

**DISASTER TO THE
RUSSIAN ARMY****Repulsed After Two Days'
Fighting on the Yalu.****RUSS FLEET AT VLADIVOSTOK****Transport Was Located by Inter-
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Fought Until the Last.**

Shanghai, April 29, 2 p.m.—It is reported here that the Russians have suffered a disastrous repulse after two days' fighting on the Yalu River. The Japanese forces crossed the river and the Russians retreated.

BACK AT VLADIVOSTOK.

Vladivostok, April 29.—The Russian fleet has returned here from its recent operations off the Korean coast.

Tokio, April 29.—Seventy-three Japanese were killed or drowned as a result of the sinking of the Japanese transport Kinshu-Maru, which was torpedoed by the Russian armed cruiser Rossia, at midnight, Monday last.

The Kinshu-Maru parted from the convoy of torpedo boats in a fog on Monday, and at 11:30 p.m. met the Russian fleet. She was ordered to stop, and the Russian steamed alongside, ordered her navigating officers on board the Rossia, and sent a searching party on board the transport. This party discovered two companies of soldiers concealed below, and reported the fact to the Rossia. The latter discharged a torpedo, which struck the Kinshu-Maru amidships and broke her in two. While the transport was sinking the soldiers on board rushed on deck and fired volleys from their rifles into the Rossia, and as the Kinshu-Maru sank several of the soldiers committed suicide. Three boats which floated free from the wreckage were the means of saving 45 soldiers and 9 of the Kinshu-Maru passengers and crew.

Two captains and three lieutenants were among the soldiers drowned. The survivors succeeded in getting ashore and were conveyed by steamer to Gensan today.

INTERCEPTED A WIRELESS.

Paris, April 29.—A St. Petersburg dispatch published in Paris today says that Alexieff's report to the Emperor the affair at Gensan contained details which have not been made public. The Russian fleet was ordered to sink the Japanese ships, but they only found one vessel in the harbor at Gensan.

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**BRITISH STORM
CITY OF ILLIG****Fighting in Somaliland at Close
Quarters—Three Blue-
jackets Killed.****LOWER GRAIN RATES****Canadian Lines Will Meet the Cut
of United States Roads.**

Toronto, April 29.—A reduction in grain rates from Canadian territory for both export and domestic business will go into effect on Monday, May 2, according to a dispatch from London today. This is simply a reduction, meeting a lowering in the rates of the United States. It was announced earlier in the season that the railroads would make no concession at all, and the present reduction is not a very radical one, although grain shippers consider that it is excellent.

METHODISTS DECLINE IT**Rejects a Bequest Because the Donor
Died in Iroquois Theater Fire.**

Kenosha, Wis., April 29.—The Methodist Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church has declined to accept the bequest of the late Willis W. Cooper, an Iroquois Theater fire victim. Letters to that effect were sent to the donor, who had offered to give the property to the church.

At the time of Mr. Cooper's death much criticism was made by members of the Methodist Church, because he had been attending a theater. At that time many churches felt that religious organizations should not accept any bequests from him. The total of Mr. Cooper's estate is estimated at \$15,000, and is to be divided between the Methodist Church and Lawrence University. The latter may also refuse to accept the bequest.

FRENCH SHORE TREATY**Newfoundland House Indorses Action
of the Government.**

St. John's, Nfld., April 29.—In the Legislature, which met throughout Thursday night, Premier Bond presented further dispatches confirming the action of the colonial government was adopted 17 to 5. The Legislature was prorogued yesterday.

KAISER IS BETTER**German Emperor Back Home with
Health Completely Restored.**

Karlsruhe, Baden, April 29.—When Emperor William arrived here he was welcomed by the chief burgomaster, who expressed the joy of the German people at the Emperor's recovery. He also referred to events in the Far East.

Emperor William, in responding, said he held it to be his duty to visit his dear relations and give them proof of his complete restoration to health. He said he hoped the peace of the world would not be disturbed, and that the events which were being enacted behind the scenes of the world would steel him to be united if it became necessary to intervene in world policy.

SOLD ARMY PLANS.

Vienna, April 29.—The Vienna War Office has been arrested on charges of selling Austrian mobilization plans to a foreign power.

**CZAR TELLS WORLD
TO STAND OFF****Officially Announces Will Not
Permit Mediation.****ROYAL PEACEMAKERS FAILED****The Efforts of Kings Edward and
Christian to Halt Hostilities
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London, April 29.—A fire Wednesday night in Vitebsk, a city of 40,000 inhabitants in Eastern Russia, destroyed 170 houses and did damage to the value of \$250,000.

A SON OF BARRIOS.

Paris, April 29.—The child, supposed at the time to be English, who was found two weeks ago on the steps of the Church of the Madeleine, has been identified as the son of Barrios, President of Guatemala, who was assassinated about six years ago. His widow has been in insane asylum since the assassination.

WEATHER BULLETIN.**TOMORROW—COOL AND SHOWERY.**

London, Friday, April 29.
Sun rises, 5:13 a.m. Moon rises, 7:37 p.m.
Sun sets, 7:17 p.m. Moon sets, 5:16 a.m.

Toronto, April 29.—p.m.
The temperature today has been between 75° and 80° throughout Manitoba and the Territories. The weather has been showery in Southern Ontario and Western Quebec. Elsewhere, fair.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Dawson, 28-41; Port Simpson, 32-48; New Westminster, 46-52; Kamloops, 54-61; Medicine Hat, 44-56; Qu'Appelle, 36-42; Winnipeg, 44-52; Port Arthur, 28-48; Sault Ste. Marie, 32-40; Toronto, 50-56; Ottawa, 46-52; Montreal, 42-54; Quebec, 38-48; St. John, 38-46.

FORECAST.

Friday, April 29—8 a.m.
Moderate winds; cool and showery.

TEMPERATURES.

Stations.	8 a.m.	Min.	Max.	Weather.
Clear.	40	40	40	Clear
Winnipeg.	52	44	44	Clear
Port Arthur.	44	44	44	Cloudy
Toronto.	50	44	44	Rain
Ottawa.	46	44	44	Cloudy
Montreal.	46	44	44	Cloudy
Quebec.	46	44	44	Cloudy
Father Point.	44	40	40	Cloudy

WEATHER NOTES.

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