

MUKDEN FIELD IS STILL IN WAITING

Movement of Troops Continues and Cannonade is Steadily Carried On.

ALEXIEFF NO LONGER A FAR EASTERN FACTOR

Is Given a Vacation by the Czar—Hull Inquiry Opens—Coal Refused.

(Journal Special Service.)
Cherof, Nov. 11.—(Bulletin)—It is reported from Japanese sources that General Nogi, commanding the Japanese at the front of Port Arthur, is seriously ill. There is no further news from Port Arthur today.

(Journal Special Service.)
Mukden, Nov. 11.—Although it was expected that before today the battle on which may depend the fate of the Russo-Japanese war would be on with greater severity than ever before since the opening of the Russo-Japanese war, the conditions are unchanged from yesterday.

On both sides there is the same continuous drumming of artillery as the gunners bang away at the men of the opposing armies who are throwing up and strengthening fortifications, the same outlying trenches between outposts and scouting parties, and the same number of rumors that the fighting is expected at any time.

This has been practically the situation since Sunday, when the artillery work was resumed. The Japanese movement to the eastward continues, as does also the movement of the Russian troops, who are being marched parallel to the enemy with the view of hastening any flanking movement by a tour of force.

There is an evident intention to make the battle a decisive one on the part of both commanders, as it is known that both sides continue the reinforcing of positions at the front. The Russians are making much better headway now that the roads are frozen, and troops are being marched for longer distances after detouring.

All troops are now in much better condition to stand the rigors of the coming winter season, as there have been issued supplies of the regulation winter sort.

REPORT REACHES LONDON.

Embassy Recovers Outline of German Attitude to Baltic Fleet Question.

(Journal Special Service.)
Birmingham, Nov. 11.—The Post reports that a long important report regarding the German attitude toward the international situation, growing out of the departure of the Baltic fleet for far sea and incidents attending the voyage, dealing particularly with the supply of coal, has reached the German embassy in London for presentation to Lansdowne.

Great importance is attached to the report in diplomatic circles.

CASSINI TALKS.

Russia Will Continue War Until She Conquers the Japs.

(Journal Special Service.)
Washington, Nov. 11.—Count Cassini, the Russian ambassador, has issued a statement in which he says that Russia will continue the war until she conquers, and that there will be no cessation of military operations in the far east. In Cassini's opinion the talk of peace overtures originated from Japanese sources for the purpose of strengthening their loan.

"Russia," he said, "can no more admit of peace overtures than could Great Britain in the Transvaal or the United States with her war with Spain. Where the prestige of a country is at stake all other considerations are and must be put aside. Some people may think that financial difficulties will influence Russia to end hostilities, such an assertion based upon the assumption of Russia's financial resources. There is no doubt whatever that Russia, whose annual income exceeds \$1,000,000,000, cannot be influenced in her attitude toward the outcome of the war by the amount of war expenditures. It is not altogether out of the question that Russia, who did not expect war, should, in the moment when she was mobilizing her army and sending her troops to the front in fighting readiness to the far east, suddenly call a halt on hostilities, particularly after she has for nearly a year, without any difficulty or recourse to extraordinary measures, been able to carry all the necessary expenses."

"It is not within my scope to comment upon the new Japanese loan. That is an affair for the bankers and for the public, who are to decide what advantages or non-advantages the investment offers. But there can be no necessity for commenting upon Russia's credit. Any one acquainted with the

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NORTH SEA OUTRAGE.

Sir Cyprian Bridge Opens Taking of Testimony at Hull.

Hull, Nov. 11.—The board of trade inquiry into the North sea outrage opened here today before Admiral Sir Cyprian Bridge.

Butler Aspinwall, admiralty lawyer, sat with Admiral Bridge. Their report will form the basis of the British case before the international commission. The Russian government is not represented. There were no speeches, the work being confined to the taking of evidence. The first witness was Behring, the managing director of the gamecock fleet, which he testified had been fishing off Doggerbanks between 20 and 30 years.

REFUSE COAL.

Mojetstvensky Gets Kind Greeting But Is Not Allowed Fuel.

(Journal Special Service.)
St. Petersburg, Nov. 11.—Advises received here today state that although the Baltic fleet received an enthusiastic greeting on its arrival at Dakar, French Africa, the governor of the province soon after informed Admiral Mojetstvensky that the fleet must be denied as a dispatch received from Paris forbade its coaling in French waters.

ALEXIEFF REDUCED.

Is Given a Nine Month Vacation in the Crimea by the Czar.

St. Petersburg, Nov. 11.—The czar this morning granted an audience to Alexieff, who has just returned from the seat of war.

After the audience it was announced that Alexieff is going to the Crimea for a long vacation. This seems to indicate that the former viceroy has been removed from the far eastern situation for good.

AUSTRIA IS WELCOMED.

Vienna, Nov. 11.—Count Glouchovsk, of the foreign office here, in an interview with Bellamy Storer of the American embassy, said that his government would willingly discuss an arbitration treaty between the United States and Austria. He also said that his government was entirely in accord with and would be represented at the proposed new peace conference.

LOAN BIDS CLOSED.

London, Nov. 11.—The new Japanese loan bids were closed at noon today. The loan was nine times oversubscribed.

FRENCH MINISTER OF WAR RESIGNS

General Andre Who Had Face Slapped by Deputy Syveton Said to Be Deranged.

(Journal Special Service.)
Paris, Nov. 11.—General Andre, minister of war, handed in his resignation to President Loubet today. No reason was given, but it is obvious that the scene in the chamber of deputies last night, when Andre had his face slapped by Deputy Syveton, was the cause.

MR. M'GINN IS GAGGED

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for highwaymen" was the next question asked the sheriff.

To this Mr. McGinn objected. Judge Cleland upheld the objection, saying, "It is easy to know where the line of excitation is."

"Do you not know that there are poker games now running?" asked Spencer.

"You need not answer that question," quickly remarked Judge Cleland.

Peter Grant was on the witness stand exactly two minutes. His answers were very brief.

"You have heard Tom Word's statement," asked Attorney Mendonah.

"That is all," said Judge McGinn.

After waiting 15 minutes for Attorney E. J. Williams during which the Judge Cleland made a severe remark regarding the non-appearance of witnesses, the defense began its side of the battle.

TWO MEN KILLED IN A POWDER-MILL EXPLOSION

(Journal Special Service.)
Webb City, Mo., Nov. 11.—By an explosion in the Independent Powder Works this morning three men were instantly killed, William Queen and Byron Branstetter and two others were seriously injured.

VESSEL FOUNDERS AND ALL HANDS ARE LOST

(Journal Special Service.)
Frederickshaven, Denmark, Nov. 11.—A vessel supposed to be the German steamer Thalkiff foundered near Skikaw light today.

EIGHT STORY BRICK AND STEEL BUILDING

Charles Sweeney to Construct a Great New Store for Firm of Tull & Gibbs.

The next expenditure of money by Charles Sweeney in Portland will be in the erection of an eight-story brick and steel structure at the corner of Morrison and Seventh streets, to be occupied by Tull & Gibbs with what they say will be the largest furniture store on the Pacific coast.

"Work on the building will be commenced next spring, after the Lewis and Clark fair is finished when there will be workmen who perhaps will want employment," said Mr. Sweeney. "The building will be occupied by Tull & Gibbs, as soon as their lease on present quarters expires."

The new building will be L shaped, covering the ground purchased yesterday by Mr. Sweeney from the Portland Trust company. While the plans are not yet drawn, the building probably will be of the best structural design, and it is said will represent an outlay in the neighborhood of \$200,000. The cost has been taken into consideration but is not yet settled. A year will be required for its completion.

Mr. Sweeney now has about \$600,000 invested here, and says he will do nothing further at present. His intentions regarding the Delcor property on Thirteenth street have not fully developed, and he declines to make public any plans relating to the improvement of the property or the building of a hotel there. He expressed great faith in Portland real estate, and intimates that he will continue to invest here so long as conditions remain favorable.

AT THE THEATRES.

White Whittlesey Tonight.

White Whittlesey, whose rise to fame has been due to his perfect impersonation of a woman, is to be seen at the Marquam Grand theatre tonight and tomorrow night. "Heartsease" will be the opening bill. "The Second in Command" will be put on tonight.

Mr. Whittlesey possesses a gallant bearing. He is well educated and was brought up in the surroundings of refinement. His stage creations are presented in a clean-cut fashion, telling and forcible. His voice at times is as soft as that of a woman, and again it is thrilling and resonant. As a stage lover Whittlesey is flawless, and it is not to be wondered that at whatever he plays the fair sex is in the majority.

"Heartsease" is the beautiful romance of the 18th century in which Henry Miller scored his greatest success.

Among the well known people in the company are Eugene Thale, Lawton, Virginia Brisson, Alfa Perry, Edith Campbell, Hallie White, Messrs. J. M. Sainpolis, Harry D. Byers, Reginald Mason, Henry Lawellon, Carl Yoho, Taylor Curtis and Erville Anderson.

Unique Character in Farce Comedy.

Foremost in the unique characters in farce comedy is that of Mathieu in "The Gay Parisians," which is impersonated delightfully by George Berrell in the Columbia Theatre Stock company's production of the same name.

Mathieu is an old lawyer, father of the four giggling girls of the night robe. He is peculiarly afflicted—he stammers, but only when it storms. If the weather is clear he utters smoothly to business. If there is a storm he is unable to appear before the jury, because of his stuttering. In the course of affairs he puts up at a Paris hotel in which the gay wife and another's husband are taking a late supper, the event on which the story hinges, and discovers them there. In the last act, just as the guilty ones are explaining matters nicely, if not truthfully, Mathieu is about to relate the true tale; he utters a dozen words, when there is a terrific peal of thunder outside. He stammers hopelessly and is never allowed to tell what he saw in the hotel. With which the farce ends happily and harmlessly to all.

"The Gay Parisians" has proven a great hit with the Columbia's patrons and is doing a mammoth business this week.

Seats Now Selling.

The advance sale of seats for the approaching engagement of "The Runaways" at the Marquam Grand theatre Thursday afternoon and night, November 17, indicates two of the largest audiences of the season. "The Runaways" is a musical extravaganza built on an elaborate scale, over \$75,000 having been expended on it before the initial production. In the cast supporting the popular star, Ariane Duna, will be Charles Cox, Clarence Harvey, W. E. Meehan, Thomas Whitbread, S. P. Pulem, Misses Erminie Earle, Blanche Wayne, Sallie Randall, the Althea sisters, the famous Daring show girls and the English pony ballet.

A True Love Story.

"Candida" has been extolled as a genuine comedy of the first water. It possesses a decidedly literary flavor, but its first and last aim is to entertain. The story in itself is sweet and a true love story, but as complex as well and its incidents keep the audience in a gale of laughter. The comedy will be presented at the Marquam Grand theatre next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday nights, November 21, 22 and 23, by an excellent company.

Advance Sale Tomorrow.

If arrangements which are now under way terminate successfully, Miss Florence Gale, who will appear at the Marquam Grand theatre next Friday and Saturday nights, November 17 and 18, with a special-price machine Saturday will conclude her present season with an all-star cast in "As You Like It." Names

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"As You Like It" is a play that lends itself readily to such an undertaking. In Miss Gale's present company are 13 players, over half of whom have already won distinction under the Frohman and Daly regims. Worthy also of mention are the Woodland quartet and English glee-singers whom Miss Gale brought to America, and who sing all the airs of "As You Like It," interspersed with old English glee. The advance sale for Portland will open tomorrow (Wednesday) morning at 10 o'clock.

Fine Bill at the Baker.

Since the opening of the Baker theatre as a vaudeville house, it is doubtful if a better bill has been offered patrons than that of the present week. Harold's troupe of dogs and a cat was never so called on the vaudeville stage. It seems incredible, but these animals, with the assistance of their master, actually perform a farce comedy in pantomime. They enact a prize fight and a novel Gypsy musical act; the well-known Traviola give an interesting hoop-rolling exhibition, and the Irving trio of acrobats fill in an entertaining quarter of an hour. The illustrated song by Baldwin this week is among his best. The biograph with new features completes the excellent bill.

Pleasure at the Bijou.

At the Bijou, Howe and Decker amuse by some queer and difficult feats of jugglery; besides throwing plates, cannon balls and cigars boxes around the stage without losing trace of them, one of the pair balances everything he can get a hold of on his chin; it is said that he can hold up a Missouri male in the morning. He is by this time so chin fit he could only get a stage that would hold all of them together. The Mortons have a good collection of jokes, snappy songs and quips, while the story of the widow's broom, which nearly causes the audience to weep in sympathy. Ed Simpson sings and talks; he also danced a bit—the size of his footwork prevents much of the latter method of amusing. The Lamont brothers do many tumbling feats never seen in Portland before. Pearl Grayson sings an illustrated song, and the vitascope shows many good and funny pictures.

Many Top-Liners at the Star.

One big Avolo and two little Avolos are the top-liners at the Star this week. As funsters it is seldom that one sees such delightful performances as they give. The father and sons are a good show all by themselves. The musical Haris have many ways in which to please the public. Mrs. Haris' latest song, "A Bit of Blarney," and the automobile horns being two of the most pleasing. As club swingers, the Yale duo go through a large number of turns without the slightest mistake. Theirs is "sane" club swinging and makes a hit. Adeline Birchler has a good voice and her singing of opera airs adds greatly to the strength of the bill. Richard Burton has a many queer dramas, which he relates in song. The ways of a founding asylum are shown by the moving pictures; there are comic scenes, too, thrown on the screen.

Arcade's Original Bill.

At the Arcade, the original family vaudeville house in Portland, the four Ferns, comprising a comedy team, furnish a show all by themselves. They are alone are worth the price of admission. But there are plenty of other attractions. Adams brothers do a clever turn at waltz and dance and create a favorable impression. A female impersonator who causes more laughter than anything that has appeared in local vaudeville for weeks. The deception is really undiscovered by the audience until the wig is removed and the bald head of a man is shown. Alfred Anderson does a good turn and receives vigorous applause, and Hoppe and Burill are likewise able to get close to the audience. The vitascope is showing good pictures. There are always crowds at the Arcade and the bill this week will likely draw even more attention.

Lyric Nearly Reaches Perfection.

Even surpassing the bills of previous weeks, that have made an enviable reputation for the Lyric, the program that was presented yesterday is near the limit of perfection in vaudeville. Of course the crowds were there, for since the Lyric began its Portland career it has had many a record-breaking attendance. A refined musical act, are probably as entertaining a pair of real musicians as were ever brought to the city. They introduce some novel and clever turn of instruments. The De Garros perform some really marvelous feats on Roman rings, and Ward and Ward compose a funny team in Irish comedy and singing. Douglas and Gouglas are comedy acrobats of exceptional ability and made a decided hit. Harry Hoyt was, as usual, heartily encoored in his illustrated song. The vitascope is showing some funny pictures of an escaped lunatic.

The Close of Cordray's.

This is the last week of famous Cordray's theatre under its old management. Next Monday it becomes the Grand and goes into the vaudeville field. John F. Cordray and William M. Russell have catered to the Portland public for many years, and have a host of friends here who will want to see the final attraction under their management. For that reason an extraordinary production was selected to close the season, and in "Finnigan's Ball" the public know they have something worthy of the occasion. The company is the best ever seen in the popular place, the chorus is composed of beautiful girls, the comedians are all talented fun-makers and the women principals are a beautiful and endowed with talent.

The Bijou, of Course.

Acrobats are usually dressed in spangles, but Howe and Decker perform their specialties in conventional clothes, which makes their act more wonderful than ever. They're at the Bijou of course, "A Little Irish," by the Mortons, is a sure heart-warmer. Pearl Grayson's illustrated songs add to the Bijou population.

JOHN BLUST'S DAMAGE SUIT NOW ON TRIAL

An expert testimony of two sorts was heard this morning in the trial of the \$25,000 damage suit of John Blust against the Pacific States Telegraph & Telephone company. Blust was formerly a member of the company, but was injured October 12, 1909, while putting up a heavy cable on poles near the corner of Union avenue and Skikyaw street.

Blust's counsel, who has assisted in putting up many cables, told of various methods used in this work. He is said to have favored a system differing from the one that the local telephone company's officials use.

Dr. J. Stott, who has been attending on Blust, said that the latter's injury would cause one limb to be an inch shorter than the other. Dr. Stott also said that Blust's injury was a permanent one.

The defense of the company is that Blust was to blame for the accident.

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