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## Skirt Special

FOR

## TO-NIGHT & MONDAY

10 dozen black undershirts, made of excellent quality black mercerized sateen, flounce 12 in. deep, accordion pleated full 6 in. deep, extra dust frill 6 in. deep, a special out-purchase, extraordinary value at each

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2 yds. wide, bleached tabling, pure linen, grass bleached in pretty vine and floral design, with handsome border, regular value \$1.00 a yard, on sale for 80c

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To clear out our stock of fancy wash stocks, and ties we place on sale our entire assortment to-night, worth up to 35c each, for 11c

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Ladies' extra fine pure white-lisle thread vests, no sleeves, high neck, lace trimmed, fancy weave, extra value, at regular prices at 40c and 50c each, on sale to-night and Monday very special at 29c

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## SHIFTED TO LIAOYANG

After Four Weeks' Rest Japs Advance on Kuropatkin.

Armies Are Now Engaged in a Big Battle—Fighting Has Been Going on at Liandianshan For the Past Three Days—First Intelligible and Succinct Account of the Situation at Port Arthur.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 27.—After four weeks' interval the Japanese have resumed their advance against Gen. Kuropatkin's positions. The opposing armies are in contact east and south of Liangyang and fighting has been in progress since Wednesday. The advice at hand are too meagre to enable the officials to form a correct opinion as to whether it will result in a general engagement, but the extent and character of the Japanese movement leads to that conclusion. Since the rains ceased a week ago there have been continued intimations that Gen. Kuropatkin was about to assume the offensive, but instead of that it was the Japanese who attacked the Russian commander's eastern and southern positions.

Along the Whole Line.  
Kantzertun, 7 miles southeast of Liangyang, Aug. 27.—The Japanese are advancing along the whole line of the Russian eastern front. On Aug. 24 there was a rifle skirmish and the next day the Japanese artillery opened fire. On both days the firing ceased at dusk, and the small energy displayed by the Japanese might have been taken to indicate that it was merely a demonstration or a reconnaissance in force. In the morning of the 26th, however, the rifle and artillery fire was renewed with an energy that left no doubt that a severe battle was intended. The Japanese pushed their attack against the Russian right flank and centering their fire on the first battery of the third brigade. Three officers and several men were wounded early in the day, but the battery held its position and replied to the Japanese fire with such marksmanship that Gen. Ivanoff, who commands Lieut.-Gen. Keller's corps, sent a congratulatory message to its commander. The Japanese several times attempted to cross the Tankeho (Lank River), but only a few succeeded and these were forced to hide in the fields of Chinese corn. At 2 p. m. the artillery fire became as hot as it was at Valangow, but it fluctuated considerably, and occasionally the Russian fire almost silenced that of the Japanese. Rain fell in torrents at 4 o'clock.

Advance on Liandianshan.  
St. Petersburg, Aug. 27.—Emperor Nicholas has received the following despatch under date of Aug. 25, from Gen. Kuropatkin:  
"On Aug. 24 the Japanese delivered an attack in the Valley of Sundakhyia from Tantzuputzy. The Japanese advance was checked at 3 p. m. at Liandianshan by a Russian company, five men being wounded."  
"The same day two Russian companies resisted the advance of the enemy in superior force at Sunoinpu. The Japanese suspended operations. The Russian losses were one officer wounded and fifty-three men killed or wounded."  
"On the evening of Aug. 24, the Japanese having repulsed our outposts, occupied the heights to the southeast of Liandianshan and constructed earthworks and entrenchments on the heights."  
"At 5.40 a.m., Aug. 25, one of the enemy's batteries opened fire on the village of Kofintza. A Russian battery returned the fire successfully, notwithstanding the considerable distance of the Japanese guns, and silenced the latter, compelling the gunners to take to cover."  
Japs Forced to Retire.  
"Since the morning of Aug. 25, a force of the enemy, consisting of one brigade of infantry, with four batteries, has marched through the Sundakhyia Valley and repulsed two companies of our troops, advancing down the valley one company of Japanese advance guard came under the fire of our battery, apparently suffering heavy loss, and was forced to retire."  
"On the morning of Aug. 25, the enemy placed in position two batteries in front of Liandianshan and bombarded our advance post position. After a brisk exchange of fire the enemy's infantry appeared from Erbakhe, moving towards Kaminka and Katsassai. About 2 p. m., a Japanese mountain battery, which was advancing along a ridge toward Tassintun, was held up by our guns and was prevented from occupying the position held by another battery which was silenced after suffering heavy loss."  
"At 3 p. m. large bodies of the enemy were observed constructing entrenchments on the heights south of Sanpu, and at 4 o'clock a Japanese mountain battery appeared on the heights west of Kaminka, but retired. At 5 p. m. a Japanese force of at least two divisions of infantry was

advancing against the Russian positions at Liandianshan."

### SITUATION AT PORT ARTHUR.

Russians Driven Back Inch By Inch, But End Is at Hand.

Chs Foo, Aug. 27.—According to information from trustworthy sources the present position at Port Arthur is as follows:  
Eastward from Takushan to the Wolf Mountains the country is in the occupation of the Japanese, who have mounted 300 heavy guns besides field artillery. The guns include ten 6-inch quick firers, manned by a nava. brigade, and also weapons brought from the principal forts of defence in Japan. They are able to shell the town.

The Russians, besides heavy guns, have constantly at work 100 light pieces of quick firers.  
To the westward of Esoschan fort, which has been captured, a road leads to the parade ground, but the infantry are unable to advance on account of land mines.

Between Two Fires.  
From the heights the Japanese are able to shell the eastward forts, which are thus caught between two fires.

Pigeon Bay fort has been taken, but Liandianshan is still in the hands of the Russians.

To the north the Japanese are at Pailencheng. Their infantry and advanced guards have pressed several times beyond the inner forts, but have been repulsed.  
There are Japanese spies in Port Arthur engaged in cutting the electric circuits connecting the land mines. The besiegers cannot advance eastward until the forts are silenced.

The capture of Etsseshan is regarded as opening a successful way to the westward.

The attack is being pressed on all sides simultaneously and the Russians are fighting inch by inch.  
Since Chinese, whose arms, left Port Arthur eighteen hours ago, confirm the capture of Etsseshan. The whole of the west coast of the peninsula is now in the occupation of the Japanese, who examine all junks leaving the harbor.

Ships Under Fire.  
They maintain a heavy shell fire, making the position of the ships in the harbor untenable.

Fighting is continuous, and the belligerents are unable to bury their dead. Hence the effluvia from the decomposition of the bodies is making life in the town insupportable.  
The harbor is described as boiling with the splash of falling shells. It is estimated that three thousand projectiles have been received in three days. Never was such a line of intrenchments and wire entanglements as that constructed near the town.

Three Numbered Five.  
A Russian, who has intimate knowledge of Port Arthur fortifications, explains that there are three forts known as No. 5. This accounts for the various and conflicting reports regarding fighting at No. 5.

The Fall Inevitable.  
Boston, Aug. 27.—The fall of Port Arthur is inevitable, according to Baron Kentaro Keneko, the special envoy of the Mikado of Japan to the country. Baron Keneko added in a statement to the press yesterday that the capture of the fort was certain to come, not only because Japan planned to spend, if necessary, from 40,000 to 50,000 men in its capture, but because also, the whole population of Japan regards it as a point of national honor that the port should be retaken from the Russians and returned to the nation into whose possession it rightfully came ten years ago.

Battle Fleet on the Move.  
St. Petersburg, Aug. 27.—The Baltic fleet, which sailed from Cronstadt Thursday night on a ten days' trial cruise, consisted of twenty warships. The fleet consists of the battleships Souveroff (flagship), Borodine, Alexander III, Oslabia and Orel, the cruisers Dmitri Donaskoi, Aurora, Zemtchova, Izumrud and Almaz, and the transports Okean and Kamchatka, with a number of torpedo boat destroyers.  
While it is officially stated that the fleet is bound on a trial cruise, it is believed by many people that the warships will not return to Cronstadt unless in the case of a serious breakdown, but that they will put into Libau, where they will be joined by auxiliary cruisers, colliers and torpedo boat destroyers, built at Libau and Revel, and there await the ultimate start for the Far East.

### C.P.R. New Stock.

Montreal, Aug. 27.—It can now be definitely announced that the directors of the C.P.R. have decided to ask the Government and the shareholders of the company to authorize an issue of new common stock to the amount of \$25,500,000. Notices to that effect were sent out yesterday, and October 5th at noon was set as the time for the shareholders to meet here at the head offices of the company and record their votes. It is expected that the annual meeting will be held on the same date.

### Assassin Sentenced to Die.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 27.—It is reported that Samsonoff, the assassin of M. Von Plehve has been sentenced to death, and that the sentence is now before the Emperor. The reports which have been circulated about Samsonoff having escaped, and also that he was dead are declared to be false.

## OIL WELLS IN FLAMES

Great Fires in Louisiana and in Belgium.

Belling Gusher Ignites and Fires Other Wells—Tanks Containing 36,500,000 Gallons of Oil Burning—Started in Russian and Spread to the Standard Oil Company's Tanks—C.P.R. Liner Lake Michigan in Danger.

Antwerp, Belgium, Aug. 27.—The oil tanks at Hoboken, three miles from here, containing about 26,500,000 gallons of petroleum, are ablaze, together with all the sheds, wagons, and paraphernalia. The fire started at the Russian companies' tanks, through the ignition of escaping gas, and the flames quickly spread to the Standard Oil Company's tanks. A high wind fanned the fire. Troops are assisting the firemen to localize the conflagration. Estimates of losses run into millions of francs.

### Seven Persons Burned.

London, Aug. 27.—A despatch to a news agency from Antwerp says that seven workmen perished in the oil fire at Hoboken, and that only two out of forty oil tanks were saved. The loss is estimated at \$2,400,000.

### C.P.R. Liner in Danger.

London, Aug. 27.—(C. A. P.)—The petroleum blaze at the South Docks, Antwerp, caused the C. P. R. Liner Lake Michigan at one time to be in great danger.

### Oil Wells Blazing.

Crowley, La., Aug. 27.—The biggest fire in the history of the mammoth oil fields is raging. Thursday morning No. 8 came in a boiling gusher, pouring out a volume of oil like a similar position had done so much to advance the real, better and higher interests of Canada. Of all men who had occupied the position vacated by Lord Dundonald no one had given such patriotic and Imperial proof of his appreciation of the exigencies of the situation.

London, Aug. 27.—(C. A. P.)—Minister of Defence Dawson, in Premier Watson's Labor Cabinet, answering General Hutton, charges the general with gross insouciance when interviewing the Minister on official questions. According to Dawson, Hutton refused to take his word concerning the authorship of official minutes, endeavoring to spend three times the Parliamentary amount, and retained in barracks documents required in the Minister's office.

### Killed By Train.

Toronto, Aug. 27.—Dominique Vanturn, a C.T.R. sectionman, while working at the foot of Brook avenue yesterday morning, was run down by the Stratford train and instantly killed. The train was running 20 miles an hour.

### Crushed By Gangway.

Walkerville, Aug. 27.—Alexander A. Parrot, a laborer, was standing on the deck of the tugboat, when a heavy gangway on the steamer United Empire was lowered without warning, which fell on him, crushing him to the ground, and rendering him unconscious. He was sent to Hotel Dieu, Windsor, where he died the same evening. Parrot was about 40 years of age, and is survived by a widow and several children.

### THAT DOUBLE DROWNING.

Further Particulars of the Sad Accident at the Soo.

Sault Ste. Marie, Aug. 27.—Further particulars of the double drowning here show that the accident occurred in St. Mary's River, near Top-sail Island, at about 5 o'clock in the evening. Both the victims were inexperienced boatmen, and it is doubtful if they realized the danger incurred in going upon the river at the time. They had planned for a sailboat ride, and in spite of the fact that a gale of 60 miles an hour was coming off Lake Superior, and which came westward, at least six feet high, they were undaunted.

They went down the river a short distance below the lighthouse, had turned about and were heading up stream when the accident occurred. At this point, the current is very strong, and when the wind caught the sail with a jerk the boat was suddenly capsized, and both young men sank without making a cry that could be heard on shore, where they were being watched by several persons.

The boat used by Patterson and Hill was a light canoe, in which provision was made for hoisting a small sail.

Herbert Delamere Hill was born in Strathroy, and was in his 24th year. He was the only child of Venerable Archdeacon Hill of St. Thomas.

The other young man, James Colebrook Patterson, was the son of Hon. J. C. Patterson, ex-Lieutenant-Governor of Manitoba, and ex-Minister of Militia and Defence in the Cabinet of Sir John Thompson. He had been in Sault Ste. Marie for about four years and had many friends in the Soo.

Pointed a Revolver.  
Hamilton, Aug. 27.—John E. Roth pointed a revolver at William Morden in Barton township, where both men reside, and threatened to put Mr. Morden out of business by means of the weapon, so it is alleged, and last evening Detective Donald Campbell gathered the man with the revolver into the tolls. Roth had the weapon in his possession when arrested.

Patience may be a virtue, but it's often skin to stupidity.

## GAVE PATRIOTIC PROOF

Lord Dundonald Appreciated Exigencies of Situation.

Sir Charles Tupper Declares That the Incident Has Not Blown Over—Former Canadian Premier Heartily Approves of the Conduct of the Ex-General Officer-Commanding of the Canadian Militia—Sails For Canada.

London, Aug. 27.—(C. A. P.)—Sir Charles Tupper sailed for Canada Thursday by the steamer Bavarian. He was interviewed at Liverpool and asked if the Dundonald incident had blown over. Sir Charles replied that it had not. Lord Dundonald considered that the militia should not in any way be mixed up with politics, and all classes might join the citizen soldiery with the object if necessity arose, of defending their country, which Sir Charles considered the weakest spot in the Empire. In propounding his policy in regard to the militia, Lord Dundonald knew he would be retired. He did not complain that he had been unjustly treated, but Lord Dundonald had had the courage of his convictions, and in expressing them publicly had magnanimously sacrificed himself in the interests of Canada and the Empire. Lord Dundonald had achieved his object, that of making and raising a strong militia, the crucial question in the Dominion. In the views expressed Lord Dundonald had carried with him the thinking people of Canada, the bone and sinew of the country, and the effect would be for the lasting good of Canada. Sir Charles entirely approved of the attitude of Lord Dundonald and was convinced that no man in anything like a similar position had done so much to advance the real, better and higher interests of Canada. Of all men who had occupied the position vacated by Lord Dundonald no one had given such patriotic and Imperial proof of his appreciation of the exigencies of the situation.

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Many a young man's brightness is eclipsed by his neckties and waistcoats.

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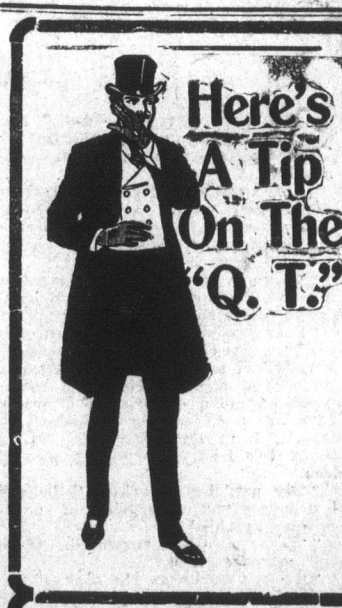
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