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CZAR BEGINS WITH PRAYER

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... instead of Japan, fired the first shot, when the cruiser Korietz fired upon the Japanese vessels.

Hay Keeps Silent.

Washington, Feb. 10.—Hay still declines to make public the text of his note to the powers. It is known, however, that he wants China entirely neutralized, even if it becomes necessary to eject Russia from Manchuria.

Captured the Cruisers.

London, Feb. 10.—The Japanese legation confirms the report of the naval battle at Chemulpo, and the capture of two Russian cruisers.

Battle is Expected.

Chefoo, Feb. 10.—The Russian torpedo flotilla is reported to be at Thornton Haven Island, 50 miles seaward from Port Arthur, and a report of a battle is momentarily expected. The Russian land forces are concentrating on the banks of the Yalu river, where big assignments of ammunition and field guns recently arrived. It is predicted the hostile armies will first meet at Ping Yang, in Northern Corea, as was the case in the Chinese-Japanese war.

The Japanese Story.

London, Feb. 10.—The official account of the Chemulpo battle as received by the Japanese embassy here, says the Japanese squadron was escorting transports to Corea, and was met on the way by the Russian gunboat Korietz, as the latter was leaving the port. The Korietz assumed the offensive and fired on the Japanese.

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torpedo boat, and the latter replied by firing two torpedoes, but without effect. The Korietz then returned to her anchorage in the port. Early next morning Admiral Iri, commanding the Japanese fleet, formally demanded that the Russian vessels leave the port, adding that, if they didn't comply by noon, he would be compelled to attack them within the harbor. The Russian men-of-war left the port at 11:30 and battle was immediately given outside the Polynesian island. After an hour's engagement the Russians took refuge among the islands, and towards evening the cruiser Varang sank. About 4 o'clock February 10th the Korietz was reported sunk by her own crew, who finding her disabled, blew her up. The officers and men of the two sunken vessels then took refuge on the French cruiser Pascal. There were no casualties on the Japanese side.

Japs Are in Corea.

Paris, Feb. 10.—A telegram from Tokio says the Japanese have landed a large force at Masampo, which is but a short distance from Fusan, one of the terminals of the Japanese, Pusan & Seoul railway, which leads to the Manchurian border.

The Fight Came Off.

Washington, Feb. 10.—Minister Griseom, of Tokio has sent a full report confirmatory of the battles.

Will Chase Muscovites.

Rome, Feb. 10.—The Japanese minister here today said his official advice shows the plans were carefully made, and it is safe to predict Japan will be complete master, and have her troops pursuing the Russians through Manchuria within a fortnight.

Will War in Manchuria.

London, Feb. 10.—Hayashi this morning said "The engagements at Port Arthur and Chemulpo are merely in accordance with plans of long standing. As soon as our forces are landed in Corea, look out for important fleet action at Port Arthur. The Russian vessels will probably lie close in beneath the land batteries, but, by going on the Chinese side, our ships, by a high angle of fire, can shell them out. The Russian admiral may possibly, like Corvera, anticipate his fate and come out into the open of his own accord.

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cord. Present events merely show the utter uselessness of Port Arthur from a strategic viewpoint. Speaking of Hay's note, he says Japan will most certainly heartily agree, but so long as Russian troops are in Manchuria, Japan can't regard it as neutral territory. While Japan is anxious to assist in maintaining neutrality in China proper, she has every intention of waging an aggressive land campaign in Manchuria itself.

Washington, Feb. 10.—Secretary Hay has addressed an identical note to a number of European powers, to ascertain if they are willing to join in a notice to Russia and Japan that, during hostilities and thereafter, the neutrality and integrity of China must be recognized.

Details of the note are not obtainable in advance of the receipt of replies. It is known, however, that exchanges already have taken place which justify the state department in expecting favorable responses to its note. The matter has created a great sensation in diplomatic circles here.

It is further learned that the proposition of the United States contemplates a restriction of hostilities, and the consequent hardships of war, to the smallest possible area. Just what this means is not made clear to the public, but the determination may have the greatest effect upon the struggle between Russia and Japan. It is almost certain that neither will be allowed to invade China proper, meaning by that that they may not, with hostile intent, go southward below Shan Hai Kwan, on the border line between Chi Li and Manchuria.

It is a question whether it will apply also to Corea, which is striving desperately to preserve neutrality, and prevent invasion; but the general opinion is that it is too late in that case to do more than seek to preserve Korean independence after the war. No explanation is accorded as to whether Manchuria itself, already the scene of the first battle off Port Arthur, is being part of China, regarded as being within the scope of the proposition; but here, as in the case of Corea, it is believed that the determination will not be reached before the close of the war. The exchanges referred to as preliminary to the issue of the note, have been going on for several weeks, in anticipation of an outbreak of hostilities.

It was at first supposed that the intention was to do no more than to maintain the open door in Manchuria, but it is apparent that there is a deeper purpose, and that from the original thought the proposition has grown into one that will conserve the territorial integrity of China. It is pointed out that some such outcome followed the China-Japanese war, so after all the present action is in line with precedent.

It is understood relative to the question of restricting warlike operations to the narrowest possible limits that the proposition took the form of a note to Russia and one to Japan, suggesting some such limitation. In addition, the neutral powers were called on by the United States to address themselves in the same fashion to Russia and Japan, and it is intimated that those suggestions have been well received.

Bank Closed.

Washington, Feb. 10.—The comptroller of the currency announces the closing of the doors of the Equitable National Bank of New York, on account of bad loans and injudicious management. No other banks are involved. The resources and liabilities are approximately three quarters of a million.

WHY HE BELIEVES THE BIBLE

Rev. Errett Talks the Scriptures to Large Audiences

The subject of Rev. Davis Errett's discourse at the First Christian church last night was, "Why I Believe the Bible," and followed up the thought of his Monday night sermon. His text was Act 26:8. "Why should it be thought incredible with you that God should raise the dead?" In part he said: "If the statement of the resurrection of Christ be untrue, then there is no part of the Bible true. ... Why should I believe the Bible. I believe it because it teaches the elevation of man to the highest possible plane. It goes beyond all schools and all philosophies in search of truth. I believe there is a God, without the aid of a special revelation. Reason teaches that the Bible reveals his character. ... If God could create worlds and systems of worlds innumerable, and give these a proper place in the workings of his power, we have no right to limit him in anything consistent with his power. ... The thing that produces unbelief in the man with a narrow view of God, produces in me faith. ... I believe in the resurrection of Jesus Christ as the greatest fact in history. I believe it because I do not believe it possible for intelligent minds to investigate the evidence without being convinced of the fact. The evidence has never been set aside, and will never be, no matter what skeptics and pretended unbelievers may say." The meetings are well attended, and Mr. Errett assures his audiences that they will not be detained later than 9 o'clock at the latest. Dr. H. C. Epley is in charge of the music, which is an assurance of its excellence. Mr. Errett's subject for tonight is "The Bible."

ARRIVALS AT SALEM HOTELS

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Glover Wins Out.

Cripple Creek, Feb. 10.—Ex-Congressman Glover gained a signal victory this morning in the district court when he was acquitted of the charge of assault with intent to kill. He will immediately commence suits for damage against the military officers and the governor.

Carnations and Violets

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Deceased was a native of Germany, and was married in New York state, coming to Oregon with her husband in 1859. Her husband died three years ago, and she leaves two step-sons, William and Edward Trubenbach, living at the family home seven miles east of Salem, on the Silverton road. The funeral will be held from the home tomorrow at 1 p. m., and interment will be in the Howell cemetery.

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