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Only Two Ships Escape.

Swift Cruiser Almaz and Destroy er Grozay Reach Vladivostock, Where Their Officers Describe the Fight From Fugitives' Standpoint.

Vladivostock, May 30, 4:30 p. m, -Two ships alone of Vice Ad miral Rojestvensky's powerful fleet, the swift cruiser Almaz and the torpedo boat destroyer Grozny lie at anchor here today in the curving harbor of Golden Horn, they having separated from the fleet in the early stage of the battle which began in the Korea Straits Saturday and headed in obedience to orders, with full speed to Vladivostock.

Up to 4 o'clock this afternoon no other vessels of the Baltic fleet had yet arrived and the signal stations at Askold and Rimskyorsakoff Islands reported none in sight.

Officers of the Almaz and Grozny say that both fleets had already sustained terrible losses when the Almaz and Grozny broke through the hostile line.

Of the Japanese two battleships had gone down before their eyes and two cruisers, their sterns high out of the water, seemed to plunge foremost to the bottom of the sea.

The Russian fleet, they say was even in a sadder plight. Rojestvensky's flagship, the Kniaz Souvaroff, and her sistership, the Borodiuo, and the cruisers Oslabia and Ural were utterly destroyed and when the fog closed do vn and hid the scene of battle from sight of the speeding ships, a third great Russian battleship, the Alexander III, seemed in sore distress, but limping northward, putting up a valiant fight against throngs of torpedo boats and still continuing her attacks on the cruisers of the island empire. Torpedo boats were also clinging round the other ships of the fleet llke angered wasps, separate flotillas darting in again and again to launch their weapons.

The Almaz, which arrived at her anchorage here Monday evening, bears scars of the battle. Her mizzenmast is shot away, and Captain Andriffski, at the hospione of her smoke stecks is pierced tal and the captain confirmed the by a cannon shot. . But the Gro- details given by the officers of the zny, though engaged for several Almaz. He described his combat hours in a running fight at short range with a large Japanese destroyer, shows no signs of the Japanese destroyer. fray. After her comminder, Capt Andriffski, had been wounded and an officer and three men had been killed, the Grozny succeeded in sinking her opponent with a luckily placed shot.

As the Almaz dropped anchor excitement beyond description seized the spectators, who, with frantie "huzzas," tossed high their caps. Citizens embraced each land and extending to the vicinity other and danced jubilantly upon the pier, while the crews of the naval battle of the Sea of Jaships in the harbor joined in wild pan." cheering. It a trice the boats were dropped from the davits and Vice Admiral Enquist was cap in a moment the officers of the tured with Admiral Rojestvensky. cruisers and torpedo boats in the The Russian prisoners, Admiral harbor and the military officials from the fortress were swarming on board the Almaz to learn news of the fight.

The story was short. According to the officers of the Almaz len's Arnica Salve. Jas Walters the fleet under Rojestvensky met of Duffield, Va., writes: "I had the Japanese in the Straits of Korea, near Tsu Island, and the Armica Salve healed it, and now opposing fleets immediately clos- it is perfectly well." Guaranteed ed in. Being lightly armored, care for cuts and burns. 25c at the Almaz had been ordered by Crawford Bros', J. F. Mackey & Admiral Rojestvensky, before the Co's, and Funderburk Pharmacy.

battle, to separate itself from the main fleet at the first opportunity and it headed for Vladivostock soon after the commencement of the action, but not too soon to observe that the losses on both sides in the titanic combat was

Early in the battle an officer of the Almaz, while watching Rojestvensky's flagship, the battleship Kuiaz Souveroff, for a signal saw the flagship shudder from stern to stern as if under a blow from a gigantic hammer, and hesitate in her course, while the waves rose high from her armored sides. Then she commenced to list and sink. The officers believe that the debut of the submarine boat as an effective agent in naval warfare, or perhaps a large mine caused the disaster to the Kniaz Souvaroff. The damage, however, was so extensive that the flagship soon went down, leaving the deck officers and many of the crews struggling in the waves.

One of the Russian torpedo boats, either the destroyer Buiny or the Bravi, ran in and picked up a number of the swimmers, one of whom was recognized through a glass as Admiral Rojestvensky. Under a gruelling attack from the apanese warships, aided by tirpedo boats, mines and submarine, the Borodina, Osliabia and Ural were placed out of action and fillowed the flagship to the b stom,

The fog which had raised and owered intermittently during the morning began to settle down again and the distance of the Almaz, which had now succeeded in disengaging herself in the combat from the struggling ships made it difficult for her to see clearly, but the officers are positive that they saw two Japanese battleships disappear beneath the sea before their eyes and that two Japanese cruisers appeared on the point of

The arrival of the Grozny at 11 o'clock today was marked by the same scenes of excitement as those which characterized the advent of

The correspondent of the Associated Press visited the wounded commander of the destroyer, as a running fight, in which the Grozny was engaged for several hours, finally sinking the pursuing

Togo Gives Name to Battle.

Tokio, May 30, 1.30 p. m. -(Delay in transmission).—Admiral Togo, telegraphing to-day,

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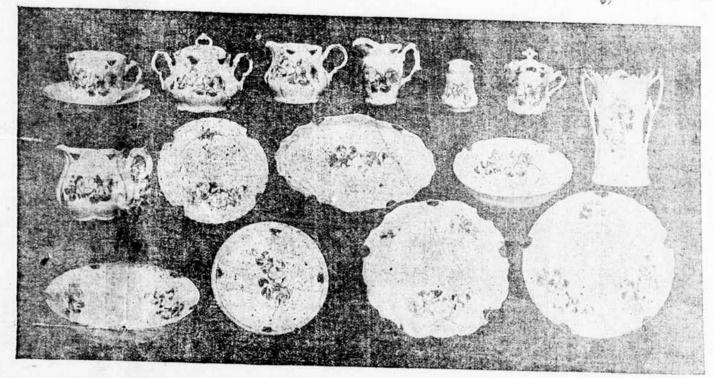
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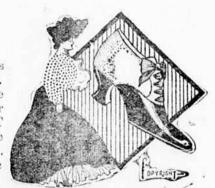


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