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### RUSSIAN TROOPS SUSTAIN **CRUSHING DEFEAT BY JAPS**

With Gallant Infantry Charge They Turn Russian Flank and Sweep Away New Front in Onward Movement-Antung Burned and Abandoned-Dominating Position Won by Japs.

strength included all of the third division, two regiments of the sixth division, one cavalry brigade, about forty quick-firing guns and eight machine guns. We have taken twenty-eight quick-firing guns, many missioned officers and men as prisoners. I am informed that Major Kashtalinsky, commander of the Third East Siberian Rifles Brigade, and Lieut.-Gen. Zassalitch, commander of the Second Siberian Army Corps, were wounded. Our casualties number about 700, and the Russian loss is more than 800 men.

RUSSIANS ABANDON ANTUNG.

The Russians were forced to abandon An Tung yesterday. They burned the town and retreated to Feng Wang Cheng. The Japanese now hold the estauary of the Yalu

AFTER FIVE DAYS' FIGHTING, pargely with artillery, the First Japanese army, under Gen. Kurok', has forced a crossing of the Yalu River, and to-day, with a gallant infantry charge, covering a fromtage of four miles, it drove the Bussians from Chiu-Tien-Cheng and the heights on the right bank of the Jho, or Aida River, which enters the Yalu trom the north, almost opposite Wiju. The Japanese turned the left flank of the Russian position, and in the battle of to-day they swept away the new front interposed by the Russians to check their own movement. The present position of the Japanese is a dominating one and they may force the abandonment of defences spected by the Russians to the Japanese is a dominating one and they may force the abandonment of defences spected by the Russians to In-Tung and other points lower dawn the river. General Kurok' began the movement on Tuesday by ordering a detachment of the Island of Kurito, which is the Yalu shove Wiju and a detachment of the second division to seize the Island of Kimteito, below Wiju, and establish their headquarters. One battery of Japanese artillery, which had taken a position on a hill to the east of Wiju, fired three volleys at Kosan and at noon of Thursday the Russian batteries behind Chi-Tien-Cheng shelled Wiju, wounding one Japanese soldier with shrappul. AFTER FIVE DAYS' FIGHTING,

on Wednesday the Russians resumed the bombardment of Wiju, firing at intervals throughout the day. The Japanese artillery did no respond to this fire.

RUSSIANS FORTIFYING.

Gen. Kurok: has received reports to the effect that the Russians are fortifying the heights on the right bank of the Iho River. These new bank of the Ho River. These new defences are declared to extend from Chiu-Tiea-Cheng through the village of Koshoki, a distance of three and a quarter miles. The Russians resumed their bombardment on Thursday, but it was generally ineffective. Subsequently, General Kuroki ordered two companies of the Imperial Guards to cross the Yaju and maske a reconnaisance along the left bank of the Ho for the purpose of discovering the character of the Russian fortifications along the heights on the right bank of the river. The Japanese force advanced toward Kosan and then despatched a small detachment to the village, where a party of Russians was encountered. In the engagement which followed five Russians were killed. The Russians shelled the reconnottering party from an emplacement in the hills on the southeast part of Yoshoko. This fire was without effect. The Russian artillery on the hill behind Chiu-Tien-Cheng, firing at a high angle, opened on Wiju, the Island of Kurito and Seikodo, to the south of Wiju, where some Japanese batteries had taken possession. This firing continued into Thursday night, and General Kuroki reports that while it was ineffective it disturbed his preparations for an attack. The Russians resumed the shelling of Wiju on Friday, but the Japanese guns did not reply. The 12th division of the Japanese army was chosen.

TO MAKE THE FIRST CROSSING TO MAKE THE FIRST CROSSING of the Yalu. It began its preparations on Friday by driving the Russians from their position on the bank of the river opposite Suitochin, which is eight mides above Wiju, and the point selected for the crossing. This division constructed a pontoon bridge over the river, and at 3 o'clock Saturday morning it began crossing. The entire division passed over the river during the day and by 6 o'clock Saturday evening it was in the position assigned to it for the battle of Sunday. The movement of the 12th Japanese Division was covered by the 2nd regiment of flieldartillery, and another artillery regiment of heavy guns. At 20 min-

Tokio, Monday, May 2.—7 a. m.—A utes of 11 o'clock Saturday morning report from Gen. Koro, covering Suntay's fighting, says: The Russians made two stands. The enemy's strength included all of the third division, two regiments of the sixth division, one cavalry brigade, about forty quick-firing guns and eight machine guns. We have taken twenty-eight quick-firing guns, many rifles, much ammunition, more than twenty officers and many non-commissioned officers and men as prithe Russians ceased fire. Then both the Chiu-Tien-Cheng and the Makao batteries responded, and this fire brought a vigorous response from the chain of Japanese batteries on the Gorean side of the river. The Russian uns fired for two hours before they JAP SHELLING VERY EFFECTIVE

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In his report, General Kuroki expresses the belief that his shelling was very effective aguinst the Russians. The Japanese losses in the bombardments of Saturday were two men killed and five officers and twenty-two men wounded. A flotilla of gunboats from the squadrom of Admiral Hosoya participated in the fighting of Saturday. It encountered a mixed force of Russian infantry, cavalry and artillery on the Manchurian bank of the Yalu below Ain Tung, and after a

tillery on the Manchurian bank of the Yalu below An Tung, and after a sharp fight scattered them to the hills. A bridge across the main stream of the Yalu, just above Waju, was completed at 6 o'clock Saturday night, the second Japanese division and the Imperial Guards immediately begain crossing. They advanced and occupied the hills back of Kosan, facing the Russian position on the right bank of the fiver. All through Saturday night regiment after regiment of Japanese soldiers poured across the bridges, and at a late bour Saturday night General Kuroki telegraphed to the general staff of the army "I will attack the ememy on May I, at thewn."

ATTACKED AT DAYLIGHT
True to his promise Gen Kuroki at daylight to-day centered all his artillery on the Russian position between Chim Then Cheng and Yoshoko. To this fire the Russians made reply with all their batteries. At 7 o'clock in the morning the Russian battery at Yoshoko was sillenced and half an hour later General Kuroki ordered his line, stretching for four milles, to attack. The Japanese infantry, on the word of command, charged across the Iho, wad my that stream breast deep and began storming the heights at fifteen minutes past eight. At nine o'clock they had swept the Russian line across the plateau. ATTACKED AT DAYLIGHT

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The reports of this flighting which have been received here, do not indicate whether the figurations retired down the river or in the direction of Feng Huan Cheng, on the road to Liao Yang.

On Wednesday last week a Japanese force formed the body of Lt. Semionoff, who had been in command of the mounted scouts of the 22nd east Siberian rifles at Kurito island.

RUSSIAN REPORT.

St. Petersburg, May 1.—The general staff's account of the operations on the Yalu River to-day, Sunday, is as follows:—"At 4 o'clock this morning Japanese field batteries and 4.7 guns Japanese field batteries and 4.7 guns opened a terrific fire on our position at Turchen and our troops posted near Potietinsky. The overwhelming superiority of the Japanese in artillery and the heavy losses their fire inflicted on our troops occupy these positions made it clear to General Sassulitch that it was impossible to hold Turchen. Consequently the troops were ordered to retire from Turchen, while still holding the Potietinsky road. When General Sassulitch despatched his telegram the Russian troops were retiring in good order from Turchen and Schakhedz to their second position, and the battle was continuing at Potietinsky and Tchin-Gu."

SKRYDLOFF'S HOPE.

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St. Petersburg, May 2.—Vice-Admiral Skrydloff has telegraphed General Kuropatkin as follows:—'I hope that the combined efforts of the navy and army, the latter under the gui-ance of Skobeleff's right will vanquish the foe to the glory of the Emperor of Russia."

TO REMOVE WOUNDED. Moscow, May 1.—General Kuropatkin has telegraphed the marshal of the notility requesting that the staff of hospitals equipped by the nobility assist in removing the wounded from the front to the rear of the army.

ENGLISH OPINION.

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London, Monday, May 2.—Various opinions are expressed this morning regarding the importance of the Japaness victory at the Yalu. It is considered in some quarters that it was never the intention of the Russians to hold the right bank of the Yalu except for tactical purposes and that the real struggle has not yet beer reached. All the papers, however, recognize that the success of the Ja

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### **NEW PASTOR** TAKES CHARGE

Rev. Mr. Hoyt Preaches two Eloquent Sermons in William St. Baptist Church.

Congregational Welcome Will be Ex-tendep this Evening—Association of Pastor and People.

Rev. Mr. Hoyt, the new pastor of

he William St. Baptist Church, occu-

pied the pulpit at both services yesterday. The congregation are favorably impressed with their new minis-ter. He has a crear and distinct enunciation and is both enthusiastic and energetic. His texts yesterday at the morning and evening services were appropriate and apparently chosen with some forethought. The morning text was the Apostle Paul's statement, "For I determined not to know anything among you save Jesus Christ and him crucified." Mr. Hoyt said that St. Paul's thought would be his, and he had come to Chatham with the same object. All his ministry was to be directed to carrying out this one thought. His work would always be to convert people. He didn't want to know anything politically about the attenuants at the church. He Gion't want to know anychurch. He didn't want to know anything socially about them, but he did want to know their position in reference to God and Jesus Christ. He wanted, at the same time, the congregation to remember that he was only a man and not an angel, and put up with any mistakes he might make, He wanted the congregation to be charitable towards him and he desired the congregation to be ed to meet the congregation in the same spirit. While he was a man he was also a saved man, and he wanted to see many others saved. Mr. Hoyt said that he wouldn't ask any member or the congregation to do anything that he himself or his wife wouldn't do. He wanted the congre-

gation to trust him.

Rev. Mr. Hoyt taught the Bible class at Sunday school, and afterwards addressed the school. He said that he was here to help them and he wanted all the boys and girls to en-deavor to get acquainted with him. He was also anxious to know when anyone was sick or in trouble.

At the evening service, Boy Bensen, son of W. H. Bensen, on behalf of the congregation, announced that a reception would be tendered to the of the congregation, announced that a reception would be tendered to the Rev. Mr. Hoyt and Mrs. Hoyt in the Sunday school room on Monday evening, when an opportunity would be given the congregation of getting acquainted with their new pastor. The Rev. Mr. Hoyt took as the subject of his evening address,—"But none of these things move me, neither count I my life dear unto myseft, so that I might finish my course with joy, and the ministry, which I have received of the Lord Jesus, to testify the gospet of the grace of God."

He said that the Apostle Paul had been warned not to go down to Jerusalem. His friends said, if you go you will be thrust into prison. But these warnings did not move the brave, noble Paul, who dared to stand out against all inflictions and cruelif he only could have the privilege of telling the world the story of Jesus Christ. This evidenced Paul's stability Nothing could sweve him from

if he only could have the privilege of telling the world the story of Jesus Christ. This evidenced Paul's stability. Nothing could swerve him from the one great course of preaching the gospel of Jesus Christ. He was firm and in face of imprisonment was immovable. Paul was also enthusiasetic. People to-day were atraid of religious enthusiasm. They didn't consider it in good taste to get enthusiastic. They preferred to keep quiet and just take it easy.

It was considered all right to stay out late at night attending a political meeting. It was considered quiet are such a time and ask him who he was going to vote for, but let a man stop another on the street and hash him if he was saved, and people would say that the questioner was beside himself and they would wonder what was wrong with him. The church needs enthusiasm to-day. All the great movements in the state have been carried to successful issues by enthusiasts. The enthusiasm of Harriet Beecher Stowe and others freed the slaves of the United States. The enthusiasm of Martin Luther resulted in the reformation movement.

Rev. Mr. Hoyt concluded with a warm eulogy upon Paul's last marked trait, namely, love of the gospel, and gave all the war cry, "Remember Calvary," to take with them through life in their battles for the supremacy of the gospel.

#### COSTLY ACCIDENT

The cylinder head of the engine at the Blonde Lumber and Manufactur-

ing Company's Mills blew out this morning at 8.30, making a bad wreck of the engine. No one was injured, although Engineer Wm. Congdon had a narrow escape.

This will mean that the factory will be shut down for some time. This is a hard blow for the company and the men as well, because this is a very busy season. The firm has telephoned to London for an expert.

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