Armed Bodies of Mongolians Appear on Frontier South of Lake Balkal.

Railroad Guards Drive off Large Band of Bandits in Manchuria.

Russian General Confirms the Occupation in Strength of Ping Yang.

St. Petersburg, March 21 .- Official advices report the concentration of armed Mongolians disguised as pilgrims at Vankaren, south of Lake Baikal and a few miles from the Russian frontier.

A telegram has been received from Medical Office. Mongolians disguised as pilgrims at Wankaren, south of Lake Baikal and a few miles from the Russian frontier.

A telegram has been received from Medical Officer Trepoff, at Chita, Eastern Siberia, saying: "There are many cases of sickness here." This news causes some uneasiness, as reports from other places are uniformly to the effect that with the health of the troops is good.

The following despatch from Mukden

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The following despatch from Mukden March 20th was received today: "Gen. Zhillinski reports as follows: According to reports received from the frontier guards on the Eastern Chinese railway, everything is in order there. At Udyini station, Capt. Uksemoff, with 70 cavalarymen, have driven off a band of 100 Chunchuses (Chinese bandits).

"The occupation of the town of Anju and Ping Yang by the enemy's infantry and artitlery is confirmed. An increased movement of the troops and transports on the road between Ping Yang and Anju is noticeable. Thirteen of the enemy's rransports recently unloaded at Chinampho. According to reports there have been no preparations for landing on the coast of Caoljao or opposite Kin Chow. All reports appearing in foreign newspapers of the landing of Japanese troops at different points on the coast are inventions."

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The foreign office gives an absolute denial to the statement telegraphed from here that Korea is regarded as belligerent. Russia, as previously explained, heads all the acts of Korea since the declaration of her neutrality as being under Japanese duress, and unless the Korean government formally notifies the powers that shd has joined with Japan and taken up arms, Russia will consider her neutral, but any Korean troops who actually impede Russian movements or join the enemy will be considered individual belligerents without reference to their nationality.

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MAJORITY VERY LOW.

London, March 22.—The majority of the government again was very low to night in the House of Commons, a motion upon the Irish waterways being defeated by a majority of only 16. The figures were greeted with prolonged Irish cheers, and a voice, "You shall drink it to the dregs," when John Gordon Swift MacNeill, the member for South Donegal, amid laughter, shouted, "We've twisted your pigtails."

AUDIENCE WITH POPE.

Archbishop Begin, of Quebec, Receive by His Holiness in Private.

Rome, March 22.—The Pope today received in private audience Archbishop Begin, of Quebec.

Archbishop Begin reported to the Pope the condition of Catholicism in Canada, especially in the archdiocese of Quebec. The archbishop, having stopped some time in Paris, the Pope ex-

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Sealing Question

Russia Desires Enlargement of Commission Now Assessing Damages.

Many Petitions Are Presented to Ottawa House on Sabbath

Repairing the Russian Battleships at Port Arthur



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St. Petersburg, March 23.—Special)— telegram received here from Askaba fates that the Ameer of Afghanista as been poisoned. No particulars ca

KOREANS EXECUTED.

Seoul, March 22.—Of 32 Koreans, formerly students in Japan, who are accussed of conspiracy against the life of the Emperor and Crown Prince for the purpose of crowning Eulwaa, who is now studying in America, three have been executed, and the others have been summoned to appear that the second

AN EASTERN EARTHQUAKE.

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Chinese in The Transvael

Premier Balfour Defeats Vote of Censure By a Small Majority.

Major Seely Withdraws Support From Government and Resigns.

Montreal, March 21.—The earthquake which was felt in the New England states and eastern townships of this province, was also felt here, but it was Commissioner.

Port Arthur Fallen.

Special Cable to the London Times and Victoria Colonist.

Tokio, March 22.—The newspapers here publish extra editions which contain a report that Port Anthur has fallen. They state that a combined land and sea attack began on Saturday, was continued throughout the day and night and on Sunday. The attack was renewed again Monday morning and the fortress taken. There is no confirmation from government sources of the newspapers' reports.

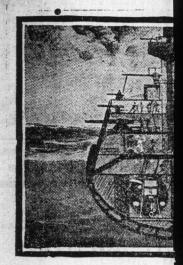
Felt only by citizens who happened to be awake, the shock being very slight. St. John, N., B., March 21.—An earth had one since the close of the awake, the shock being very slight. Richmond, Que., March 21.—An earth had one since the close of the wavering a possible for conceive a greater departure from the principles by which Great Britain bitherto had made her way in the world than the importation of aliens as the bondsmen of mining speculators. The Liberal leader thought nothing but averting a possible catastrophe could justify the Chânese labor ordinance. At the time of the war the government declared it was waged in the interests of white labor, but the British workman was now being snuffed out by the Chânese labor ordinance. At the time of the war the government declared it was waged in the interests of white labor, but the British workman was now being snuffed out by the Chânese labor ordinance. At the time of the war the government declared it was waged in the interests of white labor, but the British workman was now being snuffed out by the Chânese labor ordinance. At the time of the war the government for human dumping since the close of the south Africa. It was impossible to conceive a greater departure from the principles by which Great Britain bitherto had made her way in the world than the importation of aliens as the bondsmen of mining speculators. The Liberal leader thought nothing the government south and the corner as the conduct of the war the government from the principles by which Great Britain bithereto had made her way in the world tha

Torpedoes That Did not Explod

Russian Said to Have Recovere Fifteen Wasted Missiles at Port Arthur.

Many Europeans and Chines Were Killed in Unreported Bombardments.

London, March 23 .- The Tokio c espondent of the Times says it is mored that the Korean government terday decided to open Yongampho foreign trade. News from New Chwa foreign trade. News from New Chwarthat, a south wind is dispersing the points to the imminence of effective tion, which, it is predicted, will least reveal the carefully-laid plan campaign. According to the Standard St. Petersburg correspondent, the Russian government has just privately ifformed the Emperor that since the orbreak of the war 100,000 troops habeen forwarded to the Far East the Siberian railway. The Record Trade warns the masters of Britiships that they must not resist bein stopped or searched by warships



either the belligerent countries for co traband of war. The Daily Teigraph's Seoul correspondent, under date of March 22, reports the rising of a mob of Koreaus against Japanese soldiers at Samung, north of Gensan. The Japanese dispersed the mob, killing five men and wounding twenty.

confirmed rumor from Chefoo and New Chwang of the bombardments of Port Arthur on March 13 and 17, a number of Europeans and many Chinese being killed.

The Standard's Shanghai correspondent says a recent arrival from Port Arthur declares the Russians recovered fifteen Japanese topedoes from the harbor which had not exploded, because in their excitement the Japanese forgot to withdraw the safety plug.

BRITISH ASK PROTECTION.

Request That Vessel Remain at New Chwang on Guard. New Chwang, March 23.—(Special)—The British residents here have petitioned the British government through the local British consul to detail a warship to remain here during the period of hostilties. The Russians have greatly strengthened the armament of their orthere, and it is claimed by the British residents that they have mounted guns tional law. The ice in the river is bad by honeycombed and will likely pass on before the end of the week.

PREMIER MEBRIDE TAKES HIGH GROUND

Importation of Chinese to South Africa a Matter of National Interest.

Montreal. March 22.—The Star's Lon-don cable says: The opponents here of with the Chinese labor for South Africa made a great spread yesterday of Canadian criticisms. The only direct opposition comes from Goldwin Smith, Hon Richard McBride, prime minister of British Columbia, and John Flett, president of the Dominion Trades Congress, Other Canadian authorities seem to agree with Sir Wilfrid Laurier that the matter is not one in which Canada should intervene, and that it should be left for the people of South Africa to decide. There is official authority to deny the statement current here that the Chinese government is again endeavoring to compel the British government to coerce British Columbia into the repeal of the anti-Chinese legislation before the Chinese are permitted to go to South Africa. The fact is negotiations between the British and Chinese governments are proceeding quite made a great spread yesterday of Cananese governments are proceeding quite smoothly, but are strictly limited to the framing of regulations and have nothing whatever to do with the larger and more complicated questions involved in anti-Chinese legislation elsewhere.

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