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LOST IN SALT MEADOW. NEWARK, N. J., Aug. 23. - Nunzio Morano was shot and killed here yesterday by his brother-in-law, Giuseppe Marmano, who also shot Mrs. Morano perhaps fatally. Marmano in his efforts to elude a crowd of pursuers ran into the salt meadow at the south end of the city where the salt, covered by a foot or two of water, is in many places ten feet deep and more yielding than quick sand. No trace of Marmano has been found and he is thought to have perished. The shooting was the result of a quarrel over a sum of money.

SECOND ONE TO BURN. CONSTANTINOPOLE, Aug. 23. - The American school for boys at Erzeroum has been burned. It is believed the fire was started by an accident. This is the second American school at Erzeroum to be destroyed by fire; the first, situated for girls having been burned on January 19th. The loss in that instance was attributed to incendiaries.

BURIED TODAY. The body of Mrs. Jarge McIntosh, who died at the Home for incurables on Saturday last is to be taken to Brooklyn this afternoon for burial. Service was conducted at 2:30 o'clock at the home by Rev. David Lang and Rev. Wm. T. K. Thompson.

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School Boys' Suits. It will be greatly to your advantage to look through our Stock of Boys' 2 and 3-Piece Suits before buying your boy a Suit for School. Strength, durability, neat patterns and low prices is the combination we offer. Boys' 2-Piece Suits, \$1.10 to \$5.00. Boys' 3-Piece Suits, 2.50 to 7.50.

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THE FIERCEST BATTLE SINCE THE WAR BEGAN.

Japs Driving Kuropatkin's Army Before Them -- Kuroki's and Oku's Columns on the East and West Threaten to Cut Off His Retreat, When the Russian Force Would be Wiped Out.

ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 29, 12:50 p. m. - Gen. Kuropatkin since yesterday morning has been drawing in all his forces from his eastern and southern fronts toward Liao Yang. Anping, Tsogow, Llandianan and Anshan, constituting the main positions of the outer defence line of Liao Yang, have been abandoned.

The heaviest fighting occurred on the left, where the Japanese advanced to the assault again and again with bayonets. The positions at Tsogow and Anping were held by the Tenth European corps. The attacks were delivered with fanatical bravery. The Russians lost a large proportion of officers, ten guns and from 1,500 to 2,000 men, but the Russians had been generally successful in beating off the assaults all along the line and the Russians declare that the order to retreat came as a surprise just when they were expecting orders for a general advance. This is considered to be proof that Gen. Kuropatkin, finding his main positions menaced on the flank and anticipating a general attack, owing to the condition of the roads, which have suddenly been transformed into a morass, has decided to retreat. The retreat from the east front was entirely unimpeded by the conversion of the Liao River into a mountain torrent and this probably also accounts for the failure of the Japanese to follow up the retreating Russians.

The Japanese column moving up the Liao River and threatening General Kuropatkin from the west is regarded as being extremely dangerous and General Kuroki's right seems also to be working around General Henschelmann's position at Anping and to be moving toward Mukden. The strength of the developing Japanese attack may be judged from the fact that General Oku alone, who is coming up from the south is officially reported to have 900 men. Whether General Kuropatkin intends to accept battle at Liao Yang may not be known positively for several days, but the latter several times indicated in these despatches northward, having found that he is prevailing here that he will withdraw not strong enough to cope with the Japanese and realizing that Liao Yang is no longer tenable on account of the Japanese threats at his rear. His retreat undoubtedly will cause keen public disappointment, as it will generally be believed that he had at least sufficient reinforcements to accept a decisive engagement and by the military critics his retreat is interpreted to mean a great prolongation of the war.

The Tokio report that General Kuroki has succeeded in cutting the railway south of Mukden is not confirmed by the telegraph department, where it is said that no reports have been received of an interruption of communications. Of course, it is realized here that if the railroad north of Liao Yang is cut the position of the Russian army would be rendered serious, if not desperate, as it would probably compel General Kuropatkin to accept an engagement against his will.

The rain which has again been falling in Manchuria will probably serve the Russians much more than the Japanese, as their retreat so soon as they reach the railroad will not be impeded, whereas it is likely to almost completely stop the Japanese forward movement.

RUSSIANS RETIRE. LIAO YANG, Aug. 23. - The Russian army has effected its retirement with transport and artillery on Liao Yang, and is now in a position awaiting the advance of the Japanese. The progress of the latter has been rapid and determined, sparing no sacrifice, whereas the point of pressure again being the point of pressure again being the Russian south front.

The Japanese infantry is now advancing to attack. The regiments deployed in open order. CLOSING IN ON PORT ARTHUR. LONDON, Aug. 23. - The correspondent at Tien Tsin of the Standard calling Saturday afternoon says: "Confirmatory details just arrived re-

PEAT INTO COAL. Chicagoan's Process Makes Fuel from the Bog Earth in Twenty-Eight Minutes.

CHICAGO, Ill., Aug. 27. - A Chicago engineer has solved the problem of changing marsh mud into coal and making it a marketable product all within twenty-eight minutes after it is taken from the bog. Practical demonstrations have been made in this city with peat fuel manufactured by a process patented by Campbell Morrison, consulting engineer of a company, after four years of experimenting. The results have shown a heat efficiency equalling that possessed by the higher grades of anthracite coal. Chemical analysis has shown a combination of hydro-carbons and volatile substances giving thorough combustion; physical analysis has shown a specific gravity, in some cases exceeding that of hard coal, so that a ton of peat fuel will take no more room in the cellar than is required for a ton of coal. The peat fuel can be produced at less than ninety cents a ton.

There is nothing new in the idea of utilizing peat, the soil that covers thousands of acres of waste land throughout the United States to the depth of three or four, or fifty feet, as fuel. The trouble has been to find a process economical enough to make an article of commerce. The elimination of moisture in the raw product has been the compressing of the dried peat into blocks that would withstand the weather and not disintegrate in shipment.

Mr. Morrison seems to have solved these problems. A centrifugal separator for the removal of part of the moisture at a low cost and a drier that reduces the remaining moisture to approximately the percentage contained in anthracite coal, have overcome one obstacle. The other improvement, wherein the commercial value of the finished product rests, has to do with the compressor that packs the ground peat into blocks for the market.

In the systems heretofore employed the peat briquettes have been formed by a fixed pressure, which has not given them sufficient density. By the system demonstrated here the density sought is contained by a yielding pressure—an impact and a slide of a mass of great power.

This combines the atoms and molecules of the peat particles and gives them a chemical combination like that of coal dug from the ground. It is believed that the peat briquettes made on the outside of the cylindrical jacket through which the fuel cubes pass, also force the natural tar and paraffine in the peat—six pounds of the former and two pounds of the latter to the hundred pounds—into a glazed exterior that renders the block impervious to moisture.

Practical tests made at the Weir and Craig Manufacturing Company, where the plant invented by Mr. Morrison has been installed, showed that there is no escape of steam through smoke and escaping gases in the use of peat fuel that attends the use of hard and soft coal. There were no clinkers and the percentage of ashes was much lower than with coal.

One interesting test was made with an ordinary cook stove. A fire was built with four pounds of kindling and six pounds of hard coal. A thermometer was placed in the oven and readings made at regular intervals through a peephole. When the fire had died out and the stove was cool another fire was built with four pounds of kindling and six pounds of peat briquettes, and readings were again made. They showed that the average heat obtained was ten per cent. greater with the use of peat, while the duration of effective heat was twenty per cent. greater.

TOO LATE FOR CLASSIFICATION. FOR SALE—A house at 97 Victoria street. Three stories, wooden building. Apply on the premises. (Lower field.) LOST—Black spaniel dog, short tail, very long ears, white breast. Finder will confer a great favor by advising STATION AGENT, Fairville.

Crown, good dark flour, \$3.99 per bbl. Sweet Home, good family flour, \$5.45 per bbl. Kent Mills Flours, \$5.60 per bbl. The wholesale price of Kent Mills today is \$5.75 and this offer will only last for a few days, so buy at once from The 2 Barkers, Ltd. 100 PRINCESS STREET.

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BOYS' CLOTHING At Less Than Cost Price. SHARP & McMACKIN 335 Main St., North End.

THE WEATHER. Forecast - Westerly winds, fair, Tuesday, fresh to strong northwesterly winds, fine and cool. TIDE TABLE. High tide today at 2.43 p. m.; tomorrow at 2.57 a. m. and 2.36 p. m.

SILVER CITY A LIVELY TOWN. A Good Old-Fashioned Cow Boy Shooting Bee.

SILVER CITY, N. M., Aug. 23. - In a shooting affray here yesterday, Constable Perfecto Rodriguez, was killed, Town Marshal Kilburn was fatally, and Patrick Nunn and Chenoweth badly wounded. Nunn, the foreman of the "Diamond A" cattle outfit, in an effort to influence several of his cowboys to return to the ranch became involved in a fight with one of them. Chenoweth, a friend of Nunn was trying to subdue him and grabbed Nunn's revolver, which the latter had laid aside and began shooting. Nunn was hit twice and Rodriguez was shot through the heart. Kilburn then attempted to disarm Chenoweth and was shot in the face and neck. The fight occurred on the main street of the town.

THE BODY FOUND. Strong Circumstantial Evidence Against Alleged Murderer.

COLCHESTER, Conn., Aug. 23. - The dismembered and badly decomposed body of a man has been found in a sack in the rear of the former home of John Marx, the alleged murderer of John Pavoli, a helper on the farm who he is accused of killing in April. Today's discovery was made after a long search and was the result of a recently buried in a manner which Paul Parker, who was formerly employed by Marx and who suddenly disappeared several months ago, is saying he had gone to Pennsylvania. Some of the clothing has been saved by the coroner as evidence. The murder of the man and that of Felix were almost exactly similar, their bodies having been cut to pieces and put in sacks and buried in a manner which indicates that the crimes were committed by one man. Marx and his wife will be tried for murder in the first degree in September.

VICTORIA'S NEW MANAGER. C. J. Milligan Has Been Appointed to Succeed Mr. McLean.

C. J. MILLIGAN, the well known newspaper man and politician, has been appointed manager of the Victoria Hotel, this city, in succession to Mr. McLean, who recently retired. Mr. Milligan is well known not only throughout the maritime provinces but in Upper Canada. He is an able business man and a visitor to the hotel are sure to find him an ideal host.

When the company that now controls the hotel was organized last spring the building was remodelled and improved in many ways and nothing left undone that would be to the comfort of the guests. That all this has been appreciated has been shown in many ways. A copy of the Chester County News, recently published in Parkersburg, Pa., recently received at the hotel contained a long article from a gentleman who had just returned from a trip to the city and province. He writes: "But the climax of the enjoyment of the remarkable trip was to be reached when he arrived at St. John, N. B., and at the Victoria Hotel, kept by D. W. MacChesney. Here we were made to feel at home, and everything was first class and all that could be desired.

Mr. Milligan's strong personality, genial manner and well known business ability is bound to even further advance the good reputation of the hotel among the travelling public.

PRIVATE CAR FOR MEDICINE MAN. ST. LOUIS, Mo., Aug. 21. - A private car just built by a western shop is one of the oddest wheeled palaces ever made. It is the property of a medicine showman who has acquired wealth by retailing nostrums with the aid of a variety show.

The forward end of the car is fitted with a cabinet, in which is compounded the "nature's herb restorer." Back of this is a sleeping room for the porter and next the "doctor's" office and bedroom. In addition to a double seat berth there is a desk and a cabinet for holding remedies. The rear of the car is a salon and waiting room for patients, ending in an observation platform.

The exterior is in olive green and only a gilt legend, where the name of the road would ordinarily be put gives a hint of the purpose to which the car is devoted.

The laboratory will be partly occupied by a large tent in summer and early fall which is set up in some central locality in a town. Here each afternoon and evening vaudeville specialties are presented for a five cent admission fee, three before and two after the lecture by the "doctor." The remedies are of the simplest sort.

Then he turned on his store the light of newspaper advertising and let the people know he was in business and why. He kept them in the dark no longer.