

PORT ARTHUR AGAIN ATTACKED

Japanese Capture Four Torpedo Boats By Using Russian Signals.

ALEXIEFF ARRIVES AT HARBIN

London, Feb. 23.—The Nagasaki correspondent of the Daily Telegraph, cabling under date of February 22, reports that the Japanese squadron has captured four Russian torpedo boats at Port Arthur by using Russian signals.

This dispatch appears to confirm reports from various quarters of a fresh attack on Port Arthur by the Japanese.



VICEROY ALEXIEFF.

The report reached Nagasaki from Chefoo, and it adds that the Russian crews of the four torpedo boats have been transferred.

No other news of this attack has been received in London, but the Chefoo correspondent of the Morning Post, in a dispatch dated February 22, says the statement is current there that the Japanese torpedo boat destroyers, in the attack on Port Arthur on February 14, sunk or damaged two Russian battleships, in addition to the torpedo boat already reported.

Viceroy Alexieff's retirement to Harbin is now an accomplished fact, and a correspondent of the Associated Press cables that Port Arthur is now strictly a naval stronghold, and the forts are being manned by naval gunners. Only 20 foreigners are now at Port Arthur, and they are traders disposing of their merchandise. Some of them are under suspicion, and there is likelihood of their being arrested. There are many complaints of unwarranted arrests, unexplained expulsions and defamations of character by the Port Arthur police.

The report that large bodies of Cossacks and other troops are occupying Newchwang and Hsin-Ming-Tin are unfounded.

According to the Nagasaki correspondent of the Daily Telegraph, the American squadron, the vessels of which are variously reported at Chefoo and Shanghai, is going to make a demonstration at the mouth of the Yalu river.

Russia Bribes China.

London, Feb. 23.—The correspondent at Tokio of Reuter's Telegram company says he learns from a reliable source that the Russian minister to China, Paul Lessar, has successfully bribed Chinese officials, with the result that the instructions given the Russian gunboat Mandjur to leave Shanghai were cancelled. The Japanese government considers this to be a breach of Chinese neutrality, and is taking steps in the matter.

Snow Storm Saved Hakodate.

Nagasaki, Feb. 23.—The steamer Stolberg has arrived here from Vladivostok with 20 white foreigners, 1500 Chinese and 50 Japanese. She brings in addition 40 survivors of the Japanese steamer Nekonoura Maru, which was sunk by the Russian cruiser squadron from Vladivostok on February 11. Two of these men were drowned during their transfer to the Russian ships. The survivors were well treated and provided with return passages.

The Vladivostok squadron intended to bombard Hakodate, but a snow storm prevented the vessels from entering the Straits of Tsushima. They intend to make another attempt to reach Hakodate in March with the cruisers, five torpedo boats and an armed transport. The civilians in Vladivostok have been ordered to leave, owing to the scarcity of food, as the government is taking everything available. Panic has seized the Chinese, who are leaving by the wholesale.

RUSSIA'S ARMY IN FAR EAST

Will Take Until April 20 to Strengthen It to 233,000 Men.

Berlin, Feb. 23.—The Militar Wochenblatt, the organ of the German general staff, has published an article discussing Russia's prospects of reinforcing her army in East Asia. The paper takes a pessimistic view of the capacity of the Trans-Siberian railroad, and especially the section crossing Lake Baikal, where it says the difficulties to overcome are enormous. The limited capacity of the line is said to be a much more serious matter than the threatened damage to it by natives. The paper estimates the

present troop moving capacity of the railroad from Russia's experience of last summer in moving two brigades to Tschita, east of Lake Baikal, which was only accomplished at the rate of eight and a half miles an hour. At that rate it would take 36 days to convey 25,000 men from the Ural mountains to Mukden or Vladivostok.

The paper assumes the present strength of the Russian army in eastern Asia to be 153,761 men, and upon the foregoing estimate of time required to move troops it declares it will take until April 20 for Russia to raise the strength of her East Asiatic army to 233,000 men.

The Militar Wochenblatt is of the opinion that the easiest thing for Japan to do to compel Russia to abandon Manchuria is to strike at the centre of the country, or in other words, concentrate her forces against Harbin.

RUMORS OF LAND BATTLE

Russians Reported Repulsed On Yalu River With Loss of 2500.

London, Feb. 22.—The cables are still absolutely silent with regard to the progress of the war, but there are vague rumors of land fighting. As an instance, the Paris edition of the New York Herald's correspondent at St. Petersburg talks of a Russian repulse on the Yalu river, with a loss of 2500 lives. These rumors are unconfirmed, and from a reliable quarter the Morning Post's Chefoo correspondent says he learns that tens of thousands of Japanese are advancing by forced marches from various parts of Korea on the Yalu, and that severe fighting is expected shortly. These are the only references to actual operations that have reached London.

The announcement that General Kodama has been replaced in the Japanese cabinet by Mr. Koshikawa is regarded as meaning that General Kodama is about to take command of the Japanese land forces. Kodama, who is Japan's leading general, did splendid work during the Chino-Japanese war.

It is said that Viceroy Alexieff has asked the ministry of marine to send him officers who are not too young and admirals who are not too old, of whom he already has too many. The viceroy has issued proclamations to the Chinese throughout Manchuria, seeking to enlist their sympathy in behalf of Russia and their assistance in maintaining the railway intact by representing to them Japan's alleged treacherous methods in beginning the war.



MAP OF THE SEAT OF WAR.

China Refuses to Aid Russia.

Tokio, Feb. 22.—Advices to the Japanese government from Peking say that while at Mukden, Viceroy Alexieff asked the Chinese troops to aid in guarding the railway, so as to prevent the interruption of traffic. The Chinese refused the request, and asked for instructions from Peking. The Chinese government told them to inform Alexieff that as Russia had insisted that the Chinese were unable to guard the railway in time of peace, surely Russia could not expect them to guard it in time of war.

Three hundred Russian scouts reconnoitered yesterday in Wiju and vicinity. They crossed the Yalu river, entered the town and scouted through the surrounding country. They then recrossed the river and joined their main force.

TURKS DEFEAT REBELS

Over 500 Albanians Killed Or Wounded in Second Battle.

Salonica, Macedonia, Feb. 22.—Another battle occurred between the insurgent Albanians in North Albania and the Turkish troops, February 18. The Albanians were beaten, losing over 500 men killed or wounded. The Turks also lost heavily.

Shems Pasha, who was in command of the Turks at Diakova, has been succeeded, owing to the sultan's displeasure at his unduly severe treatment of the Albanians.

SAN DOMINGO REBELS ROUTED

Defeated By Government Forces in Battle Extending Over Two Days.

Washington, Feb. 22.—The state department has received a cablegram from Minister Powell, dated at San Domingo, February 16, saying:

"A decisive battle has been fought between the government forces and the insurgents. It extended over two days and resulted in victory for the government. The siege has been raised and the insurgents are in retreat."

Major McClellan Dies Suddenly.

Philadelphia, Feb. 23.—Major Arthur McClellan, brother of the late General George B. McClellan and uncle of the mayor of New York, died suddenly of heart disease at Drifton, Pa., where he was for many years connected with Cox Bros. & Co., coal operators. He was 65 years of age and a veteran of the Civil War.

The Powers Win Venezuela Case.

Hague Tribunal Grants Them Preference of 80 Per Cent Customs—U. S. Enforce the Award.

The Hague, Feb. 23.—The arbitration tribunal, which has been considering the claims of the blockading powers for preferential treatment of their claims against Venezuela, has decided unanimously that the three blockading powers, Great Britain, Germany and Italy, have the right to a preference of 80 per cent. of the customs duties at Guaira and Puerto Cabello, the litigants to pay their own costs in the procedure and divide equally the costs of the tribunal.

The United States is commissioned to carry out the decision of the tribunal within three months.

In giving judgment the tribunal points out that it has been guided by international law and the equity of the case, and that the protocols signed at Washington since February 13, 1903, and particularly the protocol of May 7, whereof the obligatory nature cannot be doubtful, form the legal basis of its sentence; that the tribunal is not competent to question the jurisdiction of the mixed commission at Caracas, nor to judge their action or the character of the warlike operations of the blockading of the powers, nor to decide if the three blockading powers exhausted all pacific means to prevent the necessity for employing force. The tribunal decides that it is only in a position to certify that since 1901 Venezuela refused arbitration, proposed on several occasions by Germany and Great Britain; that after the war no formal treaty of peace was concluded; that the operations of the blockaders were stopped before they had received satisfaction for all their claims, and, further, that the question of preferential treatment was submitted to arbitration.

The tribunal declares that it found and recognized in these facts precious evidence in favor of the great principle of arbitration in all phases of international conflict. In adhering to the protocols the blockaders could not have intended to renounce their acquired rights, nor their privileged de facto position. The government of Venezuela itself had recognized in principle the well-foundedness of their claims, while it had not recognized those of the non-blockading powers, and until the end of January, 1903, made not the slightest protest against the claims for preferential treatment. Throughout the diplomatic negotiations Venezuela constantly distinguished between the allied powers and the neutrals. These latter, not having protested against the claims for preference of the blockading powers, either at the time the war stopped nor immediately after the signature of the protocol of February 13, the government of Venezuela only agreed in respect to the allied powers to offer special guarantees for the fulfillment of its engagements.

The good faith which should direct international relations imposes the duty on the tribunal of declaring that the words "all claims," employed by the Venezuelan representative in the negotiations with the representatives of the allied powers, could relate only to the latter powers. Neutrals could in some respect profit by the circumstances created by the operations of the war without acquiring new rights, the rights already acquired remaining absolutely intact.

MEDJIDIA TO HURRY HOME

American Crew to Take Turkish Cruiser to Constantinople.

Philadelphia, Feb. 22.—The cruiser Medjidia, built for the imperial Ottoman navy at Cramps, is under hurry orders to get home. She will leave here on March 1, and will carry her own flag. It had been intended to take the vessel to Constantinople and deliver her there to the Turkish naval authorities, but a change in this plan was found necessary, and the ship will be put into commission and unfurl her flag at this port.

Captain Ransford D. Bucknam, of Cramps shipyard, who will take the cruiser across, has been commissioned a captain in the Ottoman navy, and will put her in commission. It will also be necessary to commission the other officers.

The Medjidia will leave port fully ready for a naval engagement. Her guns, all of the latest pattern in use in the United States navy, were made in Bethlehem, Pa. All are practically in place. The magazines are to be filled with ammunition as if for a war cruise.

As soon as the cruiser reaches the sea the trial of all her guns will be begun. This will be made particularly thorough.

The exact cause of the hurry orders has not been explained.

Stolen Silverware in Express Office.

Philadelphia, Feb. 23.—A quantity of silverware, said to be valued at about \$2000, which has been lying in the offices of the Adams Express company here since last September awaiting the owner, was identified as that belonging to David C. Leach, of New Brunswick, N. J., whose house was robbed last fall. A man who gave his name as James Dean is under arrest at Mt. Holly, N. J., on suspicion of having committed the robbery.

Bonaparte's Report Received.

Washington, Feb. 22.—The report of Charles J. Bonaparte, who was appointed to investigate affairs in Indian territory, has been received at the interior department. It will be forwarded to the president. No intimation of its findings has been given out.

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