

## JAPANESE TAKE FENG WANG CHENG

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Seoul, May 7.—A dispatch from Antung says it is rumored there that the Japanese captured Feng Wang Cheng May 4, after fierce fighting, and that the losses on both sides were very heavy.

#### JAPS LAND IN FORCE.

Paris, May 7.—A St. Petersburg correspondent of the Echo de Paris sends the following under date of May 6:

"The general staff believes that the Japanese landed at Pitawo, the number being not less than 40,000, and says that the bulk of Gen. Kuroki's army was this morning about nine miles from Feng Wang Cheng. The army was advancing in three columns, the third column following the coast, probably in order to communicate with the troops landed at Pitawo. All the reserves, provisions and ammunition were landed on the Elliott islands.

"A staff officer said that Lieut. Gen. Zassaitch would be kept in the background during the remainder of the war, and it is believed that Gen. Kuroki will personally direct operations. "I am positively able to deny the statement that Port Arthur is bottled up. The passage is still free.

"The telegraph office has received instructions not to accept messages for Port Arthur.

"Vice Admiral Skryloff and Vice Admiral Bezobrazoff have been ordered to proceed to Mukden, whence they will probably go to Vladivostok."

The correspondent repeats the report that the Japanese have occupied Port Adams, and says they are advancing on Port Arthur, the garrison of which is expected to make a sortie.

#### PORT ARTHUR ISOLATED.

St. Petersburg, May 6 (10:50 p. m.).—A dispatch received tonight says that Port Arthur is cut off from all communication by land, the Japanese having debarked in its rear, occupied rear and cut the telegraph.

Vice Admiral Skryloff, who is en route to Port Arthur to take command of the naval forces in the far east, will be unable to reach his destination.

News of very heavy fighting near Feng Wang Cheng is expected within 26 hours. Large reinforcements have reached the Russian position. An imperial order has been issued attaching three batteries of artillery to each of the nine rifle divisions.

Two distinct landing operations by the Japanese in the vicinity of Port Arthur are reported in today's dispatches to the Associated Press. According to cables from Tokyo and St. Petersburg, the Japanese effected a landing in force and unopposed at Pitawo, a point on the east coast of the peninsula about 75 miles above Port Arthur. Another successful landing is reported to have taken place at Port Adams, which is situated on an arm of the peninsula, directly opposite and about 20 miles distant from Pitawo. The railroad that connects Port Arthur with Mukden passes close to Port Adams, and it is evident that it is now in the possession of the Japanese at this point.

A dispatch from Washington indicates a landing, according to advice received there, at Kin Chow or P'in Chow. This place is located at an extreme eastern shore of the bay of the same name on the west coast. It is directly across the peninsula from the Russian port of Dainy. It is about 40 miles north of Port Arthur. The strip of land between Dainy and Kin Chow is the narrowest point of the peninsula. Kin Chow is about half

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way between Port Arthur and Port Adams, and is also on the railroad. It is probable, however, that this landing refers to that at Port Adams, which is on an arm of the sea adjacent to Kin Chow bay.

#### RUSSIANS ARE STOICAL.

St. Petersburg, May 7 (2:23 a. m.).—Japanese troops swarming across the narrow neck of the Liao-Tung peninsula, the railroad and telegraph communications cut and Port Arthur isolated and left to its own resources, are conditions which the Russians seem to accept with great stoicism.

These events have been anticipated since the outbreak of the war, and the authorities in a sense appear to be relieved now that the blow has fallen. They assert that the fortress is impregnable and amply provisioned to stand a siege for a year, and that it can hold out until the time comes to relieve it.

According to official information, the landing of troops from 50 transports began simultaneously at Pitawo and Cape Termini on the morning of May 5. It is also reported that troops are landing at Kinchow, but this is not credited, as the Russians are known to have fortifications there, and it is not believed that the Japanese had the daring to land immediately under the entrenched position from which the Russians could inflict severe injury on them.

#### DETAILS ARE LACKING.

Complete details of the landing are lacking, owing to the interruption of communications. No resistance was made, the few Cossacks who observed the movement retiring when the warships shelled the shore preparatory to debarkation.

Ten thousand were put ashore on Thursday, and the debarkation was proceeding yesterday at the time that communication ceased. It is believed that there are more than 20,000 men now on land preparing for a forward movement.

#### JAPS HURRYING WESTWARD.

Two Japanese regiments were hurried westward yesterday morning to cut the railroad and telegraph communication. One of these, it is believed, was on a train conveying wounded from Port Arthur.

While the landing was proceeding on Thursday the Japanese battleships Mikasa, Hatake, Shikishima, Yamashiro and Fuji, the cruisers Iwate, Idzuma, Aduma and Asama made a demonstration off Port Arthur to prevent the possible egress of Russian torpedo boats. A number of Japanese torpedo boats were also observed off Pigeon bay.

It was because he was convinced that Port Arthur was about to be cut off that Vice Admiral Skryloff, accompanied by his staff and Grand Duke Boris, left hastily. On Thursday several trainloads of sick and wounded and other ineffective were dispatched northward.

It is reported that the Japanese ships bombarded Port Arthur early on the morning of May 6 and succeeded at last in closing the entrance, but no official confirmation of the blocking report can be obtained. The exact hour at which communication with the Russian stronghold ceased has not been established.

#### STRENGTH AT PORT ARTHUR.

The strength of the garrison at Port Arthur is not revealed by the authorities, who will only say that it is adequate for defensive purposes. It is not believed that the force there exceeds 10,000 soldiers.

A large force is not regarded as necessary, as was shown from the recent

withdrawal of some of the troops who were simply a drain on the resources of the garrison.

This fleet must now take a secondary position, and the sailors will be used to man the shore guns, if necessary.

Vice Admiral Skryloff and Vice Admiral Bezobrazoff cannot now reach Port Arthur, and will probably go to Vladivostok to join the cruiser squadron there. Rear Admiral Witsoett, who was left in charge of the fleet by Vice Admiral Skryloff, is a good officer, and it is believed he will render excellent service.

Despite the greater number of Japanese, the general staff believes that their formidable fortifications still leave the defensive superiority with the Russians, whose staying qualities, it is confident, will insure their holding out as long as necessary.

While the outer line of fortifications extends to Kinchow, unquestionably no determined effort will be made to hold them, nor is it expected that a desperate attempt to retain Dainy will be made. The main defense will be of Port Arthur, where, since the harbor has been occupied by the Russians, steady work has progressed to complete the system of defense, which is just as effective on the land as on the sea side.

#### STOESSEL IN COMMAND.

Lieut. Gen. Stoessel will have supreme command at Port Arthur. He is described as a high-class commander. His recent proclamation shows that he is imbued with a determination to hold Port Arthur until the last man is killed.

Officers of the general staff say that the landing of the Japanese army on the peninsula and the investment of Port Arthur clarify the military situation and the problem which Gen. Kuropatkin must solve. Had Kuropatkin had his way before the war, it is said, he would have abandoned Port Arthur, withdrawn further to the north and waited until his army had become overwhelming in its strength, when he would have moved forward, but this was made impossible as a consequence of the injuries sustained by the Port Arthur fleet and the impossibility of the departure of the fleet from Vladivostok with a superior Japanese force outside that port. Therefore, the commander-in-chief is waiting at Liao Yang until the enemy's plans shall have developed sufficiently to show just what line it is supposed to follow.

Caution forbade an attempt in force to prevent Gen. Kuroki's passage of the Yalu, as the troops landed at Pitawo might have been diverted to take the Russians on the flank or in the rear.

#### KUROPATKIN FREE TO ACT.

Now that the uncertainty is partly dispelled, Gen. Kuropatkin, from the inner lines, is free to act. That he purposes doing so energetically is shown by the fact that he has sent reinforcements to Feng Wang Cheng.

The indications are that he intends immediately to assume the aggressive in closing the entrance, but no official confirmation of the blocking report can be obtained. The exact hour at which communication with the Russian stronghold ceased has not been established.

The receipt of news at any time of a decisive battle near Feng Wang Cheng will not cause surprise here, and

already rumors are circulating in the city, which, however, lack verification and are believed to be untrue. That a battle has been fought and that the Japanese have been defeated with heavy losses and that Kuropatkin was wounded. Another rumor is in circulation that Port Arthur has been captured, but this is also scouted in responsible quarters.

#### LONDON PAPERS PRAISE JAPS.

London, May 7.—The British press is loud in its expression of admiration for the brilliant Japanese strategy in dealing in rapid succession three great blows—the battle of the Yalu, the sealing of Port Arthur and the landing at Pitawo—and the development of these opening moves is awaited with the greatest interest. It is believed to be not unlikely that the primary object will be an assault of Port Arthur and an endeavor to capture the Russian fleet there. This idea is favored by Henry Spencer Wilkinson in the Post, a journal generally informed on Japanese affairs. Other journals believe that the Japanese have been contented to place a small force as a mask at Port Arthur and will send their main forces from Pitawo to cooperate with Gen. Kuroki's army, in which case, if the Russian assertion that large reinforcements have been sent to Feng Wang Cheng is true, a great land battle is imminent there or at Liao Yang. It is believed that it is Japan's second army that landed at Pitawo, and the destination of the third army is still to be revealed.

No further news has reached London beyond belated dispatches from correspondents with the Japanese army on the Yalu, detailing events preceding the recent battle.

The Chronicle's Tokyo correspondent asserts that simultaneously with the attack on Port Arthur the Japanese laid cables between one of the islands and the mainland as a protection to their landing place.

The Telegraph's correspondent at Tokyo says the nine sunken ships at Port Arthur were laden with a mass of stone and cement.

The correspondent of the Standard at Tien Tsin cables that Vice Admiral Alexieff has called on the Tartar general and all the officials at Feng Tien to quit that place immediately.

#### THE ACRE DISPUTE.

It May Lead to War Between Brazil and Peru.

Washington, May 6.—The Acre dispute, supposed to have been adjusted, has broken out again and a crisis is threatened. Ordinarily a controversy between two nations, Brazil, Peru and Bolivia for the ownership of a large triangular tract of rubber lands, situated where the three countries adjoin, Bolivia was eliminated by an agreement satisfactory to her. It was supposed that Peru's claim was abandoned. It appears, however, that Peruvian troops remain in the territory claimed by Brazil and today Minister Thompson cables the state department from Rio as follows: "If Peru refuses to withdraw troops from the disputed territory inhabited by Brazilians pending negotiations which are to be followed by arbitration, Brazil will immediately resort to force to expel the Peruvians and will proceed to reprisals."

#### A ROYAL ENTERTAINER.

Prince Pu Lun Gives a Dinner to 1,400 Guests.

St. Louis, May 6.—One of the most notable functions that has taken place at the world's fair, informal in nature but grand in appointments, was the dedication and opening of the Chinese pavilion today.

President Francis and Prince Pu Lun, the imperial Chinese commissioner, exchanged sentiments of good will between their nations. Many Chinese dignitaries, including the Chinese minister, Sir Chen Tung Liang Chang, were present at the ceremony. Prince Pu Lun tendered a reception at the Washington hotel, to which more than 1,400 guests were invited, including exposition and city officials, state and foreign commissioners and prominent social personalities. The entire first floor of the hotel had been reserved for the reception.

Prince Pu Lun was assisted by Sir Chen Tung Liang Chang in receiving the guests.

Prince Pu Lun and his party will remain in St. Louis and visit the exposition until May 14, when they will leave for Chicago and Indianapolis, after which the prince and Sir Chen Tung Liang will make a tour of the country.

#### Moyer Case Argued.

Denver, May 6.—Arguments in the habeas corpus of President Moyer of the Western Federation of Miners, who is held by the military at Telluride, were concluded in the supreme court today. Attorneys for both sides will file supplemental briefs early next week and the court will take the case under advisement. In the usual course of proceedings a decision can be expected in about 10 days.

#### Serious Riots in Warsaw.

Posen, Prussia, May 6.—Warsaw newspapers say that 200 persons were arrested and one student was killed in the streets on May 3, the anniversary of the promulgation of the Polish constitution.

Warsaw, May 6.—Chief of Police Lik-haeef has been dismissed for incompetency because of the disturbances of last week.

Polish secret societies have recently been showing great activity.

#### GREAT GUN PRACTISE.

Iowa's Gunners Equal World's Record.

Washington, May 6.—Remarkable records were made by the Iowa's guns in the annual record target practise just completed at Fort Monmouth, N. J. The 12-inch guns made 42 shots and 24 hits. The best 12-inch gun made 11 shots and 11 hits. The hits per gun per minute for the 12-inch guns were 0.75. This equalled the record made by the British ship Ocean in 1902, when she broke the world's record, and in the case of the Iowa the records are all the more creditable because her guns are of an old type.

The Iowa's 8-inch guns made 1.23 hits the gun each man, the best gun making eight hits out of nine shots.

#### Colorado's Strike Still On.

Pueblo, Colo., May 6.—In an interview today President William Howells of district No. 15, United Mine Workers of America, who has just returned from Indianapolis, stated that the reports to the effect that the strike had been declared off in this state were untrue. The strike, he stated, is still in force and will continue so until some sort of settlement which will benefit the strikers can be obtained. National President John Mitchell, Vice President Lewis and Secy. Treasurer Wilson were given entire charge of the conduct of the strike in this state.

#### Convict Smith Still at Large.

Boise, Ida., May 6.—Charles Smith, the convict who escaped from the guards at the penitentiary yesterday, has not been captured. Last night Guard Orlando Robbins ran across a man on the road some miles above town. The fellow stopped him, holding what looked like a short gun. Robbins sprang from his horse in an effort to capture the man, but the fellow darted into the brush. It is supposed this was Smith.

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#### THE TYNER TRIAL.

Evidence Related Chiefly to Lawyer Barrett's Doings.

Washington, May 6.—The trial of former Asst. Atty.-Gen. James N. Tyner and his assistant, Harrison B. Barrett, was resumed today with J. Henning Nells, an Episcopal theological student, on the stand. Mr. Nells was the law partner of Mr. Barrett after the latter resigned from the postoffice department.

He said that he and Mr. Barrett had a difference of opinion in regard to the rights of the two or three investment companies among their clientele. Mr. Nells said he contended the government was "grinding down" too hard on the companies, and desired that a protest be made to Gen. Tyner. He said Mr. Barrett thought the department right and declined to interfere.

Charles A. Spenny was the next witness. At the time of the issuance of the Barrett opinion he was a director of the Ohio Debenture company of Columbus, O., and manager of the Equitable Debenture company. He testified that he had come to Washington to see how the opinion affected his company and that he saw Gen. Tyner at the department.

"Mr. Tyner asked me if I had a lawyer," said the witness. "I answered that I had not and asked if he knew of a good one. Mr. Tyner said Mr. Barrett was a good lawyer and that there were other good lawyers I could get. I tried to reach Mr. Barrett, and did meet him by appointment in Baltimore on Jan. 3, 1903. At first Mr. Barrett wanted \$1,000 for representing the company, but when I explained that we were new in the business, we compromised on \$500."

The witness said that he went to the department with Mr. Barrett on Jan. 4, 1903. The witness said Mr. Barrett told Gen. Tyner that the certificates issued to his company complied with the postal laws, and Gen. Tyner, turning to Mr. Barrett, said:

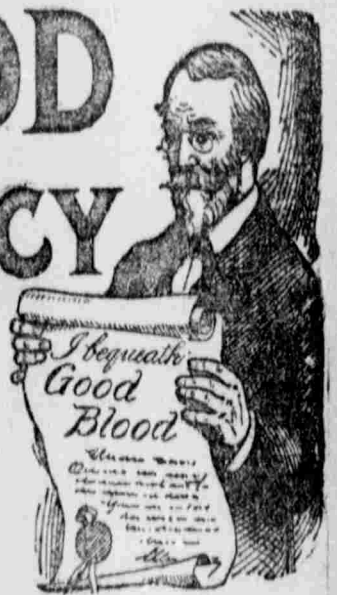
"I will put you on your honor as a lawyer and gentleman. If you say that the certificates of this company are all right I will approve it."

Continuing, the witness said: "I asked for something to take back to my people to show that the company was all right, and Mr. Tyner said he would issue a certificate temporarily, and if he found everything as represented he would send another within a few days."

A. D. Easton of Cincinnati, O., general manager of the Germania Investment company, testified to receiving from Mr. Barrett a letter in December, 1901, suggesting that Mr. Nells act as his attorney before the postoffice department until January, 1901, when he (Mr. Barrett) would be free from official duties and able to look after his affairs. The witness said he called on Mr. Barrett in Baltimore in January, 1901, and Mr. Barrett became the company's attorney.

The case was adjourned until Monday.

## GOOD BLOOD THE BEST LEGACY



Riches take wings and fly away—are squandered and lost in extravagance and speculation, and more often prove a curse than a blessing. A foolish desire to accumulate wealth for the benefit of posterity, has led to the physical undoing of thousands. Health is lost in the mad pursuit of riches, diseases are contracted, the vitalizing, nutritious properties of the blood are almost exhausted by demands of the nervous system, and it is little wonder that children born of such parents are sickly, weak, anemic and ill developed. Better to be born poor and healthy than rich and sickly.

Good blood is the best legacy, for that means strong, vigorous bodies, well nourished systems and nerves, muscles and all the machinery of the body in perfect condition. When handicapped by some inherited disease, not only is life's struggle made harder, but existence becomes a lingering misery, and even if blessed with riches, sickness is a hindrance to their enjoyment. Through the blood, diseases are carried from one generation to another. Parents transmit them to their children, and so it goes on for years unless the taint is removed from the blood.

Cancerous Ulcers, Rheumatism, Blood Poison, Scrofulous Sores and Swellings, Skin Eruptions of various kinds, are all evidences of a depraved and poisoned blood. "Like begets like" is true of the vegetable world, and is true also of the animal kingdom. We know that certain seeds produce certain plants, and sickly parents or those in whose blood is a taint of some old family ailment or blood poison; diseases are apt to develop in their children, either in infancy or later on in life. If you can't leave a legacy of riches, at least start them out in life with pure and unpoisoned blood; this they can with reason expect, for it is their rightful inheritance.

Often some old chronic illness that might have been uprooted and driven out of the blood is neglected, and posterity is made to suffer the consequences of this neglect. If you have any disease for which bad blood is responsible, to neglect it is almost a crime—you are unjust to yourself and false to your offspring to do so. Purify your blood; get rid of the taint and leave to others good blood which, after all, is the best legacy. No remedy ever discovered is so reliable in diseases of the blood as S. S. S. Experience and a thorough test have proven its efficacy. It has been in use for nearly fifty years and has been growing in popularity all the time, and "S. S. S. for the Blood" is known throughout the country as the standard remedy in all chronic, deep-seated blood troubles. S. S. S. is the only blood medicine guaranteed entirely vegetable and which does not contain a single mineral ingredient. Because your disease may be inherited from a long line of ancestors is no reason it cannot be cured. Get your blood in good condition, and through it new energy and strength are imparted to all parts of the system, the circulation is quickened, and the old taint, humor or poison causing the disease is driven out through the natural channels. Keep your own blood uncontaminated if you hope to leave a welcome legacy to those who come after. If you have any chronic trouble or stubborn skin disease due to bad condition of the blood, write us about it and our physicians will cheerfully advise you without charge.

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