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ECHOES FROM ERIEAU

Mr. and Mrs. James E. Oldershaw moved in from the Eau yesterday.

The yacht's Outlaw, Bonnie Belle and Awa are all housed for the winter.

Bert Riddell and Fred Guttridge have closed up their cottage for the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Jones and family returned from the Eau yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Bennett and family returned to Chatham yesterday after spending the summer at Outlaw Cottage.

Miss Helen Young and the Misses Morrison returned to the city yesterday after spending the summer at Sandy-Knowe, Erieau.

There was excitement at the Eau yesterday when the Bonnie Belle took a dip. About ten o'clock City Engineer E. B. Jones, Ed. T. Jones, Bert Jones, Willie Gray, James E. Oldershaw, T. J. Rutley and Tom Morgan set out for Government Park. The wind was very gusty and variable and the Bonnie had her racing canvas on. A sudden squall, more violent than the others, struck the Bonnie when she was about three-quarters of a mile from her moorings and over she went. The party on board were all immersed. Mr. Morgan was the only one who couldn't swim, but he hung onto the boat the same as the rest did and was saved. Willie Gray rather enjoyed the mishap. He swam all around the yacht, examining things. He didn't want to miss anything either, and feared something might escape him. Asked if he wasn't afraid that he would get tangled in the weeds, Will remarked that he floated anyway and didn't have to swim much.

Rowboats from shore were soon out to the party. Mr. and Mrs. Bernatz reached the wreck first and took off James E. Oldershaw and Tom Morgan. E. B. Smith and Mr. McGarvin were the next to arrive and Chris Smith wasn't far behind. Jerry O'Brien's two young sons were early on the scene, too, and it wasn't long



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before the double cat "Awa" was on hand. The "Awa" towed the Bonnie ashore when she was bailed out and sailed away again.

RODNEY CELEBRATED

Bob McGarry was in Rodney yesterday. He says they had a big day of sports out there. In the morning Ridgetown and Rodney played baseball, the former winning by a score of 9 to 6. The game was hard fought and lasted ten innings. In the tenth with three men on bases, Bob McGarry knocked out a three bagger. M. Heenan for Rodney and F. Davis for Ridgetown were the opposing pitchers.

In the afternoon West Lorne beat Ridgetown 7 to 4. The \$25 put up for the winners of the games was divided between West Lorne and Ridgetown.

At lacrosse the Ridgetown juniors were easily defeated by Rodney juniors, score 9-0.

Bob ran in a 100 yard dash and got first place, winning a box of cigars.

The faultless man is usually friendless.

ALMOST ANNIHILATED

Disaster Overtakes Gen. Kuropatkin's Rear Guard.

Main Russian Army in Imminent Danger of Being Surrounded—Russian Losses in the Liaoyang Fighting Placed at 16,000—Both Armies Racing Toward Mukden—Kuroki Now Only 30 Miles Away From Northern Town.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 6.—It is reported at an early hour this morning that Gen. Kuropatkin's rear guard has been almost annihilated and that the main Russian army is in imminent danger of being surrounded. The Russian losses during the fighting at Liaoyang are placed at 16,000. Kuropatkin in his flight was forced to abandon 200 guns. The race to Mukden goes on. Kuroki is 80 miles away from the Northern Town.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 6.—A despatch received from Gen. Kuropatkin forwarded Sunday evening indicates that Kuropatkin's army and Gen. Kuroki's army are racing for Mukden, and that the result is in doubt. Mukden, Sept. 6.—Preparations for the evacuation of Mukden are proceeding. The Japanese advance is within 30 miles.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 6.—The Russian losses during the fighting at Liaoyang are estimated at 16,000. There is no doubt here that a number of guns, especially siege artillery, have been abandoned.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 6.—It is reported here, but not yet confirmed, that Gen. Kuropatkin was obliged to abandon 200 guns at Liaoyang. Some of them were damaged in the fighting, and the rest were disabled by fire of the Russian commander-in-chief.

Care For the Front.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 6.—The report that the Emperor will go to the front is again revived, and seems to have foundation. It is known that the Imperial train has been fitted out for a long journey.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 6.—It is officially stated that the United Russian forces are now north of Yentai, except a detachment left at that place to cover the retreat. The Japanese swarmed across the Taitse River, near its junction with the Pensi. The bulk of the Japanese forces is marching direct on Mukden.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 6.—Field Marshal Oyama's whole army is across the Taitse River, and is pursuing General Kuropatkin's forces.

Mysterious Jap Army.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 6.—An Associated Press despatch from Yentai, a place about 10 miles northeast of Liaoyang, makes the statement that desultory fighting occurred around Mukden on Saturday last. This must give signs of the presence of the mysterious Jap army.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 6.—According to the latest but unofficial reports to the war office, some guard fighting is progressing, and the retirement of Gen. Kuropatkin's main army is continuing.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 6.—It is reported that the Baltic squadron will sail a week from date by way of the Mediterranean, but that it will not proceed to the far east by Port Arthur falls.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 6.—General Kuropatkin's defeat caused a drop of 2 point of imperial fairs on the local bourse.

On to Harbin Now.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 6.—It is impossible at this hour (2.30) to obtain any statement from the authorities regarding the reported preparations for the abandonment of Mukden.

This is the first intimation that such a course is contemplated, and turns out to be true, it means the abandonment of the whole of Southern Manchuria and the winding up of the present campaign.

In fact, should Mukden be evacuated, there would be no point for wintering the army of a quarter of a million with its many wounded, short of Harbin.

On the other hand, the evacuation of Mukden would give Field Marshal Oyama commodious winter quarters and the practical control of two lines of railway. The Kinchau-Simintin line, tapping rich Chinese territory, stops little short of Mukden, with which it is connected by a good wagon road. The report of the prospective evacuation of Mukden, if well founded, would indicate that the crippling effect of the Liaoyang fight on Kuropatkin's army is more serious than has as yet been intimated.

London, Sept. 6.—The Daily Mail this morning prints a despatch from Simintin, dated Sept. 5, giving a report that Gen. Kuropatkin's retreat has been cut off.

The despatch goes on to say that the Russian troops had advanced in strong force to the south-east of Mukden as far as Taping Hill to oppose any possible attack in the direction of their advance.

A Chinese official, who arrived from Mukden Sunday, says that the Russian troops are leaving for the north, that there are 18,000 men to the east of the city, that the officers and men have become dispirited and that much sickness prevails.

WITHDREW BULK OF ARMY.

Kuropatkin Cut Bridges to Hamper the Jap Pursuit.

Tokio, Sept. 6.—A mass of official reports on the battle of Liaoyang reached headquarters yesterday, but they will not be given out until it is possible to put in order and make from them a concise and detailed story. In the meantime headquarters is refraining from giving anything to the public.

It is generally known that Gen. Kuropatkin succeeded by means of a desperate rear guard action and strong and well-handled flank movements in withdrawing the great bulk of the Russian army, and that he was

bridges to hamper the Japanese pursuit.

Critical interest centres in the operation of the Japanese right wing which occurred late Friday night and early Saturday morning. Gen. Kuropatkin then swung to the westward, his movement being designed to flank the remainder of the Russians left at Liaoyang itself. It is believed here that Gen. Kuropatkin is bound to lose many prisoners to the Japanese. It is possible, however, that the topographical difficulties, and the overwhelming opposition of the Russians may check this movement on the part of Gen. Kuropatkin.

Distinguished Japs Killed.

Among the Japanese officers reported killed in the battle of Liaoyang are Lieut. Leurochi, a son of Lieut.-Gen. Leurochi, Minister of War, and Lieut. Fukushima and Muratta, both sons of Japanese generals.

Official figures of the Japanese losses and a list of the trophies captured are expected to reach Tokio to-day.

It is believed here that Gen. Kuropatkin's next stand will be made at Mukden, although there is defensible ground south of there.

Field Marshal Yamagata, chief of the general staff, and Lieut.-General Leurochi were the hosts at a banquet given last night in honor of the Liaoyang victory. The guests included the Imperial Princes, the members of the Cabinet and the elder statesmen, the staff officers of the army and navy departments and the chiefs of bureaus.

Tokio was illuminated again last night and the principal streets of the city, where a series of lantern processions took place, were thronged with people.

Stakeberg Emerges.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 6.—General Stakeberg's first Siberian army corps, which was reported Saturday by Gen. Kuropatkin as having been cut off to the westward of Liaoyang, has been safely extricated. General Kuropatkin telegraphed at 7 o'clock on Saturday evening that the greater portion of his army was then south of Yentai, about 10 miles northeast of Liaoyang, and that the other portion of his army was crossing the Taitse River, and taking up a position on the right bank.

No Hope of Peace.

London, Sept. 6.—Careful inquiry in official and diplomatic quarters here yesterday establish the fact that no hope prevails of the termination of the war at this moment as a result of the series of victories obtained by the Japanese at Liaoyang. There has been no interchange of official views by the neutral European Governments.

The Close of War.

Shanghai, Sept. 6.—The crews of the Russian cruiser Askold and the torpedo boat destroyer Grozovoi, which took refuge after the naval battle of Port Arthur, Aug. 10, and which subsequently dismantled, will remain in China until the close of the war.

Corean-Jap Agreement.

London, Sept. 6.—No official representation will be made by the British Government in regard to the Corean-Japanese agreement, the text of which was cable to the Associated Press from Tokyo last night, but the authorities are taking a lively interest in the extent of the intervention of Japan into the affairs of the Hermit Kingdom. Under the Anglo-Japanese alliance both powers agreed to respect the independence and integrity of Corean, and the agreement between Japan and Corean is regarded as an infringement of Corean independence. But it had been expected that if Japan was successful in the war she would establish a protectorate over Corean. The Russian Embassy pointed out yesterday at the beginning of the war the Russian Government declared it would not regard the acts of Japan in Corean as binding agreements, and therefore they would not receive the recognition of the Russian Government. In fact, should Mukden be evacuated, there would be no point for wintering the army of a quarter of a million with its many wounded, short of Harbin.

GETTING BEST OF TURK.

Armenian Insurgents Successfully Resist Ottoman Troops.

Paris, Sept. 6.—A despatch to The Temps, from Constantinople, by way of Sofia, says that an official report which has reached one of the foreign Consuls there states that the Armenians are successfully resisting the Turkish troops, which until Sunday had been unable to reduce or disperse them. The Armenians advanced to within about 400 yards of the French Consulate. The population of Van is seeking refuge in the schools and convents. It is expected that Turkey will mobilize the fourth army corps and draw troops from Asia Minor in order to suppress the uprising.

May Call Strike Off.

Chicago, Sept. 6.—Indications last night were that the stock yards strike, begun nearly two months ago, may be called off within 24 hours. Through the medium of a middle-man negotiations were begun yesterday in an effort to secure an understanding with the packers, on which the striking unions can rely as a basis for abandoning the strike this afternoon.

British Ship a Total Loss.

San Francisco, Sept. 6.—The British ship Dumbarton, which went ashore on Point San Pedro on Saturday night, remains on the rocks and will be a total loss.

Platanoff Succeds Plavko.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 6.—Senator Platanoff, a member of the Council of the Empire, has been appointed minister of the interior and chief of police, in succession to the late M. Plavko.

Steamer Got Off.

Midland, Sept. 6.—The steamer Wyoming, which got aground outside the harbor, was released yesterday at 6.30 a.m.

TREAD PATH OF VICTORY

Maple City Aldermen Continue to Score Triumphs on Baseball Diamond.

Ald. Tye's Great Pitching Blanked Visitors for Six Innings—An Interesting Game.

The Maple City aldermen were again victorious in baseball against their Algonac friends. This time by a score of 12 to 1.

The game was played yesterday morning on Tecumseh Park and it was an interesting one. There was a very good crowd present and the applause was both hearty and well earned. The Chatham aldermen are a fast lot of baseball players and they won easily from the Algonac team. Dr. Tye was the Chatham pitcher until the eighth innings, when Douglas, who had been playing short stop, went in the box and finished the game. Ald. Tye held the Algonac aldermen down without a run until the sixth innings, when his arm commenced to play out owing to lack of practice.

Ald. McCoig played second and was always in the game, either playing or talking. W. G. Morrill was in the field and did great work, as also did Ald. Westman. The sensational part of the game was the way Ald. Edmondson made a safe hit every time he went to bat. Ald. Piggott was forced to take a seat in the grand stand owing to the fact that he has been laid up since the last game with a "game" foot. He made Ald. Tye, Westman and McCoig green with envy by escorting a number of ladies to the grounds and explaining the game to them and showing them how it should be played. It is said that Ald. Westman isn't popular with the Chatham girls since his trip to Algonac and Ald. Tye and McCoig well they were in Chatham yesterday.

The following were the teams: Chatham—Ald. Tye, Head, Robert, Coig, Edmondson, Graham, Westman, Douglas and Morrill.

Algonac—Ald. Stewart, Currie, Gunniss, Langauge, Taggart, Bostwick, Smith, Smith and Gray. The score: Chatham..... 12 Algonac..... 1

VISITORS TO TORONTO

Should remember that they will only be a few hours ride from the famous Muskoka Lakes, and should make their arrangements to include a side trip. Tourists tickets are on sale daily from Toronto. For full information and tourist literature call at city ticket office of Grand Trunk, 115 King street, or depot ticket office.

DISTRICT DOINGS.

BLENHEIM

Sept. 6.—Mrs. R. M. Thompson has returned from visiting her brother, Rev. R. J. Freeborn, Huron, Ohio.

We are sorry to record the death of Mr. Arva Snyder, who died suddenly yesterday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Collier left yesterday for Toronto.

Yesterday being Labor Day, a large number took in the lacrosse game at Chatham between Orilla and Chatham. The game resulted in a tie, each winning a goal apiece. It was a fine exhibition of the national game.

Rev. D. W. Collins and Mrs. Collins are visiting friends in town.

Mr. Gray, of Paris, is visiting her brother, D. H. Gray, Sheldrick street.

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TILBURY

Sept. 6.—The cottagers returned yesterday from Willow Beach. Reeve Crawford is in London to-day attending a meeting of Canadian Handle Association.

Tilbury East Council met yesterday at Valetta.

Labor Day was spent very quietly yesterday. A large number went to Chatham, and a still larger number to St. Peter's church picnic on the River Thames, while others took advantage of the cheap rates to visit other points. Merlin junior baseball club tried conclusions with Tilbury here and were defeated 13 to 12.

Large numbers of visitors from other points spent Labor Day here. Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Powell visited in Merlin yesterday.

Miss Minnie Dusty, of Windsor, is visiting her parents here.

The Letter-Box

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To the Editor of The Planet: The following letter is by One of The 2 T's who has been doing the St. Louis Fair:—

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Wednesday, met Mr. Maynard and Mr. McDonald on the Pike. They were stopping at Inside Inn, but decided to move to our place. I am not trying to boom my boarding house, but the location is grand, and I think one enjoys the Fair much better to spend one day seeing the city and the next at the Fair. If you wish a homelike and convenient home take care on Olive St. to 4350 Maryland Ave.

This afternoon I am going to take in excursion on the river, 2-2 hours for 25c. Single fare from here to Detroit is \$13, so \$15 return is easy from Chatham.

If you can spare the time, St. Louis and this wonderful exposition will make a splendid holiday. There were about 165,000 people here on Tuesday, but room for all.

Some people have an idea that the American people, man for man, are smarter and brighter than the Canadian. Spend a few days here, size up the crowds who are taking in the Fair and you will find a good many dead ones.

Yours truly,
ROY.

(One of The 2 T's)
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