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Gen. Kouropatkin Tells of Recent Raids by Russian Cavalry-Reports Defeat of Japanese.

Headquarters of the third Japanese byny at Port Arthur, Jan. 14, via Tient-Jan. 16.-The victorious Japanese my yesterday formally entered Port

Proposals for the surrender of Port Arthur were first made December 29th DUTCH STEAMER

at a council of war. Gen. Stoessel was n favor of surrendering, but some of his

the streets and refused to obey their offi-cers. Many of them destroyed the guns on the fortifications they had defended and came into the city without permission. The infantry loudly protested that the fortress had been given away, threw

Japanese official accounts, however, show they found 22,491 privates and non-commissioned officers, 6,500 marines and officers and others, which brought fighting. Apart from munitions in the fortress thirty odd thousand men still dence, they crossed the Liao river. Smyrnoff in Stoessel's dispatches.

The Czar's friend, Prince Meschersky,

'What can it mean that all through the siege among the heroes Stoessel mentions, one name is tacking which was honored within the walls of Port Arthur just as much as Stoesselfs own mander of Port Arthur, who made a assist in clearing the harbor and vicinity first-class fortress out of a mere rock? Generals Kondratenko and Fock were similarly neglected."

JAPANESE DEFEATED

WITH HEAVY LOSS.

corrected from the unanimous decision of the final council of war. Our final urgent requests for relief were never and afterwards pursued the company, defeating it, inflicting heavy loss. The same night our patrols damaged the railroad line, the telegraph line, a train and two locomotives.

"During these two days our cavalry" effect of the death of General Kondratchenko and the fearful increase of scurvy really fixed the time of capitulation. It is quite untrue that I dissented from the unanimous decision of the final council of war. Our final urgent requests for relief were never answered.

"As regards parole, I distinctly discouraged any concerted action. Every officer decided for himself, Generally the commanding officers stuck with their men and chose imprisonment. Most of

lery cannonaded the station, set fire to ! SURRENDER OF FORTRESS The Japanese opened fire with rifle and machine guns, and our men sought to Chefoo. The plunior officers denounce MAY BE until they reached the railroad line, when a strong force of Japanese cavalry appeared and advanced from Tashikow. Our forces, being inferior, retired, carrying away nearly all the killed and ablaze almost the whole night."

> EXCHANGE OF JAP AND RUSSIAN OFFICERS.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 16.—The Jananese consent to an exchange of prisoners, according to class and rank, has just been received here. Consequently in the according to class and rank, has just been received here. Consequently in the procession, which was five miles long, was three hours passing the saluting base, after which the troops passed out of the city through the new town.

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London, Jan. 17.—The latest news as to the condition of Port Arthur when it was surrendered to the Japanese occasions much discussion as to General Stoessel's reason for captualting. Criticism, however, is generally lenient, there being a tendency to regard General Stoessel's tributes to General Stoessel's the small guins were removed to the same tributes to General Stoessel's tributes to General Stoes

AT PORT ARTHUR. gentlemen, I presume we will fight till the end."

show they found 22,491 privates and non-commissioned officers, 6,500 marines and officers and others, which brought up the total to 32,207 men capable of fighting. Apart from munitions in the

While the cavalry raid on the line of while the cavalry raid on the line of Japanese communications will be munitions of war, with large supplies.

Military men are also incensed over the total absence of mention of Gen. staff does not give encouragement to the idea that it is the precursor of a serious movement.

FISHERMEN ASSIST IN CLEARING HARBOR.

Tokio, Jan. 15.—It is reported that 100 fishermen will be sent to Port Arthur to

London, Jan. 18.-The correspondent at Nagasaki of the Express has had an interesting interview with General Stoessel, in the course of which the general

St. Petersburg, Jan. 16.—Gen. Kouropatkin has sent this report to the EmYear's day was merely a coincidence
Year's day was merely a coincidence "The capitulation occurring on New "During the evening of Japanese infantry and half a squadron of Japanese dragoons were defeated with great infantry and half a squadron of Japanese dragoons were defeated with great increase of the death of General Kondra-

They say the torpedo boat destroyers that escaped before the surrender carshelter in ditches and again attacked the incapacity and folly of the government in entering upon the war, and declare that all the men who return to Russia from Port Arthur are revolu-

NAVY DEMORALIZED AFTER MAKAROFF'S DEATH.

The Daily Telegraph's Kobe corres-CAPTURED BY JAPS. count of the final meeting between the eneral officers were bitterly opposed to
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Russian generals at Nagasaki. According to this account twelve generals assembled at General Stoessel's house. Askrender was January 1st, after Gen. Stoessel had communicated with the Japanese.

The scenes following the surrender were disgraceful. Drunken soldiers filled the streets and refused to obey their officers.

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Toko, Jan. 15.—A naval officer who has returned from Port Arthur, discussing conditions there, to-day, said:

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Berlin, Jan. 16.—The telegrams exchanged between Emperor William and Changed between Emperor William and Changed between Emperor William and Changed Botrovsky.

defeated several small detachments and captured one officer, fourteen soldiers and 500 carts, with stores. Our casualties were three officers killed and ten wounded, and fifteen soldiers killed and 49 wounded.
"On January 12th our patrols damaged the railroad six miles from Yinkow.
"At 4 p. m. January 12th a Russian detachment reached Yinkow. Our artillery cannongded the station set first a lery cannongded the station and station with the other Russian officers were useless, applying for leave on occasions of attack and deviate useless, applying for leave on occasions useless, applying for leave on occasions useless, applying for leave on occasions useless. ___

MAY BE FLOATED.

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tionists in spirit.

These opinions were openly expressed in the presence of General Stoessel, who remarked: "Let them talk; they have earned the right to think as they please by braving untold deaths for our country of the second of the se These four vessels, the correspondent says, may be saved after great expense,

out the difficulties will be great, as there

service after the engagement of August 10th. Coal was abundant, and it was used to protect the decks of the war render, which account was obtained from | capture of Roju Hill the ships were sunk

EN ROUTE TO JIBUTIL.

Perim, Jan. 18.—The Russian squadron passed Perim, Straits of Bebel Mandah at six o'clock this morning.

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going towards Jibutil, in the Gulf of
Aden.

THE VESSELS WILL

Dominion Government Has Decided to Grant a Subsidy - Liberal Caucus at Ottawa.

Ottawa, Jan. 17.-The Dominion government has decided to put a sum in the estimates for a steamship service battleships. The battleships Retvizan and Pobieda seem to be hopelessly damaged. government will give an equal amount. This decision has been reached after considerable negotiations between the two governments. It is understood that the present Australian line running to Vancouver is after the subsidy and if sucressful they would run to New Zealand The government may make a deal with them. Canada enjoys the New Zealand preference and a good trade may be worked up between both countries.

Liberal Caucus. The first government caucus of the session was held to-day. Senator Wm. Gibson presided. The principal business was the appointment of whips. W. S. Calvert was appointed chief whip, and H. J. Logan assistant chief whip. The latter is a new office. G. D. Grant was Northwest, and Robert McPherson, Vancouver, for British Columbia. Sir Wil-This is the division of Vice-Admiral frid impressed upon the party the de-

Advantage of the post of the control of the post of th This might happen, but it is tolerably certain that the States would exact a stiff price for protection."

United States and the Empire, and says "only the destruction of the commerce of the former would save Canada, and much. What is now wanted is a little plain, straightforward speaking from British statesmen in power, or out of power. Let Lord Rosebery and the rest have the courage to say what every plain, straightforward person will say whenever such phrases as loyalty of the colonies' and 'unity of the Empire' are used. It ought not to be difficult to suggest a means whereby the Canadian contribution to the navy could be spent in accordance with Canada's wishes. Her representatives would expect for one thing to see good value for their money. Then let a definite proposition be made in plain, straightforward terms."

MURDERED BY BRIGANDS.

FAMILY PERISHED. Lawyer, His Wife and Two Children AN AGITATION IN

son, a lawyer, and his family, consisting of wife and two children, Ellen, four years old, and Marion, six months, with a servant, Annie Wells, lost their lives in a fire that partially destroyed the dwelling occupied by them at 133 West CALL AT VICTORIA One Hundred and Thirtieth street early to-day. Although neighbors say they heard cries of "murder" and "burglars," the police found nothing to indicate that

the fire was not accidental.

The whole family appears to have been suffocated. The bodies of the father and youngest child were untouched by the flames and those of the others probably were burned after they had died. A policeman and a neighbor who heard the cries attempted to break into the house, but were driven back by the

smoke. The charred bodies of Mrs. Mason, the servant and Ellen were found in a closet under the roof scuttle, through which they are supposed to have attempted to escape. The bodies of Mr. Mason and the younger child were in a

BOARDING SCHOOL DESTROYED BY FIRE

Inmates Had Narrow Escape - Representatives of Labor Congress and Manufacturers in Conference.

lic boarding school at St. Paul Des Metis, Saskatchewan, was totally desmade whip for Ontario, Louis Lavergue troyed by fire on Sunday; loss \$25,000, and Dan Gallery for Quebec, Alexander no insurance. Nine sisters and 85 chil-

Blaze in Winnipeg. Winnipeg; Jan. 16.-The interior of the new Commercial Club building on Main street was damaged by fire to-night. Five thousand dollars will cover the loss; fully insured.

Hockey Match.

death sentence upon the Italian, Glac-The Morning Post goes on to comment coni, might be commuted to life imprison the possibility of war between the coniment. The chance was the appeal of the twelve jurymen, who convicted the man, to the Dominion cabinet. Word reached the jurymen, who were taking all the colonies with the exception of Canada have accepted the principle im-Canada have accepted the principle implied in the grant of naval money or men. It follows that every responsible speaker and writer on military matters in this country has the duty to perform of impressing the people that their responsibilities are in proportion to their privileges. The propaganda of the Navy League is useful in its way, but its unofficial discourses will never effect very much. What is now wented is a little. has a man who will take his place.

MANY WOUNDED.

London, Jan. 16,-The Vienna corres pondent of the London Daily Leader re-ported serious rioting at Saratoff, the capital of Russian government of Sara-toff. The trouble started some days ago, when the reservists were called out and the police were sent into the homes of Friday and Saturday several minor excesses occurred, and on Sunday 200 re-servists gathered in a saloon, where they listened to revolutionary speeches.

The police were informed of the meet-

ing, and a strong detachment of infantry was sent out at their request to break up the gathering. Hearing of this, Chicago, Jan. 17.—Ira A. Sanger, 35 years old, a relative of Mrs. Geo. M. Fullman, of Chicago, has been slain by Mexican half-breed bandits in the mountain wilds of the reservists well armed, and the com-Similoa, Mexico. Robbery was the purpose manding officer gave the order to charge of the murder. Mexican rurals were sent with bayonets. Before this onslaught the

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PETITION BEING LARGELY SIGNED BY RUSSIANS

All Classes in Capital and the Principal Towns Urge the Czar to Terminate the War.

New York, Jan. 17 .- A dispatch to the Times from London quotes the London Times Russian correspondent as saying that an agitation in favor of peace is be ing started by a number of eminent citizens of St. Petersburg who have drawn up an address to the Czar representing the uselessness of war and urging that as the government has not proved itself competent to carry on the war-successfully, it should not be allowed to continue to prove its incapacity at the cost of blood and tears of the nation. The address has been largely signed by

rincipal towns of Russia.

The Liberal paper Nasha Schen says is high time that the myriads of men sent to Manchura should return to peaceful pursuits, and the life of Russia re-

eople of all classes in the capital and

sume its normal course.

Advices from St. Petersburg say it has been hinted in certain quarters that the fall of Port Arthur might possibly render Russia more receptive to a proposal of mediation with a view to the termination

The answers by the Russian foreign office to all inquiries on this subject, however, are in the negative.

AGAINST CLOSE SEASON

VICTORIA'S PROTEST

THE FRENCH CABINET.

M. Rouvier Will Likely Be at Head of Ministry Within a Few Days.

shadow M. Rouvier as head of the new cabinet, about the only doubt is whether arduous work. The determination of the Combes cabinet to resign remains unaltered, but pending the obsequies of President Loubet's mother, who died yes-terday at Marsanne, the old ministers continue their functions. It is said that if M. Rouvier forms a ministry his colleagues will include as foreign minister, M. Delcasse; as war minister, M. Berteaux of General Brun; as marine minister, M. Thomson, and as finance minister, M. ister, M. Rouvier or M. Berteaux.
In case M. Berteaux does not desire to

emain in the war department he will probably take the finance portfolio, while M. Rouvier besides being president specifies were sent into the homes of of the council will take portfolio of the interior. Many other names are mentioned, but the officials regard the foregoing as being the most likely.

English Mechanic Objects to Decision of New York Immigration Officials.

New York, Jan. 17.—William Bishop, a young English mechanic, has been ordered eported by the immigration authorities at this port because of his socialistic views. of the murder. Mexican rurals were sent out after the murderers. Mr. Sanger was reservists dispersed, leaving sixty of money to land and he purposes appealing well to do.

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