

Forecasting Japan's Plan

French Military Expert Outlines the Probable Procedure of Japanese.

Admiral Makarov's Appointment Causes Satisfaction at Port Arthur.

Viceroy Alexieff Handed Over Entire Authority Before Starting for Harbin

St. Petersburg, Feb. 23.—M. Jelts, a military expert, who is to accompany General Kuropatkin to the front, reports that the Japanese will make their base of operations along the line between Ping Yang and Wonsan, Korea, relying upon the protection of the fleet against a flank attack.

The Japanese army will from this line, have to march two hundred miles over mountainous country to the Yalu river where they will find the Russians strongly entrenched. If they succeed in forcing this line back they will find another Russian line extending from the Yalu to Mukden. They may then divide their forces using one-half to hold the Russians in check, while the other half goes south to besiege Port Arthur. In this event, the Japanese will be liable to a flank attack by the northern Russian forces at Kirin.

The appointment of Admiral Makarov to the command of the Russian Pacific fleet, has been published in the Gazette. A Russian correspondent of the Associated Press at Port Arthur telegraphs that the appointment of General Kuropatkin to command the Russian military forces in the Far East has been received with delight here.

Before leaving Port Arthur the correspondent continues, Viceroy Alexieff conferred upon Lieutenant-General the rights of commander in the fortified district.

RED CROSS SOCIETY.

Paris, Feb. 22.—Regarding the offer of the French Red Cross Society to send relief immediately to Manchuria, the Russian ambassador in London, the Russian military authorities on the subject. He says that operations will not commence before some weeks, and then only should practical relief measures be taken. The statement is accepted as an indication of Russia's wish to complete the concentration of their troops before engaging in decisive combat.

Missionaries Arrive Safely

Presbyterian Workers in Manchuria Return to Wonsan During Troubles.

Ottawa Chinese Make Their Bow Before the Police Magistrate.

BRIGHT PROSPECTS OF ROSSLAND CAMP

Annual Report of Le Roi No. 2 Shows a Satisfactory Year's Work.

Rossland, B. C., Feb. 22.—The annual report of the Le Roi No. 2 Company shows a satisfactory condition of affairs. For the year ending December 31, 1903, the company earned profits of \$18,471, of which \$16,000 will be utilized to pay a dividend of one shilling per share.

MOVEMENTS OF TROOPS.

The We-Hai-Wei correspondent of the Times describes a visit to Chemulpo on February 19th, and the movements of troops of various kinds, which he says demonstrate that the Japanese military organization is in a state of activity.

COLUMBIA RIVER WRECK.

Portland, Feb. 22.—Advice from Astoria states that a three-masted schooner was wrecked on the north head of the Columbia river on the Washington shore. Part of the crew clinging to the rigging. The scene of the wreck is most inaccessible.

TURKEY AND BULGARIA.

London, Feb. 22.—Telegrams from Vienna and St. Petersburg this morning, give confirmation of reports regarding the negotiations pointing to a war between Turkey and Bulgaria. The same correspondent of the Daily Mail telegraphs that the Bulgarian government has declared a state of siege over a zone nine miles wide extending along the Black Sea, with a view to preventing the incursions of armed bands.

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VLADIVOSTOCK AND THE RUSSIAN FLEET



Scene in Vladivostock Harbor, Showing the Russian Fleet at Anchor.

Many Guns in Port Arthur's Guns

Gunners From Russian Warships Take Charge of the Forts and Report of a Fresh Attack by the Japanese Is Now Confirmed.

London, Feb. 23.—The Nagasaki correspondent of the Daily Telegraph under date of February 22nd, reports that the Japanese squadron has captured four Russian torpedo boats at Port Arthur. The Russian torpedo boats were captured from various quarters of a fresh attack on Port Arthur by the Japanese.

The report reached Nagasaki from Chefoo, and it adds that the Russian crews of the four torpedo boats have been transferred.

Other news of this attack has been received in London, but the Chefoo correspondent of the Morning Post dated yesterday says the statement is correct that the Japanese torpedo boats were destroyed in the attack on Port Arthur on February 10th. The Times' despatch steamer the Yamato arrived at Chemulpo and stayed for a private anchorage that had been arranged.

Conspicuous at the entrance of the harbor were the wrecks of the Russian vessels that had been sunk after the engagement with the Japanese. Shells were being fired from the forts and the Japanese were seen to be engaged in the harbor.

The methods of the Japanese excite the greatest admiration for all foreign military experts. The British officers declare openly that it is an improvement over anything in their experience, and state that it indicates an organization superior to anything in Europe.

Japan's action in Korea amounts to a complete acceptance of responsibility of the safety of foreigners throughout Korea, and an apprehension of local disturbances have been allayed.

The original scheme on the part of the Japanese board of strategy has been to land at Masampo and march northward, but the naval victories portended all this and enabled the transport to land at Chemulpo.

The Russian Siberian squadron landed at Vladivostock. It is reported that the Japanese are attempting to land troops on the eastern coast of Korea as far as Hwang Ju, which is at present most important and good. It is feared that the Japanese are at present most important and good.

Success by the Russians in this respect will render Chemulpo untenable as a base by the Japanese. On the other hand, should the Japanese successfully occupy it, they will have a clear field in an open sea behind them over which they can carry additional troops as they are needed.

Russian scouting parties are known to be at Anju and it is believed that two companies of Japanese scouts have already reached Ping Yang. This being so, immediate skirmishing may be expected at several points. As an indication of Japanese intentions it is worthy of note that Japanese cruisers are busy patrolling the coast between Korea and Manchuria, and little Japanese artillery has been landed at Chemulpo.

ADVANCE DRIVEN BACK. St. Petersburg, Feb. 20.—It is reported that the Russian advance guard of the Manchurian army has been driven back at several points. The Emperor has ordered a withdrawal into the Port Arthur area.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 20.—The American employed in the Manchurian region, Mr. E. Bishop Brand, reached Anju safely on Saturday. He reports that the Japanese are still in the region, and that the Russian forces are being reorganized.

Chefoo, Feb. 20.—The United States warships Wilmington and New Orleans, which arrived here, have suddenly been recalled to the south. It is reported that an incident occurred at Shanghai, probably connected with the Russian war, the Annapolis, which is expected here tomorrow, has also been recalled to Chefoo.

Japanese government must loyally observe the engagements entered into with the powers as well as the principles generally recognized by the law of nations. That it is well understood that neutralization in no case can be extended to Manchuria, the territory of which, by the force of events, will be the subject of an exchange of views between the St. Petersburg and Washington governments.

THEIR OWN PETARDERS. We-Hai-Wei, Feb. 22.—The British steamer Ching Ping, belonging to the Chinese Engineering & Mining Company, of Shanghai, has arrived here from Port Dalry, and reports that she was fired upon by the Russian warships at several times around her water line. A Russian pilot boat that was coming out of Port Dalry to pilot the Ching Ping, was blown up by a mine.

Sweeping Japanese Victory. Tokyo, Feb. 23.—Advice received from Nagasaki announces another sweeping Japanese naval victory, as the result of which four Russian torpedo destroyers, a part of the Port Arthur defence squadron, have been captured by the Japanese. The announcement created intense excitement in Tokyo.

Alexieff at Harbin. Yng Kow, Feb. 22.—Viceroy Alexieff and his full staff have just arrived at Harbin, where headquarters have been established.

Russian Armoured Cruiser Gromovi at Vladivostock. New Caledonia, Feb. 22.—The Russian armoured cruiser Gromovi, which was captured by the Japanese, is now at Vladivostock.

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GO TO TOKIO. American Military Attachés Will Receive Further Instructions. Washington, Feb. 22.—United States Minister Gresham cables as follows from Tokyo: "It has been suggested by the war office at Tokyo that our army officers to accompany the Japanese army here better go to Tokyo, where they will be kept out of the various armies at different times."

GUARANTEE REFUSED. Tien Tsin, Feb. 22.—Yuan Shun Kai, the commander-in-chief of the Chinese forces, has sent an officer to Port Arthur to act as Chinese military attaché with the Russian forces.

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Russians In Captivity

Refugees From Sunken War Ships Arrive at Colombo in British Ship.

Lifting of Censor's Embargo Proves to Have a String Attached.

Reported Defeat of Russian Vanguard at the Yalu With Great Loss.

SPECIAL CABLE TO THE LONDON TIMES AND VICTORIA COLONIST.

London, Feb. 23.—The Colombo, Ceylon, correspondent of the London Times cables that the governor has received a despatch from the Colonial Secretary, London, informing him that within a short time three hundred and twenty-five Russian sailors, survivors of the battle of Chemulpo, will arrive at Ceylon for detention in Ceylon pending the decision of the Russian government.

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Sinking Of the Str. Nakanoura. Captain Relates His Experience With the Vladivostock Squadron. News of Safety of Crew Appeals Wrath of Japanese.

Nagasaki, Feb. 22.—In an interview with the captain of the steamer Nakanoura, which was sunk by the Russian Vladivostock squadron, says that the Russian warships fired at a distance of four miles. The warships signalled the Nakanoura to follow them, and afterwards signalled that all on board should leave the steamer in fifteen minutes.

Austrian Military Experts Point Out Defects in the Russian System. Vienna, Feb. 22.—The Vienna correspondent of the London Times states the announcement of the capture of the Russian steamer Nakanoura, and the building of railroads taken in hand, as to be a serious blow to the Russian government.

Task Well-Nigh Impossible. General Kuropatkin About to Undertake a Practical Impossibility. Austrian Military Experts Point Out Defects in the Russian System.

RELIEVING SHORTAGE IN FOOD AND FUEL. Milder Weather Will Permit Return to Normal in East. Montreal, Feb. 22.—The railways today reported that freight was moving more freely today in the east than in a month past, and that if the mild weather continues they would soon be able to get their trains running again and relieve the famine now existing at Montreal and other points.

TERRIFIC EXPLOSION IN PARIS FACTORY. Many Asphyxiated and Then Incinerated—Fourteen Unidentified Dead. Paris, Feb. 20.—An explosion occurred today in a factory in the Rue de Valenciennes. The explosion occurred in a room on the top floor of a four-story building. The explosion was so violent that it threw the roof of the building into the air.

HIS ACCOUNTS SHORT. Seymour, Ind., Feb. 22.—Cyrus E. McCready, cashier of the First National Bank and treasurer of the Co-operative Building and Loan Association, has admitted his accounts are short with the two institutions. The amount is estimated at \$100,000.

CAUGHT IN SPOKANE. Spokane, Feb. 22.—John Thamer, wanted at Toronto, Ontario, on a charge of forgery alleged to have been committed in Spokane, has been captured in Spokane. He has confessed to returning to Spokane without extradition.

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