

# AN ARMY CORPS WAS ANNIHILATED

ROUT OF THE RUSSIAN ARMY IN FAR EAST IS COMPLETE BUT FIGHTING CONTINUES.

Demoralized Russians are Retreating in the Greatest Disorder for the Hill Country.

Tokio, March 11.—Fushun has been occupied by the Japanese. Fighting continues on the heights north of Fushun.

Newchwang, March 11.—According to reliable information received here, the Russians have been driven out of Mukden and Fushun and with the railroad cut are retreating in a demoralized condition to the hill country towards the northeast.

Detached bodies of Russians are roughly entrenched with a view to checking the pursuit, but no great rear guard action is being fought.

It will be impossible for the Russians to keep any sort of resistance for many days, as there are no means of provisioning in the rough country to which they are retreating.

It is believed that the Russians may attempt to reach Kirin, 225 miles northeast of Mukden, through the valleys, but a special Japanese corps from the direction of the Yalu river threatens to cut them off.

General Kuroki is advancing northwest and is forcing the Russians against General Nogai's army. The casualties on both sides have been enormous. The Russian Sixteenth army corps was practically annihilated at Tatchekiao. Eight thousand Russians fell at Loukuapao.

Terrific Fighting at Dushantun.

Mukden, March 11.—The Japanese pushed up from the south across the abandoned plain between the Shukho and Hun rivers and are about five miles south of the latter, and from the Hun, opposite Machiapau, and northward, opposite batteries are pouring in a ceaseless fire. The Japanese succeeded in placing siege guns and mortars at Dushantun, about six miles west of this city. Dushantun was the scene of the bloodiest and most desperate fighting of all this terrible battle. Its possession was vital to the Japanese, who stormed it again and again. The Russians dislodged them, but the Japanese finally recaptured the village after much hand-to-hand fighting.

Eyewitnesses say the dead scattered in the streets, courtyards and houses have been unburied four days. Rifles and other arms lie about, wrenched and twisted. Hand grenades were thrown by the Japanese and the garrison was subjected to the concentrated fire of as many as a hundred guns. Once Dushantun is in their hands the Japanese can train guns on the Mukden railroad station and it has been held at frightful cost. The Japanese are also concentrating their efforts about seven miles north of Mukden and about five miles west of the railroad, with the object of breaking through and cutting off the surrounding troops below. A blinding dust storm has been raging since daylight and the day promises to witness a gruesome encounter, the result of which no one here can foresee.

St. Louis Gets the Bonds.  
Washington, March 11.—The Mercantile Trust company of St. Louis was the highest bidder for the \$2,500,000 issue of 10-30 4 per cent Philippine public works bonds. Their bid for the entire issue was \$2,726,500, or at the rate of \$109.06.

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MUKDEN HAS FALLEN.  
The Japanese Have Possession of Russian Stronghold.

London, March 11.—A dispatch to the Times from St. Petersburg says official news of the surrender of Mukden appeared late Friday evening. Telegraphic and railway communication with Mukden were finally severed late Thursday. The latest telegram from General Kuroki, which was presumably sent by messenger to Tientsin, reached Tientsin-Friday. It said, laconically: "I am surrounded."

It is believed the message was dispatched early Friday morning. It inspires the worst fears, in view of the previous news of the approach of the eastern flanking forces.  
The plan of sending another half million troops to Manchuria encounters the greatest obstacles. The Siberian railway has recently been transporting 15,000 tons of stores and ammunition daily. How, it is asked, can the line continue to cope with the task if it has to convey more troops? Nevertheless, the government has fully decided to send a new army, hoping to transport some of its supplies by water as soon as the rivers are navigable.

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J. N. Patterson, night policeman, of Nashua, Iowa, writes: "Last winter I had a bad cold on my lungs and tried at least a half-dozen advertised cough medicines and had treatment from two physicians without getting any benefit. A friend recommended *Foley's Honey and Tar* and two-thirds of a bottle cured me. I consider it the greatest cough and lung medicine in the world."

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## FLOODS IN THE SOUTH

MILES OF SANTA FE RAILROAD WRECKED BY WATERS OF TUMULTUOUS RIO SAN JOSE

Albuquerque, N. M., March 11.—All Santa Fe trains for the west are held at this point indefinitely. Heavy rains to the west and south have swollen all streams along the Santa Fe-Pacific and the Rio Grande divisions of the Santa Fe, and the line is badly crippled.

The big blue water dam on the Rio San Jose and the Cubero dam on the same stream have gone out and the floods have played havoc with the Santa Fe tracks, which closely parallel that stream for nearly two miles. The huge steel bridge at Rio Puerco stations, where the railroad crosses the Rio Puerco, buttressed with immense stone walls and piers at enormous cost a year ago, is so badly damaged that it is impossible to get trains across it, and it is feared the bridge may be entirely swept away.

The track along the Rio Grande, near La Joya, south of this city, near the confluence of the Rio Puerco with the Rio Grande, is badly damaged, large stretches being completely washed away. The company has ordered several carloads of sacks of sand to this point to prevent more serious damage. Five hundred Indians and Mexicans are at work at Rio Puerco to save the bridge and get the track open for business.

A Chicago Alderman Owns his Election to Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

"I can heartily and conscientiously recommend Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for affections of the throat and lungs," says Hon. John Shenk, 229 So. Peoria St., Chicago. "Two years ago during a political campaign, I caught cold after being overworked, which irritated my throat and I was finally compelled to stop, as I could not speak aloud. In my extremity a friend advised me to use Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. I took two doses that afternoon and could not believe my senses when I found the next morning the inflammation had largely subsided. I took several doses that day, kept on talking through the campaign, and I thank this medicine that I won my seat in the Council." This remedy is for sale by Chas. Strang.

## BATTLESHIPS IN BAD SHAPE.

So Covered With Seaweed that it is impossible for them to Proceed.

London, March 11.—The Russian naval attaché here has heard nothing confirmatory of the report from Paris of the return of the squadron commanded by Vice Admiral Rojstvensky and discredits it. He expresses the opinion that Rojstvensky's objective is to effect a juncture with the Russian Third Pacific squadron, which is too weak to cross the Indian ocean alone.

A dispatch from Durban, Natal, says the captain of a collier which has arrived there from Nossibe Island, off the coast of Madagascar, where the Russian warships arrived February 3, reports that the war vessels are so covered with seaweed that he does not think it possible for them to proceed. The squadron has 70,000 tons of coal.

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Nominations Sent to Senate.

Washington, March 11.—The president has sent to the senate the following nominations:  
District Judge, Edward Whitson, eastern district of Washington.

Brigadier general on the retired list of the army, Colonel Allen Smith, sixth cavalry.  
Also promotions in the army and navy.

## HELD VICTIM WITH IRON HOOK.

Blacksmith Given a Terrific Drubbing by a Cripple.

Salinas, March 11.—Sherman Starkey, a man who has escaped conviction on many felony charges, through legal technicalities, is under arrest for an alleged unprovoked assault on William Gilson, a blacksmith. The attack on Gilson, which took place Tuesday night, was witnessed by a number of citizens of King City, who started some talk of lynching Starkey.

Gilson passed Starkey near the Odd Fellows Hall, when Starkey hailed him. Gilson went back to see what was wanted, when Starkey, without a word of warning, struck him in the jaw close to the jugular vein with an iron hook, which Starkey uses in place of an amputated left hand. His victim, clinging to the hook with both hands, was dragged into range for close work and Starkey struck him with his right hand until he dropped to the ground from loss of blood.

Starkey has the reputation of being a dangerous man. Besides his alleged connection with the Mafia gang, of which Peter Castro, now in San Quentin, was the leader, he is accused of many petty offenses.  
He killed a man in Castroville a few years ago, escaping on a plea of self-defense. Comparatively a short time ago he escaped prosecution on a burglary charge.

## Women's Kidney's.

Women are more often afflicted with kidney disorders than men, but attribute the symptoms to diseases peculiar to their sex, while in reality the kidneys are deranged. Nervousness, headache, puffiness or dark circles under the eyes, pain in the back, are signs of kidney trouble that must not be ignored or a serious malady will result. *Foley's Kidney Cure* has restored the health of thousands of weak, nervous, broken-down women. It stops irregularities and strengthens the urinary organs. It purifies the blood and benefits the whole system. Sold by Medford Pharmacy.

## WOULD BUILD ELECTRIC ROAD

Salinas Capitalist Asks for a Bonus and a Right of Way.

Salinas, March 11.—A contract has been signed by M. V. Quigg, president of the Monterey County Gas and Electric company, in which he agrees to build, equip and put in operation an electric road for passengers and freight traffic between Monterey and Salinas, which will ultimately be extended to Hollister and later into the San Joaquin valley and Fresno. He asks for a bonus of \$50,000 and a 50-foot right of way. The money is to be invested in rails. The road, which is to cost \$300,000, of which amount \$64,000 is to be paid for rails, will be commenced within four months after the right of way and bonus have been provided for and paid and the road is to be in operation about January, 1906.

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I have been suffering for the past few years with a severe attack of rheumatism and found that Ballard's Snow Liniment was the only thing that gave me satisfaction and tended to alleviate my pains. March 24, 1902, John C. Degnan, Kinsman, Ill., 25c, 50c, \$1.00. Sold by Chas. Strang.

## SERIOUS PEASANT DISORDERS.

It Has Become Necessary to Dispatch Troops to the South of Russia.

St. Petersburg, March 11.—The peasant disorders in the south of Russia have become so serious in the governments of Chernigoff, Orel and Kurak that the war office has been obliged to dispatch troops thither to put down the uprisings and restore order. The peasants have formed bands and have been wreaking vengeance by wholesale, burning and pillaging property.

A sugar merchant of St. Petersburg has received word of the destruction of a large refinery by incendiarism, the loss involving hundreds of thousands of dollars.

CASE'S... Sold by Chas. Strang.

## GLOOMY AT CAPITAL

WORST FEARS ENTERTAINED ARE CONFIRMED BY RECEIPT OF LATER DISPATCHES.

St. Petersburg, March 11.—The dispatches of the Associated Press from Tokio and Yinkow announcing that Mukden had fallen and that the Japanese had captured thousands of prisoners and enormous quantities of stores and guns only confirmed the worst fears entertained here, the dispatches of the Associated Press received the night before having shown that the trap was sprung.

The announcement furnished a miserable end to the Russian carnival week. The war office has little consolation to offer the pitiful inquirers for news. The papers are filled with long lists of those killed in the earlier days of the fighting and the churches are crowded with wives, mothers and sisters praying that their loved ones may be spared.

At last all classes seem to have joined in the common grief.

All hope of Kuropatkin waiting for an opportune moment to strike and convert defeat into victory has been abandoned even by the military critics, and the papers in a dolorous strain chronicle the last and worst reverse to the Russian arms. The only consolation they find is that the Russian troops have been conquered by a wonderful foe, declaring there is something uncanny about the desperate expedition which the Japanese successfully employed at Dushantun, when, during the storm the Japanese lines actually fired about, practically firing into their own reserves, deceiving the Russians and backing into the Russian wire entanglements before the ruse was discovered. History, military men say, does not parallel such desperate fanatical valor. The papers at the same time are filled with recrimination.

Russian diplomacy is blamed for not including in the theater of operations the territory west of the Simintin road, which Field Marshal Oyama used to accomplish his bold turning movement, and criticism is heaped upon Kuropatkin.

The Russ, however, while admitting Kuropatkin's failure as a strategist, insists that the responsibility should not be shouldered by him alone.

## A Safe Cough Medicine for Children.

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## Shingle Mill Destroyed.

Sumas, Wash., March 11.—The Hasting shingle mill has been burned. In addition to the plant 5,300,000 shingles were destroyed. The loss is placed at \$40,000, with small insurance.

## To Suppress Insurrection.

Constantinople, March 11.—Although twenty-three battalions of Turkish reinforcements have been called out to cope with the insurrection in the province of Yemen, Arabia. All Rasha Pasha, with seven battalions and a battery of artillery, has left Hodeida for Manakah. The road to Manakah is open, but fighting is anticipated from there on to Sanaa.

## BLAMES THE BANK.

SANTA BARBARA HOTEL CAUSED ARREST OF PROMINENT MINING MAN BY MISTAKE.

Santa Barbara, March 11.—The management of the Potter hotel claims that institution cannot be held liable for damages for the arrest of Robert E. Booram, the wealthy New York mining man arrested at San Francisco, as an error was made by the First National bank of Los Angeles.

Booram had been a guest at the hotel and, upon leaving the hotel gave his check for \$30 in payment of his indebtedness. His bill was \$18.70 and he received the balance in cash. When the check was sent to the Los Angeles bank upon which it was drawn it was returned with the statement that Booram had no funds there. The hotel then caused a warrant to be issued and it was served upon Booram at the St. Francis hotel in San Francisco. Booram was taken to the city prison and held over night. He declared his intention to sue the Potter for damages.

Dispatches from Los Angeles show that a mistake was made by the bank. Charles Hammond of the First National bank says that Robert E. Booram had two accounts at the bank, one an open account and the other a letter of credit. The check was drawn as if on the open account, and through an oversight no attention was given to the letter of credit and the check was returned.

If the Potter is held for damages it will probably sue the bank in order to protect itself.

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## Was 107 Years Old.

Baltimore, March 11.—Mrs. Nancy Kelly, the oldest white woman in Maryland, is dead at the age of 107 years. Her oldest living son is 72 and her youngest daughter is 63. For nearly half a century Mrs. Kelly resided in the house in which she died. There are ten grandchildren and nineteen great-grandchildren.

## Incredible Brutality.

It would have been incredible brutality if Charles F. Lemberger, of Syracuse, N. Y., had not done the best he could for his suffering son. "My boy," he says, "got a fearful gash over his eye, so I applied Hockley's Arnica Salve, which quickly healed it and saved his eye." Good for burns and scalds too. Only 25c at Chas. Strang's drug store.

## Railroad Bridge Carried Away.

Phoenix, Ariz., March 11.—The Gila river has begun to raise and is now higher than ever before. Fifteen boats of the Maricopa and Phoenix railroad bridge have been carried away and traffic will again be tied up for an indefinite length of time. This is the sixth time this bridge has been carried away this year.

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## Starvation in North.

BELLINGHAM, Wash., Feb. 25.—Late advice received from his brother, George Wynn, of this city, from Fairbanks, Alaska, say that the residents of the principal points in the Tanana mining district may confront starvation before the opening of spring. The letter from Fairbanks states that provisions are now above the highest figure ever known in the district.

"There are between 4000 and 5000 people wintering at Fairbanks," the letter says, "and money has been plentiful, but provisions have maintained a high price. With another advance in prices conditions have grown serious. Flour has advanced to \$2 a pound, or \$100 a sack, and it is almost impossible to secure some of the staples at any price."

"Several small parties have left Fairbanks in an effort to reach Seard, from Seard, and others are preparing to take the same course. There is more sickness at Fairbanks at this time than has been known before, and there is a big number of people who are unable to undertake a journey to the coast under the present conditions.

"There is little being done at present, the weather being such as to prevent working to advantage, and the principal occupation is gambling and drinking," continues the writer.

"The town is simply a nest of saloons, and in every saloon gambling is running wide open, with no limit. The saloons are doing an immense business and gamblers and bartenders receive from \$20 to \$25 for a day's work."

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