The dispatch given out therefore does not admit that Gen. Kouropatkin is withdrawing across the Taitse river entirely. It is possible that owing to the pressure of the Japanese the Russian army, as was stated in the Tokio dispatch, was there into confusion and patch, was thrown into confusion and

main positions of the Russians are on becomes intelligible.

artillery fight during the day north bank doubtless were also employnorth bank doubtless were also capped for this purpose, being placed so as to protect the railroad bridge spanning and reaches the railroad, it will place protect the railroad bridge spanning

review of the Third Siberian corps mentioned in the dispatch, probably refers to a march past of the troops At 4.30 o'clock this afternoon the war

had arrived up to the same hour. The suspense in St. Petersburg is intense, and the town is filled with all kinds of rumors, ranging from a complete victory for Gen. Kouropatkin to a disastrous de feat of the Russians.

USES RUSSIAN GUNS TO BOMBARD STATION.

London, Sept. 2.—The Japanese legation has received a dispatch from Tokio, under to-day's date, giving Field Marshal Oyama's report of the fighting of Thursday. It is practically identical with the Associated Press dispatches from Tokio, timed 10 o'clock this morning and credibles a number of Russian. ing, and specifies a number of Russian cannon captured and subsequently used to bombard Liao Yang station as THE PARTY OF THE P

WHILE DESTROYING MINES.

Tokio, Sept. 2.-10 a.m.-Admiral Hosoya, commanding the third Japanese squadron, reports that last Wednesday norning a number of vessels weighed from Port Arthur and engaged in clear ing away mines. The Japanese watched their operations from seaward.
At 2.25 p.m. a steamer struck a mine

and was blown up.

The disaster occurred one mile below Cheng Tung Shan, and it was plainly

CAPTURE OF JUNKS CARRYING PROVISIONS.

Tokio, Sept. 2.-Noon.-Admiral Hosoya reports that the Japanese guardships near Yenfao, south of Sanshantao, near Talienwan bay, on Sunday and Monday captured twenty-six Chinese junks, which were trying to carry provisions into Port Arthur. They were taken to Talienwan and were tried and confiscated. The crews were released.

TRYING TO CUT OFF THE RUSSIANS.

urg, Sept. 3.-2.19 a.m.-The text of the dispatch sent to the Emperor by General Kouropatkin Thursday evening, the gist of which as given out war office was cabled to the Associated Press at 4.50 o'clock Friday afternoon, was not made public Friday night as expected. It was promised to al press, and was awaited with feverish impatience until 2 o'clock this norning, when it was announced that it would be issued to-day. All the news, therefore, as far as St. Petersburg is concerned, is expected in telegrams from foreign sources, and there is painful suspense awaiting news from Russian

Continued and dogged confidence in General Kouropatkin is noticeable in many quarters, and the public generally, as well as many of the military authorities, absolutely believe that Liao Yang has not been abandoned, or if it has been abandoned that General Kouropatkin is now in a better position to make a stand north of Taitse river. There seemed to be an air of confidence at Peterhoff Friday night. An official who saw the Emperor Friday af-

ternoon said His Majesty was extremeconfident and in good spirits. Experts who are familiar with the in tricate defences constructed north of the Taitse by General Velihotoff, one of Russia's foremost engineers, believe that the Japanese have almost an impossible task in attacking the position with divided forces. It is pointed out that General Kuroki will have to make a considerable detour to reunite his forces.

A temporary lull in the fighting would

not be surprising. The men op both sides have already made superhuman efforts, and it is thought that there must soon be a let up of some sort. The Russian correspondent of the Associated Press at Liao Yang, in a dispatch dated August 31st, says: "The Russian balloon corps has been of the greatest service throughout these several days' fighting in locating the Japanese advance through the thick cover of Chicornfields, where the Japanes columns frequently tried to creep up and

rprise the Russian positions. The Japanese are using lyddite and n its effect, and its brown haze is easily distinguished on the curtained slopes of the hills, where hundreds of Japanese guns all day long poured in a deadly

"In some of the batteries it has been impossible to remove the dead or woun

ed from for three or four days." SUCCESSFUL NIGHT

ATTACK BY GEN. OKU. Tokio, Sept. 2 .- A telegram receive here from the chief of staff in the field

indicates that General Oku, in command

of the Japanese army, gained the as-cendancy over the Russian right and centre by a night assault. The Japanese gained a foothold near Hsinlintun on Wednesday afternoon, and telegram says that they occupied Hsinlintun and the eminences to the west of Shoushanpao at 3 o'clock Thursday morning after having delivered a lusions were made by editorial writers successful night attack which surprised to the possibility of Liao Yang being the

Before falling back General Kouropatkin intended that his left, to the eastward and northward of Liao Yang, should be greatly strengthened, hope of checking General Kuroki's advance around his flank, and to pro In light of the knowledge that the his line of retreat and communication. St. Petersburg of the Echo de Paris the south bank of the river, the dispatch force seems to have been massed in the makes it evident that a cordon of Russian guns was used to cover the movement across the river. The guns at the north bank doubtless were also employ-

the Russians in a serious predicament. Yesterday the Japanese managed to interfere seriously with the train service from Liao Yang. They used some guns vitch, the late Admiral Withoff's chief captured from the Russians, together of staff, who arrived here wounded on while crossing the river, it being impossible to suppose that a formal review occurred while the battle was in procedured while the battle was in procedured while the battle was in procedured. Captured from the Russians, together of staff, who arrived here wounded on the Russian battleship Czarevitch Aug.

Few details of the pursuit of the Rusoffice said it was entirely without news of to-day's fighting, but added that the sian right have been received here. It road between Liao Yang and Mukden is evident that the Russians are moving thing that will materially change warback slowly, contesting the ground and fare. The greatest lesson has been the as open.

No press dispatches from the front shielding their movement as far as posusefulness of wireless telegraphy.

the fight of August 10th we used

this (Friday) morning.

The list of casualties in the fighting boats, we before Liao Yang is growing, and the inparatus. dications are that it will prove to be the bloodiest battle since the Franco-Prussia war. The calculations of casu-

MELTON PRIOR IS ON HIS WAY TO LONDON.

Chefoo, Sept. 2 .- Noon .- Melton Prior, the press correspondent, has arrived of very little use. When a ship is in here from Newchwang, en route home. action they cannot be used successfully, Mr. Prior says he was not nearer the battle than eight miles, owing to the restrictions placed on correspondents by the Japanese.

TRYING TO FORCE RUSSIANS TO RIVER.

Tokio, Sept. 2.-9 p.m.-A few additional details of the progress of the battle at Liao Yang reached Tokio at a late hour to-day. General Kuroki's right is continuing ing ground whence their guns will dom-inate the railroad. The troops under ese boats, which has not been reported General Kuroki are jaded and weary. They have been marching and fighting since August 23rd, but in spite of this RESUMED SUPPER they attacked with spirit. The Japan ese are confident that they have already swept back the strong Russian force with which they have been engaged. and it is probable that when the details are known it will be found that a great of August 31st, gives some details ragedy was enacted to-day along the

Taitse river. The Taitse is flooded and cannot be the state of telegraphic communication, forded. General Oku, in command of the Japanese left army, has directed his energies to force the Russians to the less it is among the last communications.

A private dispatch received here re ports that great fires are raging at ably could not be dislodged with Gen. Lian Yang. This statement is not confirmed officially. The fires are believed to result from the Japanese shelling or from efforts of the Russians to destroy their stores preparatory to the evacuation of Liao Yang, with the additional hope of injuring the city as a future Japanese base.

Unofficial estimates place the Russian forces in the vicinity of Liao Yang at 15 divisions of 15,000 men each. s probably excessive, but it is eviden hat, numerically, the Russians exceed the Japanese. The opinion that Russian casualties in the recent fight ing will reach 30,000 is confidently expected in high quarters here. Neither Field Marshal Oyama nor the Japan ese army commanders have vet esti mated the Russian losses.

It seems that the Japanese avoided lirect assault upon Liao Yang itself, bu devoted their energies to the troops outside the city and an effort to cu off the Russian retreat. Liao Yang i strongly fortified, and it is probable that the Japanese will not attack the city directly until they have succeeded in isc don Lino Yang, the Japanese will, of

THE JAPS CAPTURE TEN RUSSIAN GUNS

Field Headquarters of the Second Japanese Army, Sunday, August 28.— (7 p.m.), via Fusan, Sept. 2.—The Russian forces reach Shushumpo to-day, the Japanese following them. A severe rear-guard action was fought all day long. The Japanese captured guns and ten ammunition wagons. The newspaper correspondents six miles away from the fighting to-day

MORE RUMORS OF FALL OF LIAO YANG London, Sept. 3 .- The Times Tokio orrespondent, cabling Friday, says: premature rumors of the fall Liao Yang are repeated to-day, but a areful analysis of official reports show that the Russians are merely being driven into their last defences, where they will probably make a desperate re-

sistance. The Japanese armies are to the correspondent of the Associated closing around them." The correspondent of the Morning Post with General Oku's army, says hat the Russians could easily have de-

REGARDED AS A

GREAT RUSSIAN REVERSE. Berlin, Sept. 2.-Military specialists treat the news from Liao Yang as indi-cating a great Russian reverse, which with the railroad north cut and bad roads, may be turned into a rout. As today is being celebrated as the anniver sary of the battle of Sedan, frequent al-

tle on the east front, and finally that the Russians. The artillery captured by Sedan of the east, and parallels were the Russian losses were 5,000 killed or the Japanese, which they are using drawn between the two situations. The wounded.

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TRIED BY COURT-MARTIAL

Paris, Sept. 2.—The correspondence The greatest portion of this protecting says that at a council of admirals, pre-force seems to have been massed in the sided over by High Admiral Grand neighborhood of Heyingtai, 12 miles Duke Alexis, it was decided that Rear-northeast of Liao Yang, where it was Admiral Prince Okoutomsky be court-

> RUSSIAN ON NAVAL LESSONS OF THE WAR.

Tsintau, Sept. 2.-Captain Matous venting the entraining of Russian respondent of the Associated Press on troops. Nothing concerning the actual occupa-tion of Liao Yang has been received here; official dispatches indicate that here; official dispatches indicate that the received apparatus was shot away. We looked it worked more reliably and quicker than the flags. I believe in the future boats, will be fitted with wireless ap-

"Much has been learned about mines and torpedoes. The only defence against mines is good judgment, or insight as to where they are likely to be placed by the enemy. If it is imperative that ships must go to that vicinity, send sweepers in advance. The war has demonstrated that the most powerful searchlights cannot pick up floating mines, that the latter were unknown before this war. The Japanese made as many as 15 ineffectual torpedo attacks in ore night. Torpedo nets are of very little use. When a ship is in as they retard her speed and hamper the movements. If several ships are together and they concentrate their searchlights, it is almost impossible to ccessfully attack them with torpedoes I do not agree with the critics who say the battleship is a thing of the past. In the Port Arthur movements

the battleships, cruisers and boats did the work cut out for them "Since I have been at Trintau I have had an opportunity to read the Japanes reports of the Port Arthur engagem o press the attack at Heigingtai, seek- and find them inaccurate. The Russians by either side."

AFTER REPULSING JAPS

St. Petersburg, Sept. 2.-8.20 a.m.-A delayed dispatch to the Official Mes-senger, from Liao Yang, under the date yesterday's fighting. The dispatch fails, Taitse river.

The Taitse is flooded and cannot be the state of telegraphic communication, river, and it is probable that there before the suspension of press messages, were many drowned there. ans were holding out well, and prob-Kuroki's flank movements. The correspondent states that he was with a hat-Japanese guns opened. "It was," he continues, "a simultane- Port Dalny.

of our defences, so they constantly shifted their batteries, trying to search out our positions. "It was in the course of these manoeu-

of interest to the Japanese artillery men.

The sight was a beautiful, but terrifying one. Although we were masked and tolerably protected, the side of our hill was rent and torn by bursting shells, dirt, dust and rocks filled the air, sand The we watched the shells fall upon the ruins of the thousand-year old watch tower where they completed the ravages of the centuries. The Japanese tried to enfilade us from a village on the right. Here we had the advantage in knowing the range and simply smothered them with shells. Consequently, the Japanese

withdrew hurriedly. "A second attempt to enfilade us was made at 10 o'clock in the morning, but again it failed. We swept the Chinese cornfields, whence the fire came, and turned out the Japanese gunners like a nest of angry wasps.

"Our rifle brigade held the village of Maietung against that position, time and again, until our reserves swept down and cleared the front at the point of the

"The roar of the fight was not stonped by darkness. The scene became infinitely more beautiful as the hills were lighted by the glare from flame-spitting batteries which had been scarcely visible in the daylight. Each of the thousands of shells became a pyrotechnic spectacle, while lines of fires rocked and quivered back and forth where, the infantry was holding our trenches against the creep-ing Japanese columns. The latter had almost reached the trenches of the 24th Regiment, aided by the darkness. The men, who were at supper, dropped their soup and black bread, turned out quickly and drove off the Japanese with their bayonets. Then they returned to their sadly needed meal.

fighting on Tuesday was heavy on the right flank. A spy captured while attempting to pass the lines, said the Japanese guard division suffered terribly.

REPAIRS STOPPED ON RUSSIAN SHIPS.

Shanghai, Sept. 2.-The Chinese government, acceding to the demand of the Japanese, effected the stoppage to day of boat destroyer Grosovoi.

JAPS HAVE TAKEN TWO OF COAST FORTS.

London, Sept. 1.- A dispatch to the l'elegraph from Chefoo states that the Japanese, after four days' bombardment, have succeeded in capturing two of the coast forts east of the Tiger's Tail fortress, and only three-fourths of a mile from the old town of Port Arthur. A small fort farther west has also been captured.

OFFICERS CAPTURED ON

WAY TO PORT ARTHUR. WAY TO PORT ARTHUR.

Chefoo, Aug. 2...-10 p.m.—It is reported that the Japanese have captured some Russian officers bound to Port Arthur and railroad communication between the Russian army and Mukden losses up to restrict a between the Russian army and Mukden losses up to restrict as being 25.000 The dispatch indicates that the Rus-; thur with important papers. These officers left Mukden and attempted to get into Port Arthur by junk. For some time past a Japanese torpedo boat has been at sea watching for this junk, and, tery on Koulack nill, to the left of the according to the report, she overtook it railway line, at dawn Monday, when the at 10 o'clock this morning and took the officers, the papers and the junk into

The exact position of the two armies that oppose each other at Liao Yang, on this the fifth day of the great battle, is still left somewhat vague by both the press dispatches and official reports. Both St. Petersburg and Tokio advices, however, make clear the fact that Kouropatkin did not remove his entire army to the north-bank of the Taitse, and it is evident that portions of both armies are to-day engaged on either side of the river, while Russian official advices and the information given out at St. Petersburg still maintain that Gen. Kouropatkin has executed a successful strategic move and that his retrograde movement does not indicate a reverse. The tone of the Tokio reports is confident in the extreme, and a dis-

patch from Marshal Oyama alludes to "The defeated Russians" as making a last stand outside the walls of Liao Yang, where they are being attacked by the Japanese left and centre armies. Kouropatkin is also engaged with Gen. Kuroki north of the river on his

left, and there are rumors that a strong Japanese force has executed another flank, movement by crossing higher up and to the west of the Russian position.

An Associated Press dispatch from St. Petersburg says that a report has reached there that Kouropatkin is in full retreat. 'I'm war office admit that such is the rumor that comes from the seat of war, but declares it is not official.

REPORTED TO BE IN FULL RETREAT.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 3 .- 5.05 p.m .report has just reached St. Petersburg that Gen. Kouropatkin is in full The war office admits that such

rumor has come from the seat of war, but declare that it is not official. Notwithstanding the lack of official onfirmation of Kouropatkin's retreat, the report has fallen like a cold douche upon the general staff. The Emperor, who was going to Libau to-day, has postponed his trip owing to the situation at the front. He has been spending his time the last three days with the cabinet at Alexandra villa, with maps spread out before him, following movement's of the battle.

A high official of the general staff said Press after the receipt of the unofficial report that Kouropatkin was falling back, that if it was true, he did not be lieve the commander-in-chief could afford and that the Russians, when retiring in his opinion an army corps would be from Shahopu, destroyed a bridge 250 left there to protect them. He added: yards long across the Shado. to abandon his stores at Liao Yang, and the Ladysmith of the Japanese-Russian

GATHERING NORTHEAST

OF LIAO YANG. Tokio, Sept. 3 .- 10.30 a.m.-It is ex pected that the main strength of Field Marshall Oyama's forces to the south-ward will succeed this morning in cross-ly to give ground in retreat and is cross-ly to give ground in retreat and give ground give gr rtion of the heights commanding Heiy-

ingtai, and it is hoped that he will dominate the railroad to-day.

The Russians appear to be gathering at Yentai colliery, northeast of Liao Yang.

RUSSIANS ABANDONED NUMBER OF GUNS.

Mukden, Sept. 2 .- After six days' hattle, on the last three of which the heav-iest fighting occurred, the Japanese on Wednesday last abandoned their di attack on Liao Yang in favor of a flank-The Russian artillery fire was greatly

aided by the sending up of the balloons outheast of Liao Yang, thus locating the Japanese batteries. The Russians were compelled to abandon a number of guns, being unable to remove them through the mud. Wednesday Japanese shells

ers fell as far north as Yentenai. The railroad is being used almost exclusively by hospital trains and for the transportation of Japanese prisoners. | works from the south to the northwest
The latter are in a dreadful state of | of Liao Yang, and the heights northeast exhaustion, many of them having been without food for two days, during which downpours of rain filled the trenches.

Their shoes and clothes are in tafters. BEING DRIVEN BACK ACROSS THE RIVER

ing to the right bank of the Taitse river.

A portion of the Russian army oc-

ing northwest from a point south of Liao nence northeast of Newchwang on the right bank of the Taitse. This evidently is intended to shield the general retreat of both the left and centre.

The Japanese armies continued to press the Russians yesterday. They vres that Koulack hill became an object moved forward and occurred a line extending from Tatepjif to Yanchialinzu. Oyama telegraphs that he will reach the right bank of the Taitse Gen. Kuroki, after serious fighting,

succeeded yesterday in taking a portion of an eminence near Haiyingtai. Details of this fighting have not been re The Russians again appear to be con centrating twelve miles northeast of Liao

Yang. Possibly another great battle will occur there. The present trend of the movements as follows: dicates that possibly the Japanese will move past Liao Yang, temporarily leav-

ing the city untouched. OPERATIONS ON NORTH SIDE OF THE TAITSE.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 3.-1.30 p.m.-A has now begun. The main operations have been transferred to the north bank of the Taitse river, where General Kouropatkin has assumed the offensive hurling the bulk of his army against Field Marshal Oyama's right, under Gen. Kuroki, and at the same time holding the Japanese centre and left on the other side of the river in check, with the force left on the south bank for that

The operations on the south side are now regarded as being of secondary importance at the war office, where Kouropatkin's action, in throwing the bulk of his army across the river to the right (Yang, the railroad station and the railbank, in order to protect his rear and road itself. give him an opportunity to try conclusions single handed with Kuroki, is con-

sidered to be a brilliant stroke.

The Russians force left on the Liao strong enough behind its fortified positions to hold Gen. Oku and Gen. Nodzu repulsed with very great loss. We had long enough to give Kouropatkin a chance to strike Kuroki, and at the same time to protect the bridges, of RUSSIANS THREATENED which it now develops there are ten over which Kouropatkin must recross in order to follow up his success in the event that he crushes Kuroki. In case of a reverse, the bridges will

all repairs on the Russian protected the main army.

The main one of the strong Russian positions on the Liao Yang side, which is presumed ing up the Liao river towards Sinmintin guarded bridges, but the Japanese were repulsed with exceedingly heavy losses, began.

the Russians behind their works suffering only slightly. The Japanese are using siege guns on the Liao Yang side.

Kouropatkin did not delay after his capture by the Japanese of a portion of the heights at Heiyingtai, which is situ

oncentration on the right bank.

Yesterday morning he massed his arlatter place is two miles southeast of lery and at noon began to bombard Kuroki's position, preliminary to an infantry attack. The above was the situation when the latest reports in posses-

sion of the war office were sent. What the authorities at Tokio regard

For strategic reasons the general staff office is not in possession of data to estidecided not to publish the text of mate the Russian losses, but thought Kouropatkin's official dispatch of yes-

Gen. Kouropatkin, telegraphing under to-day's date, describes the change of front resulting from Gen. Kuroki's flanking movement, says the Russians advanced against Kuroki yesterday, and adds that the Japanese the same day attacked the Russian right, but were re-

In military circles, where the progre of the battle is known. Kouropatkin's actics are approved, and confidence expressed in the issue. The failure of Tokio to chronicle the voluntary passages of Kouropatkin's CARRIED POSITION

main army across the river is believed here to indicate that the Japanese desire to reap as much glory as possible, if they succeed in taking possession of Liao Neither Kouropatkin's decision

make the crossing with his army nor the fact that the bulk of it is over, which was exclusively announced by the Associated Press, was known to the Russian public till this morning. Even then the public had some difficulty in making out the exact situation, but the nere knowledge of the fact that Kouropatkin had begun his attack upon Kuroki patkin had begun his actual approaches spirits, served to revive the people's spirits, which had drooped perceptibly during the tuan by a bayonet charge. In this fight past 48 hours without official news.

No information has yet been received egarding the result of Kouropatkin's attack upon Oyama's right, and the keenest anxiety exists as to the result of the whole battle, which is now in the balance. If Kouropatkin is defeated his retirement further northward would seem to be imperative, while on the other hand a Russian victory might turn the are confident that naval supremacy will tide of war.

JAPANESE ATTACKING FORCE SOUTH OF RIVER.

London, Sept. 3.-11.39 a.m.-A dis patch from Tokio to the Japanese lega-tion here says Field Marshal Oyama re-"Sept. 3rd, 9 a.m.-A remnant of the routed enemy still is offering some re-sistance outside Liao Yang. Our central

and left armies are attacking it. An earlier message from Field Marreached the railroad station and the rail-road bridge over the Taitse river. Oth-of our left and centre army continued to retreat on September 2nd to the righ bank of the Taitse river, except the portion of his forces occupying the defer works from the south to the northwest of Nutchang. Our armies are continuing the attack. Our right army occuthe morning of September 2nd

part of the heights west of Heivingtai. THE RUSSIAN STAND OUTSIDE THE WALLS

Tokio, Sept. 3.-The following dispatch has been received here:
"Headquarters of the Manchurian army, Sept. 3, 9 a.m.—The remainder of the defeated Russians are making a kin as to compel him to retreat to Harstand outside the walls of Liso Yang. bin, thus effectually preventing a march stan's Hill. London, E. C., for free in-

ous salute by hundreds of guns, and dur- cupied a line of defence works extend- Our left and centre armies are attack- for the relief of Port Arthur, for

RUSSIANS REPORTED TO HAVE TAKEN OFFENSIVE.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 3 .- 12.30 p.m .-A bulletin just issued announces that General Kouropatkin has assumed the offensive, massing his artillery and bombarding the Japanese on Friday at capture Port Arthur before Vice-A gon preparatory to an attack upon Gen. Kuroki's flanking army on the north side of the Taitse river.

THE WITHDRAWAL ON THURSDAY NIGHT.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 3 .- Later in the ay the general staff reconsidered its determination not to make public Gen. Kouropatkin's dispatch to the Emperor yesterday, and the text was given out "At nightfall on Thursday the Japan-

ese attacked our Sykawankun position, but were repulsed after a hot fight. They renewed the attack at night this time Dalny, having fortified every point with success, driving back a regiment in the direction of Sakunkun.

"The retreat of this regiment led to Japanese are confident that with the line of march in order to imnot to prevent a Russian advantage of the retreat of this regiment led to Japanese are confident that with the line of march in order to imnot to prevent a Russian advantage of the retreat of this regiment led to be required.

other troops. "Towards the morning the troops adanced gradually in order to retake the ykawankun position. "At dawn on Friday I assumed the ffensive against the troops of Gen.

Kuroki's army. "At midday the heads of the attacking orps were in line and preparations were eing made to retake by artillery the po-ition captured during the night by the apanese and the infantry is also ad-

vancing to the attack. "During the night the Japanese vioently bombarded the interior of the Rus- the Seoul-Fusan railway from any por ian position inside the town of Liao

"Our losses were insignificant. "I have just received a dispatch from he chief of the Liao Yang garrison, med 10.35 a.m., to the effect that the Yang side of the Taitse is regarded as Japanese attacked the fort situated at mander islands. the cenre of our position, but they were six men killed in the fight.'

FROM THE WEST.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 3.-If the report that the Russian commander-in-chief is retiring turns out to be true, it is conalso furnish ample facilities for the Rus-sians on the Liao Yang side to rejoin to the appearance of another flanking ovement of the Japanese higher

The fighting at Sykwantun, referred to in Gen. Kouropatkin's telegram, corresponds with the Tokio report of the capture by the Japanese of a portion of Siakhoutin, whither the Russian advance regiment was forced back by Kuroki

during the night of Thursday last. The report from Tokio of Oyama throwing the bulk of his army across the river is considered at war office to in-

The Tokio estimate of the Japanese losses up to yesterday as being 25,000 is regarded here as moderate. The war they may reach 15.000. The battle is now regarded as having

reached its most critical stage. KOUROPATKIN'S FORCE IS NOT SURROUNDED.

Berlin, Sept. 3 .- The foreign office has official news from Tokio that Kouro-patkin's position to-day is by no means desperate. The main portion of his army is still heavily engaged, and part was drawn off successfully. sian army is not encircled. The Rus-

BY BAYONET CHARGE. General Kuroki's headquarters in the field, August 28th, via Fusan, Korea, Sept. 3.—For the past two days the army under General Kuroki has pushed to the northwest towards the railroad north of Liao Yang. His right wing has taken the last line of intervening hills and holds a commanding position from which to strike below. The fighting lately has been continuous and heavy, and there has been much artillery fire.

Last night the Japanese carried a strongly fortified Russian position north the Japanese losses were small.

REGARDED AS VICTORIES FOR JAPANESE NAVY

Vladivostock, Sept. 1.-The ambitious hopes of Japan are freely discussed by Japanese prisoners here. All of them enable Japan to dictate terms of peace which will include, according to the possession of Port Arthur. Dalny Korea, Saghalien, Kamtchatka and the Commander islands, leaving Manchuria n Russian hands. The Japanese prisoners claim a first victory for their country in the preventing of the Russians from making a base of Vladivosťock, from which place the hostile fleets would efctually have imperiled communication in Korea, rendering a land campaign im-

The Japanese, they say gained this

victory by forcing a war in the winter,

when Vladivostock was icebound. The attack on the Port Arthur squadron and the bottling up of that place, hey claim, were their next vict Then came the battles of the Yalu and Kinchau, both of which are regarded by the Japanese as victories for the navy. They declare that without the aid of gunboats it would have been impossible o cross the Yalu or to storm impregnable Kinchau. Thanks to the navy, the for scientific research into the origin Japanese formed convenient bases at cause and treatment of diabetes and the Takushan, and later at Yinkow, and, secondary symptoms: gout, rheumatism. thanks to the navy, they are now pre-paring to form a river flotilla like Gen. Kitchener's Nile expedition, which will carbuncles, etc. Hardly any disease is so little understood, and at the same time so insidious and dangerous as diabe able to ascend the Liao river and its betes, which, according to the highest tributaries as far as Liao Yang and modern authorities, is curable after all

Japanese declare that the capture of fortress is their chief aim

The determination is doubled been of the fact that a portion of the Russian squadron has returned there an assert, the destruction of Rear Ad Ouktomsky's ships is mor portant than the defeat of Kon Rojestvensky, commanding the squadron, can arrive there. The the fortress and of the war vesse there will compel the Baltic so to remain in European waters, l are confident of coping with thi ron, which is inferior in number, which would be bereft of a naval except the ice-bound Vladivostock, pr vided their plans at Port Arthur are wa

The Japanese prisoners state the time Gen. Kouropatkin has mastery of the sea no Russian Arthur or drive them out of Sakh or even Kamtchatka, which, thoug peninsula, is practically isolated the continent by impassable des

wastes. Regarding Korea, the Japan gists consider that the Russians would attempt the impossible if they tried possess them. They would have erate over 300 miles from the base, with nothing better than the tain paths for transport, where the anese would be able to get supplie on the coast.

The Japanese are convinced that Rusia, realizing the impossibility of her task, will agree to terms of peace. ing her in possession of Manchuria and giving them Port Dalny, Port Arthur, Sakhalien, Kamtchatka and the Com-

DAVID M'HARG

AT FIRST DAY OF TRIAL OF DR. TELFORD

Hearing the Charge of Manslaughter in Vancouver-Number of Nurses in Witness Box.

Vancouver, Sept. 2.-To-day's testinony in the trial of Dr. Telford on the charge of manslaughter in connection with the death of Hattie Bowell, was mostly of a technical kind. The nurses of Burrard sanitarium were on the stand all morning. Their evidence related the symptons and general condition d during the week sh

n the hospital. This afternoon the testimoney of medical men will be taken. Interest in the trial is general, and long before the court opened this morn-

ing the courtroom was packed with people of all classes of society.

Yesterday afternoon Judge Bole listen ed to the testimony of David McHarg. the man responsible for the co deceased. McHarg told of his conve ons with the prisoner. The prisoner had refused on two occasions to perform an operation for abortion. He had given witness a catheter which might be used for a criminal operation, but McHarg said the instrument never left his po

John Bowell, collector of customs, and father of deceased, gave testimony as to the girl being under Dr. Telford's care without his knowledge or co Mr. Bowell was much agitated i box. Mrs. George E. MacDonald also testified. Her evidence was in main similar to that she had given at the coroner's inquest.

Vancouver, Sept. 3 .-- Expert evidence chiefly occupied attention in the Telford trial this morning. Dr. R. E. Me Kechnie, one of the physicians in con sultation on Miss Bowell on the Friday night, was asked a large number of ques tions regarding his opinion of how the case had been handled, and what would have been proper treatment under conditions named. He told Deputy orney-General McLean, when aske bout a fake operation for appe and attending treatment, that it was nceivable that a practitioner so bereft of common sense as that." M cross-examination was vigor

ous, but little of value was elicited. BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

A Shanghai dispatch says: "The an nouncement is made that Li Hing Jour vicercy of Foo Chow, and Wei Kouan viceroy of Nanking, will exchang posts. The effect of the change on for eign relations is uncertain."

Mrs. Robt. Funnel, who, with her two

rear-old daughter, was burned as a r

sult of a lamp explosion in her residen

Toronto Monday night, is dead. child died Tuesday. Six children sur-As a result of a rear-end collision be tween Northern Pacific freights Nos. 53 and 59, at Drummond, Mont., freight cars are in the ditch, 300 feet o track torn up and all traffic has bee lelayed by eight or ten hours. No live

were lost and no one was injured One of the most useful institutions o this country promises to be The Dia betic Institute of London,

GENERAL KODA

IN PRESENT WAR, LOCAL JAP

Is Really Responsible for tics-Greatest So Japan.

The Russians are in fu Liao Yang, according to the Times gave out this by bulletin on Saturday little excitement, and, it great deal of satisfaction the Japs" was heard on a with expressions of wone tion at this latest exhil fighting ability. After with due consideration effects and the various pl situation which has pres street-corner experts and to the bulletin window ion of reading the usus from the Russian capit thing is coming their v now is the well-defined Kouropatkin being carri the verdency of the unf se in so readily taking

tremely pitiable."

The unparalleled ser which have crowned the campaign to date, indice where there is a master the operations. That the great military skill, app behind the remarkably ments of the soldiers everybody is aware, but A close reader of the

be inclined to answer Oyama, commander-inforces in Manch manded the second ar war between Japan and ago and who captur Calienwan and Wei-Ha As a matter of fact, the veteran Oyama who campaign, nor Kuroki, Oku, but Lt.-Gen. Bar sistant chief of the arm Japan, who was acting during the Japanese-Ch cording to local Japane conversation with a Tim this morning, Lt.-Gen. ablest soldier of Japan, gical genius is due the tories which have sur He is acting as chief Marshal Oyama, the ne he hears the same rela mander-in-chief that S poleon, in the Waterlo Kitchener to Lord Rob

"Oh, yes, Kodama Japan has," remarked e men Mr Isl well versed in the mil country, and has the na est heroes at his fingers has had a large militar has been minister of wa was also Governor-G dicate that he is the 1 work has fallen. In t the struggle he practic office in the war depa there, in fact. Marsh arrive and leave at t One day the old gener he did not spend as noffice as Kodama, and 'Oh. I don't have very his plans, in fact I know

Mr. Ishii says that and General Kawakam Marshal Yamagata's ch war with China ten y two ablest soldiers Jap The latter, who died s the real moving spirit paign against the Ch Kodama's great abilit ber of soldiers now in above him by virtue First, of course, the there is Nodzu, a v ommanded the Japan the decisive battle of war. Then there are who with Nodzu, are manders in the presen

OYCLING CHAM

London, Sept. 3.-T hampionship contes Crystal Palace this eliminary heats. be decided on Sep finals on September splendid entry. Be European countries Marcus Hurley. erican rider, won

teur championship

metres, time 4.01.

competitor. Buck.

by a wheel. The hol Reed, of London, also 3.27 2-5.

CANADIAN The Archbishop of C ronto-Fire a

Toronto, Sept. 3.-T Canterbury and party last night, arrived h this morning and we Bishop of Toronto and of the clergy. The pa the residence of E. B.

Peterboro, Ont., Sept did damage to the ext compounding plant of eral Electric Co. On T

Fire at P

Winnipeg, Sept. 3.