

PORT ARTHUR IS ISOLATED.

Japs Have Landed 30,000 Men and Cut Communications by Rail.

VICEROY AND OTHER RUSSIANS MAKING TRACKS FOR SAFETY.

Czar's Fleet Ordered Not to Quit Port Arthur Harbor.

THE MOST IMPORTANT EVENT OF THE CAMPAIGN TO DATE.

(Special to the Daily Herald.)

St. Petersburg, May 6.—The landing of the Japanese at Pitsewo, northeast of Port Arthur is officially confirmed.

It is expected that railroad communication between Port Arthur with Mukden and Harbin will soon be cut.

The departure of Viceroy Alexieff and Grand Duke Boris from Port Arthur was hurried owing to the possibility of the interruption of railway communication.

The Japanese landed in sufficient force to discourage the few hundred Russians watching at Pitsewo from offering any resistance.

London May 6.—A despatch to the Central News from St. Petersburg today says the Japanese landed at Port Adams, on the west coast of the Liao Tung peninsula as well as at Pitsewo.

Port Adams is situated about fifty miles from Port Arthur at the head of Society Bay and on the railroad connecting Port Arthur with Mukden and Harbin.

If reports of the Japanese landing there are correct, communication with Port Arthur has been cut off.

Pitsewo, on the east side, where Japanese have landed, is less than twenty miles from Port Adams.

New Chwang, May 6.—It is reported here that the Japanese troops landed yesterday at Pitsewo, on the Liao Tung peninsula, numbered 10,000 men.

Port Arthur—According to reliable information is well supplied with provisions.

Paris, July 6.—A despatch to the Havas agency from St. Petersburg says the Japanese troops who landed at Pitsewo yesterday have cut the land communications with Port Arthur.

St. Petersburg May 6.—Details of Japanese landing at Pitsewo have just been received by the general staff.

From information brought to Port Arthur by Chinese, sixty transports are disembarking two divisions, numbering altogether 30,000 men, of which 10,000 were landed yesterday evening.

No news has been received up to this hour of any other landing.

Strict orders have been given to Rear Admiral Wetzels not to take out his warships from Port Arthur.

Fear Indirect Results.

London, May 6.—The correspondent of The Times at Berlin says:—Letters from St. Petersburg state that even in official quarters a profound and painful impression has been created by the news from the Yalu. It appears to be felt that the news of the Russian defeat will spread to Central Asia, and may render the task of governing the subject tribes of those regions more difficult. Nevertheless, it is maintained that faith in the final success of the Russian arms is unabated.

Brigands Harrass Russians.

London, May 6.—The Times' Russian correspondents quote the Harbin correspondent of the Novoe Vremya, who states in regard to the forces guarding the railway that the number of troops at each station and bridge has been doubled and that companies of mounted

frontier guards make daily excursions on either side of the railway for a distance of 25 versts.

The Plucky Japs.

Port Arthur, May 6.—The Japanese displayed desperate courage in their fire-ship attack on the night of Tuesday. The ships as they approached were divided into three groups, all heading straight for the entrance of the harbor. While still far from the shore, they ran on the Russian mines and they were under a murderous fire from the Russian batteries. Three torpedo boats followed the fireships to pick up the crew of the latter. When the first fireship foundered the crew clambered up the mast, cheering for the emperor of Japan as they went down. From the masthead of the second vessel as she began to sink her crew waved lanterns to indicate their course to those astern. Their small boats, though soon riddled, did not raise the white flag.

A Japanese sailor who came ashore at Electric Hill when summoned to surrender, sprang forward with a revolver in his hand and died fighting. Another Japanese sailor who was pulled out of the water, tried to throttle himself with his necktie.

Hoyering Around Port Arthur.

St. Petersburg, May 6.—With Vice Admiral Togo hovering in the immediate vicinity of Port Arthur and transports loaded with troops at Pitsewo, northeast of that stronghold, Russia has braced herself for impending conflict with the foe when she will again play a defensive role, this time, it is hoped, with better success and therefore with less sacrifice of life than in the engagements on the Yalu. It is known that the emperor has been informed of the presence of a Japanese fleet off the Liao Shan promontory and the appearance of transports at Pitsewo.

If a landing should take place at Pitsewo the experts anticipate that Togo's battleship squadron will bombard Port Arthur in order to prevent the garrison from sending reinforcements by railroad to the troops opposing the Japanese there. Neither the admiralty nor the war office believes that a disembarkation of the Japanese can be stopped, as the guns of the Japanese cruisers could command the point of landing, but after the Japanese are ashore then the Russians will strike, and officers here say, will strike hard.

An important advantage would accrue to the Japanese should they succeed in establishing themselves at Pitsewo. From there radiate roads connecting with the railroad at Yang Ti Tien, directly west to South, with Sanchelipon and Kinchow stations on the railway nearer to Port Arthur, north with Kaiping, and northeast through Takushan with Feng Wang Cheng.

A landing at this moment would make it difficult for General Koropkin to concentrate a formidable force against General Karoki, whose forward movement is not yet reported. Furthermore, once the Japanese are across the railway, Port Arthur will be as good as besieged.

Despatches from Tokyo telling of celebrations over the sealing of Port Arthur, it is stated, are premature, official advices establishing beyond question that the attempt of Vice-Admiral Togo May 3 to seal the port failed.

The absence of press despatches telling of the fight on the Yalu is partially explained by the heavy mortality among the correspondents.

To Isolate Port Arthur.

London, May 6.—Viceroy Alexieff's departure from Port Arthur is interpreted here to mean that the place is in imminent danger of isolation and the Japanese preparations for landing are considered as confirming the belief that Port Arthur has been sealed up, probably by two of the sunken ships which Russia failed to locate. It is supposed that the Japanese will make a supreme effort to cut off Port Arthur before the arrival of Vice-Admiral Skrydloff.

The Berlin correspondent of the Daily Mail asserts that the Russian military authorities are in a state of the most extreme anxiety regarding the chances of saving the baggage of the Yalu army. The roads are so bad that the wheeled transport is only able to move five miles daily, and it is feared that the Japanese will capture all the stores accumulated at Feng Wang Chang.

GOING TO THE FAIR.

(Special to the Daily Herald.)

Moncton, May 6.—E. P. Eastman of Petitcodiac, has been appointed by the Dominion government on the recommendation of Hon. H. R. Emmerson, Commissioner of Forestry and Forest Exhibits for New Brunswick at the St. Louis exhibition and will leave in a few days for that place, to remain until the beginning of winter.

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