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popular this year and we have se-cured strong numbers to show you in ruffs, boas and stoles Come in

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400,000 MEN IN BATTLE

Decisive Russo-Jap Engagement Rages at Liaoyang.

creasing intensity, but up to this hour no further official details beyond the brief telegrams given out in the afternoon have been received by the War Office. Every confidence is ex-

War Office. Every confidence is expressed in Gen. Kuropatkin's ability to meet the Japanese assault officent of the ground of his own chosing, but the city is hungrily awaiting further news of the progress of the fight.

The Japanese forces engaged in the battle can only be estimated here, but they are believed to number about 200,000 men. Gen. Kuropatkin is known to have six army corps and 147. squadrons of cavalry. tkin is known to have six army corps and 147 squadrons of cavalry, in which great confidence is reposed, bringing up the Russian total to about the same number that the Japanese have. How the armies compare with regard to artillery is not definitely known, though throughout the war, the Japanese have shown great preference for this arm and great skill in its use.

Reports from the front credits the Japanese with having about 200 guns and many mountain battery,

guns and many mountain battery, and it is known that they recently shipped 24 heavy guns to Yinkow. Four of these guns already have been mentioned in these despatches as being in action.

Liaoyang Fortified.

Gen. Kuropatkin, in addition to his field batteries, has a number of very heavy guns placed at import-ant positions at Liaoyang, where the Russians have been straightful. ans have been strongly fortify-

The Japanese claim to have cap-tured two field batteries during the past two days. Russian official ac-counts admit the loss of only six

It is stated that a Japanese bat-

It is stated that a Japanese battery was captured south of Anshanshan during the preliminary fighting, and that several Japanese guns have been destroyed since then.

Little of the strategic situation has developed so far. Official news from the front says that there was desperate fighting on the southern centre, while that from there it appears that the Japanese are endeavoring to reach the Russian right from the neighborhood of the junction of the Taitze and Sakhe Rivers.

The fighting on the western flank ap-The fighting on the western fiank appears to have approached within three miles of Liaoyang.

Battle Began Monday.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 31.—In a brief telegram received yesterday morning, Kuropatkin says the general advance of the Japanese began yesterday at noon, the Russian outposts falling back upon the main lines. The heaviest fighting was taking place when his despatch was sent from a point ten miles southeast of Liaoyang, where the Japanese seem

Liaoyang, where the Japanese seem to be concentrating for their main blow. The Russians suffered principally from the shrapnel fire of the Japanese artillery. The Japanese selected the Mikado's birthday for the decisive battle, and it will not be surprising if to-day is also signalized by a grand assault on Port Arthur.

Sakharoff Reports

St. Petersburg, Aug. 31.—A despatch from Gen. Sakharoff, dated from Liaoyang at 10 a.m. yesterday,

says'
"The main Japanese attack is being directed against the Russian centre and right, where the Russian losses have been the heaviest. The Japanese posted numerous artillery within range of all the Russian positions during the night: A hot fire was opened at 5 a.m., and by nine o'clock the Japanese were close to the Russian positions.

"The Japanese shrapnel fire inflicted considerable losses on our troops at several points. Lieut.-Col. Pokatieloff, commanding a battery of

Pokatieloff, commanding a battery of the Sixth East Siberian brigade, was killed. The Japanese are delivering an obstinate attack on our centre, and at nine o'clock this morning they were in close proximity to our ad-vance guard."

vance guard."

General Sakharoff also reports that a large Japanese force is advancing northward along the Taitze Riven Valley, west of the railroad.

The Russian cavalry which prevented the turning of the Russian right flank Sunday, had to operate amongst the fields of Chinese corn, which was above the heads of the riders.

The latest telegrams from the front state that the Japanese have 1,200 guns near Liaoyang.

Japa Lose 16 Guns.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 31.—A des-

St. Petersburg, Aug. 31.—A despatch from Mukden says that in the stubbornly fought battle which has been in progress near Liaoyang since yesterday morning, all attempts of the Japanese to turn the Russian flank have been repulsed. It is said at Mukden that the Japanese lost over ten guns.

Liaoyang, Aug. 31.—The Russian correspondent of the Associated Press snow fell at Virginia early yesterday morning.

gress.

"It was not till 6 o'clock yesterday morning that the first gun was fired, but soon afterwards hundreds of cannon were thundering along our southern and eastern fronts.

"The centre of our position is located near the famous tower of Liaoyang, about seven miles to the southeast. The fighting there was of the most desperate character, but is

going much nearer at the

flanks.

"The hissing of the shells is distinctly audible, and from the city it is easy to see the shells bursting.

"Heavy guns were brought into action by both sides yesterday, and their dull roar was discernible above the sharper detonation of field and mountain guns.

ssians are using big ordance, which is in position in the in-ner ring of the Liaoyang forts."

Lated All Day.

London, Aug. 31.—A despatch from

London, Aug. 31.—A despatch from Liaoyang to a news agency, dated Aug. 30, says: "The Japanese artillery fire only ceased at 8 o'clock this evening. The casualties have not yet been ascertained."
"The third Russian corps repulsed a hot Japanese assault, the Japanese being hurled back by bayonet charges, firstly by the 23rd and then by the 24th Regiments, which received and repulsed the enemy no less than six times.

"Two Japanese companies which succeeded in occupying a Russian position were mistaken for Russians and annihilated by Japanese artillery fire.

"At 4 o'clock in the afternoon the Japanese concentrated their fire on a Russian southern detachment, and also tried to flank the detachment from the right under the protection of the batteries.

"One company after another was noticed running swiftly to the westward in an attempt to outflank the positions, but a Russian regiment noticed running swittly to the west-ward in an attempt to outflank the positions, but a Russian regiment and a battery were ordered to ad-vance and succeeded in forcing the enemy to retreat in disorder, evacu-ating positions they had previously gained.

penditure of ammunition throughout the day, especially on the southern front against the Russian third

corps.
"It is believed that the Russian losses so far have not been very heavy, except to the regiments which sustained bayonet charges. All the sustained bayonet charges. men serving one Russian gun except one were killed by shrapnel. The sur-vivor, who was badly wounded, her-oically brought his gun to headquar-

ters, and even then refused to quit his place until the general peremptorily ordered him into the hospital. "A more energetic attack is expected to-morrow.
"It seems that Gen. Kuroki's force did not participate in the day's force

did not participate in to-day's en-

gagement.
"The morale of the Russian troops is excellent."

News of Port Arthur. St. Petersburg, Aug. 31.—The news

St. Petersburg, Aug. 31.—The news from Port Arthur up to the 26th was reassuring. The account of the battleship Sevastopol having gone out on Aug. 23 to bombard the Japanese in Tade Bay does not mention that that vessel struck a mine.

A despatch from Vladivostock mentions the presence there of Gen. Remenkampff, who recently left the hospital at Lianyang on sick leave

HEALTH OF THE PROVINCE.

Toronto, Aug. 31.-The returns Toronto, Aug. 31.—The returns from 726 division registrars throughout Ontario are most gratifying as indicating the health of the Province compared with the same period last year. As will be seen a deiod last year. As will be seen a decided drop has taken place, both in cases and deaths of infectious disease with the exception of tuber-culosis, which caused 40 more deaths, but this may be accounted for through the returns of some division registrars being more accurate than in previous months.

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The total deaths from all causes as reported are 1,861; from a reporting population of 1,960,250, or 90 per cent, of the Province, the death rate being 11.4 per 1,000 as against 1,873 deaths for the same month a year ago from a population of 1, 915,220, the rate being 11.5.

The returns show: 543 224 680

Hamilton, Aug. 31.—Chief Smith left for New York last evening with the hope of bringing back Thos. N. McCuley, who was arrested in New York for the local authorities on a charge of stealing \$4,300 from C. S. Wilcox, president of the Hamilton Steel and Iron Company. The alleged offence was committed on Feb. 17, 1902.

The historical moment has arrived IN SOO AND NORTH GREY

Long Lists of Charges in Part. Julars Filed at Osgoode Hall.

ms of Money Alleged to Have date and His Agents-"Cap" Sullive Figures in Six Charges.

Toronto, Aug. 31.—Yesterday the particulars in the election protests against the return of A. G. McKay, Liberal, North Grey, and C. N. Smith, Liberal, Sault Ste. Marie, were filed at Osgoode Hall.

In the former there are nearly 300 charges. There are six clauses in which Cap Sullivan figures—in having made agreements with James T. Nelson and others in Buffalo, by which, for a money consideration, their active influence was secured and that the respondent engaged Sullivan as an agent in spite of his record in the law courts. McKay or his agents are charged with having agreed to secure immunity from proagreed to secure immunity from pro-secution for voters violating the fish-cry laws, and of obtaining leave for them to catch fish during the closed season, or having the closed season extended. Charles Gordon of Owen Sound and Robert Frost of Sara-wak are said to have been threatened with violence as received, votices. with violence as regards voting.

Money Mentioned Freely.

McKay, or Frank Gallagher, Leon Mulley, John McCarty or John Freeman are alleged to have given sums of money for votes. McKay and George Ferguson of Owen Sound are alleged to have promised employment to six voters; the respondent, either personally or through John Frost, is said to have advanced money to Albert Muir with the intent that it be used in bribery; and that he also, or his agents, was guilty of permitting payments of money through others than his appointed front. er than his appointed agent. Payment of hotel and traveling bills for workers and speakers are alleged. McKay, either personally or through McKay, either personally or through the Reform Association of Ontario, North Grey Reform Association, the Reform Central Committee of Owen Sound, Hon. E. J. Davis, James Conmee, M.P.P., or Charles Bowman, M.P.P., or others, is said to Robert Christie of Owen Sound. Hiring of vehicles in two instances is alleged. is alleged.

Vote Was a Bribe

In the Soo matter, the principal allegation against Mr. Smith is that the Government vote of \$250,000 to the Lake Superior Consolidated Company was really to influence the electorate in his behalf. Thomas Johnston, Thomas Hunt and John

Mullin make the protest.

It is alleged that boats of the Consolidated Lake Superior Company and trains of the Algoma Central and trains of the Algoma Central Railway conveyed voters with the object of influencing votes; that officers of the former company conspired to intimidate the auditor, J. C. Ramsey; that respondent offered the position of jail surgeon to four doctors; that Messrs. Conmee and Bowman deposited with James Reilly, William O'Brien, George Sutherland and others about \$2,000 for placing in bets; that the respondent, as a printer, is disqualfied because he held Government printing contracts; that men brought into the riding by that men brought into the riding by the Ontario Liberal Association were given control of the local organiza-tion; that the said association pro-vided funds for corrupt expenditure; that a long list of voters, names given, were personated; that Washington Walker was promised land for his vote.

NO INTERVIEWS.

With Members of the G.T.P. Con

Montreal, Aug. 31.-The commis sion appointed to construct the Government section of the Grand Trunk Pacific will give no interviews to the newspapers. This has been settled hard and fast. F. B. Wade, chairman, last even-

F. B. Wade, chairman, last evening stated he and his colleagues had come to the decision that it would be better to give no interviews to the press for the reason that talks with newspapers are not always accurately reported.

He added that their headquarters

would always be at Ottawa, and whenever there would be any news the secretary of the commission would be instructed to prepare state-ments from time to time for the re-presentatives at the capital of the leading papers of the Dominion. Mr. Wade further stated that they had decided as to the preliminary work of the commission.

Brougham, Aug. 31.—John Miller, ex-M.P., died Monday at the age of 81. He was the ploneer cattle breeder and importer of Ontario County, and foremost in the public life of South Ontario for over half a century. He was born in Annan, Dumfries, May 12, 1817, and came to Canada in 1835, to reside with his uncle the late George Miller of Markam. In 1848 he purchased part of the estate now known as Thistleha, comprising 1,000 acres. Ten children and his wife survive him.

Virtue itself offends when coupled with forbidding manners.

When we are out of sympathy with the young, then I think our work in this world is over,

Inspected By the Vice-Regal Party on Tuesday.

Sault Ste. Marie, Aug. 31.—The people of the Soo yesterday tendered a reception to Lord and Lady Minto who, with their daughter, Lady Eilen Elliott, arrived Monday night from Owen Sound on the steamer Britannic.

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Their Excellencies spent the night on board the Britannic and in the morning the steamer took them through the ship canal, giving them an opportunity to see one of the world's greatest locks in working order. From the canal they went to the steel dock, where the vice-fegal party was informally welcomed by Mayor Plummer, the town councillors and a delegation from the Board of Trade. The party was escorted through the steel plant by Manager Shields. Superintendent Lewis and F. H. Clergue, who showed and explained to Their Excellencies all the processes.

Lord and Lady Minto were warmly received when they came down town

Lord and Lady Minto were warmly received when they came down town in an open carriage escorted by a procession headed by a band. A platform was erected at the court house grounds and an immense crowd gathered to greet the representatives of royalty, who, as they took their place on the platform, were received with cheers. Mayor Plummer read and presented to Lord and Lady Minto an address of welcome from the citizens.

Lord Minto in reply thanked the people for the reception and said

Lord Minto in reply thanked the people for the reception and said that ever would he remember Canada and rejoice in her progress. After addresses from a number of townspeople were received by His Excellency the party were later again escorted through the streets to the C. P. R. depot, whence they took their departure shortly after to continue departure shortly after to continue their westward journey.

Dies By the State.

Auburn, Aug. 31.-Antonio Georgie was electrocuted yesterday morning for the murder of John Van Gorden An Ex-Sultan Dead.

Constantinople, Aug. 31—Ex-Sultan Murad V, died vesterday of diabetes, from which he had long suf-

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Heavy Sole and Patent Toe Cap, regular \$1.50 lines, at \$1.25. Also a lot of broken lines, sizes 13, 1 and 2's, at \$1.00

20 Pairs of Boys' Shoes, Regular \$2.00 shoes for \$1.50. 15 pairs of \$2.50 Box Calf Shoes at \$2.00.

46 Pairs Women's Shoes. \$3.00 and \$2.50 Shoes at \$2.00 a Pair

35 Pairs Men's Shoes.

Broken lines, sizes 6, 6½, 7, 9, 9½ and 10, of \$2.50, \$3 and \$3.50 Shoes for \$2.00

= The Shoe Man