

## JAPS DRIVEN BACK

### Advanced Guard Is Defeated by the Cossacks.

## SIX HOUR RUNNING FIGHT.

### Russians Consider the Victory an Important One.

Makes Kourapatkin's Position Less Dangerous—Gen. Kuraki's Troops Retire to Fengwangcheng—Another Japanese Force Now Landing at Takushan—Admiral Togo Bomberds Kinohaw—Russian Torpedo Boats Operating Outside Port Arthur—Russian Admiral Reports on the Sinking of Japanese Ships.

Special Cable Dispatch to The Sun.

ST. PETERSBURG, May 20.—The following report has been received from Gen. Kourapatkin, the Russian commander-in-chief in the Far East:

"LIAOTUNG, May 19. A party of Cossacks engaged a detachment of the Japanese advance guard on May 18 in the mountainous district northward of Fengwangcheng. The fighting began at 8 A. M. and lasted until 2:30 in the afternoon. The Japanese were successively dislodged from four positions extending over twenty kilometers, and were pursued to Dantiansy, eighteen kilometers north of Fengwangcheng.

"Our loss was six Cossacks wounded, two horses killed and eight wounded.

"We found no trace of the enemy in the Tsahouka Valley as far as the road leading to Changoulin Pass, 25 kilometers north of Fengwangcheng, or in the Aihou Valley from the Salimata-Kuantien road as far as Dountianlanta, an area of twenty kilometers.

"A squadron of Japanese cavalry which left Kuantien on May 17 for Salimata repulsed one of our patrols at Schaugo, fifteen kilometers from Kuptien. The patrol retired without loss.

"Two thousand Japanese infantry advanced on May 15 toward Shaliochupate, which was evacuated on May 16 by a detachment of Japanese cavalry."

"The General Staff attaches importance to this Russian success against the western wing of the Japanese advance, believing that they have outflanked a movement that was destined to circumvent Gen. Kourapatkin. The newspapers treat the engagement as a great victory. They say that the Russians made four bayonet charges against the Japanese.

"SINKING OF JAPANESE SHIPS. Admiral Alexief has telegraphed to Grand Duke Alexis the following, which he received from Rear Admiral Wittger by mail on Thursday night:

"Three of the enemy's battleships and three cruisers appeared to the eastward on Sunday morning. Their movements were watched from Liaotian and Golden Hill. After crossing the meridian of Port Arthur the squadron went to the eastward and appeared to be getting into battle formation, when an explosion was observed under the third battleship, a vessel of the two-turreted Fujii type. The ironclad stopped, heeled to starboard, and sunk by the bow, sending up a quantity of steam. Two cruisers immediately approached, and it was observed that they had lowered boats, after which the battleship gradually righted herself and appeared to recover from her injury.

"At that minute another battleship of the Shikishima type drew near the place where the accident had happened and a mine exploded under her midship section, and then there was a second explosion, similar to that which occurred in the case of the Petropavlovsk. The course of one minute she sank. The third ironclad put to sea, the cruisers remaining on the scene of the disaster.

"I have sent sixteen torpedo boats to harass the enemy, and should a favorable opportunity present itself to attack the ships separately. The cruiser Novik went out to the passage to support the torpedo boats if necessary, but the cruisers got up steam and drew toward the shore. Five of the cruisers opened fire with all their heavy guns on our torpedo boats, but the latter returned without loss.

"The damaged ironclad then disappeared below the horizon with the attendant cruiser, escaping from the pursuit of our flotilla. Meantime night had fallen, the wind had freshened and there was a rough sea. On the morning of May 18 three torpedo boats approached the scene of the disaster. I sent the Novik against them and they put to sea.

"The ship which blew up in Kerr Bay was evidently a cruiser, to judge by her funnels and fighting top on the mizenmast, which are visible at low water.

"According to reports from the coast three torpedo boats covering the attempted landing in Kerr Bay were damaged by our light artillery."

RUSSIA'S REJOICING.

The Russians would be more than human if, after their own series of disasters, they were not elated by the enemy's grave losses. The customary celebrations of the czar's birthday have aroused patriotic enthusiasm, which is in striking contrast to the recent depression. There have been special performances at the theatres and

## PLOTS AGAINST SOCIETY WOMEN.

### St. Louis Grand Jury Hears of Attempts to Lure Them to Questionable Places.

ST. LOUIS, May 20.—The Grand Jury began an investigation to-day into the efforts that have been made repeatedly within the last few weeks to lure prominent society women of the younger set into questionable districts. In one case, which is being investigated, a young woman, a member of one of the best known of the old St. Louis families, was called up on the telephone.

The speaker said there was a case at a drug store, near Union Station, which not only needed but demanded her charitable attention. The request for her to call or come so strongly that she made the engagement.

In going to the place, however, she took the precaution to have an escort, a male member of her family. When she reached the place she met a woman who was a stranger to her, and a man. The conversation that followed was mingled with entreaties to go to a certain questionable place and threats of blackmail on the part of the strange woman.

The visitor left the place as quickly as possible, her haste preventing her escort from taking the case of the man and woman into his own hands.

To-day the Grand Jury had two detectives and a woman well known in the lower walks of life before it. The woman was used as a witness. It is reported that an indictment has been found against her and a male companion. Startling developments are promised.

## DOG AMUCK IN SCHOOL HOUSE.

### Bites a Dozen Children and Tears One Boy's Legs to Ribbons.

WASHINGTON, N. J., May 20.—Richard O'Connor's St. Bernard dog broke its chain yesterday afternoon at Allamuchy, and just before school was dismissed wandered into the school house. A panic resulted among the teachers and pupils, and the commotion so excited the dog that it bit every child within its reach.

About a dozen children were bitten, some of them seriously, but all except one finally got out of the room and reached the second story of the building. The unfortunate one was Charles Puffer, 7 years old, son of the gamekeeper at the Rutherford Shutesbury place. Some of them thought that Mr. Jerome had taken heart of grace, and was now satisfied that the Canfield law was going to hold water. Others thought that he was going to let Jesse Lewishin's troubles serve as a miniature example to others who might not care to go through all the various processes with which Mr. Jerome has surrounded Mr. Lewishin.

But there was another set of explanations that hit some of the subjugated much harder. It was to the effect that the Canfield was not confining himself to the Canfield case, or even the Bucklin case, in his present casting of the net.

Not a few, after hearing the names of those who had been subpoenaed, guessed that possibly Mr. Jerome is after bit with which to catch Mr. Burbridge, who will say, as he has always said, that he molten mass which has been slowly cooling for a million years, but to the presence of radium Prof. Rutherford, whose cooperative researches with other eminent physicists to learn the properties of radium resulted in his being the first to measure the mass and velocity of the electrons of the mysterious element, had a distinguished audience, including Lord Kelvin, Lord Rayleigh, Prof. Dewar and other great scientists.

In the course of his introductory remarks, he pointed out that a single pound of radium emanations would produce sufficient energy to drive an Atlantic liner, but as seventy tons of radium would be needed to produce a pound of emanations, such motive power, at present, is unattainable.

Referring to the remarkable changes resulting from the disintegration of radium, Prof. Rutherford announced the probability that radium was contained in all matter. He said that Lord Kelvin had calculated that, assuming the earth to have been a molten mass when it first started on its career, it would have taken 100,000,000 years for it to have cooled down to its present temperature, but Lord Kelvin had shown prophetic insight when he added: "provided a new source of heat was not discovered."

Now, had that new source been discovered? He himself thought that radium was proved to be in sufficient quantities in the earth to supply a new theory of the source of the earth's heat. If this were so the many millions of years which geologists and biologists had reasoned out as the time taken in the cooling process before life on the globe was possible would not be necessary.

Prof. Rutherford's startling new theory, which he ventured modestly, was not discussed after the lecture, but the scientist went away greatly interested in the proposition, which in effect means a reconstruction of the hitherto accepted facts. It leads to the conclusion that the earth may have been habitable for many millions of years.

## KING BREAKS WITH AMERICANS.

### Leopold Will Turn Construction of Hankow-Canton Road to Belgians.

SPECIAL CABLE DISPATCH TO THE SUN.

BUSHELIA, May 20.—King Leopold has suddenly dissolved his partnership with the American syndicate constructing the Hankow-Canton Railway after acquiring a majority of the shares from the original shareholders.

He intends to entrust the construction of the road to a Belgian company. Meanwhile, the Belgian and American directors of the company have resigned.

An exchange of telegrams with Washington is proceeding owing to the fact that the railway is an American concession and not a Belgian.

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## GATES AND SCHIFF SUBPOENAED

### BATCH OF RICH MEN TO TELL ABOUT CANFIELD'S.

Renewed Inquiry Set for Monday Morning, and Deaths Out Gathering in the Victims—Jerome Won't Discuss It, but Seems to Sympathize With Distress.

Process servers from the District Attorney's office began yesterday the service of a sheaf of subpoenas on men of wealth and more or less social standing. The subpoenas, said to be ten in number, were served on those who are supposed to have been frequenters of Richard A. Canfield's art museum and temple of fortune at 5 East Forty-fourth street before the day when District Attorney William Travers Jerome entered the temple and art museum through a window and abstracted therefrom several bagsful of fine ivory chips and a vanload, more or less, of delicately poised and adjusted apparatus decorated with varied colors and many numerals.

Among those who received invitations to go down and tell the District Attorney all they knew or didn't know about Mr. Canfield, his place of business and his methods of subsistence were John W. Gates, John A. Drake, Mortimer Schiff and others in the list of those who were summoned at the time of Mr. Jerome's last attempt to find out things about Mr. Canfield's standing before the law. Reginald Herbit was not served. He is out of town.

The District Attorney went away to his clock shop in Lakeville, yesterday, without taking the public into his confidence regarding those invitations. THE SUN asked Mr. Jerome over the telephone last night about them.

"Can't discuss the subject," said Mr. Jerome.

"But if you only would," Mr. Jerome was told, "it would be a great relief to the feelings of a number of gentlemen who have enough on their nerves already."

"That's too bad!" exclaimed Mr. Jerome. His sympathetic tears could be heard splashing into the telephone transmitter. "Too bad! Good-by!" he said.

The recipients of the subpoenas were divided last night in their opinion as to the purpose of the documents. Some of them thought that Mr. Jerome had taken heart of grace, and was now satisfied that the Canfield law was going to hold water. Others thought that he was going to let Jesse Lewishin's troubles serve as a miniature example to others who might not care to go through all the various processes with which Mr. Jerome has surrounded Mr. Lewishin.

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## INDIAN SCHOOL TO MOVE.

### Carlisle Institution Will Be Transferred to Helena, Mont.—Site Chosen.

HELENA, Mont., May 20.—The Carlisle Indian School at Carlisle, Pa., is to be removed to Helena. Agents of the Department of the Interior have recommended the Helena site and a definite proposition has been submitted to local men, who have taken up the project and secured options on the land required. These have been tendered to the Government.

The land selected by the Government agents is six miles north of Helena and consists of about 700 acres, together with the buildings of the Montana Wesleyan University. The university has been reestablished in this city, and the trustees made a very low price to the Government for their interest. The land owners in that vicinity will also transfer their land at a nominal figure.

One of the chief reasons for removing the school to Helena has been the expense in transporting pupils of Western reservations to and from Carlisle; another is that the conditions in farm work here are similar to those of the Indian lands.

The Government will erect two more buildings similar to the main college structure, and work will begin this year.

## HERO FUND COMMISSION MEETS.

### Session Is Spent in Organizing—Carnegie Is Especially Interested.

PITTSBURGH, May 20.—The Carnegie hero fund commission, at its first meeting to-day, did nothing but perfect its organization. It had been learned that Andrew Carnegie is giving to its being his special attention, and every action of the committee must first be passed on by Mr. Carnegie. Later Mr. Carnegie will not give it his supervision, as he is doing now.

Dr. W. J. Holland read a resolution which had been drawn up and will be engrossed and presented to Mr. Carnegie. The name adopted for the fund is the Carnegie Hero Fund Commission. The fund became operative April 15, 1904, the date of the acceptance of the trust, and no applicants on account of heroic acts performed prior to that date will be considered.

The commission adopted by-laws and officers were elected. Those besides President Taylor and Secretary Wilmut, are W. J. Holland, vice-president; James Reed, treasurer; and F. M. Wilmut, manager of the fund.

## DELANY WITH THE HOOSIERS.

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INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., May 20.—The appearance of John J. Delany at French Lick Springs and his conferences with men who are known to favor Mayor McClellan of New York for the Presidency are causing a great deal of speculation among Democrats. It is said that Delany, who is Corporation Counsel of New York city and a close friend of McClellan, is feeling the pulse of Indiana Democrats with a view to using any information he may get for the advantage of his chief.

A Democrat who came here from French Lick to-day said that there was no part of Delany's purpose to attempt to break into the Parker strength in this State, but that he feels that the time may come when the delegate will turn away from present candidates, and in that event McClellan would be available.

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## WOMAN BLINDED BY ACID.

### Mrs. Nixon Does Not Know Who Her Assailant Was—Police Have No Clue.

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## HAY'S HOTEL BILL.

### Bill for One Week in St. Louis—Four in the Party.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., May 20.—Secretary Hay started for the East to-night after paying a hotel bill of \$777 for one week. There were four in the Secretary's party.

## MANY DROWNED IN FLOOD.

### Main and Waterport Turn to Wyoming Stream into a Torrent.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., May 20.—A large number of persons are known to have been drowned in a flood that swept down the Crow Valley at 9 o'clock to-night and inundated South Cheyenne.

A steady downpour of rain for two days followed by a water spout turned Crow Creek into a raging torrent.

Ranches and residences were swept away and the people were compelled to flee for their lives. Three bodies have been recovered and others will be found when the flood recedes.

## FIGHTING WITH TIBETANS.

### British Twice Defeat Natives, Who Threaten Expedition's Communications.

SPECIAL CABLE DISPATCH TO THE SUN.

GYANTSE, Tibet, May 20.—The Tibetans yesterday occupied several villages in the rear of the British expedition, blocking communications. They ambuscaded eight mounted infantry who were conveying the daily post.

Reinforcements were despatched and they repulsed the enemy, punishing them severely. A Spy was killed and two were severely wounded.

Previously the British attacked the enemy, who were occupying post north of Gyantse, defeating them with severe loss. The British had three wounded.

## BALL HIT BABY IN HER ARMS.

### Mother Faints as the Child Lies Senseless in Her Lap.

While Mrs. Marie Edelman of 140 South Second street, Williamsburg, was on the roof of her house carrying her ten-week-old baby last evening, a baseball struck the child on its head, fracturing the skull. When Mrs. Edelman discovered what had happened she screamed and fell backward in a faint. The child lay in her lap, a crowd gathered around an anxious neighbor, taking the child in his arms, ran to a nearby doctor. It was said later that the child would die.

Mrs. Edelman suffered greatly from shock. Ray was arrested and taken to the Bedford avenue police station. The Edelman family were satisfied that the affair was purely accidental and refused to make a complaint against him.

## MAY SELL WHITNEY HOUSE.

### Supreme Court Approves Harry Payne Whitney's Application.

Supreme Court Justice Greenbaum confirmed yesterday the report of Col. Franklin Bartlett as referee, approving the application of Harry Payne Whitney for leave to sell the William C. Whitney mansion at 871 Fifth avenue. It is understood that James Henry Smith is to be the purchaser and that the price will be about \$1,000,000.

The sanction of the court was necessary because Mr. Whitney's will provided that his daughter Dorothy and his stepchildren, Adelaide and Bertie Randolph, should have the right to live in the house for two years after his death.

## FENCED IN A TRAIN.

### Angry Individual Blocks a Branch Road and Stands Guard With a Rifle.

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., May 20.—Angry over a fight of way, John Brown is holding up a Fere Marquette logging train on the Mahin branch near Kalkaska. Brown built a fence around eleven loaded cars to assert his rights to the property.

An engine smashed through his fence but was prevented from getting out by a large tree which Brown had felled across the track immediately after the engine ran in. When the train crew started to remove the obstruction Brown prevented them with a loaded rifle and still maintains a blockade.

## NEW HAVEN GIRL HELD UP.

### Daughter of a Yale Professor Is Attacked by a Ruffian Who Escapes.

NEW HAVEN, May 20.—The daughter of a Yale professor was held up in a dark part of Humphrey street at 8:30 last night. The ruffian put his hands over her eyes, drew her head back and was choking her when her screams attracted nearby residents who rushed out to find the girl lying on the ground. The burglar escaped.

After the arrival of the neighbors the girl was taken into the house of C. S. DeForest and sent from there to her home in a carriage. The name of the girl has been kept secret.

## HIT AT GAMBLERS

### 22 Poolrooms and Exchanges Raided by the Police.

### GETTING NEAR A KNOCKOUT

### Seventy Prisoners and 152 Telephones Taken.

Only a Few "Centres of Information" Left Running in