



JAPAN'S REPLY TO THE RUSSIANS

By Autumn Will Have More Than One Million Men Actually Employed in the Field.

It Is Expected That This Year Will See the Japanese Artillery Made Superior to That of Opponents Both in Quality and Numbers.

St. Petersburg, April 11.—(2:45 a. m.)—Russian information regarding Rojestvensky's fleet, its location, destination and intentions is based solely upon foreign dispatches, which are all too meagre to prevent a quick-flirting crop of rumors, according to one of which the Japanese fleets have already joined battle. Others of these dispatches are attempting to locate variously the battleship division of the squadron.

Some naval officers conjecture the four battleships are delaying in order to effect a junction with Vice-Admiral Nebogatoff's division, but general evidence is given to the report that the battleships are taking a southern route through the Sunda Straits, the selection of the Singapore route being regarded as in the nature of a feint, and intended to create a danger of attack on the ministry of the fleet.

MEANWHILE events in Manchuria have come to a pause and at home the main attention is being given to the work of the Boughigan commission, which is charged with formulating the plan for the representative assembly proposed by the imperial rescript of March 3rd.

THE HAGUE, April 11.—The Dutch East Indian squadron is said to have been ordered to proceed to the Anambas Island (where the Russian squadron which passed Singapore on April 8th is anchored) with the view of assuring the observance of neutrality.

THE BYE-ELECTION IN THE NORTHWEST MEMBERS LEAVE TO ASSIST NEW MINISTER

Telephone Committee of the Commons Seeks Information—Japanese Consul Interviews Premier.

Ottawa, April 11.—Walter Scott, M. P., J. G. Turiff, M.P.; and Peter Talbot, M.P., Strathcona, left to-day for Edmonton. They are going to take part in the approaching election. All the Northwest Liberal members are ready to start out on a moment's notice should there be a contest.

London, April 12.—A dispatch from Jibuti, in the Daily Aden, to the Daily Mail, says: "Vice-Admiral Nebogatoff's fleet has been seen cruising near Socotra. It is reported to be awaiting reinforcements from the Black Sea fleet."

London, April 11.—Japan is meeting the Russian plan of reorganization and reinforcement of the Manchurian armies with an extensive expedition from its own military organizations which will exceed a million men actually employed in the field.

London, April 11.—A telegram from Singapore reports that four supposed colliers passed there going east on April 10th. These are presumed in shipping circles to be the advance guard of 16 Hamburg-American line steamers chartered to act as supply ships to the Russian second Pacific squadron.

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MINING CASE Suit Ends in Favor of the Stratton Estate.

Colorado Springs, Col., April 11.—Counsel for the Stratton estate have just received word that the United States Supreme court has declined to grant the request of the Venture corporation, of London, England, for a writ of certiorari for a suit against the Stratton estate.

ROCKFELLER'S GIFT Donations to Baptist Home Missionary Society Amount to More Than One Million Dollars.

New York, April 11.—Dr. H. L. Moorhouse, corresponding secretary of the Baptist Home Missionary Society, today made the following announcement: "Mr. John D. Rockefeller has just given \$100,000 to the American Baptist Home Missionary Society of this city, which makes a total of more than \$1,000,000 that the society has received from him during the last 20 years."

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PRISONERS TORTURED. One Man Reported to Have Died—Faces of Jews Blackened Before Execution.

Vienna, April 10.—It is reported here that among the ninety-six Socialists executed at the citadel in Warsaw on Thursday thirty-six were Jews. The report says that the executioners blackened the faces of the Jews before execution, so as to give them the appearance of being unrecognizable and taken for workmen.

FIRM ASSIGNS. Brockton, Mass., April 10.—The C. H. firm of H. B. Grover & Co., of this city, in whose factory the disastrous boiler explosion of March 20th occurred, costing 58 lives and \$250,000 property losses, has voluntarily assigned for the benefit of its creditors.

SHOT BY LABOR LEADER. Findlay, Ohio, April 10.—Delphos Battle, a prominent labor leader and Socialist candidate for mayor last spring, has shot and seriously wounded Patrick Flanagan, whom he found in his home here.

AN ARMY OF NEW-COMERS REQUIRED TO WORK IN WHEAT FIELDS OF MANITOBA

Winnipeg, April 12.—Manitoba will require the help of ninety thousand new-comers to help in seeding, haying and harvesting this year. Such is the opinion of J. J. Golden, government immigration agent.

PAN-RUSSIAN ATTORNEYS. St. Petersburg, April 11.—Another meeting of the pan-Russian congress of attorneys was held here to-day, and a resolution was adopted favoring the removal of the autocratic regime and the proclamation of a democratic constitution on the basis of universal suffrage and secret ballot.

SUPPOSED CONSPIRACY. French Infantry Captain and a Geymp Commercial Agent Under Arrest.

Paris, April 11.—A German commercial agent named Hanssen residing in Paris has been arrested in connection with a supposed military conspiracy.

POLICE STOPPED FIGHT. Indianapolis, Ind., April 11.—After one minute of fighting in the third round police officers last night stopped a 10-round bout between Hugo Kelly, of Chicago, and "Tom" Wallace, of Philadelphia, and the decision was awarded to Kelly, who punished his opponent.

RHODOS SCHOLAR. Winnipeg, April 11.—W. J. Rose, Wesley College, has been chosen Rhodes scholarship man from Manitoba.

CLERGYMAN RETIRES. Rev. Dr. Millard Withdraws from Presbyterian Church After Nearly 45 Years Service.

Rechester, N. Y., April 11.—After nearly 45 years' service in the Presbyterian ministry, much of which was passed in this city as pastor of the First Presbyterian church, Rev. Dr. Nelson Millard, one of the ablest clergymen in Rechester, announced his withdrawal from the Presbyterian church at the second session of the Rechester Presbytery, held in Westminster church here to-day.

Dr. Millard does not say that he intends joining another denomination, merely stating that it is his desire hereafter to occupy the independent relationship provided for in the articles of government of the church.

CHAMBERLAIN ON COLONIAL TRADE

MUST BE CONSIDERED BY MOTHER COUNTRY. Refers to President Roosevelt's Desire For Closer Relations With Dominion of Canada.

London, April 12.—Joseph Chamberlain, presiding at the annual meeting of the Liberal-Unionist club in London to-day, strongly supported the suggestion of an Anglo-Japanese alliance as one of the greatest diplomatic achievements in the last quarter of a century, and said the treaty had already justified itself by limiting the area of the terrible conflict still going on.

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