# FLEET IS SENT

## Russia Renews Protest to Corea.

## OPPOSES OPENING OF PORT

## Its Interests Above Those of Commerce at Yongampho.

## SITUATION IS MORE TENSE

### Japan Is Buying Arms, Since the Negotiations Continue to Be Without Result--Czar Threatens to March on Seoul.

LONDON, Dec. 9.—The correspondent of the Times at Tokio says that two Russian cruisers and two battleships having assembled at Chemulpo, M. Pavloff, the Russian Minister to Corea, accompanied by the Admiral commanding the fleet, had an audience with the Emperor, in the course of which, it is believed, he renewed his protest against the opening of Yongampho to foreign commerce.

The Russians threaten to land 3000 men and march on Seoul should Corea disregard their warning.

### JAPAN BUYS WAR MATERIALS.

#### Situation Is Being Intensified by Protracted Negotiations.

LONDON, Dec. 10.—No further news has been received here showing that the reported arrival of a Russian squadron at Chemulpo has any significance beyond that indicated in recent dispatches. The names of the vessels which have arrived at Chemulpo are not given.

Dispatches to the Daily Telegraph from Tokio and Nagasaki under date of Wednesday do not even mention the arrival of the squadron at the Corean port. The Telegraph's correspondent states that the situation has undergone no change except for an increase in the tension due to the protracted negotiations. They also report that the Japanese government is buying war materials abroad.

The correspondents of both the Daily Mail and the Daily Telegraph expect that Viceroy Alexieff will start for St. Petersburg almost immediately.

Leading editorials in the newspapers this morning point out that Russia is bound by the strongest obligation to Great Britain to respect the integrity of Corea, as it was on the understanding that this should be done that Great Britain restored Port Hamilton to Corea.

The Daily Mail's Tokio correspondent says it is reported by the Chinese representative in Thibet that the Russians are building two forts, and are preparing to resist the British expedition. The locality in which these forts are being built is not definitely known.

### WHY RUSSIA OPPOSES THE STEP

#### Would Threaten Her Interests and Complicate Manchurian Situation.

TOKIO, Dec. 9.—It has repeatedly been reported that the Russians have been fortifying Youngampho, on the Yalu River, but the reports to this effect appear to have been greatly exaggerated. Japan and Great Britain, on October 17, according to a dispatch from Pekin, asked for the opening of Yongampho to the commerce of the world, and the Corean Foreign Minister consented, subject to the approval of the Emperor of Corea, which was withheld, owing, it is said, to a strenuous protest made by the Russian Minister to Corea, M. Pavloff, although this subsequently was denied. Corea was then said to have strongly objected to Russia's interference as being a violation of Corea's sovereign rights. Later it was asserted that Japan insisted on recognition of her influence in Corea and the opening of Yongampho or other ports to foreign trade.

A dispatch from St. Petersburg, November 27, said Russia was willing to concede something, but she opposed the opening of Yongampho on account of its proximity to the mouth of the Yalu River, taking the ground it would threaten her interests and complicate her difficulties in Manchuria. Some days later it was announced that Admiral Alexieff, the Russian Viceroy of the Far East, had sent a number of warships to Chemulpo.

A dispatch to the Associated Press from Seoul, Corea, December 5, announced that Minister Allen that day had a long interview with the Emperor of Corea on the subject of the request of the United States for the opening of Wiju, on the Yalu River, to the commerce of the world. The Corean government, it was added, had been placed in a dilemma by the demand of the United States. It was pointed out at the time the dispatch of December 5 was received from Seoul that Wiju was selected by the United States as a prospective port instead of Yongampho, because, lying 40 miles above the latter port, the country within that limit would be likewise open to traffic and neutralized, a substantial gain in the extent of market afforded.

### JAPAN WILL YIELD NOTHING.

#### She Now Calmly Awaits the Reply of Russia.

YOKOHAMA, Dec. 9.—Advices received here today from Tokio say Russia's reply to the Japanese proposals has not yet been received, and it is not believed there that it will be finally decisive, but will probably necessitate further negotiations on the subject of minor details. It is believed that unless Japan's minimum demands are virtually conceded the Cabinet at Tokio may decline any amendments. In any case a section of the Japanese Diet is expected to impeach the Cabinet for its apparent lack of aggressiveness, but the result is doubtful, as the government can dissolve the House if the opposition threatens to embarrass its foreign policy.

Japan is generally calmly awaiting Russia's reply, ready to end the suspense one way or the other, but resolved not to yield a thing of her present moderate stand.

### JAPAN DEALING WITH AMERICA

#### Diplomats Know Telegrams No Longer Go, so Think Peace at Hand.

BERLIN, Dec. 9.—The National Zeitung, which has recently published a number of accurate telegrams from St. Petersburg, today printed the following from St. Petersburg, under yesterday's date:

"In declaring that a Russo-Japanese settlement is immediately at hand, the diplomats doubtless base their opinion on the well-established fact that for three weeks there has been an exceedingly active exchange of telegrams between Tokio and Washington, which suddenly stopped two days ago. The diplomats conclude from this circumstance that the governments of the United States and Japan had been engaged in highly important negotiations regarding possible common action against Russia, and the negotiations have been concluded. Whether they led to positive results or simply disclosed the impossibility of reaching an agreement the diplomats expect to ascertain from Washington or Tokio."

Editorially, the Zeitung says it does not expect the United States will seriously oppose Russia, "which has been acting as peacemaker for American commerce."

#### Russian Occupation in Name Only.

ST PETERSBURG, Dec. 9.—James W. Davidson, United States Consul at Tamsui, Formosa, who is here on his way home after four months' of extensive traveling in Manchuria, gathered much valuable information, some of which corrects the misapprehensions concerning Manchuria now current in Europe. He found that Manchuria, especially the Idauho Valley, is very fertile, and has a dense Chinese population. Much money, the Consul says, is being spent between Vladivostock and Port Arthur in the erection of many permanent buildings. None of these buildings, however, is on the East China Railway, as has been reported. Traffic between Vladivostock and Port Arthur is very heavy, calling for the operation of 30 trains daily.

The Consul confirms the report that depredations have been committed by Chinese robbers, calling for the employment of Russian troops, with a view of suppressing the outrages. The reoccupation of Mukden by the Russians, Consul Davidson says, consists only in the placing of 40 guards at the gates.

#### Causes Apprehension in London.

LONDON, Dec. 9.—The Tokio dispatch announcing the arrival of a Russian fleet off Chumpolo was communicated to the Foreign Office here by the Associated Press and was received with apprehension, though it was not confirmed by any Foreign Office dispatches from the Far East. It was said if the information from Tokio is correct, it would almost certainly nullify any negotiations, however pacific, now proceeding between Russia and Japan.

The Japanese legation had no confirmation of the Tokio report and Baron Hayashi, the Japanese Minister, said to the Associated Press he was inclined to discredit the report.

#### Correspondence Sent to Japan.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 9.—The correspondence between Baron de Rosen, Russian Minister to Japan, and Admiral Alexieff, Russian Viceroy in the Far East, concerning the modifications of the Japanese demands, was dispatched from the Far East yesterday. Owing to the time taken in the transmission of the correspondence, the submission of the Japanese negotiations may be delayed several days.

#### Prices Harden on London 'Change.

LONDON, Dec. 9.—On the stock exchange today, there was an all round hardening of prices on the Associated Press dispatch from St. Petersburg, outlining the reply of Russia to the proposals of Japan as to the basis of the understanding between the two countries, regarding Corea and Manchuria. Consols spurted well and closed firm.

#### Cardinal Herrero y Espinoza.

MADRID, Dec. 9.—Cardinal Herrero y Espinoza, archbishop of Valencia, is dead, aged 81.

He was created a cardinal by the late pope, Leo XIII, on June 22 last. During the conclave which elected Pope Pius, Cardinal Herrero y Espinoza became seriously ill. On August 27 Pope Pius conferred the red hat upon him.

#### Count Cassini Without Advices.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—Count Cassini, the Russian Ambassador, has heard nothing from St. Petersburg regarding the report that a Russian fleet had arrived off Yongampho. The Japanese Minister is also without information on the subject. Minister Allen has made no report on this occurrence to the State Department.

#### Germany Confident They Will Agree.

BERLIN, Dec. 9.—The Foreign Office has not been informed of the details of the Russo-Japanese negotiations, but it regards the basis for the understanding as cabled to the Associated Press from St. Petersburg yesterday as being within the possibilities, and the officials here remain firmly convinced that a settlement will be reached.

#### Chinese Court Will Move.

LONDON, Dec. 10.—The Times' Shanghai correspondent reports that a leading native journal asserts an edict is about to be issued notifying the Viceroy and Governors of the intention of the court to remove to Singanfu, in the Province of Shensi.

### TURKEY BLAMES CONSUL.

#### American Diplomat Who Mixed With Police Would Override Laws.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 9.—The Turkish official report of the affair at Alexandretta, complained of by the United States Consul, W. R. Davis, has been telegraphed here by the Governor of Beirut, Syria, as follows:

"Attarian, a native of Kharput, who has for some years been abroad, recently re-entered the country secretly and has been traveling in the interior with a Turkish passport. On his arrival lately at Alexandretta, Attarian claimed the protection of the American Consul and asked for his assistance to enable him to embark for Egypt. Mr. Davis accordingly notified the authorities, but the latter insisted that the sanction of the Governor must be obtained, and the usual formalities be carried out, such as photographing Attarian. Mr. Davis refused to tolerate the delay, and attempted to embark Attarian by force. The police arrested Attarian at the quay, whereupon Mr. Davis, aided by his military couriers, struck the policemen, who were wounded in the faces, and afterward attempted to force an entrance into the guardhouse, breaking windows and doors, but unavailingly. Thereupon Mr. Davis threatened that unless Attarian was released and allowed to embark within four hours, he would himself leave. Not receiving satisfaction, Mr. Davis embarked for Beirut on the same steamer Attarian tried to take."

### ITALY'S FINANCES ARE STRONG

#### Minister of Treasury Presents Budget and Predicts a Surplus.

ROME, Dec. 9.—Minister of the Treasury Luzetti presented the budget statement in the Chamber of Deputies today. He began by pointing out that the budget of 1902-1903 closed with a surplus of $2,788,520, and said the budget of 1903-1904, including the additional sum of $24,000, which the government had added to the appropriation for Italian participation in the St. Louis Exposition, will close with $1,200,000 surplus. For 1904-1905, the Minister foresaw a surplus of $1,444,000, which showed the strength of Italian finances.

The Minister announced a reduction of the interest on state bonds from 4½ to 3½ per cent, resulting in a saving of $1,200,000. This, he explained, would be partly devoted to increasing from $180 to $300 yearly the salaries of 12,000 parish priests.

The reduction of the interest of the 5 per cent state bonds was also proposed, which would result in a saving to the state of $9,200,000 yearly. The Minister concluded with saying the government aimed to see a new regenerated Italy and to create a contented middle class from the rural proprietors and thus form a "powerful embankment against the growing tide of Socialist collectivism."

#### Purpose of Visit of Attarian.

NEW YORK, Dec. 9.—Attarian, the Armenian whose arrest precipitated the attack by Turkish police upon United States Consul Davis at Alexandretta, Syria, was a resident during the past four years of Paterson, N. J., where he has been employed as a molder. Upon coming to America, he left his wife and son behind, and frequently tried to interest the United States and Turkish officials at Washington in securing permission for his wife and son to join him. Finally he decided to risk a journey home and bring them himself, although he told several friends he feared for his life if he again visited Turkish territory.

#### Woman Suffrage Bill Rejected.

CHRISTIANIA, Dec. 9.—The Norwegian Parliament today unanimously rejected the bill conferring the franchise on women.

#### King Alphonso Leaves Madrid.

MADRID, Dec. 9.—King Alphonso left for Lisbon this afternoon.


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### MUSICAL TOYS

Children's fine rosewood Pianos from $10 along down, with many in-between prices, to 25c; Violins, $2 to $5; Banjos, $1.25 to $1.75; Tambourines, 25c to 35c.

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| Regular $3.40 kind, this week | $2.65 | $2.25 kind, this week for | $1.50 |
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**HANDSOME MUFFLERS**—In rich colorings and dainty shades, new, pretty patterns and correct sizes. Whites, creams, grays and blacks, plain or brocaded. Opera Mufflers in black or white. Price range, 50c up to $3.50.

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