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Suspected Purpose of Secretary Hay.

AIDED BY HENRY WHITE

May Induce Italy to Bring Enemies Together.

OPINIONS OF THE DIPLOMATS

Whenever Hay Has Been Reported Ill, a Great Stroke of Diplomacy Has Always Quickly Followed.

WASHINGTON, March 27.—(Special.)—Several prominent diplomats in Washington believe that John Hay, Secretary of State, during his trip to Italy, will make an effort to see what can be done in the way of mediation and settlement of the war in the Far East.

The diplomats attach great importance to the news that Henry White, the new United States Ambassador to Italy, was ordered to hasten his arrival at his post. Mr. Hay and Mr. White are warm personal friends, and the Secretary has great confidence in Mr. White's aptitudes in diplomacy.

THROUGH SOME THIRD POWER

Russia Will Inquire Japan's Terms, Fearing Internal Revolution.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 27.—In official circles there is no attempt in unofficial conversations to disguise the fact that a movement for peace is considered probable rather than possible.

It is generally believed that the action of the czar has been hastened by the renewal of rioting throughout the nation. That the situation in Russia is very grave is certain, and unless the war is soon ended the terrorists may gain the upper hand there.

GONE TO MEET ROJESTVENSKY

Togo's Fleet Starts to Crush Him Before His Squadrons Unite.

SAN DAKAN, North Borneo, March 28.—(Delayed in transmission.)—The belief is general here that a conflict is imminent between the Japanese fleet under command of Admiral Togo and the Russian squadron commanded by Admiral Rojestvensky.

FAVORS PERMANENT ALLIANCE

Mutual Advantages to Britain and Japan, Says London Paper.

LONDON, March 28.—The Daily Telegraph this morning editorially returns to the subject of peace negotiations and of the common interest of Great Britain, Japan and the United States in the Far East.

DIES OF RUNNING UPSTAIRS

General's Haste to Give Thanks for Appointment Proves Fatal.

LONDON, March 27.—The correspondent at St. Petersburg of the Times reports that General Dokotouff, who was to start tomorrow for the Orient, died yesterday as the result of an apoplexy which arrived shortly after his departure.

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NOW AIM AT VLADIVOSTOK

Japanese Relieve Pressure From Lincolnton Only Cause New Alarm.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 28.—(2:30 A. M.)—The impression prevalent in some military circles that Japanese, having received the intelligence that the main army in Manchuria assuming the initiative, will now turn their attention to the next objective of the war, is strengthened by the Associated Press dispatch from Gushu Pass announcing the withdrawal of the Japanese from the immediate front of the Russian army for a distance of 100 miles south.

While the voice of the Emperor's advisers is for peace if honorable terms are secured, the Japanese, having cleared a narrow passage for their troops and secured a position whence an expedition would be a long and difficult process, may be satisfied to hold the Tie Pass line until further extension of communication.

READY TO ISSUE JAPANESE LOAN

Largest Financial Syndicate of New York Will Underwrite It.

NEW YORK, March 27.—Japan's new \$200,000 loan probably will be formally offered in this city on Wednesday.

A remarkable incident was the receipt of applications here from France. The amount of French subscriptions to the fund for the relief of the Russian army today could not be definitely learned, but the bankers united in saying that they were heavy.

BOY'S FATHER TELLS STORY

Says Frank Parted Company With Aunt Soon After Disappearance.

CHICAGO, March 27.—The first apparently adequate explanation of the mysterious disappearance of the boy, Frank Ely Rogers, and his aunt, Miss Florence Ely, four years ago, at Evanston, was made tonight by a representative of the Associated Press by James C. Rogers, father of the boy.

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