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Czar Has Been Informed of Japanese Transports Ready For Landing.

Port Arthur Will Be Bombarded In Order to Hold the Garrison.

Tokio's Latest Celebration is Now Said to Have Been Premature.

St. Petersburg, May 5.—With Vice-Admiral Togo hovering in the immediate vicinity of Port Arthur and transports loaded with troops...

The war committee met until 2 o'clock this morning, and at the close of the session it was announced that the Emperor had been informed of the presence of the Japanese fleet...

It is expected that the railroad will play an important part in the effort of the Russians to push the Japanese into the sea, as it will permit the rapid transportation of troops...

The general staff has not forgotten that Japanese ships were sighted May 3 off Keelung and Sinchuan on the west coast of the Liaotung peninsula...

Despatches from Tokyo telling of celebrations over the capture of Togo May 3, to seal the fort fell.

NOT BELIEVED. St. Petersburg, May 5.—There are rumors here which cannot be traced to a responsible source...

Alexieff Reports Impending Blow Japanese Transports Reported at Kinchow Bay in Korea.

Russian Government is Making Strenuous Efforts to Stifle Discontent.

SPECIAL CABLE TO THE LONDON TIMES AND VICTORIA COLONIST. St. Petersburg, May 5.—A telegram from Vice-Admiral Alexieff...

The question of transportation is causing the general staff much anxiety. The Manchurian railway is in very bad shape, due to the recent rains...

St. Petersburg, May 5.—The electric light company's strike has been called off. The company's secretary of state of Kentucky, now under sentence of death for the murder of Governor Goetz...

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SMUGGLING HAY.

Ogdensburg, N. Y., May 5.—Special United States treasury agents, having been investigating entries of hay and other goods paying a specific duty brought in at ports along the northern border, found two thousand cans of hay shot of duty amounting to \$8,000.

The fraud was perpetrated by entering the hay at \$4 per ton its actual weight. Hay dutiable at \$4 per ton was entered in straw, paying \$1.50 duty.

Strew was put in the car doors to deceive the officers. Shingles and laths are now under investigation.

CAPTAINS HOLD OUT. Ogdensburg, N. Y., May 5.—No settlement has yet been reached with the striking lake captains, but engineers, firemen and others today began fitting out the steamer of the Burlington transit line that have been wintering here.

Twenty men have started for Chicago to fit out the complete boats there. It is expected the trouble with the captains will be soon settled.

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Wrangle on Lumber Duty For Two Hours Liberals Quarrel Over a Question of Justice to B. C.

Aulay Morrison and Mr. Macpherson Receive Little Sympathy From Confederates.

Sudden Death of Member For Selkirk Causes General Sorrow.

From Our Own Correspondent. Ottawa, May 4.—For over two hours this afternoon the Conservative members of the Commons heard the Liberal representatives quarrelling over the lumber duties.

The lumber manufacturers were put back to the harbor for repairs since the war began, all injuries having been repaired at sea.

The Russian marksmanship from the first has been bad, while more than 50 per cent. of the Japanese shots have struck the mark.

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Japanese Dispositions

Plan of Sunday's Struggle on the Yalu as Japs Carried it Out.

Surprise Expressed that the Russians Failed to Stop Advance.

Tokio Believes Kuropatkin's Losses Are Greater Than Reported.

SPECIAL CABLE TO THE LONDON TIMES AND VICTORIA COLONIST. Tokio, May 6.—Great surprise is expressed throughout Japan at the failure of the Japanese at Suikien, where the right bank of the Yalu commands the left bank, and also at the failure to attempt to check the advance of the Twelfth division through the ally district between the Ai and Yalu rivers.

It is also openly asserted by the Japanese officers that despite the optimistic reports from the Twelfth division, the Russians did not make a stout defense of their entrenchments at the river.

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News of the Army and Navy

Prize Firing of the R. G. A. Companies Serving in Canada.

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From Our Own Correspondent. London, April 23.—The Royal Garrison Artillery companies in Canada have just received prize firing did very well.

The silver medal for long service in good conduct has been granted to the following warrant officers stationed in Halifax, N. S.: Master Gunner Earl G. A. Stewart, Sergeant Major J. J. Holland, Army Ordnance Corps, and Army Schoolmaster Frederick.

The design of propellers which give the cruiser the very high speed of 24.11 knots has been a satisfactory result to the other new designs of the class.

The commission of the first-class battleship Albion, flagship of Rear-Admiral the Hon. A. G. Curzon-Hewitt, C. V. O., R. N., is to be transferred to the Chinese squadron, expires in a station. The mission in the Far East will be carried out by the Albion.

The third battalions Royal Garrison Regiment, numbering 10 officers and 800 non-commissioned-officers and men with 80 soldiers' wives and 302 children, has just arrived at Hongkong.

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EASTERN LIBERALS ON LUMBER DUTY

Toronto Globe Admits Justice of Claims of B. C. Manufacturers.

Toronto, May 5.—The Globe, commenting on the debate in the Commons yesterday, says: "While we have a great area of farming land in the west, the British Columbia manufacturers are not to be envied."

Money Lenders' Troubles. Stratford, Ont., May 5.—Edward Zaveloff, a retired farmer and now a money lender, committed suicide by hanging himself to a beam in his house yesterday.

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Impenetrable Mystery.

London, May 6.—The Tokio correspondent of the Daily Telegraph says that the strategic plans of the Japanese are still shrouded in impenetrable mystery.

BRITAIN MAKES DEMAND. Washington, May 5.—At the American state department today, announcement was made that the British government had requested the Nicaraguan government to release the crews of the Nicaraguan torpedo vessels which were captured by the Mosquito coast.

ITALIAN DEPUTIES CREATE A SCENE

Recent Visit of President Loubet the Excuse For a Little Disorder. Rome, May 5.—There was a lively scene in the Chamber of Deputies today when Deputy Mirabelli (Republican), proposed that greetings should be sent to President Loubet in the name of the Italian parliament.

SLOW PROGRESS OF MACEDONIA REFORMS

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JAPANESE SHIPS SEVERELY INJURED

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THE JAPANESE LOAN

London, May 5.—It was definitely arranged that one-half of the Japanese loan will go to the United States, and it was understood that the loan will be handled in America.

ITALIAN MINISTER'S UNSAVORY RECORD

Found Guilty of Stealing Large Sums and Falsifying Documents. Rome, May 5.—There was a great deal of talk in the Chamber of Deputies today at the conclusion of the parliamentary inquiry into the administration of Signor Nasi, former minister of finance.

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OREGON LAND FRAUDS

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BRITISH COLUMBIA TO BE IGNORED

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Viceroy's Departure Looks Ominous

Supposition That There is Grave Fear of an Immediate Blockade. London, May 6.—Viceroy Alexieff's departure from Port Arthur is interpreted here to signify that the danger of a rupture between the Russian and Japanese preparations for landing are considered to be very serious.

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