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JAPAN'S FIRST REVERSE FOUR BATTLESHIPS SUNK

Also Two Transports in Attack on Port Arthur —Jap Army Corps Landed at Chemulpo and Moving North—Russians not yet Crossed Yalu River—Count Tolstoi Speaks.

SERIOUS JAP REVERSAL.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 24.—(Special)—It is officially announced from Port Arthur that four Japanese battleships and two transports were sunk in a fresh attack on Port Arthur. The attack was repulsed.

RETVIZAN TAKES PART.

The Russian battleship Retvizan before reported injured by a torpedo, covered herself with glory.

JAP ARMY CORPS LANDED.

SHANGHAI, Feb. 24.—(Special)—A Japanese army corps has landed at Chemulpo, Korea.

About thirty thousand men have been deployed between Seoul and Ping Yang, the latter being half way between Seoul and the Yalu River.

VERY BAD ROADS.

The roads are bad and the transportation of provisions and war munitions is most difficult.

JAP FLEET MOVING.

WRI HAI WEI, Feb. 24.—(Special)—Four Japanese battleships and nine cruisers passed here bound eastward.

RUSSIANS NOT CROSSED.

TOKIO, Feb. 24.—(Special)—The Russian forces have not yet crossed the Yalu River.

It is said forty thousand more Japanese troops have landed at Chemulpo.

JAPAN WANTS A TREATY.

PARIS, Feb. 24.—(Special)—Japan is now said to be seeking the execution of a treaty with

against their welfare, their conscience and their religion.

ST. PETERSBURG, February 21.—The appointment of General Kuropatkin, who was yesterday relieved of his functions as minister of war, to the chief command of the Russian army in the Far East, was gazetted today.

With the possible exception of General Dragomiroff, formerly governor general of Kieff, and a member of the council of state, General Kuropatkin is the most popular man in the Russian army. As a bluff old soldier who has fought his way up from the bottom to be minister of war, he is the ideal of the enlisted man. No one in the Czar's army has seen more fighting. To find a deserving subaltern and to give him a chance for promotion has always been his care.

The appointment of General Kuropatkin to direct command in the field has been received with enthusiasm, and his leadership inspires confidence.

General Kuropatkin will be accompanied to the front by the Grand Dukes Boris, Alexieff, Nicholas, and Michael Nikolavich.

The Emperor and the Empress gave a farewell luncheon today to General Kuropatkin and the Grand Dukes at the Alexandra Palace.

The exact mission of Grand Duke Alexieff is unknown, but it is undoubtedly an important one, as he has been in supreme

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JAPAN'S FLEET OF DESTROYERS

Prominent British Constructor gives Description.

The Hornets of the Fleet of the Mikado—The Secret of Their Great Effectiveness Against the Russians.

LONDON, Feb. 20, 1904.—An interview which a representative of the Pall Mall Gazette had yesterday with Mr. Newman of Thornycrofts, well known constructors of torpedo boat destroyers, gives an interesting detail of the work performed by the "horns of the Japanese fleet," as he called the destroyers.

"All their boats," he said, "were of the most recent type," and he gave a list of eight destroyers supplied by his firm to Japan and every one of which was taking an active part in the present hostilities, several of them being present at the attacks on Port Arthur.

"Are their boats of most recent types?" Mr. Newman was asked.

"To all intents and purposes yes," he said. "Take the Shirakumo and Asashio, for example. They have each a length of 215 feet 9 inches, a beam of 8 feet 4 inches, and their draught is 8 feet 4 inches. They were designed for a speed of 31.2 knots, but at their official trials in this country they obtained 31.72 knots, with indicated horse power of over 700.

"Their armament consists of 0.75 MM. quick firing guns, mounted on a conning tower, and 5.57 MM. quick firing guns on the main deck, four of which have wide training angles on the broadside, and one aft has a broadside and stern fire training.

Four Whitehead torpedoes are carried, two of which are stowed in tubes and two in a tank below the water line. The amount of ammunition supplied to a gun is the same as that supplied to the 39 knot English destroyers, while that for smaller guns is four times that assigned to the English boats.

"Their crew consists of 60 men and officers, the former being berthed forward of the machinery space, while the petty and chief officers are aft of that space.

"Their boilers are protected by coal in wing bunkers and their engines are of triple expansion type, of which there are two, as these boats have twin screws.

"Do we exaggerate the danger to destroyers in attacking an enemy's fleet?" "No; I do not think that possible. The danger is very great, but everything possible is done to minimize it. They are divided into water tight compartments and longitudinal bulkheads run the whole length of the ship.

"There are, as I have just said two sets of boilers and two sets of engines, and even if one compartment is flooded and one engine or boiler rendered useless, it would still be possible for a crippled boat to make good its escape. The greatest danger of course lies in the fact that the range at which a torpedo can be discharged with reasonable prospects of a hit is only about half a mile, and that is well within the range of even the smallest guns of either battleship or cruiser. The boats each carry about 12 Whitehead torpedoes. Each torpedo is worth £1000 (\$5000). The vessels themselves cost anything up to £30,000 (\$250,000).

CHICAGO MARKETS.

Chicago, Feb. 24.—(Special)— May. Wheat 100 1/2 July Wheat 100 1/2 Corn 57 1/2 Corn 57 1/2 Pork 10.25 Pork 10.25

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

TO-MORROW VICS VS ABBIES 2-GAMES-2 See the Intermediate teams fight for the second trophy. WEBSTER & YEO, Rink Managers.

BALKAN TROUBLE LOOKING BETTER

Turkey Orders Seven Torpedo Boat Destroyers

Wife Sentenced to 18 Years for Shooting Husband — Oldest Woman in Chicago Dead Aged 129 Years.

THE BALKAN SITUATION.

ROME, Feb. 24.—(Special)—The situation in the Balkans is considered to be improved from the fact that Turkey has ordered seven torpedo boat destroyers from Italian builders. They would not do this if she thought serious trouble imminent.

EIGHTEEN YEARS SENTENCE.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—(Special)—Mrs. Della Lupo pleaded guilty to manslaughter for shooting her husband and was sentenced to 18 years in the state prison.

AGED 129 YEARS.

CHICAGO, Feb. 24.—(Special)—Sofia Gab, whose birth antedated the Revolutionary War and is supposed to have been the oldest woman in Chicago, is dead at the Home for the Aged and Infirm Colored People, aged 129 years.

OLDER THAN UNITED STATES.

According to the woman's statements she was born in Virginia in 1775, before the Declaration of Independence and lived on the plantation where she was born until freed by the proclamation of Lincoln.

A WONDERFUL BOOK.

As a work for family reference there was probably never compiled a more useful book than Dr. Chase's Receipt Book. Besides containing the symptoms of disease, their cause and cure and the great prescriptions gathered together during half a century of medical practice this book is replete with receipts for cooking and has a complete department devoted to the care of farm stock, bees, domestic animals, etc. For full particulars write Edmanston, Bates & Co. Toronto.

See the Clan Tartans among the new ties we've opened.—Moore & McCord. 251 H.

MARRIED.

At Kelly's Cross, on Feb. 15th, 1904, Mark Smith and Miss Emily Trainor, daughter of Peter Trainor of Maplewood, Rev. J. T. Gallant performed the ceremony.

DOM. ARTILLERY ASSOCIATION

Col. Dennison to Resign the Secretaryship

Thousands of Settlers Coming from Utah to Alberta—Short Horn Association Giving Many Prizes.

ARTILLERY ASSOCIATION.

OTTAWA, Feb. 24.—(Special)—At the annual meeting of the Dominion Artillery Association Lt. Col. Dennison will resign the secretaryship which he held for twenty-eight years.

COMING FROM UTAH.

RAYMOND, ALBERTA, Feb. 24.—(Special)—It is reported that three thousand families 15,000 people, will come into southern Alberta from Utah this spring.

GRANTS FOR STOCK FAIRS.

TORONTO, Feb. 24.—(Special)—At a meeting of Committee of the Dominion Short-Horn Breeders' Association grants were made to fairs and exhibitions including \$100 for Charlottetown.

IS YOUR BACK LAME.

Does it hurt to stoop or bend down? Have you a heavy dull pain at the base of the spine? If so, the best remedy is Nerviline. It will invigorate the tired sore muscles, make them supple and strong. Nerviline will drive out the pain and make you well in no time. Nothing as good as Nerviline for Lumbago, Stiff Neck, Rheumatism, Neuralgia, and Sciatica. Buy a 25c. bottle of Polson's Nerviline today, and try it.

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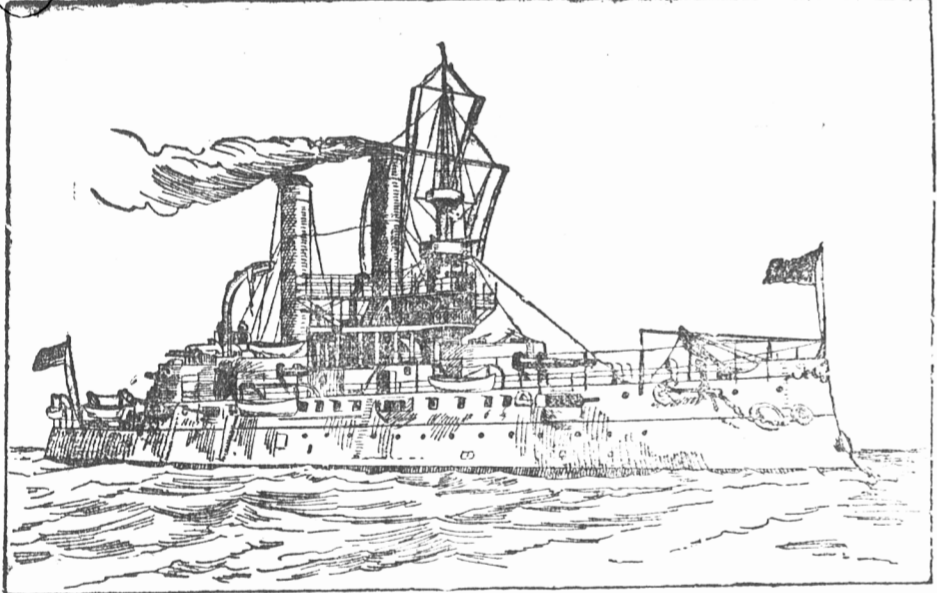
DECLARATION DAY.

The West Queen's Declaration Day proceedings adjourned from Tuesday because of the fact that the Returning Officer from North Wiltshire had not certified to his return, were concluded yesterday forenoon before Returning Officer Sheriff McLougall who took the evidence of the agents at the poll as to the correctness of the return.

Horace Hassard was declared elected by a majority of 311, the returns from the different polls being the same as published in The Guardian last week.

YOU TAKE NO CHANCES.

All druggists guarantee every bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and will refund the money to anyone who is not satisfied after using two-thirds of the contents. This is the best remedy in the world for a gripe, coughs, colds, croup and whooping cough and is pleasant and safe to take. It prevents any tendency of a cold to result in pneumonia.



THE RUSSIAN WARSHIP RETVIZAN Torpedoed and Beached at Port Arthur and later "Covered Herself with Glory."

Wholesale Trade-Rubber Boots and Rubbers. Big stock of Granby make of iron wear fame at GOFF BROS. Agents. Prompt attention given to mail orders. Phone 266.

Korea giving Japan a protectorate. This would guarantee the independence of Korea, no matter how the war ended. COUNT TOLSTOI SPEAKS. PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 24.—(Special)—The North American has received the following message from Count Leo Tolstoi at Moscow: "I am neither for Russia nor Japan, but for the laboring people of both countries, deceived by their governments and obliged to fight WEDDING INVITATIONS. Announcements —and— Visiting Cards We will give you the correct form and styles, unexcelled workmanship. We make a specialty of fine printing. Hazzard & Moore, Charlottetown, P. E. I.

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