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THE DASH OF THE FLEET

A Tekie Report Says Russians Were Driven Back.

test Che Foo Report Says the Port Ar--Two Ships Damaged-Disarmed Ryc shitelat Carried Off From Che Foo Harber By Japanese Surmise That Fleet Has Reached Shantung Bay.

Che Foo, Aug. 12.-The Russian the Foo, Aug. 12.—Ine Russian fleet emerged from Port Arthur at 7 a.m. Wednesday morning. It is stated that only the smaller Japanese vessels engaged and pursued it. The pursuit lasted two hours and a half. Captain Rostchavoski of the Russian torned destroyer Hyeshitelni, which Captain Rostchavoski of the Russian torpedo destroyer Ryeshitelni, which emerged from Port Arthur with the fleet Wednesday morning, and which arrived here early yesterday morning, states that his engines broke down when he was midway between Che Foo and Port Arthur. He proceeded at a speed of twelve knots to this port. He says he saw no Japanesse vessels. Japs Reckless Courage.

Capt. Rostchavoski stated that the recent firing heard at Che Fran evidently came from Port Arthur, where the Japanese continue to attack daily. The Japanese line, he said, now extends from the north shore of now extends from the north shore of Louisa Bay to a point immediately east of Taiche Bay, about seven miles east of Port Arthur. The Japanese are, he alleged, wasting lives with reckless courage. Their positions are frequently lost, or taken, then lost and re-taken again.

Battleships Damaged.

Battleships Damaged. The Russian squadron left Port Arthur in response to imperative or-ders from Vice-Admiral Skrydloff. A semi-official telegram reports that the Russian battleships Pobieda and Retvizan have returned damaged to Port Arthur. Three Japanese torpedo boat destroyers are now outside this harbor watching the Russian torpedo boat destroyer Ryeshitelni, which still flies the Russian flag.

Jap Cruiser Kasaga Sunk.

It is reported that the Japanese protected cruiser Kasaga was sunk off Round Island, 48 miles east of off Round Island, 48 miles east of Port Arthur, in the recent engagement. The Russian ships before leaving Port Arthur took on board heavy stores, machinery and materials for ship repairing. The torpedo boat destroyer Ryeshitelni has been dismantled by the removal of the breeches of her guns.

Forced to Diarm.

Shortly after the arrival of the Ryeshitchni here the Chinese admiral, Sah, sent an officer on board who demanded that the destroyer either leave the port or disarm. It had previously been asked that her engines be disabled. The captain of the Ryeshitchni agreed to render the engines absolutely useless and to disarm in such a manner as Admiral Sah demanded. The captain of the Ryeshitchni required the Chinese ad-Rveshitelni here the Chinese admiral. Ryeshitelni required the Chinese admiral to indicate a position nearer the shore where the destroyer could rest until after the war under the protection of the Chinese Government. It is evident that grave reasons caused the Ryeshitelni to undertake her hazardous voyage. Protake her hazardous voyage. Pre-sumably she came here to file urgent despatches.

Japs Tow Ryeshitelni Out.

A boarding party from two Jap anese torpedo boat destroyers, which entered the harbor last night, boarded the dismantled Russian torpedo destroyer Ryeshitelni this morning at 3.30 o'clock. The Japanese discharged their small arms, and dur ing the firing a Russian was wound-ed in one of his legs.

Daybreak showed a third Japanese

destroyer towing the Ryeshitelni out of the harbor, and all disappeared. The Japanese consul claims that the Japanese ships were ignorant of

the Japanese ships were ignorant of the dismantling of the Ryeshitelni. It is undrestood that the Chinese admiral discovered the presence of the Japanese torpedo boat destroy-ers and presented the same demands to them that he had carlier given to the Russian destroyer Ryeshitelni, namely, either to leave port of to disarm.

Askold and Novik Got Away. The Russian protected cruiser Ask-old and Novik and one torpedo boat destroyer entered the Kiauchau Bay last night and exchanged salutes with German vessels.

Fleet Has Not Returned According to the latest information obtainable, the Russian squadron has not returned to Port Arthur.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 12.—Public anxiety regarding the fate of the Port Arthur squadron was unrelieved last night. The squadron is believed to have passed the Shantung

A Tokie Version.

Tokio, Aug. 12.—Evidently driven to sea by the fire of the Japanese land batteries, the Russian feet emerged from Port Arthur Wednesday morning. Admiral Togo immediately closed in and opened a severe engagement, which lasted until nightfall. Afterwards the Japanese destroyers and torpedo flotillas delivered a series of attacks. The Japanese fleet withdrew at dawn yesterday, the battleships Retvizan and Pobieda steaming towards the harbor of Port Arthur. It is thought here that the Russians attempted to escaps seaward from a base which is no longer tenable, but that they again refused to attempt to force Admiral Togo's lines.

Washington, Aug. 12.—The State
Department has received the following cablegram from the American
Legation at Tokio, dated yesterday:
"Yesterday the Russian fleet which "Yesterday the Russian fleet which has been harboring at Port Arthur came out, and there ensued a battle which continued throughout the day with the combined Japanese fleet. The result has not yet been officially

innounced."
From Che Foo, Consul-General Fowler telegraphs, under yester-day's date, as follows:
"A Russian torpedo gunboat has arrived from Port Arthur, Fierce naval engagement yesterday."

THROUGH THE DARDANELLES.

London, Aug. 12.—The Brussels correspondent of The Daily Telecorrespondent of the Daily Tele-graph declares that two vessels of the Russian Black Sea fleet have al-ready passed the Dardanelles without the interposition of any difficulty on the part of the Turkish Government. Told to Be Ready.

Cronstadt, Aug. 12.—Admiral Biri-leff, in command of the naval forces here, yesterday ordered Vice-Admiral Rojestvensky, commander of the Baltic fleet, and his staff, to take up their headquarters on board the bat tleship Souvaroff and to be in readi ness to sail on Aug. 14.

Japs Reconnectering.

Liaoyang, Aug. 9.—(Delayed in transmission.)—A correspondent who has just returned (thirteen miles east says the Japanese Houtsiatze (about west of Liaoyang.) gourteen miles the correction of advancing, but are carefully reconnoitering within a mile of Anping. Two strong Japanese columns are reported to be hurriedly pressing forward, one towards Mukden and the other in the direction of Vantai coal

The Cost of It All.

Tokio, Aug. 12.-The Finance Department states that the war expenses up to the end of July were 200,-000,000 yen, 70 per cent. of which remains in the country. This means n Canadian money approximately \$100,000,000. Japs Lost 10,000 at Welf Hill.

Che Foo, Aug. 12.—A refugee from Port Arthur, who has arrived here gave the Russian losses at 1,500, and those of the Japanese at 10,-

DROWNED WHILE RAVING DRUNK.

Port Arthur, Aug. 12.—Edward Mackle of Stillwater, Minn., a

wealthy lumberman, met a horrible death in Rainy Lake. He, with his brother William, a man named Hans Patterson, and a on a drinking bout at International Falls.

down Rainy Lake, where Mackle and Patterson were seized with an at-tack of delirium tremens. Patterson was not violent, but Mackle was be-yond the control of his companions. They attempted to restrain him by tying him with pack sack straps but failed, and leaving him on shore for fear he would drown, all hands took the canoe and proceeded down

er Seagull and sent it in search of the demented man. The steamboat people in the search encountered a band of Indians, who reported that they had found the body

in about four feet of water. The body was recovered with the clothing covering it torn to shreds and the ground in the vicinity torn up, showing the frightful struggle the man had undergone. The body was sent to his home in Stillwater.

\$25,000 BAIL FOR TELFORD.

Justice Martin Indicates Most Seriou

Charges Against the Prisoner.

Vancouver, B. C., Aug. 12.—Justice Martin yesterday admitted Dr. Telford to \$25,000 bail. He said the charge was very serious, the evidence being to the effect that Telford had given young McHarg surgical instruments to use on the girl. He said he also thought the jury might find that the girl was not responsible for the lacerated condition of the body, found by post-mortem, but the prisoner.

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This statement made by Justice Martin was made in answer to an assertion by Jos. Martin, K.C., Telford's counsel, that the evidence against the prisoner was of the filmsiest character. Telford had volunteered the statement that he had never seen McHarg, which made McHarg's evidence as to Telford giving him a cathether to use on the girl more demaging. Telford raised the bail during the afternoon.

Killed in Drunken Brawl.

Ottawa, Aug. 12.—A story has reached Ottawa from L'Annonciation of a fatal fight between two men. The quarrel was between Adelerd Auger, a blacksmith of Rapide De L'Original, and a man named Primault, a mason by trade, of L'Annonciation, and the latter received injuries from which he died a few hours afterwards. An inquest will be held. It is said that Auger was under the influence of liquor. Auger has been arrested.

The post who says he makes mon

THE CROPS OF ONTARIO

Advance Notes of the August Departmental Bulletin.

Fall Wheat Poorest of Cereal Creps. But Spring Wheat in Excellent Condition-Barley Average, With Oats Most Satisfactory in Crop's History-Rye Below, But Peas Above the Average-Fruit Crops Light.

Toronto, Aug. 12.—The August Crop Bulletin about to be issued by the Ontario Department of Agricul-ture, will contain the following re-garding conditions on the first of the month:

The acreage and estimated yields of the field crops for the current year are now being compiled and will be published in a few days.

Fall Wheat.

Cutting began as early as July 20, but considerable of the crop remained to be cut on Aug. 1. The grain, which in 1902 and in 1903 gave which in 1902 and in 1903 gave most generous yields, will this year be, compared with its own average, the poorest of the cereal crops, taking the province at large; for while in some localities a good return is reported, in other sections the crop has been so great a failure as to give back no more than the quantity of seed sown. The crop appears to have sustained but little injury from Hessian fly or other insect pests, Hessian fly or other insect pests, most of the more recent injury to the crop resulting from rust and rain. Very little is said by correspondents as to the quality of the grain, a fact which carries its own comment. Spring Wheat.

This crop was not so far advanced This crop was not so far advanced as usual on Aug. 1, and cutting was not expected to begin until the 10th or 20th of the month, according to location. Rust was threatening in some quarters, but aside from that the crop was in excellent condition as regards both straw and grain, and the yield was expected to be well above the average. There was little or no complaint of insect posts. pests.

The cutting of barley was general in the last week of July, although much of the crop remained to be harvested after that period. In respect of color, the crop has turned out well. The yields generally are well up to or above the average, and the heavy returns much outnumber the light ones. The chief injury to the crop is said to have resulted from "lodging" and rust, but even these "lodging" and rust, but even the drawbacks have not been serious.

Some big yields of oats have been reported, and only a few poor ones, and the probabilities are that the general result will be one of the most general result will be one of the most satisfactory in the history of this simportant crop. The straw is described as being rather short, however, and a few correspondents were fearing damage from rust. Some also alluded to the likelihood of "lodging," owing to the weight of the heads. Odd mention only was made of smut, and practically nothing was said of hurt from insects. The harvesting of this crop was not expected to be general before the second week of August.

Bye.

Crop badly winter-killed, and the yield per acre will be below the average. Where the crop survived the winter, however, it came a fair condition as to quality

The bulk of the crop will probably be harvested between the 15th of August and the end of the month. Owing to ravages of the "bug" dur-ing the last few years, only a small acreage of peas was planted this season. The pest does not appear to be so general as in recent years. Present prospects are for a yield rather above the average.

Beans are much later in growth than usual, being still in the blossoming stage, or else just beginning to pod, on the 1st of August. The crop was then looking very promising, and some correspondents thought the yield would be considerably above the average.

Hay and Clover. Hay and Clover.

Taking the Province as a whole, this crop may be briefly described as a fairly large one, and it has been well saved in most cases. Notwithstanding the great injury to clover in many parts of the Province during the winter by ice forming on low-lying fields, a good recovery was made owing to the favorable growing weather of May and June, and timothy has done even better than clover relatively. Hay harvesting timothy has done even better than clover relatively. Hay harvesting covered nearly all of July. The poorest average yields were reported from the Lake Eric counties, where much damage had been done by winter-killing. New meadows did much better than old ones, and spring seeding is turning out well.

Corn received a bad start generally, while parts of some fields had to be resown with buckwheat, or with oats and peas for green feed. Some correspondents speak of the crop as promising, but most of the returns made are more or less un-

Only a few correspondents make mention of tobacco as a growing crop. The plant is reported as doing well, although rather late in growth, owing to the wet and generally backward spring.

The bulk of the reports are to the effect that the average yield will be a good one. Complaints were made in some quarters of more injury than usual by the bug. A few cases o blight were mentioned.

Spring was not favorable to the getting of land into good shape for the sowing of roots, and the wet weather continued so far into th season that much of the seed was put in late. Consequently all classes of roots were backward in the first of August, although then growing vigorously; and while many fields were somewhat thin in the raw, others were giving fair promise. The sugar beet fields of Western Ontario are reported to be in very fine con-dition, showing decided improvement over previous years. No injury was reported from insect pests.

Fruit. Harvest and fall apples will give an average yield in most orchards, but the winter sorts, more especially Spys and Baldwins, will be comparatively scarce. Pears will range from poor to good in yield, but peaches will be light. Cherries varied greatly in yield, but on the whole ied greatly in yield, but on the whole the crop was not nearly up to the average of previous years. Plums yield poorly. Grapes at the present time give promise of being a good crop. Strawberries were not so large a crop as usual, but good reports have been received regarding raspberries and other small fruits. Completing of himself. Complaints of injury to fruit from insect pests, spot, etc., were much less than in other years.

Pastures and Live Stock. Midsummer found pastures in a splendid state, and live stock were also reported to be n excellent condition. The prospects are good for an abundance of fall and winter supplies for farm animals. The flow of milk has been large, but prices for cairy products have not been encouraging, more especially in the case of cheese. The consequence is that calves have been getting much more milk than in recent years, and a correspondent remarks that this will be a good thing for both the calves and thosey.

Bees and Homer. also reported to be n excellent cor

Bees and Honey. The winter was a most trying one for bees; they came out weak, and there was considerable spring dwindling. Swarming was late, and was hardly so general as in recent years. Clover was in fair supply, but there was not much linden. Extracting was rather backward, owing to the season being a late one. The average yield per colony, spring count, will hardly reach 40 pounds.

Scarcity of Farm Laber.

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There is a decided scarsity of farm labor, although the lack of help has not been felt so keenly as in the two or three years immediately preceding. The situation has been slightly relieved by the arrival of more British immigrants, but skilled agricultural laborers are yet very hard to procure. Farmers are having recourse to improved labor-saving machinery, and are endeavoring in this way to keep the work more within their own families. Wages are fully as high, or higher, than formerly.

Crop Prospects Improved. Winnipeg, Man., Aug. 12.—With the thermometer over 80 and warm nights crop prospects have greatly improved and country reports generally agree that the continuance of this weather should ensure a bountiful harvest.

DELAY IS DANGEROUS.

Lhassa, Thibet, Aug. 5.—(Delayed in transmission.)—Col. Younghusband, head of the British mission, band, head of the British mission, to-day returned the Ambans Ceremonia visit. He urged the appointment of delegates for the purpose of negotiating terms of peace, at the same time intimating that every day's delay would increase the indemnity to be demanded by the British.

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No attempt has yet been made by the Thibetans to start the negotiations. It is stated that the Dalai Lamai left behind the seal of State so that the treaty could be signed in his absence.

The inhabitants are freely supplying the mission with necessaries.

BOILER EXPLODED.

Two Men Killed in South Norfolk County in Sawmill Wreck.

Langton, Aug. 12.—About five o'clock vesterday afternoon a fatal boiler explosion occurred at Smith's saw mill, on the 9th concession, being killed and one seriously injur-

The dead are: Isaac Lewerg, Nor-The dead are: Isaac Leworg, Norman Wingrove. The injured man is John Leivorage. He will recover. The explosion wrecked the mill, which caught fire. The men were just about preparing to quit work for the night.

Ran Amuck With Razor.

Winnipeg, Man., Aug. 12.—While six laborers from McMillan's Canadian Northern Railway camp were draving into Sheho, N.W.T., on Tuesday night, John Masters drew a razor and slashed at his companions, seriously cutting the throats of Severn Jefferson and Edward Zuinkie and slightly slashing another. He was knocked out of the wagon, bound and handed over to Mounted Police. The injured menage doing well and will probably recover.

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