

RUMOR OF BATTLE
RUSSIANS THINK LAND AND SEA FIGHTS IMMINENT.

MANCHURIAN DISPATCHES STOP
Silence Taken to Indicate that General Linevitch is Advancing—Events Apparently Rapidly Shaping for a Great Battle.

ST. PETERSBURG—With a suspicious stoppage of dispatches from Manchuria and a strong possibility that Vice Admiral Rojstvensky has cut his last communications with home and set forth on the final stage of his journey to his goal, either Togo or Vladivostok, keen interest is manifested in naval and military circles here in the twofold field of war. Though the Admiralty, which has been completely silent since the advent of Rojstvensky in the Chinese sea, publishes no dispatches, the conviction is growing that the united squadrons, as indicated by the Associated Press on May 15, departed from the Annam coast immediately after their juncture and naval officers are anxiously expecting news of the first skirmishes between scouts of the hostile fleets.

The Associated Press correspondent, on his visit to naval officers yesterday to investigate the rumor that Vice Admiral Rojstvensky's health had broken down, was repeatedly and eagerly questioned for the latest information through the press dispatches which, it was declared, is a better source than the Admiralty.

Captain Clado confirmed the statement of the Associated Press that the vessels of both squadrons are equipped with apparatus for cleaning their bottoms at sea. He said it was entirely possible for Vice Admiral Negatoff to put the last finishing touches to the vessels of his division during the mysterious interval when they were lost to sight before passing the Straits of Malacca.

Neither the Admiralty nor individual officers have any information regarding the rumored request of Vice Admiral Rojstvensky to be relieved, and all who were questioned regarding the report express doubts of its accuracy. It was pointed out that it would be entirely possible for the fleet to delay in the China sea until the arrival of Vice Admiral Birloff, and it was declared that Rojstvensky will keep his flag flying as long as he is not utterly incapacitated for command, which would then devolve on Vice Admiral Voelkersam, who is known as an officer with a Teutonic thoroughness and attention to the details of his profession. He is also a noble strategist and theoretician.

The Associated Press was informed that Vice Admiral Birloff will be sent to Vladivostok, which possibly accounts for the origin of the rumor of Rojstvensky's request to be relieved of his command.

On the military side the indications are that events are rapidly shaping for the preliminary stage of another great battle. The Russian army has been refitted and is ready for action, and it is asserted that General Linevitch isn't the man to waste days in inaction.

ROJSTVENSKY GOING NORTH.
Russian Fleet is Said to Be Taking on Coal.

LONDON—Now that it seems definitely established that Vice Admiral Rojstvensky has started on his northward journey, there is a great deal of interest in the eastern campaign. Kwangchau bay, where provision junks are said to be waiting for the Russian fleet, is the most northward of French possessions on the Chinese sea and the last port which Rojstvensky can select for his final departure to meet the Japanese. It has a fine anchorage and a sheltered channel, where a large fleet may ride in safety.

Reports still circulate in London to the effect that the Russian Pacific's fleet coaling arrangements are extremely inadequate and have been the main cause of its prolonged stay in Indo-Chinese waters, and that the admiral is finding ever-increased difficulty on this score.

EIGHT YEARS FOR OHLIGER
Wooster, O., Banker Pleads Guilty and is Sentenced.

CLEVELAND, O.—L. P. Ohliger, ex-president of the closed Wooster, O., National bank, pleaded guilty before Judge Taylor in the United States district court to a count in one of the indictments charging him with having issued a draft when there was no funds in the bank to meet it. Judge Taylor sentenced Ohliger to eight years' imprisonment in the Ohio penitentiary.

Ohliger is an ex-congressman, ex-county treasurer, postmaster at Wooster under President Cleveland's first administration and collector of internal revenue in Cleveland during Cleveland's second administration.

Fleet Not in French Waters.
PARIS—In regard to the press dispatches saying the Russian fleet has returned to Hon Kohe bay the French officials say the Russians are not within French waters. The officials are not aware of the exact locality of the fleet, but communications with the French naval and civil authorities in Indo-China satisfy the officials here that the Russians remain outside French limits. It is maintained that the fact that the fleet is off Hon Kohe bay does not constitute a breach of neutrality.

THE MODERN FARMER.
How He Lives, as Compared With Fifty Years Ago.

he farming life of to-day, as contrasted with that of fifty years ago, is a paradise of comfort and convenience. The lonely loghouse, remote from market and devoid of advantages that a half cycle of time has made possible, would scarcely appeal to the present day farmer.

The twentieth-century soil tiller has practically all the modern comforts. His mail is delivered daily. He has telephonic connection with the buying and selling world, affording the best opportunities for marketing to advantage. His home is of recent architecture, constructed of wood, brick or stone, and well furnished. He has modern plumbing and modern heating, and with the advent of acetylene gas, he has modern lighting. At night his home is as attractively illuminated as that of his city brother, for it is a suggestive fact that "acetylene for country homes" has so appealed to the farmer, that of the 80,000 users of acetylene gas in the United States, the farmer is one of the largest of all classes. Ever seeking the best, he has not hesitated in availing himself of this new light.

The continued growth and progress of this great country, ever a cause of wonderment, has no greater exemplification than evolution on the farm. Already the farmer is becoming the most envied of men—the freest, the healthiest, the happiest!

Like Old Times in Arizona.
Interest during the greater part of yesterday centered around the faro game in the St. Elmo saloon. Arthur Cordiner of the Fashion had in as much as \$3,800 at one time, and such high play as this was good for the eyes of the old timers, who say it used to be common in these parts. When the play got real hot Charley Hooker took the dealer's chair.—Jerome correspondence Los Angeles Times.

Demand for Old Snuff Boxes.
High prices continue to be paid in Paris for snuff boxes of the eighteenth century. At the recent sale of a collection made by M. Guillon of Bayonne, one box in gold enamel, sold for the official expert at \$1,600, priced for \$4,000. One of the interesting items of the sale was a pair of candleabra once owned by Marie Antoinette, which went for \$3,000, far less than was expected.

Where the Money Goes.
The American people spent as much money last year for gems and jewelry as they spent for pianos and other musical instruments, and more than three times as much as they spent for sewing machines.—New York Sun.

Societies Give Farmers Machinery.
There are no less than 540 agricultural societies scattered over Serbia, which distribute modern agricultural machinery and implements among the farmers. These societies have a central office at Belgrade.

GREAT CHANGE
From Change in Food.

The brain depends much more on the stomach than we are apt to suppose until we take thought in the matter. Feed the stomach on proper food easy to digest and containing the proper amount of phosphates and the healthy brain will respond to all demands. A notable housewife in Buffalo writes:

"The doctor diagnosed my trouble as a nervous affection of the stomach. I was actually so nervous that I could not sit still for five minutes to read the newspaper, and to attend to my household duties was simply impossible. I doctored all the time with remedies, but medicine did no good.

"My physician put me on all sorts of diet, and I tried many kinds of cereal foods, but none of them agreed with me. I was almost discouraged, and when I tried Grape-Nuts I did so with many misgivings—I had no faith that it would succeed where everything else had failed.

"But it did succeed, and you don't know how glad I am that I tried it. I feel like a new person. I have gained in weight and I don't have that terrible burning sensation in my stomach any more. I feel so strong again that I am surprised at myself. The street noises that used to irritate me, I never notice now, and my mind is so clear that my household duties are a real pleasure."

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RUSSIANS GO NORTH
Combined Squadrons Sighted off the Coast of Annam Tuesday.

SINGAPORE—The Russian fleet was in latitude 13.30 north and longitude 111.30 east (about 120 miles northeast of Cape Varella, coast of Annam) during the morning of May 16, according to a report brought here by the British steamer Hong Wang. The German steamer Segovia sighted forty-two Russian ships forty miles from Cape Varella May 15, steaming slowly north.

The latitude and longitude in which the Russian fleet was reported by the British steamer Hong Wang, does not indicate that a naval battle is imminent. The Russians were, on May 16, only about 150 miles from the coast of Annam and apparently heading north for the waters of the island of Hainan, near which, according to a Hong Kong dispatch, 150 junks laden with provisions were waiting for the Russian fleet. Even in case Admiral Rojstvensky decides not to take these supplies on board or if the Hong Kong report is correct the Russian fleet May 16 was still about 700 miles from the southern part of the island of Formosa, where it has been asserted Admiral Togo may give battle and it is doubtful if the fleet can now make more than about 200 miles a day under the most favorable circumstances.

GENERAL WOOD ENDS CAMPAIGN.
Returns to Zamboanga from "Hike" After Moro Pilates.

MANILA—The Moro outlaws, against whom General Leonard Wood has been campaigning, have been killed in action with all the principals. The outlaws were supporters and followers of the sultan of Sulu. The large tribes of the island of Jolo were not involved. The outbreak was purely on the part of an aggregation of piratical outlaws and disorderly characters of Sulu and the other islands stretching down to Borneo.

The position selected by the outlaws for the defense was in almost impenetrable jungles and exceedingly strong, prohibiting the use of artillery and necessitating close contact and an assault in two instances. General Wood's forces sustained a loss of nine killed and twenty-one wounded, all of whom are doing well. The constabulary had two killed. The latter were highly praised by General Wood, who said: "The troops behaved splendidly and performed this difficult service in a highly creditable manner." General Wood has returned to Zamboanga with the troops.

SECRETARY WILSON IN KANSAS.
Cabinet Member Visits Experiment Stations in that State.

MANHATTAN, Kan.—Secretary Wilson and the government experts accompanying him on his tour through the southwest spent Monday in this state, arriving from Texas in a special train on the Rock Island road. The first stop was made at McPherson, where the government experiment farm was inspected. At Herington, which was reached in the afternoon, addresses were made to a large audience of farmers, who came from adjoining towns, by Secretary Wilson, Prof. Spillman, D. M. A. Carlton of the department, F. D. Coburn and J. W. Robinson, respectively secretary and chairman of the state board of agriculture, and E. R. Nichols, president of the Kansas Agricultural college at Manhattan. A stop was also made at this point in the evening to enable the party to make an inspection of the latter institution. Tuesday will also be spent in this state and a meeting at which Secretary Wilson and the experts will speak will be held at Norton at 2:30 in the afternoon.

FEAR GENERAL TIEUP.
Present Indications Are for a Big Labor Upheaval in Chicago.

CHICAGO—Sunday brought no change in the attitude of both sides of the labor controversy now in progress in Chicago and everything points toward an extension of the teamsters' strike to many other business houses during the week. The officials of the seven express companies, whose refusal to reinstate any of their striking employees caused the collapse of the settlement of the trouble Saturday night, still adhere to their determination not to give employment to any of their former employees, and the other firms involved in the difficulty declared that they would stand by the express company in the fight. The teamsters' union has taken just as firm a stand as the employers and it was stated by President Shea that the union would never call off the strike until the express companies came to terms.

The first spread of the strike is expected to come Monday morning, when the Lumbermen's association, an organization employing 2,400 teamsters, issues an order to their men to make deliveries to all business houses, regardless of whether they are involved in the strike or not.

Funeral of Hiram Cronk.
NEW YORK—The body of Hiram Cronk, the last veteran of the war of 1812 to pass away, was buried here Thursday in Cypress Hill cemetery with impressive military honors. Before the funeral the body of the veteran soldier lay in state in the city hall, where it was viewed by many thousands. There was a constant stream of men, women and children moving past the casket in the city building—the first which had rested there since the body of General Grant laid in state.

THE YOUNG PHYSICIAN.
WHAT HIS EXPERIENCE PROVED.

In the early sixties it was usually the duty of a practicing physician to ride many miles every day on his regular round of visits upon his patients. In those days a young man who had received a splendid medical training in one of the best medical colleges of that day was accustomed to ride ten, twenty or thirty miles or more visiting the sick and afflicted. His success was soon phenomenal. Doctors and families called him for consultation to towns at considerable distances by rail. One of his specialties was the cure of those distressing diseases of women. He had early discovered that by combining the vegetable extract of the following medicinal plants in just the right proportion without the use of alcohol—his prescription invariably cured such cases. Later, in order to place this remedy before the public in a shape easily to be procured, he established a laboratory at Buffalo, N. Y., where regularly qualified chemists were put in charge to accurately prepare his prescription and put it in shape for shipment to all parts of the United States. This remedy, which he named Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, is not a "patent medicine" in the common acceptance of the term, but a tonic for women, and a regular physician's prescription, and contains the following non-alcoholic ingredients:

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THE PROOF.
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"It built up my constitution, I regained my appetite, and I feel that I am perfectly well and strong."—Mildred Keller.

We have on file many thousand testimonials like the above. We can give our readers only a slight glimpse of the vast array of unsolicited endorsements Dr. Hartman is receiving.

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