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The War.

UNLESS the reported attacks upon the fortifications at Port Arthur are considered of importance, there has, so far as actual fighting is concerned, been a continuation of the lull in operations in the war between Russia and Japan during the week past. That the Japanese are to continue their efforts to take Port Arthur seems certain, and the most important news in this connection is a report that cholera, the deadly scourge of Oriental countries, has broken out there. The St. Petersburg officials neither affirm nor deny this report, but admit that it is not unlikely that sickness has appeared, owing to the extremely unsanitary conditions prevailing, by reason of the great number of unburied bodies. Reports from outside sources picture the conditions about Port Arthur as being horrible in the extreme. It is said that little, if any, attempt is made to bury the dead or attend the wounded, owing to the disregard of the flag of truce by both armies, and neither can do much along this line in the face of the galling fire which is generally kept up. This return to conditions of barbarity is not surprising when one considers the fierce fighting which has been going on there for the past two or three months. By reason of the trials of both besieged and besiegers it is not unlikely that the no-quarter idea has taken possession of the men, no matter how fair may have been their action in the beginning.

There was even less news than usual during the past week regarding the positions of the two forces at Port Arthur, but it is apparent that the Japanese have not yet taken any of the last line of fortifications. If it is true that cholera has broken out in the city, it would seem that all the Japanese need to do is to wait for the fortress to fall, as this Eastern enemy of mankind is worse than the most terrible engines of destruction that man can invent, and sooner or later the white flag would be run up over the fortifications so long defended by General Stoessel and his brave garrison. The Japanese will not be likely to adopt a waiting attitude as long as there seems any likelihood of taking the stronghold by storm because the little brown fighters must settle themselves for a winter in a climate where the thermometer ranges around 40 degrees below zero for quite a lengthy period of time. In order to do this it is necessary to push the Russians out of Mukden, and it would be well if the besieging force about Port Arthur could be used to aid in this operation. The Russians will not give up Mukden without a fight, and they will also make a stand to protect the coal mines in that vicinity which furnish fuel to the Manchurian Railway, but even St. Petersburg is not overly confident that they would not give up both rather than risk a decisive engagement. Within a little less than two months cold weather is expected to close down on the operations, and then both armies will doubtless do well to keep in good form until spring opens. There will, however, doubtless be occasional fights, and re-inforcements will be kept on the move.

It is hinted at St. Petersburg that the Russians expect the tide

of war to turn—when is not stated—in such a manner that the Japanese will gradually be driven back over the route which they have come and on down through Korea—and, presumably, into the sea, as was first threatened. This assumption is doubtless based on the idea that the resources of Japan have been well-nigh exhausted. There is no outward indication that this is the case, but, if so, it will probably be the only way in which the Russians will get the advantage; they certainly are no match for the Japanese in fighting either on land or sea, and it is a question of the possession of the sinews of war as to whether the Orient shall be left to itself or whether the Czar of all the Russias shall dominate.—Charlotte Observer.

LYNN WOULD APPRECIATE RAIN.

Late Potato and Turnip Crops Suffering—Esquire Gash Fines and Imprisons a Transgressor—Other News.

No services were held in Chapel last Sunday except Sunday school in the morning and prayer service in the evening.

Rev. W. H. Perry has taken his gospel tent to Landrum, S. C.

Miss Annabelle Logan, of Rutherford county, has been employed as assistant teacher in our school.

G. A. Gash, Esquire, of Tryon, imposed a fine and imprisonment on one James Raper, of this place, last Saturday for disorderly conduct, etc.

Miss Katherine Beatson, of Tryon, is nursing Mrs. Tuttle and Miss Fessenden. We are glad to hear at this writing that both are improving.

I. A. McCall, of Flat Rock, who is well known in these parts, visited friends in Lynn last Saturday night.

Mr. Bishop has one brick kiln burned and ready for use, and will soon have another ready to burn.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Caldwell will leave soon for Spartanburg, S. C. Mr. Caldwell has accepted a position with the New Crescent Knitting Mill, of that place.

Miss L. Underwood returned to Lynn one day last week after an extended visit to her home in Bowman's Bluff, N. C.

Miss Annie Denton, of Inman, S. C., passed through Lynn last Saturday to Columbus. She called for a few minutes on some of her friends.

Rev. J. M. Walker, of the Central Industrial Institute at Columbus, attended prayer meeting service at Chapel last Sunday evening.

W. A. Cannon made a business trip to Asheville this week.

G. B. Logan made a moonlight drive to his father's home in Rutherford county last Saturday night. Evidently George is not afraid of the wangooodles.

C. C. Conlant has purchased a new wheel road scoop for hauling dirt.

The U. S. Geographical Surveyors are camped in our Border on the Howard Gap Road.

A good rain would be very much appreciated in these parts. Just now the streams are very low and the Roads very dusty. Late potatoes and turnip crops are suffering.

Mr. Randolph, of Landrum, S. C., was in our town this week and says the boys at Landrum are hustling now. They are building a new brick store house and are going to build a bank. But we ask why don't they build that telephone exchange.

The Woman's Association for the Betterment of Public School Houses, met in the school house last Monday evening.

The Ladies society for the Betterment of Public School Houses will serve ice cream, cakes, lemonade, etc., Saturday evening at 8 o'clock October 8th. Proceeds will go to the improvement of school ground etc. Don't forget the date. This is a noble work and everybody should be interested in this work and help it along. A nice program will be arranged by committee. The old folks as well as the young people are especially invited to come out.

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We wonder what has become of that bank project we heard talked of sometime ago in Lynn. Hope it will materialize soon. We think it would be a great convenience for our people.

Gov. Aycock Speaks at Court House Monday

To the Teachers of Polk County:
 A teachers association will be organized at Columbus, N. C., on Saturday October 15th, 1904, at 1 o'clock p. m. ALL PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS OF POLK COUNTY ARE REQUIRED TO ATTEND. (See Rules and Regulations for Government of Schools, section 2). Let every teacher in the county attend and help to make the association a success and a benefit to all. School committees are requested to be present.

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