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# YALU BATTLE DISCREDITED BY JAP MINISTER HAYASHI

### Any Great Battle not Immediately Expected

### China's Neutrality may be Brief—A Warning to Russia—Port Arthur Short of Beef—Many Chinese Drowned.

BARON HAYASHI TALKS.

LONDON, Feb 22.—(Special.)—Baron Hayasha says that because of the unpreparedness of Russia Japan may wait two or three months before beginning active operations in Manchuria and will in the meantime establish a thorough organization.

DISCREDITS YALU BATTLE.

The Baron discredits the report that 2,500 Russians were killed in an engagement at Yalu River, as the opposing forces there are not large enough to warrant such slaughter.

A REPORT FROM CHEEFOO.

CHEEFOO, Feb. 22—(Special)—Port Arthur is said to be out of beef and vegetables and is drawing on Dalny for supplies.

## RUSSIANS EAGER TO MEET THE "INSOLENT FOE BREAST TO BREAST."

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 18.—A long official despatch from Viceroy Alexieff was given out today, recounting details of the fight off Port Arthur. It enumerates the Russian casualties and says it is known that a number of Japanese ships suffer severely which accounts for their not following the attack. After giving a list of the ships engaged and their commanders Admiral Alexieff says:

"According to the reports of the commanders the men fought exceedingly well on which account I have conferred six crosses of the Order of St. George on each company of the first class and second class warships having crews of over 200 men; four crosses on each company of all other ships of the second class; one cross on each torpedo boat; one cross on the signal station at Golden Hill, which operated under the heavy fire of the enemy; four crosses on battery number 15; three on battery number 13 and one cross on a gunner who, though severely wounded, returned to his battery.

"Our losses were: Of the squadron—five officers wounded, fourteen men killed and sixty nine men wounded. Of the fortress and garrison—one man killed, one man severely wounded and five men slightly wounded.

"In announcing the above to Your Majesty I am pleased to be able to add that the naval and land forces in the Far East are inspired by the most heartfelt wishes to meet their insolent foe breast to breast, in order to fulfil her duty in sight of their adored ruler, and firm and unshakable to fight for the honor and glory of their beloved Fatherland."

MANY CHINESE DROWNED.

TIEN TSIN, CHINA, Feb, 22—(Special)—A telegram from Tisan Fu, Shan Tung, says hundreds of lives were lost by the bursting of a dam on the Hwang Ho River.

TEMPORARY NEUTRALITY.

BERLIN, Feb. 22—(Special)—The Chinese Minister here has proclaimed that China's neutrality is only temporary.

MAY TAKE A HAND.

The war will be fought in Manchuria and this may compel his Government to take action at any time.

CHINESE SYMPATHY.

The Chinese strongly sympathize with the Japanese, he says.

WHAT THIS MEANS.

Apparently this is intended as a warning to Russia that if the latter trespasses on China in any way outside of Manchuria it will be treated as a casus belli.

Bicyclists and all athletics depend on BENTLEY'S Liniment to keep their joints limber and muscles in trim.

## DECLINES OFFICE.

LONDON, February 18.—It is stated that the Duke of Connaught, brother of the King, has refused the newly created post of Inspector-General, on the ground that public policy demands that it should be given to Lieut. General Grenfell.

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# SHIPWRECKS AND OTHER ACCIDENTS

### Five Men Drowned from Schooner Near N.Y.

### A Three Master Ashore at Long Beach—Another Theatre Burned, Two Lives Lost—Washington's Day.

SCHOONER WRECKED, FIVE DROWNED.

NEW YORK, Feb. 22—(Special)—Five men were drowned in the wreck of the schooner Benjamin C. Cromwell off Bell Port.

Two were washed ashore on pieces of wreckage. The schooner was broken up. She was bound for Halifax from Charleston.

ANOTHER THEATRE FIRE.

CHICAGO, Feb. 22—(Special)—Fire partially destroyed the building occupied by the Alhambra Theatre, hotel and apartments.

THREE VICTIMS FOUND.

The remains of two men and a woman were found in the ruins and there were many narrow escapes.

THREE MASTED SCHOONER ASHORE.

ATLANTIC CITY, Feb. 22—(Special)—Little Egg Harbor, Life Saving Station reports a vessel ashore one mile north of Long Beach Station. Three masted schooner lumber laden.

WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY.

NEW YORK, Feb. 22—(Special)—This was Washington's birthday and a public holiday, consequently there were no sittings of the stock or produce exchanges.

# VERY IMPORTANT HAGUE DECISION

### Gives Britain, Germany and Italy a Preference

### Over Other Powers in Venezuela Claims—How the Case Arose—To Regulate the Balkans King Slightly Hurt

KING GETS A FALL.

PORTSMOUTH, Feb. 22.—(Special.)—On Saturday King Edward while inspecting the cruiser Cumberland fell, straining his leg. He is all right to-day.

THE BALKAN SITUATION.

LONDON, Feb. 22.—(Special.)—It is reported that England and France are taking concerted action to regulate the the Balkan situation, restraining Turkey and the war party in the Balkans.

IMPORTANT HAGUE DECISION.

THE HAGUE, Feb. 22.—(Special.—The Arbitration Tribunal considering the claims of the blockading powers for preferential treatment, has decided unanimously that the blockading powers, Great Britain, Germany and Italy, have a preference of 30 per cent on the customs duties at Laguayra and Puerto Cabello, Venezuela.

HOW TO BE CARRIED OUT.

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

WHAT THE QUESTION WAS.

In December, 1902 Britain and Germany, afterward joined by Italy, undertook the blockade of Venezuelan ports in order to enforce their large claims against the Venezuelan government. It was finally agreed that the customs duties at the two principal Venezuelan ports should be set aside to pay these claims. The blockading powers claimed that they should be first paid but the United States and France demurred. The question as to right of precedence was referred to the Hague Tribunal, with the result above stated.

## HON. H. EMMERSON BACK IN OTTAWA

### Solicitor General Lemieux Returned by Acclamation

### Serious Railway Collision, a Brakeman Killed—Double Headed Freight Runs Into Another Freight Train.

MR. EMMERSON AT OTTAWA.

OTTAWA, Feb. 22—(Special)—Hon. H. R. Emmerson returned from the Maritime Provinces today.

ANOTHER ACCLAMATION.

Hon. Rudolph Lemieux, Solicitor General, was elected on last Saturday by acclamation at Perce the chief town of the county of Gaspe.

ANOTHER RAILWAY COLLISION.

CHATHAM, ONT. Feb. 23—(Special)—A collision occurred on the Erie and Huron division of the Pere Marquette Railway at Port Lambton.

NATURE OF THE ACCIDENT.

A double-header special freight train crashed into the caboose of a freight train standing on the main line.

A BRAKEMAN KILLED.

Brakeman Frank Hutcheson was instantly killed.

## JAPAN'S WAR LOAN.

PARIS, February 18.—The correspondent at Tokio, of the Petit Parisian, cables that the subscription to the war loan will start March 1. The Empress of Japan presented splendid gifts to Baroness De Rozen, wife of the last Russian minister, before her departure from Tokio.

## LORD STRATHCONA'S GIFT.

WINNIPEG, MAN., February 18.—Prof. Bryce, of the Faculty of Science of Manitoba University, states that Lord Strathcona, has bestowed a gift of twenty thousand dollars on the institution, to enable the faculty to extend its work. The money is immediately available, and the work of development will begin at once.

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# THEY WILL WORK FOR COMMON GOOD

### Such was the Expressed Determination of the City Council—W. W. Clarke is new City Clerk—Mayor Kelly Urges Suppression of Vice.

The first regular meeting of the lately elected City Council was held last night. There were two vacant seats at the council board, that of Angus McDonald, and that of Councillor Clarke who had resigned. Representatives of THE GUARDIAN and The Examiner were also present besides a large number of spectators.

After the reading of the proclamations of the Civic Election and the returns of the Mayor, Councillors and Water Commissioners the Council was addressed by the newly elected Mayor, Dr. Kelly.

His Worship first congratulated the members of the Council generally upon their election. The last Council was a progressive one and had done much for the general improvement of the City. He hoped the new Council would do as well as their predecessors. There were two matters to which he wished especially to direct their attention. One was the absence of hotel accommodation and the other the existence of several houses of ill fame in the city. In regard to the former he urged that every effort be made to secure adequate accommodation by the reopening of the Davies for the tourist trade. This would not in any way interfere with the new hotel now being discussed for even if a new hotel were proceeded with it could not be completed before the summer after next. In speaking of the disreputable resorts he made a strong plea for their suppression and asked the assistance of the council and especially of the police committee towards this end and thus restore the good moral tone of the city prevailing in the past.

Coun. Hooper thanked the Mayor for his kind words to the present Council. The last council was an excellent one and the present one has a high record to beat. He congratulated the Mayor upon the good vote he had received and had no doubt that he would well fulfil his duties. He would like to see the prevailing immorality in the city stamped out and thought some effort should be made to assist the new hotel.

Coun. Paton urged that all the Council work together for the common welfare of the city.

Coun. Reddin after congratulating the Councillors upon their election referred to the absolute necessity for a hotel and thought some encouragement should be given at least to again open the Davies Hotel.

Coun. Brown said he would do his best for the good of the city.

Applications for the position of City Clerk, made vacant by the resignation of H. M. Davison, were read from J. D. McMillan, George Coombs, C. W. Burke, J. H. Williams, Louis H. Beer, W. W. Clarke, and E. H. Norton; for the position of Sanitary Officer from David Arbing, Thos. Desmond Joseph Mahar and William Down; for the position of Auditors from R. V. Longworth and Lemuel Miller; and for the position of Electrical Inspector from A. E. Leigh.

The resignation of Councillor W. W. Clarke was also read and it was stated by the Mayor that it had been accepted.

The following committees were then appointed:

Finance.—Hooper, McDonald, Prowse.

Street.—Paton, Reddin, McDonald, Brown, ———.

Market.—Brown, Prowse, ———.

Public Property.—Rogers, Hooper, Brown.

Police.—Prowse, Paton, Reddin.

Fire.—Reddin, Rogers, Hooper.

Coun. Brown was appointed first assistant of the Fire Department.

Light and Power Committee:—McDonald, Paton, Prowse, this is a new committee to look after lighting.

On motion of Coun. Hooper seconded by Coun. Paton, W. W. Clarke was appointed City Clarke salary of $1200 per year.

Henry Lowe, Michael Egan and Phillip Large were appointed city assessors at the salary of $350 for the first year and $225 for second and third years.

Joseph Taylor was appointed Sanitary officer at a salary of $250 per year.

The Council then adjourned sine die.

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