

RUSSIAN'S TURN NOW

TWO OF JAPAN'S WAR SHIPS ARE SUNK BY A RUSSIAN MINE.

MORE SOLDIERS TO AID PORT ARTHUR

Russians Admit They Have to Contend Against Fearful Odds, But Remain Hopeful.

[Special to the Observer]
London, May 20—The Standard's correspondent of Tien Tsin wires that while the Japanese fleet was covering the landing of troops near Kaichan on Monday, a fierce engagement occurred at Hsion Ye Cheng. Two thousand Russians were killed or wounded. The Russians retreated. The Japanese occupied both Kaiping and Kaichan.

A Strange Journey

New York, May 20—A piece of pencil, 3 1/2 inches long and set in a lead point, has been recovered from the right hand of a woman, a 9-year-old Brooks' school. The pencil had been working its way about the child's body since January last, when she swallowed it while at play. Efforts to remove it from her stomach then proved of no avail, and for several weeks she has complained of pains in the side and shoulder. Finally the object moved down through her arm and caused the hand to swell. The doctors were greatly astonished upon applying the lancet and encountering the hard piece of pencil. They say there is no record of so large a substance passing through the human body in similar manner.

A Peanut Frolic

Fifty couples participated in the peanut frolic at Prof. Simpson's dancing academy last evening. On next Thursday evening will be the most elaborate party given by Prof. and Mrs. Simpson this season. The carnival of nations. In visitations have been issued to the patrons of the academy cash prizes will be given for the best representation of nations.

Died

Ott.—In Summerville Wednesday May 18, 1904, Mrs. Margaret Ott, aged seventy-five years. The funeral services will take place in this city at the Catholic church Saturday May 21, at 11:30 o'clock. The interment will take place at the Catholic cemetery.

have been landed at Kinchau and Talien Wan, thus entirely investing Port Arthur. The Japanese advanced lines are seven miles from the Russian batteries. Skirmishes occurred yesterday along the railroad.

"It is believed that the Japanese intend to attack Port Arthur with their entire force, when it numbers 50,000 men. They are mounting six inch naval guns on steel wheels with the object of shelling the Russian batteries.

"The Manchurian railway south of Harbin is constantly broken by Chinese marauders and the Russians threaten reprisals.

"The Russians admit that they have to contend with terrible difficulties along the whole line. Their men, however are behaving splendidly and they are very confident."

London, May 20—An official dispatch received here this afternoon through Tokio says that the Japanese have sustained the loss of two of their fleet warships off Port Arthur, being their first serious loss since the war opened. The Japanese battleship Hatsusee, a

15,000 ton vessel of 19 knots speed and one of the finest in the Japanese navy, was sent to the bottom while cruising off Port Arthur. Two different estimates of the loss of life given, one of which states that 640 men were drowned, while another says that but 400 men went down.

Still another report says approximately 300 men were saved, making no mention of the death loss.

JAPS GET A BLOW

Niu Chwang May 20—It is reported here from a reliable source that the Japanese army from the Yalu river has received a heavy blow and has been driven back to Feng Wang Cheng.

CRUISER GROUNDED

Paris, May 20—The correspondent at St. Petersburg of Echo De Paris says: The Russian cruiser Pogatyir grounded during a fog on the rocks near the entrance to Vladivostok. Her position is critical. Her crew was saved.

BRITISH INTEREST

Wei Hai Wei, May 20—The British sloop of war Esperle has started for Niu Chwang to protect British interests there.

New Phones

- 1844, W A Saunders res
- 1843, Ben H Louis "
- 363, Cass W Baker "
- 1717, Mr. E. A. Wines "
- 371, Earnest Bissaud "
- 597, J F Baker Sr. "
- 1221, Jno H Prescott "
- 574, Frank L. Avert "
- 1414, Norma Crane "
- 1411, A E Fowler Office

350,000 Contracts

Big hearted, level headed, John Mitchell, labor leader is of the opinion that the labor problem will be solved by the employer and the employed, each having an equal right in prolonging labor; that is by each agreeing to and signing a contract specifying all that either party to the contract finds himself to do and perform. He said recently that there were 350,000 such contracts now enforced in the United States and he hopes for many more such during the year.

Fifty Years Old

The Republican party is fifty years old, the first Republican convention was held in Ohio in 1854, it carried the first national election in 1860 and elected Lincoln president, since then it has been in control of the government excepting the short term of Andrew Jackson, and the two terms of Cleveland.

Citizens will do well to refresh their memories as to the condition of the country while under Democratic and Republican rule.

Ball Game

On Saturday May 23 the Pendleton Wanderers will play the La Grande ball team in this city.

RUSSIA IS AFTER GERMANY'S SUPPORT

Negotiations are Going on With the Object of Forming a Triple Alliance.

Paris, May 20—The St. Petersburg correspondent of Echo De Paris says: "It is persistently rumored that negotiations are going on with Germany with the object to effect a rapprochement and triple alliance whereby Russia would obtain Germany's diplomatic support in the settlement of the Far Eastern question. An understanding with Germany would prevent

British intervention in favor of Japan and Russia would as an immediate pledge, concede a settlement of the pending economic and customs questions.

"The attempt to form a Russo-German entente is due to the Anglo-French entente which produced a deplorable effect here.

Campers Attention

Will furnish ground, and if desired supplies, at Hilgard, apply to Mrs J C Hart, Hilgard, Ore.

PLEASANT TIME

"House Warming" at W. H. Bohnenkamps Under the Auspices of Eastern Star.

Seldom has there been such a real house warming in this city as the one which took place last evening when the great doors to the handsome new residence of Mr and Mrs W H Bohnenkamp were first thrown open to their friends. For this special occasion the entire house was given over to the ladies of the Eastern Star, of which Mr and Mrs Bohnenkamp are honored members. The Star ladies had complete charge of the entertainment from the issuing of the invitations, which were only sent to members of the Masonic fraternity, to the serving of the refreshments and the arrangement of the program. The guests were shown through the beautiful new home from the basement to the third floor where there has been constructed for the benefit of the children of the family a complete gymnasium. The entire house was a glow with electric lights and every window, seat and alcove was radiant with beauty and comfort. The guests ranged at will through the spacious drawing rooms, library room, halls and parlors and every where could be heard expressions of praise and admiration. A special musical program had been arranged and dainty refreshments had also been prepared.

- The following program was rendered:
- Piano Solo
 - a-Serenade.....Moskowsky
 - b-William Tell.....Rossini
 - Mine Nell and Lyle
 - Vocal Duet
 - Under the Beautiful Stars..... Webster
 - Miscec Aldrich and Worstell
 - Guitar Duet
 - Silvery Bells.....Chenet
 - Mrs Schilke, & Miss Loderie
 - Vocal Solo
 - When I know that thou art nearest me.....Aht
 - Mr & Mrs Ralston
 - Vocal Solo
 - Ben Bolt.....Knease
 - Mrs Nell
 - Vocal Duet
 - Life's Merry Morning.....Bally
 - Mme Sargent & Forrest
 - Vocal Trio
 - Down in the Dewy Dell.....Smart
 - Misses Aldrich, Worstell, & Tait
 - Overture--La Bostonaise.....Clave
 - Mandolin.....Mrs Currey & Miss McCall
 - Guitars.....Mme Schilke & M H T
 - Finale.....Grande Chorus By Company



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