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EVENTS OF THE DAY

GATHERED FROM ALL PARTS OF THE TWO HEMISPHERES.

Comprehensive Review of the Important Happenings of the Past Week, Presented in Condensed Form, Most Likely to Prove Interesting to Our Many Readers.

Another battle is reported raging at Port Arthur.

Secretary Shaw says he will not be a candidate for vice president.

The body of Admiral Makaroff has been washed ashore with a number of others.

Secretary Hay has advised the 1905 exposition to prepare invitations to foreign countries to participate and he will dispatch them.

The house has passed the bill creating a state of Arizona and New Mexico under the name of Arizona and one of Oklahoma and Indian Territory under the name of Oklahoma.

On motion of Senator Fulton, the senate has passed Mitchell's bill authorizing the citizens of Oregon, Washington and California to cut and remove timber on the public domain or mining and domestic purposes.

The Japanese are fast preparing to force the Yalu.

Russia would make an agreement with Great Britain to gain an outlet to the sea.

Neldermer, the Chicago carbarn hand, made two desperate attempts to end his life, the first nearly proving successful.

The house has passed a bill changing the Washington custom headquarters from Port Townsend to Seattle, despite the protests of congressmen.

The foreign countries represented at the St. Louis fair will be invited by the government to transfer their exhibits to the Lewis and Clark exposition.

The conference committee has eliminated from the military appropriation bill the appropriation of \$90,000 for a bridge across the Spokane river at Spokane.

Senator Fulton has secured an amendment to the sundry civil bill increasing the appropriation for roads in Crater lake national park from \$3,000 to \$4,000.

The senate has adopted an amendment of Senator Mitchell to the emergency appropriation bill by which the senator expects to have \$100,000 allotted for continuing the improvement at the mouth of the Columbia river.

Chinese and Russian troops nearly clashed in Manchuria.

The Grand Ronde valley is a vast lake and thousands of acres of wheat are flooded.

The Russian press regards the Anglo-French treaty as a hard blow to German prestige.

Italians who had plotted against the life of President Loubet, of France, have been arrested.

In a riot between police and blue-jackets at Pensacola, Fla. one man was shot and other seriously wounded.

A four story hotel at Indianapolis, Ind., burned and for a time the lives of more than 300 guests were in peril.

Admiral Togo says he placed the mine which blew up the Russian warship and tells how it was done. Russians emphatically deny it.

President Meyer, of the Federation of Miners, declares Governor Peabody, of Colorado, has violated his promise, having agreed not to molest the miners.

Senator Mitchell has introduced amendments to the emergency appropriation bill to continue the improvement of the Columbia and lower Willamette rivers.

A heavy snow has fallen in Northern and Central New York.

Altogether 10 Russian vessels have been damaged or lost since the outbreak of the war.

Russia has notified all nations that she will regard as spies correspondents using wireless telegraphy.

The Port Arthur squadron will not again be risked in battle until reinforced by the Baltic fleet.

Japan denies that she has any submarine boats and says the Russian ships were sunk by torpedoes.

Carnegie has created a "fund for heroes," and set aside \$5,000,000. Next of kin of those who lose their lives will also benefit.

A party of 50 prominent Filipinos has started for the St. Louis fair. They will also visit the principal cities of the United States.

The house has passed the Philippine bond bill to encourage the building of railroads.

St. Petersburg has the report that Togo sunk several steamers and closed the entrance to Port Arthur.

Heavy rains stopped all regular through traffic on the Southern Pacific and O. R. & N., into Portland, leaving the Northern Pacific the only route for Eastern mail.

Ex-Mayor Ames, of Minneapolis, has been arrested, charged with having accepted a bribe while in office.

According to latest accounts Russia lost about 650 men and officers in the sinking of the battleship and torpedo boat.

HE WOULD QUIT.

Viceroy Alexieff Asks the Czar to Relieve Him.

St. Petersburg, April 21.—Viceroy Alexieff has applied by telegraph to the emperor to be relieved of his position of viceroy of the Far East. It is expected that the request will be immediately granted. While no official announcement has yet been made, there is every reason to believe that the foregoing statement is correct. The immediate cause of the viceroy's application is reported to be the appointment of Vice Admiral Skrydloff, one of Admiral Alexieff's strongest enemies and sharpest critics, as successor to the late Vice Admiral Makaroff in command of the Russian navy in the Far East.

The relieving from command of Viceroy Alexieff would not surprise intelligent observers of the Far Eastern situation, who were familiar with the gradual change in the emperor's attitude toward the viceroy and M. Bezobrovoff, who represented the military advancing element, which was anxious that Russia should remain in Manchuria. It was these two men that the Anglo-Japanese entente first lost its friends. They believed Great Britain would not go to war and that Japan could not do so. To the indignation of Japan, they succeeded in turning the policy of the empire from carrying out the treaty for the entire evacuation of Manchuria, pending further demands on China.

BIG LOSS BY FIRE.

Over \$100,000 Worth of Property Destroyed at Toronto.

Toronto, Ont., April 21.—Fire swept through a section of Toronto's wholesale business district tonight, causing a loss which will probably reach \$100,000. The fire started in a factory in Wellington street about 9 o'clock. In less than an hour the flames had spread from building to building on both sides of the street until the whole block was a mass of flames, and the fire was utterly beyond the control of the local department. Appeals were sent to every surrounding city where fire apparatus could be obtained seeking assistance. Montreal, London, Hamilton and Buffalo at once responded, but it will be hours before they can be of assistance.

It was believed at 11 o'clock that the fire was under control, but a sudden shift in the wind again fanned the flames into a roar and clouds of sparks and burning brands were carried down busy streets until three entire blocks were destroyed. The firemen were making a gallant fight amid the falling buildings and a mass of tangled wires, but their efforts at midnight seemed to be fruitless.

FOR RAILROAD TO ALASKA.

Victoria Endorses Project Which Will Take Trade From Seattle.

Victoria, B. C., April 20.—John Cain, of Port Angeles, Wash., addressed a crowded meeting here last night on the proposed scheme to build a railroad from the south to the north end of Vancouver island, connecting with the Port Angeles line by ferry across the Straits of Fuca and with Alaska at the north end by swift ferry steamers. He guaranteed to start building within 60 days after the subsidy is settled and complete it within two years.

The proposed line will cost \$9,000,000. The subsidy asked for is 5,000 acres per mile and \$10,000 per mile, 3 per cent inscribed stock of the province, redeemable in 40 years. The meeting endorsed the project and decided to appeal to the provincial government to take immediate action. The scheme is designed to capture the Alaska trade from the Puget sound cities and San Francisco.

Favors Offensive Tactics.

Paris, April 21.—The Figaro today publishes an interview with Vice Admiral Skrydloff, who is now in St. Petersburg. The article is quite as follows: "I believe in offensive tactics. It is necessary to push ahead and take the initiative instead of letting the enemy keep us in a state of unrest. It is essential to keep him in a state of unrest. It is necessary to invite a combat, and take chances. Any combatant who awaits his enemy is practically at his enemy's mercy. But aggressiveness does not mean imprudence."

Pacific Squadron Sails From Panama.

Washington, April 21.—The flagship New York and the cruisers Maybhead and Bennington, of the Pacific squadron, commanded by Rear Admiral Glass, have started from Panama on their cruise to the Aleutian islands by the way of Honolulu. They first will proceed up the coast to Acapulco, whence they will sail to the Hawaiian islands, a distance of about 3,900 miles. The next run will be from Honolulu to Unalaska, in the Aleutian group, a distance of about 2,000 miles.

Russia Only Protecting Herself.

St. Petersburg, April 21.—The foreign office explains that the notice served by Russia regarding newspaper correspondents employing wireless telegraphy is a natural measure of self protection against possible communication with the enemy. It would be possible from land or sea for correspondents using wireless telegraphy to communicate with the enemy. If an actual case should arise, however, it will be judged on its merits.

Denies She Has a Submarine Boat.

London, April 21.—Captain Kabachi the new Japanese attaché, who has arrived in London from Japan, denies positively that there are any submarine vessels in the Japanese navy.

GIVES RUSH ORDERS

CZAR WANTS BATTLESHIPS TO JOIN FLEET JULY 15.

Naval Strength in Far East Demands Increase—Port Arthur May Be Cut Off—Superiority of Japanese on Water Gives Them Excellent Opportunity to Operate on Land.

Paris, April 20.—"The emperor, in receiving a visit from High Admiral Duke Alexieff today," says the St. Petersburg correspondent of the Echo de Paris, "informed him that he desired the Baltic fleet to be ready to start July 15. Orders accordingly have been sent to Cronstadt to hasten the preparation of its fleet for sailing on the date mentioned under Rear Admiral Rojstvenski, unless another admiral, of whom there has been much talk shall be selected."

"Vice Admiral Douhasoff declined the command of the Black sea fleet. It is probable that Admiral Chukin, director of the naval academy, will be appointed."

MAY CUT OFF PORT ARTHUR.

Superiority of Fleet Gives the Japanese an Excellent Opportunity.

St. Petersburg, April 20.—St. Petersburg is flooded with rumors from all directions regarding the plans of the Japanese, now that the Russian fleet at Port Arthur is unable longer to menace their troop transports.

The Associated Press in a dispatch from Port Arthur gave 20 as the number of Japanese transports reported as having been seen steaming in the direction of Yinkow, the seaport of Niu Chwang. Officials of the general staff, while having no information in this respect, would not be surprised if the number should turn out to be correct, or even that a larger number is steaming there.

Vice Admiral Togo's immense superiority enables him to hold the Russian squadron in Port Arthur and Japanese transports, therefore, can safely pass through the straits of Pechili and attempt to land at the head of the Liao Tung gulf, under the guns of the warships, as did General Shafter's army at Manila, Cuba. Should this succeed, the Japanese will be in an excellent position to execute a flank movement on Liao Yang, or cut off Port Arthur.

CONDITIONS IN PORTO RICO.

Governor Hunt Reports America as Rapidly Gaining Trade.

New York, April 20.—Governor Hunt, of Porto Rico, arrived here today on the steamer Ponce from San Juan. He will remain in the United States about two weeks. Governor Hunt says he had not heard of his appointment as judge of the United States district of Montana and Wyoming, and would say nothing about his intention in regard to the appointment. He will spend considerable time in Washington in connection with official duties and eventually will return to Porto Rico at the end of two weeks. Speaking of conditions on the island Governor Hunt said:

"Just at present a strong effort is being made to produce a market in the United States for Porto Rico by preparing for an extensive exhibit at St. Louis. Coffee will be the feature of the island's exhibit because fruits and cotton will also be displayed. Americans are planting oranges quite extensively. The groves are growing well. Cotton bids fair to be very profitable. Coffee crop will be about normal this year for the first time since the hurricane and if slightly higher prices can be had for the crop planters would be able to relieve their estates of part of their old mortgage debt and will be satisfied."

"It is probable that the export will exceed the value of import by a million dollars. Trade with the United States increases rapidly and will continue to grow as the sugar, fruit and cotton are being grown."

America May Step In.

Santo Domingo, April 20.—United States Minister Powell informed the minister of foreign affairs today that in the event of any foreign power attempting to force a settlement of the claims of its citizens, thus excluding the claims of other nationalities, he would, in the name of his government, take immediate charge of all the customs houses of the government, place in each a military guard, and protect the same in the interest of the United States creditors, basing his action upon the recent decision of The Hague tribunal.

Japanese Army Pays as It Goes.

Seoul, April 20.—A dispatch from Ping Yang, under yesterday's date, received here at 7 o'clock this morning, says the country in the wake of the Japanese army is resuming its normal condition. The majority of the local inhabitants left their homes before the troops arrived, but are now returning. They have learned that the Japanese soldiers treat the people well, paying for their supplies, and are under strict discipline.

Influx of Chinese.

Victoria, B. C., April 20.—One hundred and twelve Chinese are coming on the Canadian Pacific steamer Empress of China for this port, according to special cable dispatches to the headquarters of the company. As each Chinese has to pay \$500 head tax, the officials here are puzzled to know what it means. It is surmised that the Empress' crew of Chinese may be wanted ashore, but the officials have no reason for such a step.

RUSSIA IN NEED OF MONEY.

Issue of \$200,000,000 Five Per Cent Bonds Will Soon Be Made.

London, April 20.—Reports are again in circulation here of Russia's need to raise money. When the war broke out the gold held abroad by the Bank of Russia amounted to \$87,500,000. Of this amount \$50,000,000 has been expended and therefore, according to these reports, it would soon be necessary to have recourse to the gold held in the treasury. According to a telegram from Brussels printed this morning the outcome of the ways and means conference at St. Petersburg will be the issue of \$200,000,000 in 5 per cent treasury bonds in Paris, Brussels and Amsterdam.

Vice Admiral Togo's report is accepted here as fully explaining the mystery of the destruction of the battleship Petropavlovsk and the newspapers pay warm tribute to the daring and skill displayed by the Japanese, contrasting these with the apparent lack of foresight and vigilance on the part of the Russians. War correspondents arriving at Ping Yang report that the roads are in terrible condition, but that the Japanese troops in marching display splendid endurance.

The Daily Mail's Ping Yang correspondent says that the food supplies are being pushed forth on a gigantic scale. All the preparations prove that the Japanese are in readiness to sustain a prolonged campaign. The correspondent describes the irresistible courage shown by the Japanese in the fighting at Chingji, charging recklessly up hill in the face of superior numbers.

The Daily Chronicle's correspondent at Shan Hai Kwan gives a report that a Japanese fleet of 20 vessels has been seen escorting 100 transports north of Port Arthur.

WILL CAUSE DEBATE.

Pension Bill Will Come Up Before the Senate This Week.

Washington, April 20.—There will be an effort to keep appropriation bills to the front all the time during the present week in the senate, and to this end the sundry civil bill will be taken up first. When it is disposed of the pension appropriation bill will be presented, and it is hoped that the bill will in turn be immediately followed by the general deficiency bill. The senate leaders are apprehensive of the effect of the consideration of various bills on the calendar, and are exercising their ingenuity to keep them in the background.

There are some features of the sundry civil bill which will cause discussion, and it is believed it will occupy two days. The pension bill nearly goes through without debate, but it is probable there will be quite a little discussion on the pending bill.

If opportunity is offered, Senator Hansbrough will endeavor to obtain consideration of the Indian agreement bill. Senator Fairbanks also stands ready to seize the first chance that offers to present his bill for a new executive building in Washington.

BUG EATS UP WHARF PILING.

Resembles Water Flea and Works at Edge of Water.

Hogquam, Wash., April 20.—Commissioner E. Davis recently went to Westport and made an examination of the Westport wharf. He finds the entire piling of the wharf practically destroyed by a small bug resembling a water flea. The piling was put in but five years ago and now is ruined and will be replaced for safety.

Mr. Davis found the bug hard at work. He cuts off the piles at low water mark, so that 18-inch piling is found to be within a few inches of being entirely cut off. Cedar, which usually is proof against insects, has no terror for the bug, and he cuts this faster than fir.

If well driven piling is to last but five years, it means some method must be found to save them or an endless expense is certain. The insect is known to scientists as the limonidae, and is said to be very destructive to wood of this kind. An effort will be made to find a remedy for the pest.

Outlook for Alaska Poor.

Washington, April 20.—The delegation of influential Alaskans which has been in Washington all winter working in behalf of legislation is still hopeful that something will be done, but its hopes are growing less strong each day. The delegation said today that the legislation sought was of the utmost importance and necessity to Alaska, and if nothing is done at this session it will probably be two years before the territory will be able to get anything into law owing to the fact that the next session of congress will be short.

Russian Victory is Denied.

St. Petersburg, April 20.—The military general staff discredits the story that the Russians attacked 12,000 Japanese troops at the moment of landing at Yagampo and drove them back to their ships. No affair of that sort has been reported by General Kuropatkin. It is reported that Viceroy Alexieff has received formal orders that the fleet must not leave Port Arthur before the arrival of the new commander, Admiral Skrydloff.

Japanese Ship Reported Sunk.

St. Petersburg, April 20.—A dispatch from Port Arthur says several eye witnesses assert that a Japanese cruiser was lost outside Port Arthur during the last bombardment by striking one of its own floating mines.

HAPPENINGS HERE IN OREGON

INDIANS ON THE MOVE.

Roving Portion Begs to Leave Reservation for the Summer.

Pendleton—The roving portion of the Indians on the reservation or those who wintered on the Columbia, is already stirring abroad, and making in some cases for the foothills. The summering season of the small bands of nomads begins early in April. There are many Indians scattered over the country who do not cultivate the advantages of the reservation.

The more industrious and less poor of these red men make money off wool at this season. With a packhorse or two, they wander around the sheep districts, and while the buck gets the living by hunting and fishing, the squaw pulls or picks up wool wherever she can find it. Bits of fleeces pulled off wool wagons, when the latter start running, or even wool from sheep which have died on the range all go to make up the sackfuls, which are afterward packed to town for sale. Indians will carry loads like this 100 or 150 miles for eight cents a pound.

The migration of the reservation Indians does not take place until May, when hundreds of them go to the mountains to secure the necessary right-of-way from owners of property along the course of the stream, and he gives a pond in the sum of \$2,000 to hold the county of Clatsop harmless of any and all damages occasioned to any person or to property by the use of the stream for floating logs. The county reserves the right to annul the lease without notice, should any of its provisions be violated.

It is also given the right to collect tolls for the rafting, floating and booming of logs, timber or lumber at the rate of 30 cents per thousand feet. Under the terms of the lease the lessee is to secure the necessary right-of-way from owners of property along the course of the stream, and he gives a pond in the sum of \$2,000 to hold the county of Clatsop harmless of any and all damages occasioned to any person or to property by the use of the stream for floating logs. The county reserves the right to annul the lease without notice, should any of its provisions be violated.

LOOPER LEASES NECANIUM.

Astoria—The county court has granted the petition of C. C. Clarke, the Seaside logger, to lease the portion of the Necanium river that runs through section 28, township 6 north, range 10 west. The lease is for a period of five years and gives the lessee the right to improve the river channel, to erect and construct such dams, booms, and make such other improvements as may be necessary for the purpose of making the stream a public highway for floating logs, timber and lumber.

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Young Trout at Clackamas Hatchery.

Oregon City—In the last three months the government hatchery at Oregon City has received 500,000 trout eggs from other government stations located at Northville, Mich.; Manchester, Ia. and Leadville, Colo. The eggs, which include the Lake, Rainbow and Eastern brook varieties, have all hatched out and will be planted in the mountain streams of this state by July 1. These are the same varieties that have been placed in the Oregon streams.

PORTLAND MARKETS.</