## VICTORIA TIMES, FRIDAY. SEPTEMBER 2, 1904.

of the Russian defences, but were com- and after a fierce engagement checked belled to retire with fearful loss. On the morning of the 25th the Japthe Japanese and comp pelled to retire with anese artillery opened up along the eastern front, but most severely on the and only ended at 9 o'clock.

northern section During the night of the 25th, Captain empneffsky made a sortie to disperse Stempnetisky made a sorrie to tappene a Japanese battery on Corner Hill, but without success.

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The Novi Krai adds the Japanese were cated to them. building trenches in front of the hills from Corner Hill and High Hill, but does not mention the retreat of the Russians "The Japanese losses mu from the latter place. The Japanese heavier.' of Louisa bay, northwest of Port Ar-thur, the Japanese have 200 guns con-FORTY-SIX JA

The foregoing is an account of a bat-tle mentioned in these dispatches yes-terday as having occurred August 26th. Whether the fighting on the 26th Whether the fighting on the 26th was a separate attack cannot be determined. A junk, which left Liaoti promontory the afternoon of August 29th, brings confirmation of the report of fighting at Palichuang on the 26th, making it clear that there had been a fight of several days duration in that section, during which both sides lost heavily. The Japanese succeeded in holding their positions Fine rain has begun to fall and mounting guns which, together with those at Chaochanko, exchanged a fierce

THE HILLS TREMBLED fire with Russian artillery from the two forts in the vicinity of Taipingtse.

Chinese, who came in by this junk, af firm-that the Russians are firing daily from Itzshan and Antizishan forts. This many mean that there is another undestroyed fort at Itzshan, or that the Rus sians have recaptured that position. One of the Chinese declared that he has been engaged for 20 days in carrying Russian dead from the forts near Taipingtse. The following diary has been received from Port Arthur:

"August 23rd-It is quiet on the eastern front. The guns on Quial Hill and shore batteries successfully barded the railway on the west front. The Japanese have occupied the quaran tine station at Dayano. The battleshi Sebastopol went out to-day to bombard the enemy in Tahe bay, but withdrew under cover of the batteries upon the appearance of cruisers Nisshin and Kasuga, with a detachment of torpedo boats.

"August 24th-Last night and this morning the Japanese delivered three as-saults on the Zarstudney battery, but ONLY BEGINNING OF the enemy was driven off by shrapnel

from there with heavy losses. August 25th-The Japanese are hur riedly entrenching at the foot of Quog lavaya or Corner Hill, to the northeast of Port Arthur.

'August 26th-There is no change." REPORTED CAPTURE OF

TWO JAPS' BATTALIONS.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 31 .- A dispatch n Mukden this evening says it is re ported there that Gen. Samsonoff has of warships. captured two Japanese battalions.

The great anxiety here for news of o-day's battle has not been relieved at 9.08 p.m. No press or private dis-patches giving details of the fighting have arrived, and the explanation given is that the wires are probably busy with offlical messages. It is positively stated, however, that the Emperor this afternoon received a telegram from General Kouropatkin, but contents cannot be learned. The general staff does not believe that the losses yesterday wer-heavy on both sides, but the staff de were clares that in the absence of direct information the figures mentioned

largely guess work. \_\_\_\_\_

CONFIDENT OF A RUSSIAN VICTORY.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 31.-1 p.m.-Suc cess crowned the Russian arms the first day of the great battle of Liao Yang, that some of the letters seized on board and the utmost confidence prevails here that the issue of the fight will be a complete victory for From dawn until dark yesterday the battle raged first in the centre and left, JAPANESE WILL and then on the right of the Russian line. The Japanese charged gallantly and desperately in an effort to break the centre, and then, in the afternoon, came a movement against the opposite flank. The attack was delivered from the west, but General Kouropatkin evidently anticipated just what happened, for he not only met and repulsed it, but actually was able by superior force to overlap and envelop the Japanese. Last night both armies bivouacked in possible molestation. their positions. attempt was made by Lieut.-General Sakharoff in his report to estimate JAPS ARE MOVING the Japanese losses, except to say that they were extremely heavy and the Rus-St. Petersburg, Sept. 1.-2 a.m.-With sian losses were only approximated at three thousand. No Russian general offi-

whole year are in the scale and neither lled them to reside is in the mood or the position to spare men in the effort to achieve a final "The battle continued until after dark,

The battle of Liao Yang will probably "The spirit of our troops is excellent rank as one of the greatest sanguinary battles of history. It is estimated by the general staff and the men are rejoiced over the news of the heroic behavior of the garrison at that the Japanese armies engaged num-ber 17 divisions of 15,000 men each, or, allowing for inefficients, about 250,000. Each division has S6 guns, and there are "Our casualties have been consider independent artillery brigades of 100 each. The estimates of Russian corres-"The Japanese losses must have been

pondents range from 600 to 1,000 guns In the preliminary fighting of Monday the Russians captured 200 prisoners, who have already arrived at Harbin, and FORTY-SIX JAP GUNS. here is a persistent report that they cap-

ured over 30 guns from the Japanes Gen. Kouropatkin's effective forces are

variously estimated at from 170,000 to than it began yesterday. With the first gray of dawn the artillery opened and entre was desperate in the extreme. The The Japanese on Wednesday mornapanese losses were very great. The attack was sustained mainly by e Eighth Siberian regiment. The fighting at Wafangow cannot b tions a Japanese movement to the northnpared with what occurred to-day east of Liao Yang, which was doubtless Shells shrieked over the town from early trying to work around Kouropatkin's norning. People who occupied positions

a housetops had a magnificent spectacle One of the surprising phases of the situation is the endurance of the men. They have been fighting desperately for two days after more or less severe fighting under favorable conditions every FROM ARTILLERY FIRE.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 31 .- A- dispatch day since August 24th. It would seem that human endurance could not persist to the Official Messenger from Liao Yang, under date of August 30th, says: much longer without respite of some sort. The Japanese are using balloons to locate "All around Liao Yang the hills are rembling to-day from the artillery fire the Russian guns and trenches. One of the Russian correspondents of the Aswhich has not ceased for a moment. Liao Yang has become the centre of sociated Press points out that the Japanese sent up a balloon shortly after day-light to the southeast of Liao Yang. terrific sanguinary engagement, but we were prepared for it. Hospital trains The Japanese are reported to be using are in evidence, and other trains are nortars to drop shells in the Russian ringing in reserves, stores and forage, positions. These are probably the high-angle howitzers, which were reported in ogether with artillery and rifle ammu

ction earlier in the week. It is plain, "To-day's battle seems to be devote nowever, that the Japanese are no longer by the Japanese to an artillery fight, with the object of searching out our poenjoying the superiority in artillery which stood them such good stead in the "The Japanese advance has continu arlier months of the war. It was then ll fighting and the Japanese mountain minterruptedly since August 24th. Yes-terday it led to a number of brilliant acatteries, in which the Russians were decient, told with deadly effect. Now the ons as the Russians drew in upon their

contest is in a comparatively open counlefences, but these actions were nothing where both the Russian field guns compared with to-day's encounter." and Russian cavalry can come into more effective use.

CONFLICT FOR SUPREMACY. JAPANESE SEND OUT New York, Aug. 31 .- The Herald this

A BRIEF MESSAGE.

"Lewis Nixon, the former presiden Tokio, Sept. 1,-11 a.m.-The battle and technical head of the United States of Liao Yang is progressing without ap-preciable result. Official Japanese dis-Shipbuilding Company, returned yester-day on the Kaiser Wilhelm II. from a patches sent out late vesterday say that visit to St. Petersburg, whither he had neither contestant has realized been invited by the Czar's advisers to visible results.

onfer in regard to replacing the naval FOUGHT CONTINUOUSLY essels lost during the present war, and the supplementing the imperial navy FOR THIRTY-SIX HOURS.

with the latest and most powerful types St. Petersburg, Aug. 31.-9.08 p.m. "Russia is only just beginning to call upon her reserves," Mr. Nixon observed, 'and her tremendous agricultural and urther dispatches from Liao Yang con firm the report of the capture of 46 Japnese guns, which were brought up to nineral resources, besides the enormous the railroad station, where Gen. Kourostress of gold in her vaults and her great patkin's train was standing. opulation, make the present movement Some interesting details of yesterday's only the beginning of the conflict for the battle are furnished by Russian corresupremacy of Eastern Asia." ondents, from which it appears that two egiment's of Japanese at daybreak

TWO ALLEGED SPIES mpted to capture the batteries of the PLACED UNDER ARREST. Sixth artillery brigade, located on the ex-treme left flank of the Russian, army,

orning says:

St. Petersburg, Aug. 31.-M. Olginsky, The attempt was only discovered in the nick of time. Some of the Russian ne of the Associated Press Russian dents, has been decorated with roops fought continuously for 36 hours. The concussion and the roaring of the the Order of St. Anne for bravery on the field of battle while with General Mist rups shook the windows of Lizo Yang chenko lthough the artillery was six to eight Grand Duke Boris, who arrived in St niles away.

Nemor Danchenko, the famous Rus-sian war correspondent, describing the battle, says: "The enemy, drunk with Petersburg yesterday evening, returns to the front in three weeks. Two Japanse residents of this city have been arrested as spies. It is said their former success, attacked from three sides like madmen. When they were the North German Lloyd steamer Prinz hurled back fresh troops of which they Heinrich in July last by the volunteer seemed to have an inexhaustible supply,

selves against our line, but each tim nence around Liao Yang, but the Japa-bese abandoned aggression there on acthey were repulsed at the point of the "There were about 1,000 guns in ac ount of the resistance they met.

There was cannon fire last night, and tion on each side, but we have more this is expected nightly. The varied casualties here include one Russian guns emplaced than have the Japanese "The losses cannot yet be computed but they have been great everywhere war captain wounded and also Chinese women from Chiaofantun, whom Dr. Westwater, the distinguished missionespecially among the artillerymen nstance, in the first artillery b For ary, is caring for in the Red Cross re every officer was either killed or wound ed, and some of the guns were The day's developments show that the absolutely owing to the death of all the

gun crews. cies. Slow rain began to fall at noon, "The spirits of the men are of th gradually transforming the plain into a highest at all points." wilderness through which the wounded

RUSSIAN ADVANCES SOUTH OF THE TOWN.

Liao Yang, Aug. 31.-5.35 p.m.-The pattle was resumed this morning earlier

where they were repulsed on the south road. Chinese graves with trees are being leveled about Liao Yang in order not the firing soon extended along the entire ing were attacking against three sides of the Russian position. One of the As-sociated Press correspondents also men-Russians entered the fight confident of o interfere with the defence. Developments are expected west and victory.

> As this dispatch is sent a balloon is CONTINUE TO MOUNT ascending from one of the Japanese po-sitions southeast of Liao Yang, making target for the Russian mortan Chefoo, Aug. 1.-The advanced posi ies, but the shells have not reached it. ions of the Japanese before Port Ar-The Russians made repeated bayonet thur are now near fort No. 5, on the advances on the road directly south of Liao Yang, where the Japanese apat Hukiaton and Yanglowan on the roached from Sanquaiship and Tao. shelling the positions in the Russian lines Chinese who left Port Arthur on Aug until four in the afternoon, when the enust 29th say that neither side was then occupying fort No. 5. The fort at Tunggagement, which was general throughout the south and southeast, narrowed to the main lines. The Japanese advance on

> the southeast was by way of the Feng adjoining hill. Huang Cheng road. Immediately in front of Chiaofantun the Japanese stubborniy attempted to occupy a round-topped hill, which was literally shaved by Russian bullets, mak-August 29th. ing repeated attempts the entire day. where apparently it was impossible for anything to live." The cannonading concarry food from Japan to New Chwang, has been held here by the Chefoo comtinued from this point to the vicinity of Wangpaotai until this evening, withut spparent advantage to either side. The Japanese dropped shells within two or three miles of the railroad staon and the plain of Wentzshu moun- anese minister at Pekin.

To-day's dispatches indicate that the tide of battle around Liao Yang has turned appreciably in favor of the Japanese.

ing their way to the hospitals.

With a tremendous and sustained assault on his right and centre, and threatened in his rear by a heavy force, which has crossed the Taitse river, Kouropatkin has been forced to fall back from his first line of battle to fortified positions 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 the Japanese pressure was too great to permit its being executed, Kouropatkin probably fearing that a retrograde movement at that time might result in a rout.

A dispatch from Tokio, however, bringing the action up to this afternoon, says that the Russian right and centre is now falling back, pursued by the Japanese.

Russian official advices say that General Kuroki, who was reported yesterday as moving northward on the Russian left, has thrown pontoons over the Taitse river and has crossed with one division, while others are following. Kuroki's object mostly is to interpose his force between Liao Yang, the Russian base, and the north, a movement which, if successful, would cut Kouropatkin's rear, and command the railroad leading from Liao Yang to Mukden.

The withdrawal of the Russian right and centre probably will involve a similar movement of the troops holding the extreme of the line, and result in a concentration of Kouropatkin's army in the positions he has established in Liao Yang. This is said to be superbly fortified with rifle pits, entrenchments and barbed wire entanglements.

PORTION OF RUSSIAN front the battle at Liao Yang had no FORCE IS RETREATING been resumed up to 6 o'clock this morning. The battle vesterday was of the Tokio, Sept. 1 .- The Russian right and most desperate character. It raged conentre defending Liao Yang, southward, tinuously from dawn till midnight, and are retreating this (Thursday) afternoon. The Japanese are pursuing the Russians. 11.30 a.m.—Reports received here from

slaughter must have been immense. At eight in the evening, after holding

where they had fought, while the worn battle is not ret decided, while express which is the most important emitered to the wounded all night, and the Tuesday's fight, indulged in no prema at the result of Chinese coolies worked at carrying them i ture inbilation

Most of the newspapers express the into Liao Yang. General Sakharoff, in reporting the opinion that Field Marshal Oyama, battle, says the Japanese suffered enormous losses, much larger than those mand, was driven to attack Gen. Kouroof the Russians, who also lost heavily. No statement is made in regard to the ure of the operations against Port Arthur. All the papers point out that the de

of the Russian engineer, Ge

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Ohefoo, Aug. 31.-11.30 n.m.-(Doi

A prisoner subsequently taken place

For one hour afterwards shells we

The above information was brough

ere to-day by a Chinaman who speal

thrown from Shuishiving into Port

excellent Russian, and who was enu

ed at the police station in Port Arthur which place he left in the evening of

August 29th. He adds that up to departure no fu

ther attack had been made by the Jar

eoccupied ,Itzshan, where there ha

anese on Palungshan. He

previous reports that the Russi:

been but little fighting recently

attacked Fort No. 6, on the nor

At 4.30, August 28th, the Jap

portion of the right flank. This fort

a new and strong one. After three

nours' fierce fighting, during which th

Japanese endured a cross fire from For

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St. Petersburg, Sept. 1.-The Empered

HAVE BEEN REPELLED.

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HOLD CAPTURED FORT.

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thur.

General Stakelberg, who is among the wounded, still retains command of his cisive moment to which all of Kouropat army corps, although he is no longer in kin's well thought out plans convergi-Russians are prepared for all emergenchief command of the southern army, has arrived, saying that he has at 1 which has since been consolidated under General Zarhoubaieff. Stakelberg's in-before Liao Yang, where positions ha jury is slight, and he did not leave the been preparing for months under the in carts and walking are to-night mak-General Marozovsky, who was also velitchko. The works around the ci Considering the scale of to-day's opera-

wounded, commanded the artillery bri-gade. He distinguished himself during ions, the number of Russian wounded is apparently small, while the Japanese losses are believed to be great, especially the suppression of the Boxer trouble. of gunners, connected by telephone There has been no interruption of defended by wire entanglements telegraphic communication with Liao Yang up to this hour, which the general Kouropatkin will not go except as a law staff considers to be conclusive evidence that if the Japanese flanking movement resort. He is now protecting himself his outlying positions.

was pressed north of Liao Yang to-day it was unsuccessful. The receipt of press and private dispatches has been delayed. the chief telegraph office at Liao Yang GUNS NEAR FORTRESS. having been moved north, which is invariably done when fighting proceeds a

ed in transmission.)-Severe fighting uch close quarters. The main office of curred at Port Arthur on August 27 the field telegraph is working at all points when the Japanese, moving from Shui in the field occupied by the army corps shiying, attempted to capture Pal east, at Palichuang on the north, and staff. shan, which is south of Sh west of the railway. The Jap made two assaults between 4 and

REPORTED CAPTURE OF LIAO YANG TO-DAY. o'clock in the morning. They were repulsed both times.

Tokio, Sept. 1.-5 p.m.-There is a r port current here at this hour that the Japanese captured Liao Yang to-day. It For one hour afterwards shells kiatashan was destroyed by the Japanese, who proceeded to mount guns on an quite without confirmation The reported presence of Russians in A telegram from the Japanese head-

the Iszschan hills has been confirmed. A junk which has arrived here heard arters in the field says the Russians t Liao Yang number 12 or 13 divisions \_\_\_\_\_ JAPANESE REPULSED The steamer Independent, under chai WITH HEAVY LOSS. ter to the Osaki Steamship Company, fo Liao Yang, Aug. 31 .- (Delayed in

ransmission.)-A Russian correspondent missioner of customs, who claims that if the steamship is allowed to depart the t the Associated Press sends the folwing from the southeast front: neutrality of China will be violated. The "After midday the Japanese centered the strength of all their artillery fire Japanese referred the matter to the Japgainst hill No. 98, and the village of Maetum, endeavoring to break into our left. At the same time they viciously attacked our west line to the right of he hill. "Attack followed attack for three ours. Between three and five o'clock

No. 2, the Japanese succeeded in enter ing the fort. When the Russians wer n the afternoon we repulsed three headsafely away from Fort No. 6, the Ja ong charges against our line. anese flag waved over it, several for "After this the Japanese, with the concentrated their fire on it, and the trength of all their batteries, opened Japanese were compelled to retire ire along the whole southern front, but Heavy firing was heard on the night this attack, too, was driven back with of August 29th. what seemed tremendous loss, although it was impossible to tell clearly what appened amid the shell fire and fight- DAILY ASSAULTS

ng. The roar of siege guns, mortar batceries and mixed volley firing, was on till larkness. has received the following dispatch from "To the north a storm, accompanied by

thunder and lightning, broke, while along the front thousands of shells were ursting constantly. It seemed like a 26th "The gracious telegrams of Your Ma magnificent display of fireworks, begjesty have been received with resounding hurrahs before the enemy and have reuring description. "As a result of the exhaustive efforts

n the part of the Japanese our position loubled the strength of the defenders and the heroic spirit of the troops. on the eastern front is becoming "From August 27th to to-day, inclustronger.' sive, all the daily assaults have been re

RETIRED AFTER HOLDING oulsed with the help of God." POSITION ALL DAY.

TWO MORE AUXILIARY CRUISERS EQUIPPED. Harbin, Aug. 31 .- (Delayed in trans

mission.)—A Russian correspondent sup-plies the following: Copenhagen, Sept. 1.-Russia has quipped two steamers, the Korea and "Fighting with the extreme left flank the Kitai, as auxiliary cruisers. The vessels will be attached to the Baltic of Gen. Herschelmann's corps com-menced at 10 o'clock on the night of August 25th with an attack on our posisquadron.

tion at the village of Tsegow. CREWS OF CRUISERS "The Japanese attack was persisted in RETURNING TO RUSSIA. throughout the night, and by 4 o'clock the next morning it involved the whole.

Vladivostock, Sept. 1 .- The officers and At eight in the evening, after holding his outer positions all day in the fire of Herschelmann's right flank while atcrews of the cruisers Rossia and Grom boi yesterday bade farewell to Commandtempting to turn his left. "The Tamboff regiment desperately er Dabitch and Lieut. Diatchkoff, both of the Gromoboi, who were wounded in protected the left flank until after night. the recent battle near Tsu island. The and just as it was wavering from the officers will start for Russia to-morrow reepated rushes of the Japanese, reinements came up and the whole line, to recuperate. They will visit Moscow including the weary defenders, charged, and afterwards go to St. Petersburg. The parting between the officers and shouting. The Japanese stood stubborn their men was an affecting scene.



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The Company Has Put 1 to the Charges of t bermen.

Vancouver, Sept. 1.-Th issioners went over to The sessions in Vanco cluded last evening, afte days to hearing matters in this city.

Yesterday afternoon tirely devoted to a heari in the matter of the alle C. P. R. discriminated tion of lumber shipped and also discriminated terior mills as against rates to the Northwest, The commissioners will lecision on these matter

date. Just before the com journed the Vancouver, New Westminster board in a statement relative crimination by the C. P Winnipeg as against V. matter of distributing r perchandise.

B. W. Greer, general the C. P. R., put in a fence to the charges of E. P. Davis pointed of of the power of the con reduce the rates of the as the company is not cent. on its invested cap a provision of the C. P.

LORD MINTO'S SU

Ottawa, Sept. 1.-The peets to hear any mome pointment of Earl Grey

General of Canada. Appointment Ann London, Sept. 1.-7.25 ward has approved the a Earl Grey as Governor-(

ada in succession to Earl HIGH SCOR

Excellent Weather Fa Taking Part in Com Governor-General's

Otfawa, Sept. 1.—Splen being experienced for to-tions at the Dominion Ri meeting. The shooting for General's medal is taking scoring has been very high rest made a possible at bo yards, while at the same : n made 34 and 33. Pr by, of Australia, stands gregate at present, with ( Royal Dragoons, 73, nex Forrest third. The Wir holding their own fairly

shooting is high. Later—In the aggregat nor-General's medal, Cap 219, Co. Sergt.-Major Ri Captain Duff Stuart, 21 shaw, 213, were well up.

The First St

cer fell Japanese armies about Liao Yang are One of the striking features of the batlocked in a death struggle, the tension tle was the splendid work of the Russian artillery, in which arm the Japan- in St. Petersburg to-night is strained to the utmost. It is believed here that ese heretofore have excelled. In a dispatch filed last night by one the fight cannot stop short of the crushof the Associated Press Russian corresing defeat of one side or the other. All he says that a report was curreports so far are favorable to the Ruspondents. rent at Liao Yang that forty-six Japan sians, though the suspension of all news ese guns were captured during the day.

for many hours has been exceedingly -0---trying and has given rise to several ru-BUSSIANS LOST 3.000

IN TUESDAY'S FIGHT. mors, somewhat tempering the earlier thusiasm.

It is stated officially, however, that St. Petersburg, Aug. 31 .- Lieut.-Genthe report that the railway and telegraph eral Sakharoff, telegraphing to the gen-eral staff on the conclusion of yester-day's 16 hours of fighting around Liao true. A member of the general staff day's 16 hours of fighting around Liao Yang, estimates that the Russian casual-said to the Associated Press at midties throughout the day were three thou-sand. The battle ended at 9 o'clock last hour communication with Liao Yang has night, when many positions occupied by the Japanese were retaken and again has taken particular precautions against any attempt to cut the railway. While The report from Lieut.-General Sakheld by the Russians.

haroff is as follows: "From 5 o'clock this morning until 9 to-night the Japanese forces attacked to be the Japanese forces attacked the Japanese forces attacked to be the Japanese forces attacked to be the Japanese forces attacked the Japanese forces

our frontal position before Liao Yang, and on the left bank of the Taitse river. only in view of all the facts that this has not yet been done." The highest military authorities here consider that the critical stage of the artillery and rifle fire were intense.

"Their main efforts were directed against our centre positions and left battle has not yet been reached, and flank, but numerous attacks were re they believe that the fight may con-pulsed along the whole line. Our troops acknowledges defeat, an important conmade several counter-attacks, culminat-

made several control of the sideration by the news. "Many positions which had been occu-"Many positions which had been occu-terpret any immediate news. It is thought there that, in view of the the desperateness of

clock in the afternoon. "During the artillery attack our bato'clock in the afternoon.

teries did very effective work. "About 4 this afternoon the enemy days' fighting cannot fall short of 10,000

on each side. Both sides are straining every nerve, was observed attempting to turn our right flank with considerable force, but eral battalions of reserves advanced, realizing that the fortunes of war for a

vere sent forward." Mr. Danchenko says the combatants

had"about 600 guns on each side, and BE SENT BACK HOME. adds: "It was our first victory. The enemy was beaten back everywhere: St. Petersburg, Aug. 30 .- United many of his batteries were destroyed and States Ambassador McCormick has ar-ranged to send between 200 and 300 Japin some cases his infantry was put to

ranged to send between 200 and 600 cm<sup>2</sup> anese who have collected at Perl and Ekaterinoslav from points in Siberia, to Germany, whence they will be sent home of change of plans regarding the Baltic of the result of the sent to the field. It is estimated that the field it is impossible to forecast the duration of the result of the sent battle now going on. It squadron on account of the result of the of the great battle now going on. It tive of the ambassador will accompany sea fighting off Port Arthur August the Japanese, and the Russian authori-10th. The manoeuvring and firing trials | days, ties will furnish them protection against of the ships have been completely suc-

cessful, and the squadron has now re-turned to Kronstadt to wait the finishing touches on the battleship Orel and the cruisers Oleg, Ismrud and Jemtchug. TOWARDS NORTHEAST. The Associated Press is positively asured that the Japanese statement, on

the knowledge that the Russian and which they base their demand that the its environments and not from Liao crews of the Askold and Grozovoi Yang itself northward. Shanghai be imprisoned until the end of the war, namely, that the officers and JAPS COMING FROM men of the Variag and Korietz are on board ships bound for the Far East, is ncorrect and that not one man or an officer are on board Rear Admiral Remission.)-A Japanese force of 10,000 is jenschenk's vessels. reported to be advancing from the north-

> RUSSIANS REPULSED JAPS FIVE TIMES.

KUROKI'S FORCE IS Liao Yang, Aug. 31.-A Russian con espondent says: "The Japanese all day resterday carried on the fight with an ki's force is crossing the Taitse river on pontoons. One division is already across nergy approaching desperation, but the and others are now coming. Russians were buoyed up in the belief that a point had been reached where The dispatch from St. Petersburg anthere would be no more retreating and the Japanese attacks were met with shouts and hurrahs from the trenches and th e rifle pits

"Five times the Japanese hurled them-

Wood's Phosphodine, Figure 2014 For a construction of the second seco Wood's Phosphodine,

Wood's Phosphodine is sold in Victoria According to official advices from

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a Vang das not about the casualties which, it is premost desperate charges, General Kourosumed, are heavy, on account of the en-ormous forces engaged, and the nature of patkin gave the order to refire upon the the attack the Japanese are making against strongly defended positions. The

As Kouropatkin's line, according to

previous advices, occupied a semi-circle several miles to the southward of the

town of Liao Yang, it is evident that

the movement above alluded to a retreat

in the fortified positions in the town and

Mukden, Aug. 30.-(Delayed in frans

St. Petersburg, Sept. 1.-Gen. Kuro

east of Mukden.

NORTHEAST OF MUKDEN

CROSSING THE TAITSE

main works about the city. The Japanese assaults during the day had been directed principally against the second Russian line is proving stronger than that of the first, which they aban-Russian centre, a little east of Maitung hill near the rai'road, and three miles southwest of Liao Yang.

Nothing approaching the severity of the infantry and artillery fire here had been heretofore experienced in this war. General Kondratshitch's division bore may possibly be prolonged for several the brunt and suffered the most.

duel never ceased for a moment. No attempt was made in the official advices to estimate the number of guns | flank exposed and killed many of them the Japanese used, except that they had and forcing the others to retire. many hundreds. Each gun carries 150 charges and these must have been expended many times. as several hundred thousand shots were fired between sun-

rise and sunset. General Kouropatkin's order to fall back on the fortifications was probably due to the receipt of information that the Japanese had succeeded in crossing the Taitse river, northeast of Liao Yang, although Generals Rennenkampff's and Mandaritoff's divisions had been especially placed in position in this direction to

heckmate such a movement. The Japanese crossed at a point called Liao Yang, the suspense here is intense over the final issue of the titanic strug-

the evident object of cutting the Russian line of communication with Mukden. be great on both sides. The best figures now are that half a million of men, with Their exact strength was not established, but a division was made out. about 1,500 guns, are fighting for the mastery. The crisis is expected to-day.

ouncing that Gen. Kuroki's force was "As soon as the Japanese found out crossing the Taitse river on pontoons. that the Russians were retiring from official sources that the failure to give would indicate that the Japanese have either turned or are turning the Busslan left flank. A dispatch to the Associated their outward positions they resumed the out advices last night was interpreted says attack there, although it was then quite Press from Liao Yang yesterday evendark. Thus pressed, the Russians ar- plained by the theory that Gen. Kouroing announced that the Japanese were getting around the Russian left flank rested their movement to the rear and and that developments were expected in the west and northwest. This statement large number of pits, with stakes concealed in their bottoms. The pits were

artfully concealed among the high Chinese corn. When the Japanese charged after the Russians, they fell into the pits in hun-at Liao Yang, as Marshal Bazaine was

nto confu When the Russians faced about and had failed and they seemed worsted at returned to their old position they found these pits filled with dead and dying. all points. Should the Japanese am-munition give out suddenly their position

The ratile of musketry and boom of might become desperate. cannon continued until midnight. When The press, realizing from experience stitutional treatment. Send for the book-the press, realizing from experience UNTIL MIDNIGHT.

at last silence brooded over the bloody the desperate character of the Japanese in stamps. battlefield, the tired soldiers lay down fighting qualities, and the fact that the V. Stott

ly to the bayonet attack, but finally were borne back in the whirl of hand to hand fighting, leaving a lot of dead behind JAPANESE STEAMER HELD AT CHEFOO.

"Later false reports that the Japanese Bayonet charges succeeded each other in rapid succession, while the artillery other battalion of reserves at double Ohefoo, Aug. 31 .- The steamship Independent, under charter to the Osaka Steamship Company to carry food from quick. The battalion caught a Japan-ese infantry column standing with its Japan to Newchwang, has been held ere by the Chefoo commissioner of customs. The Independent put into this port to discharge passengers and local "Our batteries opened with the day light. forcing the Japanese from several freight. The commissioner claims that if the positions in the hills. They lost hundreds by our shrapnel fire. teamship is allowed to depart, the neu-"We held the position all day long, trality of China will be violated, and he but at 6 o'clock in the evening retired

has demanded that the contraband among her cargo be landed here. The in accordance with orders." Japanese consul has protested, and has TO-DAY WILL PROBABLY referred the matter to the Japanese min DECIDE THE ISSUE.

ister at Pekin. The commissioner of cus-toms on his side has referred the matter to Sir Robert Hart, chief of the Chi-St. Petersburg, Sept. 1.-Although nese maritime customs service, whose General Kouropatkin has had the best of the first two days' battle at uling will establish a precedent. Pending a decision of the case, the In-

dependent will remain here with her carsomewhat above Liao Yang, and gle. In view of the number of men and go on board. marched in force directly westward, with guns engaged the carnage doubtless will -0---

ARE NOW MARCHING TOWARDS LIAO YANG.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 1.-General Sakharoff, in a dispatch to the general staff, The public is so hungry for news from dated to-day, on yesterday's fighting,

"A portion of General Kuroki's force minously in some quarters, but is explained by the theory that Gen. Kouro-patkin is too busy in the midst of the Taitse river. A division of infantry. again faced the Japanese. With the gigantic struggle to prepare reports for with cavalry and artillery, cross sed first outer position, the Russians had dug a or contain strategic information which Japanese advanced towards Liao Yang cannot be published. The meagre advices received make it in two bodies, one due west and the oth-

plain that the Japanese are trying to turn the flanks of Gen. Koropatkin's po-"There was fighting between t "There was fighting between the two armies all day long, and especially tween 8 o'clock and midnight, after

the stakes and their lines were thrown should be in 1870, but, up to last night, ac-Cancer of the Stomach cording to unofficial advices, their plan

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ttawa, Sept. 1.the first stage of the Go medal with 102 points. Co. Sergt.-Major Richard Duff Stuart are sure of Bisley team.

SHOT NEAR HIS

Builder Killed By Unid Police Say Tragedy pute Over Pol

> New York, Aug. 31 .--well-to-do builder, was a early to-day near his hor borough of Queens, by man, with whom, the pol engaged in a quarrel ov Deikler deft home earl ing. Some hours later residents of the neigh startled by three shots. ran to the street, where husband dying from a h his head. Two of the sho A posse was quickly the assassin escaped, lea

> > PRINCESS DISAF

Believed to Have Been As of Count With Whom

Badelster, Saxony, S Louise of Saxe-Coburg, it i caped alone from her hote Tuesday morning. She w the trees in the hotel garde and a man. They entered riage, which was waitin were driven swiftly away

of Munich. A man named Gratz, w at the hotek, is supposed e means for the flight and that he was an agent Matassich Keglevitch, w eloped in 1897.

BRANCH IN LA

London, Sept. 1.-Fi here are greatly interes tiations of the National New York, to establish rough the absorption don bank.

James Stillman, pre tional City Bank, while ference with representati ous banks, and it has been the Anglo-Foreign Ban has been acquired by Ma Mr. Baxter, secretary of said to der said to-day that there w truth in the report.

now appears to be confirmed, for it is announced from Mukden, in a delayed lispatch, that a Japanese force of 10, 000 men is said to be advancing from the northeast of Mukden. The western move ment has not yet developed, according to the advices to hand, but the announce ment probably refers to the Japanese force which has been reported to be mov ing up the Liao-river.

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about seven miles, the losses in the two

