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## ROJESTVENSKY SAFELY THROUGH STRAITS, AND IS NOW AT ANCHOR IN THE CHINA SEA; IS TOGO CAUGHT BETWEEN TWO FIRES?

### The Japanese Fleet Menaced From the North by the Russian Cruisers From Vladivostok.

#### The Russian Vessels Believed To Be Unfit For Fast Maneuvering.

Singapore, Straits Settlements, April 10.—The latest information in regard to the Russian squadron, commanded by Rear Admiral Enquist, which passed here Saturday afternoon, was brought here today by the British steamer Gregory Apar. The latter yesterday sighted the Russian ships 20 miles northeast of Manki, one of the islands of the Ambas group, about 150 miles northeast of Singapore. The Russians were at anchor when the Gregory Apar passed them.

Information has also been received here to the effect that four warships, apparently Japanese, were off Cape St. James, near Saigon, April 7.

#### Headed For Philippines.

Manila, April 10.—The American vice-consul at Singapore reports that a Russian fleet, consisting of six battleships, six cruisers, six converted cruisers, eight torpedo boat destroyers, one hospital ship, one repair ship and sixteen colliers, have passed Singapore, headed this way. The American cruiser Raleigh, the torpedo boat destroyers Barry and Chauncey and the supply ship General Alvin have been dispatched to patrol the west coast of Palawan Island to enforce neutrality. Three other destroyers are preparing to sail.

#### Between Two Fires.

St. Petersburg, April 10, 12:40 a.m.—There is reason to believe that Vice-Admiral Rojestvensky's entrance into the China Sea has been followed by orders for the cruisers Gromobol, Rosia and Bogatry, which have been ready for some time at Vladivostok, to put to sea. Whether it is the intention to send them south immediately or to hold them in the vicinity of Vladivostok is not known. Their appearance outside the roadstead of Vladivostok would constitute a potential threat against Admiral Togo's rear, which will compel the dispatch of a number of heavy fighting ships to Japanese waters; thus Admiral Togo seems to be virtually placed between two fires.

The peace influences in the Government urge that this favorable strategic position represents the present moment for offering officially the olive branch to Japan, reasoning that no matter how confident the Japanese

Government may be of Togo's victory, it cannot overlook the possibility of defeat nor fail to appreciate the complete disaster which would follow the transfer of the mastery of the sea to Russia. With so much depending upon the issues, they argue, both countries have mutual interests in avoiding an actual test, and it is not impossible, therefore, that a new move in the direction of peace may come just as the world expects to hear the call to quarters for the greatest naval battle of modern times.

Certainly the spirits of the war party have been greatly raised by Rojestvensky's success in penetrating to the China Sea, and the prospect of a naval battle, even with the chances against a Russian victory, which would change the entire complexion of the situation, has aroused something like a flash of enthusiasm in many Russian breasts. Some naval officers express the opinion that Rojestvensky, having now safely navigated the straits, instead of sailing north to Japan, can afford to calmly await Vice-Admiral Nebogatov with his division of the squadron, who would arrive there in about three weeks.

The Russian admiralty on Sunday received a long dispatch from Singapore, but no intimation as to its contents has been given to the newspapers. The papers Sunday morning printed Singapore dispatches without comment, the Soviet being the only exception. This paper views the news from Rojestvensky as an auspicious prelude to a decisive battle, which may show that over Rojestvensky still shines the happy star which helped him to escape the Turkish fleet. The Soviet expresses the hope that Rojestvensky is destined to turn the tables and that, even in case of defeat, some of his vessels will be able to break through and reach the Japanese Sea.

#### TOKIO IS CONFIDENT But Is Wondering Which Route the Russian Admiral Will Take.

Tokio, April 10.—Vice-Admiral Rojestvensky's second Pacific squadron has not been reported here since it passed Singapore. Its whereabouts and the plans of Vice-Admiral Rojestvensky are subjects of the keenest general speculation.

It is quite generally assumed that Vice-Admiral Rojestvensky does not desire an immediate battle, and that he will attempt to reach Vladivostok where there are docks and shops, or seize a base. The latter course is deemed unsatisfactory on account of poor facilities and the danger of political complications. Many believe that the Russian naval commander has a second rendezvous in the Pacific Ocean and that he will speedily quit the China Sea and go eastward to the Philippines. If Vladivostok is his objective, the Pacific is considered to

epidemic might start any time in the tenements of the West or North Side. We have had municipal ownership of streets and alleys for a long time, but what is the result? Our streets and alleys are so filthy that they would act as channels to convey disease all over the city if an epidemic were started. "I believe we ought to descend on the city council in a body and force it to improve conditions. I believe that cleaner streets, cleaner houses and cleaner people is the only safeguard." "I know that there may be individual cases where people do not need more dirt on the outside," admitted Dr. Price. "But in the great majority of cases people do not have enough dirt on the inside. People must get closer to the dirt—eat more of it and they will be healthier."

#### MR. STODDARD'S CONDITION Is Still Very Ill But Has a Chance of Recovery.

Cult, April 9.—At a late hour last night the condition of H. Stoddard, the veteran actor, remains the same. The patient shows some slight signs of improvement, but his physician will make no statement regarding his condition beyond that he thought he would recover. Mr. Stoddard's son arrived from New York this morning in answer to the summons sent. The company filled the engagement at Brantford last evening with Mr. Connor in Mr. Stoddard's role of Lachlan Campbell.

#### SUNSHINE ROUTS PLAGUE The Meningitis Epidemic Is Rapidly Dying Out.

New York, April 10.—Like the first plague of cerebro-spinal meningitis which prevailed here in 1872, the present run of the mysterious disease is dying out. Physicians express the belief that it will have disappeared by May 1. The only explanation obtainable for the treatment is daily growing less, and that the condition of the patients shows more improvement than at any time since the epidemic began.

At the various large hospitals it is announced that the number of applications for treatment is daily growing less, and that the condition of the patients shows more improvement than at any time since the epidemic began.

be more favorable for the accomplishment of his purpose, although it largely depends on Vice-Admiral Rojestvensky himself.

#### RUSSIA NOT WORRYING Expects Rojestvensky to Secure the Mastery of the Sea.

St. Petersburg, April 10.—The outbreak of enthusiasm among the military and naval circles at the prospect of a sea fight, which may change the whole complexion of the war, finds no echo in the liberal press, which views with something akin to alarm even the remote possibility of a turn of fortune which would strengthen the Government at home. The chauvinistic organs, however, are filled with long articles discussing Admiral Rojestvensky's chances, but they are all based on the theory that the whole squadron has reached the China Sea. The Novoye Vremya highly commends the admiral for having safely accomplished the difficult feat of bringing the squadron through, declaring the die is now cast.

The Bourse Gazette manifests undisguised pleasure at the scare in British shipping circles and the flurry in insurance rates produced by the sudden appearance of the Russian squadron off Singapore after the British had convinced themselves that the squadron would never go to the far east. "Japan," says the Bourse Gazette, "now stands to lose the mastery of the sea, together with the fruits of all their successes on land. No anxiety is expressed as to whether a sea fight is imminent, expressing the opinion that Rojestvensky is likely to await Rear Admiral Nebogatov and that Admiral Togo will retire closer to his base before accepting a battle.

Strict orders have been issued to the officers on duty at the admiralty not to make public any portion of the long report which arrived here yesterday from Singapore.

Nothing is procurable in regard to the whereabouts of the battleship Kniaz Soutvoroff and other Russian warships reported to be missing from the squadron which passed Singapore. It is said they may be following as a second division. No anxiety is manifested at the admiralty where the Associated Press was informed in reply to a question that "The foreign press and the Japanese were probably more worried about the location of the vessels than we are." There is reason to believe that Rojestvensky is on board the Kniaz Soutvoroff, and that the division which passed Singapore Saturday is in command of a rear admiral.

#### Near Muntok. Amsterdam, Holland, April 10.—A dispatch to the Handelsblad from Batavia, Island of Java, says that a Russian squadron is near Muntok, and that it is expected to arrive at Batavia today.

#### Three Weeks Yet.

New York, April 10.—A St. Petersburg dispatch to the Times says that naval experts consider that Admiral Rojestvensky's fleet must forthwith proceed toward Vladivostok, as any stoppage, even within territorial waters, would greatly increase the danger of torpedo attacks, and that it is expected to arrive at Vladivostok in three weeks.

#### 60,000 SETTLERS FROM THE U. S. Finest of Uncle Sam's Folk Are Leaving Northwest States for Canada.

[Special to The Advertiser.]  
Ottawa, April 10.—W. K. White, of the immigration department, says that there will be 60,000 settlers arrive this season from the United States. Those who are coming are of the very best class.

During the month of March one agency in Nebraska sent into the Canadian west 428 settlers with a total capital of \$431,000.

#### INTERNATIONAL LACROSSE Meeting To Be Held In Chicago to Arrange a League.

Detroit, Mich., April 10.—A Calumet dispatch says that a meeting is to be held in Chicago soon, at which it is expected an international lacrosse league of five to ten clubs will be formed. Chicago, St. Paul, Calumet, Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., and Houghton, Mich., will become members. Clubs are being formed at Port William and Port Arthur, Ont., and those towns are expected to join the league. The Ontario teams have the best material available and would be a strong competitor for the championship.

#### Metress Suicides. New York, N. Y., April 9.—Miss Mary Gallaway, daughter of Robert M. Gallaway, president of the Merchants' National Bank, killed herself in her room in the Hotel Seville in Madison avenue today. Miss Gallaway, who had been a confirmed dyspeptic for several years, was recently removed to the hotel from her father's residence, and was attended by two trained nurses. She had shot herself through the mouth, death being instantaneous. Miss Gallaway was 31.



ADMIRAL TOGO.  
Japan's Famous Old Sea Dog Will Give  
Battle to the Residue of the  
Czar's Fleet.

#### GEORGE HENDRIE CRITICALLY ILL

#### Blood Poisoning Follows Injury to Well-Known Hamilton Turfman.

Detroit, Mich., April 10.—A Nashville, Tenn., special says: As a result of an automobile accident, which occurred near this city a few days ago, George M. Hendrie, president of the Highland Park Jockey Club, and son of William Hendrie, the prominent Canadian turfman, is in a serious condition. Mr. Hendrie was supposed to be only slightly injured. Wednesday his leg began to pain severely and it was found the cut had developed blood poisoning of a serious nature. He was removed to a local infirmary and an operation performed. While his chances for recovery are good, he is still in danger.

#### ASSASSINATED PORTRAIT Picture of the Czar in Russ Public School Destroyed.

St. Petersburg, April 10.—During morning prayers today at the high school of the Roman Government of Poltava, a portrait of Emperor Nicholas was destroyed by an explosive which was let off behind the picture. Four pupils were injured.

St. Petersburg, April 10.—Nine shots were fired at the governor of the prison at Libau last night as he was returning to his residence, outside the town. The governor was not hurt. His assailants escaped.

#### NOBLE ENGLISHMEN DEAD Lord St. Heliers and Lord Chelmsford Pass Away at London.

London, April 9.—Lord St. Heliers, who as Sir Francis Jeune was president of the probate, divorce and admiralty division of the high court from 1891 till Jan. 20 of this year, when he resigned and went to his home, was killed by a bomb, which, according to documents discovered by the police, was to be thrown at the Dowager Empress when she went to the hospital, which she constantly visits. This bomb was to be thrown from a carriage. A resident of Warsaw, who is visiting St. Petersburg, says serious preparations are being made in that city for a grand demonstration of a revolutionary nature on May Day.

#### Ice Driven Off.

Port Huron, Mich., April 10.—The port Huron, Mich., has prevailed here for the last ten days, has driven what ice there was up the lake. Reports from Goderich, Point Clark and other ports on the Canadian shore state that the ice is practically gone and that boats will not have any trouble in getting in any port on that shore.

#### Death in Rowboat. Napawee, Ont., April 10.—Royal Howe, who lived on the high shore of Prince Edward county, was in Deseronto, on Saturday, and started for a rowing party on the lake. He was found dead in the bottom of the rowboat about two miles from Deseronto. Death is supposed to have resulted from heart disease.

#### Victims of Gas. Chicago, April 10.—Henry Monroe, his wife, Anna Thier, an 11-months-old child, and a brother, died while cleaning the inside of a 75-foot chimney at the Meriden, Conn., works. The bodies were found in the chimney. Two ribs were broken and a leg badly wrenched, but he will recover.

#### Fell Seventy-Five Feet.

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#### THE WEATHER. Tomorrow—Cooler.

London, Monday, April 10.  
Sun rises, 5:42 a.m. Moon rises, 9:19 a.m.  
Sun sets, 6:54 p.m. Moon sets, 12:00 a.m.  
Toronto, April 9-8 a.m.  
The weather in Canada today has been for the most part fair, with higher temperatures in Ontario and Quebec, and somewhat cooler conditions in Manitoba and the Territories.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Dawson, 28-48; Victoria, 42-60; Calgary, 28-48; Edmonton, 28-48; Winnipeg, 28-48; Port Arthur, 28-48; Sault Ste. Marie, 28-48; Montreal, 28-48; Quebec, 28-48; Halifax, 28-48.

#### FORECASTS. Monday, April 10-8 a.m.

Today—Partly fair, with local showers. Tuesday—Cooler.

#### TEMPERATURES.

Stations. 8 a.m. Min. Max. Weather.  
Calgary..... 22 15 Fair  
Winnipeg..... 24 16 Clear  
Port Arthur..... 24 16 Rain  
Toronto..... 24 16 Rain  
Ottawa..... 24 16 Rain  
Montreal..... 24 16 Rain  
Quebec..... 24 16 Rain  
Father Point..... 24 16 Cloudy

The weather has turned cooler again in Manitoba and the Northwest Territories, and is showery in Ontario and Quebec. The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the local observatory for the 24 hours ended at 8 p.m. Saturday were: Highest, 54.2°; lowest, 37.5°; above Sunday: Highest, 64°; lowest, 37.5° above.



ADMIRAL ROJESTVENSKY.  
Russia's Hopes Hang On His Fleet of  
Fighting Ships in Far East.

#### GOOD NEWS IN BRITISH BUDGET

#### Revenue Exceeds Estimates by \$15,000,000—Trade Has Turned the Corner.

London, April 10.—Budget day attracted a large crowd of members of Parliament and visitors to the House of Commons today, and when the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Austen Chamberlain, rose to make his annual statement, the House was well filled in all parts.

At the outset, Mr. Chamberlain put his hearers in a good humor by announcing that the revenue of the year just closed exceeded his estimate by nearly \$15,000,000, showing that the trade of the country had turned the corner, and whereas a year ago there was a heavy deficit, there had now been established something more than equilibrium between the revenue and expenditure.

Mr. Chamberlain estimated the expenditure for 1905-06 at \$705,140,000 and the revenue on the existing basis of taxation at \$720,020,000, leaving a surplus of \$14,880,000. The tea tax is reduced by four cents from July 1. There is no reduction in income tax.

#### DOWAGER EMPRESS MARKED TO DIE

#### Bomb Had Already Been Chosen to Assassinate Czar's Mother.

New York, April 10.—A St. Petersburg dispatch to the Herald says one of the women recently arrested with a number of others on suspicion of being concerned in the revolutionary conspiracy, inhabited a villa at Tsarskoe-Selo and there lived a luxurious life, keeping several carriages and horses.

A quantity of explosives was found in her house. Among them was a bomb, which, according to documents discovered by the police, was to be thrown at the Dowager Empress when she went to the hospital, which she constantly visits. This bomb was to be thrown from a carriage. A resident of Warsaw, who is visiting St. Petersburg, says serious preparations are being made in that city for a grand demonstration of a revolutionary nature on May Day.

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#### Shut Down at Port Huron A'so —Due to Difference as to Wages?

Stratford, April 9.—Notices were posted here yesterday evening by the Grand Trunk Railway, closing down the company's big machine shops for an indefinite period. This means that nearly 1,200 men are out of employment. According to Master Mechanic Patterson the reason for the lay off is the necessity for giving the machinery a complete overhauling. On the other hand, it is said in some quarters that the shutdown is due to differences between the management and the men as to wages.

It is said that the machinists in the various shops of the system upon applying for an increase in wages have been met with the following document, of which a copy was presented to the Stratford men by Supt. Robb last week.

"Are you satisfied with your present employment? Are you satisfied with your present wages? Would you agree to settle your grievances individually with your officials?"

A majority of the men gave written answers to the questions. Others refused to sign.

The Machinists' Union is quite strong in the shops, and the men object to having their grievances settled individually in all cases.

Master Mechanic Patterson denied the report that there was any question of wages involved in the shutting down of the shops, but the men are dubious. It is not supposed that the company intend to desert their shops here, as they have within the past year more than doubled the capacity of the works, and other extensive alterations are in progress. The statement of the master mechanic is borne out to the extent that the repair of the machinery is already under way.

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#### PLANS LAID FOR WORLD CAPITAL

#### Will Be Near Hague and in Interests of Peace.

#### A PALACE AND A PARADISE

#### Agent Arrives at New York to Secure Financial Assistance From Americ in Millionaires.

New York, April 10.—Dr. P. H. Eijkman, of Scheveningue, is in New York as a commissioner to interest the funds of Andrew Carnegie and other men of wealth in the endeavor to carry out the century-old dream of diplomats, for building a world capital of peace and fine arts at The Hague, where the nations of the world might meet on common ground for the discussion of international arbitration, and other movements of universal importance. At the Fifth Avenue Hotel last night the Dutch commissioner said:

"My mission here is to secure from Mr. Carnegie and other rich Americans who are interested in the progress of the world, pledges of money to pursue our plans for the 'world capital.' The institution, with this money, will be assured. Even now we have options on the ground ceded by the Dutch Government, and the plans for the buildings have been drawn up by one of the most eminent architects in the Netherlands. Our plans are to make of the land lying between The Hague and Vassar, a veritable paradise and erect thereon a magnificent peace palace. Around this will be grouped other institutions, an international academy of pedagogy, hygiene and economy, the arts, music, law and other structures. These buildings are to be approached through broad avenues, and the big gardens are plan to arrange in a most impressive scheme of landscape gardening. For this purpose I hope to get loans aggregating \$20,000,000 to be repaid in 25 years."

Dr. Eijkman, in addition, explained that while the movement for the creation of the world capital has been going on for more than ten years, and while understood and fostered in diplomatic circles by the Dutch Government, its existence was kept a secret until the necessary option on lands had been secured.



Mr. Frank Oliver, M. P. for Edmonton, Who Succeeds Mr. Sifton as Minister of the Interior.

#### TRICK TO FOLLOW SHAW Roosevelt Wants the Great Steel Maker as U. S. Treasurer.

Washington, April 10.—President Roosevelt is looking around for a man to step into his cabinet when Leslie M. Shaw retires from the secretaryship of the treasury. Mr. Shaw is to do, according to reliable information, the expiration of his four-year term of office, which will be in February, 1906. Henry C. Frick, of Pittsburgh, is the man whom the President has been endeavoring to have accept the appointment as Mr. Shaw's successor.

#### He Won't Come Back. Walkerville, Ont., April 10.—Charles Eastman, for fifteen years an employee of Hiram Walker & Sons, who disapproved last week after some domestic friction, and who was thought to have made away with himself, has been located at Flint, Mich. He says he will not return to Canada.

#### STABBED TO DEATH Britisher and Two Russians Attacked at Lodz.

Lodz, Russian Poland, April 10.—James Ratcliffe, a British subject, and manager of Ponsanick's cotton mill, was stabbed this morning while returning from a mass celebration to commemorate the end of the strike. His assailants escaped.

Two workmen were found stabbed to death yesterday. It is supposed they were non-strikers and that they were murdered by strikers.

#### NEW MINISTER PLEASES WEST

#### Oliver Easily Best Man to Fill Sifton's Shoes.

#### ENERGETIC AND PROGRESSIVE

#### The Selection Pleases But Surprises Edmonton, Which Expected Mr. Sifton to Re-enter Cabinet.

Winnipeg, April 10.—The Free Press says: The west will regard with approval and satisfaction the succession of Mr. Frank Oliver to Mr. Sifton as western representative in the Dominion Government. In thorough knowledge of Western Canada and understanding of western conditions and requirements, Mr. Oliver is pre-eminent by qualified for the important post of minister of the interior. His knowledge and understanding of the west that comes of long experience of living and working in the west. No man could be in closer contact with the life and thought of the people of Western Canada. His career in Parliament has made him known to the whole Dominion as an energetic, outspoken representative of this great and important section of the Dominion, whose interests and whose development will be in his special charge as minister of the interior. Mr. Sifton, as head of the great department which Mr. Oliver is now called to the head of, has set a high standard of thoroughgoing administrative efficiency and of progressiveness in the use of the land which has been held by the government. Mr. Oliver, whose record of electoral triumphs attests the complete confidence which is held by the great constituency he so worthily represents, will be accorded now a crowning demonstration of that confidence."

Edmonton, N. W. T., April 10.—News of the appointment of Edmonton's member to the vacant portfolio of the interior was posted early on Saturday night, and spread rapidly. It was received with pleasure and gratification. Telegrams of congratulation were forthcoming to the new minister. The most generous came from many that a public demonstration be held on Mr. Oliver's return to the city. The news was unexpected here, the general impression being that Mr. Sifton would re-enter the cabinet, and that Mr. Oliver, if he could be induced to leave the highest political office, might take the leadership of the Alberta Liberals and guide the new province through the initial stages of its journey. The Liberals are jubilant that the leader under whom they have won so often and so decisively, has been called to the highest council of the nation. The old-timers are pleased that one who struggled with them in the old days had climbed well up the ladder, while the Conservatives express appreciation very freely of the honor done the city and district.

#### ST. THOMAS MAN TAKES HIS LIFE

#### Mr. James Couch Commits Suicide While in Fit of Despondency.

St. Thomas, April 10.—Jas. Couch, for 20 years baggageman at the M. C. R., committed suicide here last evening by hanging himself in the woodshed. The cause of the act is attributed to despondency caused by brooding over the loss of his position.

Couch was 56 years 67 and he leaves a widow and three married daughters.

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#### SHUN ALL SOAP AND EAT DIRT

#### Health Club Speakers Offer Some Startling Theories.

Chicago, April 10.—"I don't believe in soap. Some people are better without bathing, and I am sure too much bathing is not good."

In these words Dr. Mary A. Seymour started the Promotion of Health Club yesterday with her reply to Dr. Cornelius Claffin's advice to take two baths a day with liberal use of soap.

"We are not dirty enough," declared Dr. James C. Price, who joined in the discussion. "The fact is, we are too clean. Children are not dirty enough. In my practice I have noticed that the greatest sickness and the largest number of fatal cases are among those who use soap and are overparticular about bathing. We ought to eat more mud and clay. The trouble with the present generation is that it doesn't eat its jock of dirt a year."

"What is the use of these vociferous spent in the country? The real benefit of a vacation in the country is that you eat sand and dirt. You go into the garden and eat strawberries from the vine without stopping to brush the sand off it. You get other fruit and vegetables in the same way without taking them into the kitchen and washing and peeling them down until all of the dirt and husk is removed."

"We must have all the hull taken from the wheat and nothing but the soft inside left. The fact is our intestines are becoming nothing but flabby tubes."

"When the cerebro-spinal meningitis or some other disease begins to claim victims, what do the doctors do? Why, blame it to the microbes. The microbes are getting abused. The doctors must have some scapegoat. They used to have the devil. But now, when they run up against something they don't understand, they yell 'microbes.' In truth the little microbes are the best friends we have."

Soap found a valiant champion, however, in Dr. Mary Donohue. She said "In the tenements I have found children who had not been thoroughly washed with soap for two or three years. With much labor and liberal use of soap I was able to get the soil off only in spots."

"I believe that such conditions will certainly give rise to epidemics. An