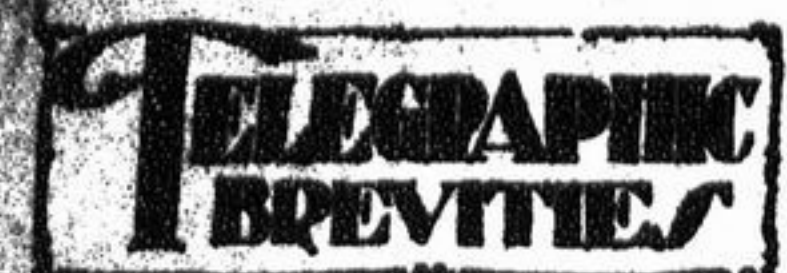


Downers Grove Reporter.

By HUGH M. WHITE.

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LATEST CASH MARKET REPORTS.

Table with columns for Wheat, Corn, Oats, Cattle, Hogs, Sheep and Lambs, listing prices for various grades and locations like Chicago, St. Louis, and Kansas City.

The Iron Dyke Copper Mining company of South Dakota has filed suit at Portland, Oregon, against the Iron Dyke Railroad company to recover \$6,500,000, the value of mining properties near Baker City, which are claimed to be illegally withheld from the plaintiffs.

A letter was received in St. Louis from Miss Helen Gould, stating that owing to ill health she will not participate in any great extent in the social functions planned at the exposition. Miss Gould is going south for her health.

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TELLS STORY OF BATTLE.

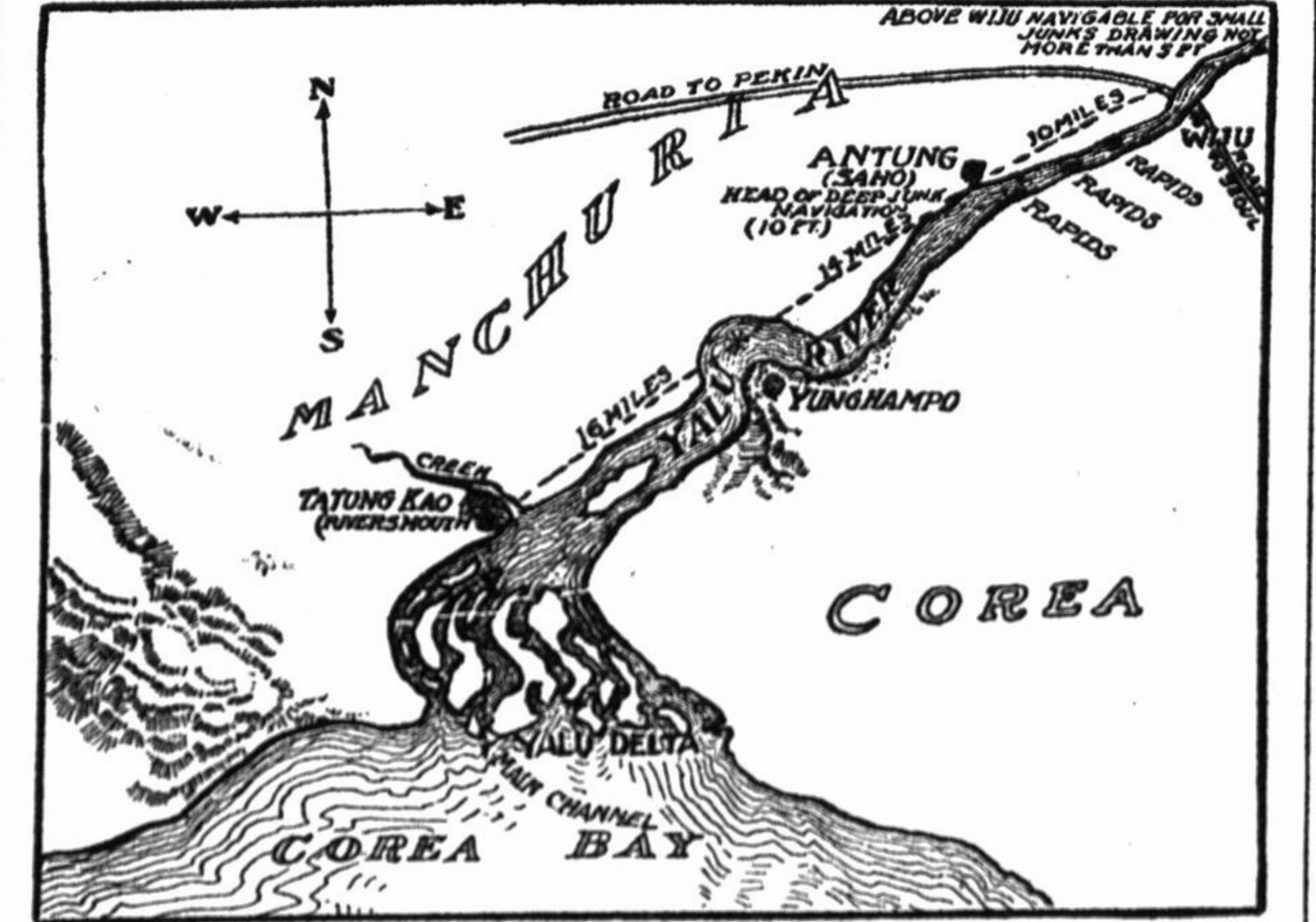
Correspondent Sends Graphic Account of Action Which Preceded the Sinking of Admiral Makaroff's Flagship, the Petropavlovsk.

Liao Yang, April 18.—A correspondent who has just returned from Port Arthur said today: "For four nights I watched with the sentries on Golden Hill. Three nights passed quietly. Tuesday night, April 12, Vice Admiral Makaroff took to sea with his entire squadron, including fourteen torpedo boats. The next night, in the teeth of a gale, eight torpedo boats were sent out to reconnoiter. From Golden Hill, on which I was standing, through the blackness of the searchlights of the fortifications flashed over the inky waters of the roadstead and far out to the hazy horizon. At 11 o'clock I heard firing at sea and counted seven shots, but could see nothing. At daybreak I made out through the light haze to the southward, about five miles from shore, six

the enemy's broadsides. The Japanese steamed at a slight angle, enabling all their guns to bear, and projectiles rained around the Bayan, raising columns of water as they burst, but none struck home. To the eastward suddenly appeared five more of our torpedo boats returning to the harbor under forced draught. Two of the Japanese cruisers were immediately detached to cut them off, but the Bayan, noticing the movement, checked it by turning a hot fire upon them. The movement was effective. The Japanese cruisers slowed down and the torpedo boats slipped through into the harbor. Meantime, in accordance with Vice Admiral Makaroff's order, the battleships and cruisers in the inner harbor slipped anchor. Majestically the Petropavlovsk, flying the Admiral's flag, steamed through the entrance.

"The floating woodwork and the few men struggling in the water were all that was left to recall the splendid fighting machine which a few hours before had sailed out of the harbor. The same shock experienced by the observers on Golden Hill paralyzed for a moment the men on the ships, but when it passed torpedo boats and small boats hastened to the rescue of the survivors. Eager to ascertain what had occurred on board the sunken ship, I hastened to a landing, where a small remnant of the gallant crew were being put ashore and conveyed to a hospital. Signalman Pochkoff, who was slightly wounded, was able to give me a remarkably clear statement of the disaster. He said: "We were returning to the harbor, the Petropavlovsk leading. Some of our cruisers which had remained in

MAP SHOWING THE DELTA OF THE YALU RIVER AND THE LOCATION OF TOWNS THAT FIGURE IN THE WAR DISPATCHES.



The map shows an enlargement of the region at the mouth of the Yalu river and the location of Wiju, Yungnampo and Antung, about which towns the war dispatches nowadays have much to say. The Japanese occupy the two former places, while the Russians command Antung, on the north bank, and the question of crossing the river is the momentous issue for

either belligerent. Wiju was declared a free port on the 23d of August last, and at the same time the Korean government established a customhouse at Yungnampo. These incidents materially increased the tension between Russia and Japan at that time. Antung is merely a place of strategic importance, being practically only a collection of hovels, but the Russians

are now reported to be massed there in force. It is said that the Russians have mined the mouth of the Yalu, and if this be so a glance at the delta will show the difficulty that Japan may experience in attempting to enter the river and land troops in Manchuria.

torpedo boats strung out in line, all firing. In the lead and outstripping the others, was a boat heading at full speed directly for the entrance of the harbor. The last in line was beclouded in steam and lagging. She had evidently been hit. It was difficult to distinguish the boats, but finally, through my glasses, I saw that the leader and the laggard were Russian and that the four others were Japanese.

"The flash of the guns and the splash of the projectiles as they struck the water showed the intensity of the conflict. The torpedo boat from which steam was escaping was firing viciously. The four center craft drew together, concentrating their fire on her, but the crippled destroyer poured out her fire and was successfully keeping off her assailants.

"The signal station flashed the news to the men of the batteries that the vessel was Strashni. The steam from the Strashni grew denser, covering her like a white pall. Still she fought like a desperately wounded animal at bay.

"Rutting straight for the adversary haring her way to safety, she passed the Japanese astern and fired at them. At this stage Vice Admiral Makaroff, who had been observing the progress of the conflict through a telescope, signaled to the cruiser Bayan, lying in the inner harbor, to weigh anchor and go to the rescue.

"The Japanese destroyers clung to their victim like hounds in a chase. They had become separated but again resumed their formation. Small jets of flame and smoke were spurting from the light rapid fires, varied by denser clouds as torpedoes were discharged against the Strashni.

"It was the end. The stricken boat loosed a final round, but it was as if a volley had been fired over her own grave, for she disappeared beneath the waves, only a little cloud of steam marking the place where she went down.

"Satisfied with what they had accomplished, the Japanese torpedo boats turned and made off at full speed, followed by the Bayan. To their support came six of the enemy's cruisers. Still the Bayan went on, seemingly inviting certain destruction. She soon ported her helm to bring a broadside to bear on the foe, which was advancing in line of battle. She opened on some of them, turned quickly, and stood on into the hall of

On her appearance the more formidable enemy of Japanese cruisers turned and fled. The Admiral signaled the Bayan to return. "By this time the entire Russian squadron was in the outer harbor. Besides the Petropavlovsk were the battleships Poltava, Pobeda and Sevastopol, the cruisers Novik, Diana and Askold, and the torpedo boats. Immediately the torpedo boats dashed ahead and the heavier ships began to spread out.

"Seeing the flight of the Japanese cruisers, the Petropavlovsk opened fire with her great guns, but the enemy was out of range and soon disappeared. The Russian squadron continued the chase, finally fading from view.

"I waited anxiously for its reappearance, and in about an hour it came in sight. Far beyond it, the number of points from which smoke announced the presence of the Japanese. Nearer and nearer came the vessels, and at last I made out behind our squadron a fleet of fourteen, of which six were battleships and the remainder armored and unarmored cruisers.

"Unable to get within effective range of Makaroff's ships, the enemy stopped eighteen vorsts from shore. "Our squadron, with the Petropavlovsk leading, arrived at the entrance to the harbor and drew up in line of battle. Another signal was floated from the flagship, and the torpedo boats at once proceeded through the entrance into the inner harbor. Vice Admiral Makaroff was evidently unwilling to risk his vulnerable craft to the heavy projectiles of the enemy's armored ships.

"I watched the Petropavlovsk closely as she steamed toward Electric Cliff. The frowning marine monster, whose guns were ever turning toward the enemy, was prepared to send huge messengers of death against him.

"I looked for the Japanese ships, but they were without movement, save that caused by the heaving sea. "My glance returned to the Russian squadron. The Petropavlovsk was almost without headway, when suddenly I saw her tremble. She seemed to rise out of the water. A tremendous explosion rent the air, then a second, then a third. Fragments flew in all directions and wreckage and men were mixed in a terrible mass.

"I was hardly able to realize the horror of it when the ship began to list. In a moment the sea seemed to open and the water rushed over her. The Petropavlovsk had disappeared.

the harbor came out and steamed toward the enemy, firing sixteen shots at him with their bow guns. They then retired. The enemy numbered fourteen heavy ships, nearly armored, while ours were nine. Against their armored cruisers we had only the Bayan. I stood in the wheelhouse on the bridge of the Petropavlovsk, looking up the signal book. The Admiral's last signal had been for the torpedo boats to enter the harbor.

"The Petropavlovsk slowed up speed and stood almost still. Suddenly the ship shook violently. I heard a fearful explosion, immediately followed by another and then another. They seemed to me to be directly under the bridge.

"On the bridge I saw an officer wailing in blood—it was our Admiral Makaroff. He lay face downward. I sprang to him, grasped him by the shoulder, and attempted to raise him.

"The ship seemed to be falling. From all side flew fragments. I heard the deafening screech and the frightful din. The smoke rose in dense clouds and the flames seemed to leap toward the bridge where I was standing beside the Admiral. I jumped on the rail and was washed overboard, but succeeded in grabbing something.

"On our ship was an old man with a beautiful white beard who had been good to our men. He had a book in his hand and seemed to be writing, perhaps sketching. He was Verest chagin, the painter."

Outposts Separated Only by One Hundred Yards. St. Petersburg, April 19.—An official telegram states that the Russian outposts are now on islands of the Yalu River, 100 yards from the Japanese outposts, which are preparing to retire.

An attempted landing by Japanese troops on the shores of Korea Bay, between Port Arthur and the Yalu River, April 12, was frustrated by the Russians. A Japanese torpedo boat flotilla scouted the shores by the bay, but was received with such a heavy fire from land batteries at Taku-Shan, Ching-Tai-Tse, Tebanbe and Bedzind that it retired.

Vice Admiral Togo's flagship then recalled nine transports which were on the way to land troops. A squadron of ten warships protecting the transports withdrew with them. The Russians have 20,000 troops concentrated at Taku-Shan.

HAD HIS OWN SUPPLY.

Railroad Man Was Not Paying Staff Prices for His Whisky.

Some of the hotels in Washington have schedules of restaurant and cafe charges that would make the average host ashamed of his amateurish attempts to get money from his patrons. J. H. Maddy of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad had an experience a night or two ago when the check became monumental with little reason. Next morning he walked into the bar at that hotel and said meekly to the bartender: "Will you kindly give me a glass of water?" "Certainly, Mr. Maddy," the bartender replied, and he passed out the water. Thereupon Mr. Maddy dived down into his coat pocket, took out one of the little bottles for individual drinks used on railroad cafe cars, pulled the cork and poured out the contents of the bottle, while the bartender stood speechless. "Much obliged," said Maddy as he emptied the glass and strode away.

The Perfect Figure.

According to the old Greek ideas of a perfect woman, her height when fully attained should be 5 feet 5 inches. Her waist should measure 24 inches; the bust, under the arms, 34 inches; over the arms, 43 inches. The circumference of the upper arm should be 13 inches, the wrists 6 inches. The thighs should measure 25 1/4 inches and the ankles 8 inches. The weight of this ideal figure should be 138 pounds.

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"John," whispered Mrs. Stubb, trembling, "there is a man trying to break in down stairs." "Well, Maria," yawned Mr. Stubb, as he turned over for another nap, "if he wants to break out there's a bottle of blood medicine on the mantel."

An innovation in book binding is shown in a recent issue of Irwin Wallace's "Fairy Tales Up-To-Now," one edition being shown in a genuine newspaper matrix cover, this being only one of many clever ideas brought out by the Paul Elder Co., of San Francisco.

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Lakonia Excavations.

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