## REINFORCING THE BESIEGING ARMY

Japanese Troops Continue to Arrive at Dalny at the Rate of One Thousand a Day.

Large Number of Guns Are Also Being Landed-Successful Operations Against Forts Around Port Arthur-Renewed Activity Along the Shakhe River.

pulsed up to this great day, the anniver-

to take the fortress. God is with us."

Chefoo, Nov. 18 .- The members of the

Falkenberg, Denmark, Nov. 19 .- After

paling, the second division of the Baltic

quadron sailed northward this morning

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Simonstown, Cape Colony, Nov.

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ix-day attack, it is said, is due to Lieut.-

General Smirnoff's handling of the artil-

lery. As an example of his work, the

Russian relates that during an attack on

hill which was already in the hands of

The report that the Japanese blew up

UNARMED SOLDIERS

village of Yansintoundi.

nceither side was killed.

having been sent north.

NEAR SHAKHE RIVER.

RIVAL ARTILLERY.

vance position on the right flank. The vessels were liable to seizure by either

Mukden, Nov. 19, via Pekin, Nov. 19.

-Late November 17th the Japanese op-

empted an advance under cover of ar-

tween the position, but, according to ac-

railway, but they are reported to have

Fyndiation Village, Nov. 19.-On the

the Japanese positions. They reached

Chanlinza, where they were met with a

heavy rifle fire and were forced to re-

posite Pontiloff hill, "Lone Tree hill," at-

BRISK FIGHTING

been without result.

ENGAGEMENT BETWEEN

ON CHINESE CRUISER.

DESTROYER'S CREW

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London, Nov. 19.-The Daily Mail's hurrahs. On bended knees we pray t St. Petersburg correspondent says that God to give health to your Majestr, and Lieut.-Gen. Stoessel's latest report extheir Majesties, the Empresses and the presses a firm conviction that he will be Grand Duke Czarevitch. Our joy is all able to hold out at Port Arthur until the the greater because all the assaults. March, on the condition that he is supplied with munitions and stores. The government, the correspondent adds, has same day our Japanese enemies celebrate instructed its agents abroad to supply Lieut.-General Stoessel's requirements at \_0\_\_

JAPANESE NIGHTLY ATTACK FORTRESS

Chefoe Nov 17-Fighting at Port Arthur has taken place nightly since the Tananese began their general assault on October 26th, according to Capt, Ronberg, a pilot who was a passenger on the Russian torpedo boat destroyer Rastor-

opny.

The Japanese trenches, the captain says, are closest to the forts on Rihlung and Keekwan mountains, and to other forts of the northeastern group.

The sharpshooters of both sides oc cupying the pits converse with each other, and frequently made individual truces in order to borrow cigarettes or to relieve their cramped limbs.

The Japanese are displaying great energy in the construction of trenches and the mounting of guns. All the steamers belonging to the Russians except the steel screw fransport Amur have been sunk by the Jap-

anese shells.

The hospital ship Angara, formerly a transport, has sunk in shallow water. The Japanese shells directed against the harbor are fired with remarkable ac-

Recently a silk-clad Chinaman, who was seen travelling in a sampan, was watched by the Russians, who observed that following the discharge of each shell he placed a handkerchief to his nose and then into his left pocket, occasionally varying these movements, apparently thus signalling the landing place of the shells. The shells fell behind obstructions, which fact prevented the Japanese obtaining a direct view of their

effect. The Chinaman was hanged. One day last week a hospital ship moved too near the battleships in the har bor, whereupon the Japanese dropped small shells around her with the obvious purpose of warning her away. The ship the zone of danger, large shells began falling near the battleships.

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STILL IN COMMAND.

over the undaunted spirit displayed by the Japanese on three sides, Gen. Smir-Gen. Stoessel in his telegram of congratulation to Emperor Nicholas on the cover of darkness, got in the rear of the anniversary of his accession to the throne | Japanese reserves who were waiting for and officially announcing the failure of | the final attack, cut them up and drove Gen. Nogi's nine-day attempt to present Port Arthur to the, Mikado as a birthday gift, is tempered by private information that the gallant commander of the gar- fort No. 2, the Associated Press inform- of underground chambers in important rison has been wounded. Gen. Stoessel ant says, is incorrect. The Japanese at-was struck in the head by a splinter from tempted to take the fort, but Gen. Smira sheil while he was personally directing noff personally superintended counter the repulse of a particularly desperate mining operations, blew up the Japanese assault, but fortunately the wound is not tunnel and put a stop to their advance. serious and Gen. Stoessel has not been

obliged to relinquish command. Other information sent by Gen. Stoessel, which has not been divulged for strategic reasons, it is said by the war office, is by no means unfavorable. While the garrison is now hemmed in the citadel itself not one of the main forts has been taken. The garrison has been provisioned, fresh ammunition has arrived and Gen. Stoessel expressed confidence that the defence can be successfully. maintained until the arrival of Vice-Admiral Rojestvensky's second Pacific

The report that the armored cruiser Gromoboi has been injured at Vladivostock is confirmed.

Gen. Stoessel reports the repulse of a Japanese attack on October 26th on the north front of Port Arthur. The Russian losses were 480 killed or wounded. All the attacks November 3rd, the date of the anniversary of the Emperor's ascension to the throne was celebrated, were repuised. Gen. Stoessel was slight ly wounded in the head during one of the latest assaults on Port Arthur. The text of Gen. Stoessel's dispatch

of October 28th is as follows: "We have the honor to report to your Majesty that the Japanese bombarded vigorously October 25th our forts and entrenchments north and north-The following day they also attacked one of the forts on the north side but our heavy artillery and shrapnel fire dispersed their reserves and the assault was repulsed. Our losses were one officer and about 70 men killed and about 400

"It is difficult to single out individuals for especial mention among the heroic defenders."

In a telegram dated October 30th, Gen. Stoessel says: "Since my dispatch of October 28th. the bombardment continues with great

Under date of November 3rd Gen. coessel telegraphed:
"We greet the Emperor. This day, a one for all our country, we offer prayers to God and send to our Emperor | a grove forming part of the Russian ad-

Japanese advanced without firing and rushed the grove with hurrahs, but in the face of the firing from the Russian trenches, they turned and fled. After, some time the Japanese repeated the attack, but were again repulsed. After the second attack the Japanese, breaking up into small groups, retired, followa well-aimed fire, which continued

Near the trenches 80 Japanese corpses vere found, and further along in valley were visible Japanese bodies, which it was impossible to gather in view of the Japanese fire. Four Japanese were made prisoners and 30 rifles and a quantity of ammunition abandon-

On the morning of November 18th Russian batteries bombarded Chanlinza, where Japanese entrenchments were observed, and at 8 o'clock an artillery engagement took place with the Japanese killed and two wounded, and, judging rom bodies seen and articles thrown away by them, it is supposed the total to the Japanese was several hun-

HOLDING RUSSIAN · ARMY IN CHECK.

Mukden, Nov. 19 .- The position a mation received here contradicts previous reports, and says that the Japan ese have decided not to begin a seri operation on Mukden before there is a definit result at Port Arthur, either the fall of the fortress or for the Japan ese to bring up reinforcements from Jathe anniversary of the birth of their Mikado, and whereupon they had sworn pan and commence the arduous work of the siege. Until then they intend to con-fine themselvs merely to holding the Russians in check.

> IMPORTANT MOVEMENTS ARE IN PROGRESS.

ew of the Rastoropny have been taken board the Chinese cruiser, Haiyung, The war office announced late to-night and their small-arms have been taken that it had no further dispatches regarding the fighting near Mukden. In from them. They will be kept on board the Haiyung in order that the Chinese the absence of official dispatch press telegrams are regarded as evidence that authorities may completely govern them. important developments are in progress, and it is not improbable that a general SQUADRON HAS SAILED. engagement is going on.

DISPATCHES FROM RUSSIAN COMMANDER.

A Danish gunboat and a torpedo boa St. Petersburg, Nov. 19.—General Kouropatkin, in a dispatch dated Noare accompanying the fleet in Danish vember 17th, reports that November 14th and 17th passed in quietness. He inspected the positions and troops, which in places were only 400 paces distant from the Japanese. He adds that the RUSSIAN WARSHIPS. nights are cold, but that overcoats The British cruiser Barrosa sailed from have arrived, and the men are comfortere to-day. It is believed her destination able. Supplies are ample, and the general condition of the troops is excellent. is Walfish Bay, on the west coast of German Southwest Africa, and her object is General Stoessel, in a dispatch to the Emperor, dated November 2nd, says: to watch the second division of the Rus-"I am happy to report to Your Majesty that all the assaults from October 25th to November 2nd were repulsed by our heroic troops. The most desperate assault occurred October 30th, but thanks WILL BE ISOLATED. to the bayonets of the reserves and the New York, Nov. 19 .- A Port Said dispatch to the Herald says that for the extra security of the Russian fleet, which bravery of the volunteer sharpshooters enemy were repulsed at all points is daily expected, preparations have been the Japanese did not return to the atmade to shut off part of the port by tack the same day, and left a great tack the same day, and left a great number of dead uninterred upon the means of booms, thus insuring isolation. field. On October 31st the Japanese assaulted but each time were repulsed at the point of the bayonet, and in hand-to-JAPANESE TUNNEL. hand engagements. Several of our officers and men were wounded. The spirit Chefoo Nov. 17 .- A Russian who has of the troops is excellent. It is difficult to establish any distinction as regards ust arrived from Port Arthur reports hat the fortress is holding out well. bravery. All are heroes. The bombarddespite three months of almost continument of the fortress continues without Much of the success in repelling the

General Stoessel praises the work of the ambulance and hospital corps, men-tions a number of officers for distinguished bravery, and concludes: "The Japanese losses were enormous, I estimated them at 10,000.

REPORTS OF RENEWED ASSAULT ON FORTRESS.

Shanghai Nov 19 -The Japanese resumed their attacks on Port Arthur on November 17th, making a furious as-

THE COALING OF RUSSIAN WARSHIPS.

London, Nov. 19 .- There is no serious

friction, from an offical point of view, FIGHT FOR WATER between Great Britain and the Japanese on account of the coaling of Ru General Kouropatkin's Headquarters. sian warships and supplying them with ammunition in British ports. No repre-Chansianoutun, Manchuria, Nov. 17 .-The Japanese, according to the Russian sentations in this regard have been scouts, are heavily fortifying their second ine of defence along the Taitze river. Japanese government, nor are there like-The major portion of the skirmishing of to be in the near future. Baron Hayashi, the Japanese minister the last few days has been around the

here, said to the Associated Press to-day that the subject had not been mention-Some Japanese and Russians, who had gone unarmed to the same spring of ed by the allies. (However, there doubtwater, had a hand-to-hand fight. There less is a feeling of seriousness on the were plenty of broken heads, but not one part of Japan that British colliers are llowed to supply the Russian squadron The health of the Russian troops with with coal, and that France, Spain and lus. the advent of the cold weather is splen- Germany have permitted these coalers to did. There are few cases of infectious stay in ports to await the arrival of diseases, and the hospitals are no longer crowded, most of the sick and wounded

Baron Hayashi said he "realized all the difficulties in the way of protesting neutrality, but if difficulties, insuperabl or otherwise, are allowed to stand in the way of protection of neutrality, it will result that neutrality will not be recognized at all. British vessels have been chartered in the names of various firms to carry coal. There is prima facie evidence that the coal was for Rojestvenillery, and reached a small village be- sky, yet I admit the impossibility for the British government to prove. With the unts from the field brought by head- best intentions in the world, the British quarters' couriers, they were repulsed with large casualties. The Japanese Rojestvensky on his way to the Far

made simultaneous attacks against the East. Another Alabama would make nations more careful." At the Spanish embassy it was stated that while the feeling entertained by the Japanese is not officially confirmed, it is pointed out that it is impossible to detain a British collier duly chartered to private firms which puts in at night of November 17th four companies | Spanish port, and which, outside the unmounted volunteers were sent into three-mile limit, after war is declared, The eventual solution of the matter will likely be one of the subjects referred to the next Hague convention. At 3 o'clock in the morning the Rus-sians discovered a column of Japanese The British government's point of view was admitted by Baron Hayashi as sians discovered a column of Japanese was admitted by Baron Hayashi as creeping down the hill. They attacked officially correct, as the government

MANY GUNS FOR

consul has received from Port Arthur, a letter describing the use by the Japs of a peculiar missile, which looks like a long sausage. The Taps throw it into the trenches, and it bursts, giving off an odor so foul that if it is not thrown out of the trenches immediately the soldiers faint. The gas is not fatal in its effect.

Another attack on Etse is expected to occur November 24th, according to Chinese who left Dalny yesterday. The Chinese further report that reinforcements for the Japanese continue to arrive at the rate of 1,000 daily. On November 14th the Chinese say they saw 50 guns being taken to Dalny. The Japanese said they had captured them. They also saw 150 prisoners, including three officers brought in.; Three more heavy guns recently arrived from Japan.

HURRYING FORWARD MEN FOR GEN. NOGI.

Chefoo, Nov. 21 .- 3 p. m.-A Japanese ficial among the latest arrivals from Dalny states positively that the general attack upon Port Arthur has no resumed. Rumors to that effect in Dalny have arisen because fresh troops, includng the seventh division recently landed are being sent to the front.

It is believed that the explosion which took place on November 16th occurred in some counter tunnelling work. The sec ond, which was heard on November 18th was much heavier, and it is reported on the best authority, was due to the blowng up of a Russian magazine. It is expected that the next attack

pon Port Arthur will be a tremendous

More reinforcement's are coming to the support of Gen. Nogi than those dispatched to Field Marshal Oyama. The Japanese are now constru oast-defence forts at Pigeon Bay, which is accepted as an indication that they expect to be defending Port Arthur themselves some day.

RUSSIANS FORCED TO FLEE IN CONFUSION

Tokio, Nov. 20 .- 6 p. m.-A dispatch om the army besieging Port Arthur, ited November 19th, says: "During the bombardment this after on a shell from a Japs naval gun exoloded a Russian magazine near the

"Our operations against all the forts are proceeding as prearranged from Manchurian headquarters. 'At noon to-day we shelled the Russian nfantry, engaged in fighting on the east flank, and also infantry in the rear of the villages causing them to flee in confus-There is no change to note other-

SLOWLY APPROACHING FORT ON SUNGSHU.

Tokio, Nov. 20 .- Noon .- It is reported nining, occupied a countarscarp Sungshu mountain last night THE OPERATIONS ON

RIHLUNG MOUNTAIN. Nov. 21.-Reliable sources repied aucounterscarp on Rihlung moun-

tain November 19th.

A dispatch from Tokjo yesterday announced that the Japanese, after successful mining, had occupied a counter-cessful mining, had occupied a counter-going to report on British Columbia in going to report on British Columbia in the demonstrate to the government that the voice of the nation is unanimous in asking for a direct share in the government that the voice of the nation is unanimous in asking for a direct share in the government that the voice of the nation is unanimous in asking for a direct share in the government that the voice of the nation is unanimous in asking for a direct share in the government that the voice of the nation is unanimous in asking for a direct share in the government that the voice of the nation is unanimous in asking for a direct share in the government that the voice of the nation is unanimous in asking for a direct share in the government that the voice of the nation is unanimous in asking for a direct share in the government that the voice of the nation is unanimous in asking for a direct share in the government that the voice of the nation is unanimous in asking for a direct share in the government that the voice of the nation is unanimous in asking for a direct share in the government that the voice of the nation is unanimous in asking for a direct share in the government that the voice of the nation is unanimous in asking for a direct share in the government that the voice of the nation is unanimous in asking for a direct share in the government that the voice of the nation is unanimous in asking for a direct share in the government that the voice of the nation is unanimous in asking for a direct share in the voice of the nation is unanimous. ntain. The latter is due north of Port Arthur, Rihlung mountain forms part of the northeastern fortifica-

FATE OF RUSSIAN DESTROYER NOT KNOWN.

London, Nov. 20 .- A special dispatch from Shanghai says that the steamer Tienshing, from Chefoe, reports that three other Russian torpedo boat destroyers left Port Arthur with the destroyer Rastoropny. The Japanese stopped two of them, and the fate of the third is unknown.

ANOTHER LAND BATTLE

NOW APPEARS IMMINENT. Tokio, Nov. 20 .- Increasing activity along the Shakhe river seems to indicate the imminence of another great battle. draw a Japanese-attack, are uniformly repulsed. Army headquarters yesterday received the following report from Field Marshal Oyama, dated November

"At dawn to-day a detachment of the army of the enemy made an attack near

fusion to the yillage. The enemy have lic meeting of the Colombian bondholders burned Huanglishen and villages to the for the purpose of requesting President outheast on the right bank of the River

ANTICIPATED ATTACK

HAS NOT DEVELOPED. Mukden, Nov. 21.-The anticipated ceneral attack by the Japanese has not present situation gives rise to conflicting rumors and speculation regarding future operations. Some expect the Japanese attack a wide flanking movement on scarce.

GERMAN STEAMER CAPTURED BY JAPS.

warned all British shippers that their the Port Arthur blockade.

sighted a vessel steaming for Port Arthur. The gunboat Tatsui pursued and overtook the steamer at 5 o'clock in the morning. On board the vessel was found a great quantity of winter cloth

ing, blankers, meats. Her captain said he was bound for Newchwang. The route and cargo of the Batelan were considered to be suspicious, and she was taken possession and brought to Sasebo.

SEVERAL DAYS PASS WITHOUT ANY FIGHTING

Field headquarters of the second Jap anese army, via Fusan, Nov. 20.—The past few days have been unusually quief long the Shakhe river.

GEN. KOUROPATKIN REPORTS QUIET NIGHT

St. Petersburg, Nov. 20 .- Gen. Kou patkin telegraphs that there was no fight ing on the night of November 18th and

THE SECOND DIVISION OF BALTIC FLEET

Frederickshavn, Denmark, Nov. 21. The second division of the Russian sec ond Pacific squadron has arrived here and is anchored in Skaw Bay.

BRITISH COLUMBIA APPEALS DISPOSED OF

Cowie Will Report to Fisheries Department on Herring Industry on the Pacific.

Ottawa, Nov. 21.-In the Supreme court to-day judgment was rendered in the following appeals from British Col-

Coote vs. Burland-Appeal dismissed with costs. Killan, J., dissenting. Sandon Water Works vs. Byron Co. Judgment appealed from varied by refusing injunction. No cost allowed. Spencer ,vs. Alaska Packers' Associa--Appeal dismissed with costs. Davis

Ciegerich vs. Flutols-Appeal dismissed with costs.

Bailey vs. Gates-Appeal dismissed with costs. In the case of the North British Investment Company vs. the trustees of St. John school district in the Norththat the Japanese, after successfully west Territories, the appeal was allowed with costs. Sedgwick and Killam dis-

senting. Will Report. J. Cowie, the fishing inspector, has

just returned from the Pacific Coast, where he was inspecting the herring inport that the Japanese mined and occu- dustry. In the meantime herring are sent from the Maritime provinces to Vancouver by carload, notwithstanding expect that all provinci Vancouver by carload, notwithstanding expect that all provincial and district that British Columbia waters are as Zemstvos will follow our lead and

Cabinet Meeting.

The cabinet was sitting to-day, disposing of business before Sir Wilfrid Laurier leaves. The Premier goes south to-morrow. Administrator.

At 4 o'clock this afternoon Sir Elzea R. Taschereau was sworn in as administrator of the Dominion. He will act in that capacity until the arrival of Earl

Gray. Message From Lord Minto. The secretary of state has received the following from Lord Minto: On board the Tunisian, via Marconi Sta tion, Capt Bace, Newfoundland, Nov. 21.— We wish the whole of Canada an affection-

ate farewell and assure them that the in-

terests of the Dominion will always be

ARBITRATION PROPOSED. President Roosevelt May Be Asked to Set tle Dispute Between Panama and

Bondholders.

London, Nov. 21 .- A movement is on foot Hsinglungtun. They were repulsed by us.

"Since this morning the enemy in the"

to get President Roosevelt to arbitrate the difference between Panama and the corporation of foreign bondholders in regard to poration of foreign bondholders in regard to vicinity of Shakhe river have bombarded the Colombian debt. A meeting of the Colour positions with mortars and field ombian corporation has been called to conpieces. They have effected no damage.

"A body of the enemy's infantry were discovered at Hsimmya and Hsiaoyantsu. We shelled them, and they fled in consider the best means of recovery from Roosevelt to arbitrate as to the proportion of this amount the new republic ought t pay towards the liquidation of Colombia's

RETURNS TO PORT.

Schooner H. K. Hall Reaches Port Town send With Cargo Shifted-Barque Arracan Arrives.

Port Townsend, Nov. 21 .- The schoone H. K. Hall, which left this port for sea or Tie Pass, and others claim the armies | Thursday night, returned this morning with will practically winter in their present her cargo shifted and a heavy list to starpositions. Complete inactivity prevails. board. The Hall ran into severe gales out The nights are growing cold and fuel is side the Cape, and Capt. Peltz was glad to for an early date next January. make port. The British barque Arracan, which was reported outside from Victoria last week towed here yesterday. Capt. Kelk reports having been outside two weeks in a vain Talautse Islands, northeast of Celebes, Therefore if Westminster refuses

worst he ever experienced.

MEMORIAL ADOPTED BY THE ZEMSTVOS

Great Interest Being Taken in Meeting in St. Petersburg-Interview With Leader.

St. Petersburg, Nov. 20.-The Zemstvo representatives at a meeting to-day dopted the remainder of the carefully prepared memorandum, practically embodying a recommendation for a national representative body to have a share in the government, and besides considered several supplementary articles providing for the practical co-operation of the Zemstovs in the Red Cross work, and for the extension of school facilities. The memorial and minutes of the meeting will be sent to Prince Sviatopolk-

The agitation must compel the gov ernment to act. A parting of the ways is at hand, and the autocracy, it would em, must once more choose whether ament, for it is inconceivable that can allow the agitation for a convocative body to decide whether the time has not come, in the language of the memorial, "For a specially elected body o participate in legislation."

Without the intention of yielding, reactionaries of course are horrified at the mere suggestion of anything aproaching a parliament or a constitution. All their power and influence already are in the scale, but no matter which way the balance swings, the decision is bound to mark an epoch in Russian his

Interest in Movement.

St. Petersburg, Nov. 21.-The interest in the meetings of the Zemstvo rep tatives is intense. The war and all other questions are temporarily forgotten. Nothing else is talked off. Liberals from all parts of the Empire are flocking hither, including many from Poland and Finland, and hotels are crowded. The permisison granted by Minister of

Interior Mirsky was for an essembly of three hundred. The participants and friends display complete confidence in protection afforded by the minister and his most outspoken sentiments. The situation altogether is unparalleled. Nothing approaching a gathering has ever been permitted in Russia before.

As evidence of the remarkable state of affairs, it is sufficient to mention that one of the most prominent speakers yesterday was M. Petronkeivitch Tver. who spent twenty-four years in and who had only been allowed since Prince Sviatopolk-Mirsky's advent to come to the capital. Nevertheless, the st able men in the assembly are coun

selling moderation, and are doing everything possible to prevent demonstration which might compel interference. One of the strongest men of the con ference said 'to the Associated "We want to make our position plain to the government, but we desire to avoid every appearance of lawlessness. incerely hope the meeting will be pro-uctive of great good. We hope and

of 105 to 3, was strengthened into a practical recommendation for a parliament, the language being changed to a specific declaration in favor of an elective body, not to participate in legislation but to make the country's laws.

Sympathetic demonstrations are re ported in various parts of Russia. Favor Amnesty. St. Petersburg, Nov. 21.-The Zem- present high degree of musical exce stvo representatives this afternoon adopt- a large number of additional members

ed a declaration in favor of general amnesty for political prisoners and exiles. Kharoff, Russia, Nov. 21.—The Law Regiment band, he wished a denial made ciety met at the university here in to that statement, as he had decided that order to draw up a telegram of congratu- he would not in future be connected

lation to Interior Minister Sylatopolk-Mirsky, embedying also the wishes of the people for reform. Many who were not in the membership of the City band is ob members of the society, including ladies, tained, that organization may make a were present. A few members opposed tour of the United States next seas the dispatch of the telegram as useless, similar to that made by the which precipitated an uproar.

In the midst of the turmoil a large tinction of conducting the only of the conducting number of workmen entered the hall and band at the St. Louis Fair. He has showered the audience with revolutionary | ready signed for a six-week's

circulars. The policemen declared the meeting adjourned. A semi-panic fol- which he may be leader, at On lowed, and there was a great crush for has offers for shorter engagemen the exit. The workmen and some various other places in the St. students remained, and held an impromptu meeting, afterwards going out in Seattle and Portland." in procession singing revolutionary songs. The procession, however, was soon dispersed. No one is reported to have been injured.

SYNOD OF RUPERT'S LAND. Meeting Will Be Held in January to Select an Archbishop.

Winnipeg, Nov. 21.-The diocesan synod of Rupert's Land will meet Janu- exhibitions. It will be remen ary 12th, 1905. This was decided at a at the recent annual meeting of t eeting of the executive committee held on Friday afternoon.

The selection of an archbishop is at the sible, arrangements will be made bottom of the matter. The name of conference of delegates from Bishop Matheson has already been sent Westminster and perhaps Chilliwac up to the house of bishops, but the canon | der that the question of dates ma explicitly states that two names shall in amicably settled. all instances be chosen, and it is for this, Westminster desires local deleg-purpose that the synod has been called attend their annual meeting and pl

THOUSANDS DESTITUTE.

Amsterdam, Holland, Nov. 21.-The be Tokio, Nov. 21.—The navy department effort to get in. At one time he was within reports the capture of the German the breakers near Carmanah Point, but steamer Batelan while attempting to run managed to bout ship and get away. He an extent that it flooded the island and the local show without consulting the search of the local show without consulting the local shows the local show without consulting the local shows the local hurricane, causing the sea to rise to such | course open will be to decide the date managed to bout ship and get away. He an extent that it flooded the Island and the local show without consulting the reports the weather about the Cape the left thirty thousand people destitute. Their agers of the Royal City Agricultural Assertation houses and plantations were destroyed.

**CHARGES AGAINST** THE BANDMASTER

PROCEEDINGS HAVE BEEN DISCONTINUED

In Consideration of Mr. Finn's Pending Departure From City- Accepts the Leadership of Vancouver Band.

The inquiry conducted by Col. II D. O. C., into the charges against J. M. Finn, formerly of Regiment band, of which co has appeared in the press of la an end. The investigation was concluded at the beginning of las but an adjournment was tal Saturday, when it was expecdecision would be given. The the matter was the withdraw proceedings against Mr. Finn quest of Lieut.-Col. Hall, made sideration of the fact that the master intended leaving the ci secured an appointment elsewh The charges against Mr. Finn quite numerous. The mos counts, however, were those employed as members of the b

cians who were not British who, therefore, did not belo giment; of allowing them to u Regiment uniform, and of ances of the band on t To the charges Bandma ed guilty, but the Times as stated, in consequence

intention of casting in his What was known as the Iment band is practically nor course it is possible to re aggregation to take up the judging by the feeling among men, a number of familiar missing from the ranks. The m ness which arose from the re ences between the bandmaste authorities has accentuated of dissatisfaction which origin. ly at the mobilization when men found themselves attached various companies and comp shoulder arms. It is to be hoped the valuable an accessory as a regimen band will not be allowed to di that some means will be found tipue an institution which has proved a strong factor in the attraction cruits, and in strengthening the prestig and popularity of the corps among the

citizens at large.

Mr. Finm is about to enroll himself as a citizen of Vancouver, and according to the Terminal City press has accepted the eadership of the City Band there. The

Province says:

"The City Band, which for several years has been under the leadership o Mr. F. T. Cope, is to have a new band master shortly. Mr. J. .... Finn, late leader of the Fifth Regiment band. Vice toria, who conducted that organization during its recent tour of the United States, and who only a short time ag resigned that position owing to differ nces with the officers of the regiment has decided to settle in Vancouver, an will take the leadership of the City band "Mr. Fred. Cope stated to-day time necessary to the leadership o band, and after communicating with Mr. Finn and receiving the latter's acceptance of the position, had decided t over the leadership to Mr. Finn upon his arrival in Vancouver. This the course of a few days. It is expected that under the leadership of Mr. Finn, who brought the Victoria band up to its will be secured to the City band "Mr. Finn stated in his letter to Mr. Cope that owing to the rumors which had been circulated that he had app for the position of leader of the Sixth band this year. Mr. Finn has the di gagement next summer for any ba

EXHIBITION DATES

Will Westminster Agricultural Association Agree to a Conference of Delegates?

management of the New Westmins cultural Association giving notifi the action of the Victoria Society to the arrangement of dates for it organization the matter was re fore the Mainland directors the view Victoria society. Members of

executive do not think this would as in any dispute that might arise

FOURTEEN MEN L THEIR LIVES

Apparently Perished W to Escape From I Blow-Out of

Fernie, Nov. 19.-For their lives by a blowmine, Morrissey, yes have not yet been re The main level lea cline and to the paral to be badly wrecked clearing a passage v slowly. The initial po was at one of the ab places. There were t

places in the mine, and were in the mine at the cident. The twelve bodies found in the main leve they had had cons which they had made having run four hundre come by the gas. Coroner Trites, of Fer rissey yesterday, and e with D. Clark as fores ing the bodies the inq intil November 28th. Inspector Morgan

yesterday. He inspect days ago. The dust shot out mouth a distance of time of the blow-out.

The wife and famil of Jenkins, one of th from England the da dent. Gustick, anoth married man with one nan, who was also ki be a married man. Nearly all the of single, and most of

of the victims are S

is a Bohemian. O were Krakoe, a Doyle and Plats from Ireland and teen caskets to Mo morrow, and a public Darcy, a driver the blow-out threw

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son, provincial miner mine inspector, says t were killed, twelve PREVIOUS A Locations of Mine

The Morrissey mi rissey creek, are or which the Crow's Creek Collieries, situa shout five miles from to the mines, and th the C. P. R., about 2 Fernie. The Coal erally known as the red, is about 14 m rail in a southe connected with the Great Northern rai Morrissey mines th Company ships the are known as ver the utmost care ha way of ventilation department in 1903 ager, says of No. 1 "Notwithstandi breaks of gas I a this mine could see time, and whoever liery. Everything ecident. The sea I can make it, is 4 are working in th feet of the top. re; there are the outside, and t near the face, w work, so that it

outburst of gas workings will be The outburst o August 6th. 1903. character. While in the main entr a noise as if the up, and it was the men know. Be the mine was full vas a velocity of of 550 feet per resistance to the blew coal and d the tunnel for full men were got out, very close call. fan running to its three days before the so that the officials entering the sight v level was filled wi out, and in the 100 there was not a ti it looked as if th worked save for the

Where the timber