

## THE RUSSIAN BATTLESHIP BOYAN GONE

### Not the Torpedo Boat Skori but Splendid Battleship Destroyed by Torpedo, Her Crew of 700 Killed

### Japs Will Land At Niu Chwang, Which Is a Splendid Base and Will Cut the Railroad Shutting Off All Supplies From Port Arthur

Berlin, March 24.—Schlesische Zeitung announces it was not the Russian torpedo boat destroyer Skori that was blown up by a floating torpedo in Port Arthur Harbor on the 16th, but the armored cruiser Boyan. Almost the entire crew of 700 was killed.

#### NEW BASE FOR WAR.

Japs Will Be in Position to Cut the Railroad and Starve Port Arthur.

Tokio, March 24.—A correspondent who has had considerable experience with Japanese military officials, and who also passed through the Chinese-Japanese war, sums up the present campaign as follows:

"The large number of transports which have sailed from Japanese ports during the past few days are hardly destined for Chemulpo or Chinampo. They are probably headed for Niu Chwang. The Japanese can be expected to retain a considerable army in Korea, for the purpose of keeping natives under control, but can hardly be expected to fight the Russians south of the Yalu, or even to attempt to transport an army over 200 miles of the worst mountain roads in Manchuria, in order to reach the open country and the towns along the Manchurian railway.

Japan Knows the Country. "Japan knows every minute point of country around Niu Chwang, having occupied that region for more than a year after the war with China. In operating there, she would also have the good will of the natives, who esteem Japan highly. Moreover, the country, while admirably suited for the operations of infantry, it is so much cut up with ditches, dikes and tidal creeks as to be practically impassible for cavalry, in which force Japan is the inferior of Russia.

"Japan, it can now be confidently

## It's the Newness

Of the goods as well as the extremely low prices that is attracting the attention of Salem's best dressers to our new dry goods department. We're showing dress goods and dress trimmings that are equal to anything shown in the city. Our lines of laces and embroideries have the reputation of being the best. Another lot of gilt buttons just in. We have Proctor's Tennis Wheels and squares, if you want to make your own lace. **NEW CHIFFON, APPLIQUE AND MEDALLIONS.**

## The New York Racket

E. T. BARNES, Prop.

We Undersell Regular Stores.

## BODIES OF WOMAN AND CHILD IN A TRUNK

### Police Attempted to Arrest Suspected Murderer Who Fled, His Escape Cut Off He Cut His Throat

London, March 24.—The police at Kensilise this morning found a trunk in a boarding house containing the body of a woman and a child who disappeared two months ago. The remains were covered with several inches of cement. A lodger named Crossman was suspected of their murder, but when an arrest was attempted the man dashed into the streets, where he was pursued by a crowd. Seeing escape was impossible, Crossman drew a razor and cut his throat, and died at the feet of the officers. The police are digging in the garden at the house in the belief that other bodies are buried there.

## TESTIMONY IS AGAINST BURTON

### Mahoney Testified to Paying Him Five Hundred Dollars

### Senator Asked That Correspondence Between Himself and Rialto Company Be Destroyed

St. Louis, March 24.—Testimony considered strongly against Senator Burton was brought out by the prosecution today, when W. D. Mahoney testified to paying \$500 to Burton. On a certain date, he met Burton at a Washington hotel, being introduced by H. C. Dennis, president of the Rialto Grain Company. Burton asked that all communications between himself and the company be destroyed, as some one might place a wrong construction on it, because of the senator's official position.

#### Kansas City Blaze.

Kansas City, Mo., March 24.—A fire this morning did \$130,000 damage to the Jones dry goods department store, and caused the fatal injuries of a fireman. A stroke of lightning was the cause.

A. V. Morrill, a spectator, may die of concussion of the brain, the result of a stream of water striking him.

#### To Put Out the Fires.

Odessa, Russia, March 24.—Twenty firemen have been dispatched to Port Arthur to deal with fires, which were started by the Japanese bombardment.

## CORBETT AND BRITT ARE READY TO FIGHT

San Francisco, March 24.—"Young Corbett," champion featherweight pugilist of the world, and Jimmy Britt, who believes he ought to be champion, have completed their work of preparation and are ready to enter the ring at Woodward's pavilion tomorrow night to settle the question of relative supremacy. The battle will be the most important the champion has engaged in since his last fight with Terry McGovern. Britt never worked harder for a coming fight, and both men will go into the ring in nearly perfect condition. Britt realizes the stake that is at issue, and will make a supreme effort to show his California admirers that he is at the top of his class.

There is considerable betting on the fight and interest is keen. While the champion is naturally the favorite in the betting, there is plenty of Britt money in sight and bets on the Denverite at tempting odds are quickly taken up by the admirers of the Californian. Considerable money has been paid on the proposition that Britt will last the limit.

Both men took their final preparation today. Britt made a particularly busy day of it at Croll's garden. There was a big crowd on hand to see him, but only a chosen few were ad-

mitted to the gymnasium. In speaking of the coming encounter the little Californian said: "I will have to hit an awful gait to beat Corbett, but I know it's in me. I don't like to talk about these things, but I would just like my friends to know that I am confident, and have put up money on myself. Young Corbett is a wonderful fighter, and I will have the hardest contest of my career, but I feel sure I'll win."

The same feeling of confidence was apparent today in the Corbett camp. Despite the many stories to the contrary the champion has been training faithfully for his battle with Britt and from all indications he will enter the ring in first-class condition. In company with his trainers he went through the usual routine of exercises today, spending an hour or so in road work and afterwards boxing several rounds.

The Hayes Valley Athletic club, under whose auspices the contest will take place, reports one of the largest seat sales of any fight that has ever taken place in San Francisco. Delegations of sporting men are already arriving from out of town and the indications point to an enormous crowd in the big pavilion when the little fighters enter the ring.

## GENERAL PFLUG DENIES

### Says Japs Have Not Had an Engagement With Russians

### Also Refutes the Reports of Battle at Port Arthur Saturday—Kuropatkin Heard From

St. Petersburg, March 24.—General Pflug telegraphs from Mukden today stating there is no truth in the report that the Japanese have crossed the Tatum Pe Soa pass, or had any engagements with the Russians. The same denial applies to the alleged engagement at Port Arthur on the 19th, in which 600 Russians were alleged to have been killed or wounded. A Liao Yang dispatch states that Kuropatkin was welcomed to trans-Baikal territory by Linovitch in a telegram saying the troops are thirsting for revenge. South Manchuria and South Korea are reported quiet.

Chicago, March 24.—May wheat, 93¢@94¢; old July, 87¢@88¢; July corn, 49¢@49½¢.

## CONGRESSMEN REJOICE WITH GHOULISH GLEE

### And Just Because Their Enemy, Bristow Is Delivered Into Their Hands—Directory Shows Him Guilty

### Has Four Relatives on the Pay Roll and His Law Partner Has an Interesting Bundle of Soft Snaps—Besides Being Candidate for Congress

Washington, March 24.—Members of congress, in their mail today, received cards printed on both sides, purporting to show the record of Bristow in the Guise, Franklin County, Kansas directory. The names of him-

self and four relatives are on the payroll in the aggregate sum of \$9700. Bristow's partner, Allen, a candidate for congress, has a number of snaps. The card was circulated with great glee.

## BANK WRECKER RETURNS

Riverside, Cal., March 24.—Tom Hays, the bank wrecker, who returned last night, made a dramatic entry at the Riverside Country Club, wet and muddy from his long tramp in the rain. He was not hunted openly, and charged the officials knew where he was, and if public indignation had not reached the danger point he would not have returned until after the grand jury had issued its report on municipal "grafting."

#### Who Cares, Dad's Rich.

London, March 24.—The queen today visited the Alexandra trust restaurant, established by Lipton, and ordered a four pence hapeany dinner served.

## AUTHOR OF THE LIGHT OF ASIA

London, March 24.—Sir Edwin Arnold, the well-known author and journalist, who has been seriously ill for some days, died this morning.

For Forest Reserve Near The Dalles. Washington, March 24.—Representative Williamson has requested the interior department to create a small forest reserve, embracing six or eight sections of land on the head waters of Mill creek, southwest of The Dalles, with a view to protecting the water supply of that city.

#### An Unlucky Thirteen.

Berlin, March 24.—The Flora variety theatre, which was being demolished, collapsed today, and 13 work men were killed.

## New Suits

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Fashion dictates that laces shall be in high favor for dress garnishing of all kinds this season. In fact, they will be used even more extensively than a year ago. In selecting the new trimmings we had this fact in mind, with the result that we are showing the grandest array of beautiful laces and exclusive novelties ever shown in the Willamette valley.

### New Trunks

The DRUCKER trunk has been the standard of merit in the United States for over a third of a century. We just received a full line in all grades. Second floor.

