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JAPS ARE ANGRY

ACCUSE RUSSIA OF BAD FAITH IN MANCHURIA.

While She Pretends to Evacuate, She Increases and Fortifies Garrison and Massacres Chinese.

Tokio, April 10, via Victoria, B. C., April 23.—The latest news from Manchuria is to the effect that the second evacuation of the Russians was to be duly effected, beginning on the 8th inst., when Niu Chwang was to be handed over to the Chinese. A wire says that General Tso, military governor of Manchuria, was on his way from Mukden for purposes of the transfer. Four of the eight gates at Mukden had, according to the same authority, been transferred by Russian to Chinese guards.

This dispatch—a special vernacular paper—in the absence of any official statement, tended somewhat to allay the growing sentiment in Japan that the second evacuation would be a farce. Lately that sentiment had become more strongly manifested. There have been considerable grounds for this uneasiness. The Russians are reported to have strengthened their "railway guards," to an extent out of all proportion to the necessity of the occasion. Twenty thousand Russian troops were said to have been concentrated at Feuwang, on the Yalu river, commanding the northern border of Corea, which is Japan's special ward, as it were.

Another report had it that a second Blagovestchensk massacre on a small scale had taken place at a point called Ergane, in the Northern Manchurian province of Hei Lung Chiang, when 200 inoffensive Chinese placer miners had been ruthlessly shot down by Russian troops. It is impossible to verify these reports, or another that the Russians, far from evacuating, were fortifying their garrisons in different sections.

But the Japanese press became aroused, even the conservative Jiji urging the government to decisive action. Besides the press there was an indication of popular feeling in the revival of the "vigorous foreign policy."

At a great meeting held in Tokio under the auspices of the National Union, a resolution was adopted to the effect that all the actions of Russia tend to strengthen the conviction that she has no real intention of re-

storing Manchuria to China in accordance with her pledges, and it is therefore incumbent on the Japanese and British governments to support China in reasserting her own jurisdiction in Manchuria and throwing it open, as a means of securing peace in the far east. Throughout the length and breadth of Japan there is a murmur of determination, not that Manchuria itself matters much to Japan, but the forward march of Russian aggression requires to be checked somewhere, if Japan is to be safe.

He Saw the Finish.

Little Elmer while out walking with his nurse saw a blacksmith shoeing a horse and upon returning home, said: "Mamma, I saw the man who makes horses today."

"Are you sure you did?" asked mamma.

"Of course I am," replied Elmer. "He nearly had one finished when I saw him. He was just nailing on its hind feet."

He Wanted a Tip.

"You foretell the future, I believe," said the timid looking caller.

"I do," replied the Spiritualistic medium. "What can I do for you?"

"Well, I want to know whether my wife is going to heaven or the other place when her time comes. I want to go shape my life that I'll be sure to go in the opposite direction."

—Catholic Standard and Times.

What's the Difference?

Tom Johnson will visit Bill Bryan, they say.

And now all the quidnuncs are dying.

To know whether Bryan will Bryanize Johnson.

Or Johnson will Johnsonize Bryan.

—Chicago Tribune.

The microbe conductor clung desperately to a thread on the trailing skirt of the street dress.

To the angry germs who waited for a ride, he shouted:

"Can't hold any more! Take the next train."—Chicago Tribune.

There was a young man from Typhoo

Who wanted to catch the 2:02.

But his friend said, "Don't hurry

Or worry or flurry.

It's a minute or two to 2:02."

—The Goober.

Monument Man—What shall I put on your husband's tombstone, madam?

Distracted Widow—Oh, say that he was my husband, and that he is happy now.—Life.

SAGE BRUSH REGION.

An Example of What Can Be Raised On it With Proper Irrigation.

Hundreds of acres of sage brush lands, seemingly looked upon as worthless until two years ago, are now under fence, broken up and in a state of high cultivation on the east side of Powder River, north of Baker City, and on these lands the owners have erected comfortable homes.

The change that has been wrought is suggestive of what can be accomplished anywhere in the sage brush region where water for irrigation can

be obtained. No better land than that upon which sage brush grows can be found and the day will be a welcome one when irrigation plans are devised by which all the lands in this section can be watered.

Grain and alfalfa lands such as these, can be made to pay 12 per cent per year on a land valuation of \$50 per acre. What better business proposition than this?—Baker City Democrat.

Prof. Crookes says "even in the stillest air the atoms are constantly in motion." The professor talks as if he lived in Chicago.—Chicago Post.



"This bird on my new hat is a 'Bird of Paradise.'" "The poor man who has to sit behind it at the theatre won't call it that."

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HIGHLAND STOCK

WILL BE ADVANCED IN PRICE

MAY 15th, 1903

Development at the Highland Mine Justifies an Advance in the Price of Stock. It is Much More Valuable Now Than When We Placed the First Allotment on the Market Some Two Months Ago.

CONSTANT DEVELOPMENT AND RESULTS

A crew of men have been constantly at work ever since we acquired this property and the Glasgow crosscut has now encountered and fully crosscut the ledge. In this crosscut we have opened up a body of ore sixteen feet in width carrying good commercial values.

In speaking of commercial values we mean ores which have a sufficient value to pay for the extraction milling and all other incidental expenses thereto, with enough of a margin left over to pay good dividends to the stockholders.

This large body of ore was not in the nature of a surprise, we simply expected it, as the surface developments showed this same large body of ore, and there was no reason why it should not be encountered in this crosscut and at this depth.

FUTURE DEVELOPMENT

We are now turning to drift on the ledge to the west from the crosscut in order that we may open up the richer ores at a greater depth which are found on the surface throughout the Bannockburn claim.

This line of development, we believe, will prove very interesting to all who are interested, or may become inter-

ested in the Highland mine, as it will certainly open up ore bodies rich in quality and in large quantities.

It will demonstrate that the Highland will rank as one of the largest producers in the district.

From now on the development work will be comparatively easy and not very expensive, as we will be drifting along the ledge where the ground is much easier to work than in the country rock which encases the vein. Every month will show a large increase in our ore reserves.

FREE TRIP TO THE HIGHLAND

To any one who wishes to invest a reasonable sum of money in the Highland mine, we will pay all traveling expenses to and from the mine for the purpose of his making a personal examination.

In offering you a free trip to the Highland we feel that this is proof within itself of the value of this property as it stands to reason that if we did not have a good mine there and all that we claim for it we could not offer you such an inducement.

We would be only too glad to have each and every one who contemplates the investment of money in mines, come out and look over this property and the district in general. In offering to pay your expenses out here and back we feel that we are not running any risk whatsoever as we know positively that no one, no matter how great

or conservative an expert or mining engineer he may be, could possibly, roughly speaking, "turn it down."

POOL YOUR INTERESTS

If you have not sufficient money yourself to justify you in coming to the Highland to look it over before investing, we would suggest that you and your friends make up a small pool and send one of your number out here to look over the Highland. In this way we believe you would get absolute information as to the value of the property you invest your money in, and you will also have an opportunity to learn all about the reputation, standing and ability of the directors of the Highland company.

OUR REFERENCE

We take pleasure in referring you to any bank, business man, or mining man in our own community.

SECURE STOCK NOW

If you wish to secure any of this stock while it is selling at the low price you should send in your order as quick as possible. Those who have not all the money on hand to pay for as much stock as they wish to purchase, may send us a portion of it and we will set the stock aside for you and you can pay the balance later.

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