TOGO'S SHIP SINKS. HOLY WAR RAGES IN CAUCASUS.

MIKASA IS LOST WITH NEARLY 300 MEN.

Over Rojestvensky Destroyed by Fire While with Flect-Members of Other Crews Perish in Attempting Rescue.

Admiral Togo's flagship, the Mikasa, which was destroyed by fire and the explosion of her magazine at an early hour Monday morning, was lying at anchor in the harbor of Sasebo at the time of the disaster. Hundreds of dives, including about 300 members of her crew and men from other ships who went to the rescue, were lost. It is hoped the vessel can be repaired. The little town, which has risen to prominence since the outbreak of the recent war, had passed a quiet Sunday. In the harber were several warships that had taken part in the annihilation of the formidable navy of Russia. The quiet of the night was violently disturbed a little after midnight by a terrific explosion, accompanied by a severe shock.

A crowd assembled on the coast, only to discover that a terrible disaster had overtaken the beloved Mikasa. the flagship of Admiral Togo, who led his men to victory in the life-and-death struggle in which the nation had just been engaged. The absence of the admiral from the ship at the time of the explosion and the hope that the vessel can be repaired are the only redeeming features of the calamity. There is a deep feeling of sympathy throughout the nation for the victims of the disaster.

The fire started from an unknown cause at midnight on Sunday. Before the officers could be rescued the fire reached the aft magazine, which exploded, blowing a hole in the port sidcausing the ship to sink.

Naval men are at a loss to understand how the flames could reach the magazine so soon, despite the steel bulkheads and compartments and the

Tartars Are Massacreing Armenians of All Ages and Sexes. A holy war has been proclaimed in

he Caucisian districts of Zangezur and Jebrail, where Tartars are massacreing the Armenians without distinction of sex er age. Many thousands of Tartar horso Wessel Which Led Fleet to Victory men have crossed the Perso-Russian frontier and joined the insurgents in deer ying Armenian villages. At the vil- more particularly in the western porage of Minkend 300 Armenians were tions. The temperature conditions in the slaughtered. Dispatches say that mu- Atlantic coast and gulf districts and on tilated children were thrown to the dogs the Pacific coast were generally favoraand that the few survivors were forced ble. to embrace Islamism in order to save

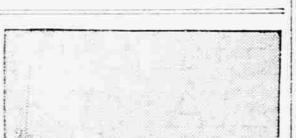
> their lives. That for a time the authority of the Russian government over part of its Cau- made good progress toward maturity, casian provinces is to be set at naught having advanced rapidly in the northern by the war of irreconcilably antagonistic and western portions. Much of the crop aces seems highly probable. The latest is already safe and cutting is general



WHERE HOLY WAR RAGES.

dvices from that troubled district reand religious passion, have proclaimed in others, the plant having stopped growa hely war on the Armenians.

Both the races engaged in this bloody druggie are bitterly hostile to the Rus- tion in others, the plant having stopped an government. The Armenians, who growing on clay soils. Slight improvetre now spread over the territories of ments reported from Alabama and porhree countries-cersia, Turkey and Rus- tions of Louisiana and Texas, but in sia-are one in spirit. In the two coun. Florida, Georgia, Tennessee, Missouri, tries last named they have been engaged Arkansas. Oklahoma, Indian Territory



CORN-CUTTING UNDER WAY.

Notwithstanding Cold and Wet, Crops Make Good Progress. Crop conditions are summarized as

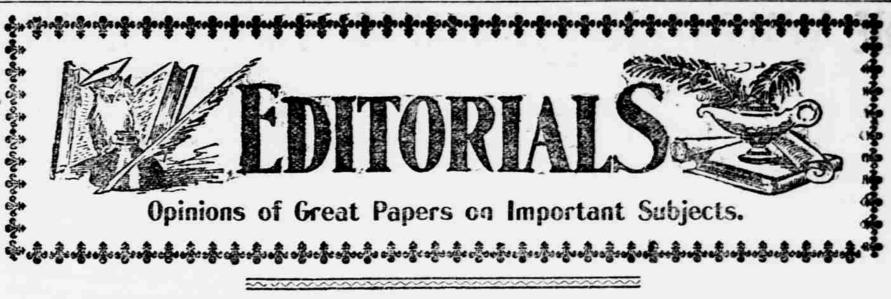
follows in the weekly bulletin of the weather bureau:

In the lower Missouri, central Mississippi and Ohio valleys the week was cool and wet and farm work was more or less interrupted in these districts,

Notwithstanding the excessive moisture and cool weather over the greater part of the corn belt, generally corn has over the southern portion of the belt. In Iowa it is estimated that four-fifths of the crop will be safe from frost by the 25th and the remainder by the 30th. The harvesting of spring wheat is now practically finished in North Dakota and Minnesota. Large areas, however, on flooled lowlands in the last-named State have been abandoned. In North Dakota the little thrashing that has been done indicates disappointing yields, considerable being smutty. In South Dakota the yield of spring wheat is good, but the quality is variable, Thrashing is completed in Oregon and harvesting is progressing under favorable conditions in Washington, except in the northwestern counties, where it has been interrupted by showers.

In the Carolinas the cotton situation is not materially changed as compared with that of the previous week. In South Carolina a slight improvement is ort that the Tartars, inflamed by racial indicated in localities and deterioration ing on clay soils. Slight improvement is indicated in localities and deteriorain an incessant struggle against persecu- and the greater part of Texas there has been more or less deterioration, with slight improvement over seattered local areas. Boll weevils and other pests are increasing in portions of Texas. Gener-

ally the weather conditions throughout the belt have been highly favorable for picking, which work has been actively carried on.



Against Costly Funerals.

PRIEST in a factory district of Western Massachusetts recently began a crusade against costly funerals among his parishioners. On investigation he found that their expense frequently impoverished the bereaved family, and that in order to pay for a magnificent coffin,

elaborate floral settings and a long procession of carriages, all of which constituted only "a passing pageant of an hour," a household was often compelled to deuy itself for months the bare necessities of life. In his pulpit accordingly he openly denounced such practices, and asked that henceforth those of his flock who died be buried as simply as they had lived.

The words of this priest bore good fruit. Simplicity instead of ostentation has more and more characterized the funerals of his parish, and as a result the community. as a whole has been much happier. This was not because It grieved the less over its dead, but because, being less starved by extravagant manifestations of its sorrows, it could bear them with a greater fortitude. Nor has a single parish only been blessed. The sentiment against costly ceremonials for the dead has spread to other parts of Massachusetts, where other clergymen have followed the example of the priest .- New York Tribune.

All Bosses Are Vulnerable.

O ruler is so vulnerable as a political boss. There are no legal or constitutional forms which must be gone through with to bring about his deposition. He is boss only so long as the mass of the people are either willing that he should rule or unwilling to take the trouble to dethrone him. With all the criti-

cism and attacks upon the forms of popular government in the United States, the quality of the government is what the people make it. They will usually get as poor a government as they will put up with, just as a man in private life gets as little for his money as he is willing to accept.

Philadelphia's experience is instructive. It took only In the middle Atlantic States, New a few days for the people to overthrow a rock-ribbed and England and the Ohio valley the catting long-established political machine and to assert their will

tion. And much good feeding has made him a delicate critic of cuisine. Who can blame the farmers' wives? It is time to call a halt. Let the wheat rot! What with her regular duties of cooking and washing and sewing and the dairy and a hundred other things, the farmer's wife has enough to do. The threshermen can cook for themselves or eat a cold lunch.

In the West they do it differently. The thresher gang carries a cooking outfit and gets its own meals. No extra demand is made on the rancher's wife. Threshing is a picnic and the housewife is a guest at table. Should the Indiana women stand firm they may be as independent. If ever a strike is justified this has been one of the cases .--Indianapolis Sun.

The Power of Resolution.

OVERTY and failure are self-invited. The dis-Cara and a second aster people dread often comes to them. Worry and anxiety enfeeble their force of mind and so blunt their creative and productive faculties that they are unable to exercise them properly. Fear of failure or lack of faith in one's ability is one of the most potent causes of failure.

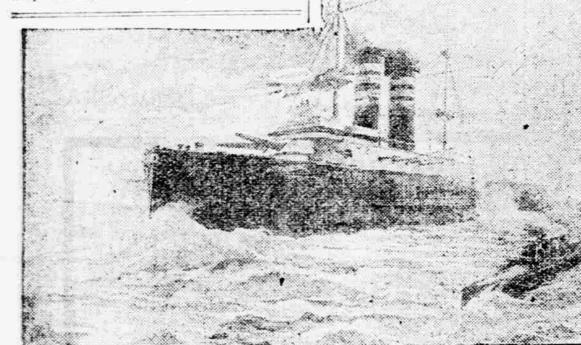
Many people of splendid powers have attained only mediocre success and some are total failures because they set bounds to their achievement beyond which they did not allow themselves to think that they could pass. They put limitations to their ability; they cast stumbling blocks in their way by aiming only at mediocrity or predicting failure for themselves, talking their wares down instead of up, disparaging their business and belittling their powers.

Thoughts are forces, and the constant affirmation of one's inherent right and power to succeed will change inhospitable conditions and unkind environments to favorable ones. If you resolve upon success with energy, you will very soon create a success atmosphere and things will come your way; you will make yourself a success magnet. -From Success.

Blaming the Woman.

HERE is a domestic tragedy reported from New York which illustrates forcefully the comnon tendency of a wronged wife to "blame the woman in the case." The man in the tragedy is the father of five children. He way the president of a great corporation with wonderful prospects of success. He fell in love with a 16-year-old office girl and neglected his family for her. The family for lack of support, were forced to make their home with relatives. The man has lost his position in the business world-he is a moral and financial bankrupt. And what did the wronged wife say when told of his perfidy? Did she brand him as a reprobate and monster, that should be punished? No, never! She burst into tears and exclaimed: "He was one of the best men in the world. That girl hypnotized him and caused this." As is usual under the circumstances, the man, to whom she looked and in whose strength in business she had great faith, was in her opinion a weakling in the hands of a designing girl, notwithstanding the girl was but 16. Some means should be devised for the protection of poor man .-- Indianapolis Sun.

efforts of the crew to quench the blaze. The Mikasa was a first-class battleship of 15,200 tons displacement. She



THE MIKASA, TOGO'S FAMOUS FLAGSHIP.

in 1902. The battleship was 400 feet published volume on the problems of long, had a speed of over eighteen knots | Russia declares that the Caucasian Arand carried a crew of 935 officers and | menians are as badly off as those in Turmen. She was heavily armored and key and that they are "united in a concarried four twelve-inch guns, fourteen spiracy of hatred of the whole populaand a number of smaller rapid-fire guns. | Tartars have been equally bitter in their She had four submerged torpedo tubes. | animosity toward Russian rule. In a

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noon on that day Admiral Rojestvensky, they complain earnestly of the practices with a fleet of thirty-six ships, including of their rulers in forbidding them the eight battleships, three coast defense free exercise of their religion and deships, three armored cruisers, five pro- spoiling them of their property, and of tected cruisers, four hospital and repair the tyranny which forces them to cele ships, and thirteen destroyers, was met brate the Russian holy days, send their by Admiral Togo in the Mikasa. The priests into the Russian military service clash came when the Russians were pass- and give their children Russian names. ing Asushima island, at the narrowest part of the straits, midway between of the oppressed Tartar for the oppress Japan and Korea. There Togo gave ed Christian, for the time has suborbattle.

The Russian fleet was formed in two lines, the cruisers and small ships on the west, the battleships on the east. Togo's fleet swung around from behind the island of Tsushima and attacked the Russians from the west. The Russian foranation was fatal. Between Rojestvensky's light battleships and Togo were all of his smaller ships, and his heavy gun fire was blanketed at the beginning of the battle.

As the afternoon wore along Togo crowded the Russian fleet nearer and nearer the Japanese coast. The battleships Borodino and Kniaz Souvaroff legation in London that a secret treaty were sunk early in the fight. After sunset the Japanese torpedo boats attacked. The Russian fleet was practically wiped out before Sunday morning. One battleship and three cruisers surrendered on Sunday.

sian warships. Only the little cruiser made without the knowledge even of Almaz and a few destroyers escaped to Baron Komura and M. Witte.

was built in England and was launched tion. Prof. Milyoukov in his recently six-inch guns, twenty twelve-pounders, tion toward the common oppressor." The relays of perspiring attendants. The Mikasa won a lasting name in petition lately addressed to the Czar, the of Ethiopia and has sent him a number annals of naval warfare on May 27. At Sultan and the leading European powers of presents.

Apparently race prejudice, the hatred dinated all thought of the common and tagonism of these peoples to their rulers

Whether the Russian government has the means at its disposal to cope with this extraordinary situation and prevent the use of its territory as a battleground for a holy war remains to be seen.

CZAR TO PAY \$500,000,000

Secret Treaty with Japan Exacts Tribute from Emperor.

According to a special dispatch to the New York World from London it is known perfectly well at the Japanese has been made between the Czar of Russia and the Emperor of Japan, despite the usual diplomatic denials. It is reported also that Russia agrees in the treaty to give Japan a free hand in China, though this point is not so Togo sunk or captured twenty-five Rus- certain as the other. The compact was

and housing of tobacc, have progressed under favorable conditions, this work being about half finished in Kentucky, nearly completed in Maryland, Virginia and Tennessee and completed in North Carolina.

No improvement in the apple outlook is indicated, a very poor crop being promised in practically all of the apple States. The general outlook for potatoes continues unpromising, blight and decay being extensively reported, except in New England and portions of the Missouri valley, where the prospects are more favorable. In New England a good crop is indicated and in Iowa the early potatoes are good, but the late have been damaged by blight. Plowing and seeding have made excel-

leat progress throughout the central valleys, lake region and middle Atlantic coast districts.



Sarath Kumar Ghosh, the East Indian author, is expected to come to this country next season on a lecture tour. On his recent visit to Paris, the Shah of Persia was fanned night and day by

The Emperor of Abyssinia has deco-

rated the German emperor with the Star

The Russian minister at Rio Janeiro and all his family are Buddhists, while the Japanese minister and his secretary are Christians.

Sir William Garsten, on a recent trip to the upper Nile, shot the largest elephant on record since the reconquest of the Soudan. Its tusks weighed 294 pounds.

King Edward's reign has not brought joy to the hearts of London tradespeople, as a greater portion of the trousseau of Princess Margaret of Connaught was purchased in Paris.

The late Sir D. M. Petti, a parsee of Bombay, who founded numerous cotton mills in India, gave \$2,500,000 to benevolent projects and was created a baron, an honor conferred on only one other native.

Dr. Henry H, Rasmus of the First M. E. church, Catford, England, objects to the practice of lowering the lights while the sermon is preached. He says he wants to see when his congregation has had enough.

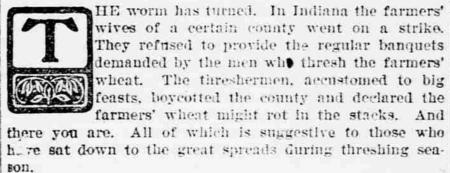
Sawa Moroshoff, the Russian "wool king," is dead, aged only 44. He employed 70,000 workers. At the beginning of the war with Japan he made his government a present of 100,000 blankets, which never reached the army in Manchuria.

Lord Darnley, father of James I. of England was the son of Vethew Stuart

in place of the bargainings of a boss. This can be done in New York or anywhere else at any time.

But doing it once is not enough. Periodic spells of reform and spasmodic civic risings demonstrate the power and ability of the people, but without continued effort there is no permanent reform. If the constant attitude of all the people in every American city were what it has been in Philadelphia for a brief time, the days of a political boss would be over and civic corruption could find no cranny in which to exist .- New York World.

Strike of Farmer's Wives.



For weeks the farmer's wife must plan for the big feed. Everything in the bounteous menu of country cooking is provided. Possibly a beef is killed. Chickens are slaughtered by the dozen. There are six kinds of pie and other things in proportion. All day long the women must stand svel the hot stove save when washing the dishes. She must be nimble to serve the stuff that cannot be "passed." And in this ministering to the lordly appetites of the threshermen the housewife is perhaps laid up in bed for a week or is well started on a spell of nervous prostration.

The monarch of all he surveys is the man with the red machine and the traction engine. He tells the household when it must get up in the morning. And no man dare knock off at eventide except upon his signal. Let the women wait and keep things piping hot! Everything-the servants, or to vindicate that rather tedious and pestiferous farm, the house, the help, even the dog is under his direc- person, Wu Ting Fang .- Cincinnati Inquirer.

RAG CARPET THE FASHION.

Bociety Has Resurrected It Along with Antique Furniture.

And still another old fashion is being revived. There has been a return to favor of old clocks, and belstends, tables and chairs and well papers, until it seemed as though there was no accessory to an old-fashioned house that has not had its counterpart put upon the modern market, with very often a pretty story attached to prove It an heirloom.

There is one thing, however, that until very recently has remained in the oblivion to which it was consigned years ago. With all the fad for things old-fashioned, the homely but serviceable rag carpet was not resurrected until a short time ago, when an enterprising manufacturer made the venture. It is the real thing, too, and not a paraphrase of rag carpet made of silk in the shape of fancy rugs, but the real old-fashioned carpet that is woven like those for which our grandmothers carefuly saved all their rags. Furthermore, it is woven of real rags

Guard the Gates.



UBLIC opinion has been little modified touchng the admission of Chinese to the United States. It is not uncommon to hear that the Chinamen are getting to be the only reliance in this country for a serving class. Those who final have heretofore been expected to supply the

demand are taking up higher lines. Chinamen are non-assimilative, politically, and are likely to last longer without pride of station than any other race. To throw the gates wide open again, however, would make us the dumping ground for hordes of Asiatics. It is hardly worth the space it would occupy to dwell on the evils of yellow. congestion. Everybody knows a great deal about them. The gates against the Oriental peril must not be thrown down to accommodate a few people who want domestic

FIVE GENERATIONS OF PENNSYLVANIA FAMILY.



At a reunion of the Keller family in the old Keller homestead, in Rockland Township, Berks County, Pa., recently a photograph of five generations of the family was taken. The oldest member of the family is Mrs. Esther Keller, 95 years old, who is shown seated on the right. While she is somewhat feeble of limb, her mind is bright, her hearing acute and her eyesight as good as it was thirty years ago. Next to her in the picture is her daugh-Man Carolina Damphach 60 rooms old: nort in Man Dohomah K Ingit

| sky, seriously wounded, was taken pris- oner, as was Rear Admiral Nebogatoff. S50 Rear Admiral Voelkersam and Rear Ad- yea will | ars, less the amount which Russia Il pay Japan for her care and mainte- | daughter of Queen Margaret Tudor, widow of James IV. of Scotland, and her second husband, Archibald Douglas, | neighborly associations. This particu- lar manufacturer uses samples of cur- tains and upholsteries which have | the 43-year-old daughter of Mrs. Brumbach; then Mrs. Irwin's daughter, Mrs. Esther A. Wood, of Media, Delaware County. Mrs. Wood holds in her lap her daughter, Baby Ethel May Wood, 10 months old. | | |
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| More than 5,000 Russian sailors were [killed or drowned, and more than 3,000 (were taken prisoners. Togo's battleships and cruisers escaped practically unseath- ed, and he lost only three destroyers in the battle. About 200 of his men were killed and wounded. The Mikasa bore (scarcely a shell mark. The Chicago and Alton has purchased 200 stock cars, forty feet in length, from an eastern firm and is now disposing of all small sized cars. With the larger cars it is believed that the tonnage limit can be reduced and the requisite speed maintained to keep within the twenty- eight hour s. sment law. Directors of the Western Pacific rail- road have awarded contracts for the building of practically the entice line from Oakland, Cal., to Salt Lake City, line | nce of Russian prisoners of war, \$100, 0,000 as provided in the treaty of ortsmouth. The special says that the plan of pay- g secret indemnity was suggested by nperor William at the famous Baltic inference as a way to save the prestige the empire and yet to end the war. The first steam railroad in operation this country was used by the Dela- tre and Hudson Canal Company in 29, to carry coal from its mines to be canal for shipment to New York. The track was 16 miles long. The rails, rolled iron ½ by 2¼ inches, were iked, broad side down, to hemlock ats laid on across ties ten feet apart. The town council of Maikop. Russia, a decided to honor President Roosevelt | British Royal Geographical Society, be- gan life as a midshipman in the old days of sailing ships. The Marquis of Bute of England may well be described as a favorite of for- tune. He has eleven titles, is a baronet of Nova Scotia, and hereditary keeper of | Some of them are woven with a striped effect, just as all the old-fash- ioned ones were seen, the light and dark stripes alternating with more or less regularity, while others showing the more elaborate results of modern machinery are woven in checks about two inches square. In red and black and other colors, producing a vivid contrast, these checks when seen at a little distance look almost like Scotch | carpet costs 75 cents a yard.—Brook- lyn Eagle. Real Speed on an Automobile. Friend—What's that big box on the front of your machine? Automobilist—That's a camera for taking moving pictures. You see, I go so fast I don't have time to look at the scenery, and so I photograph it as I go along.—L'Illustration. Popular and Unpopu'ar. "He doesn't seem to be very popular in political circles just now." "No; he has just launched a boom for himself as the 'popular candidate." | A Different Thing. "Senator, do you think it possible for an honest man to make a reputation in politics?" "Well," replied Senator Badger, thoughtfully, "he might make a repu- tation for his honesty, but when it comes to making a reputation as a politician, that's a different thing." Milwaukee Sentinel. Milwaukee Sentinel. Though a man be a liar in half he Says, and at other times daffy; Yet when he is dead. On the stone at his head. What is this he is fed? Epi-taffy? -Cleveland Leader. "If you want to be happler," says a philosopher, "get rid in your, grudges." | |