

RUSH UNDER FIRE

Smart Movements of Japanese on Yalu.

MOWED DOWN BY BULLETS

Line Wavers for a Moment and Then Dashes On.

OFFICERS SHOW GREAT SKILL

Weak Point in Line of Russians is Made the Point of Irresistible Attack by Well-Trained Soldiers of the Island.

KHARKOFF, Russia, May 8, Sunday.—The order for the mobilization of the reserves, which is to take place tomorrow, has caused a sensation here.

LONDON, May 8.—With the exception of vague rumors of further fighting in the vicinity of Feng Wang Cheng there are few items of actual news regarding the Far East appearing in the London papers this morning. Some, however, have accounts of the Klullen Cheng battle from correspondents with the Japanese army, giving interesting points. The Daily Mail says:

"The moonlight night broke into a splendid dawn, and revealed the Japanese army drawn up as if on parade. Then, after describing the sheltered nature of the plain dividing the opposing armies, the Daily Mail's account proceeds:

"The Russians did not respond to the opening of the Japanese fire, but remained silent and invisible. The Japanese line of infantry, two miles long and entirely exposed, advanced from point to point by swift, sudden rushes, smartly executed in the most brilliant style, firing steadily all the while. We watched anxiously, anticipating that each rush would enter the zone of fire.

"Wavered for a Moment. The Japanese were working around the sides of Klullen Cheng Bay to their position, when the Russian trenches suddenly poured a hurricane of rifle fire into them with deadly effect. For a moment the Japanese advance weakened and recoiled, then rallied and once more went forward across the stream, obtaining some shelter in a dead angle under the base of the mountain.

"The Russians, not having guns, were unable to reply to the continuous fire of the Japanese artillery. The Japanese advance was now marked by groaning bodies. In one instance two Japanese shells did terrible execution among their own men who were ascending the slope.

"Two hours after the advance began, an official suddenly appeared at the top of the slope waving a large Japanese flag, sending an electric thrill through the beholders, all far and near shouting 'Ban-zai!'

"Superior Methods Win. According to the Standard's correspondent the Russians put into action only two batteries. It is reported that they had with them 120 guns, including 30 field guns and 20 quick-fires.

"Under date of May 3, the Times Antung correspondent says:

"The Russian defeat on the Yalu was due primarily to their perfunctory, old-fashioned methods and the Japanese success must be attributed to their perfect acquaintance with modern conditions, to their skill and intelligence and to their concentration at the right moment upon the weak point in the Russian line. In morale the Japanese soldiers are equal and possibly superior to European troops."

FEEBLE RUSSIAN RESISTANCE.

Crossing of the Yalu Should Have Cost the Japanese Much.

WU, May 3. (Via overland courier to Seoul, May 4).—The army under General Kuroki crossed the Yalu River today. The Japanese soldiers drove the Russians before them from strongly fortified mountain posts which should have been held by a small army against a greatly superior force.

"The Russian forces are estimated officially to have numbered 10,000 men. They removed the batteries during the night, leaving the infantry to cover their retreat. The Japanese dislodged the Russians by a frontal attack delivered opposite Wu. This attack might have involved the Japanese in enormous losses, because they were obliged to advance across an almost shelterless sand plain, where their dark uniforms made the best possible kind of targets.

"The retreating Russians were flanked by two Japanese regiments, which captured 25 field guns, 20 officers and several hundred men. Japanese mountain batteries pursued the retreating Russians, but they were outstripped by the infantry, who made the captures among the hills some miles beyond the river.

Two Russian regiments, coming from Hiko, to reinforce their comrades were badly cut to pieces.

All the ammunition for the Russian artillery and large quantities of supplies were captured.

BATTLE OF THE YALU.

Russian Officer Tells of Accuracy of Japanese Guns.

NEW YORK, May 8.—Despite the strict censorship that is exercised at Liao Yang the Associated Press has been enabled to get out from that point the following—the first dispatch giving the Russian side of the battle of the Yalu:

Liao Yang, May 8.—The first lot of wounded from Klullen Cheng arrived here yesterday. They were on a sanitary train and are receiving careful attention by medical officers. General Kuropatkin was on the train, chatting with the wounded. He distributed a number of medals for gallantry in action. Colonel Malster and Captain Fladloff, who were among the wounded, were interviewed by the Associated Press corre-

spondent, to whom they made the following statement: "Without fear of the enemy's artillery on April 20, the Russians began to prepare for battle. The Second Battery of the Sixth Brigade occupied the Klullen Cheng position. On April 20, 12 of the enemy's three-inch guns appeared suddenly on an island opposite Klullen Cheng and then the battle began. The enemy shot bravely, their shrapnel bursting over our heads. In a few hours our battery was destroyed by the enemy, who opened with howitzers, which could not be seen, this tending to demoralize our men.

"Our ammunition was quickly exhausted and it was necessary in the middle of the battle to issue a new supply. All around shells were bursting and splinters were flying in every direction. Captain Shoukrai, under a heavy fire, rushed forward and closed the ammunition box, which otherwise might have been exploded by the enemy's shells, and then returned to the battery. It was an awful one-sided battle and lasted all day. Our battery lost heavily. Its horses were killed and we were unable to withdraw the guns, and we therefore destroyed and abandoned them."

"We commenced the battle May 1, helping the Twenty-second Regiment. The Japanese went for us on all sides, and we were not behind them. We charged a few times as they attacked us. The men fought like lions and only fell back at 5 P. M., when we had lost half our strength. The loss of the enemy is believed to be 400. They used human bullets."

ZASSALITCH REPORTS RETREAT

Cavalry Led Advance of the Enemy's Troops.

ST. PETERSBURG, May 8.—General Kuropatkin has sent the following telegram, under date of May 7: "Lieutenant-General Zassalitch today reports that the enemy's cavalry and units of their advanced guard occupied Feng Wang Cheng today.

"Two companies and two squadrons of their force proceeded toward Dallandiao Tso. Our cavalry and units withdrew toward Schindjiane.

"Squads from Feng Wang Cheng report that two Japanese divisions advanced May 6 toward Feng Wang Cheng by the main road from Pian Min. A third division, advancing by the valley of the Ai River, occupied a position near Khundiao Tso and posted batteries to fire upon Feng Wang Cheng, counting upon finding our troops there.

"The Japanese advanced slowly and very cautiously upon Feng Wang Cheng."

RUSSIAN LOSS IS VERY HEAVY

Monday's Fight at Feng Wang Cheng Resulted in 3000 Casualties.

TOKIO, May 8.—(Noon.)—Last Friday, after sharp cavalry skirmishes at Chitaitasu, Santalus and other places, a detachment of infantry belonging to General Kuroki's army took Feng Wang Cheng. The Russians, before retiring, exploded the magazine, but left large quantities of hospital stores, which are being used by the Japanese hospitals.

Refugees from the woods and small villages are surrendering.

The Russians buried many of their dead. Natives in the vicinity of Feng Wang Cheng say that last Monday the Russians carried about 800 wounded through that place and that their casualties probably were above 2000.

REPORTS INCREASE CASUALTIES

Japanese Bury 1400 Russian Slain—Hundreds Put in Hospitals.

TOKIO, May 8.—(Noon.)—Every supplemental report received from General Kuroki, commanding the First Japanese Army, increases the Russian casualties in last Saturday's battle at Chiu Tien Cheng on the Yalu River. The Japanese have buried about 1400 Russians and have 500 of the enemy's wounded in the field hospitals.

It is estimated that the total Russian casualties exceeded 200. Over 300 Russian prisoners are on the way to Matsuyama, where they are expected to arrive on Wednesday.

Divisions of First Army.

ST. PETERSBURG, May 8, 6:50 A. M.—The correspondent of the Novostoi at Liao Yang, telegraphing May 8, says that the first Japanese Army which occupied Feng Wang Cheng consisted of three divisions, which marched in two columns along the Akie River, the main road to Feng Wang Cheng.

The troops debarked by the Japanese at Pitsewo, according to this correspondent, belonged to the third army and marched in two columns toward Port Arthur, one along the shore and the other to Polandin, where the railroad communication was cut off.

Keep Up Their Spirits.

MUKDEN, May 7 (delayed in transmission).—The spirits of the troops here are not depressed because of the fighting on the Yalu and the investment of Port Arthur and vicinity are awaiting an opportunity to meet the invaders.

Wounded men the Yalu are passing through Mukden on every train on the way to Harbin. The last passenger train from Port Arthur before the line was cut arrived today. The woodwork of the coaches are marked with bullet holes which struck as the train dashed at full speed past a critical point.

Japanese Enter May 6.

CHEFOO, May 8, 11 P. M.—A private telegram has been received here confirming the report that the Japanese have occupied Feng Wang Cheng. The date of the occupation is given as May 6. Everything was quiet here today.

ARM TO MEET BRIGADES.

Niu Chwang Civilians Are Returning to Their Homes

SHAN HAI KWAN, May 8.—A M.—Refugees from Niu Chwang are returning there armed to resist brigands who are said to be across the river near Yinkow, waiting an opportunity to enter Niu Chwang and pillage between the anticipated evacuation of the Russians and the entrance of the Japanese.

The refugees have urgently requested that a second gunboat be sent to Niu Chwang. The British Consul has already requested the presence of one gunboat. It is believed here that Viceroy Alexieff and Grand Duke Boris are still in Port Arthur.

It has been reported from St. Petersburg that Viceroy Alexieff and Grand Duke Boris left Port Arthur before the Japanese closed the lines of communication, and a dispatch from Mukden said Alexieff had arrived there May 6.

Saphede.—You never take me seriously. Miss Pet.—And yet you come claim that I did not know He-Hi, but come a-singling 'em. Atlantic Journal

CORK IN THE BOTTLE

Russian Fleet Cannot Leave Port Arthur Harbor.

HEROIC WORK OF JAPANESE

Crews of Stone-Laden Vessels Are Nearly All Killed by the Well-Directed Fire From the Commanding Fortresses.

SPECIAL CABLE TO THE LONDON TIMES AND PORTLAND OREGONIAN.

TOKIO, May 8.—The report of General Oku, commanding the second army, which is now operating against Port Arthur, indicates that that stronghold is completely invested. The Manchurian railway was cut at Port Adams on Friday, and at the same time the telegraph station was destroyed. General Oku and General Kuroki have a distinct understanding and are working in unison.

The Russian losses to date in the operations up to the occupation of Feng Wang Cheng are more than 2000, while the Japanese have lost less than 1000. The retreat of the Russians from Feng Wang Cheng was so precipitate that they abandoned large quantities of hospital supplies, which have been turned over to the Japanese field hospital service.

In directing the recent operations against the Russians, the Japanese have displayed a knowledge of military strategy that has amazed the foreign military experts. When General Kuroki advanced with his entire army the divisions in Northern Korea were massed at Wiu and Antung and retained there as second reserve. In this manner it was possible for the invading column to move on without having any fears for their base of supplies.

Port Arthur Fleet Bottled.

The invasion of the peninsula was not attempted until the Port Arthur channel had been completely blocked up. This was accomplished by Admiral Togo on May 2, and on the morning of the 3d he steamed with all of his fleet, excepting the cruiser Division, which was left to guard the harbor entrance, to the base agreed on, where he met the transport fleet and escorted it to the landing site selected. The landing was accomplished under the guns of the gunboat Flotilla, the battleships being held off shore in case they should be needed.

The Japanese officers at the front speak in the highest terms of the bravery displayed by the Russian officers and men in the battle of Klullen Cheng. Four regiments were massed on the hills at Homotung and held their ground for hours in the face of a vicious bombardment which early placed their guns out of commission. They fought like demons, and their line was not broken until their reserves deserted them and permitted the Japanese to surround them. They cut their way through the Japanese lines, inflicting very heavy loss during their retreat.

The official report of Admiral Togo relative to the blocking of the Port Arthur harbor entrance states that five of the eight stone-laden vessels which were sent in were sunk side by side, thus completely closing the channel, except at one side, where there is a space large enough to permit a torpedo-boat to slip through.

Killed by Russian Guns.

The venture was very costly to the forlorn hope which undertook the task of blocking the channel. A storm was in progress at the time, and the sea was running high. To this was added the terrific bombardment from the land forts, which was directed at the escorting fleet of torpedo boats. This kept the latter at a distance, and they were unable to save but a few of the heroes, who took the steamers in, most of whom are believed to have perished, so far as is known.

There were 159 men on the blockading detachment. Of these 36 returned in safety, and half of this number were wounded. Fifteen are known to have been killed and the rest are missing. It is believed from Russian reports that 20 may have reached shore and the rest are undoubtedly drowned. All of the known dead and missing have been promoted and their families pensioned.

PORT ARTHUR IS CUT OFF.

Russians Are Retreating Toward Base at Mukden.

SHAN HAI KWAN, May 8, 7:30 P. M.—It is reported here that there has been severe fighting at Feng Wang Cheng, in which the Japanese were victorious. They took many prisoners. The Russians are retreating toward Haicheng, 32 miles north of Niu Chwang, and are evacuating the western side of the Liao Tung Peninsula.

Thursday and Saturday of last week the Japanese landed 10,000 men at Kin-chau Bay, 20,000 at Fochau Bay and 700 at Pitsewo. They occupied the towns of Wafung Tien and Pulan Tien and destroyed several miles of the railroad.

Heavy firing has been heard in the direction of Kalchau, where Japanese transports have been seen recently. The isolation of Port Arthur is complete. Sixteen Japanese warships protected the landing of troops at Kinchau Bay, directing a sweeping fire over the narrow isthmus before the soldiers disembarked. Seventy-five Russians were wounded in this fighting, were brought to Niu Chwang on the last train to arrive there. Food is scarce at Mukden; the troops there live on bean cakes.

The Russian army is preparing to leave Niu Chwang and that city is in a turmoil of hurried flight.

Orders for Russian Generals.

PARIS, May 8.—The Echo de Paris St. Petersburg correspondent cables the following: Major-General Kashtalinsky was told off to watch the Japanese movements in battle.

Lieutenant-General Linovitch is operating in Vladivostok independently of General Kuropatkin and under Viceroy Alexieff's orders. It is believed that he will be summoned to clear the Liao Tung Peninsula.

It is expected that General Rennenkampf, commander of the Far Eastern Cossack Division, will join General Kuropatkin at Mukden, near Liao Yang.

Brazil Is Hostile

Peruvian Legation Complains of State's Attitude.

ACTION TENDS TO END PEACE

Smaller Government Declares It Is Desirous of Leaving to Arbitration the Question of a Boundary Line.

WASHINGTON, May 8.—In view of the statement made by the Brazilian Legation defining Brazil's position in the boundary dispute with Peru, the Peruvian Legation today made a counter statement to the following effect:

"Peru has never admitted in Brazil any right whatsoever to the territory actually in dispute. The treaty of 1853 contains no recognition in Brazil rights as alleged by the Brazilian Legation. The treaty is one of amity and commerce, and made no reference as to the territory now in dispute.

"According to late reports it would seem that the government of Brazil, instead of framing its policy in accordance with the provisions of its constitution, which provides for the settlement of international disputes by arbitration, assumed a hostile attitude and has taken steps which it has pledged itself to seek.

"The Brazilian Legation's statement did not have the result expected by Peru. Up to this date these disputes continue unresolved. Now since the treaty of Petropolis, Peru is in a position to negotiate amicably and settle with less difficulty her boundary questions with Brazil and Bolivia.

"The rights Peru pretends to have were reserved. Brazil did not refuse to take cognizance of her pretensions, but will not enter into discussion before the military forces sent by the Peruvian government to the Alto Yuroo and Alto Yuroo and Vassil Ivanovitch gave her a frontage on the White Sea and on the Arctic Ocean, but those were not the seas she sought. Ivan the Terrible gained Asadid not the Caspian was a mere In-krakhan, but the Caspian was secured by his window looking upon Europe at the head of the Baltic; but the Baltic is forbidden. Catherine the Great extended the empire to the Bering; but the Dardanelles remained barred by an alien power. Alexander II planted his banners on the shore of the Sea of Japan; but Vladivostok is ice locked for nearly half the year. Meantime, Poland, Finland, Georgia, Tartary and many other lands fell into Russia's hands, enormously increasing her area, but giving her, after all, not one single port upon an always open sea. The history of the world contains no comparable example of so great an empire so shut in and away from the blue water which forms, and must ever form, the world's highway of commerce and of power.

Now, let us see in what directions a Russian outlet to the sea might be obtained. One is on the North Atlantic. But Sweden and Norway will never grant it to her, and she could scarcely hope to take it from them by force—from them and from those who would arise as their protectors. For the same reason an advance toward the Baltic to open water is impossible. The third opening is into the Med-

The "Different Store"

Monday, May 9, 1904
Good Morning

THE WEATHER? Fair and pleasant—a hot spell just ahead, better prepare, we'll help you. Violent price disturbances at this store have caused eruptions all over town. Price barometers forced down—a little lower here than in any other local mercantile locality. The conditions that caused the flurry are briefly mentioned below. Quality continues to rise—at this shop.

4th Floor Today

Bargain blows among the Lace Curtain stock. A big factory sale opens this morning.

The May clean-up of mill-ends; 600 Curtains, are price-tattered this way—28 styles in the lot:
\$6.50 Curtains at\$4.25
\$7.50 Curtains at\$4.75
\$8.00 Curtains at\$5.00

Summer Hammocks up from 65c.

CARPET ADVERTISING—We've the largest stock of new Carpets of any store in the Northwest—we thought our prices were the lowest, now we're sure of it. Read so many carpet claims by store writers, we sent a carpet expert 'round to remove doubt. Came back, reported every make of carpet marked lower here than elsewhere in every instance, and a careful average showed our prices 5 per cent under other city stores. Worth saving? Better buy your Carpets here, then. We tell carpet truths in advertising.

3rd Floor Today

A regular tidal wave of bargains that will bear out on its recede vast lots of Household Usefuls and Kitchen Needs.

A sweeping clearance sale embracing our entire line of Granite, Tin, Iron, Nickel and Woodware, Lawn Mowers, Cooking Ranges, etc. See yesterday's Oregonian for list of reductions.

Women's Walking Skirts at Half Price.

New, jaunty, handsome, all wanted fabrics and colors, \$7.50 to \$20 skirts for one-half today.

Women's Tailored Suits at Half Price.

All new, handsome, elegant creations. You've but to see these smart, exclusive creations to realize the immensity of the bargain offer that again DEMONSTRATES OUR ABSOLUTE LEADERSHIP IN WOMEN'S WEAR AMONG WESTERN STORES. No other store west of Chicago shows the variety, the novelty, the exclusive elegance and price lowness oracularly proven here day by day by our showings. \$15 to \$85 SUITS TODAY AT HALF PRICE TODAY.

Rich Radiant Ribbons at prices that pull buyers.

To Portland's leading ribbon store. No such bargains in swell, new, bright ribbons as this store offers—ever. This week we'll strengthen our reputation as leaders and keep the ribbon sellers on the jump filling your wants. Hundreds of yards of new, pretty ribbons in fancy stripes, Dresden, handsome flowered designs and plain, wide Tafetas in all the wanted Summer colors and white, widths from 4 to 5 1/2 inches. Values of the 35c, 40c and 50c sort; starting this morning, we'll place on a special counter at the yard.....25¢

Dainty, wanted Wash Fabrics make rare values at this week's economy prices.

\$3.00 Waists for.....\$2.29
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\$4.00 Waists for.....\$2.89
\$5.00 Waists for.....\$3.27

EVER SEEKING THE SEA.

Russia's Weary Search for Past Two Hundred Years.

New York Tribune. Russia for two weary centuries has sought the open sea. In those centuries, and, indeed, since the days of Daniel, three centuries earlier still, she has been one of the greatest land grabbers the world has ever known. Yet, by a strange perversion of fate, not all her acquisitions have gained her that supreme desire. Ivan and Yassil Ivanovitch gave her a frontage on the White Sea and on the Arctic Ocean, but those were not the seas she sought. Ivan the Terrible gained Asadid not the Caspian was a mere Inkrakhan, but the Caspian was secured by his window looking upon Europe at the head of the Baltic; but the Baltic is forbidden. Catherine the Great extended the empire to the Bering; but the Dardanelles remained barred by an alien power. Alexander II planted his banners on the shore of the Sea of Japan; but Vladivostok is ice locked for nearly half the year. Meantime, Poland, Finland, Georgia, Tartary and many other lands fell into Russia's hands, enormously increasing her area, but giving her, after all, not one single port upon an always open sea. The history of the world contains no comparable example of so great an empire so shut in and away from the blue water which forms, and must ever form, the world's highway of commerce and of power.

WAR ON DIVORCE.

(Continued from First Page.) which smacks so strongly of trusts. He must encounter the Bryan-Heart remedies, and push Tammany out of the limelight. Above all he must keep a watchful eye upon that adroit and slippery politician, Arthur Pue Gorman, who is still a candidate despite all his smooth talk about Charles A. Towne and other impossibilities.

When the gavel falls at St. Louis Judge Parker will probably have 400 or 500 delegates; Gorman will have 100 or 150, and Hearst will have about the same number. Cockrell, O'ney and others will have a few votes at the outset. There will be a spirited fight, to secure the 700 necessary to nominate.

Suicide of Engineer at Helena.

BUTTE, Mont., May 8.—A Miner special from Helena says that Charles Wickes, a stationary engineer of Deadwood, S. D., who came to Helena eight days ago, committed suicide in the mountains back of Helena this morning. Wickes shot himself through the head, his body being found on the side of a hill by some women.

Ministerialists Have Majority.

PARIS, May 8.—The result of the municipal elections has transferred the majority in the Council to the Ministerialists with 43 against 35 Nationalists and two Independents. The provincial returns are incomplete, but the tendency is that they will probably favor the government.

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Worthman's

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A veritable storm center.

Profits washed away and price foundations are sapped. No half-hearted reductions in these great fashion salons. If you've apparel in mind that's ready-to-wear-away, SUITS, WRAPS, UNDERMUSLINS or MILLINERY, you'll surely do yourselves the justice of getting leading makes in authoritative styles and superlative qualities when this FAMOUS OLD QUALITY SHOP offers bargains—as we do today—that rise above the mass of this great style store's followers feeble power-lacking trade magnets as the eagle soars above the meadow larks. WHERE ON THE PACIFIC COAST CAN YOU FIND BARGAINS TO EQUAL THESE TODAY? (Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday only.)

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Worthman's

Undermuslins caught in the bargain vortex. Infants' Goods, too.

75c and 90c Corset Covers 56¢
\$1.75 Gowns \$1.19
\$5.00 Petticoats \$3.49
Infants' 30c Shoes 22¢
Infants' 65c Shoes 44¢
65c Women's Tea Aprons 49¢
30c Center Places 17¢
\$2.00 Cambric Petticoats \$1.35
(See the Fifth-street window display of above.)

In the Millinery Salons

—Misses' Hats \$1.98.

A special lot of Misses' jaunty, stylish hats trimmed with knot of velvet and quill to match—special value, today only.....\$1.98

1st Floor Today

Silks in the swirl.

\$1.25 Shirtwaist Silks at.....69¢
\$1.50 Shirtwaist Silks at.....87¢

Dress Stuffs lose a part of their price too.

\$1.50 Colored Dress Goods \$1.09
\$1.7