

Japan China  
V.S. - + Great B.

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Dear Ranking,

I wrote you a few  
days ago addressing Bournemouth  
& as I write by some of the 70th  
that you have returned to London  
it is doubtful whether you will  
receive my letter. I write what you  
say about Chinese & Japanese. The  
news from that quarter is by far the  
most important at present. Till a  
few months ago G.B., the U.S. &  
Russia were the three candidates  
or aspirants - without knowing it  
- for the world-dominion which  
history shows is sure to come. Just  
so soon as Japan began to break  
up China the U.S. were rolled out, for

the time being. They were unable to  
 do the one thing necessary to carry the  
 day i.e. to secure the ruins of China  
 & organize them (much as India)  
 serving an Asiatic preponderance.  
 Now comes the perfectly fortuitous  
 reprobation with Russia & England,  
 into which Rerchov or the Pywelles  
 or both, as for newspapers, have  
 been hoodwinked, by which England  
 — even by fighting perhaps — will land  
 on the premiership of Asia to Russia.  
 Look at the Situation. — At first  
 Japan was & seemed to Russia  
 the pulling chestnuts out of the fire  
 for her. Russia needs Port Soosang  
 & west of Manchuria for her trans-  
 Siberian line of railway & port. She  
 proposed to step in & take what she  
 wanted in due time, but the continued  
 success of the Japs made Russia

feel that she could not, so  
 far from head-quarters, face  
 the Japs herself successfully. The  
 Japs were proving too strong. They  
 were not only following China but  
 preparing to keep the gained territory.  
 only one thing remained to be  
 done i.e. get England in line to  
 help to pull their Chinooks out of  
 the fire, get England to help to  
 stop the Japs & when the day  
 of settlement arrives obtain  
 for Russia the paid a term on  
 the Pacific - after that is safely  
 secured & the trans-Pacific Ry.  
 is held then disface of England  
 in the East. Thus we see Russian  
 diplomacy following into Lord  
 Roush's arms, with tears,

very much to his surprise & pleasure  
 & the prospect of a combined intervention  
 against Japan, acting in the interest of  
 Russia. It seems to me, at a distance,  
 that England should let Russia alone,  
 make terms directly with the Japs &  
 an understanding that they (the Japs)  
 should have a free hand to save their  
 line but that if they established a  
 protectorate or annexed the territory  
 to that line, England would step in &  
 assume a protectorate of the rest of  
 China. France would seize something  
 of course, adjacent to Tonkin while  
 Russia would have to get what she  
 could under the circumstances from the  
 Japs, whom she dare not invite to  
 hostility. Germany & Co. are nowhere  
 unless England foolishly cares to  
 'acquire' & thus create their interest.

Yours very truly  
 G. C.