

RUSS RETREAT
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Are Hurrying North.

BIG BATTLE AT FORTRESS AUG. 8

Japanese Attacked by Land and Sea,
But Were Repulsed With Heavy
Losses—Outpost Fighting.

London, Aug. 10.—It is reported from Shanghai that the Russians are retreating northward from An Shan Shan.

The Daily Telegraph's Chefoo correspondent reports a great land and sea fight at Port Arthur on Aug. 8, and the Japanese were repeatedly repulsed. Over 1,000 Russians were killed, the correspondent says. The Russian troops have now been reinforced by civilians at Port Arthur.

On Both Flanks

Liao Yang, Saturday, Aug. 6.—(Delayed in transmission.)—General Kuropatkin is ready to retreat from Liao Yang. The Japanese forces are concentrated in three groups: the first at Simu-cheng, Hsiao Cheng and New Chwang; the second threatening Llandanishan and Liao Yang; and the third threatening Sikeoyan, Liao Yang, and Mukden. According to Chinese reports the Japanese are massing in the direction of Saimatzze, the Russian line of communication. A strong column is ascending the Liao Valley from New Chwang, also for the purpose of attacking Liao Yang.

A reliable Chinese merchant declares this column includes 10,000 Japanese subjects from the island of Formosa. This most unelcome development may induce other Chinese to join the Japanese. It is hard to tell a Formosan from a Manchurian.

An Outpost Fight

Sintsinth (60 miles east of Mukden, Manchuria), Monday, Aug. 8.—(Delayed in transmission.)—A column of Russian troops, consisting of two companies of Cossacks, two companies of sharpshooters, a company of infantry and a couple of mountain guns, set out on Aug. 4 on the Saimatzze road toward Tsien Shan, 25 miles southward, and drove in the Japanese outposts. A hundred men pushing passes, resisted at three consecutive passes, but were routed by the Russian artillery, leaving ammunition and equipment behind them. The Russians pursued the Japanese so far as the Tsien Shan. According to Chinese reports, 2,000 Japanese are holding that place.

An Shan Shan (half way between Hai Cheng and Liao Yang), Sunday, Aug. 8.—(Delayed in transmission.)—A cavalry reconnaissance in force along the whole front, from the direction of New Chwang, resulted in the capture of four armed Chinese bandits. One of them was carrying a Japanese rifle.

To Head Off Retreat

St. Petersburg, Aug. 9.—It is evident from dispatches from Liao Yang and Sintsinth that the Japanese are continuing their preparations for a general movement, which may possibly alter the nature of the expected engagement at Liao Yang, and which may also further delay the crucial development.

The concentration of a strong Japanese force at Saimatzze indicates an intention to press forward the Russian line and if possible to cut the communications and prevent Gen. Kuropatkin from retreating north.

Japs Control Railroad

A Russian correspondent of the Associated Press, in a dispatch from Ta Tehe Kiao, dated July 23, said it was believed that the Shan Hai Kwan Railroad was then under the control of the Japanese with the consent of China. As early as March 29 last the Shan Hai Kwan correspondent of the London Daily Mail asserted that the Chinese had received official authorization to turn over the plant of the railway to the Japanese. The Japanese are in control of the Gulf of Liao Tung, and should the state of the dispatch from Mukden prove to be correct it would indicate that they are landing troops at Shantung, the southern terminus of the railway, and transporting them to Shantung. The strategic importance of the possession of this railway, which was sought by the Russians early in the war is apparent.

No Commission at Present

London, Aug. 10.—Premier Balfour announced in the House of Commons today that he did not propose at present to call an imperial conference or appoint a royal commission to examine the fiscal situation of the empire.

Soldiers May Resign

Windsor, Ont., Aug. 10.—There is mutiny in the 22nd (Essex) Regiment. When the corps was organized the men understood that the non-commissioned officers were to be selected from those who enlisted in the squad, but Col. Bartlett desires that promotions be made from the different companies of the regiment. The men objected to this and threaten to resign.

Last Hours of the Session;
Settling Up Public BusinessThe Railway Subsidies Bill Put
Through Final Stages and
Estimates Adopted.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottawa, Aug. 10.—In the House this morning the Finance Minister secured the passage through all stages of a formal bill dealing with the bounty, making it clear that the bounty act of this session applies to the last fiscal year.

The railway subsidies bill passed its final stages. Before the third reading

THE PORTE GIVES IN

Will Grant the Demands of United States.

Constantinople, Tuesday, Aug. 9.—United States Minister Leishman has received a message from the Porte promising a favorable communication in a day or two regarding the American opposition to the schools question and other matters.

KILLED CHIEF OF POLICE

Another Russian Official Assassinated at Nakhehivan.

New York, Aug. 10.—A special cablegram to the Sun from Berlin says: The Vossische Zeitung says that Tregdenko, head of the forest department and chief of police, has been murdered openly in the streets of Nakhehivan, Russia.

SIR F. BALEN DEAD

Famous English Physician and Author Passes Away.

London, Aug. 10.—Sir Frederick Balen, M.D., born in 1825, died this morning at Norwich. He was a member of many societies, consulting physician of the Norfolk and Norwich hospitals, and author of numerous medical works.

THE VOLUNTEER FLEET

Can Pass Dardanelles, But Must Fly Commercial Flag.

Constantinople, Aug. 10.—The Porte has definitely accepted the assurance of Russia as to the character of the volunteer fleet vessels seeking to traverse the Dardanelles.

In a note to the Russian embassy agreeing to the exit of the fleet, the Porte has stated the fact that its understanding of the Russian statement that vessels of the volunteer fleet shall not carry arms or munitions of war; they shall fly the commercial flag throughout the voyage, and shall traverse the straits separately, at stated intervals. The first vessel is expected tomorrow.

LECTURED ON POLITICS

Young Woman Professor Delivers Her First Lecture.

London, Aug. 10.—Remarkable news has come from the town of Grenoble, whose university is celebrated for the teaching of living languages. The first woman who has been allowed to teach publicly is Miss Gladstone Jameson, M.A., 25 years old and of English nationality. She is a certificated teacher of French in the University of Edinburgh and wears the professor's square cap and robe with large sleeves and a large pocket. French perfectly, and a large audience assembled to hear her first lecture.

She spoke with much talent and originality of the political institutions of England. She analyzed the social position of the monarch and of the aristocracy, of the House of Lords and the House of Commons, and drew a very striking picture of the poverty, misery and the condition of the working classes. Miss Jameson is to give two lectures every week till the end of the school year, when she returns again to Scotland to continue her career of professor.

INVITE RUSSIANS

TO SURRENDER

Japanese Have Urged Russians to Give Up Port Arthur and Save Lives.

Chicago, Aug. 10.—The Daily News publishes the following Tokio cable dispatch: Frequent invitations have been given the Russians in Port Arthur by the Japanese to surrender. These invitations are not mere promises, but are backed by the Japanese army and navy. On purely humanitarian grounds the Japanese are desirous of inducing the fortress to yield before the Russian army. This would prevent, they say, an unnecessary sacrifice of human lives.

They maintain that if the Russians persist in the defense of the fortress their efforts will prove useless. One of the newspapers here, a government organ, says that the Japanese have been misled by which the fortress will be razed with terrible slaughter of the Russians. But with comparative immunity to the Japanese.

MAMIE GILROY DEAD

Actress Who Was Original "Bossy" in "A Texas Steer."

New York, Aug. 10.—Mamie Gilroy, the actress, died yesterday at her home, 130 East One Hundred and Fifteenth street, of heart disease. She was the original "Bossy" in "A Texas Steer," and she remained with the Hoyt company for seven seasons. Later she became a member of the Grand Avenue Opera Company of Philadelphia. She appeared here last in "The Giddy Thru." Miss Gilroy was going to star this season in Mabelle Gilman's role in "The Mocking Bird." Miss Gilroy was 26 years old. She was a member of the Professional Women's League and the Actors' Society. She was also one of the three women members of the Theatrical Mechanics' League.

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ST. PETERSBURG
IS ON THE RACK

Expects Bad News From Pt. Arthur and Kuropatkin.

CORDON TIGHTENS ABOUT HIM

Muscovite Commander Is Threatened On All Sides, and Is in Grave Peril of Being Picketed.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 10.—Restlessness over the situation at the front seems to be increasing since the occupation by the Japanese of Wolf Hill, before Port Arthur. It is admitted that the besiegers have an elevated position, whence machine guns can command the fortress, and while still possessing confidence that General Stockel will be able to hold out with his comparatively small garrison against the enormous number of men, indicated by the reckless manner in which they stormed the out positions, the state of affairs creates more apprehension than the war office or admiralty care to acknowledge.

Similar misgivings exist regarding General Kuropatkin's position, the advantages of the new Japanese base at New Chwang greatly simplifying the problem of provisioning their army. But, it is the report that the Japanese are working up westward of the main Russian army which causes the greatest uneasiness. The rumor that they are moving up toward Simuntun, a short distance west of Mukden, from New Chwang, is generally believed.

With the Japanese cordon tightening south and east and a column threatening the Russian communications in the rear toward Mukden, the appearance of the Japanese on the other side of Mukden would almost pocket General Kuropatkin, if he has not a true account of the Japanese advance.

Another alarming feature of the situation in connection with the western front is the report that it includes many Chinese, who are Japanese subjects from the island of Formosa whose local Chinese names are full, and the favorite thoroughfares and places of resort full and overcrowding with visitors. The Chinese, and all parties to 35 degrees in the shade, has not been intolerable, as fresh breezes and invigorating air have tempered the American and colonial visitors, accustomed to far greater heat, are enjoying it hugely, and to visit the city and its surroundings more gay and fascinating. At this season the commercial classes are complaining of bad trade, and things do seem really at a standstill. But in Russian fortitude, they are accepting the situation and consoling themselves at the seaside and enjoying the holidays till the autumn makes things livelier.

The Japanese officers and men express admiration of the Russian success often at night they advance close to the Japanese outposts. Russian ambulances, after a battle, are frequently within speaking distance of the Japanese.

No Change

St. Petersburg, Aug. 10.—Emperor Nicholas has received dispatches from General Kuropatkin, dated Aug. 8 and 9, mentioning a few minor reconnoissances, but saying that there has been no practical change in the positions on either the east or south fronts.

The south the Japanese advance posts are nine miles north of Hai Cheng. Daily fusillades occur between the Russian and Japanese outposts.

General Kuropatkin points out the fact that the Japanese are using bullets of different calibre, some with incendiary tips, and are showing that their reserve men are now in the fighting line.

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Wireless From Yukon
Seattle, Wash., Aug. 10.—General Greeley, chief signal officer of the United States army, has received the first telegraphic message ever sent from Nome, Alaska. It marks the inauguration of the Government wireless line from Nome to St. Michael.

The message came by the wire line up the Yukon to Dawson and thence to Seattle, traveling 2,500 miles altogether.

WEATHER BULLETIN.
Tomorrow—Fair and Cooler

London, Wednesday, Aug. 10. Sun rises, 5:16 a.m. Moon rises, 1:30 p.m. Sun sets, 7:30 p.m. Moon sets, 5:46 p.m.

Toronto, Aug. 9-8 p.m. Rain has fallen today in the Lake Superior district. Elsewhere the weather has been fine and over the greater portion of the Northwest Territories decidedly warm.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Victoria, 54-60; Calgary, 46-54; Qu'Appelle, 59-73; Winnipeg, 42-74; Port Arthur, 42-62; Parry Sound, 44-74; Toronto, 42-74; Ottawa, 54-75; Montreal, 50-75; Quebec, 46-72; Halifax, 50-72; St. John, 56-72.

FORECASTS.
Wednesday, Aug. 10-8 a.m. Today—Moderate southerly to south-westerly winds; partly fair and warm; showers or thunderstorms in many localities.

Thursday—West and northwest winds; little lower temperatures. Temperatures.

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WEATHER NOTES.
Showers have occurred in the eastern United States district and the Georgia Bay. Elsewhere fair weather has prevailed. High temperatures were recorded in the southern portion of the Northwest Territories yesterday. Medicine Hat reporting a maximum of 92°.

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