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notice that should you fall
portion of expenditure for
for year ending Sept. 11th,
l claims Cascade and Eastern
waters of Chemainus River,
same will be forfeited in
vided for by statute of
A. R. SHERK.

EME COURT OF BRITISH
COLUMBIA.
of Anna Rebecca Sleh, De-
state, and in the Matter of
Administrator's Act.

resigned given that under an
of the Honorable Mr. Justice
day of December, 1904, I,
was appointed administrator
of the above deceased,
ing claims against the said
ested to send particulars of
of before the 30th day of
and all parties indebted
nred to pay such indebted-
with.
M. MONTVETH,
Official Administrator,
December 9th, 1904.

NOTICE.
designed, being petitioners
of the District of Columbia
of South Seattle into a
herely give notice of our
to His Honor the Judge
of Council for Letters
Public Seal incorporating
of Victoria, Lake and South
District Municipality (ex-
cluding portions thereof as for-
mations), under the name of
of the District of Seattle,
ANDREW STRACHAN,
STUART KATES,
JNO. G. ELLIOTT.

NOTICE.
reby given that sixty days
given to apply to the Chief
of Lands and Works for
ase forty (40) acres of land
use Lake, Cascade District,
S. Landings, and about one
of the outlet of the said
River; Commencing at the
er two (2) chains west of
ce twenty (20) chains south-
(20) chains east, thence
ains north, and thence back
river.

WARRINGTON PIER.
Cassiar, B.C., Oct. 2nd, 1904.
reby given that 80 days after
regard intends to apply to
Commissioner of Lands and
mission to purchase the fol-
lowing land to purchase the fol-
lowing land situated on the right
bank of the River, Coast District,
Victoria; Commencing at a post
between S. E. corner (about one
miles west of Kiy-yea River),
north 20 chains, thence west
ce south to the shore, thence
ce south east to the point of
shore east to the point of
containing 100 acres more
or less.

W. D. MINTOSH.
reby given that 90 days after
given to the Chief Commis-
and Works for a special
and carry away timber from
described lands; Fraction 8,
Fraction 8, 32 and Fraction
an Island, Nanaimo District,
the aggregate 487 acres more
or less.

H. McFARLAN.
fter date I intend to apply
Commissioner of Lands and
mission to purchase 320 acres
or less, commencing at the
er of the Indian Reserve, thence
ce south 80 chains, thence
ce north 80 chains, and
point of commencement,
(Sgd.) THOS. JONES.

ELIJAH BARNETT,
JOSEPH STELLER,
teacher, the Venustus Bay
the Xmas holidays. Apply
ary, T. H. Mansel.

the last boat leaves the
another factor is the extend-
on account of the govern-
of the light-house service
Lakes. There is no notice-
ing the fact that a great
nths have already left on
p of the season their places
aken by other steamers.

ed no fish from him at all,"
in Leeds County court. "Then
you owe the money?" asked
"For kippers, Your Honor,"
defendant.

ED NINE YEARS FOR "RET-
James Gaston, merchant, of
the, withdrew for nine years
disfranchised with Tetter on my
case. At last I have found a
Acme's Oratorium. It helped
my application, and now I
sly cured."—183.

WILL DESTROYERS
ATTEMPT TO ESCAPE?

RUSSIANS RESUME MINE
CLEARING OPERATIONS

Capture of 203-Metre Hill Cost the Jap-
anese Many Lives—Garrison
on Short Rations.

London, Dec. 9.—It is reported from
Shanghai that the Russian cruiser Ask-
old is coaling and replacing her machin-
ery, preparatory to an effort to escape
and join the fleet of Vice-Admiral Roj-
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only the torpedo boat destroyers remain
intact.

JAPANESE FLEET IS
OFF PORT ARTHUR.

Chefoo, Dec. 8.—The lightship which
was stationed at Newchwang arrived
here to-day, having left the station in an-
ticipation of the immediate closing of the
Liao river by ice. Her commander re-
ports having seen four Japanese battle-
ships, three cruisers and ten torpedo
boats outside of Port Arthur. He be-
lieves the entire Japanese fleet is now
there.

THIRD SQUADRON
FOR THE FAR EAST.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 8.—The Assoc-
iated Press is authorized to announce that
Russia has no intention of sending the
Black Sea fleet to reinforce Admiral
Rojstevsky's squadron. It is, however,
Russia's purpose to dispatch a third
squadron from the Baltic so soon as it
can be made ready. The third squadron
will consist of five armored cruisers, four
cruisers, ten torpedo boats, two trans-
ports and two hospital ships.

BODIES OF RUSSIANS
HORRIBLY MANGLED.

Headquarters of the Third Japanese
Army Before Port Arthur, via Fusan,
Dec. 8.—The correspondent of the Asso-
ciated Press has visited 203-Metre hill,
the scene of an awful six days' fight
which ended with its capture by the
Japanese.
The advance works and the crest of
the hill were torn away, the slopes of the
hill were covered with debris and the
trenches were swashed and filled with
soil.
In a single section of the trenches
one hundred yards long, over two hun-
dred Russian dead and wounded were
seen. They had been horribly mangled
with dynamite grenades.

SHELLING POSITIONS
HELD BY JAPANESE.

Mukden, Dec. 8.—The Russians con-
tinue to bombard the Japanese positions
with both heavy and light artillery.
The Japanese response is feeble.
The Russians have experienced much
difficulty with their shrapnel, which
should have effectually checked the
Japanese attacks during the battle of
Shakho river, but failed in many cases.
Some of the consignments of shrapnel
sent to the front appear to have been
almost worthless from poor construction
of the shells.

TWO OF RUSSIAN
CRUISERS ON FIRE.

London, Dec. 9.—A dispatch to the
Japanese legation from Tokio, dated to-
day, says:
"The naval staff at Port Arthur re-
ports that on Thursday evening the Pa-
lada (protected cruiser) was set on fire
and heeled to port with her stern sunk.
"Eleven shots hit the Giliak (gunboat).
"The Bayan (armored cruiser) took fire
at 11:30, and is still ablaze at 4:15 p. m.
"The Amur (transport) was hit four-
teen times and sank.

"Many shots greatly damaged the
warehouses and other buildings near Pei
Yi mountain and the arsenal."
VESSELS MAKE NO
ATTEMPT TO ESCAPE.

GEN. NOGI'S FORTRESS
SON ON 203-METRE HILL.

Headquarters of the third Japanese
army before Port Arthur, via Fusan,
Dec. 9.—On the night of November 26th
the Japanese established infantry
trenches inside the parapets of the two
Rihling and the north Keekwan forts,
but on the following day they were com-
pelled to retire beyond the moats.
Since then there has been practically
no fighting done along the incline of the
eastern ridge of forts, the main strength
of the Japanese troops having been con-
centrated to effect the capture of 203-
Metre Hill.

THE BATTLESHIP POKHIA

The battleship Pokhia has keeled over
in the harbor, and is now burning. The
battleship Retzivan and the Poitava have
been sunk. The armored cruiser Bayan
has been beached. The other vessels are
making no effort to escape.

GEN. NOGI'S FORTRESS
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Headquarters of the third Japanese
army, December 7, via Fusan, Dec. 9.—
On the morning of December 2nd, the
Russians granted permission to the
Japanese to gather their killed and

wounded from the eastern fort ridge fight
of November 26th.

Yesterday the same concession was
asked for by the Russians concerning
203-Metre Hill. The request was grant-
ed, but the privilege was withdrawn to-
day.

RUSSIAN GENERALS
REWARDED FOR VALOR.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 9.—Emperor
Nicholas has conferred upon Lieut.-Gen.
Sakharoff and Lieut.-Gen. Biderling
gold swords of honor set with brilliant
and inscribed "For Valor."

WILL BE CONVERTED
INTO AUXILIARY CRUISER.

San Francisco, Dec. 9.—News was re-
ceived here to-day that the Japanese
"liner America, of the Toro Kisen Kaisha
Company, has been commandeered by
the Japanese government, and will be
placed in commission as an auxiliary
cruiser. She was scheduled to leave
Yokohama to-day for this city.

WHY GEN. STOESEL
REFUSED AN ARMISTICE.

Headquarters of the Japanese third
army before Port Arthur, via Fusan,
Dec. 9.—The Japanese regard the re-
fusal of the Russians to accept an armistice,
which has been asked for and grant-
ed for the purpose of burying the killed
and wounded on 203-Metre hill, as the
refusing of the humane desire of Gen.
Stoesel by the officers commanding the
forts. It was feared by these officers,
the Japanese think, that their men would
be the victims of the humane desire of Gen.
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forts.

FAILED TO SECURE
WARSHIPS ABROAD.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 9.—The Assoc-
iated Press is officially authorized to make
the following statement:
"The report spread abroad that Russia
has purchased either Chilean or Argen-
tine warships are untrue. Efforts were
made to secure them for the purpose of
reinforcing Vice-Admiral Rojstevsky's
squadron before it sailed, but there were
so many difficulties in the way that the
project was abandoned. Their purchase
would have been possible, would be
unavailing, as Rojstevsky will have
arrived in the Far East before they
could be manned and fitted out. After
these ships will be out of date.
Having failed ourselves, we are equally
confident that the ships will not fall into
the hands of the Japanese."

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS IS
AUTHORIZED TO STATE THAT EVEN IF EVERY SHIP
OF THE PORT ARTHUR SQUADRON IS DESTROYED,
THE RUSSIANS WILL NOT BE ABLE TO REINFORCE
THEIR SQUADRON.

The Associated Press is also author-
ized to state that even if every ship of
the Port Arthur squadron is destroyed,
the Russian fleet will not be able to re-
inforce the squadron. The Russian fleet
is so small that it is impossible for it
to transport them to Japan.
Russian prisoners report that General
Stoesel's order was overruled by the
garrison commanders.

PRISONERS SAY FOOD
SUPPLY IS INSUFFICIENT.

Headquarters of the Third Japanese
Army Before Port Arthur (via Fusan),
Dec. 9.—Two Russian officers captured
at 203-Metre hill, one belonging to the
navy and the other to the army, are
being treated in the hospital.
The Russian prisoners report that the
food supply of the garrison is insufficient.
The only subsist on short rations of
bread made of a mixture of flour and
coarser grains, while the officers get
horse flesh twice a week. Dysentery is
epidemic. The prisoners say they are
very prostrate.

REPORT ON RESULTS
OF THE BOMBARDMENT.

Tokio, Dec. 9.—Non.—The following
report, dated December 8th, 10 p. m., has
been received from the commander of
the naval land batteries in front of Port
Arthur:
"Eight shells struck the protected
cruiser Palada today and set her on fire.
Simultaneously she began to list to port,
lowering anchor. She is deemed unfit
for navigation.
"During the action we discovered the
gunboat Giliak to landward, north of the
battleship Peresviet, and bombarded
her. Eleven of our shells were effective.
This vessel is also deemed to be dis-
abled.
"Hits from our naval and siege guns
to-day, total 22.
"The armored cruiser Bayan caught
fire at 11:30 this morning and the fire
was not extinguished at 4:15 in the
afternoon. Evidently the cruiser is seri-
ously damaged.
"The results of our bombardment of
the battleship Sevastopol, the mine ship
(transport) Amur and the transports are
not yet known."

OUR CANNONADE DIRECTED AGAINST
ARENAS AT THE NORTHEAST OF PAYU MOUNTAIN,
CAUSING GREAT DAMAGE."

MAN TRY TO STARVE
OUT THE GARRISON.

Tokio, Dec. 9.—Evening.—In disabling
the Russian fleet at Port Arthur, pre-
cluding the possibility of its being able to
reinforce the Russian second Pacific squad-
ron, the Japanese have accomplished the
main object of desperate assaults against
the fortress which they have been mak-
ing the past three months.

THERE IS NOW A STRONG PROBABILITY THAT,
WHILE CONTINUING THE SIEGE, THEY WILL
AVOID LOSSES OF THE MAGNITUDE ALREADY AT-
TENDING THEIR EFFORTS, AND INSTEAD OF AS-
SAULTING, WILL RELY ON STARVING OUT
THE GARRISON UNLESS IT IS FINALLY CAPTURED.

CONSIDERABLE ASTONISHMENT IS EXPRESSED

here over the fact that the Russians in no
way resisted the disabling of the Port
Arthur fleet. In certain quarters the
opinion entertained that the Russians
opened the sea coasts of the submerged
vessels so as to lessen their exposure to
the Japanese fire.

The recent cessation of mine clearing
operations, and is believed to be resting
on the bottom. The Sevastopol has been
removed from her anchorage to the
outer roadstead, presumably to escape
shells.

"The commander of the third squadron
reports that the cruiser Sayen, 1,344
tons, while engaged in operating with
the army and in blockade near Port Ar-
thur fortress on November 30th, hit a
Russian mechanical mine and sank. The
complement saved, except 38, including
Capt. Tajima."

Half a million bushels of wheat has
been taken from Fort William the last
two days.

Free From Debt.

The ladies of St. George's church have
paid off the debt on the building, and last
evening at a gathering burned the mort-
gage amid great rejoicing.

Reported to Be Dying.

W. B. Waddell, local member for
Minnedosa, is dying of pneumonia.

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THE RUSSIANS REMAINED STRANGELY QUIET.

The Japanese casualties at 203-Metre
hill alone exceeded the total of the bat-
tle of Nanshan, according to the Daily
Mail's Tokio dispatches. At 2 o'clock
in the afternoon of November 29th a
Tomoyasu detachment, with a battalion
of infantry, and a company of engineers,
received orders that they must capture
203-Metre hill, while a Yoshida detach-
ment of the same strength had similar
orders to recapture Akasaka hill.

WONDERED THE RUSSIANS IN NO
WAY RESISTED THE DISABLING OF THE PORT
ARTHUR FLEET.

The Daily Telegraph's correspondent
before Port Arthur explains that the
final capture was due to a strong and
sustained fight against the eastern face
of the night of December 5th and the
position of 203-Metre hill being an en-
filading one, forced the Russians to
evacuate without a contest a parallel
line of semi-permanent defences extend-
ing eastward and irregularly over the
slopes within half a mile north of
Etze mountain.

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On November 30th it became necessary
to reinforce the attackers with a detach-
ment under Major Shizuta. The cold
was so intense that many of the men
were frost bitten, as it was necessary
to pass the night without shelter. The
Japanese, after the capture of 203-Metre
hill, anticipated a terrible bombard-
ment from the Russian forces and made
preparations accordingly, but the Rus-
sians remained strangely quiet.

THE SAME CORRESPONDENT STATES THAT
THE RUSSIANS AT PORT ARTHUR ON DECEMBER
7TH RESUMED MINE CLEARING OPERATIONS,