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BIG JAP ARMY HAS LANDED

105,000 Men in Southern Manchuria Marching Northward

Other Forces Marching Through Corea Towards the Yalu-- 2,000 Russians Entrenched

London, Monday, April 4.—The Daily telegraph's Shanghai correspondent gives an unconfirmed report that a Japanese army of 105,000 men has landed opposite Taku-Shan in Southern Manchuria, and is marching north and northwest, that another army of 40,000 has landed in Northwestern Corea and is marching toward the Yalu River, and that a third force has disembarked in Northwestern Corea, and is marching westward. The correspondent adds that the statement that the captain of the Russian cruiser Boyarin is to be court-martialed is regarded as confirming the report that the vessel was blown up by a mine.

CHINESE AWED.

A despatch, dated Tokio, April 3, 7 p. m., says: "The advance guard of the Japanese army in Northern Corea occupied the town of Seng Chong yesterday without opposition. Seng Chong is on the Pekin Road, 18 miles west of Chong-Ju, about 40 miles south of Wiju. When the Japanese drove the Russians out of Chong-Ju last Monday, the Russians withdrew in two columns, one going over the Kook San Road, and the other over the Pekin Road. The Japanese advance from Chong-Ju was made very rapidly. It was anticipated the Russians would resist this advance, but they failed to do so, and now it is not probable that there will be any further opposition south of the Yalu River. Chong-Ju, because of its superior natural surroundings, is the strongest place between Ping-Yang and Wiju. Besides these natural advantages, there is an old Korean fort, which, had it been defended with spirit, would have been hard to take. The Japanese are gratified at the comparative ease with which they drove the Russians from this fort. Russian patrols are reported to be in the country east of the Pekin Road, but it is not possible that there is any considerable force of Russians in that section. The patrols are withdrawing gradually to the northward, toward the Yalu. It is reported that the ice on the Yalu is broken up and in the future the river must be crossed either in junks or over pontoon bridges."

FOR RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION.

A Seoul despatch says: "Five Japanese transports, carrying men and horses to be used in the construction of the Seoul-Wiju railway, have arrived at Chemulpo. The transports also brought infantry, who are to act as railway guards. The troops are entraining for Seoul. Gen. Haraguchi, the newly-appointed commander of the Japanese forces here, has arrived."

RUSSIANS SOUTH OF WILU.

"It is reported here that two thousand Russian troops, including Cossacks and infantrymen, are entrenched about the gate on the south side of Wiju. According to statements made by Koreans, the Russians are utilizing trained dogs to act as message bearers."

PREPARING A WARM RECEPTION.

A Port Arthur despatch of Sunday says: "Preparations have been made to give the Japanese a warm reception in case they again attempt to block the harbor. Vice-Admiral Togo was right in surmising that Vice-Admiral Makaroff is responsible for the change in Russian naval tactics and for the inspiration of Russian seamen."

A SIGNALMAN, NAMED ANDERSEN, WHO, DURING THE BOMBARDMENT OF VLADIVOSTOK, REMAINED AT A SMALL SIGNAL STATION ON ASKOLD ISLAND, NEAR THE ENEMY'S SHIPS, AND WIRE INFORMATION OF THE MOVEMENTS OF THE ENEMY TO THE FORTRESS, HAS BEEN DECORATED WITH THE CROSS OF ST. GEORGE.

THINK YIN-KOW IS SAFE.

A correspondent of a St. Petersburg journal at Yin-Kow says the opinion prevails there that the Japanese will not bombard that place because 99 per cent. of the population is made up of Chinese, who are not at war with Japan, and because a shell from the Japanese ships would be sure to strike the residence of the U. S. consul, who is safeguarding Japanese interests. The same correspondent humorously describes the speculation among the British correspondents there as to whether the victorious Japanese, after defeating the Russian army, will stop in China or go on to Irkutsk.

BLOOD-CURDLING SCENES.

The Nori Krai, of Port Arthur, describes the scene on board the cruiser Bayan during the recent bombardment, in which she distinguished herself, as follows: "Bursting shells howled over man after man until the decks were slippery with blood. Amidst this hell the captain stood unmoved in the conning tower, calmly

telephoning his orders to the gun captains. His wonderful calmness had a marvellous influence upon all the officers. The cockpit was soon crowded, 30 men being there before the fight ended, but amidst the crash of the guns, the hiss of flying projectiles, the thunder of explosions, the racket of splinters and the din of the working engines, the surgeons labored over the wounded at the hospital operating table. Although some of the men suffered frightful agony, there were few groans, in spite of the fact that anaesthetics were administered in only one case. When the battle ended and the enemy began to draw off the officers on the bridge cheered, and the cheering extended down into the hold, the stokers and even the wounded joining in it. The captain signalled for full speed ahead after the retreating Japanese, but the Bayan had not gone far before the flagship signalled it to return."

CHINESE AWED.

A correspondent of the Associated Press at Port Arthur, telegraphs as follows, Sunday: "The Chinese, prophesying new attempts to block the channel, are at the present moment awed. All is quiet in port, and the situation is changed throughout the peninsula. Deposits of coal similar to that of Cardiff, Wales, have been found in the vicinity of Port Arthur. The discovery is an extremely important one, in view of the necessity of obtaining an ample supply of fuel for the fleet. Indignation prevails here over the publication by the Daily Press of Hong-Kong of untrue reports concerning Russia and of victories by the Japanese which excite the Chinese against Russia. During the inspection made by Viceroy Alexieff he visited the battery on Electric Cliff, and presented the commander, with an old bronze cross sent by a Moscow woman, who requested that it be erected on the most dangerous part of the fortress."

A RUSSIAN THREAT.

A Vladivostok despatch says: "The commandant has published an order in the Russian Chinese and Korean languages to the effect that he will sink any vessel attempting to enter the port at night."

QUARRELLING LIKE SCHOOL-BOYS.

The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Echo de Paris telegraphs as follows: "Rumors are current in high circles of fresh dissension between Viceroy Alexieff and General Kuropatkin. It is alleged that the Viceroy wants his views on the subject of the quickest way of ridding the country of Japanese adopted, whereas General Kuropatkin insists on retaining sole responsibility for the conception and execution of military operations. There is reason to believe that Gen. Kuropatkin will be left free, Viceroy Alexieff being too judicious to create trouble on account of a mere supposed slight."

FOR 250 ENGLISH CANNON.

The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Figaro says that Russia has ordered 250 cannon in England for the Manchurian army. He adds that the 10th and 17th army corps will not start for the seat of war before the end of the month.

FURTHER SKIRMISHING.

Reports of further skirmishing between the Russians and Japanese in the Yalu River region are reaching London, but no reliable details are given.

DEATH CAME AS HE TALKED

Clung to Overturned Boat in Lake and Froze While Hailing Friends

Assistance Secured too Late to Save Life of Jack Turrill—A Sad Fatality

"Don't go out, Jack, you'll be drowned," were the warning words of Jack Turrill's mother Friday night, as he started out from his home on the lake shore, near Cedar Springs, to shoot a few ducks.

"Oh, I'll be all right, mother. Don't fear about me," was the reply, and away he went, light-hearted, doomed never to return again alive.

He went out in his boat with a muzzle-loading gun. He was a quarter of a mile or so out in the lake before he had an opportunity of using the gun. At the first shot it kicked, and in trying to keep from falling tipped the boat over, precipitating him into the icy waters of the lake.

The unfortunate man caught hold of the boat, but was unable to get it turned over. It is supposed that he hung on to the boat for fully an hour and a half talking to people on shore, who were unable to help, but had sent away down the shore for the nearest boat.

The boat did not arrive in time, and in the meantime, Turrill had been gradually freezing to death in the icy cold water.

When the boat did arrive the unfortunate man was dead, having just relaxed his hold on the boat and gone down.

It was found, when the body was recovered, that he had been frozen to death before he went down, as there was no water in his lungs.

Deceased was the only son.

FIERCE FIRE AT RIDEAU HALL

\$40,000 Damage to New Wing of the Vice-Regal Building

Lady Minto Brought Down Stairs Ready for Removal but the Fire was got Under Control

Ottawa, April 3.—A fire which broke out in the new wing of Rideau Hall, at 5.30 o'clock this morning, did about \$40,000 damage by fire and water, principally the latter. It is supposed to have caught from electrical wiring in the room of Arthur Guise, comptroller of the household. His room was gutted and the fire travelled the whole length of the roof of the wing.

The members of the household made an effort to quench the fire with buckets of water, but it soon became evident that such efforts would prove futile, and the Ottawa brigade was summoned.

The brigade managed to restrict the blaze to the new wing, but not without heavy damage.

A great deal of valuable antique furniture and paintings were gotten out, but a considerable quantity of stuff was practically ruined by the deluge of water.

Those who were sleeping in the wing at the time were the children of Their Excellencies—Hon. Esmond Elliott, Lady Ruby Elliott, and Lady Violet Elliott. Besides these were Mr. Guise, Capt. Bell, A. D. C., Capt. Graham, A. D. C., Hon. Mr. Howard, Madame De Joffa, a governess, and Miss Seymour. Their Excellencies occupied rooms in the old wing, adjoining that destroyed.

Her Excellency, who is helpless, suffered from a compound fracture of the left leg, received recently while skating, was brought down stairs, and an ambulance was in waiting to take her away should the fire have got beyond control. Fortunately this was not necessary, and Her Excellency is reported to have not suffered in any way as a result of the early morning experience.

The Government architect places the loss at not less than \$40,000. As it is Government property the loss is a total one.

LAI D TO REST

The remains of the late James H. Cummings were reverently laid to rest in the Methodist burying ground at Bethel church, River Road, Harwich. The services of the house were conducted by the Rev. Mr. Downes, Methodist minister at Bethel and Northwood, and was under the auspices of the Kent Bridge Football Club. A joint choir from the choir of Bethel and Kent Bridge Methodist churches and Kent Bridge Presbyterian church sang at the obsequies. The Rev. Mr. Harg, Kent Bridge, officiated at the funeral service in the Presbyterian church at Kent Bridge. Representatives were present from the Chatham, Darrell and Northwood Football Clubs. The Maple City Football Club sent a beautiful spray of calla lilies and Easter lilies. The Kent Bridge team sent a wreath. There was also a pillow of Easter lilies, calla lilies, forget-me-nots from deceased's brother. Among those attending the funeral from a distance were John Collins and family, Botany; J. W. Aiken and M. J. Wilson, Chatham; Ira Ferguson and family, St. Thomas. The pall bearers were Robert Scott, Thomas, Patterson, Stephen, Reid, John Wylie, James Miller and Harold Poole.

FIRE RETURNS

The following are the fire returns for the month of March:

March 2—Geo. Blackburn's residence, William street; telephone alarm.

March 2—Roe's row, box 14, chimney.

March 17—Still alarm, Adelaide street, chimney.

March 17—Still alarm, Jeffrey street, chimney.

March 28—Ed. Northwood's residence, William street, box 23.

March 29—Chatham Loan & Savings Co. block, King street, still alarm; smoke damage.

PRECEPTORY MEET

Kent Preceptory, No. 20, held their regular assembly of the Order in the Temple, Fifth street, Friday afternoon, when two candidates received the degree of the Red Cross.

In the evening the exemplification of the beautiful degree of the Temple was conferred on the two candidates.

One peculiar circumstance in connection with the conferring of degrees was the fact that the father and uncles of one of the candidates were present through this degree by the same principal officers 20 years ago.

A number of St. Knights were present on the occasion and the beautiful work of the consecration was well exemplified by R. E. Enright, St. Knights Bates and Thornton.

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