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Japs Rushing to Press Victory Home; Oku, Nodzu, Oyama Closing In Again

Muscovites Thrown Into Confusion While Crossing River, Pursuers Shelling Them With Captured Guns—A Great Conflagration Is Raging at Liao Yang—Kurapatkin Now Strongly Posted and St. Petersburg Expects Him to Crush Jap Armies.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 2.—4:50 p.m.—At 4 o'clock this afternoon the war office received a dispatch from Petrof, sent to the Emperor last night, by Gen. Kurapatkin, dated 5 p.m., yesterday. As transmitted to the war office for publication, the information is extremely meager, and only reveals the truth in the light of the interpretation to those who are conversant with the situation at Liao Yang. It is possible that this is justifiable on strategic grounds. As communicated to the press, the dispatch says that an artillery battle preceded the hour of sending it, and that the Russians were retreating under their main position; that General Kuraki was attacking the Russian left, north of the Taitse River, that the railroad station which is situated a mile northwest of Liao Yang had been set on fire by Japanese shells, and that the telegraph station had been transferred across the river.

Attacks Were Too Hot.
Washington, Sept. 2.—The Japanese legation today received the following cablegram from Tokio:
"Marshal Oyama reports under date of Sept. 1, that the enemy was unable to withstand our fierce attack and is retreating toward Liao Yang. Our left and center are hotly pursuing the enemy who is in great confusion trying to retire to the right bank of the Taitse River. We captured some ten and a half centimeter cannon, which are now being used to bombard the Liao Yang railway station."
Our right is attacking the enemy at Liao Yang. Our casualties since the 29th are about 10,000."

BACK TO MUKDEN
Paris thinks the Russians will follow original plans.

Paris, Sept. 2.—The foreign office has no confirmation of the Japanese occupation of Liao Yang, but it is probable that Gen. Kurapatkin decided to carry out his original plan, to retreat on Mukden. This plan, it is added, was temporarily abandoned, as Kurapatkin believed that the chances of Liao Yang would permit him to hold back the Japanese. This failing, it is stated, the Russian commander will attempt to retreat to Mukden. The fact of the Japanese occupation of Liao Yang, which was reported by the French naval attaché, who left Port Arthur in a junk, with the German naval attaché, about the middle of August. He called to the authorities here, Aug. 15, that he was about to leave, and that the Japanese had succeeded in getting out on a junk. De Courville has not been heard of since starting. The fact that the French naval attaché, who left Port Arthur in a junk, with the German naval attaché, about the middle of August. He called to the authorities here, Aug. 15, that he was about to leave, and that the Japanese had succeeded in getting out on a junk. De Courville has not been heard of since starting. The fact that the French naval attaché, who left Port Arthur in a junk, with the German naval attaché, about the middle of August. He called to the authorities here, Aug. 15, that he was about to leave, and that the Japanese had succeeded in getting out on a junk. De Courville has not been heard of since starting.

HOW ST. PETERSBURG SEES IT
Thinks Kurapatkin's Latest Move Means Ultimate Victory.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 2, 1:25 p.m.—No absolute confirmation has reached the war office confirming the reports that Liao Yang has been occupied by the Japanese, but it is positively known that General Kurapatkin decided to retreat from his position south of Liao Yang to the north or right bank of the Taitse River Tuesday, and the orders were actually given as stated in these dispatches yesterday. The war office presumes that the movement was carried out, as the latest advices yesterday were that the crossing of the river was not being opposed. The fact that the Japanese had occupied Liao Yang last night that the strong Russian position prepared by Gen. Kurapatkin was not around the town of Liao Yang, as the public had been led to believe, but on the right or north bank of the Taitse River, was met so successfully guarded that not even an intimation had leaked out. It is now explained that the Russian commander-in-chief had all along anticipated that the Japanese when they made their advance on Liao Yang would pursue the identical tactics which had been so successful in every previous stage of the campaign, and while attacking in front, would attempt by a wide detour to outflank the Russian positions. This time Gen. Kurapatkin was not caught napping. He was prepared for just what happened, and so soon as he received word that General Kuraki had crossed the Taitse River, twenty miles above Liao Yang, and was moving westward, Kurapatkin met the move by throwing his whole army over at night. By this piece of strategy Kurapatkin, in the opinion of the general staff gained an immense advantage, as the Japanese were concentrated on one side of the river and the road is still open for his retirement northward, while the Japanese armies, which must act in unison, are separated by the river, which places Kurapatkin in a position to oppose Kuraki with his whole army, while Generals Oku and Nodzu are stranded on the other side, which will give Kurapatkin a possible opportunity to imitate Napoleon's tactics, and defeat the opposing forces in details.

"There is only one parallel in history," said an officer of the war office to the Associated Press today, "and that is Metz, when General von Moltke, Charles straddled the Moselle with the German armies. But, Kurapatkin has not repeated Moltke's error, as he is about to remodel the captured line of sitting still while the enemy closed him in."

Kurapatkin's great strength in cavalry, in the opinion of the war office, will stand him in good stead now. Whether the whole of Kurapatkin's army was across yesterday is not definitely established, the war office not having yet received complete advices, the latest information being that the crossing of the river was not being interfered with. In view of the Tokio dispatch received this morning, it is possible that the troops forming the Japanese center and a portion of the Japanese right, did not succeed in crossing the river. A shell killed two operators Monday. The field telegraph, which is working between Shikhe and Kurapatkin's headquarters, is not available to correspondents, who have to send their messages by express rider to Shikhe, a difficult task owing to the heavy roads.

The public here is still in complete ignorance of the new phase, which the battle entered upon yesterday, but interest is at white-heat. Every foreign telegram is eagerly noticed, and the newspapers are printing extra editions four or five times a day, a thing heretofore unprecedented in the history of the Russian capital.

Rounded Up Junks.
Tokio, Sept. 2.—Noon.—Admiral Hosoya reports that the Japanese gunships near Yentao, south of San-shan, captured 25 Chinese junks, which were attempting to carry provisions into Port Arthur. They were taken to Taitse Bay, and were then captured. The crews were released.

Tokio, Sept. 2.—The Russians began to retreat on the right center from Liao Yang early Thursday. They were thrown into great confusion while attempting to cross to the right bank of the Taitse River. The Japanese, pursuing them vigorously, seized a Russian cannon, which they used to shell the Liao Yang railway station. Marshal Oyama's right attacked a heavy force of Russians in the vicinity of Heiyang, twelve miles north of Liao Yang, at 11 o'clock on Thursday.

His left began at dawn today pressing the Russians towards Taitze. It is thought that he will severely punish the Russian army.

The Japanese casualties in the Liao Yang engagement have not yet been ascertained officially. It is announced that they will not exceed 10,000.

Hodzu Pushing Ahead.
Tokio, Sept. 2.—The chief of staff of the center Japanese army, General Nodzu, telegraphing early this morning, reported that the Japanese center was continuing to advance today with a steam attack, and was within five miles of Heiyang, and effecting a junction with the Japanese left, commanded by General Oku.

Liao-Yang in Flames.
Tokio, Sept. 2.—3 p.m.—It is reported here that a conflagration is raging at Liao Yang.

Captured Russ Cannon.
London, Sept. 2.—The Japanese legation today received a dispatch from Tokio under today's date, giving Field Marshal Oyama's report of the capture of Thursday. It is practically identical with the Associated Press's dispatch of Thursday morning, and specifies a number of

Pressman Missing.
New York, Sept. 2.—The body of William G. Jones, a well-known telegrapher and newspaper man, was found last night in Jamaica Bay. For several years Mr. Jones was Western Union manager at Philadelphia, later coming to this city, where he was day manager of the United Press, afterwards filling an editorial position with the Associated Press. He was a native of Pennsylvania, and is now old.

Bucking Tug Trust.
Sarnia, Ont., Sept. 2.—Capt. James Reid, of the Reid Wrecking Company of Sarnia, soon will be in a position to compete actively with the tug trust. He is about to remodel the tugboat, Manistique, putting on steel combing, and a railway rack and installing a McKelvey clam-shell hoist. After these changes the Manistique will be in shape to handle almost any lighter job which comes before it.

STILL ANOTHER SHIP HITS MINE
A Russian Vessel From Port Arthur Destroyed, Says a Japanese Admiral.

Tokio, Sept. 2.—Admiral Hosoya, commander of the third squadron, reports that last Wednesday morning a number of vessels weighed from Port Arthur and engaged in clearing away mines. The Japanese watched their operations from seaward. At 2:57 p.m. a steamer struck a mine and was blown up. The disaster occurred one mile below Chongtungan, and it was plainly visible. The number of lives lost is unknown.

Tokio Expects That Fortress Will Be Captured By End of September.
Tokio, Sept. 1, 12 p.m.—Popular estimates of the fall of Port Arthur incline to the last week in September.

Che Foo, Sept. 1, 1 p.m.—One Japanese cruiser and two torpedo-boat destroyers were seen near this harbor today. Residents of the hill heard heavy firing nearly all last night from the direction of Port Arthur. The Russian wireless telegraph station to the east of Che Foo has been dismantled.

Reports from Che Foo state that the Japanese have landed troops and captured two small forts near Tiger's Territories, and the attack is being vigorously pressed.

Pen Picture of Battle
Hail of Shot and Shell Fell Into the Russian Line.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 2, 8:20 a.m.—A detailed dispatch to the official Messager, dated Aug. 31, gives some details of the fighting from Aug. 29. The dispatch, however, to throw additional light on the state of telegraphic communications, because it arrived Thursday morning too late for publication. Nevertheless, it is among the last communications before the suspension of press messages. The dispatch indicates that the Russian line, holding out well, and probably could not be dislodged without General Kurapatkin's flank.

The correspondent states that he was with a battery on Koule Hill to the left of the railway line, at dawn Monday, when the Japanese guns opened. "It was," he continues, "a simultaneous salute by hundreds of cannon, and during the first hour the firing was simply terrific. We were under a perfect rain of shells, bullets and shrapnel."

The Japanese did not know the location of our positions, and were trying to search out our defenses. "It was in the course of these maneuvers that Kurapatkin's army opened an object of interest to the Japanese army."

The sight was beautiful but terrifying. The light was very masked. The shells were bursting all about us. The air was filled with smoke and dust. The Japanese were firing from their positions on the hill. The Russian line was holding out well. The Japanese were trying to search out our defenses.

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The morning newspapers discuss the problem as to whether General Kurapatkin's position is most favorable to the Russian army. The consensus of opinion is that Gen. Kurapatkin's position is most favorable to the Russian army.

The news of the evacuation of Liao Yang and the withdrawal of the Russian army, which has been reported in the Taitse River reached only a small section of the people of St. Petersburg.

The Japanese attacks had been repulsed. The Russian army was still in the Taitse River. The Japanese were trying to search out our defenses.

WEATHER BULLETIN.
Tomorrow—Fair and Warm.
Sun rises 5:42 a.m.; sets 6:52 p.m.
Moon rises 11:03 p.m.; sets 12:53 p.m.
Toronto, Sept. 1, 8 p.m.—Showers have occurred today in Ontario, Quebec and Assiniboia. Elsewhere the weather has been fair. Fairly high temperature is still indicated throughout the Northwest and Manitoba.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Victoria, 46-70; Kamloops, 48-72; Edmonton, 36-57; Minnedosa, 48-64; Winnipeg, 44-72; Port Arthur, 48-58; Sarnia, 44-68; Toronto, 44-70; Ottawa, 48-64; Montreal, 50-58; Quebec, 40-61; St. John, 46-64; Halifax, 46-68.

FOURCASTS.
Reports from Che Foo state that the Japanese have landed troops and captured two small forts near Tiger's Territories, and the attack is being vigorously pressed.

KUROPATKIN HAS QUIT LIAO YANG

Crosses the Taitse River to Meet Flanking Movement AND HOLDS STRONG POSITION

Railroad Between Liao Yang and Mukden May Be Cut by Japs — Joy at Tokio.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 1, 10:16 p.m.—General Kurapatkin has withdrawn his whole army to the right bank of the Taitse River, meeting Gen. Kuraki's flanking movement.

Japs Shout "Banzai."
Tokio, Sept. 1, 8 p.m.—Tokio rings with shouts and cheers for the victory at Liao Yang. Lantern-bearing crowds swing through the streets and surround the staff offices, shouting "Banzai." The details to today's fighting are scanty. It is only known that at dawn today, General Kuraki's army was hurled against the Russian right center on the southern line, and that the Russians were forced to abandon their line and positions and retreat. The result of this pursuit, and the result of the fierce battle waged by Kuraki, is that the Japanese have long crossed Liao Yang, together with the abandonment of the Russian right center on the southern line, exposes the Russian left. But here the Russian force is so heavy that it may possibly be able to protect and defend itself. The question of the occupation of Liao Yang by the Japanese is in doubt. The details to today's fighting are scanty. It is only known that at dawn today, General Kuraki's army was hurled against the Russian right center on the southern line, and that the Russians were forced to abandon their line and positions and retreat.

Japs Hold Railroad.
London, Friday, Sept. 2.—This morning's newspapers comment upon the Russian retreat from Mukden, saying that the train service between Mukden and Liao Yang is interrupted, and that the roads are impassable as the Japanese are withdrawing through the railway between Liao Yang and Mukden.

Correspondents of the Daily Chronicle and the Daily Mail assert that the Japanese occupied Liao Yang Thursday night. The Japanese official confirmation of these statements is not yet received. The dispatch of the Japanese Legation, dated Sept. 1, says that the Japanese captured the heights south of Liao Yang on Thursday. This dispatch adds: "The Japanese army is now in the south of Liao Yang, and is endeavoring to retake the heights."

The Daily Mail's Kuntze correspondent says that the Japanese are now in the south of Liao Yang, and are endeavoring to retake the heights. The Japanese official confirmation of these statements is not yet received.

MONSTER SNAKE AT LARGE
Eleven-Foot Reptile Wandering About Yarmouth Township.

Belmont, Sept. 2.—Yarmouth Township, Eglon County, has a sensation in the form of a serpent of abnormal size. The reptile was seen in a jungle here, and was reported by Mr. St. Thomas, situated on concession 13 of township, by Mr. Douglas McKellar, tenant of the farm. Moreover, parties gathering thimbleberries located the huge monster, which was seen dragging itself through the jungle. It subsequently disappeared. Opinion is inclined to the belief that the serpent had made its escape from the circus field in St. Thomas recently. No attempt has been made to capture the creature. Berry-gleaners have given it a wide berth.

The Forest Fires
Vancouver, B. C., Sept. 2.—Another forest fire, seven miles long, is burning at Point Grey, close to Vancouver. The fires are still raging all over the province, and the sun has been obscured by smoke for two weeks. It is stated that the total loss to the provincial treasury on timber royalties will be over half a million dollars. The loss of timber will be over six million dollars. The fires are the worst ever experienced here. There is still no sign of rain.

SIX VICTIMS OF BLAZING OIL
Explosion in Oil Man's Flames Wreathes House in Wagon and Cuts Off Escape.

Yellow Creek, O., Sept. 2.—Six persons were burned to death and four terribly injured by a fire and oil explosion here early today.

The dead: Mrs. Henry Fling and two children, and three unknown men. The injured: Rev. Mr. Stibb, Robert Alexander, Henry Fling and M. Fish. The house of Fling was fired by a street lamp, and the intense heat set fire to the rig of an oil wagon man near the house. The flames destroyed the house and communicated to the tank, which was full of oil. Before the occupants of the house realized their danger a terrific explosion occurred. The blazing oil was thrown all over the house, and their escape was cut off. The bodies were recovered after the fire.

FOUND DEAD

Body of Stranger Discovered Within Short Distance of Watford.

Watford, Sept. 2.—The dead body of a man was found about half a mile from Watford this morning by Mr. T. Fortune, a farmer.

The dead man appears to be about 55 years of age, weighs about 175 pounds, and wears a full grey beard. He was poorly dressed and had probably been tramping.

A series of papers, reading, "Please give father my mail," and signed Mary Jane McCarthy, a C. P. R. ticket, Worcester to Wingham, dated July 25; another ticket, St. Mary's to Brucefield, dated July 25; a Lyeum Theater check, and an electric railway ticket, punched Maryville, Mich., were found on him. His injuries appeared to be about the head, and he had evidently been dead some hours before the body was found.

ONTARIO'S WHEAT CROP
Because of Rust Yield Will Not Exceed 8,000,000 Bushels.

Toronto, Sept. 1.—The Dominion Millers' Association met here today. About 75 members were present. Their report on the outlook for wheat in Ontario was very blue. About one-third of last year's crop is their estimate. Since the Government report, placing the estimate at 8,000,000, was issued, rust has appeared and the quality of the crop has deteriorated so that not more than 8,000,000 can be expected.

SEDAN DAY
Thirty Thousand Troops Parade Before the German Emperor.

Berlin, Sept. 2.—Sedan Day was observed today by a parade of the Potsdam and Berlin garrisons, numbering 30,000 troops. All the household regiments took part in the display. Riding with the Emperor in the reviewing party were Prince Henry and twenty other members of the royal household, and a number of other princes and the foreign military attaches, and some other foreign guests, including the Earl of Londesborough.

The Emperor, in a white uniform, led the Queen's Fusiliers, of which she is colonel. The Emperor afterwards conferred the commanding generals and foreign guests at breakfast.

NAVAL ATTACHES MISSING
Those of Germany and France Have Disappeared.

Tsingtau, Sept. 2.—Capt. Hoffman, of the German gunboat Tiger has returned after an unsuccessful search for the missing junk, carrying Lieut. Longhurst, of the British. Hoffman, the German and French naval attaches, who left Port Arthur the middle of August, Capt. Hoffman says nothing of the junk and every hope for the safety of Lieutenants Gilgheim and De Courville has been abandoned.

TRAMP SAVES FLYER
Then, Like Happy Hooligan, Is Dined by Passengers.

Syracuse, Sept. 2.—The Boston Express, one of the New York Central's flyers, was saved from destruction early Wednesday by Fred Ribby, a tramp, at Walrath, a few miles west of this city.

Ribby was "counting the first" when he discovered a broken rail over which the Boston express was soon to pass. He ran at top speed to the Walrath station, and found there an employee of the road, Michael Haley. With coats flying and lamp swinging, Ribby and Haley ran back, shouting at the top of their voices. The train came to a stop only a few feet from the danger spot, escaping disaster by the narrowest margin.

FIVE KILLED IN C. P. R. WRECK; LORD AND LADY MINTO ABOARD

Limited Races Into Open Switch and Crashes Into Freight, at Sinaluta, N. W. T.

Winnipeg, Sept. 2.—A terrible accident to the Imperial Limited on the Canadian Pacific Railroad took place at Sinaluta, one station east of Indian Head, last night. The express ran into an open switch and crashed into a freight train, which was standing there. Five were killed and five were injured. They were all women, and were traveling in the tourist car. Only one body has so far been identified, that of Mrs. Dossett, who was en route to Edmonton. The Governor-General and Lady Minto and party were on the train in their official car, but they escaped without injury and proceeded westward.

Mrs. Dessette's three young children escaped unhurt. The injured are: Mrs. J. Epeckett, Miss Goldin, Miss Murray, Mr. Ira Ross and L. P. Hart. The porter of the car—Hart—was the only one seriously injured. He may have to have his leg amputated besides being hurt internally. Three doctors were on the ground soon after the accident, and everything possible was done for the comfort of the injured.

THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S PARTY ESCAPES UNHURT
Mintons Wire Ottawa.

Ottawa, Sept. 2.—His Excellency the Governor-General early this morning wired Government House that the vice-regal party had been in a railway wreck on the C. P. R. in the west, but none of the party were injured. The train was telescoped at some point and five of six people were killed.

Montreal, Que., Sept. 2.—The management of the C. P. R. states that the accident at Sinaluta, N. W. T., was due to an open switch, which caused the transcontinental express to run into a freight train on the siding. One of the killed was Mrs. Duffett, of Edmonton.

TELEPHONES FOR TRAINS
Canadian Pacific Railway to Adopt Emergency Service.

Brookville, Sept. 2.—The Canadian Pacific Railway authorities have been experimenting for some time past with a train telephone, which is now put into operation on the Montreal and Brockville line, and which they have decided to adopt generally. Each baggage car and each freight car will be equipped with a telephone, a long wire and a pole with a hook, which is simply hooked on to the telephone wire at any point, and the dispatcher's office at Montreal can be communicated with instantly by means of the wire being used in telegraphing. The great advantage will be that in case of trouble the trainmen can communicate with the dispatcher and disaster by the narrowest margin.

Ribby fainted from his exertion and was lifted to the train. The passengers made up a purse of \$22 and gave it to Ribby. He was brought to this city by one of the passengers as a guest at a fashionable hotel.

ROBBED THE DEPOT
Thieves Take \$1,000 From C. P. R. Station at Brandon.

Winnipeg, Sept. 1.—The C. P. R. depot at Brandon was broken into today at noon and between \$500 and \$1,000 taken from the ticket office. Crowds of people were about all day long, so it is difficult to see how the thieves were successful in making the haul, which was about \$300 in indorsed checks and \$100 in cash. The local police and C. P. R. detectives have the case in hand.

Lord and Lady Minto were presented with a farewell address at Brandon today.

Dug Through Wall.
Glens Falls, N. Y., Sept. 2.—Warren county officers are searching for Leon Benway, Arthur Sansouci and John H. Case, who broke jail at Lake George last night. The men dug their way through a brick wall with a table-knife, being screened by the other prisoners in the corridor. The escape was not discovered until 2 o'clock, when the men were locked in their cells. The three men were arrested in Glens Falls, a few weeks ago, charged with 50 burglaries during the past six months.

The injured: Rev. Mr. Stibb, Robert Alexander, Henry Fling and M. Fish. The house of Fling was fired by a street lamp, and the intense heat set fire to the rig of an oil wagon man near the house. The flames destroyed the house and communicated to the tank, which was full of oil. Before the occupants of the house realized their danger a terrific explosion occurred. The blazing oil was thrown all over the house, and their escape was cut off. The bodies were recovered after the fire.

MISSING CHILDREN HAVE BEEN FOUND

Two Little Brockville Girls Abducted by an Italian, Who Has Been Captured.

Ogdensburg, N. Y., Sept. 1.—Luella and Lillie Wildbasted 15 and 11 years, children of Fredrick Wildb, of Brockville, Ont., who were abducted two weeks ago, have been found in a vacant house near Hampton, N. Y. Luella says that Harry Ruggasino, an Italian friend of her father, crossed the border with them, made them walk eleven miles back into the country, and left them in the vacant house while he returned to Brockville and telegraphed to her father. Ruggasino was arrested while bound, toward Hammond.

Wiped Out Crops.
Tiverton, Ont., Sept. 2.—During a heavy storm, which lasted over this section about 8 o'clock this morning, the barn of John L. McKenzie, of the East Twp., Kincardine Township, was fired by lightning and destroyed. The loss will be heavy, as the building was very new, and contained all this year's crops of 200 acres, and the insurance is only \$1,000.