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RUSSIAN GUNBOAT IS DESTROYED BY

Otvashni Added to Long List of Naval Disasters - Japanese Destroyers Exhibit Great Activity.

Enter Chefoo Harbor and After Reconnaisance Depart—Washington Advices Report Seizure by Japanese of Unknown Vessel.

(Journal Special Service.) Chefoo, Aug. 19.—With the continu ance of misfortune that seems to hover over the imperial banners of Russia, an-other loss to her depleted navy took place last night in the sinking of a gun-boat of the Otvashni type off Liao Ti-

The gunboat is reported to have been teaming slowly and apparently with all ution when it struck a floating mine

and immediately after, rent asunder and nearly cut in two, went to the bottom.

None of the reports reaching here make mention of what became of the crew or the probable loss of life. The Otvashni was an armored gumboat of 1490 tons, and although small, was a valuable part of the Russian fleet, being of exceptionally light draft and proper tionately large power. Chinese junkmen arriving here today

bring the information that the Japanese have captured inner forts Three and Four and have strengthened themselves in their attack, although at a tremen dous sacrifice of life.

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Following the last charge upon the outer works of the apparently impregnable fortress and the attendant destruction of thousands of men by exploding mines, the Japanese have attempted a novel method of discovering these underground terrors. All cattle available, including many horses, have been stampeded over the supposedly mined territory, but there is nothing to show that these plans have met with success. The belief is gradually gaining ground that the mines are of the electric rather than ordinary contact type, and are exploded only when, at some distant point, Russians press the button.

Ammunition Mearly Expended.

It is believed here that the Russian supply of ammunition must be running short and that all that impelled Stoessel to hold out so determinedly was the belief and hope that relief would come from Kuropatkin within the next 10 days. Refugees from the fort declare that the Russians will easily be able to hold out for that length of time, but are of the opinion that the supply of ammunition in the magazines will not last much longer than a fortnight.

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than a fortnight.

The quantity expended by the guns of the fort since the opening of the attack upon it has been enormous and for the greater portion of the time there have been no means of replenishink it. Although Russia undoubtedly had brought in great stores, anticipating a prolonged attack, it is doubtful if the railway was had a provide for such continued drain.

Great speculation has been brought on here by the activity of a portion of Togo's fleet. Yesterday this port was visited by torpedo boats and again to-

day.

At 5:30 this morning two destroyers entered the harbor and after steaming around for half an hour sailed away. Five more destroyers are reported as steaming around outside the harbor. The object of the visit is entirely unmouth.

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COURTNEY WILL BE

OUSTED FROM FARM

(Journal Special Service.)
Washington, Aug. 19.—Consul General
Fowler, of Chefoo, cables to the state
department that two Japanese torpedo
boat destroyers entered the harbor yesterday while several Japanese cruisers
remained outside. On their return they
ran across a steamer, of a nationality
unknown, and seized her.

PORMIDABLE PLEET SAILS.

Bussia Rushes New Squadron to Fat Eastern Waters.

(Journal Special Service.)
London, Aug. 19.—Reuter's agency has received a report that 11 ships of the Russian Baltic squadron have left Libau for the far east. The names and rating of the vessels are unknown, but they are believed to be formidable.

OUTPOSTS ABE SKIRMISHING.

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(Journal Special Service.)

Mukden, Aug. 12.—A battle in the neighborhood of Liao Yang is imminent. The Japanese have advanced to within 20 miles of Liao Yang. Skirmishes between outposts are constant.

It is not now believed that the force has been materially weakened by sending troops to aid in the assault on Port Arthur. That there has been some diminishment, however, is apparent. The weather is decidedly unfavorable to anything like an extended campaign.

SMALLPOX A MENACE.

(Journal Epecial Service.)
St. Petersburg, Aug. 19.—Smallpox is raging along the railway in eastern Russia. At Tachaniskom the inhabitants are dying by the scores, and many dead bodies are unburied necause of the rapidity of deaths and the great number stricken. The conditions are nearly unbearable. In other parts of the east similar conditions prevail.

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ALIVE AND IN LONDON

(Journal Special Service.)
London, Aug. 19.—A man giving the name of Granz Schneider surrendered himself to the Birmingham police today, and confessed to stealing documents from some person unknown to him, in the southern portion of the city.

from the description of the



One of the notable incidents of the recent battle near Liao Yang was the bravery displayed by a man, who, in full Cossack uniform, led the Russian troops in a charge against the Japanese. The Russians were driven back and the Japanese gallantly spared the woman, who was an easy target for their

NEVADA TEAMSTER DRIVES THROUGH WALL OF SNAKES

Hazen, Nev., Aug. 19.—George Anderson, a teamster, in the employ of contractors constructing a canal in Churchill county, arrived at Hazen last evening driving four horses, two of which are almost dead as the result of bites of snakes, lizards and other reptiles.

Anderson brings an almost incredible story of an immense migration of reptiles of the desert toward the east. It would be scoffed at were it not for the fact that his big freight wagon bears positive evidence of its truthfulness.

The wheels are stained with masses of blood and the skins of three or four dozen rattlers, together with an inmersable number of lizard carcases, which bear out his story.

Anderson said that while on his way from the canal to town he drove into a moving mass of snakes, lizards and horned toads. This mass of reptiles

MRS. BENNETT WAS FIRST NOMINEE

small store at 274 North Sixteenth treet, was the first woman nominated in Idaho for the legislature.
"I wish to correct the statement made in an interview with Mrs. Hutton

made in an interview with airs, futton man candidate for the legislature in Idaho," said Mrs. Bennett today. "I was unanimously nominated by the Republicans of Idaho county in 1898. It is the strongest Democratic county in the state, and I made no canvass at all, and did not leave my home during the campaign. I ran ahead of my party's ticket, and was defeated only by 165

Mrs. Mary Bennett, who keeps

IS EXCITED

Wildest Day Since Joseph Dreaded "Black Hand" Leiter's Memorable Corner in 1898.

Society Fears to Hold Prey for Ransom.

MAY PASSES \$1.14 MARK NEW YORK IS AROUSED

First Reported and From Other Sources Come Bullish Dispatches.

PLUCTUATION OF WHEAT. Today Today High. Close, September\$1.10 \$ \$1.09 \$

December 1.12 1.11 May 1.14% 1.14

cand the high point of the day was reached at \$1.10%. The market from this time flucusited madity and reacted to \$1.00% at the close, a rise of 2% cents from yesterday.

At \$1.09 December wheat showed an advance at the opening of 1% cents from yesterday's close. With the exception of a few moments, when the bears had their inning and dragged the market back to \$1.08%, the market was low at this point. The tipward fluculations began upon the early arrival of damage reports from Manitoba, and the highest figure of the day was touching at \$1.12%.

Toward the close there was a natural as light reaction, the last quotations be \$1.11% @\$1.11%. Since yesterday's to closing December shows a remarkable advance of 3% cents.

There is no reason why dollar a bushel wheat should be a particularly fateful price. The line is wholly arbitrary. During the 20 years before 1884 there was not one in which wheat did not rise above \$1. The civil war brought it as high as \$1.55 in 1876, \$2.20 in 1868, and under paper money inflation the price touched \$1.85 in 1876, \$2.20 in 1868, and 18247 in 1869. Even after resimption of specie payments at the beginning of 1879, the dollar price continued. Wheat went to \$1.33% in 1876, \$2.20 in 1868, and 18247 in 1869. Even after resimption of \$2.47 in

MINNEAPOLIS MARKET WILD.

Manitoba Conditions Show Worse Than Manino Says He Was Well Treated---Was Asked to Country House Where He Was Held Captive by Two Men.

> (Journal Special Service.) New York, Aug. 19 .- Antonio Mannino, the little Italian boy, who was kidnaped by conspirators of the Black Hand society, has been returned to his

EUBRICE CHALLENGES TURNER.

Patton Predicts Civil War Prices on Wheat.

(Journal Spt. lai Service.)

Minneapolis, Aug. 19.—In the wildest bull market in the history of this city, September wheat reached \$1.18 today. James A. Patton, the big Chicago operator, is now here and predicts civil war prices.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Seattle, Wash., Aug. 19.—Warren Zubrick of Buffalo is here and has challenged Rufe Turner for a go in this city to weigh in at 140 pounds, and as Turner fought Tracey at that weight Wednesday night, cannot refuse to take on Zukrick. Turner will reply to the challenge in a day or two.

MIKADO DECORATES COL. H. E DOSCH

At least forty persons were injured at the mili and by flying debria.

These lists may be increased as investigation shows the actual extent of the twister.

A score of residences were blown flat.

So well defined was the path of the storm and so quick its coming that in the central business districts everyday work went on uninterrupted, the peep ple not realising that but a short distance from them, was being wrought a scene of havoe and death.

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J. E. Courtney, superintendent of the poor farm, is to be discharged. The members of the county court are a unit on the proposition, the decision to discharge Courtney and place in the position a man who will not keep affairs at the institution in a turnoil haying been reached yesterday. Wille the discharge of Courtney will come as a culmination of his conduct of affairs, it is due directly so the scene he created in County Judge Webster's private office Tuesday afternoon because the court had countermanded his order discharging Hugh Quigley and Patrick Maloney, two aged immates, from the institution for a breach of discipline. As soon as the facts were drawn to she attention of Commissioners Barnes and Lightner they were highly indignant, and not only informed Judge Webster hat the polan duty of the count of discipline. As soon as the facts were consulted to the late they were highly indignant, and not only informed pludge webster that they would support him in any action he might take, but declared it was the plain duty of the count to discharge Courtney. For a long time Courtney has had the support of a mumber of influential people to retain him in his position. In the matter of other expenses provided for by the county, multilation for a breach of the support of a mumber of influential people to retain him in his position. For a long time Courtney has had the support of a mumber of the responses provided for by the county. For a long time Courtney has had the support of a mumber of other expenses provided for by the county. For a long time Courtney has had the support of a mumber of other expenses provided for by the county. For a long time Courtney has had the support of a mumber of other expenses provided for by the county. For a long time Courtney has had the support of a mumber of other expenses provided for by the county. For a long time the polan duty of the support of a mumber of other expenses provided for by the county. For a long time the polan duty of the support of a mumber of other exp

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STREET CAR 40 FEET

(Journal Special Service.)
Memphis, Tenn., Aug. 19.—In a coltrolley car this morning the car was thrown 40 feet into a saloon, wrecking the front of the building and killing

ST. LOUIS HIT WITH ANOTHER CYCLONE

St. Louis, Mr., Aug. 19.—(Bulletin)—
3:26 o'clock p. m.—At 2:55 o'clock this
afternoon a cyclone struck St. Louis
with terrific force, traversing several
blocks, tearing up trees and unroofing
buildings and hurling a cloud of deathdealing debris high into the air, from
which it fell to injure pedestrians who
had falled to reach shelter.

The Nedringham Steaming mill was
blown down and it is reported that ten
persons are dead beneath the debris.

At least forty persons were injured at
the mill and by flying debris.

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