

JAPANESE MINISTER SAYS TOKIO IS DETERMINED TO FIGHT

Mikado's Council Maps Out War Programme.

Chinese Court May Flee From Forbidden City.

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from traveling on the railway.

The correspondent at Tokio of the Daily Mail says he hears that the Russian fleet at Vladivostok is preparing to sail.

There is renewed activity at Cardiff owing to the demand for coal.

The Admiralty agents to-day received instructions ordering prompt loading of coal cargoes for the British fleet in Japanese waters. Steam coal is so freely sold that it is impossible to obtain spot cargoes. There is strong pressure for the immediate shipments of coal already purchased by Russia and Japan and for the European navies; hence several days are likely to elapse before the British Admiralty orders can be filled.

There is much conjecture this morning as to the probable reasons for the brief cruise of the Port Arthur fleet. According to a dispatch to the Daily Express from Cheju the navigation of the harbor of Port Arthur is seriously impeded by ice, which may have been the reason why the fleet went out. Another supposition is that the vessels had been so long laid up at Port Arthur that the admiral in command desired to ascertain how they would behave at sea.

TREATY PROPOSED BY JAPAN.

The statement is published here that the draft of the treaty which Japan originally submitted to Russia contained seven articles, the first of which provided for the mutual recognition of the integrity and independence of China and Korea. The second recognized Japan's right to advise Korea on finances and general administration. The third stipulated that Russia should not hinder the development of Japan's commercial interests in Korea. The fourth recognized that Japan was entitled to send troops to Korea in the event of disturbances, such troops to be withdrawn when peace had been restored. The fifth article provided that no fortifications be erected on the southern coast of Korea and guaranteed the freedom of the Straits of Korea. The sixth article arranged for the eventual junction of the Korean and Manchurian railroad systems and the seventh denounced all previous Russo-Japanese treaties relating to Korea.

SITUATION IS HOPELESS.

The Tokio correspondent of the Times says the situation is regarded as hopeless. It is generally believed, he continues, that the councils of the Elder Statesmen, held February 3 and 4, decided upon the final measures to be taken in the event of an unfavorable reply from Russia. The voluntary subscriptions to the war fund exceed 2,000,000 yen, the correspondent says. Little credence, he adds, is attached to the persistent rumors that Russian troops are about to proceed to Korea at the request of the Korean Government.

In a dispatch from Peking the correspondent there of the Times discusses the possibility of the flight of the Chinese court and says it is perplexed by divided councils, but that it is not likely to flee unless Russia attempts to invade the great wall.

TREND OF RUSSIAN REPLY.

Does Not Even Grant Japan a Free Hand in Korea.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 5.—As announced in these dispatches, the draft of the Russian response, tentatively approved by the Czar, was telegraphed to Viceroy Alexieff last night. It is expected that Viceroy Alexieff will send the answer so as to reach Japan on Monday.

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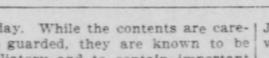
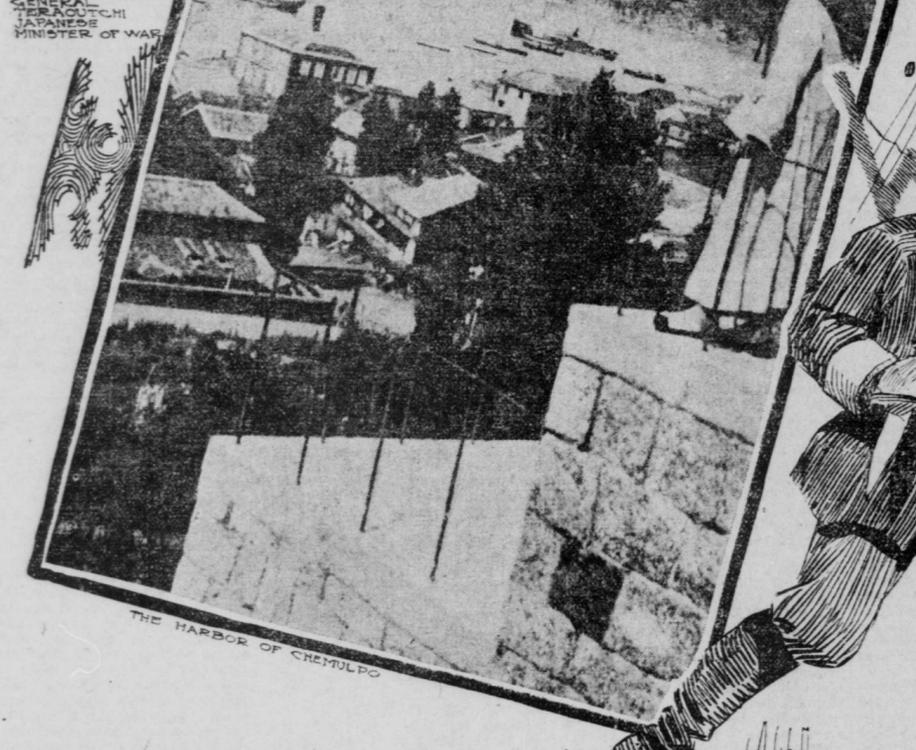
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TO WATCH THE CONFLICT.

American Naval Vessels Will Hover Near the Scene of Strife.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—The statement was reiterated at the Navy Department to-day that in case of a Japanese-Russian war the fighting ships of the Asiatic fleet would be kept away from the scene of hostilities and every care taken to observe "good sea manners." That the American navy, however, may not be without observers of what will be the greatest naval struggle of modern times, several of the smaller ships of the fleet will be detailed to go northward with competent officers, who will act as official observers. No orders to this effect have yet been issued.

The State Department announced the receipt of information to-day that Japan had called its subjects from the Yalu district in Korea into Seoul.

Czar Summons Skridlov.

BERLIN, Feb. 6.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Lokal Anzeiger telegraphs that Admiral Skridlov, commander of the Russian squadron in the Black Sea, has been summoned to St. Petersburg for consultation on account of his knowledge of the Far East. The Dowager Empress received the admiral and when he was leaving she said to him, "There will be no war."

Large Shipments for Russia.

COPENHAGEN, Feb. 5.—Business circles here are uneasy owing to the war rumors and stocks are depressed. The Danish court, which was formerly hopeful, is now very pessimistic. Further large shipments for Russia are leaving Copenhagen.

BALFOUR WINS ON TEST VOTE

British Ministry Has Majority of Eighty-Six in the House of Commons

RESULT OF FIRST DIVISION

Robson's Amendment to the Address in Reply to the King's Speech Is Defeated

LONDON, Feb. 5.—In the ultimate division of the House of Commons to-day on Robson's amendment to the address in reply to the King's speech the Government had a majority of eighty-six.

Lord Wimborn gave a grand dinner party and reception at Wimborn House to-night, which is regarded as signaling the coalition of the two sections of the Free Traders and possibly the return of the Liberal-Unionists to the Liberal fold. The guests of Lord Wimborn included the Duke of Devonshire, Lord Rosebery, Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, Sir William Vernon-Harcourt, John Morley, Lord Hugh Cecil and Winston Churchill, practically all the leaders of the free trade interests, whether Liberal or Conservative.

Death of a Prominent Journalist.

CHICAGO, Feb. 5.—Andre Mattison, once editor of the Chicago Times, died at his home in Highland Park to-night.

Japanese and Russian children play at war games in the streets.

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Remarkable Assertions Made by the Mikado's London Representative in an Interview.

War Will Be Declared Should the Russian Reply Prove to Be Unsatisfactory.

PARIS, Feb. 5.—Foreign Minister Delcasse presented a review of the Far Eastern situation at a meeting of the Cabinet to-day, but he was unable to acquaint the Ministers with the full contents of the Russian reply, because it had not been received here. Until war actually begins, the French authorities say, they will take the view that a peaceful settlement is possible.

uses to sign a treaty recognizing China's rights in Manchuria that means war?" "That will be war," replied the Minister.

The Baron added to the foregoing that he believed this to be the view of his Government, and that authority had been given him to announce it. The French officials expressed great surprise at his unqualified statements concerning war and of Japan's intention not to accede to a British request against war.

The London correspondent of the Matin said in a dispatch to-night that he had submitted to Baron Hayashi a translation published in a London evening newspaper of the interview with the Minister printed here in the Matin. Baron Hayashi declared the Matin correspondent had faithfully reproduced his utterances and that he was ready to repeat them.

PLAN INVASION OF KOREA.

Russian Troops Concentrating in the Valley of the Yalu.

LONDON, Feb. 5.—A dispatch to the Central News Agency from Tokio says that the newspapers there publish telegrams saying that 20,000 Russian troops have concentrated in the Yalu Valley with the probable intention of seizing North Korea. It is added that hope of maintaining peace has been abandoned.

"Yuan Shi Kai (the commander of the imperial army and navy) and the vice president of the war board have memorialized the throne, earnestly insisting upon an offensive and defensive alliance with Japan in order to regain Manchuria," cables the Shanghai correspondent of the London Globe. "The memorials," the correspondent adds, "maintain that the Japanese are better prepared for war than the Russians and are more disinterested."

CABLE COMPANY EXPECTS WAR.

Accepts Messages for the Orient Only at Sender's Risk.

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—The significant announcement that telegrams for Japan and Korea can be accepted only at the sender's risk was made to-day by the Commercial Cable Company.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—The State Department has been advised by the cable companies connecting the United States with the Orient that all cables addressed to points in Manchuria, Korea and Japan will be dispatched only at the sender's risk.

ST. LOUIS LOAN IS VOTED.

Senate Passes Urgent Deficiency Bill With This Provision.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—The political debate in the Senate on the proposed loan of \$4,000,000 to the St. Louis Exposition, which has been in progress on a point of order for the past three days, came to a close to-day through a vote which left the provision in the urgent deficiency bill, which was passed.

Patterson of Colorado made a speech in which, while he charged the panic of 1903 to the anti-slavery agitation in this and other countries, he announced that he was not in favor of another Democratic pronouncement for silver. After the vote on the deficiency bill speeches in support of the Panama canal treaty were made by Mallory of Florida and Heyburn of Idaho.

Honolulu Wants Regiment of Infantry

HONOLULU, Feb. 5.—The Merchants' Association of this city has memorialized Secretary of War Taft through Prince Kalanialoe, the Hawaiian Delegate to Congress, asking that a regiment of infantry be stationed at Honolulu.

DR. PIERCE'S REMEDIES.

Jolly Jack Tar.

"Jolly" is the word generally associated with the jack tar. He is the picture of health, and the health bubbles over in mirth and merriment. When people are sick, especially when sickness attacks the lungs the doctor often advises a sea voyage. But in the large majority of cases the sea voyage is impossible.

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"I had a terrible cough something over a year ago and could find nothing to stop it, or even to do me a particle of good," writes J. M. Far, Esq., of Cambridge, Mass. "I chanced to see an advertisement of yours, and forthwith bought a bottle of your invaluable 'Golden Medical Discovery.' Before I had taken half a bottle I was entirely well."

Dr. Pierce's Pellets cure constipation.

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Seven Bullets Pierce Man's Vital Organs Before He Succeeds in Ending His Life

TWO PENETRATE HEART

Surgeons Declare Any One of the Wounds Sufficient to Have Killed Ordinary Person

Special Dispatch to The Call.

NEW BRITAIN, Feb. 5.—An autopsy was performed to-night on the body of Alfred Selgren, who is supposed to have committed suicide by shooting himself eight times near the heart last Monday. The dozen physicians and surgeons who witnessed the autopsy said afterward that they had never heard of a parallel case and that they were utterly incapable of accounting for what they had seen.

Of the eight shots fired into Selgren's body any one of seven was sufficient to cause death and certainly paralysis of the body to such an extent that he would have fallen to the ground helpless. Two of the bullets passed through the heart, three through the left lung, one through the liver and one through the diaphragm very close to the kidney. The eighth did not enter the abdominal cavity.

Filipino Agitator Is Still Unfriendly.

MANILA, Feb. 5.—Sixto Lopez, the well-known Filipino agitator, whose unfriendly disposition toward American rule in the Philippines has been exhibited upon occasions in the past, has arrived here and refuses to take the oath of allegiance. He will be promptly deported.

They admit, however, that the chance is slim despite the concessions which Russia is believed to have made.

At the Russian Embassy it was said that on Sunday or later there would be news, but that there was nothing to justify the pessimistic reports which had been current for the last few days.

An interview published here with Baron Hayashi, the Japanese Minister to Great Britain, has attracted marked attention in higher government quarters, particularly his declarations that unless Russia signed a treaty carrying out Japan's demands war would result, and his statement that Japan desired to be let alone and would object to any intervention by Great Britain tending toward inducing the acceptance of Russia's reply. One of the officials in touch with Foreign Minister Delcasse said that if this interview was genuine, as it seemed to be, it was of the highest moment.

Baron Hayashi reiterated his published statements that Japan would insist on a signed treaty recognizing China's rights in Manchuria, and is quoted as having said:

"If Russia refuses this treaty we will fight."
"Is your Government unalterably determined on this course?" the Minister was asked.

"Absolutely," he is said to have replied. "We will not take promises. Too many promises have been broken, and now we insist upon a signed treaty."
The interviewer then asked: "Suppose Russia's answer is conciliatory and reasonable, but refuses to go to the extent of signing the treaty you desire, will your Government have recourse to arms?"

"That is precisely what I mean," replied the Minister.

"If the Government of His Majesty King Edward VII asks Japan not to make war," continued the interviewer, "and requests her to accept Russia's reply, what will Japan do?"
"We shall greatly object to such intervention, even coming from the King. We desire to be let alone in our duel with Russia. We do not want settle our own account with Russia."
In terminating the interview Baron Hayashi was asked:
"Then you say that if Russia re-



SCENE IN KOREA'S CAPITAL, VIEW OF THE EMPIRE'S PRINCIPAL PORT, AND MILITARY EXPERT WHO WILL HAVE CHARGE OF THE OPERATIONS OF JAPAN'S LAND FORCES.