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THE JAPANESE WILL TAKE RELIEF OF PORT ARTHUR

So Optimistic is the Russian General that He Hopes to Do So Within the Next Three Weeks.

Relief operations in Manchuria are awaiting the drying of the roads and plains, rendered impassable for artillery and even for infantry by recent heavy rains. Meanwhile the correspondents at the front have only desultory cannonade and unimportant skirmishes to record. The report that the railway station at Shajke had been retaken by the Japanese and that a truce had been concluded between the Russians and the Japanese is, however, erroneous, the place still being in the hands of the Japanese. The Russian government is hastening the despatch of troops to the far east to constitute the second Manchurian army. It is said that Gen. Kuropatkin expects to take relief to Port Arthur in three weeks.

RUSSIANS HOPE.

New York, Oct. 21.—The Herald's St. Petersburg correspondent writes: Telegrams received from Gen. Kuropatkin are of such a reassuring nature that the most confident optimism reigns in the highest circles here. Impression is given in these quarters that the Japanese have shot their bolt and are now suffering such exhaustion that they must retreat quickly, while on the other hand General Kuropatkin is confident he can throw off the Japanese to the westward, leaving the way open to Port Arthur, which, it is calculated, he could reach in three weeks.

INACTIVITY.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 22.—(2 a.m.)—The rival armies of Russia and Japan entrenched a short distance from each other south of the Shajke River, are forced to continued inactivity until the weather now prevailing dries the sodden guns and the tired warriors are sufficiently rested to resume operations. Despatch from Mukden to the Associated Press reports that the Russian bombardment of Shajke station and the adjoining village of Lamatung, the Japanese feebly replying. This news brings up an interesting point and shows that Shajke station is not held by the Russians.

Engaged in Slight Skirmishes.

Russian correspondents report that some regiments of the Fifth Siberian Corps have been engaged in slight skirmishes on the advance line the past few days. The fact that the first and fifth Siberian were the only corps mentioned in reports of the fighting on Oct. 19 shows that Gen. Kuropatkin has not sent his reserves to the trenches, giving much tried corps as a reserve. Meanwhile the Cosaks are raiding the Japanese lines.

Can't Get the Guns.

It has developed that after the Lone Tree Hill rout, the Japanese were unable to remove a number of cannon, in addition to those left on the hill, and those which remained in situ were fired at by the Russian batteries. As they lay, these guns were so exposed to fire from both sides that they were considered for either the Russians or Japanese to get possession of them during the daylight, and reports indicate that they have been done so by the Russians and Japanese, to secure the guns under cover of darkness. It is the latest time Cosak detachments have succeeded in securing three of the guns.

The Willy Cosack.

The dexterity of the Cosaks in this sort of work was repeatedly illustrated during the Russian army manoeuvres. On one occasion they abstracted the artillery harness, completely disorienting the batteries of their rival combatants. A more famous occasion was four years ago, when Gen. Kuropatkin, commander of the southern army marching from Moscow against the northern army, commanded by Grand Duke Sergius. Kuropatkin's Cosack leader, Dienrich, surrounded the but in which Sergius' chief of staff, Soboleff, now commander of the fifth Siberian corps, and his subordinates were sleeping and quietly went off with their despatch bag and maps. When Soboleff woke up he found his whole staff bound and gagged and every document missing.

THE OVERBOARD BANK OF CANADA.

The King Street Bank has been sold. The purchase price was \$1,000,000. The bank is a failure. The liquidator is W. H. H. Williams.

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The Confederation Life Association issues Life Annuity Bonds which can be purchased by either a single payment or by payments extending over a period of years. Write for circular to the Head Office, Toronto, for particulars.

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STILL PLAYING "HORSE."



JACK CANUCK—"Now, I wonder if I'm not getting too big for this sort of fool game!"

PUBLIC OWNERSHIP CAPTURES WEST

Interest in Campaign Centres

Brandon, where Richardson is pressing Sifton hard to the wall.

Rousing Meeting Held in Guelph

Last Night in the Interest of Conservative Candidate.

Mr. Maclean Speaks.

Mr. Maclean is recognized all over Canada as the champion of public ownership. In an eloquent appeal to the audience, explained fully the meaning of the stand the government has taken against public ownership, and went on to show how hostile its policy was to the best interests of the people.

Support Public Ownership.

Farmers of the Northwest are intimately acquainted with the transportation problem, which has formed part of their political program for many years. Consequently they are able to appreciate the advantages held out to them by public ownership of the railways.

HON MR HYMAN NAMED.

London, Oct. 21.—At a rally of the Liberals of London, C. S. Hyman, acting minister of public works, was nominated to contest the City of London, George C. Gibbons nominated Mr. Hyman. The chief speaker of the evening was Mr. Hyman. Among others who spoke were George C. Gibbons, K.C., chairman of the London Liberal Association; Hon. Thomas Coffey and Mr. Massey.

BLAKE AND MACMASTER.

Montreal, Oct. 21.—(Special).—The Hon. Mr. Blake and Donald MacMaster, by the Maritime Express in order to catch the 8.30 train at North Sydney, are expected to be present at the opening of the arbitration between the Reds and the Government, Mr. Archibald is the third arbitrator.

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VOTE FOR THE BY-LAW

"Are you in favor of the City of Toronto purchasing stock or shares in the Consumers' Gas Company?"
And for the by-laws to authorize the issue of debentures as follows:
Fifty thousand dollars for the city's share of the cost of the proposed subway on Lansdowne-avenue.
Twenty-five thousand dollars for the purchase of a site and the erection of a fire station in the Kew Beach district.
Twenty thousand dollars for the erection of a new fire station near the corner of Cowan-avenue and Queen-street.
If so, do not fail to cast your ballot today between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.
Every freeholder or long-term leaseholder of property at an assessed value of \$400 or over is entitled to vote once in each ward every ward where he has such property. The assessment rolls of 1903 are those which will be used, and any ratepayer whose name is thereon is entitled to full polling privileges.

BLAIR'S RESIGNATION.

Secretary of State Receives a Copy and Expresses Regret.

Ottawa, Oct. 21.—Hon. R. W. Scott, secretary of state, has received a copy of the letter of resignation to-day from Hon. A. G. Blair, which he forwarded to the governor-general on Tuesday. The resignation is couched in the briefest terms. It reads:
"I hereby resign the position I hold as chief commissioner and member of the railroad board."
Hon. Mr. Scott, in acknowledging the receipt of the copy, expressed to his former colleague the regret which he felt at Mr. Blair's resignation of an office which he was eminently qualified to fill.

SEES DEFEAT OF LAURIER

Montreal Opinion Formed

It is Said the Number of French-Canadianians Who Believe it Increases Daily.

Montreal, Oct. 21.—(Special).—For reasons which cannot be explained altogether, the public mind, or at least that part of it represented by the commercial, industrial and professional classes of this city, believes in the defeat of Mr. Laurier government. One can see in the signs of a radical and wonderful change in the air. It is, in a word, French-Canadianians who believe that Laurier is doomed is increasing every day.

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ONTARIO CABINET CHANGES BELIEVED TO BE ARRANGED

The Globe Practically Admits That What is Common Talk is Absolute Fact.

The rumors of Ontario cabinet changes were the talk of the city yesterday. Even The Globe gave publicity to the talk that was going around without denial from the premier that big changes are to take place.

The World's statement that Messrs. Davis, Stratton, Latchford and Gibson are to throw up their portfolios is considered to be right, but many people declare that the state is going to be wiped clean and the premier given an opportunity to make new selections and start afresh.

Hon. John Dryden, it has been known for some time, is not particularly anxious to remain, but he feels a certain amount of pride in the success of his administration and would accept a return call should he be given by the premier. It would not surprise the public if the premier and Hon. Messrs. Dryden and Huxcourt (with Hon. J. M. Gibson in the role of minister without portfolio), were to be the only ones considered in the reconstruction of the cabinet.

The departure of Messrs. Davis, Stratton, Latchford and Gibson would entail the necessity of appointing four new chiefs of departments. That George F. Graham, Alexander G. MacKay and Hon. F. E. A. Evans would be three of the new ones, seems certain. Each has claims and there are other reasons why they should get the call. MacKay represents a doubtful constituency, and, moreover, has a doubtful election trial on his hands. If he is unseated he would carry a certain amount of prestige which next he appears before the electors of North York. As Mr. Evans, there is no other eastern Liberal Catholic in sight, although despatch from Ottawa mentions Charles Murphy, Mr. Murphy, the Catholic, would not be a special representative of the French element, and it is understood that Premier Ross rests under a certain obligation to give the French representation at the first opportunity presented. It is also quite probable that Mr. Evans, who has personal ambitions, would "give with alarm" the entry of another prominent Catholic into the arena of provincial politics. Mr. Evans' first came into prominence as a Conservative member of the legislature, but he cast off his party political affiliations and threw in his lot with the powers that be, and has always considered that he has but a special claim upon the government.

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