

UNFORTUNATE JAPAN.

Again the Island Kingdom is Visited by a Storm That Does Much Damage.

Japanese Comment on the Czar's Proposal for General Disarmament.

Count Okuma Interviewed Regarding the Talked of Anglo-Japanese Alliance.

Japan, the scene of so many disasters, has again been visited, this time by wind and flood, and according to reports received up to the time the Empress of India left Yokohama on September 22, many lives had been lost and a great deal of property had been destroyed.

On September 22, an event was storm occurred, the longer cities and shipping being the chief sufferers on this occasion. Hundreds of houses were destroyed or unroofed, junks wrecked and the railway and telegraph services demoralized.

In Yokohama harbor most of the vessels dragged their anchors but the only serious damage done in this way was through the British bark Lyndhurst running aground on the Italian warship Marco Polo. Both suffered considerably.

DISARMAMENT PROPOSAL. The Czar's Proposition as It is Regarded by Japanese Papers.

Russia's disarmament proposal has evoked a volume of comment in the foreign and vernacular press of Japan.

Yet another painful exemplification of the poor regard in which the lives of foreigners are held in Japanese courts of law was furnished a few days ago by the Yokohama Chihō Sabansho.

THE PHILIPPINES. General Merritt Planned for the Delay in Taking Manila.

THE PHILIPPINES. The North China Daily News says: That if there is any trouble over the capture of Manila being subsequent to the signing of the peace protocol, the blame will be laid with General Merritt.

BORN. GROPP—In this city, on the 21st inst., the wife of J. Gropp, 157 Johnson street, of a son.

WOOTTON—In this city, on the 19th inst., the wife of Stephen Y. Wootton, of a son.

REBECK—On the 17th inst., the wife of J. K. Rebeck, of a child.

ESTES—On the 9th inst., at No. 45 Flinch street, Hannah Adeline, aged 25 years, the wife of the late A. J. and Mrs. Emily Estes.

MOORE—At Surrey Court, on Sept. 10, in childbirth, Mrs. Kate H. Moore, the second wife of Samuel Moore, R.N.

MUNSLIE—In this city, on the 20th inst., the wife of J. H. Munslie, of a son.

IMPERIAL CABLE LINES. Imperial Institute Journal.

It may truly be claimed that the idea of transmitting through the sea by means of the electric fluid, the few cables which were evolved a century ago in 1792.

WORKING OF SUBMARINE TELEGRAPHS. Just lately by Messrs. Crosby Lockwood & Sons this branch of the electrical science.

FOR FIRE SUFFERERS.

Victoria's Contributions to the Westminster Relief Fund Over Ten Thousand Dollars.

There Are Still Amounts to Come In That Will Increase the Sum.

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