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## The Closing Days OF OUR Inventory Sale

Have you been taking advantage of our Stock-taking Sale? If not you will have to hurry as only three days now remain before Stock-taking day. Our sale this year has been the largest we have had for years, but we still find we have odds and ends which we must clear before February 1st. To do so we are offering extraordinary bargains.

### Dress Goods Special

5 pieces Plaid Dress Goods, regular value 25c to 35c a yd., to clear at 19c

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In white, red, navy and mixed colors, regular price 50c, very special, clearing at 38c.

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White lawn, hemmed handkerchiefs, clearing at 6 for 25c.

### Girdle Belts

Black silk girdle belts, regular price 50c, very special, to clear at 25c.

### W. B. Corsets

In fine Batiste cloth, in sizes 18 to 24, straight front, long hip, regular price \$1.50, very special, for \$1.15.

### Men's Underwear

Men's all wool underwear, shirts and drawers, regular value 75c to \$1.00, to clear at very special price 50c.

### Towelling

Bunsley Crash, pure linen, 20 inches wide, regular value 12 1/2c a yard, to clear at 10c.

Pure Linen Towelling, 24 in. wide, regular value 14c a yard to clear at 12 1/2c.

Pure Linen Glass Checked Towelling, 24 inches wide, regular value 12 1/2c a yard, to clear at 10c.

Pure Linen Crash, 14 inches wide, to clear at 4 1/2c.

### Wrapperoettes

30 pieces in choice patterns, ranging from 10c to 12 1/2c, to clear at 7 1/2c.

### Gloves

Ladies' and Children's Wool Gloves, regular price 25c, very special, to clear at 18c.

Navy and white mixed Gloves, regular price 40c, very special, to clear at 25c.

## KUROPATKIN'S HERRING

Sakharoff Hinders Drawing It Across Scent of Russians.

Russian General Has Been Compelled to Retire From Sandepas—His Humiliated Success Was a Real Defeat—Japanese Account Says They Defeated Twice Superior Force of Russians and That They Captured Many Prisoners.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 30.—Instead of confirmation of Saturday night's report that Gen. Kuropatkin had broken through the Japanese line there came Lieut.-Gen. Sakharoff's official admission to-day that the Russians had been compelled to retire from Sandepas on account of their inability to carry a redoubt. It is also significant that despatches from Russian correspondents at the front have again suddenly ceased, which is regarded as an indication of the failure of the operation and strengthens the first impression that it was a demonstration undertaken to distract the people at home from the present situation.

Russians Admit Defeat.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 30.—Lt.-Gen. Sakharoff has telegraphed the following report to the general staff, under date of Jan. 28: "On Jan. 26 the enemy began to concentrate in considerable force near Sandepas, intending to take the offensive against the villages of Sumapu and Paotsao, south of Sandepas, which were occupied by the enemy. During the whole of Jan. 27 an obstinate fight was going on here and after midnight we took Sumapu. On Jan. 28 another column, advancing upon Sandepas, occupied in the evening a great part of that fortified village, but, coming upon a strong redoubt, with a triple row of artificial obstacles, which had been severely damaged by our fire, and which was armed with field artillery and quick-firers, and seeing the impossibility of carrying the redoubt, our troops left Sandepas, which had been set on fire, it being impossible to remain there without risking defeat."

"On Jan. 27 and 28 Sandepas and its redoubt were heavily bombarded, while our extreme column engaged near Samapu and Paotsao. Details have not been received. "On Jan. 28 and 27 our cavalry, operating six miles south of Sandepas, attacked and defeated a Japanese company and took 100 prisoners. Altogether the Japanese must have suffered considerable losses."

## JAPS OCCUPY LIUTIAKO.

Twice Entirely Repulsed Superior Force of the Enemy.

Tokio, Jan. 30.—Telegraphic advices received here yesterday from the Japanese Manchurian headquarters, dated the 29th, says: "Our detachment occupied Liutiaiko yesterday (Saturday), and was twice counter-attacked by a superior force of the enemy last night. We entirely repulsed the enemy."

"Our other detachment at dawn to-day (Sunday) attacked the enemy in the neighborhood of Feitsaihotzu, about two miles north of Heikoutai and occupied the position. The enemy fiercely counter-attacked our force, which assailed Heikoutai last night, but was repulsed entirely. To-day our force occupied the neighborhood of Heikoutai."

"The enemy in the direction of Liutiaiko and Heikoutai has entirely retreated to the right of the Hun River. Our force is now pursuing them."

"In the direction of Chenchiephao and Likajentan, the enemy made several attacks last night, but were repulsed. The enemy attacking these points belonged to the eighth and tenth corps."

"In the direction of Heikoutai the enemy is composed of the first and mixed corps of infantry, together with a cavalry division under Gen. Mischenko."

"We captured 500 officers and men. The casualties on both sides are under investigation."

"The Russians are massing about 65,000 troops on the Japanese left, and bombarding the left flank and centre. Small forces of Russians are attacking all along the line."

Right and Centre.

Manchurian headquarters of the Japanese army report that on Saturday the Russians occasionally bombarded the right and centre armies, following up the bombardment with attacks, which the Japanese immediately repulsed. In the direction of the left wing a Japanese detachment were victors at Chenchiephao and occupied Liutiaiko and Livchia-wopeng on Saturday, the Russians retreating north and west."

The Japanese occupied with infantry positions southeast of Heikoutai on Saturday and are now assaulting the main position. Another detachment dislodged a regiment of infantry, a brigade of cavalry and twelve guns occupying Haerphao five miles south of Heikoutai."

The Russian strength opposing the Japanese left flank is roughly estimated at eight corps, consisting of fourteenth, and fifteenth infantry division of the tenth corps, part of the sixty-first infantry division, part of the first Siberian corps and the first and ninth brigades of rifles."

Battle of Jan. 25.

Sze-fangtai, 60 versts, southwest of

Mukden, Jan. 25.—Via Pekin, Jan. 29.—A battle commenced at daylight Jan. 25, the right flank reinforced by troops from the east began a movement against the Japanese left. One corps leaving Sze-fangtai at midnight, Jan. 24, marched about seven miles southwest and at daylight attacked.

The infantry, backed up by artillery, drove the Japanese from two villages at midday after a sharp fight and continued to make progress, the rest of the right flank becoming engaged. The Russian artillery fire was heavy, but the Japanese remained almost silent. The captured villages presented a warlike picture with Japanese and Russian dead lying side by side in the streets.

The Russian infantry kept under the cover of the walls and houses to protect themselves from the Japanese fire from adjoining villages.

The country is flat and thickly populated, and the villages are large and rich in foodstuffs.

It is snowing and bitterly cold, and the troops eagerly seek the protection of the villages, which in this district have escaped destruction.

On Jan. 26 there was a heavy fire along the right front and an advance was made. The wind at the Russians back drove the snow in the faces of the Japanese, and was very difficult to see any distance. One Siberian rifle regiment suffered somewhat heavy loss.

Jan. 27.—The fighting continued on the right flank, but it does not seem to be developing along the centre or eastern flank. Probably the cold weather prevents a further continuance of the battle.

There is more artillery on both sides than in any former battle of history.

Cannoonading in a Storm.

Mukden, Jan. 28.—(Via Tientsin)—The most important cannonade since the first battle on the Shakhe River was maintained all yesterday in a continuous storm against the Japanese left, which Field Marshal Oyama has been reinforcing with troops from Port Arthur since General Mischenko's raid. The attack was centred about seven miles west of Shakhe station, and it resulted in the Japanese withdrawing from Holantai and Fenchung Chitao, which the Russians have occupied.

The cannonading and snowstorm continue undiminished to-day. It is considerably colder.

The cannonading indicates that an extended contest is progressing. To-day's reports indicate that the Japanese are continuing to fall back, while the Russian cavalry have, it is understood, advanced their lines 10 miles. The Japanese flew a large kite into the Russian lines. The kite was covered with photographs showing the treatment of Russian prisoners in Japan. It was evidently intended to attract the Russian soldiers. On Jan. 27 there was a heavy cannonading on the right flank. It subsided entirely shortly after noon and quiet now continues throughout the centre and right.

Mischenko Hit in the Leg.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 30.—A telegram from Tientsin states that General Mischenko has been wounded in the leg.

Three Steamers Carry 2,000 Refugees.

Che-Foo, Jan. 30.—Three steamers carrying 2,000 Russian refugees left here yesterday for Odessa. Two junks, the vanguard of 25, which left Port Arthur, Jan. 27, arrived here yesterday. The coldest weather of the season was experienced during the trip, and a majority of the women and children aboard were nearly frozen.

GOVERNOR BALKS ROSS.

Appointment of Moribund Administration Refused Sanction.

Toronto, Jan. 30.—Last night a gentleman whose sources of information are invariably reliable, said that Lieutenant-Governor Mortimer Clark is holding up certain appointments that the defeated Ross administration desires to have put through before the new ministry comes into power. The Lieutenant-Governor shows a disinclination to interview, so confirmation of the report could not be gained last night. It is said, however, that Premier Ross wishes to superannuate Dr. Clark of the Toronto Asylum for the Insane and place in his stead Mr. McKay, late Liberal candidate in South Oxford. Other appointments are asked for, but the Lieutenant-Governor refuses to sanction them.

To Prevent Graham's Election.

Brookville, Jan. 30.—Complete returns give Hon. G. P. Graham a majority of 169, the figures being: Graham, 2,201; Donovan, 2,032. Hon. Mr. Graham's seat is none too safe, and that he will have to face a number of charges of bribery and corruption on the part of his agents, and the seat protested, is almost as good as settled.

First Snow in 20 Years.

Rome, Jan. 30.—Severe cold is being experienced in Italy. Mount Vesuvius is covered with snow, and even at Palermo, Sicily, snow fell abundantly for the first time in twenty years.

Wanted to Buy Warships.

Santiago De Chile, Jan. 30.—An American firm has offered a high price for six Chilean warships, but Congress, in secret session, has refused to sell them.

## SABRE BRITISH CONSUL

Swashbuckling Russian Hussars in Warsaw Run Amuck.

Inflict Severe Cuts Across Face and Lower Lip of British Vice-Consul Mucukain.—British Consul General Has Narrow Escape From a Similar Fate—Sergius the Man Behind Russia's Cruelties and Its Evil Genius.

London, Jan. 30.—The correspondent at Warsaw of The Daily Mail telegraphs as follows: "A group of Hussars ran down the British Vice-Consul Mucukain Saturday night in Marshal Kovski street. Two Hussars rushed at him with their swords, inflicting severe cuts across his face and lower lip. Dripping with blood Mucukain was conveyed to the hospital, where he is now doing well. British Consul-General Murray had a narrow escape from being similarly run down in Wiersebova street. It appears that the incidents were due to a company of Hussars getting drunk and running amuck."

Want With the Night Bring?

The same correspondent describes Warsaw as being in a state of complete anarchy. "Many have been killed or wounded in charges by the troops and the recklessness of swashbuckling Hussars," he says. "The only conveyances moving in Warsaw to-day have been military supply cars, ambulance wagons and tumbrils for the dead. The attempted rising of the workmen has failed and the great demonstration timed for to-day has been postponed. After some fighting the wrecked and distraught city pauses to see what night will bring."

Saved By Sacred Icons.

Describing the pillages of stores, the correspondent says: "Many put chalk crosses on their doors or lighted icons in their windows, and thus secured their safety. The rioters paused before the sacred emblems. The hoarse murmurs of the mob drowned the church bells. In several cases soldiers fired on looting mobs, and in one case in a working class suburb, they fired a cannon shot, hoping to disperse the crowd. Intermittent firing was proceeding there all day. Hundreds of shops were wrecked and several stores were burned. Probably a few scores were killed. The ambulances were busy all day. There were alarming rumors from the country districts. It is rumored that the town of Bestilovsky is burning."

Hardinge Active.

The Daily Mail's St. Petersburg correspondent reports that Sir Charles Hardinge, the British Ambassador, has asked the Russian Government to make inquiry into the outrages on the British Consul-General and Vice-Consul-General at Warsaw.

Russia's Evil Genius.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 30.—Evidence is accumulating that Emperor Nicholas throughout the present crisis has acted largely upon the advice of Grand Duke Sergius, who is the most reactionary member of the imperial family, the head of what is denominated the war party, and whom the Liberals stigmatize as Russia's evil genius.

With the first appearance of Father Gopon in the movement, Sergius urged the necessity of putting down the demonstrations in the most energetic manner. Since Sunday last his hand is considered to have been visible to the appointment of General Trepoff to the governor-generalship of St. Petersburg, with the exceptional powers conferred upon him.

Where His Hand is Shown.

Sergius is known to be responsible for the charges placarded by Deputy Chief of Police Roudneff of Moscow, which are causing Foreign Minister Lamsdorff embarrassment, and now it is believed he is about to prevail in the matter of naming a Prince Minsky's successor in the ministry of the interior, M. Bouligan, formerly Governor-General of Moscow, who, like his patron, is an extreme reactionary.

Sergius more than M. Witte is responsible for the elimination from the Imperial manifesto of Minister Minsky's plan for an elected Zemstvo's Council of the Empire. Against Sergius' influence the ministers at present are apparently powerless. He remains in the little palace inside the strong ramparts of Kremlin fortress in Moscow, from whence he despatches daily a courier to Tsarskoe Selo.

Arrests Continue to Be Made.

Arrests continue. Among those seized last night and conveyed to St. Peter's and St. Paul's fortress were Yakonovich, the poet, who served a term of exile in 1886 for connection with the revolutionaries; Madame Pimenoff, an aged writer, and her daughter, Father Gopon; it has now been definitely established, escaped through Finland and was conveyed across the gulf to Sweden by sympathetic Finns. At present he is supposed to be in Stockholm. A story has been started, and which is attributed to the police, that Gopon is a Jew.

Clear Must Yield Demands.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 30.—A marshal of the nobility from one of the central provinces has expressed the opinion to the Associated Press that the Government could not extricate itself from the present situation without very substantial concessions. He believed that within three months

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