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### FORTUNE IS WITH THE JAPS

Fort Arthur's Capture Big Task

One Hundred and Fifty Thousand Soldiers Needed, Says Jakovlev. ST. PETERSBURG, May 28.—Captain Jakovlev, former commander of the Russian battleship Petropavlovsk, who was wounded when his ship was destroyed at Port Arthur April 18, in an interview regarding the possibility of the Japanese capturing Port Arthur, declared that it would take 150,000 men with magnificent artillery to accomplish the task.

Asked as to the number of men in the Port Arthur garrison, Captain Jakovlev said it was much larger than was stated in the telegraphic reports—much over 25,000—but he declined to state what would be the exact number when the defenders of the Kin Chou positions retired within the fortress.

As illustrating the fact that the Japanese artillery is not necessarily invincible, the captain said the battleship Petropavlovsk was struck by a 12-inch shell at a distance of two and three-quarters miles and its armor penetrated to a depth of only two inches.

He declared that Port Arthur was provisioned for a year and said all the damaged ships there had been repaired, except the Retvizan and the Carevitch. The latter, he asserted, ought to be ready today and the former within a week.

### KOUROPATKIN IS MUCH SURPRISED

Russian Did Not Expect Such Strategy from Japs.

NEW CHANG, May 28.—(Morning).—A staff officer, just from Mukden says the deliberation and precision of the enemy has surprised General Kouropatkin, who at first believed the Japanese campaign would be one of dash and recklessness, with more theatrical display about the maneuvers than strategy.

A Chinese merchant, just arrived, who left Dairen five days ago, says the Russians have vacated the town, which, at the time of his departure, had not been occupied by the Japanese forces. The latter were still engaged in landing troops at Kin Chou bay. It is said upon excellent authority that the Japanese plan is to use a force of 100,000 in their operations against Port Arthur and take it by storm in a fortnight. They realize their losses in the execution of this plan will be severe, but it is considered better to risk that than to keep a large army idle for three months. They do not propose, it is further said, to penetrate the interior of the country any further than Mukden.

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