

## GREAT BATTLE IN PROGRESS BETWEEN THE MAIN ARMIES

Huge Forces Reported to Have Clashed in Death Grapple North of Kai Chou.

### JAPS REPULSE REPORTED NORTH OF KAI CHOU

Che Foo, July 14. — 3 p.m. — Private advices just received from New Chwang indicate that the long-expected battle between Kai Chou and Ta Tehe Kiao is now in progress.

#### Another Repulse.

London, July 14. — The Yui Kow correspondent of the Daily Chronicle asserts that a battle occurred north of Kai Chou, July 12, when the Japanese were repulsed with great loss. Ta Tehe Kiao, Monday, July 11. — Delayed in transmission. — The Japanese attacked Ta Tehe Kiao yesterday, but the attack was not seriously pressed, the Japanese retreating eventually toward Kai Chou.

#### Yin Kow Occupied.

Tokio, July 13. — It is reported that Yin Kow has been occupied by the Japanese without any resistance upon the part of the Russian troops.

St. Petersburg, July 14. — Under yesterday's date, the correspondent of the Associated Press with the Russian headquarters at Liao Yang, whose telegrams heretofore have been conservative and reliable, announces the receipt of the "joyful news of the brilliant repulse of the Japanese assault on Port Arthur with a loss of 20,000."

The correspondent says whole masses of the enemy were blown up with mines and adds that the Russian loss was 1,800, and that Major-General Fock pursued the Japanese to the Nan Ga Pass.

Correspondents say the reports are causing general rejoicing, and conclude:

"It is believed that General Oku will now retreat to the south." It is possible that the correspondent is confused. Major-General Fock's pursuit with the attack made by him July 5 on the Japanese right flank, when he was also reported to have driven back the enemy to Nan Ga Pass.

### MULLAH MENACES BERBERA

Has an Army Close to the Capital of Somaliland.

Aden, July 14. — The Mullah is reported to be 50 miles from Berbera, the capital of Somaliland.

A dispatch to the London Daily Mail from the Aden correspondent, dated July 6, said that the Mullah's forces had attacked the Somali, killing 50, leaving on the natives friendly to the French, and looting about 1,000 sheep and 50 cattle. They then retired, pursued by pioneers, who shot down twenty of the Mullah's men.

The correspondent of the same paper at Berbera maintained that the Mullah's campaign had been fruitless, the Mullah retaining full control of his particular region.

### A BURNING TRAIN

Engineer Raced at Full Speed to Save Freight Cars.

Plainville, Conn., July 14. — With a blazing freight train behind him, Engineer Thomas Nelson sped his locomotive seven miles from Plainville to Plainville this morning.

While passing Plainville the engineer saw a dull glow as he looked back over the train. "Looks like a fire on the train," he remarked to a fireman. The fireman climbed to the top of the tender. "The train's afire," he shouted at the top of his lungs. "The crew had been trying to get word to the engineer to stop, but they were shut off in the rear end of the train by the blaze.

"We'll run to the water tank at Southington," shouted Nelson as he pulled the throttle wide open. The cars were burning fiercely when the tank was reached. The fireman pulled the tank's lever, but to no water came.

"We'll have to run to Plainville," shouted the engineer. Again he pulled the throttle open and the blazing train sped over five miles in about as many minutes.

While the train crew was disconnecting the blazing cars, Nelson blew an alarm with his whistle that aroused the firemen, who with the villagers extinguished the flames after a fight of two hours.

### BIG DELEGATION ASKS THE GOV'T TO TAKE UP GEORGIAN BAY CANAL

Want It Constructed as a Gov't Work — Would Cost \$80,000,000 — Premier's Reply.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottawa, Ont., July 14. — There was a very large delegation from all along the Ottawa Valley, which waited on the Government today in the railway committee of the House of Commons in support of the construction of the Georgian Bay Canal. Among the principal speakers in favor of the construction of the canal was a Government work were Hon. John Gaggarty, Michael Wright and Mr. Mackie, M. P. They favored the construction of the whole scheme. The ministers who received the delegation were Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Sir William Mulock and

## Chamberlain and Lansdowne Leaders of Reconstructed Liberal-Unionist Party

1,800 Delegates From All Parts Favor Fiscal Reform and Retaliatory Policy.

London, July 14. — Joseph Chamberlain was elected president, and Lord Lansdowne and Lord Selbourne, vice-presidents of the newly-reconstructed Liberal-Unionist council at a meeting in London today, which was attended by from 1,700 to 1,800 delegates from all parts of the kingdom. A resolution was passed in favor of a complete reformed British fiscal system, approving the Premier's demand for increased powers to deal with hostile tariffs and "dumping," and expressing sympathy with the proposals for preferential arrangements between the colonies and the motherland. The resolutions were adopted with practical unanimity, and Mr. Chamberlain, who presided, pointed out that it must fairly represent the views of the Liberal-Unionists, as not fewer than 278 separate associations were represented at the meeting.

The part taken by Lord Lansdowne and Lord Selbourne in the new organization, which the Evening Standard calls, "the annex tariff reform league," evidences much interest. The Standard considers that the "two principal members of Mr. Balfour's cabinet have become vice-presidents on an active pioneering association, of which Mr. Chamberlain is chief." It raises a grave constitutional question, and it is said that the Opposition intends to raise the question in the House of Commons and invite Mr. Balfour to explain how two members of his cabinet come to be supporting a policy so different from that enunciated by the Premier himself.

### STUNG TO DEATH

Was the Mail Carrier's Team That Disturbed the Bee Hives.

Mishaway, Ind., July 14. — While eating his dinner yesterday Hugh W. Grant, a rural mail carrier, permitted his horses to graze along a farmer's property. They disturbed a hive of bees, and the latter turned upon the horses. In seeking to escape they overturned two more hives, and this augmented the attacking force, so that the carrier's horses were stung to death. Grant secured a new team and completed his route.

## LONDON HEARS OF PT. ARTHUR'S FALL

But Report Lacks Confirmation, as Does Story of Big Jap Loss.

London, July 14. — There is published this morning a rumor that Port Arthur has fallen, but it is discredited and lacks confirmation of any sort.

The special correspondent of the London Standard at the seat of war, published in this morning's London newspapers, do not give any confirmation of the sensational reports of Japanese losses at Port Arthur. The Tokyo correspondent of the Daily Telegraph sends official dispatches giving the progress of the Taku Shan army up to July 11, on which date the heights south of Sakaiyui were stormed and taken after a stubborn resistance. The Russians, the dispatches say, have retired to strongly fortified positions.

## THINKS HIMSELF SLAV MESSIAH

Czar Regards Himself as the Center of World and Torch-Bearer of Civilization.

London, Thursday, July 14. — A remarkable article in the Quarterly Review, entitled "The Czar," attracts much attention owing to the status of that magazine. It was written by a Russian official of high rank. He indicates the Czar as being personally responsible for the war and the general state of Russia, and contrivances the idea that Nicholas is a puppet in the hands of the Holy Synod. He imagines himself to be the Slav Messiah. He filled himself with the peace-maker of mankind, and the torch-bearer of civilization to the yellow and other barbarous races. He meddles continuously and directly in every state affair, domestic and foreign, thwarting the course of justice and impoverishing his subjects. He boasts of his fervent love of peace, yet his plumed his tax-burdened people and needlessly war. Self-complacent and fickle, he changes his favorites in his moods, insists upon having his own way, and dismisses any minister opposing him. It was because M. Witte reminded him of his promise to evacuate Manchuria that he was dismissed. Other ministers implored him to evacuate Manchuria to preserve the peace of the world, but he replied: "Leave that to Japan; will never fight. My reign shall be an era of peace."

The writer avows himself to be a monarchist, opposed to nihilism, Socialism and all revolutionary tendencies.

### HAS PLENTY OF MONEY

Czar's Financial Agent Says Recent Loan Is Yet Untouched.

London, July 14. — M. Routhowski, the financial attaché of the Russian embassy here, returned to London today from St. Petersburg, where he conferred with Interior Minister Plehve and the Minister of Finance. He said: "There is absolutely no question of Russia floating another loan—now or hereafter. My Government is not in need of money. It has not touched for military purposes a single franc of the loan concluded by the gold reserve. Not only all the money obtained through that loan lies today in French banks, but the remainder will be used to meet interest payments on previous loans. Since the commencement of the war paper notes have been issued to the value of \$55,000,000, but this is more than covered by the gold reserve. In consequence of deposits for tax payments, etc., the amount of gold in the state bank is increasing."

It is not true that M. Witte (president of the council of ministers) is in Germany for the purpose of negotiating a loan. His sole mission is the conclusion of the negotiations for a commercial treaty, which have been pending for some time.

### ELUTED THE CRUISER

French Bait Smugglers Get Safely Into St. Pierre Harbor.

St. John's, Nfld., July 14. — French fishing vessels, from the Grand Banks, have been unable to obtain bait at St. Pierre, and they are alleged to be smuggling bait from Newfoundland in defiance of the bait act. One vessel eluded a colonial cruiser, after being chased into the St. Pierre roadstead. Several fishermen have been fined \$200 each for supplying bait to the French vessels. The Colonial Government will enforce the laws.

## BRITISH START FOR LHASSA CITY

Last Stage of Tibetan War Has Commenced—Yonghusband Issues a Warning.

Gyangtse, July 14. — The advance of the British mission on Lhasa, the capital of Tibet, has commenced. Col. Yonghusband has issued a lengthy proclamation announcing that it is the intention of the British Government to secure reparation from the Tibetans for their "overt acts of war," and that any interference with the passage of the mission "will meet with condign punishment and only result in making the terms demanded more exacting and the measures to enforce them more severe."

## DISCHARGED, SHE TAKES HER LIFE

Miss Kathleen Hamilton, of Belleville, Shoots Herself While Despondent.

Belleville, Ont., July 14. — A sad case of suicide occurred in this city last night, when Miss Kathleen Hamilton, daughter of W. H. Hamilton, manager of the Merchants' Bank, shot herself through the temple with her father's revolver. She was about twenty-five years of age, and up to a short time ago was a nurse in the Roosevelt Hospital, New York. It is said that her several years' hospital service was a constant source of grief to her, owing to continued ill-health, caused her to become despondent.

### Whitaker Wright's Will.

London, July 14. — The will of the late Whitaker Wright, who committed suicide on Jan. 20 last in the law courts, shortly after having been sentenced to a term of imprisonment for fraud, was proved today. The estate is valued at £148,000 net.

### Cught With the Goods.

Spokane, Wash., July 12. — George Wilson, believed to be one of the men who held up a Northern Pacific train near Burien, Wash., and on the night of June 15 dynamited the express car, is under arrest here. On his person were found several small diamonds, three obnoxious letters, a small quantity of opium, and a small quantity of hashish.

### French National Holiday.

Paris, July 14. — The French national holiday is being celebrated in the city. Business is suspended, the Bourse is closed and the boulevards are filled with noisy throngs.

### Exceptional Cases.

St. Petersburg, July 14. — An official statement regarding the suspension of the trial of the Russian revolutionaries, who were charged with the murder of the Emperor, is issued. It states that the trial will be resumed at a later date.

### WEATHER BULLETIN.

Tomorrow—Fair and Warm.

London, Thursday, July 14. Sun rises 4:48 a.m. Moon rises 6:24 a.m. Sun sets 7:58 p.m. Moon sets 10:56 p.m.

Toronto, July 13, 8 p.m. Showers have occurred today in Manitoba and Eastern Assiniboia, and also over Eastern Quebec and the Maritime Provinces. Elsewhere in Canada the weather has been fine. Over the greater portion of the Northwest Territories and Manitoba the temperatures have been somewhat lower, but in other districts there has not been much change.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Victoria, 50-58; Kamloops, 50-74; Calgary, 46-66; Qu'Appelle, 40-58; Winnipeg, 54-76; Saginaw, 41-74; Toronto, 47-75; Ottawa, 50-72; Montreal, 58-68; Quebec, 58-68; St. John, 55-66; Halifax, 60-78.

### FORECASTS.

Moderate westerly and southerly winds; fine and warm. Friday—Moderately fair and warm, but local thunderstorms before night.

### TEMPERATURES.

Stations. 8 a.m. Min. Max. Weather. Winnipeg 48 28 62 Cloudy. Montreal 52 32 66 Clear. Toronto 54 34 68 Clear. Ottawa 50 30 64 Clear. Quebec 58 36 68 Clear. St. John 55 35 66 Clear. Halifax 60 38 78 Clear.

### WEATHER NOTES.

The weather is fine and warm throughout Ontario and Quebec. Showers have been prevalent in Manitoba since yesterday, while it has been fine and cool in the Territories.

Local temperatures: The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the observatory on Wednesday, July 13, were: Highest 74.5, lowest 44.5.

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## EX-PRESIDENT PAUL KRUGER PASSES AWAY IN SWITZERLAND

Former Leader of Boers Succumbs to Attack of Pneumonia and Constitutional Weakness.

### PERMISSION TO BURY IN TRANSVAAL WILL BE ASKED

Clarens, Switzerland, July 14. — Paul Kruger, former President of the Transvaal Republic, died here at 3 o'clock this morning from pneumonia and supervening heart-weakness. Mr. Kruger lost consciousness Monday. His daughter and son-in-law were with him at the time of his death. He had been out only since his arrival here, at the beginning of last month. Mr. Kruger was staying at Villa du Bochet and had been gradually failing for a long time, but he was able to attend to affairs, read the newspapers and receive visitors until Saturday. A change for the worse set in on Sunday, he became unconscious Monday and remained so until his death. Besides the Eloffs, Mr. Kruger was attended by his own physician, Dr. Deymann and by his secretary, Mr. Redel. On several occasions Mr. Kruger had expressed a desire to be buried beside his wife in his own country.

The ex-president's body was embalmed, and will be placed in a vault pending funeral arrangements. Application will be made to the British Government for authority to transport the remains to the Transvaal. In the meantime, they will be temporarily interred here.

The death of the former president of the Transvaal, Paul Kruger, at Clarens, aroused widespread regret here, owing to French sympathy for the Boer cause, and personal admiration for the ex-president. When he recently

### SHOT HIS BROTHER

Seven-Year-Old Lad Takes Revenge With a Revolver.

Laporte, Ind., July 14. — Advice reached this city yesterday that Matt Jesko, aged 14 years, had been accidentally shot. Today it developed that the Jesko boy and his brother, "Ellick," aged 7 years, had become involved in a quarrel. When they separated the 7-year-old boy went home, got a loaded revolver, returned to the scene, and with the statement "I am going to shoot you," sent a bullet into his brother's body, inflicting a dangerous wound.

The father, who is nearly crazed, asserts that he did not know the revolver was loaded.

### 100,000 BREASTPLATES

Russia Orders Them For Early Delivery to Far East Troops.

New York, July 14. — According to the Herald's Milan correspondent, the Russian Government has ordered 100,000 breastplates from a local company engaged in the manufacture of the Benetton cuirass, for use by the Russian forces in the far east. The cuirass in question is a breastplate weighing 500 grammes—about one pound—measuring 17 centimeters square, 12 centimeters (4 1/2 inches) less than half an inch thick, and capable of resisting bullets.

The inventor gave a demonstration of the breastplates last winter in the presence of the Czar at St. Petersburg. The present order is to be delivered to the Russian consul here by Aug. 15, and the total price aggregates a little more than \$250,000.

The manufacturing firm, which employs some 200 workmen, keeps secret how the breastplate is made.

### TO STAR ELLEN TERRY

Novelist Barrie Now Writing a Play for Her.

London, July 14. — The Telegraph says that Charles Frohman has engaged to produce a play that Mr. Barrie, the novelist, is writing, in which Miss Ellen Terry will play the principal character.

Mr. Frohman will sail for New York on the Kron Prinz Wilhelm. He has engaged more than 400 English actors and actresses for the coming season. He will present an unusual number of English stars in plays in the United States.

### KIND EDWARD LEAVES RACE TRACK

TO PAY VISIT TO A POORHOUSE

His Majesty Adds Another to His Many Democratic Acts.

London, July 14. — King Edward yesterday added one more to the many informally democratic incidents that have marked his relations with his poorer subjects since he came to the throne. Slipping away from the crowded Newmarket race track, where His Majesty stood by the bedside until the familiar air was finished.

What the King said to the dying boy is not throned, but this morning's newspapers say that when the King strode out and the hospital ward related to its usual gloom, the stable boy lay back on his bed and said: "I can do better now."