

JAP LOYALTY.

Emperor Says Proof
of it is Ample
in the War.

HEAVY VOTE WILL BE ASK-
ED FROM THE DIET

To Prosecute the Fight
Against Russia.

(Special to Daily Herald.)

Tokio, Nov. 30.—The emperor formally opened the second war diet to-day.

He rode through the crowded streets in a state coach escorted by a troop of lancers, and accompanied by the Crown Prince and staff, and members of the Imperial household, to Parliament, where both Houses were assembled in the Chamber of Representatives.

The Diplomatic corps and prominent government officials were present.

In the address from the throne he stated there would be a scheme for extraordinary expenditure for the war, and the victorious Japanese troops furnish proof of their loyalty and bravery.

"Progress had been steady to our advantage, and we expect to attain our object and call on you to co-operate."

Mukden, Nov. 30.—The activity of the Japanese against General Rennenkampf's front continued Nov. 28, culminating before noon in one of the severest fights in recent weeks. The Japanese retired only about 600 yards, but after the fight the Russians collected 230 Japanese corpses all from the seventh and ninth reserve brigades. The Russians also captured a quantity of rifles, entrenching tools and Red Cross stores. Night sorties continue. Russian scouts prove very adaptable to this sort of work and can go all around the Japanese in woodcraft.

On the evening of Nov. 27, a party of Russian volunteers practically wiped out the village of Nanganza, situated at the foot of the double-humped hill opposite Poutloff (Lone Tree) Hill. The Japanese had been occupying a building in this village every night and hampering the Russian sharpshooters. Attacking the village in the rear, the Russian volunteers drove the Japanese from the village early in the evening, mined the building and retired. The Japanese subsequently re-occupied the building, which was blown up, and almost the whole village destroyed. The Russian losses during the whole affair were three killed and fifteen wounded.

Chinese report that the main Japanese force is located at Shilikhe on the railroad ten miles south of Shakhe, but that it is impossible to estimate its number.

London, Nov. 30.—Bennett Burleigh wires to the Daily Telegraph from Che Foo that in the last assault the Japanese lost 4,000 in one hour's fighting. They claim to have captured two more of the northeastern forts and a third which is a part of the West Kekwan fort. They claim, Mr. Burleigh adds, to have effected a lodgment at Pigeon Bay, thus truning the fort on 204 Metre hill and that they are now tunnelling from the gorge below Laotie Hill, which they hope first to damage and then to rush. The despatch continues:

Desperate fighting is proceeding daily and the losses are admitted to be excessive, but the Japanese insist that Port Arthur must fall.

Tokio, Nov. 30.—The imperial headquarters last night summarized the Port Arthur situation as follows: "With regard to the enemy's forts at Sung Chu mountain and eastward we have firmly captured the crests, and counterscarps and their vicinity, but the time to charge has not yet come. At present we are destroying the casemates and other caponiers."

"At 203 Metre Hill by several charges we succeeded in capturing the enemy's shelter trenches near the summit. At present our force is holding its position and endeavoring to capture the whole fort."

St. Petersburg, Nov. 30.—Foreign reports of the fighting at Port Arthur are accepted here very seriously. If the Japanese have taken 203 Metre Hill, as reported, and are commanding the whole harbor, it is believed the situation is critical.

Parliament Opened.

(Special to Daily Herald.)

Rome, Nov. 30.—The Italian parliament opened today. King Emanuel in his speech ex-

pressed liberal and peaceful principles amid enthusiastic applause.

VERY WEAK DEFENCES.

Unpleasant Reading for People of
the United States.

(Special to Daily Herald.)

Washington, Nov. 30.—Brigadier General Storey, chief artillery officer of the United States, in a report to General Chaffee, points out that United States coast defences are in poor shape.

He urges the completion of torpedo defence for all fortified ports, and says the United States should have far more field artillery.

The country, he adds, would be in a terrible position if war broke out.

RAILWAY COLLISION.

Engineer Killed and One Pas-
senger Injured on C. P. R.

(Special to Daily Herald.)

Winnipeg, Nov. 30.—The east bound transcontinental C. P. R. train collided with a freight at Donald.

Cameron, engineer was killed and a passenger injured.

The line will be blocked for several hours.

ANOTHER WITNESS.

Liberal Organizer Vance Sum-
moned to Bogus Ballot Box
Trial.

(Special to Daily Herald.)

Toronto, Nov. 30.—Jas. Vance, chief Liberal organizer of Ontario has been subpoenaed to the bogus ballot box trial, which will be continued Friday at Belleville.

It is believed he has been in communication with Shibley.

NEITHER SUITS THEM.

Good Templars Vote to Take No
Part in Ontario Elections.

(Special to Daily Herald.)

Ottawa, Nov. 30.—The Independent Order of Good Templars for Ottawa District, in session last night, passed resolutions refusing to endorse either political party in the province.

The Ross temperance programme does not suit them, and they will take no part in the elections.

DISTINGUISHED GUEST.

Hon. A. G. Blair will Attend St
Andrews Dinner at St. John.

(Special to Daily Herald.)

St. John, Nov. 30.—Hon. A. G. Blair, accompanied by Mrs. Blair, arrived here today from Fredericton, and will attend the St. Andrew's Society dinner tonight.

He refused to talk.

EMMERSON AT MONCTON.

Hearing Application of Dominion
Express Co. to do Business
Over I. C. R.

(Special to Daily Herald.)

Moncton, Nov. 30.—Hon. H. R. Emmerson, minister of railways and canals, arrived this morning from Ottawa, and is hearing an application from the Dominion Express Co. to do business over the I. C. R.

Granted Warrant Rank.

(Special to the Daily Herald.)

Ottawa, Nov. 30.—Sergt. Major Walter James Lamb, of the 62nd St. John Fusiliers, has been granted the warrant rank by the Minister of Militia.

Sailed for Home.

(Special to Daily Herald.)

New York, Nov. 30.—John Morley, the English publicist, sailed on the Baltic today for Liverpool.

Received by the Pope.

(Special to Daily Herald.)

Rome, Nov. 31.—The Pope received today in special audience Archbishop Bruchesi of Montreal.

Sermons on "the Perils of Prosperity" most also be preached to a small and select audience.

INCREASED REVENUE.

Canadian Customs Receipts Show
Upward Tendency.

(Special to the Daily Herald.)

Ottawa, Nov. 30.—The Dominion customs revenue for November was \$93,358,267, an increase of \$162,952 over November of last year.

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