

## RUSSIA'S DELAY

Creates a New Supply of Sensational War Statements.

## JAPAN IS UNYIELDING

Likelihood of a Compromise of the Delicate Situation Thought to Be Growing Daily Less.

An Army of 12,000 Japanese Is Reported to Have Landed in Southern Korea.

London, Jan. 23.—The delay in the Russian reply to the latest note from Japan is causing the customary crop of sensational statements pointing to the imminence of war in the far East. The Daily Graphic today says it understands that there is no likelihood of a compromise owing to the unyielding attitude of Japan on the Manchurian question and the fact that in her last note to Russia Japan struck out the whole article in the draft of the treaty relating to the demand of Russia for a neutral zone.

A correspondent at Che Foo has sent in an alarming report that 12,000 Japanese troops have landed at Ma-Sam-Pho in southern Korea, and a Port Arthur correspondent also refers in a dispatch to the fact that the news of the occupation of Ma-Sam-Pho is being received daily. These reports are not confirmed from any other source, and they are discredited by Baron Hayashi, the Japanese minister to Great Britain.

Special dispatches from Seoul say the emperor of Korea has appointed a new cabinet, and that the minister of war has ordered 10,000 rifles for the army.

Reports have been sent in from Che Foo that quantities of dynamite have been found under the bridges of the Manchurian line above Port Arthur. The supposed intention was to blow up the bridges as soon as hostilities began.

## TURBULENT KOREA

Serious Trouble Is Likely to Break Out There at Any Time.

Washington, Jan. 23.—The situation in Korea is arousing fresh apprehension of renewed trouble in the far East. It has been the opinion of the military experts here that in the event of war between Russia and Japan, Korea would be made the battle ground at least in the beginning. Mr. Allen, the American minister at Seoul, has cabled the state department from Seoul as follows:

"Considerable disturbances throughout Korea. The Japanese have been attacked in many places."

It is learned that in view of the possibility of Korea's being unable to afford proper protection to Japanese subjects, the Tokio authorities have dispatched a Japanese military officer of highest rank, namely major general, to Seoul, where he will be in a position to direct any military operations that Japanese troops may undertake. The Korean government has 3,500 men under arms but they have not been trained in a modern school of war and rather resemble constabulary than soldiers.

It is anticipated here that Japan in Korea will repeat the performance of Russia in Manchuria and make the disturbances on the Japanese railway the ground for a military occupation of the line in great force.

## BUCHANAN COMING HOME

Minister to Panama Has Had Enough of the Isthmus.

Washington, Jan. 23.—Confirmation is had at the state department of the report that Mr. Buchanan, American minister to Panama, is about to return to the United States. Important private business is assigned as a reason for the minister's return. The department is not informed that his visit is anything more than a mere leave of

absence but it is known that Buchanan consented to assume the Panama mission only on an understanding that his appointment must be temporary and as affairs on the isthmus are regarded as being in excellent shape from an administrative standpoint it is possible he will consider that he has carried out his full undertaking when he returns to Washington.

WOMAN CRUELLY MURDERED  
Bedford Is Aroused By a Fiendish Crime.

Bedford, Ind., Jan. 23.—Miss Sarah Schafer of Elkhart, Latin teacher in the local high school, was outraged and murdered here in the most fiendish manner imaginable. She was the most popular teacher in the school and was a social favorite. Feeling is very high and if anyone is caught who cannot readily clear himself of the crime there will be a lynching.

It is the supposition that the young woman was waylaid by someone familiar with her way to and from the school building, and that she was assaulted. There is every evidence that she made a terrible struggle but that she was evidently beaten down as she passed a private alley opening into one of the prominent streets, and that she was then dragged about fifty feet to a shed, where she was killed.

Rain was falling steadily at the time the assault must have been committed and but few people were on the street. No one in the neighborhood heard a scream or any sounds of a struggle. Her assailant evidently stifled her cries when he first attacked her. Her death wound came from a blow over the forehead and left temple, inflicted with a blunt instrument. It is thought that a brick picked up in the alley along which she was dragged was the weapon used. The city council has offered a reward of \$500 and the county a like amount, making a total of \$1,000, for the arrest and conviction of the principal or principals guilty of the assault and murder.

## PATHFINDERS STARVED

Woeeful End of the Hubbard Labradorian Expedition.

Quebec, Jan. 23.—Word has been received from Chateau bay, Labrador, that a courier had arrived from Northwest river with the information that Leonidas Hubbard, Jr., of New York had died of starvation in the wilds of Labrador on Oct. 18. The remains are on their way to Quebec, so the report says, by dog train, which is expected to reach Chateau bay some time in March. Mr. Hubbard, who was assistant editor of *Outing*, was sent out by that magazine to explore the interior of Labrador. In his party were Dillon Wallace, a New York lawyer and two Cree Indians. The explorers left Rigolette about the beginning of July, 1903. Their object was to penetrate to the settlement of the Nascaupies Indians, where so far as known no white man has ever been. On August 26 reports came from Labrador that the Hubbard party was progressing satisfactorily, since which time nothing had been heard from them.

## Schwab Will Be High Man.

New York, Jan. 23.—An agreement on terms for the reorganization of the United States Shipbuilding company and the abandonment of the Sheldon reorganization plan, it is said on good authority, has been substantially reached. The plan, as outlined, tentatively provides for the retention of control by Mr. Schwab.

A \$200,000 Blaze.

New York, Jan. 23.—Fire destroyed the upper floors and much stock in the factory of E. W. Bliss & Co., causing a loss of \$200,000. One fireman was killed by falling from a ladder.

## Senate Seeking Information.

Washington, Jan. 23.—The senate has adopted the resolution of inquiry concerning affairs in Panama introduced on the 5th inst. by Mr. Gorman.

## MARKET REPORT

Prevailing Prices for Grain, Provisions and Livestock on Jan. 22.

Indianapolis' Grain and Livestock.

Wheat—Wagon	No. 2 red, strong, 99¢
Corn—Wagon	No. 1 mixed, 45¢
Oil—Strong	No. 2 mixed, 40¢
May—Clover	\$7.50-\$8.00; timothy, \$10.00-\$11.00; millet, \$8.00-\$9.00
Cattle—Steady at \$4.50-\$5.00	
Hogs—Strong at \$4.00-\$5.20	
Sheep—Steady at \$2.75-\$3.50	
Lambs—Steady at \$5.00-\$5.50	

Grain and Provisions at Chicago.

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Wheat—	\$ .91%	.90%
May	.....	.....
July	.....	83%
Sept	.....	78%
Corn—	.....	77%

May	40%	40%
July	48%	47%
Sept	47%	47%

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May	43%	41%
July	37%	37%
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