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THE WAR SITUATION.

At the outset of the war between Russia and Japan the European military authorities were pretty well agreed as to Japan's probable plan of campaign. Her first object it was thought was to gain command of the sea by crippling the Russian fleet if possible, but her ability to do this was somewhat doubtful. The preponderance of opinion was however that Japan's naval strength in the east was the greater of the two and this has since been demonstrated. Having secured control of the sea her next step would be to secure Korea against seizure by Russia. In these particulars Japan has so far followed the course outlined by the armchair strategists who planned the campaign far from the real scene of action.

The Russian fleet has been considerably crippled and the remainder of it shut up in Port Arthur and Vladivostok. The Russian Mediterranean squadron has returned to that sea after passing the Suez Canal on its way to the East, evidently under the impression that prudence is the better part of valor. Japanese troops have been poured into Korea, occupying all the southern and middle portions of the peninsula, including the capital, pushing inland from the sea or both sides and northwards towards the Yalu River and Tumen River, which mark the boundary between Korea and Manchuria. Here the Russians have fortified positions of considerable strength, and somewhere in northern Korea, or along the Yalu River the first serious land engagements of the war are likely to be fought. Upon the result of such fighting the future course of the war will depend. Russia's position so far has been wholly defensive, while the offensive has been taken by Japan. And, other things being equal, the advantage rests with the party acting on the offensive. It carries with it the conviction of military ascendancy. But at the same time it must be remembered that modern weapons have relatively increased the power of defence and given a greater advantage than in former times to those who fight behind the shelter of trenches and fortifications. Port Arthur has been repeatedly attacked

from the sea by the Japanese, but clearly with no hope of effecting its capture in that way. The real object of these attacks has doubtless been to further cripple the Russian fleet, or to effectually shut it into the inner harbor of the port. The real utility of Port Arthur to the Russians for the present lies in the fact that it affords shelter and the means of repair for their ships. Its loss would mean the loss of the fleet, a loss which could not be repaired for years, even if the city were afterward recaptured by a superior Russian land force. We may therefore expect that Japan will follow up her attacks upon Port Arthur, in due time landing a strong body of troops in that vicinity and making a determined attack by sea and land. It may be a month yet before the necessary preparations are made for this, but in the end we look for heavy fighting at and about Port Arthur. The Russian fleet has accomplished nothing of note so far, and the same was true in past wars. Saving the destruction of the helpless Turkish fleet at Sinope during the Crimean war Russia's naval annals are barren of victories.

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