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MIKADO'S MEN KEEP ADDING TO THEIR VICTORIES

IN DANGER OF A DUEL

A Frenchman Wants to Fight Charles Schwab; May Issue Challenge.

AMERICAN NOT WORRIED

Rogniat Says Schwab Inspired Defamatory Newspaper Articles Concerning Him—After Another Man.

(Journal Special Service.) Paris, Feb. 23.—M. Rogniat, who is making every effort to involve Charles M. Schwab in a duel, admits that he cannot fight a duel because of his \$25,000 being held by a mercantile trust, but he asserts that there is cause for a duel in view of the fact that Schwab inspired defamatory newspaper articles concerning Rogniat. He declares he possesses proofs, which when complete, he will send to Schwab's seconds. Schwab laughs at the idea of a duel. He says, like Franklin, he holds anti-dueling principles. Any way he would not fight with a man of Rogniat's character. Schwab is not losing sleep nor is his appetite threatened on account of a duel. He slept until noon today and tonight was dining with Col. Rowland Thompson and family of Chicago. Rogniat is doubly furious because he heard that John W. Young spent \$1,000 on a birthday dinner for his fiancée. He declares Young also spent his money in riotous living in Paris.

STAGE CAPSIZES IN A RAGING TORRENT

(Hearst Special Service.) Redding, Cal., Feb. 23.—In crossing East Weaver creek yesterday, one mile east of Weaverville, the four-horse Redding stage was capsized in the storm-swollen stream. One of the leaders stumbled and, falling, caused the other horses to be powerless. The driver, Elmer Heath, and Swamper, Sam Miller, who was riding horseback, succeeded in freeing the other horses. Fortunately no passengers were aboard. The stage rolled over and over and came to a stop in shallow water a quarter of a mile below. Driver Heath saved himself by grasping overhanging branches and pulling himself up on an island. He was rescued three-quarters of an hour later. All mail and express matter was swept down stream, but was recovered during the day. The strong box was also recovered.

NO KOREAN EXHIBIT AT ST. LOUIS FAIR

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) St. Louis, Feb. 23.—The far eastern war is proving costly to the Louisiana Purchase exposition and the Russian exhibit is not the only one that has been sacrificed. Korea has withdrawn from participation in the exposition and has officially notified the management of the exposition to that effect. Official notification was received on February 11, but it was not made public until late last night. At the administration building it was assumed that the action of the two contending powers, Russia and Japan, in making Korea the theatre of land operations in the present war is largely responsible for Korea's decision to abandon her exhibit.

JAMES MARTIN ENDS LIFE ON GALLOWS

(Journal Special Service.) Helena, Mont., Feb. 23.—James Martin was hanged in the county jailyard in Butte at 4:42 o'clock this morning for the murder of John R. Williams on May 19, 1902, at the railroad junction near Butte. Robbery was the motive for the crime. Martin's alleged partner, Charles Lennex, participated in the noted jail delivery at Butte several months ago, and is still at large. Martin's last words were: "Good-bye. God bless you all." A few days ago several prominent members of the W. C. T. U. pleaded with Governor Toole for clemency on the ground that Martin was in a dying condition, but the governor declined to interfere.

CASE READY FOR THE JURY.

(Journal Special Service.) Washington, Feb. 23.—The climax of the Gotf-Machen-Lotens trial occurred today when Douglas, counsel for the defense, and Conrad, for the government, made their closing arguments to the jury. The argument alone has occupied six days. The jury will probably receive the case tomorrow afternoon.

LOOKS FEROCIOUS BUT IS NO FIGHTER



This is a typical Korean gendarme, one of the body which recently was in conflict with soldiers of the Russian legation guard in Seoul. He is not nearly so fierce as he looks. The Koreans are not much as fighting men.

EVADES ACTION WITH JAPANESE

Vladivostok Squadron Hesitates Although Battle Expected Soon—Russia May Be Called Into Difficulty with China.

(By H. L. Wilson, Special Correspondent to Hearst Papers.) London, Feb. 23.—The Vladivostok squadron still manages to evade action, though now a large Japanese force should be concentrated against it and a battle cannot be long averted. The Japanese will experience difficulties in searching the Japan sea, because of fog and the severe weather. Unless Russians are brought into action the transportation of a large force by Japan will be an anxious matter. The report of a single mythical Spanish cruiser sighted off Cuba led the American government to suspend the movement of its army to Santiago. In Korea the Russians are pushing steadily south. Advanced parties have been seen south of Anju. They were probably scouting to obtain contact there with the Japanese. This is no indication of any considerable force of Japanese in Korea. Unless ice prevents disembarkation it is possible that a Japanese strategy may be to draw the Russian army south, keeping in front of it only a small force and then to strike at its line of communication and its rear by landing a large army in the neighborhood of Takushan or even by aiming a blow at Niu Chwang and the railway in the rear of Port Arthur.

WIPING OUT THE FLEET

Japan Sneaks Into Port Arthur and Destroys Four Vessels.

USES RUSSIAN SIGNALS

Czar's Officers Reported to Have Been Completely Fooled—Vigilance Was of No Account.

(Washington Bureau of The Journal.) Washington, Feb. 23.—Advices were received today by the Japanese minister dated Tokio stating that the Russians had sustained another disastrous defeat at Port Arthur at the hands of Admiral Uru. The cable states that four Russian torpedo boat destroyers were captured, which seriously cripples the remainder of the czar's fleet at that place. Under cover of darkness Sunday night Admiral Uru advanced eight torpedo boats into the harbor, using Russian signals to effect the purpose. Not until too late did the Russian commander detect the game, and then not until four inactive destroyers were taken unawares and captured. One is reported sunk. The same dispatch was received at the state department dated Tokio, and another bearing the same information came from Chefoo. The latter dispatch says that the Japanese are sure of victory and announce that they can take Port Arthur at any time they desire to concentrate their forces. The reason for not doing so at once is said to be due to the fact that Russia has practically given up the former stronghold as a point of great advantage. In view of this fact the Japanese say they will be content at the present to wipe out the remaining vessels of the Port Arthur fleet and then give all attention to points at the mouth of the Yalu and to the protection of landing detachments of the Japanese army destined for Manchuria and North-east Korea.

(Journal Special Service.) Seoul, Feb. 23.—The Russians are steadily advancing southward. Six hundred soldiers have arrived at Songchin on the northwest coast 100 miles south of the Yalu river. Russian scouting parties are now immediately south of Anju. Russians who were wounded in the engagement off Chemulpo and who were taken on board the Talbot, were transferred to the Amphitrite which proceeded to Hongkong with them. Raiding parties of Japanese and natives of Siberia have attacked the Siberian railway and broken the line in several places. Five hundred refugees from Manchuria arrived here this morning on the German steamship Oprelo from Dalny. Dalny is now crowded with people of all nationalities, a majority of whom are penniless. How to feed them is the problem. Every precaution possible is being taken against the outbreak of disease, either on the junks or on the main land. Junks are now leaving here with fresh provisions for Port Arthur.

VESSELS NEARLY REPAIRED.

Russians Will Make an Attack When Admiral Makarov Arrives.

(Journal Special Service.) Chefoo, Feb. 23.—Repairs on two of the vessels damaged by the Japanese torpedo boats in one of the attacks on Port Arthur are nearly completed. The ship will be ready for service within a short time. The Russians now declare that the Port Arthur fleet has in fighting trim six battle ships, three cruisers, 10 destroyers, and 55 torpedo boats, carrying in all nearly 10,000 men. It is expected that the arrival of Admiral Makarov will be the signal for a sally against the Japanese fleet. The Russians confidently expect within a few weeks to regain the naval supremacy.

GREAT BRITAIN IS ACTIVE.

War Ships of Edward Concentrating Along the Greek Archipelago.

(Journal Special Service.) Constantinople, Feb. 23.—The port is advised of the greatest activity among the vessels of Russia's Black Sea fleet and also at the Sebastopol and Odessa dock yards. It is stated that the concentrating of British warships along the Greek Archipelago is

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JAPANESE HERO AT PORT ARTHUR



The photograph from which this half-tone was taken is in the possession of a classmate of Admiral Uru at Annapolis and shows the fighting Japanese sailor as he appeared when a cadet at the United States naval academy.

JAPAN NOT TO WAIT ON RUSSIA

Advices State That Czar Lost Many Men in Outpost Fighting—The Mikado Fears to Wait Too Long.

(Journal Special Service.) Tokio, Feb. 23.—The war office officials state that no one battle has been fought on the Yalu in which 2,500 Russians were killed, but authentic news is given out today that a number of skirmishes, attacks and retreats have occurred during the past 10 days in which the Japanese have had the decided advantage and that probably 2,500 Russians were killed. The Russians are known to be concentrating at Harbin and it is thought that Japan must soon strike a blow as danger of the czar getting too large an army in the field is apparent. A report via London states that Russia scouts the idea that she cannot mass an enormous army in Manchuria by spring and claims the story that she cannot move men to any advantage rapidly over the Siberian line is not true. She expects to meet the Japanese advance with 500,000 men and troops are said to be going to the front at the rate of 3,000 a day. Japan on the other hand denies having knowledge of any such influx and alleges she has information offsetting this statement. The movement of the Japanese army and navy is still carefully guarded. Nearly all correspondents are certain that active outpost fighting has been going on some time and that Japan must soon make an aggressive move on land or else lose considerable prestige gained by the action of her navy.

GUNBOAT MUST GO.

China Emphatic in Matter of Russian Gunboat at Shanghai.

(Hearst Special Service.) London, Feb. 23.—A correspondent of the "Express" in Shanghai says: It is officially stated here that Russian Minister Lessar has threatened Lien Feng, vice-president of the Chinese foreign office, that his government must stand the consequences in the event that China insists on the gunboat Mandjur's departure from Shanghai. M. Lessar now contends that the gunboat's presence is necessary for the protection of the Russian consulate. The affair has passed out of the control of Shanghai officials and is being handled by M. Uchida, the Japanese minister in Peking, and Prince Ching, the Chinese grand secretary. The affair assumes an ugly aspect and it is believed Russia is endeavoring to imperil the peace of that port. It is stated that China ultimately will bring cruisers from Pei Yang or Kiangyin to enforce neutrality and if necessary to use coercion to drive out the Mandjur.

M. Pailoff is directing the campaign with the object of minimizing Japanese success in the Chinese mind.

BUFORD OFF BAR

Transport Will Reach Portland Harbor Tomorrow.

PORT'S FOES ROUTED

They Asserted That the Big Government Ship Coming for Lumber and Men Could Not Enter the Columbia.

Reports, presumably from San Francisco and Puget sound, are circulating to the effect that the government will not assume the risk of sending the Buford up the Columbia river. The truth is that the Buford is coming to Portland, having arrived at the mouth of the river this morning from San Francisco. She will take a shipment of lumber and 600 marines from Portland to Manila. San Francisco had completed all preparations to ship the marines, but neglected to consult the government on this subject. When they discovered that the government had other plans they at once remembered the Columbia bar and reports began to be heard about the transport being held up there. "The Buford will never be able to cross the bar," said rumor, "and the government will never take any such chances as that." The Buford is among the smallest transports in the service. When fully loaded she will draw about 25 feet. The Columbia river bar is 21 feet at ebb tide. At flood tide it has a depth of more than 30 feet, which is enough water to accommodate the largest vessels that visit the Pacific ports. Frequently Oriental liners have gone out of here drawing 25 and 26 feet of water, and they have never yet experienced trouble in crossing the bar. They are bar-bound occasionally during the winter months, but this happens at all ports. If transportation at reasonable rates by merchant vessels can be obtained from Portland to Manila, the government will take 1,200 tons more of oats and 1,200,000 feet of lumber in addition to the Buford's cargo. This information from the quartermaster-general is conveyed to the chamber of commerce in a telegram received yesterday from Senators Mitchell and Fulton. The bar is rough, and it is not expected that the Buford will attempt to enter the river before tomorrow, or until the storm now raging very materially subsides. It is not believed, however, that she will be detained on the outside for any great length of time. The bar is very much easier to cross coming in than going out, and for this reason the transport will likely lose but little time on this account. The Buford will take a shipment of lumber and 600 marines from Portland to Manila. Just what point in the east the latter are coming from is not definitely known. The local quartermaster's office states that no information along this line has yet been imparted to it. The general presumption is that the marines are coming from the Brooklyn navy yards or Washington, D. C. Railroad officials are also in the dark on this subject. As she will take about 1,200,000 feet of lumber the transport will probably be at Portland fully two weeks. The government is very particular in the character of lumber on which it stamps its approval, and will have representatives on hand to inspect every timber that is put in the steamer's hold. Vessels loading government lumber have been known to be detained in port six weeks taking on a cargo that proved acceptable. The Buford will load at the Eastern & Western mill, which was awarded the contract for supplying the lumber.

GARBER'S REFUSAL CAUSES A DELAY

(Journal Special Service.) Washington, Feb. 23.—John Garber, a mining engineer from California, to whom Roosevelt tendered a place on the Isthmian canal commission, declined to serve. Owing to this fact the sending of the names of the commissioners to the senate, which it was expected would be done tomorrow, may be delayed a few days. Of the seven members of the board, the following have been practically decided upon: Rear-Admiral Walker, General Davis, Frank Hoehler of Detroit, and Alfred Noble of the Pennsylvania railway.

DEWEY SAILS.

(Journal Special Service.) Charleston, S. C., Feb. 23.—Assistant Secretary Leomis, Admiral Dewey and party sailed from here on the Mayflower today for the Caribbean sea.