Were Tricked By Togo

Japanese Admiral Enticed Makaroff to His Doom by Stratagem.

Laid Contact Mines Across the Entrance to Port Arthur's Harbor.

Russians Sailed Out to Engage Small Fleet and Tragedy Followed.

SPECIAL CABLE TO THE LONDON FIMES AND VICTORIA COLONIST. On Board Steamer Haimun, April 17.

—(By De Forrest Wireless Telegraph to Wei-Hai-Wei, April 18.)—I now send dedails of the third day of Admiral Togo's eighth attack on Port Arthur, as well as further details of the first and second days, which I reported briefly from the scene of actual fighting last Wednes

MISHAP TO SEALERS. Lost in Fog Off Oregon Coast and Fin-ally Reach Land.

Astoria, Ore., April 18.—After being separated from their ship and an aimlessly in a fog for several three members of the crew of the geschooner Carlotta G. Cox, of Vict.

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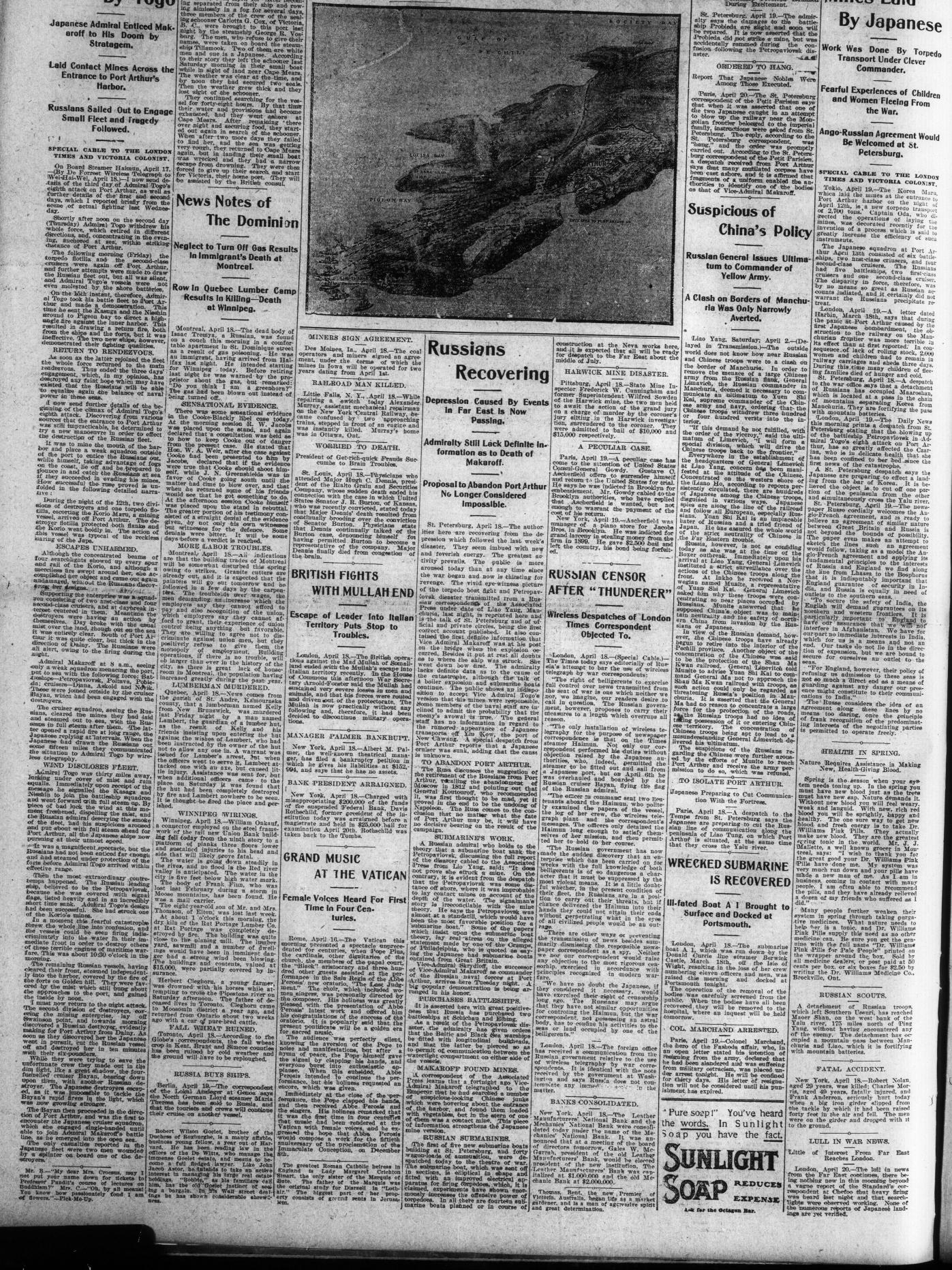
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China's Policy

Russian General Issues Ultimatum to Commander of Yellow Army.

Battleship Probieda Ramme

Mines Laid By Japanese

St. Petersburg, April 19.—The admiralty says the damages to the battle-ship Probleda are slight and soon will be repared. It is now asserted that the Probleda did not strike a mine, but was accidentally rammed during the confusion following the Petropavlovsk disaster. Work Was Done By Torpedo Transport Under Clever Commander.

> Fearful Experiences of Children and Women Fleeing From the War.

Ango-Russian Agreement Would Be Welcomed at St. Petersburg.

Among Those Executed.

Paris, April 20.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Petit Parisien says that when it was asserted that one of the two Japanese caught in an attempt to blow up the railway near the Mongolian frontier belonged to the imperial family, instructions were gaked from St. Petersburg. The reply, according to the St. Petersburg correspondent, was "mang," and the order was promptly carried out. According to the St. Petersburg correspondent of the Petit Parisien, a despatch received from Port Arthur says that many mutilated corpses have been cast ashore, and it is affirmed that fragments of a uniform enabled the authorities to identify one of the bodies as that of Vice-Admiral Makaroff. SPECIAL CABLE TO THE LONDON TIMES AND VICTORIA COLONIST. Tokio, April 19.—The Korea Maru, which laid the mines at the entrance to Port Arthur harbor on the night of April 12th, is a new torpedo transport of 2,700 tons. Captain Oda, who directed the operations of laying the mines, was decorated recently for the invention of a process which is said to greatly increase the efficiency of such instruments.

The Japanese squadron at Port Arthur April 13th consisted of six battle-ships, two first-class criusers, and four second-class cruisers. The Russians had five battleships, two first-class cruisers and one second-class cruiser cruisers. The disparity in force, therefore, was by no means so great as Russian accounts indiated, and it certainly did not warrant the Russians precipitate retreat.

Russia Makes Ready on Y

There Severest Fighting Campaign Will Probab Take Place.

Trans-Siberian Railway Des ed by Traveler as Perfec ly Efficient.

(From Wednesday's Daily.) By the Canadian Pacific R Company's Royal mail steamshi press of China, Capt. Archibald, arrived at the ocean docks ea Tuesday morning came some most important news of the steam Japan and Russia that in the company of the steam of the stea rived here since the outbreak filities. She had one or two pas filities. She had one or two passes singularly competent to give and tive statements as to the conditionarious parts of the Far East, and did not hesitate to do so when in gated by the newspapermen.

Of the 120 saloon passengers profite man with the most interesting of the same time most interesting the same time most interesting.

the man with the most interestin at the same time most important was the Rev. George Douglas, with his wife and child, is bound to England. The Rev. Mr. Do is returning after a residence in churia of fourteen years. He idean of the Wesleyan Manchurian sion, and had his headquarters at yang, just north of the Liaotung a sula, and now the most important tary centre of

THE RUSSIAN FORCES THE RUSSIAN FORCES south of Mukden and Harbin. Ge Linievitch is the commanding of there, and on the general staff he many of the brightest and clev young officers in the Russian army. Douglas was the guest of the ge staff, and was favored with a great of their confidence. They made no so f the plans to be followed, and general outline of these involves a so the death at the Yalu river. Russians were perfectly aware he Russians were perfectly aware Rev. Mr. Douglas left on March that the Japanese were massi strength on the east bank of the

river.

Preparations on a remarkable sca magnitude were being made by Russians to be carried out night day as soon as the frost came of the ground. Those defences incl masked batteries, rifle pits, entre ments and earthworks and other defences, in which will be mounted heavy artillery which has been coffered for the Trans-Siberian railway in creasing quantity since the war be Rev. Mr. Douglas gave most emplement of the statements published the Berliner Militar Wochenblatt, copied all over the world, that Trans-Siberian Railway is USELESS FOR WAR PURPOS

USELESS FOR WAR PURPOR USELESS FOR WAR PURPOS that it has been cut by Chunchuse various places, bridges blown up sections washed out. On the contrit is one of the busiest lines in world. From seven to twelve hea loaded trains a day pass over it being troops, and their equipment f the European Russian depots to Far East. There have been no bridowns or interruptions to traffic such as are to be expected in the omary course of events in such a clim as that of Siberia.

Troops are reaching Manchuria

Troops are reaching Manchuria Eastern Siberia from Russia at the of from 5,000 to 12,000 a week, those troops are fetching with them their stores, ammunition, medical ambulance outfit, artillery, horses, omissariat and other necessaries war.

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Rev. Mr. Douglas had opportunties seeing for himself that the Transberian line is working as well as a one could expect and denounces Militar Wochenblatt's assertions as make their stand in the Yalu val

KEY OF THE LIAOTUNG peninsula and also of Manchuria. Treal fighting of the campaign will comence there, and if the Japanese van engagement in those encounters will be, in the opinion of Rev. Douglas the first substantial advants they have capined since the company they have gained since the comment of hostilities. The Russia ment of inostilities. The Russian m tary officers were unconcerned about t naval disasters at Port Arthur, a looked upon that station as a negligit quantity. To their thinking it mak no difference whether Port Arth stands or falls; the real objective is the banks of the Yalu.

As showing the importance whis Russia attaches to the new strateg point Rev. Mr. Douglas pointed o that the troops coming into the Lia Russian regiments on the Europea frontier, in the Caucacus and around the Black Sea. They are easily to be dittinguished from the Siberian levie and bear the appearance of being FIRST-CLASS TROOPS.

FIRST-CLASS TROOPS. FTRST-CLASS TROOPS.

The force at Liaoyang Rev. Mr. Dou las estimates at about 30,000 of a arms, and particularly strong in art tery and cavalry.

Vladivostock is not worrying the Ru sians much; it seems to be anothe point which matters little in the coring strife, but he was informed that ilke Port Arthur is capable of standin a lengthy siege. In Port Arthur the are ammunition and provisions to la easily a year.

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Speaking of the Russian officers Re Mr. Douglas said that he found the splendid fellows, mostly men of go family; they all speak excellent Englis and French, and are in many other way accomplished gentlemen. From the con mander, General Linievitch, who is model of courtesy, downward, the off oursey, downward, the off cere of the general staff could be described as men of exceptional intellegated. petty officer that is the unmitigate boor, whose whole nature is foreig to civility, and whose mind seems it be as narrow as it is brutal. He, a contrast to his superior officer. ReMr. Douglas traveled from Liaoyan to New Chwang on a passport given his by General Linievitch. At Ne Chwang Mr. Douglas found several Evropean war correspondents, who seeme to be

SOMEWHAT DISCONSOLATE at the dearth of news. With the Ru sians up the country, so far as M Douglas was aware, there was not single war correspondent, either Russia or foreign.

Mr. Douglas fully expected to learn or reaching Victoria that a great battle had been fought on the banks of the Yalu river. He says that the disappearance of the frost and snow will be almost the signal for hostilities to commence on a grand scale. In his opin ion the Russians will prove victorious on land, although he was well aware of the peculiarly efficient character of the Japanese soldier and his officers.

The Douglas family left Manchuria because it was intimated to them by their Russian friends that it was no place for non-combatants and that a campaign which would probably be long remembered for its bloody engagements was about to burst over that devoted country.

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Just before the Douglas family took their departure from Liaoyang the Russians established around it for a distance of three miles a cordon charged with strict instructions to allow no one to pass in or out without the necessary passport, except Chinese. This was one of the signs that martial law was over the land.