

KUROPATKIN'S LEFT FLANK ROLLED UP; CENTER IS COMPELLED TO FALL BACK; THE JAPANESE ARE IN CLOSE PURSUIT

General Kuroki Swings in North of Kuropatkin and Menaces the Russian Communications.

New Army of the Japs, 10,000 Strong, Advancing From Northeast of Mukden.

Muscovites Hurrying to Shelter of Liao Yang's Walls—May Be Bottled Up.

London, Sept. 1. Today's dispatches indicate that the tide of battle around Liao Yang has turned appreciably in favor of the Japanese. With a tremendous and sustained assault on his right and center, and threatened in his rear by a heavy force which has crossed the Taitse River, Kuropatkin has been forced to fall back from his first line of battle to the fortified position he had established in the town of Liao Yang and its immediate environs. A St. Petersburg dispatch says this order was given last night after the Russians had withstood an artillery and infantry attack from dawn to midnight, but that the Japanese pressure was too great to permit its being executed. Kuropatkin probably feeling that a retrograde movement at that time might result in a rout. A dispatch from Tokyo, however, bringing the action up to this afternoon, says the Russian right and

Kuropatkin's force is crossing the Taitse River on pontoons. On division is already across and others are following.

Awful Slaughter. The battle at Liao Yang last night continued until midnight with awful slaughter. The Japanese at last succeeded in getting a column across the Taitse River, northeast of Liao Yang, and Gen. Kuropatkin gave the order to fall back on the main works, but owing to the Japanese pressure this movement was not executed. The armies slept in their positions.

Official advices this morning, timed 6 a.m., say the battle had not been resumed at that hour.

Kuropatkin Falls Back.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 1.—3:25 p.m.—According to official advices from the front the battle at Liao Yang had not been resumed up to 6 o'clock this morning. The battle yesterday was of the most desperate character. It raged continuously from dawn until midnight and the slaughter must have been immense. At 8 in the evening, after holding his outer positions all day in the face of the most desperate charges, Gen. Kuropatkin gave the order to retire upon the main works about the city. The Japanese assaults during the day had been directed principally against the Russian center, a little east of Meeting Hill, near the railroad, and three miles southwest of Liao Yang. Nothing approaching the severity of the infantry and artillery

wounded, commanded the artillery brigade. He distinguished himself during the suppression of the Boxer trouble in China. His wound is serious.

Press Man Dead.

Liao Yang, Sept. 1.—M. Kierloff, one of the Associated Press correspondents, who had been following the operations of General Karauviev's army, was shot through the lungs while on the firing line south of Liao Yang yesterday.

ST. PETERSBURG ANXIOUS

Think Kuropatkin Will Win But Are Not Too Confident.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 1, 1:37 p.m.—Although General Kuropatkin has had the best of the first two days' battle at Liao Yang, the suspense here is intense over the final issue of the titanic struggle. In view of the number of men and guns engaged, the carnage doubtless will be great on both sides. The best figures now are that half a million of men with about 1,500 guns are fighting for the mastery. The public is so hungry for news from official sources that the failure to give out advices last night is interpreted ominously in some quarters, but is explained by the theory that General Kuropatkin is too busy in the midst of the battle to file reports, his report to the Emperor giving strategic information which cannot be published. The meager advices received say that the Japanese are trying to turn both the flanks of General Kuropatkin's position and surround the Russian army at Liao Yang, as Marshal Bazaine was shut up in Metz after the battle of Gravelotte, Aug. 18, 1870, but, up to last night, according to unofficial advices, their plan had failed and they seemed worsted at all points. Should the Japanese ammunition give out suddenly their position might become desperate. The press, realizing from experience the desperate character of the Japanese fighting qualities, and the fact that the battle is not yet decided, while expressing much gratification at the result of Tuesday's fighting, indulges in no premature jubilation. Most of the papers express the opinion that Field Marshal Oyama, whom they believe to be in supreme command, was driven back to attack General Kuropatkin by disapplying over the failure of the operations against Port Arthur. All the papers point out that the decisive moment to which all of Kuropatkin's well-thought-out plans converged, has arrived, saying that he has at last drawn down the Japanese into the plain before Liao Yang, where positions have been prepared for months under the direction of the Russian engineer, Gen. Velitchko. The works around the city, the Russ says, are marvels of engineering skill, with galleries for the protection of the gunners, connected by telephone and defended by wire entanglements and machine guns. Into these works, however, General Kuropatkin will not go except as a last resort. He is now protecting himself in his outlying positions.

Russian Line Strong.

Tokio, Sept. 1, 11:30 a.m.—Reports received here from Liao Yang do not mention anything about the casualties which it is presumed are heavy on account of the enormous numbers engaged. Various reports of the Russian line are strong. It is estimated that Gen. Kuropatkin has 150,000 fighting men in the field. It is impossible to forecast the duration of the great battle now going on. It may possibly be prolonged for several days.

Back to Leamington

Tobacco Company Claims Windsor Hasn't Carried Out Promises.

Windsor, Ont., Sept. 1.—The Erie Tobacco Company within a short time, will move to Leamington, whence it came to Windsor, three years ago. The company claims that concessions promised it in the way of exemption from taxation and free water have not been carried out. The Erie Company employs about 80 hands, and has a monthly output of 30,000 pounds of smoking and chewing tobacco.

Big Bank Clearings

Montreal Exchanges Report Substantial Increases Over Last Year.

Montreal, Que., Sept. 1.—For the first time this year so far the monthly returns of banking exchanges in this city show a total greater than the corresponding month in 1903. For the eight months ended yesterday, the exchanges have been running all the way from two to twenty millions behind the figures for the corresponding periods a year ago. The total clearings for August were \$39,045,975, compared with \$35,559,600 in August, 1903. The total clearings for the eight months of the current year now amount to \$269,831,975, compared with \$242,972,000 for the same months last year.

Stakelberg Wounded.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 1, 3:25 p.m.—General Stakelberg is among the wounded, but still retains command of his army corps, although he is no longer in chief command of the southern army, which has since been consolidated under General Zearoubaiev. Stakelberg's injuries are slight and he did not leave the field.

Kuroki Crossing Taitse.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 1.—General

THE JAPS FALL INTO A DEATH PIT.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 1.—As soon as the Japanese found that the Russians were retreating from the outward positions southward last night they resumed the attack there, although it was then quite dark. Thus pressed the Russians arrested their movement to the rear and again faced the Japanese. With the view of eventual retirement from their outer positions, the Russians had dug a large number of pits with stakes concealed in their bottoms. The pits were actually concealed among the high Chinese corn. When the Japanese charged after the Russians they fell into the pits in hundreds and were engulfed and impaled on the stakes and their lines were thrown into confusion. When the Russians faced about and returned to their old positions they found these deathtraps filled with dead and dying while the rattle of musketry and boom of cannon continued till midnight when at last silence crept over the bloody field and the tired soldiers laid down where they had fought, the worn-out surgeons and angels of mercy ministered to the wounded all night and the Chinese coolies worked at carrying them into Liao Yang.

Gen. Sakharoff in reporting the battle, says the Japanese suffered enormous losses, much larger than those of the Russians, who also lost heavily.

PRINCESS LOUISE HAS DISAPPEARED AT RICHMOND, P. Q.

Fresh Sensation Caused by Special and Express Collide, King Leopold's Daughter.

THOUGHT TO BE WITH LOVER J. P. BLANCHET, M. P., KILLED

Leutenant Mattiasch Sought Her After Having Being Released From Prison.

Berlin, Sept. 1.—Princess Louise of Coburg, daughter of the King of the Belgians, whose relations with Keglevich Mattiasch, the former lieutenant in the Austrian army, caused a great scandal in Europe, is reported to have been taken to the hospital in the company of a prisoner, and is seeking to gain an asylum, where she will be safe from recapture.

The escape of the princess was accomplished in a mysterious and romantic manner. Ladders and a swift automobile were brought into play to effect her escape from the hotel, where she had been immured almost as a prisoner, and to convey her to a place of refuge. The location of which nothing is known.

Not the slightest trace of the whereabouts of the princess has been discovered, and nothing is known beyond the fact that the princess and another guest of the hotel, believed to be a woman, disappeared, and were taken with them the jewels of the princess and an automobile.

Princess Louise, accompanied by a lady-in-waiting and two physicians, who were her warders, came three weeks ago to Rad Elster, which is noted as a health resort. On account of the long lapse of time since the princess had been released from prison when it was noticed that efforts to communicate with the princess personally and through the medium of notes were being made.

Nevertheless, arrangements for the flight were successfully completed and the room of the princess was found empty. Various reports of the princess's destination are afloat, and it is said that orders have been given to watch the princess's movements in Austria, France and Switzerland.

The escape of the princess with an air of mystery has created almost as great a sensation here as the disappearance of the princess, and the original scandal. Detailed accounts in the newspapers of her flight overshadow the dispatches from the Far East.

Princess Louise before going to Rad Elster had long been confined in an asylum for nervous diseases at Lindendoh, near Dresden. Mattiasch, who, after the discovery of his relations with the princess, was convicted of forgery, expelled from the army and sentenced to prison for three years.

Since then he has succeeded in seeing the princess at Lindendoh.

Nan Patterson's Bail

New York, Sept. 1.—Justice Amend, in denying bail to Nan Patterson, indicted for the murder of Caesar Young at \$20,000. It was said that the necessary amount would be furnished.

Weather Bulletin.

Tomorrow—Fair and Warmer. Sun rises 5:41 a.m., sun sets 6:54 p.m. Moon rises 10:21 p.m., moon sets 11:53 p.m. Toronto, Aug. 31—8 p.m.—Heavy 3.5 p.m. have occurred today in Southern Ontario and Western Manitoba. The weather has been fair and calm, with a tendency towards higher temperatures. From Ontario to the Maritime Provinces it has been fine and cool. Minimum and maximum temperatures: Victoria, 6-9; Kamloops, 52-74; Calgary, 48-59; Edmonton, 40-58; Prince Albert, 42-59; Winnipeg, 50-58; Port Arthur, 40-54; Parry Sound, 42-74; Toronto, 48-56; Ottawa, 50-58; Montreal, 48-54; Quebec, 44-52; St. John, 52-54; Halifax, 44-72.

FORECASTS.

Easterly and southerly winds; a few scattered showers, but mostly fair. Friday—Fair and warmer.

TEMPERATURE.

Stations. 8 a.m. Min. Clear. Calgary 48 46 67 Clear. Winnipeg 46 46 67 Cloudy. Parry Sound 56 54 Cloudy. Toronto 50 54 Cloudy. Ottawa 50 54 Cloudy. Montreal 54 54 Cloudy. Quebec 48 48 67 Cloudy. Father Point 52 50 Cloudy.

WEATHER NOTES.

The weather continues rather unsettled and showery in the Northwest Territories and Manitoba, but there is as yet no snow. A few scattered showers occurred in the Maritime Provinces. The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the observatory for the 24 hours ending 8 p.m., Wednesday, Aug. 31, were: Highest 72, lowest 42.

STOESSEL AGAIN REPULSES JAPANESE AT PORT ARTHUR

Two Desperate Assaults Made on the 27th Failed the Mikado Losing Over 1,000 Men.

THE RUSSIANS HAVE RECAPTURED FORT ITSHAN

Cho Foo, Aug. 31, 11:30 p.m.—Delayed.—Severe fighting occurred at Port Arthur Aug. 27, when the Japanese moving from Shuishiyang, attempted to capture Palungshan, which is south of Shuishiyang, and west of the railway. The Japanese made two assaults between dawn and 8 o'clock in the morning. They were repulsed both times. A prisoner places their loss at 1,045 killed and wounded. For one hour a few shells were thrown from Shuishiyang into Port Arthur.

The above information was brought here tonight by a Chinaman who speaks excellent Russian, and who was employed at the police station in Port Arthur, which place he left in the evening of Aug. 29. He adds that up to his departure no further attack had been made by the Japanese. He confirmed previous reports that the Russians had recaptured Itshan, where there has been but little fighting recently.

At 4:30, Aug. 31, the Japanese attacked Port No. 6 on the northeast portion of the right flank. This fort is a new and strong one. After three hours fierce fighting, during which the Japanese endured a cross fire from fort 2 the Japanese succeeded in entering the fort.

GURAZ, MEXICO, IN PERIL.

Flames Sweeping Through City, Firemen's Efforts Being Futile.

El Paso, Texas, Sept. 1.—The city of Guraz, Mexico, across the river from El Paso, is threatened with destruction by fire. Already one block of the best business houses has been burned, and all efforts of the fire department have thus far been futile. The loss will be heavy.

MURDERER TURNED UP

Starves in the Jersey Salt Meadows and Surrenders to Police.

New York, Sept. 1.—Driven to the city by hunger, having eaten little except dandelion leaves since last Sunday, Giuseppe Marmanno, who escaped after killing his brother-in-law, Nuncio Morano and wounding Mrs. Morano, was caught last night by the police. He declared that after his experience of the last three days he was ready to die, and admitted that he murdered Morano. At the time of his escape it was thought he had perished.

ARCHBISHOP IN MONTREAL

Met by Archbishop Carmichael and Other Prominent Citizens.

Montreal, Aug. 31.—The Primate of All England reached here this evening from Quebec, accompanied by J. Pierpont Morgan, who is providing the special train which the archbishop will use while traveling through Canada and the United States. His grace was met at the Windsor station by Archbishop Carmichael, Sir George Drummond, Ex-Mayor Wilson Smith, President George E. Drummond, of the board of trade. The presence of Mayor Laporte, President Brait and Vice-President Costello and other prominent French-Canadians was noted with pleasure. The primate was so much pleased with this attention that he will make an official visit to the Chamber of Commerce and the city hall. The archbishop, who has been here arranged to be held at Christ Church Cathedral, in connection with the Archbishop of Canterbury's visit is as follows: Thursday evening at 5:30, professional hymn 291, short service by the Archbishop of Montreal, hymn 292, address by the Archbishop of Canterbury, "The Church of the Future," by the archbishop, "Te Deum," by the choir; benediction, recessional hymn 601.

Shot Through Heart

Maxwell, Ont., Sept. 1.—Sandford Clemis, son of Robert Clemis, was found dead yesterday near his home, shot through the heart. It is not known how the shooting occurred.

DOMINION STEEL TO SUPPLY RAILS

Sydney Company Will Compete With Outsiders in the Spring.

North Sydney, N. S., Aug. 31.—Referring to the duty of \$7 per ton on steel rails, Mr. Plummer, the president of the Dominion Iron and Steel Company, said today that the duty, together with the dumping clause passed at the last session of Parliament, will enable his company to hold the market.

The Dominion Iron and Steel Company expect to be manufacturing rails early in the new year, and they will have ample time to supply rails as early next spring as they will be required. No rails will be laid in the winter, but when the work of laying them commences in the spring Mr. Plummer thinks, under present conditions, they will be able to compete with outside manufacturers for the Canadian market.

Will Fight the Charges.

Dr. Reaume Declares He Is Innocent of Political Corruption.

Windsor, Ont., Sept. 1.—Dr. J. E. Reaume, M. P. for North Essex, whose name is mentioned as one of those alleged to have illegally induced French-Canadians to vote for Mr. McCampbell, of the Soo, at the last election, declares that while he is not guilty of the charges laid against him by the Liberal party, "I will fight the charge, as they are false from beginning to end. Mr. Reaume added emphatically, "I am innocent of any political corruption."

MINTOS AT PORT ARTHUR

Vice-Regal Party Tendered a Reception by Citizens.

Port Arthur, Aug. 31.—Lord Minto, was tendered a reception by the citizens of Port Arthur this evening upon the arrival of their special car. A platform had been erected near the Northern Hotel, from which an address was read. The address reminded of his Excellency of the time he had passed through Port Arthur in 1855 on his way to the Northwest rebellion, and made comparisons with the peaceful and prosperous west of today.

Lord Minto replied briefly. Before the train pulled out Lord and Lady Minto were presented with bouquets of flowers by the little daughter of Mayor Clavet. The vice-regal party left tonight for Winnipeg en route to the Pacific Coast.

PROBABLY EARL GREY

Semi-Official Information Names Him Next Governor.

Ottawa, Sept. 1.—From information of a semi-official character which has reached here, there now seems little doubt that Earl Grey, and not the Duke of Marlborough, will be the next Governor-General, official notification is awaited.

OLD COUNTRY NEWS

Empire's Coal Resources—Rugby Footballers Coming to Canada.

London, Sept. 1.—In the case of Paterson vs. White Lines and Yukon Railway, a suit to recover excess charges on freight, Judge Smith decided that the local companies were not agents for the defendant company, nor were defendants responsible for their contracts. He non-suited the plaintiff and allowed the defendants costs, but gave the plaintiff leave to appeal.

The Financial News, referring to the statistics of the world's coal production, sees in the development of the industry in British dominions beyond the seas a chance under the protection of the Union Jack for the production of more coal than in any other group of homogeneous states in the world.

Was He Murdered?

Body of Missing Man Found, But Money Had Disappeared.

St. Clair, Mich., Sept. 1.—On Feb. 20 last, Joseph Webb, of Courtwright, Ont., was drowned while attempting to cross the St. Clair River from this place to Detroit. Every effort has been made to the time to recover his body, but without success. The body has just been found on the shore two miles below here. Webb's watch was on the body, but a large sum of money he had with him is missing, his clothing having almost entirely disappeared.

A Big Lumber Suit

Windsor, Ont., Sept. 1.—The W. J. Pulling Lumber Company, of this city, have issued a writ against the McAllister Bros. Lumber Company, of Coburn Island, claiming \$10,000 for breach of contract. The Pulling Lumber Company claim that they contracted with E. Bergen, agent for McAllister Bros. McAllister Bros. claim their agent was not authorized to make any such deal. This is one of the largest lumber suits ever entered in the Windsor courts.

Hamlet Destroyed by Forest

Fires and 300 Families Are Made Homeless.

St. Johns, Nfld., Aug. 31.—Forest fires have destroyed the hamlet of Little Bay and 300 families are homeless. Two men have been drowned. The steamer Prospero has embarked the women and children. The men are fighting the flames in an effort to prevent the destructive fires from covering a wider area. The Government is providing food, shelter and other assistance to the destitute.