equally all well and favorably known throughout the county.

It may be well, however, for Republicans to realize, at the start, that if they wish to elect their entire ticket they have their work cut out for them.

For some unaccountable reason the Democrats are picking up their feet as though they intended to really be in the race, and "confidence" is a great thing. Without specifying too closely, it may be said that there were things about the way the convention was manipulated the memory of which will not help to the success of the ticket nominated there, no matter how good it is.

There are sores to be healed and animosities to be quieted, which need never have been made or aroused. For this, the gentlemen who have places on the ticket were not responsible and ought not to be blamed, but the fact that they exist will not help elect our candidates. It is now up to the Republicans who are influential with the rank and file of the voters to bring them into line in support of a ticket that is good from top to bottom.

## AFTER THE CONVENTION

It is to be hoped that the vanquished delegates will make plowshares and brush-hooks of their political guns and swords now that the war is over.

The work is about complete all but electing the ticket named and no one doubts that there will be a most expeditious ratification on election day.

Our ticket is a good one, sound as a dollar and need not wait to get its second wind to wipe the Democratic warriors out of the race. It has running qualities and will be properly groomed.

Floral tokens of respect to the de

feated politician; who honestly works every means which is honorable, are always in order and the fragrance thereof is so strong to the defeated and can be gracefully bestowed by anyone.

The DAILY COAST MAIL has many good friends in the "also-ran" class and we say to them, shake. You made the light you could under the circumstances and your conscience is clear. It now behooves you to put your shoulder to the wheel and help roll up a resounding Republican majority.

Of course the COAST MAIL put up as hard a fight for Mr. Hume's nomination as it could, with the field against their candidate, and the changing of a precedent which seemed an unsurmountable difficulty. And for a sole-and-alone fight. The MAIL feels that it made a fair showing.

## IMMOBILITY OF SURF BATHING (Oregonian)

There are few brighter and happier scenes in this dull old world than the combination of strength and beauty, skill and daring, picturesque color and invigorating exercise that may be seen on any Summer's day at a popular seaside resort. It is there that animal spirit find vent in heatful sport, which sends the blood coursing freely through the veins, while the salt water and fresh sea breezes tan the cheek and rejuvenate the whole frame, blow the cobwebs of worry and prehaps of dissipation out of the brain and give the tired worker or reveler saner views of life and strength for its battles.

But certain women of the W. C. T. U. look at a scene like this and are moved to shame. They cannot think of the sexes bathing together at seaside resorts without feeling a suggestion of indecency. They cannot possibly think of themselves, for example, in a bathing suit in a mixed assembly in the surf without a certainty that they and their male companions would be taken up, not with innocent pleasures, but with impure imaginings, which they characterize in resolutions as "vile, revolting and corrupt." It is a pitiful revelation of an uneasy mind.

At the risk of being indelicate, we have spoken plainly. Unto the prude, all things are lascivious. We can tell these good women, for they are good in spite of their malady, that immortality does not lurk in the ocean plunge, in the open air amid the gayty of a laughing crowd, half so much as in the quietude of solitary walks or the oppressiveness of heated rooms or the workings of a diseased imagination. Take a swim, sister; forget your dreams of unworthy desires and get some color in your cheeks. Then you will want the seaside throngs and they will want you.

## Bill Passes Senate

Washington, Apr. 12—The Senate passed the Postoffice Appropriation bill.

## Killed in Snow Slide

Vancouver, B. C. Apr. 13—Thos. Downie, a train dispatcher and brother of Wm. Downie, and Will Dodds son of the gold commissioner of the Kootenays were on a work train Tuesday working to remove one snow slide, when another slide happened killing them both.

## Twelve Prisoners Escape

Des Moines, Apr. 14—Twelve prisoners escaped from the Fort Des Moines military prison this morning.

# News of the War

## New Chwang Impregnable

St. Petersburg, April 12—An officer of the official staff this morning stated that New Chwang is in a perfect state of defense.

The city is impregnable except for a long sloop, and the earthworks are so perfectly arranged that surprise by land is rendered impossible, while at sea attack is to a large degree precluded by countless mines and torpedoes.

## Going Toward New Chwang

St. Petersburg, Apr. 12—An official dispatch from Port Arthur reports that a Japanese squadron has appeared on the horizon off Port Arthur, this morning, but did not approach the fortification. It was apparently proceeding in the direction of New Chwang.

## Pflug Says No

General Pflug telegraphs from Mukden that there is no truth in the report that Japanese have crossed the Yalu and had a skirmish with the Russians.

## Ten More Warships

Rome, April 12—A Tokio dispatch states that the Japanese Minister of Marine has arranged for ten more warships to be placed at the disposal of Admiral Togo, to cover a large radius of action.

## Czar Reviews Troops

St. Petersburg, April 12—The Czar reviewed the horse guards at the Army

## Russian Battleship Lost

Berlin, Apr. 13—A St. Petersburg semi-official telegram received here states that the Russian battleship Petropavlovsk has been sunk off Port Arthur. Four of the officers including the Grand Duke Cyril, the Czar's cousin were wounded.

Another private message from Port Arthur adds that two other ships were seriously damaged. The Petropavlovsk, it is reported, was destroyed by a torpedo and all on board are said to have been lost except four officers, including Grand Duke Cyril, and these were wounded.

## Cyril's Wound slight

St. Petersburg, Apr. 13—Grand Duke Vladimir, father of Grand Duke Cyril, has received a dispatch from Grand Duke Boris stating that Cyril's wound is slight. No mention is made in the telegram of losses of the crew.

The cause of the disaster is reported to be contact with a Russian mine, not with a Japanese torpedo.

Thanksgiving services were held in the palace of Vladimir because his son's life was spared.

## Rumor of Makaroff Capture

London, Apr. 13—A rumor originating in Paris, has it that Admiral Makaroff, commanding the Russian sea forces at Port Arthur had been captured by the Japanese is not confirmed.

## Report May be Correct

London Apr. 12—In naval circles it is pointed out that there is considerable possibility of the reported capture of Admiral Makaroff at Port Arthur. Recent reports stated that Markaroff has been making sorties from the port in small boats, doing scout duty. The possibility is allowed that the admiral grew over confident, and the Japanese

this morning. He drank to the health of the regiment and addressed the men in encouraging words.

## Communication Interrupted

St. Petersburg, Apr. 12—A Port Arthur dispatch states that torrential rains have temporarily interrupted telegraphic communication.

Grand Duke Boris arrived at Port Arthur today.

The Russian fleet has just returned from a cruise far out to sea.

## Easter at Port Arthur

St. Petersburg, April 12—The night of Easter Sunday, in anticipation of a Japanese attack, Admiral Makaroff passed aboard a guard boat. During the night service, the church windows were covered to prevent the enemy seeing the lights.

## Skirmishes Near Wiju

London, Apr. 12—A Seoul dispatch this afternoon states that Japanese officers at the Korean capitol report frequent skirmishes not far from Wiju on Korean soil, and that the main body of Japanese are not far from the shores of Yalu.

## Rumors of Fighting

London, Apr. 12—Tokio dispatches renew rumor that fighting has commenced on the Yalu.

Makaroff being the hero of the hour Port Arthur, his capture if confirmed will be a sad blow to Russia.

## Seven Hundred Dead

St. Petersburg Apr. 13—It is now announced that seven hundred are dead, including Vice Admiral Makaroff, as a result of the sinking of the battleship Petropavlovsk by contact with a mine. The battleship was returning from a cruise.

## Not Considered Impossible

London, Apr. 13—Labouchere in his newspaper, Truth, today quotes a Russian friend as stating that the impression in Russia is that the war will be ended the coming Summer.

This friend is further quoted as saying that a fight with England over the Thibet expedition is not considered impossible.

## Details Confirmed

St. Petersburg, April 12—The general staff has confirmed most of the details of the blowing up of the battleship Petrapavlovsk by a mine. Twenty-five sailors escaped from the ill fated vessel in addition to the officers mentioned.

Grand Duke Cyril's escape is described as miraculous. Although seriously wounded, he swam ashore.

The first reports that other ships were injured are not confirmed. The Czar dispatched a courier to Madame Makaroff to convey his condolences.

## Russians Repulsed

Tokio Apr. 13—An Anju dispatch states that a company of Russian troops attempted to cross the Yalu west of that town this morning, and a company of Japanese drove them back. Twenty Russians are known to have been killed. They belong to the twelfth regi-

ment of sharpshooters. Several other Russian parties have been repulsed in an attempt to cross the river.

## Official Account

St. Petersburg, Apr. 13—Vice Admiral Grigorovitch sends the following official account of the loss of the Petropavlovsk.

The Petropavlovsk struck a mine at the entrance to the harbor today. The mine exploded and the vessel was overturned. Our squadron was near the Golden mountain at the time, and the Japanese were approaching the port.

"Vice Admiral Makaroff is apparently dead. Grand Duke Cyril, Captain Yakovlev and five officers and 33 sailors escaped. A number of bodies have already been recovered."

## St Petersburg Stunned

St. Petersburg, Apr. 13—The Capitol is stunned by the reported disaster to the battleship Petropavlovsk and the death of Makaroff. While the official departments keep silence, adding greatly to the uncertainty as to just what has happened at Port Arthur, confirmation is fearful, as news of the catastrophe comes through sources of high standing.

As the news percolates slowly, the people gather in knots to discuss it in whispers.

## Japanese Fleet Withdrawn

St. Petersburg, Apr. 13—An official dispatch this evening states that the Japanese fleet, after a battle with the Russian forts and ships all day, has retired and is now stationed at Liatschan to the south of Port Arthur.

## Battle in Progress

St. Petersburg, Apr. 13 5 p. m.—Latest official dispatches state that the battle still continues off Port Arthur.

## Jap Scouts "Annihilated"

St. Petersburg, Apr. 13—An official dispatch confirms Kourapatkin's report of the annihilation of fifty Japanese scouts, at Somalid, and adds details of the Japanese movements.

The Japanese had been entering opposite Chahedisi, disguised as Koreans, and spreading along the river as far as Pomahonha.

In a second dispatch Kashtalinski reports that on the night of the eleventh a suspicious looking boat approached

the mouth of the river Laohoe. After several shots were fired at her she put out her lights and retired. At the beginning of the cannonade seven junks put out from the right bank of the river, but being fired at, retired.

## Another Version of Skirmish

Tokio Apr. 13—An official account of a skirmish between two small bodies of Japanese and Russians on the tenth, on the banks of the Yalu was received today.

It states that a lieutenant and five marines were sent in a Korean fishing boat to reconnoiter about the mouth of the river. They sighted seven Russian cavalry men on a Chinese junk, and attacked them. The Russians were reinforced but were finally driven back, losing one killed and two wounded. The Japanese suffered no losses.

The report apparently concerns the same fight noted in Kourapatkin's statement, with the difference that the latter stated that the Japanese boat was sunk and all on board were lost.

## Japanese Attack Port Arthur

Cheefoo, Apr. 14—A private dispatch from Port Arthur states that the Japanese fleet attacked Port Arthur this morning. The full Russian fleet under Makaroff went to meet the Japanese, and aided by the forts, drove the attackers off.

## Serious Loss

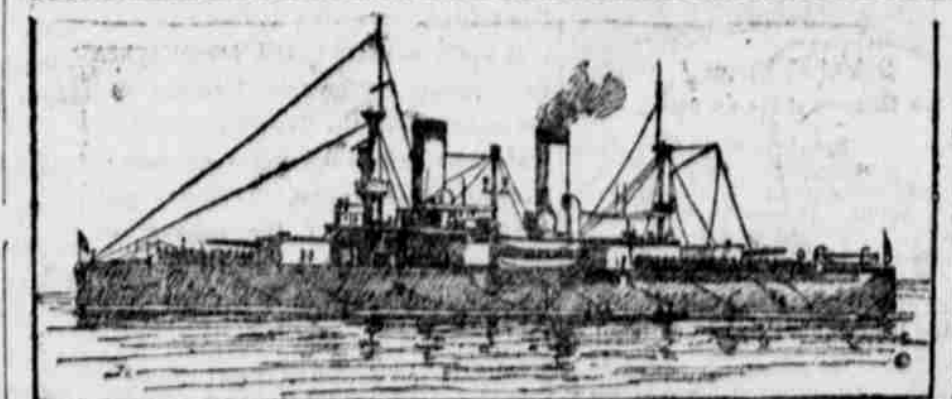
London, Apr. 13—Loss of Vice Admiral Makaroff is blow the seriousness of which can hardly be estimated. He was the very heart of Russian aggression of Port Arthur.

Up to the time of his assuming direction of affairs, the Russian Warships crouched shivering under the of Port Arthur waiting a renewal of the Japanese intermittent attacks. When it came they spluttered back in a blind.

In place of this, Makaroff actually assumed the offensive. On the night of March tenth he sent six torpedo boats to sea to look for the Japanese warships. These met the enemy and maintained a hot fight on each side losing one torpedo boat.

Observing this torpedo boat foundering, Makaroff went out with two cruisers to face the entire Japanese fleet, but was too late to be of assistance.

Such action is a perfect index of his work since, infusing new life into the dry bones at Port Arthur.



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## INDIAN PRINCE MANGLED

La Fayette, Ind., Apr. 14—A Marbath Indian prince of Laohoe, while riding a bicycle at Purdue university this morning was struck by a street car and lost his left leg. He was terribly mangled and may die.

## League Meeting

The regular monthly business meeting of the Epworth League took place at the home of Miss Jennie Eickworth in South Marshfield last evening.

The following officers were elected: Miss Maude Brown, Pres; Mrs McPherson, Department Spiritual work; Milo Sumner, Department of World's Evangelism; Mrs J W Carter, Department of Mercy and Help; Miss Bess Brown, Department of Literary and Social Work; Frank Sumner, Secy; Howard Savage, Treas; Miss Anette Morse, Organist.