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All persons having claims against the  
estate of Arthur Robinson, who died on  
16th February, 1904, are required, before  
the 12th June, 1904, to send to the under-  
signed administrator full particulars of  
their claims, duly verified, and the nature  
of any securities held by them. After said  
12th June, 1904, I will proceed to distribute  
the assets of said deceased amongst the  
parties entitled thereto, having regard only  
to the claims of which I shall then have  
notice, and I will not be liable for the said  
assets or any part thereof to any person  
whose claims shall not have been  
received by me at the time of such distribu-  
tion.  
Dated 11th March, 1904.  
EMILIE ANNIE ROBINSON,  
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NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that sixty days  
after date I intend to apply to the Hon-  
orable Chief Commissioner of Lands and  
Works for permission to purchase 80 acres  
of meadow land, situated at Cheyaco,  
and designated Lot 350, Group 1, Cariboo  
District.  
Dated this 31st day of March, 1904.  
F. C. COPELAND,  
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NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that 60 days after  
date I shall apply to the Chief Com-  
missioner of Lands and Works for permission  
to purchase 40 acres of land, more or less,  
situate about three miles southeast of  
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## THE RUSSIANS LOST THREE HUNDRED MEN

### Left Thirty Dead on Field Near Kinchow--The Japanese Retreat to Feng Huang Cheng --Landing at Taku Shan.

London, May 20.—The correspondent of the Daily News cables from Tientsin as follows under date of May 19th: "It is reported that the Japanese are marching to the relief of Port Arthur, and the Japanese are consequently hastening offensive operations. "Forty-five thousand troops have already been landed at Kinchow and Taku Shan, thus entirely investing Port Arthur. The Japanese advanced lines are seven miles from the Russian trenches. Skirmishes occur daily along the railroad.

"It is believed that the Japanese intend attacking Port Arthur with the entire force when it numbers 50,000. They are mounting six-inch naval guns on steel wheels with the object of silencing the Russian batteries. "The Manchurian railway south of Harbin is constantly broken up by Chinese marauders, and the Russians threaten reprisals. The Russians admit that they have to contend with terrible difficulties along the whole line. Their line, however, are behaving splendidly and they are very confident.

"The Standard's correspondent at Tientsin cables that while the Japanese fleet was covering the landing of troops near Kaichau on Monday a sharp engagement occurred at Hsiangcheng. Two hundred Russians were killed or wounded. The Russians retreated and the Japanese occupied both Kaiping and Kaichau. The Chinese governor at Chechow has received news, the correspondent adds, that the Russians have destroyed the railway between Tashichiao and Newchwang.

Rumors of Reverse.  
Newchwang, May 19.—An evening frontier here from reliable sources that the Japanese army from the Yalu river has received a heavy blow, and has been driven back on Feng Huang Cheng.

Yalu River Losses.  
Tokyo, May 19.—General Kuraki reports that the Japanese losses at the battle of Kialiencheng on May 1st were: Killed, 5 officers and 218 men; wounded, 33 officers and 703 men; 1,363 Russian dead were buried and 18 officers and 405 men were made prisoners. The Japanese captured 21 quickfiring guns, 19 ammunition wagons, 1,417 shells, 8 machine guns and 37,000 shells for the Japanese. The Japanese also captured 10,000 rounds of ammunition, 63 horses, 10 wagons, 1,244 coats and 541 tents. At Feng Huang Cheng the Japanese captured 20 shells for mountain guns, 188,000 rounds of rifle ammunition, 1,720 coats, 40,000 loaves of bread and other supplies, with a quantity of tools and telegraph stores.

Cruiser Aground.  
Paris, May 20.—The correspondent at St. Petersburg of the Echo de Paris says: "The Russian cruiser Bogatyr grounded during a fog on the rocks near the entrance to Vladivostok. Her position is critical. Her crew was saved."

May Make Sortie.  
St. Petersburg, May 20.—The loss of at least two Japanese warships is officially confirmed. The admiralty has been expecting such a disaster since the Admiral Togo, particularly since the Japanese was destroyed the Russians attempted the same plan as the Japanese, that of sending out torpedo boats at night to place floating mines where the enemy had appeared a few hours before. Mines were especially planted off the Liao Tshan promontory, which was a favorable point, from which the Japanese bombarded Port Arthur.

The loss of the Hatsuse is of the utmost importance, according to the general staff, members of which pointed out to the Associated Press that it tends to restore the equilibrium. "Despite the number of casualties in the Russian fleet, it has really lost only one battleship. It is true that the Retzian and Caracovich were torpedoed at the beginning of the war, but those battleships were safely towed into port. The damage they sustained was serious, but repairs have been in progress since then, and the officials state the Retzian is ready to resume her place in the fighting line. The Caracovich is still undergoing repairs, and it will be some time before she can put to sea. Prior to the isolation of Port Arthur several ships were sunk and they have been rushing work on the repairs.

It is now generally agreed that the mission of the second Russian fleet is not merely the siege of Port Arthur, but its capture. The Japanese must appreciate now that they have been weak. The appearance of the Baltic fleet will make Russia immensely superior

unless the Russian squadron be destroyed. If the Japanese are to be successful in the war they must retain command of the sea, however great the cost. "Whatever may have been the original object of the landing of troops in the southern part of the Liao Tung peninsula, it is believed here that it can now only be the destruction of the squadron at Port Arthur. Even should the enemy capture the fortress, it was declared last night that they would never get the Russian warships. Under orders given before Port Arthur was cut off, the squadron must go out. The conflict will be nearly even, and it will be the case if the repairs to the Retzian and Caracovich are finished.

The crippling of Togo's fleet will, it is thought, more than ever deter the Japanese commander from dividing his fleet, as he must retain his heavier ships off Port Arthur. Thus the Yalu river squadron may have another opportunity for raids. "The admiralty claims that the channel off Port Arthur was never blocked, and that the Japanese fleet will be free passage even for the heavy Russian ships.

Many Mines Afloat.  
Chicago, May 19.—A special to the Daily News from Chefoo says: "While cruising off Dalny this morning the Daily News's dispatch boat was stopped and examined by the Japanese cruiser Kasuga. The Japanese officers informed us that two Russian destroyers have escaped from Port Arthur and are still at large. They stated that the Russians are using Chinese junk boats to place mines in the path of the Japanese fleet patrolling the peninsula coast. They also informed us that they had sunk a tug and several junks that were discovered placing mines. In consequence of this promiscuous mining the Japanese are moving to a greater distance off the coast, and all other navigation in these waters is suspended. There are indications Japanese destroyers having laid mines outside of Port Arthur, hoping to catch the Russian destroyers in their attempt to reach Port Arthur. Many of these mines have been improperly anchored and are afloat; they are reported to be all over the gulf. The Yalu river mines and one Chinese junk picked up thirteen."

Gone to Mukden.  
Mianhdona (a station on Manchurian railway), May 19.—Admiral Skrydloff left here this morning for Mukden. Several officers of his staff are under orders to proceed to Mukden and Vladivostok, where Admiral Skrydloff will follow. The foggy weather prevailing at Vladivostok will facilitate torpedo boat operations, and may cause the Japanese to hesitate about loitering in the neighborhood.

Koreans Aid Russians.  
Paris, May 19.—An official dispatch from Seoul says: "Korean feeling against the Japanese is assuming serious proportions. Lack of organization prevents the Koreans from adopting effective measures, but they are secretly embarrassing the Japanese by lending assistance to the Cossack detachments operating in northeast Korea, down to Pusan. These bands, with the cooperation of Koreans, it is said, have taken the telegraph line from Chemulpo to Ping Yang.

London, May 20.—The Japanese legation here gave out this morning the following dispatch received from Tokyo: "The enemy's force participating in the fight near Kinchow (Liao Tung peninsula) on May 10th consisted of the fifth, fourteenth and sixteenth sharpshooters (infantry regiments), with eight quick firing guns. They left on the 30 dead officers and men. According to the prisoners the enemy's casualties were over 300."

OFFICIAL STATEMENT.  
The Japs Lost Five Killed and Nine Wounded.

Tokyo, May 20.—3.30 p. m.—The following official statement has just been issued here: "A section of infantry of the Liao Tung forces went in the direction of Shan Chusan and met two sections of

Russian infantry. The Russians were repulsed in thirty minutes. Our casualties were 1 officer and 4 men killed, and 1 officer and 8 men wounded. "The Russian casualties were 1 officer and 40 men killed. "The landing of Japanese troops at Taku Shan began yesterday."

AT TAKU SHAN.  
Official Dispatch Announced the Landing of Japanese Force Near the Yalu.

London, May 20.—3.56 p. m.—The Japanese legation to-day received the following official dispatch: "Tokyo, May 20.—A portion of one army commenced landing at Taku Shan (west of the mouth of the Yalu river) yesterday."

TELLS OF LANDING.  
After Coast Had Been Bombarded Blue-jackets Went Ashore and Raised Flag.

Tokyo, May 20.—9 p. m.—Admiral Hosoya, commanding the third squadron, reports that with the third squadron he protected the landing of troops at a new unnam'd place, probably Taku Shan, yesterday. He bombarded the coast and landed a party of blue-jackets, who occupied a point of land and raised a battle the Japanese flag at 8 o'clock on the morning. The landing of troops immediately commenced and was accomplished very quickly.

THE RETREAT.  
Japs Fell Back in Good Order on Feng Huang Cheng.

Newchwang, May 20.—7 a. m.—The reports of the Japanese retreat to Feng Huang Cheng are officially confirmed. The Japanese numbered 20,000, were camped on 22,000 Russians in a strong position on Monday, six miles west of Feng Huang Cheng. It being unwise to risk a battle the Japanese retired in good order with great rapidity.

An official Russian authority says a pitched battle was not fought, but rumors were that the Japanese were on the sides, the Cossacks harassing the flanks of the Japanese. This was presumably a reconnaissance. The pursuit was checked when the main body of the Japanese was rejoined.

This news apparently accounts for the withdrawal to an unknown destination of the Japanese fleet. The Japanese officers informed us that two Russian destroyers have escaped from Port Arthur and are still at large. They stated that the Russians are using Chinese junk boats to place mines in the path of the Japanese fleet patrolling the peninsula coast. They also informed us that they had sunk a tug and several junks that were discovered placing mines. In consequence of this promiscuous mining the Japanese are moving to a greater distance off the coast, and all other navigation in these waters is suspended. There are indications Japanese destroyers having laid mines outside of Port Arthur, hoping to catch the Russian destroyers in their attempt to reach Port Arthur. Many of these mines have been improperly anchored and are afloat; they are reported to be all over the gulf. The Yalu river mines and one Chinese junk picked up thirteen."

RUSSIAN REPORT  
That Japs After Defeat Fell Back on Feng Huang Cheng.

Tientsin, May 19.—It is announced from authentic sources that the Japanese army from the Yalu to-day sustained a severe defeat and was driven back to Feng Huang Cheng.

A dispatch from Newchwang, received last night, contained an announcement similar to the above, which was said to have emanated from a reliable source there.

RUSSIANS JUBILANT.  
Over Reported Victory at Feng Huang Cheng—Victory of Heavy Japs Losses.

Newchwang, May 19.—Midnight.—The Russians are jubilant over their reported victory near Feng Huang Cheng, and consider that it being Emperor Nicholas's birthday the victory is "good medicine" for the Japanese. "The latest authentic reports show that there are two divisions of the Yalu army. One is moving towards Hsiehwei, and the other was going towards Liao Yang. It is believed the Russians concentrated their forces and struck the enemy south of Liao Yang, driving the Japanese back. The reports say that the Japanese loss was heavy.

It is understood that the siege guns removed from the Newchwang north and taken to the Hsiehwei forts were mounted there to-day. A field battery was also placed in position.

The Russians claim that they will place 8,000 men in Newchwang in a few days, but this is believed to be an exaggeration. The Japanese control the railroad south of Wafang Tien, and the Russian force between there and Newchwang is small, consisting of a few squadrons.

Almost all the railroad wires are down, but the Russian military telegraph line between Newchwang and Port Arthur is working, and the Japanese are tapping it.

The Emperor's birthday was elaborately celebrated here.

TO CHECK JAPS.  
Ten Thousand Russians Said to Have Been Sent to Kaiping, Near Newchwang.

London, May 20.—The Shanghai correspondent of the Daily Telegraph says the Russians will withdraw to Kaupau Tse, concentrating their forces at Fukien, 100 miles to the north, to support their new base at Kai Yuen and Tsieling, whether their stores and munitions were being taken from Mukden and Liao Yang.

It is reported, the correspondent says,

that 10,000 Russians have been sent to Kaiping, below Newchwang, to check the Japanese advance. "The Mukden branch of the Russian-Chinese bank is reported to have been closed. "According to the Telegraph's correspondent Baron Mumm De Schwarzenstein, the German minister at Peking, is said to be seeking consent to post German guards along the Shan Tung railway."

THE JAP LOSSES.  
Some of the Officers Wounded By the Sinking of the Two Warships.

Tokyo, May 20.—11 a. m.—The loss of life incurred by the sinking of the cruiser Yoshino included Capt. Seyjii, Commander Hirowateri, three first lieutenants, five second lieutenants, five midshipmen, a paymaster, eight engineer cadets and eight waterstain mates. Of the crew the number of those lost is unknown.

Those who went down with the battleship Hatsuse when she foundered were Commander Tsukamoto, Commander Viscount Niew, Commander Arimori, five second lieutenants, five sub-engineers, two surgeons, six midshipmen, four cadet engineers and ten non-commissioned officers. It is not known yet how many of the men perished. The Hatsuse was sunk by coming in contact with a submarine mine, and not by the attack of a submarine boat. "The report that the battleship Shikishima was damaged and the battleship Fuji sank is denied here."

FEELING AT CAPITAL.  
Calmly Accepting the Development of Events—Praise For Torpedo Boats.

St. Petersburg, May 20.—With greater calmness than has been shown in the past during the war, Russia to-day faces the situation in the Far East. The disasters sustained by the Japanese fleet have strengthened the confidence and the chiefs carefully point out that they have restored in a measure the prestige lost by the past untimely success of the enemy. Should the reports of the Japanese victory near Feng Huang Cheng prove true, then the authorities and people will feel that the Russian progress has been vindicated, and that the more the Japanese plan to commence the war on a more even footing.

The first effect of the Russian successes will, it is believed, be apparent in the attitude of the Chinese whose attitude has been hostile to the Russians, and to bring this change about, it is expected that the Russian agents in China will follow the Japanese plan of fully informing the Celestials of the losses inflicted on the enemy.

Although in St. Petersburg there is individual optimism over the Japanese disasters near Port Arthur, there will be no collective demonstration. The whole nation will rejoice with an achievement before the Russian character, which will be the Russian people. Everywhere, one hears praise of the Russian torpedo boats in the darkness, perhaps, through a line of small boats of the enemy, to plant mines where the heavier of the enemy's ships had cruised a few days before.

But after all, it is pointed out, there remained a big element of chance as to whether the enemy would return. "The authorities had no doubt as to the conclusion that the catastrophe which they had prepared would not come about because of the cleverness of the Japanese. Her army's position, looking away from the dangerous waters, as it was of the Russian preparations.

The tone of the comments of the newspapers this morning is sober, while at the same time recognizing the importance of the Russian success, and is well expressed by the Russ, which says: "The Japanese losses will cheer us up as they make some amends for the loss of the sea. It is a stroke of bad luck like ours. Fortes are now about equal with the Baltic squadron. It is not for us to rejoice, but it was not worth while to bring the Kasuga from hence to sink the Yoshino."

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SYMPATHY FOR JAPS.  
English Papers Express Regret at Loss of the Warships.

London, May 20.—The English newspapers express greatest regret and sympathy at Japan's disaster in losing two warships. They consider it due purely to accident, probably to derelict mines, not believing that the Russians placed mines at such a distance.

Admiration is expressed at the smartness of the Japanese in saving so many of their vessels. Incidentally, this paper says the British policy party is a lesson to the British political party

which charges that the government is spending too much money on the navy. "The reports that the battleships Shikishima and Fuji were lost apparently rest mainly on the assertions of Russian refugees who arrived at Chefoo. "The Morning Post, which is well posted on Japanese views, thinks that the disasters to the Japanese vessels will lead Japan to devote her attention to reducing Port Arthur on the ground that it is all important that she retain command of the sea. The same paper suggests as an explanation of the conflicting reports of Russian doing at Newchwang that the Russians quit Newchwang, but finding the way northward blocked by Japanese, decided to return to Newchwang and hold out there as long as possible in the hope of relief.

Tokyo dispatches to the Daily Telegraph and the Standard say that Admiral Nishino was among those saved from the battleship Hatsuse.

SOUNDS OF FIRING.  
Engagement Probably in Progress in Vicinity of Port Arthur.

Chefoo, May 20.—1 p. m.—Heavy firing was heard in the direction of Port Arthur this morning. "Chinese arriving from Dalny say that the Russians regained control of the railway but lost it again. "Port Arthur is well provisioned, and prices are only slightly above the normal.

KOREA'S ATTITUDE.  
Edict Confirms Action of Cabinet in Rescinding Treaty With Russia.

Seoul, May 19.—5.30 p. m.—(Delayed in transmission).—An imperial edict confirming the action of the cabinet abrogating all existing treaties and agreements between the Russian and Korean governments, covers the original treaty of 1884, a special agreement regarding the Imperial household, and all mining and timber concession on the Yalu and Tumen rivers and on Negelet Island, off the east coast. "The edict declares that lumber grants to private individuals, the time limitation of which has lapsed, were extended surreptitiously by the prime minister, and that the Korean foreign minister, a minor official of which signed the extension under Russian pressure. An additional clause inserted had given territorial privileges in the concession, which became the means of cloaking government land-grabbing schemes, and was, therefore, declared null and void.

This declaration, which involves the Koreans with the Russian government, and obliterates even the semblance of neutrality. Korean steamers belonging to the Imperial household, which were nominally privately owned, have been used as transports to land troops. Every-thing points to the steady growth of Russian domination, and an absolute determination to erase all trace of Russian power.

THE LOST WARSHIPS.  
The Hatsuse Was a Vessel of the Latest Model.

The Japanese cruiser Yoshino, which sank off Port Arthur after being rammed by the Kasuga, was a vessel of 4,180 tons and was 350 feet long. Her armament consisted of four 6-inch guns, eight 4.7-inch guns and twenty-three 3-pounders. Her speed was 23 knots, and her crew numbered 300 men. The Hatsuse, the battleship destroyed, was a mine, was of 15,000 tons and of the latest model. She was only completed in 1900, was 400 feet long and was heavily armored. Her armament consisted of four 12-inch guns, fourteen 6-inch guns, twenty-two 3-pounders and eight 24-pounders. She had four torpedo tubes and an estimated speed of 19.11 knots. Her crew numbered 741 men.

St. Petersburg, May 20.—The following dispatch from General Kouropatkin to the Emperor, dated at Liao Yang May 19th, has been received here: "A detachment of Cossacks engaged a detachment of the Japanese advance guard on May 18th north of Feng Huang Cheng, in a mountainous district. The fight began in the morning and lasted until 2.30 o'clock in the afternoon. The Japanese were successfully dislodged from four positions extending over fifteen miles. The pursuit of the Japanese was stopped at Daytanty, thirteen miles north of Feng Huang Cheng. Our casualties were six Cossacks wounded, two horses killed and eight horses lost. There is no trace of the enemy in the valley of Tshankou as far as the road leading to Tshankou passes through the valley of the Ai river from Saimata to Kiangdiansan, on the road to Domsantsuina.

"A squadron of Japanese cavalry, which left Dalian on May 18th for Saimata, was repulsed by one of our patrols at Schego, twelve miles north of Kiangdiansan. The patrol retired without loss.

"Japanese infantry, 20,000 strong, advanced May 15th towards Salsitsa. The Russian force was evacuated May 15th. The general staff denied the report of a battle having been fought at Kalchau, in which 200 Russians were killed. The Russians quietly withdrew from Kalchau, being unwilling to expose their force at that point to the attack of a column marching from the east that landed in southern Liao Tung. The evacuation of Kalchau also shows, it is

said, that there is no truth in the report that Kouropatkin has sent 10,000 men to retake that place. The report that Kouropatkin has sent 70,000 men to relieve Port Arthur is declared by the general staff to be unreliable.

Will Be Taken by Storm.  
Chicago, May 20.—A special to the Daily News from Tokyo says: "Port Arthur is to be taken by storm the moment proper preparations have been completed. Siege guns have yet to be placed in position and the land forces appointed for the assault have to be strengthened. The unexpected loss of two fine vessels has emphasized the insecurity of sea power and the authorities feel that no chance must be taken that would encourage Russia to send out the Baltic fleet, counting on finding a harbor of refuge in Port Arthur.

"It is realized that the storming of the fortress will inevitably cost many lives, but it is said that the waters where the Japanese ships are forced to manoeuvre are becoming so dangerous because of floating mines that heroic measures are imperative. Under these circumstances it is thought that life would be economized by storming the stronghold and eliminating it and the adjacent waters from the area of actual conflict."

The Jap Disaster.  
Tokyo, May 20.—Vice-Admiral Togo sent a full report as follows: "It is regrettable to have to report a sad misfortune. At 5 o'clock on Sunday morning I received a wireless message from Rear-Admiral Dewa saying that on the day of 19 o'clock in the morning, whilst returning from the work of blockading Port Arthur, he encountered a dense fog north of the Shan Tung peninsula, the Kasuga colliding with the stern of the Yoshino, which was sunk. Boats from the Kasuga saved ninety of her crew. The dense fog still continues."

"This has been a most unfortunate day for our navy. While the fleet was watching the enemy off Port Arthur the Hatsuse struck one of the enemy's mines, and her rudder was damaged. She sent a message for a ship to tow her, which was being sent, when another message brought the lamentable report that the Hatsuse had struck another mine, and immediately began to sink. The Hatsuse then was ten knots off Liao Tshan promontory. No enemy was in sight. It must have been a mine or a submarine boat. Three hundred of the officers and crew were saved. The Hatsuse sank in thirty minutes. Whilst sinking sixteen of the enemy's torpedo craft appeared and were driven off.

"Our fleet report is somewhat vague on account of the fact that the messages were received by wireless telegraph. "The report of Rear-Admiral Togo is not confounded with the Vice-Admiral of that name and who commands the Japanese fleet sent to attack Kalchau, on the west coast of the Liao Tung peninsula, south of Newchwang, which was reached Port Arthur soon after the Japanese battleship Hatsuse was blown up and assisted in saving her crew, and driving back the Russian torpedo boat fleet, which came out in the evening. Rear-Admiral Togo entered the bay, from which his gunboats bombarded the railroad bridge, a military train and the enemy's buildings, effecting some damage.

A Russian captured during the recent fighting near Kalchau reports that the enemy on the Kinchow peninsula consists of the majority of the fourth infantry division and all of the seventh infantry division. The Russian reports that the Japanese naval officer and thirty men are prisoners at Port Arthur. They are survivors of the last blockading operations.

St. Petersburg, May 21.—6.28 p. m.—The government to-day received news confirmatory of the rumors in circulation here that Gen. Stoessel has made a successful sortie from Port Arthur, resulting in the defeat of the Japanese with the loss of 1,000 killed or wounded. "The Russian losses were 116 killed or wounded.

The movement was carried out by a combination with a train bringing in war munitions and supplies and General Stoessel's forces, communication being maintained by wireless telegraph. The Japanese barred the route between Gen. Stoessel's force, whereupon the Russians attacked and routed the Japanese. After the engagement Gen. Stoessel's forces together with the train returned to Port Arthur.

The general staff has received a message from Gen. Stoessel giving his account of the fight north of Kinchow on Monday last. Three Russian regiments were attacked by two Japanese divisions with four batteries of artillery. The Russians lost 150 killed or wounded. The Japanese losses are not known, but it is believed they are heavy. The enemy's advance on Kinchow was arrested.

ROUTED BY JAPS.  
Russian Cavalry Lost Many Killed and Wounded Near Taku Shan.

Tokyo, May 21.—5 p. m.—The Japanese forces which landed at Taku Shan on Thursday surrounded and routed a force of Russian cavalry at 7 o'clock on Friday evening, in the neighborhood of

Wang Chi Tung, seven miles north of Taku Shan. The Russian force, which consisted of about one squadron, lost many killed or wounded, as well as a captain, who was captured. The Japanese sustained no losses.

Although it has not been officially reported, it is said on good authority that the Japanese forces have captured Kaichau, driving the Russians back to Taku Shan, in the direction of Newchwang, and preventing the advance of the Russian troops at Newchwang in the direction of Kaichau. The bombardment by the Japanese of the vicinity of Kaichau recently was probably in preparation for the landing of forces in the northwest corner of the Liao Tung peninsula for the purpose of capturing Newchwang and co-operating with the other armies in the march on Liao Yang. Probably a Japanese force has been landed at Kinchow Bay, Taku Shan, where forces were landed on May 19th, at the mouth of Davau river, west of the Yalu.

RUMORS OF BATTLE.  
Report is Current Among the Chinese at Chefoo.

Chefoo, May 21.—10.30 p. m.—There is a rumor among the Chinese here that a battle was fought on the Liao Tung peninsula to-day. It cannot, however, be confirmed.

ON THE PENINSULA.  
Japs Placing Guns to Resist Any Sortie By Russian From Port Arthur.

Newchwang, May 20.—(Delayed in transmission).—The officials have not received any further information regarding the fighting which resulted in the retreat of the Japanese on Feng Huang Cheng, but there is good authority for saying that the Japanese movements in the direction of Liao Yang and Hai Cheng were for the purpose of causing the Russians to believe that they were moving northward, thus giving the Japanese an opportunity to complete their preparations to capture Port Arthur.

When the Japanese begin a determined movement in this vicinity it will be from Feng Huang Cheng and Newchwang. They figure that it does not finally have been a mine or a submarine boat. Three hundred of the officers and crew were saved. The Hatsuse sank in thirty minutes. Whilst sinking sixteen of the enemy's torpedo craft appeared and were driven off.

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Although it has not been officially reported, it is said on good authority that the Japanese forces have captured Kaichau, driving the Russians back to Taku Shan, in the direction of Newchwang, and preventing the advance of the Russian troops at Newchwang in the direction of Kaichau. The bombardment by the Japanese of the vicinity of Kaichau recently was probably in preparation for the landing of forces in the northwest corner of the Liao Tung peninsula for the purpose of capturing Newchwang and co-operating with the other armies in the march on Liao Yang. Probably a Japanese force has been landed at Kinchow Bay, Taku Shan, where forces were landed on May 19th, at the mouth of Davau river, west of the Yalu.

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ROSSLAND CAMP. Last Week's Ore Shipments—Power Company's Concentrator Nearing Completion.

Rossland, May 21.—Two weeks hence will probably see the machinery started at the Rossland Power Company's 200-ton concentrator. The last shipment of cyanide machinery was delivered to-day and the only remaining plant in transit is the transformers for the electric station. These will be delivered during the week.

Some delay took place in connection with the resumption of shipments from the Kootenay, but arrangements for a continuation of the Spitzee's main lead. It will be opened up by a continuation of the 200-foot workings.

Shipments are again lower, owing to the restricted output from Le Roi. The figures for the last week are: Le Roi, 1,190 tons; Centre Star, 1,215 tons; War Eagle, 1,167 tons; Le Roi No. 2, 460 tons; Le Roi No. 2, 350 tons; Spitzee, 60 tons; L. X. L., 1,000 tons; Jumbo, 100 tons. Total for the week, 4,692 tons; for the year to date, 152,238 tons.

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Three splendid horses captured at the Yalu battle by Kuroki and presented to the Emperor reached Tokyo to-day. They were taken to the palace, where they were inspected. Two of them are Arabian bred, and the other is an Arabian.

People who have visited Matsuyama report that the Japanese are exercising great care with the food and general treatment of the Russian prisoners here. The rations include liberal allowance of meat, bread and tea daily. The prisoners' quarters are clean and sanitary.

TELLS OF JAP LOSSES. Captain of Russian Steamer Says Gunboat and Two Torpedo Boats Were Sunk Wednesday.

Chefoo, May 23.—Forty Russians who left Dalny yesterday (Sunday) arrived here to-day. Up to the date of their departure Dalny had not been attacked by the enemy. According to their report, the organ of the Methodist church was destroyed by a shell which fell on the 15th inst., but the Russians failed to regain control of the railway. They are positive that another Japanese vessel was sunk at the time the battleship Hatause was destroyed. Civilians in Dalny are daily in expectation of an attack by the Japanese forces, and are leaving their homes in junks.

The captain of a Russian merchantman, who left Port Arthur on May 20th and is among the recent arrivals from Dalny, says in an interview that the whole of the Japanese fleet had not returned to Port Arthur since the 15th inst., when, besides the battleship Hatause, another big vessel struck a mine and was towed away disabled. Gunboats and torpedo-boats returned off the port on the 15th inst., when the Russian fleet was engaged in a battle with two torpedo boats.

The Russians are now confident of holding Port Arthur with the 30,000 men stationed there. They are confident of Newchwang in the west, but the navy and the crowd of mechanics on the damage warships, all of which, except the Caravelle and the Retevan, are ready to join the fleet. They will also be ready for sea service by June 1st.

The entrance to the harbor had been cleared, and small boats now pass in and out freely. The forts on the land side of Port Arthur have been completed, and are now prepared for a severe contest. Of the few soldiers left at Dalny, the majority have been sent to Port Arthur, and only a few are left to guard the mines in the harbor.

The attempt of the Japanese to take the batteries of Cronstadt, which they failed owing to insufficient water to float the boats. There has been no fighting in the vicinity of Port Arthur up to Saturday, since the Kinchoo fight on the 15th inst., when two squadrons of Japanese cavalry were wiped out, only eight men of which were captured.

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GUARDING COMMUNICATION. Japanese Line Is Safe—Cossacks Avoid Main Road to Liao Yang.

Pusan, Korea, May 21.—(Delayed.)—From Chinese sources it is rumored that 2,000 Russians have reoccupied Su Yen. Cossacks have been seen near Kiao Lung, and have been observed on the main road to Liao Yang. The Russians are scouting on all sides, but are disinclined to fight unless they are in superior numbers. The recent landing of the Japanese force at Taku Shan guarantees the Japanese line of communication.

RETURN FROM FRONT. Crew of the Mandjur and a Midshipman of Variag Reach Odessa.

Odessa, May 23.—The crew of the gunboat Mandjur and one wounded midshipman of the Variag arrived yesterday and were welcomed by a large crowd with much enthusiasm. Particular attention was paid to Midshipman Gombou, on whose breast the Cross of St. George was pinned. The breach fittings of the Mandjur's guns were brought home. The officers and crews of the Russian Merchantmen captured by the Japanese at the outbreak of the war to the number of 300, also arrived to-day and were warmly greeted.

FEEL SAFE. Japanese Transports Traverse the Yellow Sea Without Escort.

London, May 23.—The correspondent of the Daily Mail at Kobe, Japan, cables the following: "Returning from Korea through the Yellow Sea last week I saw Japanese transports in every direction. They were travelling without escort. Sometimes as many as ten at a time were counted."

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"Reconnaissance by our infantry and cavalry showed that Japanese guards and cavalry are operating in the valley of the Logogoukko and along the Feng Huang Cheng road. There are no Japanese along the banks of the lower Tayan road towards Lunmimo and Tatonki. Takusan and Khondou Khan are exceeding by small detachments not exceeding in either case a half company.

"According to Chinese reports the Japanese are transporting provisions to the island of Dalhondo near the mouth of the Tayan Ho. Sitonsen in the valley of the Ai Ho is still occupied by the Japanese."

RUSSIANS AT NEWCHWANG. Town Recaptured and Troops Are Busy Building Entrenchments.

Newchwang, May 23.—The Russians are recapturing this place with a fair prospect of success. The organ of the Methodist church is being reconstructed. The Russians are constructing a light entrenchment south of the town. Steamers from Chefoo report that they have recaptured the town of Newchwang. It is supposed here that the Russians have been clearing away the obstruction at the entrance to Port Arthur.

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It is reported that they sent launches and junks to drop mines in the path of the enemy. Mr. Eldridge is among the COME WEST IN FALL. The Transportation Committee's Visit to Coast—Cardinal Gibbons at Capital.

Ottawa, May 23.—The transportation committee will meet here on Wednesday, and will be at the Pacific coast during the week ending May 27th.

W. W. R. McInnis, M. P., is in the city on private business. Cardinal Gibbons arrived to-day from Baltimore to be present at the laying of the corner stone of the new arts building of Ottawa University to-morrow. He will dine with Lord Minto this evening.

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Ottawa, May 20.—In connection with certain affairs of the Mutual Reserve Life Association, of New York, which have been referred to a special committee of the Senate, there may arise a political scandal which will require investigation. This association procured its license to do business in Canada in 1885. George D. Eldridge, New York, who is now here, is a first vice-president of the association. In 1897 an inquiry was being made into matters connected with the association by the insurance department of the state of New York. Jas. D. Wells, a Canadian, was second vice-president. In his sworn statement to the New York insurance department, Mr. Eldridge stated that Mr. Wells informed him that in 1885, when obtaining a license for the company to do business in Canada, he had to pay a "grand round sum" to members of parliament of the committee and of the government of that day. His outlay in that way exceeded \$10,000. Mr. Eldridge's statement under oath is printed in the factum submitted to the New York department in 1885. The Senate will have a chance to investigate this grave charge, which affects the honor of the Canadian parliament and of the Dominion.

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Winnipeg, May 22.—R. Latouche Tupper, formerly superintendent of fisheries for Manitoba, is dead, aged 59.

Escaped Uninjured.

Winnipeg, May 22.—This morning, as the first section of the C. P. R. transcontinental express from the East was running between Keewatin and Oesterud, a small baby fell from the window of one of the tourist cars. W. N. Dietrich, electrical engineer for the company, noticed the accident and, jumping off the moving train, went back for the child. He carried it to a farm house near by, and sent a hand car crew to Keewatin for assistance. A special engine was at once put into service, and two doctors rushed to the scene of the accident. On examination it was found that the youngster was practically uninjured. The child's mother, Mrs. James Ferring, and she is travelling from England to Nanaimo, B.C.

Brickmakers Strike.

Toronto, May 22.—Brickmakers employed in ten yards quit work this afternoon on account of the refusal of employers to recognize their union. The strike is serious, as brick is urgently required for rebuilding the portion of the city recently burned.

Liner Floated.

Montreal, May 22.—The Dominion line steamer Vancouver, Captain Japhin, from Liverpool with 112 passengers, went ashore in the lower St. Lawrence at 8.30 last night, but was towed this morning at 8.30 without injury and proceeded to Quebec.

Story Denied.

Toronto, May 23.—Prof. Goldwin Smith denies the New York Times story of Saturday that he has placed his autobiography in the hands of any publisher.

DEPORTING ITALIAN BOYS.  
Many Were Brought to the United States Practically as Slaves.

New York, May 23.—Immigration officials have been notified that the large number of boys coming to this country to "relatives" in the United States are being brought to this country by padrones and sent out to the farmers of the black states as "fruit" merchants. There are twenty of these boys in Pittsburg alone. How many have gone to other cities is not yet known.

BOUNDARY MINES.  
Increase in the Tonnage Shipped to the Smelters Last Week.

Phoenix, May 21.—There has been no special feature of the shipping situation in the Boundary this week, with the exception that each of the regular low grade shippers have sent out more ore than last week. The total tonnage of something like 1,500 tons over last week's total. The entire eight furnaces in the two smelters are running full time as usual.

The several mines made the following output respectively: Granby mines, to Granby smelter, 11,190 tons; Mother Lode, to Greenwood smelter, 3,770 tons; Emma, to Greenwood and Granby smelters, 930 tons; Oro, Oro, to Granby smelter, 264 tons; total for the week, 16,180 tons, making a total for the year to date of 242,574 tons.

MASSACRED BY MOROS.  
Manila, May 23.—A report has been received from Camp Overton, on the island of Mindanao, dated May 15th, stating that a massacre had occurred on the 12th inst. near Malabang, on the southern coast of Mindanao. Fifty-three Filipino men, women and children, families of employees of the United States military government at Malabang, were surprised at midnight while asleep by the Datto Alis and a band of Moros from the Rio Grande valley and slaughtered. The chief and his followers escaped before the alarm could be given.

"BATTLING" NELSON WON.  
San Francisco, May 21.—If ever man lived up to his sobriquet, "Battling" Nelson, of Chicago, did so last night when after 18 rounds of terrific fighting he knocked out Martin Canale of Fall River, Mass. It was a battle between an exceptionally clever boxer and a hand hitter of wonderful staying powers, and the man with the punch won.

KILLED IN WRECK.  
Salida, Colo., May 21.—One man has been killed and 41 people have been injured in a wreck of a passenger train on the Denver & Rio Grande railway near the town of Salida. The wreck occurred between this city and Alamosa. The wreck is believed to have been due to the spreading of rails.

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Hobert Keat's team are busy hauling a load of timber to the Tree mine. Messrs. Wood and Elgin have men at work developing their claims at Kosslihan.

ONE SHORT PUFF CLEARS THE HILL.—Does your head ache? Have you pain over your eyes? Is the breath offensive? There are certain symptoms of Catarrh of the Urinary Passage. Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Pills will cure them. It is a powerful and reliable short time. If it is of fifty years' standing it's a sure cure. If it is of fifty years' standing it's just as effective. 50 cents. Sold by Jackson & Co. and Hall & Co.—07.

# VICTORIA CHARMIS EASTERN PARTY

## WELL-KNOWN BROKER GIVES IMPRESSIONS

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As briefly mentioned in Saturday's Times a party of prominent Montrealers, consisting of H. Gordon Strathy, the well-known stockbroker, F. H. Matheson, manager of the Canadian Bank of Commerce in the big eastern metropolis, and Mrs. Matheson and daughter, have been visiting Victoria. They are on the east coast purely for pleasure with the intention of prolonging their tour so as to include Seattle, Tacoma, Portland and eventually San Francisco. That they are delighted with Victoria their enthusiastic eulogies leave no room for doubt, but for the purpose of getting in concrete form his opinion of this picturesque capital of British Columbia a Times representative called on Mr. Strathy at the Union Club on Saturday morning. He found the financier affable and so thoroughly pleased with his trip that he was ready to bestow the compliment comprehensively enough to embrace its multiplicity of features from Montreal to the Pacific.

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THE COMPLETE CABINET.

And now the McBride government is complete. Hon. F. J. Fulton is the lucky man who has been called upon to don the robes of Provincial Secretary in the first Conservative government British Columbia has ever had.

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We say deliberately that we believe the people are getting tired of the present sleek method of doing business. They pay their Mayor and Aldermen, and they feel that they are not getting good service for their money unless there be a good, wrothy wrangle once in a while to prove that their servants are diligent and earnest in their business.

We cannot believe that the present Board of Aldermen is so destitute of ideas that it meets simply to adopt without discussion the recommendations of the municipal executive staff.

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A CRISIS.

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The San Francisco Examiner delicately hints at the consequences of lack of foresight or receptivity. We suspect there is a suggestion in it of what may follow the rejection by the Democratic party of Hearst as a presidential candidate.

Kamloops Sentinel: It appears as if the C. P. R. were awakening, to some extent, to a sense of their duty, since in accordance with an agreement reached some time since between the Mountain Lumber Association and the C. P. R., new freight schedules have been issued on lumber and shingles.

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SCENES FROM CANADIAN HISTORY. No. 81.

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