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Russians Victors in First Day's Fight; Japanese Hurled Back at Liao Yang; Attempt on Center and Flanks Fail

Battle Raged All Along the Line From Dawn Until 9 o'Clock at Night.

Bloody Bayonet Charges Were Frequent, Japs Charging Desperately.

Sakharoff Places the Russian Losses at 3,000—Japanese Suffer Heavily.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 31. — Success crowned the Russian arms the first day of the battle of Liao Yang, and the utmost confidence prevails here that the issue of the fight will be a complete victory for General Kuropatkin. From dawn until dark yesterday the battle raged first in the center and left and then on the right of the Russian line. The Japanese charged gallantly and desperately in an effort to break the center, and then, in the afternoon, came a movement against the opposite flank. The attack was delivered from the west, but General Kuropatkin had evidently anticipated just what happened, for he not only met and repulsed it, but actually was able by superior forces to overlap and envelope the Japanese. Last night both armies bivouaced in their positions.

No attempt was made by General Sakharoff, in his report, to estimate the Japanese losses, except to say that they were extremely heavy, and the Russian losses were only approximated at 3,000. No Russian general officers fell.

General Kuropatkin's forces occupied positions forming a semi-circle about Liao Yang, the flanks resting on the Taitse River east and west of the city. The battle divided itself into two periods. After a preliminary bombardment of the Russian lines on the right and center, the Japanese infantry advanced to the attack, charging the Russian center. Although repeatedly checked they came on with bulldog tenacity, hurling themselves against the Russian positions with the bayonets. There were many bloody hand-to-hand encounters. By noon the Japanese actually succeeded in occupying a portion of the Russian trenches.

Then General Kuropatkin sent forward some reserves, delivered a series of counter attacks, recaptured the lost position and drove back the Japanese all along the line.

The attack on the center having failed, the second half of the fight began at 4 o'clock in the afternoon when the Japanese tried to turn the Russian right flank. Here also they failed, but only after a desperate struggle, which was continued until 9 o'clock. Reserves dispatched in time by General Kuropatkin at last succeeded not only in checking the Japanese, but enveloping and driving them back in confusion.

48 Jap Guns Taken?

During the progress of the battle General Kuropatkin encouraged his men on the fighting line by sending out the news of the repulse of the attack upon Port Arthur on Aug. 26.

The Japanese flank movement from the west began on Monday from Chandiaupze, three miles south of Shackezia, which is eleven miles northwest of Liao Yang.

One of the striking features of the battle was the splendid work of the Russian artillery, in which arm the Japanese have heretofore excelled. In a dispatch filed late last night by one of the Associated Press Russian correspondents he says that a report was current at Liao Yang that 46 Japanese guns were captured during the day.

St. Petersburg Rejoices.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 31. — There is great rejoicing in St. Petersburg over the news of the bulletin boards. The dispatches posted there are surrounded by eager crowds. The officials of the war office, although they have not received advices of today's events, are in high spirits. The Japanese, who have been advancing for a week, are now said to be utterly exhausted, after yesterday's hard, unsuccessful fight, and, no doubt exists here, that if the opportunity offers General Kuropatkin will not fail to follow up the advantage he has achieved.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 31.—Lieut.-Gen. Sakharoff telegraphing to the general staff on the conclusion of yesterday of sixteen hours of fighting around Liao Yang, estimated that the Russian casualties throughout the day were 3,000.

The battle ended at 9 o'clock last night, when many positions occupied by the Japanese were retaken and again held by the Russians.

The report from Gen. Sakharoff is as follows: "From 5 o'clock this morning until 9 o'clock this night the Japanese forces attacked our frontal position before Liao Yang and on the left bank of the Taitse River. Both their artillery and rifle fire were intense. Their main efforts were directed against our center positions and left flank, but numerous attacks were repulsed along the whole line. Our troops made several counter attacks culminating in bayonet fighting.

"Many positions which had been occupied by the Japanese were retaken at 4 o'clock in the afternoon. During the artillery attack our batteries did very effective work. About 1 yesterday morning the enemy was observed with considerable forces but several battalions of reserves advanced and, after a fierce engagement, checked the Japanese and compelled them to retire. The battle continued until after dark, and only ended at 9 o'clock.

"The spirit of our troops is excellent and the men are rejoicing over the news of the heroic behavior of the garrison at Port Arthur, the repulsing of Japanese attacks upon which has been communicated to them.

"Our casualties have been considerable, reaching about 3,000. The Japanese losses must have been heavier.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 31.—A dispatch to the Official Messenger from Liao Yang under date of Aug. 30, says:

"All around Liao Yang the hills are trembling today from the artillery fire which has not ceased for a moment. Liao Yang has become the center of a terrific sanguinary engagement, but we were prepared for it. Hospital trains are in readiness and other trains are bringing in reserves, stores and forage, together with artillery and rifle ammunition.

"Today's battle seems to be devoted by the Japanese to an artillery fight with the object of searching out our positions."

The Japanese advance has continued uninterruptedly since Aug. 24. Yesterday it led to a number of brillian actions as the Russian drew in upon their defenses, but these actions were nothing compared with today's encounters.

A Great Spectacle.

Liao Yang, Tuesday, Aug. 30, 8 p.m.—The town has been filled with joy owing to a report that the Russians took 46 cannon today.

The Japanese assault on the Russian center was desperate in the extreme. The Japanese losses were very great. The attack was sustained mainly by the Eighth Siberian Regiment. The fighting at Wafangow cannot be compared with that of today. Shells shrieked over the town from early morning. People occupying positions on housetops had a magnificent spectacle. Fine rain has begun to fall.

Japs Repulsed Six Times.

London, Aug. 30.—A dispatch from Liao Yang to a news agency, dated Aug. 30, says: 'The Japanese artillery fire only ceased at 8 o'clock this evening. The casualties have not yet

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Large Silver Deposits In Temiskaming District

Toronto, Ont., Aug. 31. — As already indicated the decision of the Ontario railway commission is to permit the Toronto and Mimico Railway to run in front of Lorne Park, with several restrictions to protect the rights of cottagers.

The Temiskaming Railway commission's party, including the town site commission, returned to the city today. They have chosen seven town sites, all on crown lands, and hence the Government will get all the revenue, which will go towards the cost of the railway. One of these sites will be at the northeast arm of Lake Temagami, but the commissioners decline to indicate the other sites. Mr. T. W. Gibson, of the bureau of mines, states that the discoveries of silver in the Temiskaming District are as rich as any recently made on this continent.

One report states that from one location $7,000 has been taken out within the last two or three months. The deposit was discovered while a cutting was being made for the railway.

GOT AWAY WITH $3,000

Robbers Hold Up Train in Wyoming and Make Big Haul.

Salt Lake City, Aug. 31. — A dispatch from Kemmerer, Wyo., says that three masked men held up the express agent and armed guard just as train No. 5 on the Oregon Short Line was entering the station early today and took from them $13,000, which had been shipped here to pay off the miners. The robbers beat the railroadmen into insensibility with the butts of their guns and escaped.

HIT BY ELECTRIC BOLT

Lightning Stroke Has Curious Effect Upon Victim's Body.

Ottawa, Aug. 30. — Rev. Father Guillaume, of Cheeseville, reports the death under peculiar circumstances of one of his parishioners. The unfortunate man was working with three others on a farm when a thunderstorm came on, and a bolt of lightning fell in their midst. The man referred to was struck dead instantly. The portion of the victim's clothing covering his breast started to burn. The top of his hat was torn off and portions of it were found about fifty feet away. A pitchfork, which had been in hish ands, was fork, which had been in his hands, was brought home a black line running the whole length of the spinal column, which marked the progress of the electric fluid, was discovered.

ST. GEORGE'S UNION

President Delivers His Address at the Biennial Convention.

Toronto, Ont., Aug. 31. — President John Taylor, of Toronto, delivered his address at this morning's session of the North American St. George Union. The union met last in Toronto 21 years ago, and since that time Mr. Taylor said he had seen many evidences of a closer union of the Anglo-Saxon race. So far only three societies in the United States and six in Canada, he regretted to say, were members of the union, whereas there were fifteen in Canada and many more in the United States which ought to join. Mr. Taylor referred to the death of J. C. Copp, president of the local society, and of Dr. R. S. Smythe, of Kingston, Ont., and regretted the illness of Mr. T. Y. Yeates, Philadelphia, secretary of the union. In conclusion he read some verses by Mr. J. W. Bengough, written for this occasion, one stanza is:

The wavelets lapping on old England's shore
And on New England's coast,
That never cease.
Are to the ears of hope for ever more,
Kisses of peace.

Tibet Yields.

Simla, Aug. 31.—It is understood that Tibet has yielded terms that are considered satisfactory, and that the British mission will leave Lhassa earlier than was ordered.

Suicided From Remorse.

Detroit, Mich., Aug. 31.—James B. Hawley, a prominent politician, committed suicide last night by taking strychnine. The deed is attributed to remorse for having shot and killed his brother, on April 18, 1902. At that time Hawley was exonerated by the coroner's jury on the grounds of self-defense.

HARMSWORTH ON THIS SIDE

The Famous London Journalist Goes to Maine Woods.

New York, Aug. 31.—Sir Alfred Harmsworth, of the London Daily Mail and many other English newspapers and periodicals, arrived here yesterday on the Kaiser Wilhelm II. This is his first visit to America since the winter of 1900-01, when he edited the famous "Tabloid" edition of a morning paper issued on the first morning of the twentieth century. He has since been made a baronet, says the World.

Sir Alfred wears his new honors most modestly, and is as democratic as on his former visit, when he was hail fellow well met with all the American newspaper men who had the good fortune to meet him. From the steamer Sir Alfred went directly to the office of W. E. Carson, his New York representative.

"I have come over primarily for the purpose of investigating the American paper supply," said Sir Alfred, when interviewed. "But what I want most just at this moment is a rest from business cares. I am going to Maine with Mr. Carson. I shall remain in the States about five weeks and hope to find some time to visit the St. Louis exposition."

Sir Alfred and Mr. Carson left last evening for the Maine woods, where they will spend a week in camp.

WAS GIVEN THE LIMIT

Life Sentence for Man Who Maltreated a Young Girl.

Chicago, Aug. 31. — Milton McCarson has been sentenced to imprisonment in the penitentiary for life after conviction of mistreating Mable Mayfield, a 14-year-old girl. His wife, Viola, also was found guilty by a jury in Judge Kersten's court and sentenced to a year's imprisonment. The conviction and imposition of the severest penalty on Carson, came at the end of eight days' trial. He previously had been found guilty of attacking another young girl and sentenced to 14 years' imprisonment.

INVITED TO BE KILLED

No One Accepting, This Man Decided He Would Die Himself.

New York, Aug. 31.—Albert Sachs, a giant German blacksmith, whose alleged cruelty had driven two of his wives to death by carbolic acid, took his own life in a similar manner while in a drunken frenzy today after his third wife, who had left him, refused to return. Sachs appeared at the home of his brother-in-law, where his wife had taken refuge, early today. According to his wife he first tried to break into her brother's apartments and punish her. Failing in this attempt he went to the rear yard and when his shouts had aroused and brought to the windows all the tenants of the house he invited them all beginning with his wife, to come down and be killed. When no one responded he announced that some one must die to satisfy him, so he drank a bottle of carbolic acid, and half an hour later was dead.

IS KUROPATKIN CUT OFF?

The entire absence of news from the battlefield of Liao Yang up to noon today is not explained by any advices from either St. Petersburg or Tokio. It is now midnight in Manchuria, but no word has been received of events since 9 o'clock last night, when it was announced that the fierce battle that raged all yesterday ceased at 9 o'clock, and both armies had bivouaced on the field. The only surmise to be drawn from this absence of both press dispatches and official reports is that the telegraph line has been cut north of Liao Yang. General Sakharoff yesterday reported that a large Japanese force was advancing northward along the Taitsu River, west of the railroad. Such a movement if accomplished would put this force between Liao Yang, the Russian base, and Mukden, and would cut Kuropatkin's communication north. Added probability is given this surmise by the fact that yesterday the Associated Press received almost hourly dispatches from Liao Yang, one timed 4:49 p.m., detailing the battle to that hour being received in New York at 1:15 p.m., while upto noon today no advices have been received. The announcement that activities were resumed at daybreak this morning, must, therefore, be an invention.

BARTLETT HELD AT DETROIT

Winnipeg Government Official Is Charged With Large Embezzlement.

Detroit, Mich., Aug. 31.—When Melvin Bartlett, clerk of vital statistics in the Provincial Department of Agriculture at Winnipeg, stepped up to his private mail box at the Detroit postoffice last night he was surprised to find detectives waiting for him. It is alleged that for eight or ten years Bartlett has been embezzling money received from the sale of marriage licenses, and that during all that time he has been falsifying entries. The shortage is alleged to amount to several thousand dollars.

Bartlett is 32 years of age. He appeared very nervous when questioned at police headquarters by Lieut. Sadler, and at first said that he would return to Winnipeg. Later he changed his mind and said that he might decide to fight it. Bartlett's wife is still in Winnipeg. Bartlett came here a few dags ago to visit friends in Detroit. When searched $32 was found on him.

SIFTON'S BOY SAVES LIFE

Minister of Interior's Son Makes a Gallant Rescue.

Ottawa, Aug. 31.—Hon. Clifford Sifton's 10-year-old son has performed an act of conspicuous bravery at Assiniboine Lodge, the Minister of the Interior's summer residence on the St. Lawrence. Master Sifton and his little cousin, Arthur Burrows, aged 4 years, were playing at the end of the wharf, near the house. The latter toppled off the platform into about twelve feet of water. Without waiting to give an alarm Clifford Sifton plunged into the water and dived after his little comrade. He is a good swimmer, and succeeded in getting hold of his young playmate. He then swam to the shore, where the Minister and his other sons, who had hurried from the house, rendered timely assistance. They secured a hold on the child's clothing and landed him in a somewhat exhausted condition on the veranda. Master Burrows was soon in his mother's arms after a very close call from death, and will not likely suffer any serious consequences.

ONTARIO'S HEALTH

Report for Month of July Showed a Decided Improvement.

Toronto, Aug. 31. — The July report of the provincial board of health is most gratifying, as indicating a decided improvement in the health of the Province, as compared with the same month of last year. A decided decrease both in the number of cases of infectious diseases and in the number of deaths recorded therefrom is reported. The only exception is in the case of tuberculosis, from which an increase of 40 in the number of deaths is reported. This increase is, the department suggests, partly accounted for by the greater accuracy of the returns made by the division registrars, and does not indicate the actual growth of the white plague to the extent which the figures would suggest. The most gratifying feature of the report is the marked reduction in smallpox, which is 55 per cent; of scarlet fever cases, a reduction of 51 per cent in the number of cases, and of 65 per cent in deaths. Diphtheria cases reported were 29 per cent, and the deaths 63 per cent less, while although an increase of 18 per cent was reported in the number of cases of typhoid fever, the mortality rate was 44 per cent less. The reduction in the number of deaths, which was much larger proportionately than the reduction in the number of cases, indicates that medical science is making decided advances in the treatment of these diseases. The death rate for July was 11.4 per thousand, as compared with 11.5 for July, 1903.

WEATHER BULLETIN.

Tomorrow—Fair and Cool.

Sun rises 5:40 a.m. suns sets 6:56 p.m.
Moon rises 9:47 p.m., moon sets 10:54 a.m.

Toronto, Aug. 30—8 p.m.—The weather today has been fair and cool throughout the Dominion, except in Assiniboia and Saskatchewan, where showers have occurred. Minimum and maximum temperatures: Dawson, 40—52; Victoria, 52—64; Kamloops, 54—72; Calgary, 48—64; Parry Sound, 38—64; Toronto, 48—68; Ottawa, 46—68; Montreal, 56—68; Quebec, 44—66; St. John, 46—64; Halifax, 44—70.

Wednesday, Aug. 31—8 a.m.

FORECASTS.

Today and Thursday—Moderate Easterly winds, fair and cool

TEMPERATURES.

Stations.	8 a.m.	Min.	Weather.
Calgary	50	48	Cloudy
Winnipeg	52	50	Cloudy
Parry Sound	50	42	Fair
Toronto	53	48	Cloudy
Ottawa	52	50	Clear
Montreal	52	50	Clear
Quebec	48	44	Clear
Father Point	48	44	Clear

WEATHER NOTES.

The weather continues cool and showery in Manitoba, and the Territories, and at present there is no danger of frost. From Ontario to the Maritime Provinces it is fine and cool.

Local temperatures: The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the observatory for the 24 hours ending 8 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 30, were: Highest 72, lowest 46

GUN PLAY IN A KINGSTON STREET

Battery Men Found Tapping a Till and Shoot at Pursuing Constables.

Kingston, Ont., Aug. 31.—There was a fusillade of shots on Princess street early this morning. Constable Hughes found two men in Mahood's drug store, tapping the till. He entered the store and was met by bullets. The men dashed by him and fled, but he used his gun, and other constables-aided in the pursuit. Stanley Drapau, of B Battery, stores department, was fired upon, and fell over a wire fence. Constable Graham was soon at his side, but a bullet from Drapau's revolver whizzed past his head. Despite this he collared his man. The latter's companions, Marion Drapau, a cousin, of A Battery, and P. Vigor, B Battery, were secured at the barracks. The prisoners are suspected of the Mills fur robbery on Saturday night.

ARCHBISHOP IN QUEBEC

Inspects Points of Interest and Attends Public Receptions.

Quebec, Aug. 30. — Accompanied by Mrs. Davidson and his Lordship Bishop Dunn, His Grace the Archbishop of Canterbury drove out to Wolfsfield this morning, where he was the guest of Miss Price. Afterwards the party drove to the different points of interest in the city, his lordship taking a deep interest in the many historical spots in the ancient capital.

His grace and Mrs. Davidson dined this evening with Rev. Dean Williams. There was a public reception at Bishop Thorpe's this afternoon, attended by a large number of prominent citizens.

Tomorrow the citadel will be visited and luncheon will be partaken of at "Spencerwood," where the party will be the guests of the Lieutenant-Governor and Lady Jette, after which the members will be driven to their special train upon which they will leave Quebec.

BEES DRANK THEIR FILL

Hummers Attack Soda Water Fountain and Everybody Fled.

Richmond, Ind., Aug. 31. — Great excitement prevailed on the Richmond Chautauqua grounds Monday when swarms of bees swept down on the pavilion from neighboring farms.

The pavilion was crowded with people, many of whom at the time the bees hove in sight were patronizing the soda water fountains. Attracted by the odor of the nectars and ambrosias being dispensed there the bees went direct to the fountain, while the drinkers and others fled in confusion. Business was completely suspended while the bees drank their fill.

Boris to Fight.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 31.—Grand Duke Boris, who arrived in St. Petersburg yesterday evening, returns to the front in three weeks.

Two Japanese residents of this city have been arrested as spies. It is said that some of the letters seized on board the North German Lloyd steamer Prinz Heinrich in July last by the volunteers fleet steamer Smolensk were from them.

Liner Drifting.

Plymouth, Aug. 31. —The Hamburg-American steamer Phoenicia, which left New York Aug. 20 for Hamburg, and was reported by the North German Lloyd steamer Kronz Prinz Wilhelm at Bremen yesterday to have sighted on Aug. 27, apparently drifting, passed the Lizard at 7 a.m. today.

TYPHOID DID NOT ORIGINATE HERE

Out of 120 Cases 102 Came From Port Stanley and Four From Other Places.

Three new cases of typhoid fever were reported to the board of health today. Thus there are at present 120 cases in this city, 102 of which are directly traceable to Port Stanley. Of the other 18 cases one was brought here from St. Thomas, one from Pittsburg, one from Hamilton, and one from Toronto, so that of the entire 120 cases only 14 are classified, as having originated in London. This is a fact which causes the members of the board of health to breathe easier, as it shows beyond a shadow of doubt that no unsanitary condition in London is responsible for the present outbreak. No further deaths were reported today, and it is confidently hoped now that the worst is over.

During the month of August the local fire brigade responded to 10 alarms. Two of these were for grass fires, five were legitimate alarms, one was a false alarm, and two were tests. The most serious fire was on Tuesday, Aug. 9, when the street car barns were wiped out, with a loss of about $25,000.

The fire chief has purchased three new horses at Florence, near Bothwell. It is said the price was away down, but that the horses are exceptionally fine ones.

During August 27 building permits were issued from the city engineer's office.

Mayor Beck said today that the decision of the G. T. R. officials to erect the new roundhouse on Rectory street instead of on the Simcoe street site will not affect the city's agreement with the company re the widening of the Wortley road subway, and the cove bridge spans. It will be remembered that the company, if allowed to build upon 20 feet of Simcoe street, agreed to perform the works above-mentioned for the city. Now the company does not need the 20 feet of Simcoe street, but it is understood that the agreement made by the G. T. R. will be carried out.

Yesterday some person read and gave out the contents of a letter from the Underwriters' Association to the City of London. The letter was left on the mayor's desk by the city clerk. Today his worship gave orders to lock his office in future so that the unwarranted liberty may not be repeated.

In a letter to the city the Canadian Underwriters' Association say that a special sub-committee has been appointed to deal with the matter of the reduction in the key rate of London. It is likely the city will know in a few days just what the insurance men intend to do, as the sub-committee has been called to meet at once.

May Compromise.

Liverpool, Aug. 31.—A message from one of the principals in the shipping conference at Frankfort-on-the-Main, indicates that a practical settlement of the trans-Atlantic rate war has been reached; that the terms of a compromise arrangement satisfactory to both sides will be announced in a few days.

Hand Torn Off.

Winnipeg, Aug. 31.—Miss Bowler, of Rosser, Man., met with a serious and painful accident, which may prove fatal. As she was filling a pail of water at an air motor pump, her hand caught in the gearing, drawing her towards the mast, till her hair became entangled in the revolving machinery and was torn completely off. Her screams brought assistance, but before the machinery could be put out of motion her arm was severed at the wrist. She was unconscious for several hours, and is still in a most precarious state.

Death of John Cascaden, Ex-M.P.P. for West Elgin

Passes Away at Dutton After Prolonged Illness—A Distinguished Career.

Dutton, Ont., Aug. 31. — After a prolonged illness of over three months, Dr. John Cascaden, ex-M. P. P. for West Elgin, and one of the oldest practicing physicians in Ontario, died at his residence here at 2:15 this morning.

Dr. Cascaden was born at Ballyshannon, County Donegal, Ireland, on Dec. 30, 1840.

His father, who was a merchant in Ireland, emigrated to this country when the son was but 11, where he followed farming. In early youth the doctor taught school meanwhile preparing himself for his chosen profession. He graduated from the University of Toronto in 1863. He also took post-graduate courses at Ann Arbor University, London, Eng., and Edinburgh, and also saw service in the hospitals at Washington during the American civil war. After returning from London he began practicing at Iona in 1867, removing to Dutton in 1891, where he continued in active work until last spring. In 1890 he was appointed medical superintendent of the Mimico Asylum, resigning a few months later to resume the practice of medicine.

In politics he was a strong Liberal, and at the general elections of 1879 and 1883 he was elected to the Legislature retiring from active politics at the end of his second term. He was one of the best platform speakers in the west, and was particularly at home as an afterdinner speaker.

ENTERED FORT ON PILED-UP DEAD

Desperate Valor of Japanese in Assaults on Pt. Arthur.

REPEATEDLY HURLED BACK

Heroic Garrison Beats Off the Attackers in a Desperate Three-Days' Battle.

Che Foo, Aug. 30.—The Port Arthur Novi Krai, in its issue of Aug. 26, speaking of the incidents of the siege occurring between Aug. 22 and Aug. 26, makes no mention of any general assault during that period, but records several desperate attacks on the Russian position. The Russian consul at Che Foo, says the Novi Krai, relates only facts, but colors them with the intention of inspiring the garrison to the emulation of heroic deeds.

Following a three days' assault on Port Arthur the Japanese rested on Aug. 23. At 11 o'clock that night they concentrated a strong force to attack Seardoutni fort, on the Russian right flank. The Japanese crept forward in Indian fashion for one hour, in spite of the Russian rifle fire. At midnight they made a powerful rush, but were mowed down in all but one quarter. The Japanese succeeded in entering the fort over the dead bodies of their comrades, but nearly all were bayoneted inside the fort. The remnant retreated, losing severely as they fled. The Japanese searchlights showed ghastly heaps of dead, like magic lantern pictures.

The Japanese were reinforced, and renewed the attack, but again were repulsed. The Novi Krai asserts that the Japanese troops were forced forward by their own shrapnel fire, the guns having been placed behind them to prevent a retreat.

A third attack also failed, and anticipating a fourth, the Russians were reinforced, but the fourth attack was not made.

The Seardoutni presented to the Japanese a high stone wall, and the fact that one detachment succeeded in scaling it is accounted marvelous.

At daylight there was an artillery duel. Gen. Gorbatowski directed the Russian fire, having been six days and nights without sleep. The fort suffered considerably from the Japanese artillery, and Gen. Gorbatowski ordered the garrison into the undamaged trenches.

At 10 o'clock on the morning of Aug. 24, a mountain battery of mules was seen in motion. The Russians fired and dispersed it. At noon on the 24th two Japanese columns were observed but they retired when the Russian artillery attacked them.

At 2 o'clock in the afternoon the Japanese began a heavy bombardment of the Russian position with 120 millimeter guns, and at the same time a Japanese column of infantry and cavalry appeared at Pali Chuang. At 6 o'clock the Japanese attacked the northeastern front of the Russian defenses, but were compelled to retire with fearful loss.

[The foregoing is an account of a battle mentioned in these dispatches yesterday as having occurred Aug. 26. Whether the fighting on the 26th was a separate attack cannot be determined.]

On the morning of the 25th the Japanese artillery opened up along the eastern front, but most severely on the northern section. During the night of the 25th Captain Stempneffsky made a sortie to disperse a Japanese battery on "Corner Hill," but without success.

The Novi Krai says: The Japanese were building trenches in front of the hills on "Corner Hill" to "High Hill," but does not mention the retreat of the Russians from the latter place. The Japanese have about 20 guns. In the vicinity of Louisa Bay, northwest of Port Arthur, the Japanese have two hundred guns concealed in a cornfield.

RELIGIONISTS FIGHT

Hard Shell Baptists and Adventists Resort to Gun Play.

Tazewell, Va., Aug. 30.—A disastrous fight occurred between the Whitakers and Altizers on Indian Creek, on the border of West Virginia, about fifteen miles north of here. As a result Noah Altizer is dead, Lee Whitaker seriously injured, Bill Whitaker shot through the body with slight chance of recovery, and John Stanton, a sympathizer of the Altizers, seriously injured.

The trouble occurred at a meeting of the Hard Shell Baptists and Seventh Day Adventists, with whom the Whitakers and Altizers affiliated.

The services were in progress when some one fired a shot and a general fusillade began, with the results named. The Whitakers and Altizers have been enemies for 30 years.

A MENACE TO SHIPPING

Minnesota, Sunk in St. Clair River, To Be Removed.

Detroit, Mich., Aug. 31.—Lieut.-Col. Davis, United States engineer, has visited the scene of the Minnesota wreck in St. Clair River, just below Grand Pointe, with a member of the Canadian Department of Marine, and after making soundings and sweeping over the old hulk, decided that this was still an obstruction and that the Reid Wrecking Company, of Sarnia, would have to do additional work in order to give a clear depth of 20 feet. Several boats have struck the wreck, and action will be taken to have this removed at once.

NAN PATTERSON'S CASE

Counsel to Ask for Her Discharge on No Evidence Grounds.

New York, Aug. 31. — Justice Amend in the supreme court today granted a writ of habeas corpus for Nan Patterson, who is under indictment on a charge of murdering Caesar Young last June. The writ, which is returnable, orders the warden of the Tombs to produce Mrs. Patterson in the supreme court when her counsel will ask for her discharge on the grounds that there is no evidence that she committed the crime charged against her. If this is denied, application will be made that she be admitted to bail in sum to be fixed by Justice Amend.