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# Japs Force Russians to Abandon Base Battle Most Desperate on Both Sides

St. Petersburg, Feb. 25.-A ling Real rom Sachetun, dated Feb. 24, says: " The Japanese in superior ... ers forced the Russian detachment at Tsinkhetchin to abandon their base at Beresneff Hill. The battle has been most desperate on both sides. The result is not yet known."

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# NOW ON TO VLADIVOSTOCK **20 TORPEDOES AND A SHIP**

General Kuropatkin Breaks the News to St. Petersburg That Northern Port is to Be Blown Into the Sea.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 24.-Gen. Kuropatkin in a despatch dated Feb. 23 sends a report that twenty Japanese torpedo boats and a large warship are on their way to Vladivostock.

ACTIVITY EVIDENT.

Shenking, Manchuria, Feb. 21.-(Via Mukden.)-Reports of activity at Vladivostock in anticipation of an attack on that place by the Japanese are confirmed, but the town continues in its firmed, but the town continues in its accustomed galety, in which the civil and military elements participate. The channels of Bzke are in their normal state, notwithstanding the fact that stringent patrol by the Japanese of the strait between Island Sakhalin and the coast of Japan has completely interrupted the movements of shipping, Supplies at Vladivostock, it is reported, are plentiful, tho prices are high.

The naval attaches of foreign governments are leaving Vladivostock by request of the Russian authorities. The number of refugees at Mukden has been greatly reduced because of the transfer of them to government reservation of Kauchengtzu. The considerable number remaining at Mukden, however, are in receipt of adequate care, this being rendered possible by the free import of grain for their use.

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FIGHT TO-DAY.

Tsinkhetchen, Feb. 23.—(Via Mukden, Feb. 24.)—There was fighting along the whole line in this district to-day. The Japanese, continuing their persistent and systematic advance, drove in the Russian vanguard posts and came is teach with Russian fortified positions. A stubborn combat is expected to-moreover the Japanese appearable intendice. row, the Japanese apparently intending to attempt driving out the Russians and capturetheir redoubts. The Japanese are circling eastward.

BATTLE OF BATTERIES.

Tokio, Feb. 24.—Manchurian reports to the army department say that the shelling of points in the vicinity of the Shakhe River and collisions between scouting parties of both armies continued on Feb. 22 and Feb. 23. Commencing at 1 o'clock on Feb. 23 a Russian battery of heavy guns, posted west of Litajentun, began shelling Lapatat from the mountainous districts.

a counter movement by the Russians along some part of the line, especially if, as is thought, the Japanese have returned to their original tactics of making flanking movements from the mountains. The early advent of spring now makes possible operations in and from the mountainous districts.

The Canadian Society of Pittsburg held a business meeting to-night, followed. a counter movement by the Russians

RUSSIANS BLOW UP BRIDGE. raiding party, under the command of Col. Slensmidt, completely destroyed with explosives the bridge south of

with explosives the bridge south of Haicheng, about ten miles east of New chwang, Feb. 21, blowing up 70 feet of it. JAPS DRIVE RUSSIANS BACK.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 24.—A telegram from Huan Mountain, Manchuria, dated

Radnor is society's favorite.

TO-DAY IN TORONTO.

University commission, Osgoode Hall, Dr. A. H. Abbott, on "After Imoges,"
Chemistry Building, 3.
Massey Hall. Toronto Railway Employes: Union and Benefit Society, 11th annual concert, 8.
Canadian Institute, Dr. E. M. Walker on "Dragon Files," 8.
Princess, "The Girl From Kay's," 2-8.
Grand, "Sky Farm," 2-8.
Majestie, "Queen of the Highway,"

Shea's, vaudeville, 2-8. Star, burlesque, 2-8.

KUROPAT. ON THE JOJ.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 25.—
(8 a.m.)—Official despatches given out to-day dispose of the rumor of General Kuropatkin's retirment from the Shakhe River, but, taken inconnection with the Associated Press Tschinhetchen despatch, show that important operations are in progress in the mountain region to the eastward. The movement was precipitated by the Russians, who last week sent out two divisions and occupied well-advanced positions. The Japanese attacked these positions in force. The Russians, retired slowly, fighting, and Thursday evening were driven within their fortified lines. The latest despatches prophesied heavy fighting Friday. The war ing barely escaped repetition last night tified lines. The latest despatches prophesied heavy fighting Friday. The war office attaches considerable importance to the blowing up of the bridge south of Haicheng, and hopes it will interrupt the transportation north of the Port Arthur mountains for some time at this critical stage of affairs. was so narrowly averted.

The car was in charge of Motorman William Macdonald and Conductor E. J. Burrell. Macdonald is a young man and it is said was taking his fast run over the line, or, in other words, was in training. was so narrowly averted.

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Broke Thru Gate.

The gates were down and the Scotch-blocks thrown up by the watchman at the crossing to admit of the engine sailety. Whether Macdonald did not see the gates down or could not control his car is not related, but at any rate the car did not stop. In the meanwhile the driver of the engine, which was approaching at considerable speed, noticed the wrecking of the gate and frantically reversed. The engine, too, came to a standstill only a few feet away from the car.

One Man Needed Doctoring.

The passengers, who were considerable joiled and bruised, disembarked, and Edward Knight of 203 Pape-avenue, who was the worst hurt, was carried into W. J. Mitchell's drug store. Dr. Brown was summoned and the injured man was taken in a wagon to his home.

This is the second narrow escape from a fatallity at the crossing since the ac-

Japs Return to Their Original Tactics

case the spectators are inclined to la blome on the motorman, who was

For the past three weeks the Rus sians have suffered no material disparatively unimportant damage to the railroad, to a bridge near Kanchia Pass, as the result of Japanese raids, aided, as the result of Japanese raids, aided, it is alleged, by Chinese bandits. Since the receipt of the news of the movement of an undentified force of unknown numbers behind the Russian right wing, the Russians have taken in measures for the purpose of minimizing the first proportion of the belief that Chinese bandits are to some extent being organized and the context of the society is assured, as a large of the news of the movement of an undentified force of unknown numbers behind the Russian have taken in the belief that Chinese bandits are to some extent being organized and the country of the society is assured. A photograph in the country of the case of the purpose of minimizing the instance of the writs were issued, that the work was done solely under his direction, that he had received instructions were rendered instructions. He declared that he entered on the task on the assumption that none on the task on the assumption that the mover associates as soon as under the boundard that the alone was responsible. He declared that he entered on the task on the task on the assumption that the one of the existing provincial sub-divisions were recognizable under the Dominion registration act, and this being so, he assumption that the alone was resourced in the write was done solely under his divertion. The task

# TROLLEY BREAKS THRUGATE ENGINE DISTANT YARDS ONLY Man Hurt, Others Frightened, at III-

Fated Queen St. Crossing -Motorman Was "Green.

The disaster of Thanksgiving night at the East Queen-street railway orosswhen King street car No. 444, with a load of people traveling east, crashed thru the gates, jumped the blocks and halted within a few feet of the tracks while an incoming Grand Trunk train was pulled up violently within three yards of the trolley tracks. Only one man was hurt, and his injuries were limited to a severe shaking up and a few bruises, but none of the score of passengers or those who witnessed the affair, but turned pale and trembling at the thought of the catastrophe that

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transmit such part of it as will not interfere with the ends of justice to congress next week.

Meantime the indictment and criminal prosecution of the principals in the beet trust are being prepared in Chicago, under the Sherman anti-trust law, which carries with it on conviction the penalty of one year in the penitentiary for each person proved to have been involved in the conspiracy in restraint of trade.

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# LEECH PROVIDED THE PLAN TOWNS NOW SHORT OF SUPPLIES Farmers Kill Stock to Prevent Their Being Starved to Death-Militia May Be Called Out to Shovel Snow. Arranged Subdivisions of Province to Suit Liberal Party is Impres-

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AMERICAN SETTLER (in Sparse Settlement, N.W.T.): I came here because Sifton promised me a non-sectarian school system, but

IN THE HANDS OF THE CLERICAL BAILIFF.

Halifax, N.S., Feb. 24.—(Special.)— regular staff, and the line was open for about 180 miles of its total mile-age of 230, when the present storm antied up as the result of a heavy storm ulled the entire work and almost every

yesterday and to-day. For the past yard will again have to be dug out. month there have been only half a Towns along the line are suffering dozen days on which the trains could for supplies, Kentville reporting that they have only enough for three days,

Winnipes, Feb. 24—(special.)—it. E.

A. Leech, Liberal organizer for Manitobs, for whose arrest a warrant was
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the mutilation of voters lists previous
to the late Dominion election, appeared
as a witness this morning in the case
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Such, in a nutshell, is the manner of the Liberal "victory" in Manitoba. The prosecution realize that returning officers and even Leech himself were only tools. and hope to locate the real author of this novel design.

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David Hoskins, F.C.A. Chartered Act of the Such and such as a such as a

Dudley against the cabinet."

Radnor and Milk are the convalescent's favorite.

As soon as possible, Dr. Harper, in pursuance of this plan, will gather all his vitality and resolutely go back to his work at the university.

MOTOR CAR EXHIBITION.

Funeral private. AMUELSON-On Thursday, Feb. 23, at his residence, 413 Manning-avenue; John Samuelson, aged 63 years. from College-street Presbyterian Church.

VATT-In the Sick Children's Hospital. on Friday, Feb. 24th, Lillian Alexandra (Lexie), only daughter of Lillian and sames Watt, aged two years and nine Funeral from her late home, 80 Dundas-

street, at 1.30 p.m., Mouday, Feb. 27.

The F. W. Matthews Co. Phone M 2671, Private ambuiance service, 35

Weak and Morbid-Minded, Nature of Crime Throws Strong Suspicion Upon Him.

Brantford, Feb. 24 .- (Special.) - County Constable Montgomery left Brantford last night with a warrant for the arrest of Felix Doyle for the murder of his mother. Coroner Johnson opened an inquest at Burford to-day, but adjourned the inquiry until Monday night. There is no doubt that the aged woman was cruelly done to death with an ax. While there is an utter absence of motive known, yet Doyle is said to be of that state of simple mindedness which renders such a crime on his part more than probable. He has lived all his life on the farm, is of lived all his life on the farm, is of weak intellect, and is subject to fits, a sort of frenzied outbreak resulting from overindulgence in morbid mopings and imaginings. Felix Doyle is about 40 years of age. The murdered woman, who was twice married, was 86. They have lived for years in a small one-storey frame house.

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Doyle claims that he was awakened early. Thursday morning by what he thought were noises caused by disturbances among his horses.

"After lighting the lamp," he says, "I noticed the door leading out to the woodshed open, as well as the woodshed door leading into the yard. Lying on her back in the woodshed, with her head slightly turned. I found my mother, lying in almost a pool of blood, with two heavy wounds on the back of her head. She was not dead, but she did not know me. She was un-

with two heavy wounds on the back of her head. She was not dead, but she did not know me. She was unconscious. I quickly picked her up and carried her into her bedroom, placing her on the bed.

"I tried to do the best I could myself. I thought perhaps she had just fallen, as she was very feeble, and that she would likely be all right in a few minutes. I washed her head, which was bleeding terribly, but she got no better. About 8 o'clock I went over to Mr. Elvidge's house to get help, but could awaken no one, and when I returned she was dead."

Elvidge knew nothing of the occurrence until nearly 9 o'clock.

Murdered in Bedroom f

In the woodshed, a cane used by the woman was found with blood upon it. There were a few spatters of blood elsewhere. Between the shed and the bedroom there is no trail of blood, but the bedding is saturated and blood is scattered over the room. The ax is covered with blood.

Thirty years ago Mr. and Mrs. Doyle kept a hotel here. After separating from her second husband, Monahan, she again assumed the name of Doyle.

Felix is an only son and his mother was very fond of him. They lived very simply and cheaply. In the opinion of neighbors they never had differences of any kind. The farm consists of about

TO MAKE IT AN ISSUE.

R. B. Bennett, M.L.A. of Calgary to Debate School Question.

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