

ALL READY TO MAKE PEACE

End of the War in the Orient is Now in Sight.

JAPAN HAS MADE SOME CONCESSIONS

Exactly What She Has Given in On Cannot Be Ascertained, but Occupation of Port Arthur is Said to Be One Point.

WASHINGTON, April 12.—Official advices received at the Japanese legation today from Japan indicate that an understanding has been reached between the Japanese and Chinese plenipotentiaries, and that the news of a definite conclusion of peace may be expected at any time.

The exact terms of the peace cannot as yet be ascertained, but it is understood that in response to the repeated requests of the Chinese plenipotentiaries for an abatement of the demands originally made by them the Japanese plenipotentiaries have granted some concessions.

Chief of the foregoing official message is, it marks the close of the Japan-China war, barring the possibility of course, of some unexpected hitch at the last moment. The announcement of the exact terms of peace is yet to come, but from what is known of the negotiations thus far the general nature of peace is evident. It was officially announced yesterday that the terms being insisted on were as follows:

- 1. Independence of Corea.
2. Permanent cession of the island of Formosa to Japan.
3. Indemnity of 300,000,000 taels, Chinese money.
4. Permanent occupation of Port Arthur and the immediate vicinity of that town.

BOTH WANT PORT ARTHUR

The two terms which have caused trouble of late days are the permanent cession of Port Arthur and the payment of 300,000,000 taels. While no official information is available, and no statement whatever regarding the terms of peace is at hand, it is probable that peace is on these conditions the Japanese plenipotentiaries have yielded. Just how much they have yielded on the occupation of Port Arthur is not clear. It is understood that they have yielded, it entirely removed Japan from all occupancy of the main land, and from the strategic command of the Gulf of Korea. It is also understood that on one time Japan was willing to occupy Port Arthur for a term of years, and this may be the middle ground of agreement, although it is necessary to be understood that the purpose of a temporary occupation, it is said, would be to prevent China from re-arming and retreating against Japan for a term of years, and that the Japanese demands have been reduced, little significance will attach to the fact except that it will lighten China's burden.

Minister Kurino, however, said, concerning the Japanese-China peace, understanding announced to him by official cable from Tokyo today: "The cablegram is quite brief, and does not recite the terms, but it is understood that peace has been finally agreed upon, but that an understanding has been reached between the envoys by which the peace is to be secured within a few days. It is understood that the Japanese plenipotentiaries have yielded, and that the Chinese plenipotentiaries have yielded, and that the Japanese demands have been reduced, little significance will attach to the fact except that it will lighten China's burden."

POINTS THAT ARE SETTLED

Mr. Kurino said that in the absence of definite word for his government as to the terms of the peace, he would not speculate on the terms. He registered it as settled, however, that the island of Formosa would be permanently ceded to Japan. That matter is settled, he said, beyond the stage of contention. He also considered the independence of Corea as settled. This would leave the question of indemnity, and the question of the occupation of Port Arthur as the subjects on which the Japanese plenipotentiaries may have granted some concessions. These concessions may be in the nature of a reduction of the terms, or to all of them. The minister is hardly prepared to believe there is to be no occupation of Port Arthur. It is possible that a term of years may be conceded, instead of permanent occupation, or else that the extent of country surrounding the place may be more restricted than was at first contemplated. He is, however, in a conservative view of the conclusion of peace. He shares the feeling of his countrymen that Japan had won the right to expect much of the peace.

The minister communicated the information from Japan to the State department during the day. It was after the cabinet meeting, however, and it is not likely that he will communicate the news to his cabinet colleagues. Later in the day President Cleveland was informed.

JEWELRY BOX STOLEN FROM HER HANDS

LONDON, April 12.—Miss Cameron, the New York shipowner's daughter, who was among the passengers intending to travel from this city to Paris yesterday evening by the mail train from Victoria station. Miss Cameron was carrying a tin case, in which was a quantity of very valuable jewelry and drafts and notes for a large amount of money. During the crush on the platform this box was suddenly snatched from Miss Cameron by a thief, who escaped during the confusion that followed. No clue.

Egypt Calling on France for Deliverance

PARIS, April 12.—The Main publishes a letter from M. Delecluse, the anti-French Egyptian minister, who was at Cairo recently attracted considerable attention in view of the somewhat strained relations between France and England growing out of the Niger company's protest against the French intrusion in certain districts of the upper Nile. M. Delecluse said that Egypt was never more tranquil than now, and that the signatures to the petitions praying for a continuance of British rule in that country are only obtained by force. He adds that Lord Cromer, the British minister plenipotentiary, is planning a French expedition to Dongala in order to create a complication and afford an excuse to maintain British occupation of Egypt. He concludes with asserting that the natives look to France for a solution of the present situation.

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Important Step in the Direction of Independence Has Been Taken.

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