Appeared Within Range of Search= Lights at Port Arthur.

JAPS WITHDRAW.

A despatch received at London from Chefoo says that 17 battleships and cruisers, 20 steamers and 12 torpedo boat destroyers have passed Chefoo On Sunday forty foreign correspondapparently bound for Port Arthur.

says Admiral Makaroff telegraphs that an attempt to surprise Port Arthur was foiled Saturday night. A number of Japanese vessels suddenly appeared within range of the searchlights, but they withdrew after recon- that there is renewed activity in Conoitring.

The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Echo de Paris says that the members of the naval general staff believe that Admiral Makaroff, perceiving the Japanese squadron, returned to Port Arthur, his idea being to try to induce Admiral Togo to follow him under the guns of the forts.

FEARS NEXT BLOW.

sian sources in the past few weeks tural advantages for defence. Arthur is imminent.

precautions which had been taken to vance. guard against a surprise, Vice-Admired the open sea, while the warships, of Port Arthur.

It is admitted in St. Petersburg naval circles that the situation is so bad that Admiral Togo's next and supreme attempt to block the harbor ing the reverses at Port Arthur and to their defence. may be successful. The Russian dil- Chemulpo has been communicated to emna in that event would be the one of the Embassies through official gravest, and the practical value of channels having accesss to the highest the position both in a naval and mili- naval authorities at St. Petersburg. tary sense would be reduced almost The plan is explained as follows:-

to nil. Russian admiral has not been lack- er Vice-Admiral Togo. ing.

had been acted upon it would have to effect this concentration, as Admirrequired extraordinary good luck to al Togo may intercept the Baltic ed with the Russian mark. The Potatoes-Choice cars are quoted at its way without discovery. But if it thur. In that event the Baltic fleet, treated as brigands. reached the vicinity of Vladivostock which is comparatively small, will atthe Russian squadron there, expecting tempt the perilous task of engaging the arrival, would, in conjunction the large Japanese fleet in the hope with Admiral Makaroff's ships, be of disabling some of the Japanese much superior in strength to the Jap- ships, and thus reducing the Japananese fleet in those waters.

NEW-CHWANG IS SAFE.

pate a Japanese landing at the head portunity, the Russians being now aroff. too strong.

ese will try flanking movements from Takushan, west of Antung, at the head of the Gulf of Corea, in connec- sian plan. tion with their advance on the Yalu River, but the authorities at St. Petersburg make no display of nervousout by Gen. Kouropatkin.

outposts, writing from Antung, on the panese fleet is engaged in covering cattle from all other countries, ex- We quote:-Bacon, long clear, 81 to Yalu River, under date of March 19, arrangements for a new landing of describes the fearful state of the roads and the journey from Feng- close blockade of Port Arthur is not Huan-Cheng to Antung, which, he maintained, presumably owing to insays, is impassible for vehicles.

as a miserable collection of hovels, the inhabitants of which on account of the scarcity, cannot afford timber for fires and use straw instead. The country between Feng-Huan-Cheng Chinese avoided the high roads, preferring the mountain fastnesses. unknown.

dered 10,000 reserves to reinforce this except Vladivostock. position, in view of the expected Japanese attack, while an additional force of 15,000 men is ready to concentrate upon this place at short notice if necessary.

RUSSIAN WOUNDED.

from Tien-Tsin says it is reported ently stripped the country of everyfrom Mukden that two trains, con- thing edible. taining a large number of Russians, through Mukden en route to Harbir. | the leanness of the country. It says | regarding width of tires.

IN SUPREME CONTROL.

The Japanese now control the whole Corean bank of the Yalu River, and are in especially strong force at Wiju. ents arrived at Chinampho from To-A despatch from St. Petersburg kio. It is expected that they will go north with the headquarters staff.

NEW ARMY CORPS.

Reports reached London on Sunday rea, a second army, recently mobilized, being landed at the present time. The point of disembarkation is not given, but the troops undoubtedly are to reinforce the army which has taken peaceable possession of the Yalu and is preparing for an aggressive advance into Manchuria.

A STRONG POSITION.

There can be little doubt that the against the Japanese advance from that Vladivostock will be free of ice low quoted at 54c on track, Toronperiod of suspense over the Far East | Corea is a strong position, selected on the 24th inst. is almost at an end, and that the by Gen. Kouropatkin near Feng-Hunext few days will bring news of im- ang-Cheng, it is believed the Russians portant war operations, says a Lon- intend to hold out so long as posdon correspondent. It is significant sible at Antung, which commands the that the aggressive talk from Rus- Pekin road. The place has many na- stores have entered the estuary of west.

has been followed by pessimistic fore- Gen. Kuroki's army, according to ing at various points on the Corean bodings in military circles in St. Russian advices, is strong out along shore. Presumably gunboats are cov-Petersburg. The writer learns that the road between Anju and Wiju, its ering the movement. If this be true, grave fears are entertained at Russi- advance being severely impeded by the Russian forts erected on the an headquarters that the fall of Port bad roads, which made it difficult to other side of the river must be ineffecpush forward the supplies, which are tive. The generally anticipated attack did dragged by coolies, requiring eight | The Seoul correspondent of the Kok-Japanese were warned of the extra shooters can harass the Japanese ad- river.

The Russians have entrenched themal Makaroff's torpedo flotilla patroll- selves heavily near Hai-Cheng, to block the progress of the Japanese in with full steam up, remained outside case they succeed in landing at the head of the Liao-Tung Gulf.

RUSSIA'S NAVAL PLAN.

The only chance of saving the Rus- has preponderating naval strength in sent Switzerland. His Majesty seemsian fleet, if the possibility of seal- the Far East, and will attempt to re- ed very nervous and melancholy. He 26 to 32c, according to quality. ing Port Arthur be admitted, is to verse it by two distinct moves. First, discussed the repulse of the Cossacks send it to Vladivostock while Admir- urgent efforts will be made to have a at Chong-Ju, and said: "Do not be al Togo is busy convoying transports naval concentration at Port Arthur, too severe in your criticisms. Rememto the Yalu. It is known that the the Baltic, Red Sea and Vladivostock ber everything becomes difficult so vicinity of Port Arthur was free of fleets joining Vice-Admiral Makaroff's far from a base.' Japanese ships for the past week, and command if possible, and thus giving opportunity for this move by the the combined fleets preponderance over

Second, it is foreseen that it will It is suspected, however, that if it be difficult and probably impossible ese effective. According to the Russian calculations, the Baltic fleet may suffer annihilation in such an unequal The best informed military circles combat, but it will have served a at St. Petersburg no longer antici- valuable end if it is able to cripple a sufficient number of Japanese ships of the Liao-Tung Gulf. They believe to reduce Admiral Togo's naval the Japanese have missed their op- strength below that of Admiral Mak-

The foregoing information is not The opinion now is that the Japan- part of current speculative report, but comes from creditable official sources as being the determined Rus-

THE JAPANESE FLEET.

The London Times correspondent ness, manifesting the utmost confi- in a despatch from Wei-Hai-Wei, dence in the plan of campaign marked says that the results of a week's follows :- On all cattle imported cruise in the Times' despatch boat A correspondent with the Russian leads him to believe that the Jathe troops recently mobilized. formation regarding the condition of The correspondent depicts Antung the channel. Moreover, sudden fogs are apt to occur at this time of the ter, fifteen days. year, and they might give the Russian torpeso boats, which still have free egress, certain advantages. It, WIDE is certain that no Japanese transports have yet entered the Gulf of New and Antung is sparsely settled. The Pechili, though it must be allowed that the persistent endeavors to close Port Arthur suggest that the Milk, butter, and eggs are almost fleet is required for operations at a greater distance from the present Gen. Kouropatkin's visit to New- fleet base, which is, of course, within Chwang has inspired boundless confi- easy striking distance of all points dence. The Commander-in-Chief or- in the present theatre of hostilities

WHY RUSSIANS RETREATED.

A despatch to the London Times from Tokio says that reports suggest that a scarcity of provisions and forage was probably the chief reason for the Russian retreat from A despatch to the London Express Corea. The Russians have appar-

that the commissariat of the northern army is marked by the same thoroughness that has distinguished its operations from the first. Thousands of provision carts went north through Ping-Yang last week.

MORE JAPANESE SAIL.

A despatch to the Paris Petit Journal from Tokio states that 11 Japanese transports have left Nagasaki and Sasebo for Corea with 10,000 infantry of the Guards, bridge material and provisions, and convoyed by a warship.

SIX TRAINS DAILY.

The Berlin Tageblatt's war correspondent, Major Gaedke, writing on churia, March 19, said :-

on the railroad to Manchuria, and are 6c above those quoted. only four thence to Harbin, but these consist of as many as thirty- fair offerings and little demand. No. mands."

The correspondent added that the at 311c east. Russians will be ready to take the offensive about the middle of this

JAPANESE NAVAL LOSSES.

Port Arthur show the losses were 66c east. 28 killed and 91 wounded, 40 of

JAPS ADVANCE TO THE YALU. Information has been received the Yalu, and that troops are land-

not occur on Saturday night, al- days' march from Chong-Ju to the umin telegraphs, on what he says is \$4.50 in bbls. Manitoba flours unthough a telegram received from Yalu. For seventy miles the river reliable authority, that the Japanese changed. No. 1 patents, \$5.30; No. Grand Duke Cyril reports that the is 500 fathoms wide, and at Yong- lines have advanced to the Yalu, thus 2 patents, \$5; and strong bakers', enemy's ships were sighted on the ampho it is ice-laden and barred by proving that there is no considerable \$4.90 on track, Toronto. horizon. It is presumed that the islands, whence the Russian sharp- Russian force on the left bank of the

TO SIEGE THE FISHERIES.

The proprietor of the principal fisheries on Saghalien Island has been informed that the Japanese are preparing to make a descent on the island so soon as the ice shall permit. The inhabitants have petitioned The Russian naval plan for retriev- that the Vladivostock squadron come

THE MELANCHOLY CZAR.

A despatch to the London Daily Mail from Geneva says that the Czar on Wednesday received two officers \$1.50 to \$1.60, and hand-picked at Russia recognizes that Japan now who are going to the front to repre- \$1.65 to \$1.70.

MUST STAMP ALL ARMS.

Newspapers state that the Rus- \$5.50 on track here. Chinese troops at Liao-Yang ings of new, which sell at \$1 per Imand in that neighborhood be stamp- perial gallon.

CATTLE QUARANTINE.

Government Issues Regulations Governing Importation.

An Ottawa despatch says:-The Canada Gazette contains the new regulations governing the importation of live stock which have been adopted by the Government. All animals subject to quarantine must be entered at quarantine stations, those in Ontario being Windsor, Sarnia, and Niagara Falls. Animals subject to inspection only may enter in receipts, with case lots quoted at 16 | Milch cows were steady at \$30 to Ontario at the ports of Prescott, Brockville, Toronto, Cornwall, Bridgeburg, Sault Ste. Marie, and es. We quote:-Finest September's, We quote:-Selects, 160 to 200 lbs. Port Arthur. Persons contemplat- 11c; late Fall and seconds, 93 to of prime bacon quality, off cars, ing the importation of animals from 101c. any country except the United

States must first obtain a permit. The periods of quarantine are as Channel Islands, sixty days. cept the United States and Mexico, sixty days. On all sheep and goats from countries other than the Unitcd States, fifteen days. On all swine imported, except from the United States, for immediate slaugh-

TIRES COMPULSORY.

Brunswick Passes a Good Roads Measure.

tired wagons.

REPORTS FROM THE LEADING TRADE CENTRES.

Prices of Cattle, Grain, Cheese, and Other Dairy Produce at Home and Abroad.

Oats-The market is steady, with eight cars. The railroad apparently 2 white quoted at 31c north and is able to meet the military de- west, and 311c low freights. No. 1 white quoted at 32c cast, and No. 2

Barley-The market is quiet, with the demand limited. No. 2 quoted at 44c middle freights. No. 3 extra at 43c, and No. 3 at 41c middle freights.

Official returns of the Japanese Peas-The market is unchanged, casualties in the various attacks on with No. 2 quoted at 65c west and 2 yellow, 571c; No. 2 corn, 54 to

Corn-The market is quiet, with While the first line of defence whom recovered. It is expected prices easier. No. 3 American yelto; No. 3 mixed at 53c. Canadian corn is nominal at 38½c west for yellow, and 38c for mixed.

> Rye-The market is unchanged, with Tokio that Japanese transports with No. 2 quoted at 59 to 60c east and

Buckwheat-The market is unchanged, with demand good. No. 2 quoted at 50 to 51c middle freights. Flour-Ninety per cent. patents are

unchanged; buyers' at \$3.60 middle freights in buyers' sacks for export. Straight rollers of special brands for domestic trade quoted at \$4.30 to and prices were firmly maintained.

Millfeed-Bran is steady at \$17 to was light. \$17.50, and shorts at \$18.50 here. At outside points bran is quoted at \$16.50 and shorts at \$17.50; Manitoba bran in sacks, \$20, and shorts at \$21 here.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Apples-There is a quiet trade, with prices steady at \$2 to \$2.50 per bbl. for the best stock.

Dried apples-The demand is limited, and prices are steady at 3 to 34c per 1b. Evaporated apples, 54

to 6c per ID. Beans.-Prime beans are quoted at

Hops-The market is unchanged at

\$2 for comb.

50 a ton here.

offerings, and prices nominal around per cwt. sians have ordered that the arms of | Maple Syrup-There are some offer-

ferior quality at 70c per bag. Poultry-Chickens, 11 to 13c per Ib.; turkeys are quoted at 15 to 16c per 1b. for fresh killed; ducks, 13c; and geese at 10 to 12c per 1b.

THE DAIRY MARKETS.

and prices unchanged. We quote:- \$4; light sheep, \$3.75 to \$4.25; Finest, 1-lb. rolls, 17 to 18c; choice bucks, \$3.25 to \$3.75; grain-fed large rolls and selected dairy tubs, 15 lambs, \$5.50 to \$6.50; barn-yard 121 to 14c; creamery prints, 21 to Spring lambs, \$2.50 to \$6.50 each. 22c, solids, 181 to 191c.

Eggs-The market is weak on heavy \$2 to \$10 each. to 17c per dozen.

HOG PRODUCTS.

Dressed hogs are unchanged, with offerings moderate. Car lots at \$6 .from Great Britain, Ireland, or the 25 delivered here. Cured meats are in good demand at unchanged prices. 81c per 1b. in case lots. Mess pork, Fired at British Officers During a \$16.50 to \$17; do., short cut, \$18.50. Smoked meats-Hams, light to medium, 121c; do, heavy, 12c; rolls, 10c; shoulders, 9½c; backs, 13½ to 14c; breakfast bacon, 13 to 13tc.

> es unchanged. We quote:-Tierces, 81c; tubs, 81c; pails, 81c; compound, 71 to 81c.

BUSINESS AT MONTREAL.

A Fredericton, N. B., despatch says: | Montreal, April 12 .- There was The New Brunswick Legislature on some demand for oats for milling Friday night adopted the part of the purposes, and a sale of 50,000 bush-Highways Act requiring vehicles to els of No. 2 white was reported at be equipped with wide tires. It re- 32c per bush. high freights; there quires that wagons have tires all the were also some enquiry for peas, 72c way from two and a half to four per bush. was bid affoat for a round VALUABLE inches wide, according to the size and lot, and sales of car lots were made style of axles. It will go into opera- at a figure equal to the above. The Raid on Geological Survey Musetion in 1914, the intervening time spot market for oats was unchanged; being allowed so that owners of wa- No. 3 white being quoted at 381c per gons which will be contrary to the bush, ex store. Flour-Market steady; Act can wear them out, or replace business reported rather quiet; we able collection of Indian and Eskimo them by the present sale of narrow- quote Manitoba Spring wheat pat- relics has been stolen from the Geoents, \$5.40; Manitoba strong bakers' Meanwhile the Act provides that \$5.10; Winter wheat patents, \$5.10 a kind that cannot be easily replaced. after one year from the date of pro- to \$5.25; straight rollers, \$4.85 to A despatch to the London Daily clamation of the Act no manufactur- \$5; straight rollers, in bags, \$2.30 to who were wounded in an engagement Mail from Seoul tends to show that er can recover the price of a wagon \$2.35. Rolled oats-Sales in small sides specimens of the handiwork of on the Yalu River, have passed the Japanese will not suffer from he sells unless it is within the law lots were made at \$2.321 to \$2.35 the Indians, a rare collection of shells per big; a fair trade is passing in was raided.

cornmeal at \$1.40 to \$1.45 per bag. Feed-We quote Manitoba bran, in bags, \$20; shorts, \$21 per ton; Ontario bran, in bulk, \$19.50 to \$20; shorts, \$20.50 to \$21; and mouille, \$24 to \$28 per ton as to quality. Provisions-Heavy Canadian short cut pork, \$18 to \$19; light short cut, \$16 to \$17.50; American short cut clear, \$17 to \$17.50; American fat Toronto, April 12.-Wheat-The de- backs, \$19.50; compound lard, 71 to mand for Ontario grades is slow, and Sc; Canadian lard, 81 to 9c; kettle prices are irregular. No. 2 white rendered, 84 to 91c; hams, 11 to 13c; and red Winter quoted at 92 to 93c toir hogs, \$7 to \$7.50; country dresslow freights. Spring wheat is nom- bacon, 131 to 14c; fresh killed abatinal at 87c east, and goose at 82 to ed hogs, \$7; live hogs, \$5.50. Eggs 83c east. Manitoba wheat steady, -New laid, 18c. Butter-Winter with No. 1 Northern selling at \$1 creamery, 191 to 20c; new made, 201 at Georgian Bay ports; No. 2 North- to 21c; full grass Fall makes, 181, o a train, while nearing Harbin, Man- ern at 97c, and No. 3 Northern at 211c; Western dairy, 15 to 151c; 93 to 94c. No. 1 hard is nominal rolls, 16 to 17c; creamery, 18 to "Only six trains daily pass east at \$1.02. Grinding in transit prices 181c. Cheese-Ontario, 91 to 101c; Townships, 9½ to 10c.

UNITED STATES MARKETS.

Milwaukee, April 12.—Wheat—No. 1 Northern, \$1; No. 2 Northern, 96 to 98c; old July, 877c bid. Rye-No. 1. 72 to 73c. Barley-No. 2, 62 to 63c; sample, 40 to 59c. Corn-No. 3, 50 to 51c; July, 527c.

Buffalo, April 12.-Flour-Quiet. Wheat-Spring dull; No. 1 Northern Duluth, \$1.09. Corn-Stronger; No. 541c. Oats-Dull; No. 2 mixed, 421c; No. 2 white, 46 c. Barley-Nothing doing. Rye-No. 1 quoted at 54c.

Minneapolis, April 12.-Wheat-May, 95%c; July, 95c; September 81%c; on track, No. 1 hard, 96%c; No. 1 Northern, 95%c; No. 2 Northern 93%c. Flour-First patents, \$5.05 to \$5.15; second patents, \$4.95 to \$5.05; first clears, \$3.60 to \$3.65; second clears, \$2.50 to \$2.60.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

Toronto, April 12.—Business was active in butchers' cattle to-day,

A limited number of exporters' were sold. The quality of these was good, but the market was quiet and prices were weak. The enquiry

Stockers and feeders kept in brisk demand, but the small receipts prevented buyers securing sufficient supplies. . Stock calves and short keep feeders are particularly wanted.

Sheep were in fair demand, while lambs sold freely at firm prices for grain-fed stock. The run made buying active, prices were unchanged.

Drovers shipping cattle from upcountry stations, said that a great delay took place in the forwarding of their cattle. Loads that were shipped on Tuesday and Wednesday morning did not reach the market till this afternoon.

Exporters' cattle were quoted at \$4.25 to \$4.80 per cwt.

An active tone dominated the market for butchers' cattle to-day, and Honey-The market is quiet at 6 to values held strong. We quote :-7c per Ib. for bulk, and at \$1.25 to Picked lots equal in quality to exporters', \$4.45 to \$4.60; good loads, Hay-No. 1 timothy quoted at \$9.- \$4.20 to \$4.35; fair to good, \$3.80 to \$4.10; common to fair, \$3 to Straw-The market is dull, without \$3.60; rough cows, \$2.50 to \$3.20

Butchers' and exporters' bulls were unchanged. We quote :-\$3.40 to \$3.75 for export bulls, \$3 to \$3.40 for feeders, and \$2.50 up for lights. Trade in freders was light on limenable the Russian fleet to get far on fleet before its arrival at Port Arits way without discovery. But if it thur. In that event the Baltic fleet calves were sold. Quotations follow :- Feeders, 1,000 to 1,200 lbs., \$3.90 to \$4.45; feeders, 800 to 1,-000 lbs., \$3.50 to \$3.75; stockers, 600 to 800 lbs., \$3 to \$3.75; stock

calves, 400 to 600 lbs., \$3.50 to \$3.65 per cwt. Trade in sheep continued active. Butter-Rolls are more plentiful, We quote :- Heavy ewes, \$3.50 to 16%c; medium and low grades, lambs, \$4.50 to \$5.25 per cwt.; Calves sold at 4 to 6c per lb. or

\$55 each.

Cheese-Market quiet at steady pric- The prices of hogs were unchanged. Toronto, \$4.75; fats, \$4.50; sows, \$3.50 to \$3.75; stags, \$2 to \$2.50 per cwt.

Parley.

A despatch to The London Times from Kalatzo, Thibet, dated Thursday, reports that 200 Thibetans at Lard-The demand is fair, with pric- the village of Samonda, in treacherously firing a volley at a party of British officers whom they invited to parley with them aimed badly. No one was injured, but the action is supposed to indicate the tactics which the Thibetans intend to employ at Guru. The correspondent adds that reinforcements are arriving at Gyangtse to oppose the British advance.

um at Ottawa.

An Ottawa despatch says: A valulogical Survey Museum. They are of The thieves made use of false keys in order to get access to the cases. Be-