The dispatch says that the Chinamen fought with great desperation and that their marksmanship was accurate and

THE RUSSIANS-A DENIAL. St. Petersburg, July 16.—It is semi-officially denied that 30,000 Russian troops are marching to Pekin from the SENSATIONAL STORY VIA NEW

The New York Journal and Advertiser has an alleged cable (unconfirmed) to the effect that when Admiral Seymour in his retreat found himself so hard pressed that he was unable to carry his wounded with him, he asked them: "Which do you prefer, to be left to the mercies of the Chinese, or to be shot by your own comrades?" "We prefer death to torture; shoot us now, that we may died like men," was the response of the helpless soldiers. According to the Journal's story, the men were "mercifully shot by their comrades."

Worst Has Happened.

London, July 16, 6 a.m.-(Special to Globe.)-Confirmation of the awful rumors in reference to Pekin has now been received from Shanghai. Sheng, the director of telegraphs, obtained audience of the whole consular body on Saturday, and informed them that on or about June 30 the foreigners in the British legation were annihilated. The information had reached him officially from the governor of Shan Tung.

DINNER AND DINER

Change Places - Queer Story of a Snake and a Shoat.

New York, July 16 .- Although she is safe in port after a long and mazardous Voyage, the battlen steamer st. Regulus bas a very disgusted captain aboard. When one text singapore a few weeks ago she had in her hold three snakes and a pig. That was according to schedule, when she was a rew days out she had the same three snakes, but

one of them was dead. The p.g is sun there all right, and therein lies the secret of the capitain's disgust. The St. Regalus touches at a number of oriental ports, but her departure from Singapore was actended with more chan usual interest. After all the regular cargo had been stowed, three enormous pythons were hoisted aboard in huge craves. While carefully superintending the placing of the pythons in a snug corner aut Captain McMullen was informed by the tur-baned oriental dealer that the snakes would not require much food during the

I would advise, however," said the oriental, "that a small pig be put in the cage of the largest serpent over against the time when the python grows hungry.

The dealer happened to have a small pig handy—a plump little suckling ras-cal, calculated to tempt the appetite of the most jaded and sated python. In the cage of the largest serpent, accordingly, the small pig was placed, and the captain weighed anchor and set in Pretoria, to the effect that the cry-The snakes were stupid. They lay motionless and torpid for hours at Africa is for boots, many of ta time. Finally two of them began to diers actually going barefoot. sit up and look about, but the third was like a log. It lay in a stupor the

Meanwhile the small pig cowered in a corner. The day passed, the python lay motionlees and the pig grew into a shoat. It became lively and showed signs of extreme hunger. No provision had been made for its appetite, howeven. It had been put in there to be eaten, not to eat. That plan had not been explained to the pig, however, and it at length cast gluttonous eyes on the sluggish fat sides of the sleepy py-thon. Then it made up its mind the captain had made provision for some eating on that voyage, and some eating had to be done. In a word, it promptly

turned to and ate the python.

Shiver my timbers," yelled the first mate, when he saw what had happened, "that bloomin' shoat has been and chewed the big snake."

The shoat had. There was a hole in the side of the python as big as the pig's head and in another day the snake

FOUND HIM

Ottawa Boy Who Was Kidnapped Discovered in New York State.

Brockville, Ont., July 16. - The strange disappearance of Oscar Gallagher, a 14-year-old Ottawa boy, has been solved. Ten days ago he was hired to a man who represented him-self as a traveler of the Globe Spice Company, of Toronto, to assist him in the distribution of samples in that locality. Instead of doing as he agreed, he drove to Prescott in the night and took Gallagher with him. The horses were left on the roadside, and not a trace of either him or Gallagher could be secured. He gave the name of Harring-ton. The boy's mother received two letters from him, one written at Brock-ville and the other at Morristown, N. Y., opposite here. A search of the locality eround Morristown revealed the pres-"Red Ned" Beaumont in a boat house. He was surrounded by a posse and captured. Gallagher, whom he acknowledges having kidnapped, was found in transportation on the British side. his possession. The prisoner was locked up in Ogdensburg jail.
Gallagher says Beaumont robbed a

general store at a small village while is silent.—Auerbach they were driving from Ottawa in the night. He will be brought back for

The prisoner has just completed a term in Dannemora prison. He was sentenced to sixteen years, but for an act of bravery in saving the lives of sixteen convicts during the fire in the

Of the Corner Into Which He Had Been Driven.

Plucky Capt. Driscoll Captures a Quartet of Boer Scouts-Roberts' Men Want Boots-Strathconas in an All-

London, July 15 .- A dispatch, dated Senekal, Orange River Colony, July 14,

"Gen. Rundle's rapid advance, it is said, forced the Boers into an obviously

given up all hope after the loss of Bethlehem, and would have surrendered, but Gen. Dewet threatened to shoot him, and it is believed he was imprisoned in his own laager."

GOT AWAY. A dispatch from Lorenzo Marquez says that Commandant Dewet has slipped out from the encircling operations that have been so long conduct-

PLUCKY DRISCOLL.

A dispatch from Senekal of Saturday, says: "Capt. Driscoll of D scouts, who went alone to Zuringkrantz to visit the Boer positions, was surprised at breakfast by four Boer scouts. He picked up his rifle and commanded them to surrender or he would shoot. The four surrendered, although Driscoll was ten miles away from the main body of the scouts, and close to a large Boer force."

STRATHCONAS FOUGHT ALL DAY. London, July 14.-A report from Platkop says that the British engaged the Boers all day long. Scouts and mounted infantry arriving north located the Boers, 1,000 strong, occupying the ridge from which they were driven yesterday. Col. Thorneycroft's men held the ridge facing them. Members of the Strathcona Horse were driven in temporarily on the right by the heavy musketry fire. After a stubborn resistance the Boers forced the British to bring the howitzers into action. The infantry deployed for a general advance under Clery's direction. The Boers opened fire in all directions, shelling with the guns posted on the British right. The mounted infantry, in the face of a severe fire, attacked Boers. A gun posted on an entrenched kopje four miles to the east fers. Sir Mackenzie Bowell says he forced the Boers from a number of approves of charging postage on newsridges, detached parties retiring on the an entrenched hill.

WANT BOOTS. prolonged inactivity of Lord Roberts is explained in a dispatch from the London Daily Mail's correspondent ing need of the British troops in South Africa is for boots, many of the sol-

NO AMNESTY FOR REBELS. V. P. Schreiner the former premier of Cape Colony, refused to support the demand for unimpaired independence of the Boer republics. He says they should retain a certain amount of in-dependence. He would not support a policy of amnesty to the rebels.

GOOD PROGRESS. Isaac N. Ford says in a dispatch cabled this morning: "Lord Roberts' dispatch yesterday contained one statement which seemed to indicate progress in the clearance of the Orange River Colony and in bringing the South African war to an end. This was the fact that troops were moving up Van Reenen's Pass. If this pass has fallen into the possession of Sir Redvers Buller's forces, Harrismith will speedily be occupied and the transport difficulties will be diminished for retaining the operations in that

AN IMPORTANT POSITION.

Not only is Harrismith the terminus of the railway leading to Ladysmith, but it lies behind Bethlehem, close to the mountains. Its occupation by the British will complete the envelopment of Dewet's forces, which are among the hills near Fouriesburg, close to the Basuto frontier, and with Gen. Buller's Ladysmith reserves in Van Reenen's Pass, Gen. Dewet's forces will be shut

out from their only line of retreat.

It is not yet clear whether Dewet's commandoes can be dispersed in the Free States without a prolongation of guerilla warfare for weeks, or even months, nor is it certain that Lord Roberts can resume offensive operations against Botha and prevent a repetition of the attacks upon isolated posts.

SLOW WORK.

Lord Roberts, not being able to of-fer the Boers any terms sho,: of un-conditional surrender, is compelled to ence of a notorious character named a hopeless fight with obstinate courage, but 10,000 Boers must finally yield when there are 200,000 against them, enormous as are the

> We hear the rain fall, but not the snow. Bitter grief is loud, calm grief

Of the 21,000,000 letters sent out of Holland last year 9,000,000 went to Germany, 3,100,000 went to England, 2,900,000 went to Belgium, 1,400,000 to France, etc.

He only confers favors generously who appears, when they are once conprison four years of his term were ferred, to remember them no more.—

"THE ACADÉMIE DE MÉDECINE OF FRANCE HAS PLACED

At the Head of All the Waters Examined for Purity and Freedom from Disease Germs."

Mr. Mulock's Bill to Reduce Newspaper Postage Killed by the Senate.

Ottawa, July 14.-Saturday night has come and gone and prorogation is in statu quo. The main estimates have all been passed, but a few items in the supplementaries remain, and all of concurrence has yet to be gone through, so that Tuesday night would seem to be the earliest date at which the business can possibly be concluded. The members had made a night of it on Friday upon the estimates for work on railways and canals. discussion resolved itself into a wordy duel between Mr. Blair and Mr. Hag-"President Steyn is reported to have gart, ex-minister of railways, who was aided at frequent intervals by Mr. Foster. Mr. Gibson and Mr. McMullen also expressed their views in brief but vigorous terms upon the Stewart claims.

At the opening of Saturday morning's session of the house Mr. Clarke called attention to the statement in the Edinburgh Scotsman that a large number of Roumanian Jews, who were in great poverty, were coming to Canada to settle. He asked if the Canada to settle. He asked if the Canadian agents in Europe were catering for this class of people as set-

tlers in the Northwest.

In the absence of the minister of the ed against him in the Orange River interior, Sir Wilfrid Laurier was unable to give any information. He assured the house that it was not the policy of the government to bring out paupers, but there was no restriction against able-bodied men who were able and willing to work coming into the country to settle.

At 9:30 o'clock the last public works estimate was passed and then the remaining postoffice items were disposed of. The remaining items in the main estimates and some of the remaining interior supplementaries were also The committee rose and reported progress.

The house adjourned at 11:20.

The Senate.

Ottawa, July 14.-The senate again makes itself most prominent by throwing out Mr. Mulock's postal act, reducing the postage on newspapers from 1/2 to 1/3 cent a pound within the province of publication. Although a question was raised as to the power of the senate to amend the bill, the statement of Sir Mackenzie Bowell that it would be allowed to pass if the provincial limitation was withdrawn shows the posi-tion taken by him and his followers, and shows who are the parties creating the favored classes to whom he reapproves of charging postage on newspapers. As a matter of fact, he and center, while a gun on the right was his followers have already approved of withdrawn through a ravine towards the principle of zones or limits within which newspapers may be carried at reduced rates, for the original act, passed without their approval, imposing this postage rate, provides for the free delivery of newspapers within close proximity to the office of publication. This exemption was included for the purpose of allowing county newspapers to be distributed within their respec-tive counties free of postage. Mr. Mulock's bill only carries this principle further and permits provincial news-papers to be distributed within their espective provinces at a lower rate than beyond those borders. That some postage should be paid is admittedly just, but to meet the objection of the newspapers to the present rate this effort is made to make the reduction ac-cording to the principle of the bill. It must be admitted that this reduction will not bring as great relief to Mon-treal papers as to others whose circulation is more confined to their own provinces, but while the government have not hesitated to carry out the principle of the bill in the face of the protests of some papers friendly wards them, as Sir Mackenzie points out, the Conservative majority in the senate does not hesitate to use its power to try to assist its political friends. It seems a sort of dog-in-themanger policy as far as newspapers in other parts of the country are concerned. No suggestion is made that other zones should be established. It is most unfair to ask the postoffice department, in view of the immense improvements that have been already effected, to forego more of its revenue from this work, or to do more than make a moderate reduction by extend-ing the cheap area, and no other pos-sible natural limitation than the provincial boundaries is suggested. No-thing is stated to show that any papers are favored, but only that some are not, and because that class includes the Conservative organ in Montreal the bill is voted down, though the govern-ment, on the other hand, have made no effort whatever to favor their friends in this matter. Surely the senate cannot claim that it is guarding the people's interest by such a course! Nor does the statement of Sir Mackenzie Bowell at the end of today's sitting that he required time to look up the constitutional points involved in the question between the senate and conditional surrender, is compened to conquer the country district by district, and gradually to narrow the field the commons as to the Quebec judges the commons as to the Quebec judges to the common and the properties been prompted solely by a desire to compel more careful consideration of such legislation. It might have been well to study these points before throwdifficulties of ing out a bill that is necessary to carry out the constitutional requirement that the provinces shall arrange their own civil courts and the Dominion Government shall appoint and pay the judges. The province has created these judgeships, and in no unmistakable way shown, both by unanimous resolutions of the bar and by legislation, that they are required, but the senate assumes practically to veto this act of the

province, and say that they may not manage their own civil courts. AN EXPLANATION OF THE DELAY One looks for an explanation of the conduct of the senate in throwing out two bills at this late period of the session and the tactics of the opposition in the house, by which on Friday night only two items were passed by 3:30 a.m. most of the time being taken up explaining to Hon. Mr. Haggart events that had taken place in the department of railways and canals while was its minister. Possibly the explanation is found in the fact that though tons of Conservative campaign literature have already been sent up from Montreal to be franked and sent free, and though the passage is still blocked with over a hundred big sacks of it waiting to enter the postoffice, there is till more to follow, esti-mated at more than one hundred sacks and unless the house is in eassion when that is delivered to the postoffice the country might be permitted to charge

C. V. Eskridge, editor of the Emporia (Kansas) Republican, and formerly lieutenant-governor of Kansas, died at his home in Emporia on Sunday from self-inflicted wounds.

Eskridge had been ill several months.

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WINDSOR WEDDINGS

There Were 371 in the Past Six

Months. Windsor, Ont., July 16 .- City Clerk Lusted's report of the vital statistics for Windsor for the past six months shows that there were 371 marriages performed in that time. The number does not include the marriage licenses which have been issued. Numerous cases have been discovered where a man secured a license and told the woman that this was all that was necessary to constitute a marriage. The licenses are not registered with Mr. Lusted, and there is no way of finding out about these cases unless some person investigates the records of the

issuers. Rev. James Livingstone, pastor of the Windsor Avenue Methodist Church, leads with 137 weddings to his credit, while Rev. D. H. Hind, rector of St. John's Church, Sandwich, is a

During the six months there were 137 births and 97 deaths.

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ENDEAVORERS IN POLITICS. Ottawa, July 16.—The old question that occupied the attention of the Ottawa Christian Endeavor Union last year as to whether it was advisable for the society to enter into active politics has again come up. The suggestion is made that the local union should print at its own expense a summary of the votes and records of all the men in the field, at the muni-cipal elections on the leading questions.

Then the union could select those

whose influence they felt was for good citizenship and work for their election.

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