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JAPS CLOSING IN TO ATTACK; 3 ARMIES MENACE RUSSIANS

Mikado's and Czar's Outposts Already in Contact and a Second Great Battle Is at Hand.

KUROPATKIN REMOVES HEADQUARTERS TO HARBIN

Mukden, Sept. 17.—The Japanese are reported to be advancing on both flanks, from the east, southeast and southwest. The outposts are closely engaged twenty miles southeastward, there being almost constant skirmishing.

Indications point to another great battle in the vicinity of Mukden, Russian troops occupy all the surrounding villages.

Refugees are flocking into the city. The Chinese among them complain of severity on the part of the Japanese.

Gen. Kuroki's Headquarters in the Field, Sept. 14—Via Fusan, Korea, Sept. 17. — The Japanese front is now some miles north of Liao Yang, almost halfway to Mukden, confronting Gen. Kuropatkin's outpost lines. Gen. Kuropatkin, it is believed, is removing his headquarters to Harbin.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 16. — General Kuropatkin reports that reconnaissances have established the fact that the Japanese are massing near Yentai and Bentsiaputze. Bodies of Japanese are also moving in the Liao River Valley.

Jap Reserves Called

London, Saturday, Sept. 17.—A dispatch to the Express, sent from Tokio, Sept. 10, by way of Shanghai, says that the staff has issued an order calling out the militia, which is Japan's reserve. The first line, including all able-bodied men between 30 and 40 years, is now mobilizing, and probably will be sent to the front before the end of this year's campaign. The departure of these troops will leave the last line of militia as Japan's only military resource. This line includes many men over 40 years of age. The greater part of the militia is now in barracks. The Government did not expect to mobilize them before spring, but the losses in Manchuria and at Port Arthur have necessitated the replenishing of the armies in the field without delay, in order to keep pace with the Russian reinforcements, which are pouring into Harbin.

Details of Field Marshal Oyama's great losses continue to arrive. The Kamazawa Regiment has been the greatest sufferer in the campaign. It has lost all of its officers except one. The friends of the dead soldiers will not be allowed to celebrate funeral rites until the losses are officially announced. The announcement is being withheld, its effect upon the public being feared. The Kamazawa Regiment is now at Port Arthur.

BELL'S FLYING MACHINE

Inventor of Telephone Discusses the Plans for Aerial Navigation.

Montreal, Sept. 17.—Dr. Graham Bell, inventor of the telephone, passed throught here, on the way from his summer home to Washington. In the course of an interview he said that he had turned his attention to aerial navigation, and was working on the kite principle which would be ultimately triumphant. He had studied other modes of work, he had followed Santos-Dumont and others, but he was convinced that never by a balloon or gas bag would the problem of flying through space be solved. "I am doing construction work, and have been for some time past, I think that I have made a few discoveries, which may be of moment, but at this juncture I do not think I should disclose their nature."

MIRAGE WAS USEFUL

Used by Pilot Boats to Pick Up Ship on Pacific.

Victoria, B. C., Sept. 17. — Victoria pilots have made an interesting discovery in connection with the mirage that flutters almost daily over the horizon off Cape Flattery. Captain Cutler, of the pilot tug Lorne, declaring it reliable as a herald of incoming shipping. The Lorne was at the cape a day or so ago, on the lookout for new arrivals, when the faithful mirage depicted a full-rigged ship, reversed, seemingly deep-laden. The Lorne made for the shimmering vision, which appeared to be but about 20 miles distant. She steamed for several hours at full speed. By that time the picture had faded away. Captain Cutler was not satisfied to confess himself beaten, and held his course, with the result that the British ship Falklandbank was picked up — exactly realizing in every minute detail the picture that had sent the towboat on her quest. And the experience is not by any means an isolated one. The mirage more than aught else assists the Straits of Juan de Fuca towboat fleet in discovering the presence of inbound shipping requiring their offices.

HE HAD NO HANDS

But He Routed a Mob and Saved a Constable's Life.

Wilkesbarre, Pn., Sept. 17.—Austin Gibbons, who has no hands, described to a jury today how he had saved life of Constable Michael Mulvey from a mob at Plains by laying a gun across the fence and threatening to fire.

"The mob ran," he said, "not realizing that I could not pull the trigger."

A short time afterward Gibbons attacked Attorney Dando, who had severely cross-examined him, and was arrested.

Mulvey then came to his rescue and had him released.

Irish Girl Immigrants.

New York, Sept. 17.—An unusual influx of Irish immigrants in the last two months is reported by the immigration authorities. The records show that in the last seven days nearly 1,500 Irish immigrants have arrived at Ellis Island. Of these nearly 70 per cent were girls, and only a small percentage of the total were over 23 years old.

LORD MINTO'S TOUR

Short Stop at Lloydminster, Which Is Decorated in His Honor.

Lloydminster, N. W. T., Sept. 16.—The Earl of Minto arrived here at 5 o'clock yesterday, accompanied by Major Maude and escort of Northwest Mounted Police. His excellency camped about a mile outside the town, and left early this morning for Saskatoon, where he takes a special train to Regina. A large number of citizens turnout to welcome him, and a short address was given by Mr. Lloyd, to which his excellency replied. During his short stay in town he was the guest of Rev. Mr. Lloyd. The Governor-General was presented with a set of bound photographs representing local scenery. An arch of welcome had been erected and the place decorated with numerous flags.

WHAT SHIPS ARE THESE?

Two More of Czar's Cruisers Wandering on Eastern Pacific.

San Francisco, Sept. 17.—The Chronicle today says: From a reliable source, it has been learned that the Lena was not alone in her wanderings in the Eastern Pacific Ocean, and it is stated with authority that somewhere east of a line drawn from the Hawaiian Islands to Unalaska in the Aleutian chain at least two of the Czar's cruisers are roaming the seas and apt at any time to seek the safe haven found by the Lena last Sunday.

Whether the Korea is one of these two vessels or whether she is a third vagrant cruiser, is not settled.

It is generally believed in naval circles that the cruisers referred to are converted auxiliaries, like the Lena, but there is a possibility that they are men-of-war which were forced to escape to the eastward. Their machinery being still in good shape, they are keeping the sea as long as possible, and will probably not make port until their coal runs out.

It is pointed out that the mere knowledge that these cruisers may be encountered anywhere between San Francisco and Honolulu, or along the great circle route between Puget Sound and Japan, will have a marked deterrent effect upon those engaged in shipping contraband from American or British Columbia ports.

At any rate the New York and the Marblehead, which will remain here indefinitely, are on the qui vive, and ready at any time to greet one or both of the newcomers with the promptness that they greeted the Lena.

Killed While Shooting.

Claresholm, Man., Sept. 17.—While Mr. Risum, his son and daughter were driving to his ranch, 16 miles from town, the boy in picking up a gun which was in the bottom of the rig to shoot some chickens, accidentally discharged the weapon and the shot entered his side, killing him instantly.

Wind Wrecks Lighthouse

Fort William, Sept. 16. — Victoria Island lighthouse, which was being removed to a more exposed position, has been wrecked by a windstorm which tipped it over and smashed it beyond repair. It is too late to erect a new house this fall, and boats navigating the dangerous pass in fall storms by night take great chances of going on the rocks.

TERRIFIC SHELLING OF FORTRESS; JAP BIG GUNS POUND PT. ARTHUR

Garrison Subjected to Bombardment for Entire Day and Night.

Che Foo, Sept. 17.—4 p.m.—A Japanese who arrived here today reports that the citizens of Dalny on Sept. 15 expected that the general attack upon Port Arthur would be renewed upon the following day. He has reliable information to the effect that the Japanese siege works at Riblungshan and Kikwanshan were completed on Sept. 15. Both Chinese and Japanese recent arrivals agree that the bombardment of Port Arthur became terrific at dawn on Sept. 15, and continued until the forenoon of Sept. 16. The Japanese fired from Plaungshan at Pigeon Bay, where heavy guns from Japan have been placed in position lately. The shells fell with great frequency in the Chinese new town, Yanklatung, which is a village at Pigeon Bay, and has been occupied by the Russians, has been evacuated by them secretly.

The Japanese have not occupied the village.

Five hundred cavalrymen who attempted to drive the Japanese from Palungshan, have not returned, and it is believed that the fortress ther has been captured."

SELKIRK LIBERALS

Select a Strong Candidate for House of Commons.

Winnipeg, Sept. 16.—At a largely attended convention of Selkirk Liberals held today at Selkirk, Mr. S. J. Jackson was unanimously chosen as the Liberal candidate for the Commons. Mr. Jackson is ex-Speaker of the Manitoba Legislature, and for many years was a representative of Rockwood. If he consents to run he will make a strong candidate. He is at present inspector of Indian agencies.

UNCLE SAM RETALIATES

Canadian Vessels Leaving U. S. Ports Must Be Inspected.

Detroit, Sept. 17. — A Chicago dispatch says: The lack of reciprocal arrangements between the American and Canadian Governments in regard to shipping on the great lakes, has brought to a sudden termination the lake voyage of six passengers on the Canadian steamer Arabian. Rather than put the owners to the expense of the inspection necessary to allow the vessel to carry passengers out of an American port, the people decided to return to their homes by rail.

In the past, American vessels regularly inspected at their home ports were allowed to carry passengers to any port on the lakes, but in 1898 a Canadian law was passed decreeing that an American steamer carrying passengers to or from a Canadian port must pass a Canadian inspection, in addition to that received at home. In retaliation the Washington Government adopted a similar rule.

Awaits the Plough

Toronto, Ont., Sept. 17. — Intelligence was received at the Ontario Crown Lands Department today that in the district north and west of Chapleau, on the C. P. R., there exists a stretch of good agricultural land of 200,000 acres in extent, covering from four to eight townships. The land is due east of the Michipicoten iron mine.

THE STEEL TRUST MAY COME HERE

Agents of the Big Corporation Looking for Rail Plant Site.

Toronto, Sept. 17.—It is learned on the very best authority that the United States Steel Corporation is seriously considering the question of establishing in Canada a large plant for the manufacture of steel rails and steel generally. It has its men at work collecting data regarding output, consumption, etc., as well as selecting a location for the proposed works, and when this report is ready the question will be settled. The new duty of $7 a ton on steel rails completely shuts out the American rail manufacturers, and as the Canadian market is becoming a very important one, the only way out of the difficulty is to build a manufacturing plant in this country. The erection of a plant such as the big trust would like to put up would cost from $12,000,000 to $13,000,000 hard cash and no securities.

When asked if there was any truth in the story, one of the officers of the United States Steel Corporation, in New York, admitted that the matter was being looked into, "but," he said, "it costs so much to erect a big plant with blast furnaces and the other essential to a steel plant, that it is not likely anything decisive will be done for some months."

THE FISCAL CAMPAIGN

British Free Traders Arrange for Many Meetings.

London, Sept. 17.—Our political machinery is at a standstill and the clubs are deserted, but the official organizers are making active preparations for the coming campaign, which begins in October. Free traders are fixing a series of meetings in London and all over the kingdom. Lord Rosebery, Mr. Asquith, Mr. Lloyd-George and Sir Edward Grey will be the principal champions. Mr. Chamberlain and the Tariff Reform League will be no less active. Mr. Chamberlain himself will speak at Luton on the 5th of October; then, after a six weeks' holiday in Italy, he will raise his standard in North Worcestershire, which is, of course, within his "sphere of influence." He will next speak in the east end of London in December, and in January he will be in Preston, where the Lancashire cotton operatives, it is expected, will give him a doubtful welcome.

The fiscal question, especially in its relation to colonial preferences, has been a good deal to the front in the press lately. Lord Londonderry has been very outspoken at a Primrose meeting, declaring if Unionist dissensions continue to grow as they are doing the outlook at the general election is serious for the party. He would have Unionists stick to the terms of Mr. Balfour's Sheffield speech, for it is absurd to suppose the free trade policy under which we have been prosperous for 60 years is to be upset at a moment's notice. Thus Lord Londonderry, one of the most influential of Tory leaders, would check the rush of Mr. Chamberlain's policy. Lord Londonderry complains there was no searching inquiry into the whole fiscal question, and this complaint has drawn from Mr. Ritchie a letter explaining that he and his colleagues, who withdrew from the Government because of their opposition and protection, were not at all averse to an official inquiry and he hopes Lord Londonderry's speech may yet cause the Government to submit the question to a royal commission.

Death of O. B. Weber.

New York, Sept. 17.—Oscar B. Weber, musician, inventor of gas and furnace appliances, and widely known for his connection with the German societies and charities of New York, is dead at the age of 45. He was rated as one of the best amateur pianists in America. It was through his efforts that the late orchestra leader, Anton Seidl, came to this country.

CHINK AND JAP PLOT ALLIANCE

Mikado Expected to Restore Manchuria to China.

CHINK NEUTRALITY TO VANISH

St. Petersburg Press Believe That the Powers Will Be Compelled to Interfere.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 17.—Important developments regarding China's attitude toward the belligerents is anticipated here in well-informed quarters. There are rumors of closer relations between China and Japan, of the possibility of the Japanese turning over Port Arthur, when captured, to China, of their restoring Manchuria to the Chinese, etc. Although these reports are not confirmed they lead to quite a general belief that some sort of negotiations are going on behind the scenes, of which the outside world has little cognizance.

The Russ says it believes the Japanese successes are emboldening the Chinese Government more and more and that they are prompting such diplomatic steps as China never dreamed of before. Since the Japanese occupation of New Chwang and direct contact between the Chinese and Japanese they have seemed to quickly reached an understanding, the occupation of neutral territory evoking no protest.

The Russ expects the war to take on a phase, as Chinese neutrality vanishes, which the powers in their agreement to preserve China's neutrality, cannot ignore. Moreover, the Russ believes the situation will call for deeds and not words. It concludes: "We need not be unduly alarmed, however. The interference of China will scarcely be to our disadvantage."

The American ambassador, as custodian of Japanese interests, has made inquiries regarding the two suspected Japanese spies, Constantino Saratori and Mamachei Tokaki, recently arrested here. He ascertains that the authorities only contemplate deporting them abroad.

The Novoe Vremya bitterly denounces the suggestion of peace advanced by M. Meshshersky, in the Gazdanin, as a means of "defeating the selfish ends of Great Britain and Germany, both of whom, M. Meshshersky asserts, are interested in weakening Russia and Japan.

The Novoe Vremya announces that the Russian people would not tolerate the self-humiliation of the empire before Japan.

The Emperor's congratulatory message to Gen. Kuropatkin is regarded as effectually putting an end to the stories of imperial displeasure with Kuropatkin's generalship at the battle of Liao Yang.

Telegraphic reports from the Red Cross show the following proportion of patients suffering from wounds or disease out of the total sent to the hospitals in the area of the military operations: Cases of severe illness, 10 per cent; slight illness, 56 per cent; wounded, 34 per cent. The only epidemic disease noted is dysentery, with 6 per cent of cases.

Upon is promotion to the rank of general of division, announced last night, Gen. Samsonoff gets the Siberian Cossack division.

Gen. Skugarevski is promoted to the command of the sixth army corps.

SERIOUS FRACAS IN PEKIN STREETS

Italian and Chinese Soldiers Clash, Latter Being Severely Beaten.

Pekin, Sept. 17.—Afternoon.—An extraordinary fracas between Italian and Chinese soldiers occurred on Thursday afternoon, Sept. 15. It appears that two Chinese soldiers were out walking unarmed along the public road bordering upon the Italian drill ground adjoining the Italian legation. They stopped to watch the Italians drilling. The Italians ordered them away and when they refused to go a fight ensued. The two Chinese were beaten. One of them was then seized and taken into the Italian legation, while the other ran to the residence of Gen. Chiang Kweite, who is commander-in-chief of the Chinese troops stationed here. A dozen Italians followed him and fired two shots into the residence and one Italian soldier entered. Chinese soldiers assembled, prepared to fight, but one of their officers prevented further disturbance. Representations have been made by the Chinese authorities to the Italian legation.

WEATHER BULLETIN.

Tomorrow—Fair.

London, Saturday, Sept. 17.

Sun rises..5:59 a.m. Moon rises..2:19 p.m.

Sun sets...6:25 p.m. Moon sets..12:00 a.m.

Toronto, Sept. 16—8 p.m.

A few light scattered showers have occurred again today in the Territories and Manitoba. Elsewhere in Canada the weather has been fine.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Victoria, 50—70; Qu'Appelle, 38—62; Winnipeg, 36—68; Port Arthur, 46—56; Parry Sound, 48—64; Toronto, 40—68; Ottawa, 40—62; Montreal, 44—62; Quebec, 38—60; St. John, 48—68; Halifax, 46—66.

FORECASTS.

Saturday, Sept. 17—8 a.m.

Today—Winds, becoming fresh, southerly to southwesterly; fine and moderately warm.

Sunday—Fair.

TEMPERATURES.

Stations.	8 a.m.	Min.	Weather.
Calgary	40	38	Cloudy
Winnipeg	48	48	Clear
Parry Sound	48	42	Clear
Toronto	52	46	Clear
Ottawa	52	48	Fair
Montreal	58	52	Fair
Quebec	54	50	Clear
Father Point	50	44	Cloudy

WEATHER NOTES.

Light showers have occurred again in many portions of Manitoba and the Territories. Elsewhere the weather has been fine.

The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the local observatory for the 24 hours ended at 8 p.m. Friday were: Highest, 68°; lowest, 42°.

GOVERNMENT REWARD

Will Give $5,000 for Capture of Mission Junction Bandits.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottawa, Ont., Sept. 17.—A proclamation will be issued at once by the Government offering $5,000 reward for the capture of the bandits who held up the C. P. R. train at Mission Junction on the C. P. R. and robbed the express car.

HORSE'S LEG IN SLING

Novel Experiment on a Racehorse Which Broke a Limb.

Windsor, Ont., Sept. 17.—A Midland, Mich., dispatch, says a novel experiment is being tried on the race horse Leeto, which broke a leg at the race track yesterday. The stallion is owned by Mike Dunn, and Mrs. M. Hall, of Windsor, Ont. A veterinary put the broken leg in splints temporarily, after which the racer was hoisted on a dray and brought to town, the splints removed and the injured leg put in a sling. If the leg mends well the horse will be utilized in the stud.

WHALES AT QUEENSTOWN

Some Strange Arrivals in the Noted Irish Port.

London, Sept. 17.—Two whales entered Queenstown harbor Aug. 27, and grounded on the rocks at Rochespoint. On the tide receding they attempted to get off, and pounded themselves to death. They bled profusely, and the water all around was discolored. Great shoals of fish of all descriptions — sprats, gurnet and mackerel in particular—have invaded the harbor. So numerous are they that boys armed with sticks killed hundreds along the shore. The whales, which were pursuing the fish when they came to grief, measure about 26 feet in length and 35 feet in circumference. Their weight, as far as can be judged, is five tons each.

WIND OVERTURNED CIRCUS CAGES

Midnight Panic in Menagerie at Philadelphia Due to Furious Storm.

Philadelphia, Penn., Sept. 17. — Perhaps nowhere but in the depths of an African forest or a jungle of India has a scene been witnessed like that which terrified the people residing in the neighborood of Fourth and Ritner streets early Tursday morning. Hargreaves' circus encamped there with seven large tents of wild beasts, and horses, was nearly wiped out of existence by the wind which struck it at 2 o'clock, and bedlam reigned almost until daylight. Every tent was torn into ribbons and every cage was overturned. Awakened by the roars of the lions and tigers, and the cries of the smaller animals crazed with terror, residents in the houses fronting on the vacant lot double locked their doors and looked with consternation on the rain and wind-swept show.

Only one of the animals broke loose —an elephant—but he made trouble enough by tearing madly about among the overturned cages and arousing their occupants to greater panic.

Three employes of the show were injured and had to be taken to the hospital.

The occupants of the sleeping tents were awakened about 2 o'clock by the sudden rending of the canvass, which was torn from its fastenings, and went skyward over the menagerie adjoining. In an instant the show was swept away and the helpless keepers saw the cages lying on their sides, the frightened beasts darting against the bars in frantic efforts to escape. A blood-curdling chorus of roars and yells arose above the sound of the wind and rain. Hyenas, coyotes, leopards, pumas and a score of performing dogs added their shriller cries to those of lions and tigers.

Though realizing the seriousness of the situation if these beasts should break from their cages, the workmen were forced to give their attention to the elephant, Jumbo II., which had succeeded in freeing himself from the heavy wooden platform to which he is kept chained. The huge beast, screaming and trumpeting with terror, was rushing about the inclosure formed by the overturned cages.

For some moments the men could do nothing with him, and it was feared that he would break out and run into the city streets. Finally, however, his keeper, Arthur Beverly, calmed him sufficiently to permit chains to be passed about his tusks and under his breast, drawing his ponderous head down into a position in which he could be led. A dozen men escorted him a half mile away to Stonehouse lane and the Pennsylvania Railroad, where he was locked up in the car which brought him to the city.

The confusion was heightened by the cutting loose of 128 horses and ponies after the tent had been carried away. The animals were running about the lot, with no effort being made to capture them. Many were lost in the streets, and were not captured until late this afternoon.

The only residents in the neighborhood who ventured from their homes were the small boys. They reveled in the excitement. Until daybreak they worked with the weary circus employes helping them to catch the horses.

The loss in the damage to the tents and other paraphernalia will reach into the thousands.

Bad Syracuse Fire.

Syracuse, N. Y., Sept. 17.—A special to the Herald from Waterloo, N. Y., says: The Academy of Music Block with the Windsor House and Sweet's Hall there, were destroyed by fire at 4 o'clock this morning with a total loss of nearly $50,000. The fire, which was beyond control when the alarm was given, began at or near the stage in the opera house from an unknown cause.

BRITISH TIBETAN TREATY BLOCKS THE CZAR'S PLANS

No Territory To Be Leased to a Foreign Power Without Great Britain's Consent.

TIBET TO PAY AN INDEMNITY OF $2,500,000

London, Sept. 17.—The Times' Pekin correspondent gives at great length the text of the draft of the treaty between Tibet and Great Britain, which has been sent to Pekin by the Amban (the Chinese representative at Lhassa), and which the correspondent believes to be practically identical with the treaty actually signed, which China is almost certain to ratify. It contains a preamble and ten articles, the most important of which bind the Tibetans to establish three marts for mutual trading between British and Tibetan merchants, to allow traffic along existing routes and others which may be opened in future between India and Tibet; Tibet to pay an indemnity of $2,500,000, in yearly installments.

It is stipulated as security for the performance of the conditions of the treaty that British troops shall occupy the Chumtsi Valley for three years, and until the indemnity is paid. One article provides that without Great Britain's consent no Tibetan territory shall be sold or leased to any foreign power, and no foreign power shall be permitted to concern itself with the affairs of Tibet or to construct roads, railways or telegraph, or open mines in the country.

THE LONDON THEATERS

New and Successful Plays by Jones and Novelist Jacobs.

London, Sept. 17.—The theater season has begun, and at least two notable new productions have met with a hearty welcome. At the Garrick Theater Mr. Henry Arthur Jones' new play, "The Chevalier," with Mr. Arthur Bouchier in the part of the Chevalier, had a fine reception. It is not much of a play, but the dramatist has hit upon an original character, who is sure to be a favorite. The Chevalier is a showman, a charlatan. He is the Chevalier Mounteagle, who is an amusing ruffian, vain of his attempt to speak fine English; vain, too, of his own charming manners and his absurd conceit in his power to fascinate Englishwomen, leads to a laughable series of comedy scenes. At the New Theater "Beauty and the Barge," by Mr. H. H. Jacobs, brought to the footlights the breezy and unconventional humor which "The Skipper's Wooing" and "Many Cargoes" and other stories by Mr. Jacobs have made familiar to his readers, but which is wholly new to the playgoer. The stage owes him much for opening up a new field and affording honest laughter without the suspicion of a problem or a wicked notion in it.

TO GET EVEN

Lawson Makes a Serious Complaint Against "Puck."

Boston, Mass., Sept. 17.—Because Puck has parodied Lawson's "Frenzied Finance, the Story of the Amalgamated," this week with its "Frozen Finance, the Story of the Amalgamated Fork and Beans," the financier has complained to the police commissioners that the funny paper has desecrated Old Glory by a double-page picture, the center of which is "our splendid Old Glory," covered with signs advertising one of the gilded resorts of New York. Under State laws this is a misdemeanor, and the offending publication can be destroyed and the publisher fined.

THE LATE DEAN HOLE

His Manly Personality Will Be Greatly Missed in England.

London, Sept. 17.—The death of Dean Hole, of Rochester, removes one of the most interesting personalities in English life and one of the finest specimens of the manly Christian gentleman that England has ever known. For forty years he was the most popular parson in the Church of England. The people loved him, because in his own generous person he was parson, wit, athlete, gardener, fox hunter, playgoer and man of the world, who loved his fellows, and loved nature and enjoyed life with hearty zest. The stories told of him are innumerable, for he had a sparkling humor that shone everywhere and among all sorts and conditions of men. He was a scholar, too, and his writings had all the charm of a fine and cultured mind. He will, perhaps, be long and lovingly remembered for his devotion to flower culture; his book on roses has been translated into every European language. An American newspaper said of Dean Hole, when he went some years ago to the States on a lecturing tour: "He is the finest specimen of Elizabethan ecclesiastical architecture that England has ever sent to this country." All England mourns the loss of the witty dean. He said last year, when he showed the Queen over the rose show in the Temple Gardens, that he was "84 in the shade." No one ever thought of the dean as old, and now it is hard to realize that the sunny presence of his powerful and manly personality is lost to England forever.

He Used His Club.

Pawtucket, R. I., Sept. 17.—John Allingham was arraigned in the local police court today charged with murdering Mrs. Dennis Crowley on Thursday, Sept. 15, was adjudged probably guilty, and was held without bail for the grand jury. The warrant upon which Allingham was arraigned named the weapons which were used in killing the woman as a club and an axe, and the prisoner when asked to plead said: "Not guilty with the axe. I did it with the club."

Jap Crew Leaves Aberdeen To Torpedo Baltic Fleet

New York, Sept. 17.—A special cable dispatch to the Sun from Aberdeen, Scotland, dated Sept. 16, says: A passenger who arrived today on board the coasting steamship Hogarth, reports that two Japanese officers and nine sailors came on board the vessel from London.

As soon as they arrived at Aberdeen they jumped into a small boat and proceeded at once to a mysterious, low-lying craft, in the offing, evidently a torpedo boat, which, on receiving the men, steamed seaward.

It is believed here that the intention of the Japanese is to lie in wait for the Baltic fleet.

DOUBTFUL BARONETCIES

An English Tribunal to Pass Judgment on Them.

London, Sept. 17.—A committee is now sitting at the Home Office with the object of establishing a tribunal before which doubtful baronets must prove their right to the titles they have assumed.

When the question was raised in the House of Commons recently, the Home Secretary's statement was such as to lead to the belief that nothing would be done.

Sixty-five of his Majesty's subjects may view the matter with some concern; for it is alleged that although they call themselves baronets, they have no right to the title.

Mr. A. C. Fox-Davies, one of the few recognized authorities on the baronetage, recommends the same procedure as in the case of a claim to peerage, namely, that the claim should be examined by the Attorney-General, who would subsequently report to the Crown.

"If the report of the Attorney-General," he added, "was a sufficient judicial decision for the Crown to act upon in such an important case as the Cromartie peerage, it is amply sufficient for any baronetcy."

Mr. Fox-Davies considers that it would only be necessary to examine claims of succession, and that usually accepted baronets should not be required to prove their right to the dignity during their lifetime.

He urges, however, that "the sixty-five probably bogus claimants, whom any editor of a peerage book could point out, should be immediately called to account."

It is understood that a scheme on the lines suggested above will be considered by the committee.

Joe Jefferson Ill.

New York, Sept. 17.—The Herald says: The theater-going public who are admirers of Joseph Jefferson and who anticipated seeing him upon the stage this winter for his customary brief tour, will hear with regret that the veteran actor is ill at his country home in Buzzard's Bay, Mass., and that he has canceled all engagements for the season.

RUSSIAN "BULLDOZERS"

Made British Captain Declare Hold-Up Had Not Delayed Him.

Constantinople, Sept. 17.—The British steamship Margit Groedel, with a cargo of coal, from Cardiff, for Sulina, was stopped by the Russian cruiser Terek on Sept. 6 off Cape St. Vincent. The Terek fired three blank shots to bring the steamer about. Two Russian officers and two armed men boarded the Margie Groedel and overhauled her papers. The captain of the Margit Groedel was asked to sign a declaration that he had not been put to any convenience by the delay. He at first refused, but when told that his steamer would be detained until the arrival of the Russian admiral, he complied, and the collier was allowed to proceed. One of the Russian officers stated that there were nine other Russian vessels in the vicinity.

Crowded to the Hatches.

Queenstown, Sept. 17.—The White Star Line steamer Celtic, which sailed today from Queenstown for New York, carried 3,350 souls, believed to be the largest number ever taken in one vessel from a British port. About 100 steerage passengers were left behind on account of lack of accommodation.

Canadian Band in London.

London, Sept. 16.—A London newspaper offers its readers a day at the Crystal Palace for the expenditure of a halfpenny on its issue of Sept. 24, when a coupon from the newspaper will admit to the palace, and the occasion will be celebrated by the first appearance in England of the Kilties' Band from Belleville, Canada.

A Burns Monument

Montreal, Que., Sept. 17. — The Montreal Burns Club, at its regular meeting last night, decided to raise a fund for the erection of a monument in this city to the Scottish poet. It was decided that $15,000 was necessary for the purpose, and a committee was appointed to solicit subscriptions, look for a suitable site and arrange other details.