

Hail of Shells From Mikado's Guns Sends Czar's Fleet Scurrying to Sea, To Be Driven Back by Togo's Jackies

**With Jap Trap Closing Russians
Make Splendid Dash for
Liberty.**

**Hospital Ship Mongolia Leaves
Port Arthur With Women
and Children.**

**Port Arthur Suffering Greatly
From Terrible Bombardment
—Situation in Manchuria.**

Che Foo, Aug. 11, 11:45 a.m. — The Russian fleet emerged from Port Arthur at 7 a.m. Wednesday morning. It is stated that only the smaller Japanese vessels engaged and pursued it. The pursuit lasted two hours and a half. The hospital ship Mongolia, carrying women and children is said to have accompanied the fleet.

The refugees from Port Arthur state that during the last five days Japanese shells from Wolf Hill have been dropping into the town causing much damage. Several civilians have been hurt. One shell hit an oil storehouse under Golden Hill. Five hundred sailors vainly attempted to extinguish it.

Driven Back By Togo

Tokio, Aug. 11, 11 a.m. — Evidently driven to sea by the fire of the Japanese land batteries, the Russian fleet emerged from Port Arthur yesterday. Admiral Togo immediately closed in and opened a severe engagement which lasted until daylight. The Japanese delivered a series of attacks. The Japanese fleet withdrew during the night. A guardship stationed off the harbor reported that she saw at dawn today the battleships Retvizan and Pobeda, steaming toward the harbor of Port Arthur.

Admiral Togo has not yet reported the result of yesterday's engagement. It is thought here that the Russians attempted to escape seaward from a base which is no longer tenable, but that they again refused to attempt to force Admiral Togo's line. Details are expected hourly.

Fight Confirmed

London, Aug. 11. — A dispatch to the Japanese legation from Tokio confirms the reports of a severe naval engagement yesterday before Port Arthur, and of a subsequent attack on the Russian squadron by the Japanese torpedo destroyers.

The dispatch concludes by saying that at dawn today the Retvizan and another battleship of the Pobeda appeared taking flight toward Port Arthur.

Russians Fled Back.

Washington, Aug. 11. — The Japanese legation has received the following cable, dated Tokio: "Various reports from Taitien Bay say that the Russian squadron emerged from Port Arthur on the morning of Aug. 10. A severe battle ensued, continuing until sunset. At night our torpedo flotilla seemed to have attacked the enemy's squadron, for at dawn on Aug. 11 the Retvizan and another battleship of the Pobeda type appeared to be taking flight toward Port Arthur."

Means Doom of Fortress.

London, Aug. 11. — The afternoon papers here today, while admitting that the result of the engagement off Port Arthur is not clear generally interpret the conflicting reports from Tokio and Che Foo as meaning that the bulk of the Russian squadron at Port Arthur made a sortie in the hope of escaping, but that only the torpedo boat destroyer Retvizan, which reached Che Foo succeeded in getting away, and that the rest of the squadron had been equally successful. The papers recall Admiral Cervera's dash from Santiago followed by the speedy surrender of the town, and consider that the sortie from Port Arthur indicates the impending fall of the fortress.

Did Big Ships Escape?

Che Foo, Aug. 11, 10:30 a.m. — Captain Rostchavski, of the Russian torpedo destroyer Ritsitelli, which emerged from Port Arthur with the

fleet Wednesday morning, and which arrived here early this morning states his engines broke down when he was midway between Che Foo and Port Arthur. He proceeded at a speed of 12 knots to this port. He says he saw no Japanese vessels. He confirms previous statements that the large Russian warships had left Port Arthur, but refuses to say that the fleet had gone on an extended cruise, leaving the inference, in the course of a long interview, that the warships expect to join the Vladivostok squadron, which, he said, had been recruited by the purchase of ships from Argentine Republic, Captain Rostchavski says further that the Russian torpedo boats, gunboats and small craft generally remained at Port Arthur. Some came out to perform their usual duties in the vicinity, but they did not follow the big ships.

Captain Rostchavski stated that the recent firing heard at Che Foo evidently came from Port Arthur, where the Japanese continue to attack daily, with scarcely less energy than they manifested during the severe three days' fighting the latter part of July. The Japanese line, he said, now extended from the north shore of Louisa Bay to a point immediately east of Taiche Bay, about seven miles east of Port Arthur.

The Japanese are, he alleged, wasting lives with reckless courage. Their positions are frequently lost, or taken, then lost and retaken again.

A Naval Battle

Che Foo, Aug. 11, 1 p.m. — The steamer Tschow reports that she sighted three warships which she believed to be Russian, in the vicinity of Che Foo. An unconfirmed report has been received of a naval battle near Round Island.

Forts Assisted

London, Aug. 11. — A dispatch to a news agency from Tokio announces definitely that Admiral Togo has frustrated the attempt of the Port Arthur squadron to escape, and adds that the Port Arthur forts participated with the warships in the engagement, indicating that the fighting occurred close to the port.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 11, 10:55 a.m. — The apparent escape of the Port Arthur squadron is arousing the most intense interest here. No official news on the subject had reached the Admiralty when a correspondent showed the Associated Press dispatches from Che Foo to Admiral Avellan, chief of the admiralty, but he expressed no surprise, and on the contrary did not conceal his satisfaction. He explained that Captain Sostekhovskiy probably had reported direct to Vice-Admiral Skrydloff and Vice-Admiral Alexieff. While the destination of the squadron is not admitted, there is no doubt that if it succeeds in shaking off Admiral Togo, then its purpose is to effect a junction with the Vladivostok squadron.

Tokio, Aug. 11. — The Russian fleet emerged from Port Arthur Wednesday, and a severe engagement with the Japanese fleet, lasting all day, followed. The Japanese destroyers attacked the Russians. The result of the engagements are unknown. The Russian battleships Retvizan and Pobeda were seen outside Port Arthur this (Thursday) morning.

Retvizan Was Hit.

Che Foo, Aug. 11. — An official source here reports the sighting of sixteen Russian warships last night in the vicinity of Che Foo. It is alleged that the Russian hospital ship Mongolia, carrying women and children, which left Port Arthur with the squadron, will go to Shanghai.

The Russian battleship Retvizan was hit seventeen times during the recent bombardment of Port Arthur, but was only slightly damaged. The Japanese fleet has been directing its fire against the dockyard at Port Arthur. One hundred shells dropped on a spot from which a powder magazine had recently been removed.

The Japanese are reported to be lacking in sufficient large guns. The present supply is mostly from the fleet.

Captain Sostekhovskiy, which arrived here this morning reports that a Japanese cruiser and a gunboat were injured or sunk during the past week.

Alexieff's Report.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 11. — 6:08 p.m. —

The admiralty has just received from Vice-Admiral Alexieff a brief dispatch officially announcing the departure of the Port Arthur squadron. It does not give details and doubtless was the news communicated to the admiralty by the captain of the torpedo boat destroyer Ryshehteln from Che Foo.

Che Foo, Aug. 11. — The Russian squadron left Port Arthur in response to imperative orders from Admiral Skrydloff. A semi-official telegram reports that the Russian battleships Pobeda and Retvizan have returned damaged to Port Arthur.

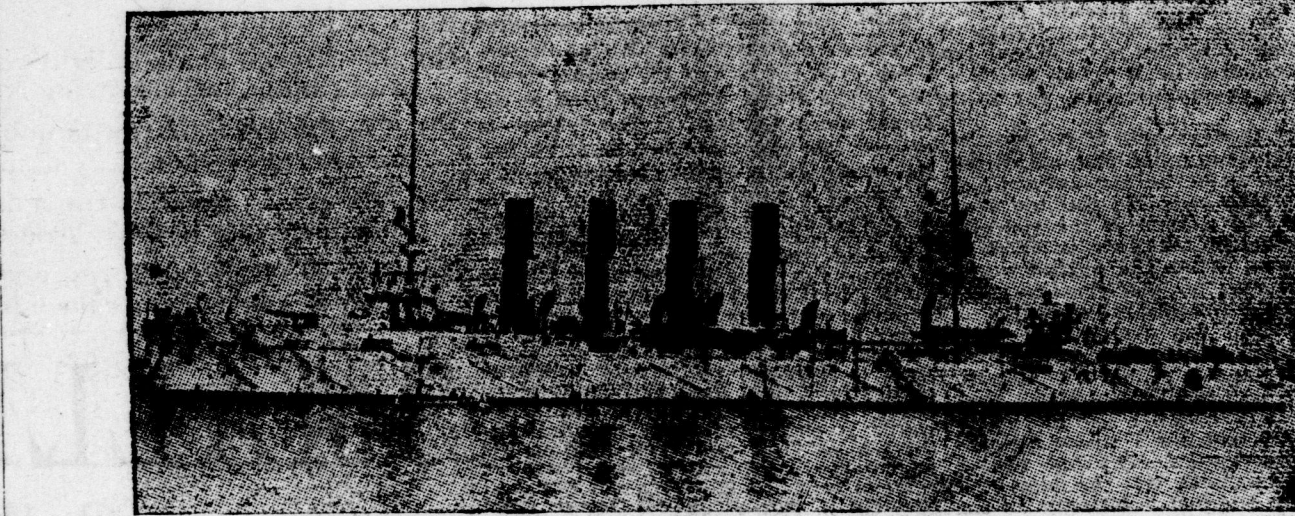
Three Japanese torpedo boat destroyers are now outside this harbor watching the Russian torpedo boat Ryshehteln, which flies a Russian flag.

No Fighting at Mukden.

Liao Yang, Tuesday, Aug. 9. — It is officially stated that no important fighting has occurred in the vicinity of Mukden. The nearest Japanese and Russian positions are only a few miles apart and only skirmishes have occurred there.

It is evident that the Japanese do not intend attempting to carry Liao Yang by frontal attacks, but hope for success by flanking as at Ta Che Kiao and Hang Cheng.

A large Japanese force is reported to be moving along the coast above Yin Kow.



Russian Crack Battleship Retvizan.

Which took part in Wednesday's fight off Port Arthur. In a recent bombardment of the fortress she was hit seventeen times, but escaped with little damage.

RUSSIANS THINK FLEET ESCAPED

Preparations Made at Vladivostok to Receive the Port Arthur Squadron.

Vladivostok, Aug. 11. — Preparations are being completed here for the reception and protection of the Port Arthur squadron. The departure of the squadron from Port Arthur is generally interpreted to indicate that the siege of the fortress is entering on its final stage, as the programme has repeatedly been announced by the Associated Press for the squadron to leave as soon as the situation at Port Arthur became desperate. The preservation of the squadron is considered to be vital to Russia's future plans, and while it is acknowledged that its departure will greatly weaken the defensive power of the garrison, without the capture of the squadron the fall of the fortress will be robbed of much of its strategic importance. The smaller ships probably were left behind on account of their slow speed and inadequate fighting power, while the torpedo boat destroyers would constitute a constant menace to the Japanese fleet outside.

Definite news of the result of the reported battle outside Port Arthur is awaited here with feverish anxiety. If the squadron succeeded in getting through the Japanese ships it is realized that it runs a desperate risk in trying to reach Vladivostok, as Admiral Togo's fleet is larger and of superior strength and faster than the Russian squadron. Besides the Straits of Korea are understood to be mined and the squadron probably will be compelled to take a longer route around Japan.

It is believed that the purpose of the Russian torpedo boat destroyer in going to Che Foo was to notify Admiral Skrydloff of the sortie of the Port Arthur squadron, in order that he may dispatch to the Vladivostok squadron to meet the squadron from Port Arthur. Advice from Admiral Allevan indicates that it will consist of the battleships Retvizan, Pobeda, Peresvet, Sevastopol, Czarevitch, and Potiava, the armored cruiser Bayan and the protected cruiser Pallada and Diana.

Where Will They Strike?

Mukden, Aug. 11. — There is much speculation as to whether the Japanese intend to attempt to turn General Kurapatkin's flank between here and Liao Yang or north of Mukden. The Russian appear well satisfied with the situation. Officers and men anticipate a big battle around Liao Yang. Instead of joining issue there will seek to turn the Russian position above Mukden and cut the railroad.

BOY WANTED

Imperial Accoucher Is Summoned to

Czarina's Palace.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 11, 5:21 p.m. — Dr. Rott, the imperial accoucher, was hurriedly summoned to the Villa Alexandra at Peterhoff this afternoon, and an announcement thence is expected hourly.

FIGHT ONLY BEGINNING

Leader of Chicago Strikers Can't See Peace in Sight.

Chicago, Aug. 11. — President Michael Donnelly, of the Butchers' Union, today said he had little faith in peace negotiations to settle the packing house strike.

"It looks to me as though this is only the beginning of the fight," he said. "I will not stand now for the agreement. The matter is now beyond me. The allied trades conference board will have to approve of any terms of peace. I do not think the packers will agree to terms that I would insist upon now, and of course, the strike cannot be settled unless terms are satisfactory to all the unions in the allied trades."

NO WATER FOR 11 DAYS

Fishermen Rescued at Point of Death After Much Distress.

North Sydney, N. S. W., Aug. 11. — Their throats parched for eleven days, which they spent without food or water, exhausted, emaciated and nearly dead, Peter Grady and Chas. Conley, picked up from their dory by the schooner Hydrangea, were brought in yesterday. When found they were forty miles off Miquelon. Lost in a fog while fishing near their smack, the Indiana, the men drifted for nearly two weeks, now burned by the blistering sun, now chilled by heavy mist, the wind drove them 200 miles, and when found they were unable to lift their hands. Their appearance was that of dead men, and it was not until kindly hands had worked over them for hours that their worn and weary bodies gave signs of life.

LIBERALS TAKE ANOTHER

Northeast Lanarkshire Won Back From the Unionists.

London, Aug. 11. — In Northeast Lanarkshire yesterday the Liberals won another election victory. The seat was consistently Liberal until 1901, when it was won for the Unionists by Sir William Henry Rattigan, who recently died. The polling resulted in the election of Provost Findlay, Liberal, who received 5,619 votes, against 4,667 for Mr. Louch, the Unionist candidate, and 2,894 for Mr. Robertson, representing the Labor party.

There were three candidates in the bye-election of 1901 when Sir Wm. Rattigan, Conservative, polled 5,673; Cecil Harmsworth, Liberal, 4,769, and R. Smilie, Labor candidate, 2,900 votes.

BRANTFORD NURSE TO WED

Wealthy Mr. Cowles of Cleveland to Marry Her.

Cleveland, Aug. 11. — J. G. W. Cowles announced yesterday his engagement to Miss Beatrice Walker, and stated that the wedding would take place within four weeks. Miss Walker was formerly a nurse and served in the Cowles home during the illness of Mrs. Cowles, who died about a year ago. She is now at her home in Brantford, Ont. Mr. Cowles is one of the wealthiest men of this city. He has sole estate of John D. Rockefeller's real estate of this part of the State. He is 72 years old, while his fiancée is only 28. Mr. Cowles has two daughters, one of whom is married. The announcement of Mr. Cowles' engagement caused much surprise and comment in fashionable society.

MANY GOOD WELLS STRUCK IN THE VICINITY OF PETROLEA

Excitement Created in the Oil Region by the Discovery of a New Territory.

ONE WELL SAID TO YIELD 100 BARRELS A DAY

The striking of a number of good wells a few miles west of Petrolea has created no little excitement in and around the oil town of Canada.

For some weeks past companies and individuals have had drillers at work in a section that had heretofore been overlooked, and the result is that already two scores of gushers have been located and more wells are being drilled as fast as the work can be carried on. One of the wells is pumping, it is said, about one hundred barrels a day, while a number of others yield as high as thirty barrels every twenty-four hours.

The scene of the latest "finds" is in the townships of Enniskillen and Moore, about six miles west of Petrolea. The area already covered in each township extends from con. 8 to con. 12, but nearly every day finds the greater offenders in this matter. The area already covered in each township extends from con. 8 to con. 12, but nearly every day finds the greater offenders in this matter. The area already covered in each township extends from con. 8 to con. 12, but nearly every day finds the greater offenders in this matter.

The Canadian Oil Fields Company, composed largely of English capitalists, is the leading concern in the field. There are a number of smaller companies with men engaged in drilling, and there are not a few men working on "their own hook." It is felt on all hands that it is the most important new territory struck in the Petrolea region in fifteen or twenty years.

The well which is pumping 100 barrels a day is located in Moore Township. A short distance from it is another well flowing 40 to 50 barrels a day. In this well, there is such a large quantity of gas that the oil is forced to the surface (without the aid of a pump) where it is placed in barrels. Other wells are pumping from 8 to 20 barrels a day. These are estimated to be at least 30 in number.

The price quoted for crude at Petrolea today is \$1.51 a barrel of 35 gallons. When the Government's bounty of half a cent a gallon is paid for crude, it will mean that each barrel will bring over \$2 to the owner of the wells. Many of the wells in the vicinity of Petrolea yield only from a half a barrel to a barrel a day.

GREAT FRAUD IS ALLEGED

Big Illicit Traffic in Naturalization Papers at New York City.

New York, Aug. 10. — George W. Morgan, New York State superintendent of elections tonight gave out a statement in which he says he is estimated that \$800,000 have been made within the past year in the sale of fraudulent naturalization papers. He adds that the federal authorities estimate that over 100,000 fraudulent naturalization papers have been sold by those engaged in this illicit traffic, and that 20,000 of them have been issued in New York city. After referring to the discovery of the fraudulent certificates by Commissioner Wm. Williams, of the Ellis Island Immigration Bureau, to the finding of a plant in Newark, N. J., where three Italians printed and sold them, and to President Roosevelt's message to congress in December last, which caused activity in all the public departments where the check might be checked, the statement says in part:

"It is found that the Italians are by far the greater offenders in this matter, although many instances have been discovered by the Greeks and Armenians, and a somewhat lesser number among the Germans. It has been estimated that fully 90 per cent of the citizens in this vicinity hold fraudulent naturalization papers. The courts, as a result of this scandal, have become particularly strict in the enforcement of the regulations governing naturalization."

CHARGES CROOKED DEAL

Thirty Thousand Dollars Damages Asked by a Windsorite.

Detroit, Aug. 11. — Day Krolik for himself and several other Detroiters, has begun an action against John Curry, James Anderson, H. G. Harris and P. H. McMath, claiming \$30,000 damages. Krolik avers he was induced to buy eleven acres of property in Windsor twelve years ago from the Essex Land and Improvement Company, and that the property was not worth what was paid for it. He also charges the defendants with several other things. James Anderson, president of the Essex Land and Improvement Company, denies that there was any intention to defraud.

A State of Siege

Paris, Aug. 11. — The foreign office here confirms a report from Buenos Ayres that a state of siege has been proclaimed in the Republic of Paraguay, owing to fear of a revolutionary outbreak.

The New Armories.

Ottawa, Ont., Aug. 11. — A Hamilton deputation, consisting of Col. Logie, Major E. W. Moore, James Chisholm, and W. Stewart, were here today, and submitted sketches of the proposed enlargement of the armories at Hamilton.

Bridal Couple Die.

New York, Aug. 11. — Wolf Gang, a young Austrian and his bride of two months, who recently came to this country to make a home for themselves, were asphyxiated by illuminating gas in their rooms in an east side tenement house during the night.

British Troops in Lhasa

For First Time in History

The Streets Are Filthy and

Swarm With Pigs—The

Amбан Interviewed.

Lhasa, Aug. 11. — Tuesday, for the first time in history, British troops marched through the streets of Lhasa, the occasion being a ceremonial visit of Col. Younghusband, the civil commissioner accompanying the British expedition to the Chinese Amban. The troops, when en route to the city, passed at the foot of the dala lama's great gate, the newly-created, the Chinese quarter, which was swarming with pigs, and entered the city proper. The Amban's smart guard of honor received Col. Younghusband, who had an hour's interview with the Chinese representative. The Amban lamented the cleanliness and ignorance of the Chinese quarter, which was swarming with pigs, and entered the city proper. The Amban's smart guard of honor received Col. Younghusband, who had an hour's interview with the Chinese representative. The Amban lamented the cleanliness and ignorance of the Chinese quarter, which was swarming with pigs, and entered the city proper.

YOUNGHUSBAND WARNS TIBETANS

Delay in Negotiating With Britain Will Greatly Increase Indemnity.

Lhasa, Tibet, Aug. 5. — Col. Younghusband, head of the British mission, today returned the Amban's ceremonial visit. He urged the appointment of delegates, for the purpose of negotiating terms of peace, at the same time intimating that every day's delay would increase the indemnity to be demanded by the British.

No attempt has yet been made by the Tibetans to start negotiations. It is stated that the Dalai Lama left behind the seal of state, so that the treaty could be signed in his absence.

The Tibetans are freely supplying the mission with necessities.

MAY BE DRUGGING CASE

Colling Is Still Unconscious, But Will Likely Recover.

Toronto, Ont., Aug. 11. — The man who was brought to the Emergency Hospital about 3 o'clock this morning in an unconscious condition, and apparently suffering from an overdose of some drug, and who had letters in his pocket from Seaford addressed to J. H. Colling, was still unconscious at noon but the physicians say he will recover.

CANNOT SELL SHARES

Injunction Granted Restraining Sale by Big Oil Judge.

Windsor, Ont., Aug. 11. — Judge McHugh has granted Joseph Meyer, of New York, an injunction restraining the New York and Lake Erie Oil Company of Pelee Island, from disposing of 200,000 shares of the company's stock. Mr. Meyer claims that the number of shares in the company, and also sets up that the company are trying to oust him from the corporation, and to sell his stock. In the injunction the oil company is denied the privilege of selling further bonds.

LANDSOWNE TELLS RUSSIANS MUST MODIFY CONTRABAND LIST

Great Britain Dissatisfied With Russia's Attitude Regarding Knight Commander.

London, Aug. 11. — Great Britain is dissatisfied with Russia's attitude in the case of the British steamer Knight Commander and continues to press the latter to make substantial modification of the list of articles regarded as contraband. Count Benckendorff, the Russian ambassador, called at the foreign office yesterday afternoon and conferred for an hour with Foreign Secretary Lansdowne, the latter bringing up the question of the changes which should be made in the Russian regulations, in order to make them acceptable to the commercial nations, besides pointing out the inadvisability of declaring food, fuel and clothing contraband under all circumstances. Lord Lansdowne dwelt on the sweeping character of Russia's proclamation, some of the provisions of which after specifying various goods as contraband, closed with the word "Et cetera," which Lord Lansdowne pointed out can include anything and everything the Russian authorities desire. As this is a serious restriction on neutral shipping, Lansdowne insisted that the regulations should contain general articles of that kind.

In reply Lord Lansdowne was assured that Russia had no desire to necessarily hamper neutral shipping, but she cannot afford Japan to receive supplies which would facilitate her military operations. Russia was prepared to modify her regulations provided Great Britain on her part would accept regulations and bind herself to observe them in full. Lord Lansdowne is now considering how far in this direction he can go without creating regulations pointing out the inadvisability of declaring food, fuel and clothing contraband under all circumstances. Lord Lansdowne dwelt on the sweeping character of Russia's proclamation, some of the provisions of which after specifying various goods as contraband, closed with the word "Et cetera," which Lord Lansdowne pointed out can include anything and everything the Russian authorities desire. As this is a serious restriction on neutral shipping, Lansdowne insisted that the regulations should contain general articles of that kind.

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WEATHER BULLETIN.

Tomorrow—Fine and Cool

London, Thursday, Aug. 11.

Sun rises, 5:17 a.m. Moon rises, 5:22 a.m.

Sun sets, 7:23 p.m. Moon sets, 7:30 p.m.

Showers and thunderstorms have occurred today in the lake region and east to the Ottawa Valley; also in Alberta.

Elsewhere the weather has been fine.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Victoria, 52-62; Calgary, 54-69; Qu'Appelle, 55-80; Winnipeg, 50-78; Port Arthur, 48-64; Parry Sound, 58-