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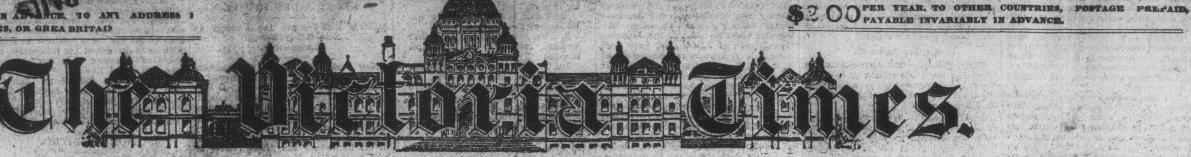
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ria, B. C., January 26th, 1904.

is hereby given that thirty dayste I intend making application to lef Commissioner of Lands and for a special license to cut and any timber from the following lands on the North Thompson rivericing on the east bank of the river pper end on Stilwater fiats, thence chains, thence north 80 chains, east 80 chains, thence south 80 chains, the post of commencement. Also cing on the west bank of the river distance from the trail at Dore's 8, thence south 160 chains, thence chains, thence north 160 chains, thence ast 40 chains to post of commencemate

H. O. STEVENS.

tice that 60 days after date I inapply to the Chief Commissioner, and Works for permission to purhe following inau situate at Port Coast district, more particularly d as follows: Commencing at a riked H. P. O'Farrell's N.W. cornce east 40 chains, thence south 40 thence west 40 chains, thence north ns along the east boundar, of lot ns along the east boundar; of longe 4, Coast district, and contain res more or less. H. P. O'FARRELL. nber 19th, 1903

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boats attacked the Russian fle uring the night and three of the

ships were badly damaged.

Japanese, who thus scored the

consequence of the attack by the nese torepdo boats, marital law has proclaimed here.

RUSSIAN REPORTS.

Dispatch Confirms Statement That Three of the Russian Warships Were Damaged.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 9.—An official

dispatch received here says that Jap-anese boats have attacked the Russian

squadron in the outer roads at Port Ar-thur and that three Russian ships were

ALEXIEFF'S DISPATCH.

The Japanese Made Attack by Means

of Mines Upon the Russian Squadron.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 9 .- Admiral

Alexieff's official report of the attack by

jesty that at or about midnight of Feb-

a sudden attack, by means of mines, upon the Russian squadron in the outer

roads of the fortress of Port Arthur, in

Carresitch and the cruiser Pallada were

"An inspection is being made to ascer-

tain the character of the damage.
"Details are following for your Ma-

ONE CRUISER SUNK

ccording to News Which Has Reached

Paris, Feb. 9. 4.50 p.m.—It was arced at the French foreign office this

fternoon that the Russian cruiser Pal-

ada was sunk in the torpedo attack made by the Japanese on the Russian

The injuries received by the Retvizan

that the cable from Vladivostock had

THE ATTACK.

Four Torpedo Boats Were Responsible

For the Damage Inflicted on

Paris, Feb. 9.—The news of the first

officials of the foreign office were similar to those from the St. Petersburg Official

fazette, showing that two Russian bat-

tleships and one cruiser were damaged,

and also showing that four torpedo boats

An official of the foreign office said:

"It is profoundly to be regretted that such a decisive step has been taken, as it

Information has been received here showing that the British government will

issue a declaration of neutrality within a few days, perhaps immediately, and that France will take the same course within

OFF PORT ARTHUR.

A Large Fleet of Japanese Warships

Is Now Lying Before

Berlin, Feb. 9.-A special telegram

from St. Petersburg says three Russian ships at Port Arthur were severely dam-

aged last night by torpedoes discharged

from Japanese torpedo boats while the

Subsequently a large fleet of Japanese

battleships and cruisers appeared before

"TOO LATE."

Baron Hayashi Says Russia Is Endeav-

oring to Have Powers Intervene—Would Concede Everything.

London, Feb. 9.—The Japanese minis-

powers intervene. Russia now is

willing to concede everything, but the

cardinal points to which Japan had con-

NAVAL OPINION.

as a Staggering One.

London, Feb. 9.—The naval men

ondon regarded the result of Japan's st attack with torpedo boats on the

aggering one. They pointed out that

roy Alexieff's reference to "mines" ously meant "torpedoes," and said

if the Russian vessels had been

obably have been sunk or are resting

the mud in Port Arthur; in any case

pelessly out of action for a consider-

nese Appear to Have Handled

PLACED AT DISADVANTAGE.

Their Ships Better Than the Russians.

Whitehead torpedoes they

in fleet off Port Arthur as being a

sistently objected."

er, Baron Hayashi, said this afternoon:

latter were passing the harbor.

the Town.

have made to avoid actual warfare

and Czarevitch are not known. It was reported on the same authority

fleet off Port Arthur.

nade the attack

a day or two.

the port.

the French Foreign Office.

the battleships Retvizan and

I most respectfully inform your Ma-

the Japanese is as follows:

VICTORIA, B. C., FRIDAY, FEBRUARY, 12, 1904

JAPAN HAS DISABLED ELEVEN BATTLESHIPS

Marvellous Record to Credit of Accordingly the Japanese government Tokio Special Reports Import-Mikado's Fleet in the First Twenty-Four Hours of the Fighting. sian government, and at the same time it introduced other necessary amendments in the Russian counter-proposals. They further proposed, with regard to the neutral zone, that if one was to be created, it should be established on 1 oth sides of the boundary line between Manchuria and Korea, with an equal width, say of fifty kilometres. After repeated discussions at Tokio. After repeated discussions at Tokio. the Fighting.

that the Japanese have shown that they sian government and invited its adher-can handle their ships better than the ence. To this the Russian government ruary 8-9, Japanese torpedo boats made Russians.

> AN UNFOUNDED STORY. Report Was Published in St. Petersburg.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 9—The announcement of the sinking of eleven Japanese tigation showed the report to be untrue. The only confirmed official communication is that from Admiral Alexieff, is-

n talk of the naval officers was the end of July such desire to the Rusexpressed a willing assent. Accordingly on the 12th of August, the Japanese government proposed to Russia through its representative at St. Petersburg the basis of an agreement which was substantially as follows:

of the Loss of Eleven Jap-anese Ships. 1. A mutual engagement to respect the ships and the fact that Port Arthur was in flames, was given out in St. Petersburg this afternoon as official, but investigations with the natives of those countries, 3. A reciprocal recognition of Japan's

the Japanese government finally presented to the Russian government its definite amendment on 30th of October. The Japanese government then urged the Russian government frequently to give its reply, but this was again delayed and only delivered on the 11th of December. In that reply Russia suppressed the clauses relating to Manchuria, so as to make the proposed convention apply entirely to Korea and maintained its original demand in regard to the non-emplayment of Korea territory for strategical nursees a well as a neutral research. cal purposes, as well as a neutral zere. But the exclusion of Manchuria from the independence and territorial integrity of the Chinese and Korean empires.

2. A mutual engagement to maintain which were to remove the cause of conwhich were to remove the cause of con-flict between the two countries by a friendly arrangement of their interests both in Manchuria and Korea, the Japanese government asked the Russian government to reconsider the question that Russia has special interests in rail- and again proposed the removal of the

ant Capture by the Japs of Transports and Troops Off Korean Coast.

treaties with China.

THE OTHER SIDE.

Russia Accuses of Increasing Her Demands and Making Preparations For War.

was entrusted with the negotiations with the Japanese government.

Although the exchange of views with the Tokio cabinet on this subject were the Tokio cabinet on this subject were the Opinion of the Car's soldiers were very proportion that the Car's soldiers were very the Car's soldie Although the exchange of views with of a friendly character, Japanese social circles and the local and foreign press warlike ferment among the Japanese and flict with Russia. Under the influence thereof, the Tokio cabinet began to formulate greater demands in the negotiations, at the same time taking most extensive measures to make the country ready for war. All these circumstances equanimity, but they induced her also take military and naval measures, vertheless, to preserve peace in the

Russia, so far as her incontestable ready to recognize Japan's privileged commercial and economical position in the Korean peninsula, with the concession of the right to protect by military force in the event of disturbances in that country. At the same time, while rigorusly observing the fundamental principle of her policy regarding Korea, whose independence and integrity were guaranteed by previous understandings with Japan and by treaties with other powers, Russia insisted on three points: 1. A mutual and unconditional guar-

antee of this principle.

2. On an undertaking to use no part 4. The recognition by Russia of the The last reply of Russia was received at Tokio on the 6th of January. In this authorization of such action on the part and assistance to Korea in the interest of reply it is true, Russia proposed to agree of any foreign power was directly opto the following clause: "The recognition by Japan of Manchuria and its litence of Korea.

Russia would be of impracticable value treaty with Japan regarding Korean afso long as it was accompanied by a defairs any provisions concerning territory inite stipulation regarding the territorial occupied by Russian troops. The Impeintention in China and Manchuria, since treaty rights are only coexisting with so long as the occupation of Manchuria sovereignty. Eventually absorption of lasts, to recognize both the sovereignty Manchuria by Russia would annul at of the Emperor of China in Manchuria once those rights and privileges acquired and also the rights acquired there by by the powers in Manchuria by virtue of other powers through treaties with other powers through treaties with China. A declaration to this effect had already been made to the foreign cab-

In view of this, the Imperial governnent, after charging its representative at Tokio to present its reply to the last proposal of the Japanese, was justified in expecting the Tokio cabinet to take into account the considerations above St. Petersburg, Feb. 9.—A lengthy official communication issued to-day gives the Russian account of the negotiations which led to the rupture.

Last year, says the foreign office note, the Tokio cabinet, under the pretext of this, the Japanese government, not even awaiting this reply, decided to the rupture of the rest of the replace of newer and a break off newtiations and to suspend stablishing the balance of power and a | break off negotiations and to suspend more settled order of things on the shores of the Pacific, submitted to the imperial of the Pacific, submitted to the imperial of the Pacific, submitted to the imperial of the Pacific of responsibility for any consequences of such a course of action, will await the development of events and the moment covernment a proposal for a revision of the existing treaties with Korea. Russia such a course of action, will await the development of events and the moment charged to draw up a project for an understanding with Japan in co-operation decisive measures for the protection of with the Russian minister at Tokio, who its rights and interests in the Far East.

BATTLE CONTINUED

Damage Reported. tempted in every way to produce a chart tacked Port Arthur at midnight on Monday. Two Russian battleships and one let with Russia. Under the influence Russian cruiser were disabled by torpethat it

The battle is being continued this merning at a range of three miles. There has been no further damage.

DEPARTURE OF JAPANESE. Declined to Remain at Port Arthur Notwithstanding the Promises of , Protection.

Chefoo, Feb. 9 .- The Jap proceeded to Dalney, thence to Japan. Others are going to China. Admiral Alexieff tried to reassure them and promised protection to their families. Russian officers and foreign merchants are leaving here in fear that the Chinese war correspondents will use dispatch

oats. Foreign officers who have been refused permission to accompany the fleet probably will accompany the army.

PRAYS FOR VICTORY.

The Czar and Court Officials Will Attend

St. Perersburg, Feb. 9.—The Imp ball, which was to have been held this

repeat the National Anthem thrice be-fore the audience was satisfied. THE PORT OF NEWCHWANG.

NO. 89.

Powers Advised to Demand Its Sur-render by Russia.

London, Feb. 9.-A dispatch from Newchwang says: "Owing to the enormous trade interests involved, the powers should demand that Russia surrender the ort of Newchwang and agree to the

JAPS GREATLY EXCITED

Local Subjects of Mikado Much Delighted With Events So Far.

Local Japanese residents are keyed up o a pitch of excitement scarcely less han that which is galvanizing their oyal countrymen across the Pacific. When they heard this morning that hostilities had actually commenced there was a constant procession of little brown men to the Times office, where the startling news was bulletined. It was interesting to watch the expressions that flitted across their countenances as they read. Their faces beamed when they saw the lletin announcing the disable ee Russian ships off Port Arthur, but ell alarmingly when they read that 'eleven Japanese ships and one Russian ship were destroyed." Quite naturally as untrue, manufactured out of the whole cloth for Slav consumption. They were not disposed to believe that their vaunted navy had been placed hors de combat so early in the game.

Any apprehension that may have existed, however, was set at rest when they saw the bulletin confaining the effect of Viceroy Alexieff's dispatch to his Imperial master, and they went of with their heads in the air and an "I told you so" expression on their faces. Far between the two powers have been severed, the local subjects of the Mikado have viewed the trend of the affair with unto see their country get a whack at Hob

perfectly what they were going up against. They were familiar with the fighting qualities of the Cossacks, having been comrades-in-arms with them in the Boxer troubles in China. Having seen chant said that all expected that the first objective of the Japanese attack would be Port Arthur, but no one ex-pected that it would come so soon. Now that the trouble had started, however, they wanted to see it fought to a finish Korea, he said, was full of the Mikado's oldiers. The sixth division, which had disappeared mysteriously from Japan some time ago, had gone to the Hermit Kingdom, and these, together with the steady stream which had been pouring into the country for some time past, would aggregate a formidable force.

Local Japanese reservists have not yet received word from the consul calling necessary attention to the demands of the Tokio cabinet, and declared herself Monday a steamer took one hundred and with fight, like so much gun cotton ready them home. They are just bubbling over and who can't fight intend showing their ntense patriotism by monetary contributions to the cause. A meeting will be held either to-night or to-morrow, and will make arrangements for periodical contributions to the war fund.

A number of the local Japanese belong to the second line of naval reserves, and are quite prepared and very willing to leave for Japan on the first notice. The Japanese of Hawaii, however, belong to the first reserves, and will be the first to be called on in event of their services being required.

CAUGHT UNPREPARED.

Engagement at Port Arthur in Which the Land Batteries Also

Chefoo, Feb. 9 .- The steamer Columbia has arrived from Port Arthur with additional news of the attack by the Japanese fleet upon the Russian fleet in the roads outside of the harbor of Port

Arthur.

The Columbia was in the roads at the time and felt the first shock of a tor-pedo explosion at 11 o'clock Monday night. The attack continued all night, and at daylight this morning two Russian battleships and one first class Russian cruiser were seen to have been disabled and beached at the entran the harbor. The cruiser was badly list

This morning the Russian forts opened fire on the Japanese fleet, which about three miles distant. The Japan-ese vessels returned the fire, nitting several of the Russian ships but doing little damage. The Russian cruiser then went out and the Japanese vessels disappeared. They were seen later on going in the direction of Dalny, undamaged. Although the officers of the Columbia say there were seventeen in the attacking party, only sixteen were seen

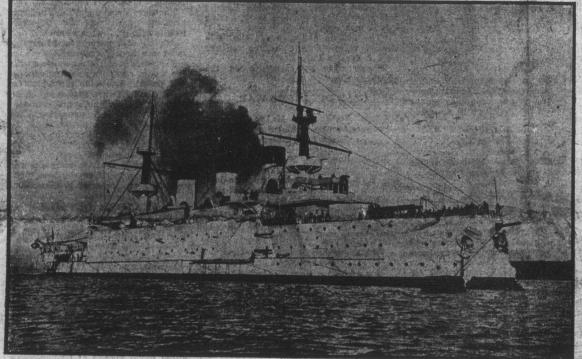
later in the day near Foochow.

The steamer Foochow, from Dalny, passed through the Japanese fleet to-day. The fleet consisted of six battleships, four first-class cruisers and six other vessels. They were eighteen miles from Port Arthur this morning and were proceeding in a southeasterly direc-

se refugees.

A member of the crew of the Colum

"The Japanese did not return the fire.



RUSSIAN BATTLESHIP POBIEDA.

of reform and good government.

chwang lines.

39th parallel.

fanchuria so as to connect with Restern

It was the intention of the Japanese

should take place between the represen-tatives at St. Petersburg and the Russian authorities so as to facilitate progress as

much as possible in reaching a solution

of the situation, but the Russian govern-

ment absolutely refused to do so on the

plea that the Czar planned a trip abroad,

tenance of the principle of equal oppor-

littoral as being entirely outside of her

sphere and interest. She further put several restrictions upon Japan's free-

dom of action in Korea, for instance, while recognizing the Japanese right to

dispatch troops when necessary for the protection of her interests in Korea, Rus-

sia refused to allow her to use any por

tion of Korean territory north of the

tunities for the commerce and industry of all nations in China, and requested that Japan declare Manchuria and its

The Pobleda is one of the vessels now blockaded by the Japanese at Port Arthur. She is a ship of 12,674 tons, and was launched in 1900. Her armament consists of four 10 in., eleven 6 in., q. f., and 45 smaller q. f. gnns. She has a speed of 18 knots. Her crew numbers 732 men.

roads of the fortress of Port Arthur, in which the battleships Retvizan and

Czarevitch and cruiser Pallada had been of article 1 is infringed. damaged.

JAPAN'S PURCHASES. Has Bought Battleship, Cruiser and

Gunboat From Chili, Which Safl For Far East Immediately.

London, Feb. 9 .- According to a spe-China and the Shanghai Kwan Newial dispatch from Rome, the Chilian legation there announces that Japan has purchased the Chilian battleship Capitan government, originally, that a conference Pratt, the cruiser Chacabuco, and the gunboat Almirante Condell. The vessels, fully equipped, will sail immediately for

"Russia is making desperate efforts through the various embassies to have Nagasaki. Baron Hayaski, the Japanese Minister, informed the Associated Press today that he had received this morning offer comes teo late."

Baron Hayashi added: "I learn on good authority that the reply Russia intended to send merely reiterated all the dispatch announcing the departure of th that Japan intended throughout this war proposed counter-suggestions, and it to employ torpedo boats to the fullest them she declined to engage in respect possible extent. He had not heard of the landing of Japanese troops in Korea, and tegrity of China and stipulated the mainscouted the idea of mediation, saying that all chance of mediation had ceased Russia's Loss in First Attack Regarded with the breaking off of negotiations.

THE NEGOTIATIONS.

Statement Issued by Mikado's Government Setting Forth Japan's Claims and Russia's Attitude.

Tokio, Feb. 9.-The following is the text of the statement issued by the Japanese setting forth:

It being indispensable to the welfare and safety of the Japanese to maintain the independence and territorial integrity of Korea and to safeguard paramount interests therein, the Japanese govern-ment finds it impossible to view with indifference any action endangering the position of Korea; whereas Russia, notwithstanding her solemn treaty with China and her repeated assurances to the powers, not only continues her occupa-Berlin, Feb. 9.—The comment at the tion of Manchuria, but has taken aggresine department on the success of sive measures in Korean territory

sued earlier, announcing that Japanese torpedo boats had made a sudden attack on the Russian squadron in the outer rights of Japan to take measures necestive the neutral zone, on the ground that if sary for the protection of the above mentioned interests so far as the principle of one in Manchuria it should not establishment

lish one in Korea.

The last reply of Russia was received 5. The engagement on the part of Russia to unimpede the eventual extension of the Korean railway into Southern toral as outside her sphere and interest, | 3. In the preservation of the full free- this afternoon the Imperial court and all



ON THE YALU RIVER.

Russian Troops and Chinese Workmen in the Concession Leased From the Korean Government.

The Japanese government failed utterly to see why Russia, who professed no intention of absorbing Manchuria, should be disinclined to insert in the contract a clause in corresponding

already fully explained to them.

It should be further observed that no mention was made at all of the territorial integrity of China in Manchuria and it must be self-evident to everybody that the engagement now proposed by that the engagement now proposed by that the engagement now proposed by the commercial interests in China. The imperial government, therefore, saw absolutely no reason to include in a special ovation. The orchestra was obliged to entrance of the harbor. They were

question of Russia's position in Man-churia, concerning in the first place

whilst Russia within limits of that pro- dom of navigation of the Straits of functionaries will attend a solemn Te

be disinclined to insert in the contract a clause in corresponding harmony with her own repeatedly declared principle respecting the sovereignty and territorial integrity of China. Furthermore, this refusal on the part of the Russian government impressed the Bapanese government impressed the Bapanese government impressed the Bapanese government all the more with the necessity for ment all the more with the necessity for insertion of that clause.

Japan has important commercial interests in Manchuria and entertains no ests in Manchuria and entertains no ment of Korean territory for strategical ests in Manchuria and entertains no ment of Korean territory for strategical purposes. The conditions were imposent to the power in the enjoyment of rights did not satisfy the Japanese government did not satisfy the Japanese government which, in its last proposals, not only declined to accept the conditions which appeared as the guarantee of the independance of Korea, but also began at the government of Yaroslave (capital of the government of Yaroslave) (clined to accept the conditions which appeared as the guarantee of the independance of Korea, but also began at the government of Yaroslave (capital of the government of Yaroslave) (clined to accept the conditions which appeared as the guarantee of the independance of Korea, but also began at the government of Yaroslave (capital of the government of Yaroslave) (clined to accept the conditions which appeared as the guarantee of the independance of Korea, but also began at the government of Yaroslave (capital of the government of the same name, 473 miles from Moscow) in response to a resolution expressing enthusiasm at the rupture of relations with Japan.

Such demands on the part of the Russians again commenced to operate the conditions which appeared as the guarantee of the independance of Korea, but also for your loyal sentiments, with which I clined to accept the conditions which appeared as the guarantee of the independance of Korea territors, and provinced all true Rus Irkutsk, Siberia and Manchuria has been firing.

hat even the temporary disablement of three warships placed Russians at a freat disadvantage in the future operations. It was added that the torpedoing of the enemy's vessels, lying under lowerful land batteries, must have been with the view of arriving at a friendly adjustment of their mutual interests in both Manchuria and Korea where their like independence of Korea would naturests in Manchuria and entertains no small hopes of their future development, and politically she was even greater interested there by reason of Manchuria's relations to Korea, so she could not possibly recognize Manchuria as being entirely outside her sphere of interest. the enemy's vessels, lying under means of direct negotiation with Russia, with the view of arriving at a friendly and skilfully, as ideroy Alexieff did not mention any upanese losses in his first dispatch. The