

## A CRUSHING DEFEAT

OKU GETS GUNS  
RUSSIANS RETIRE

General Oku Captures Ten More Guns  
From the Russians and Heavy Fight-  
ing Continues South of Mukden.

Tokio, Oct. 15, 7:00 P. M.—Fighting south of Mukden still continues, but the Russians are retreating. Kuropatkin is evidently crushing the Russian casualties at thirty thousand.

Tokio, Oct. 15.—Noon: Heavy fighting continues south of Mukden. Official reports announce the capture of ten additional guns by General Oku yesterday.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 15.—Unofficial reports from the battle field this morning are more encouraging. The Russians have fallen back twenty miles but there has been no rout. General Kuropatkin has retired across the Shalke river and is holding the Japanese in check there.

## WAR DISPATCHES SUMMARIZED.

The only direct news of the day's fighting in Manchuria is contained in an official report from Marshal Oyama to Tokyo that the battle is raging along almost the entire front and that the Japanese are making "satisfactory progress." Beyond this the dispatches relate entirely to the developments of Wednesday and Thursday. They make it plain that the battle is of the most desperate character, the fighting exceeding in fierceness the terrific combat at Liaoyang. The losses on both sides are undoubtedly heavy, but no figures have as yet been received.

Kuropatkin officially confirms the loss of a large number of guns on his right flank, which was forced from its position by a night attack of the Japanese. He was also compelled to withdraw some distance on his left, as the position was found to be too far advanced.

The dispatches show that the operations of Wednesday and Thursday were unfavorable for the Russians. The Russian losses are reported as especially heavy on their left and center, where it appears that the hottest fighting occurred.

## FAVORABLE TO JAPANESE

OYAMA REPORTS FIGHTING IN  
PROGRESS ALONG ALMOST  
THE ENTIRE FRONT.

Tokio, Oct. 15.—Field Marshal Oyama reports that fighting is in progress along almost the entire front and that the Japanese are making satisfactory progress.

An extended report from the Manchurian headquarters reached Tokyo later and was published during the afternoon. It records severe fighting during Thursday and additional Japanese gains.

The contest around Benshiu continues to be undecided. Thursday a force of Japanese cavalry, commanded by Prince Kanin, made a dash of the Russian left

bank in the rear of Benshiu and partially scattered the Russian supports.

## RUMORS OF DISASTER.

St. Petersburg Hears That Kuropatkin Is Defeated.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 15.—Nothing official regarding the day's fighting is yet obtainable, but the prevailing impression in St. Petersburg is that the day has gone against General Kuropatkin. The city is even filled with rumors of his disastrous defeat.

Wounded Found for Harbin.

London, Oct. 15.—A dispatch to a news agency from Harbin says that the hospitals there are preparing for the reception of 37 officers and 1,200 men wounded during the recent fighting before Yental and who are now on their way to Harbin by train.

## MAY ATTEMPT TO ESCAPE.

Important News Relating to Port Arthur Squadron.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 15.—The admiralty says it has no information in regard to the report from St. Petersburg by way of Paris of the appearance of five Japanese cruisers off Vladivostok and discredits it.

The admiralty has received important news from Port Arthur, simultaneously with the arrival of General Stoessel's dispatch. It is evident that the news relates to the Port Arthur squadron and it would not be surprising if Rear Admiral Wren made an attempt to escape at any moment.

## Partial Casualty List.

Tokio, Oct. 15.—The first partial casualty report of the battle now progressing south of Mukden was received during the day. Part of the central column of the left army lost on Wednesday 1 officer killed and 6 wounded and had about 300 men killed or wounded.

## Jap Losses at Port Arthur.

Tokio, Oct. 15.—It is officially announced that 27 officers were killed and that 133 were wounded during the operations against Port Arthur from June 26 to July 31.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 15.—A dispatch from General Sakharoff, sent at 6 o'clock Friday morning, explains more of the operations of Oct. 12 and 13.

from which it appears that the Russian center was due north of the Yental mines, the right running west a short distance beyond the railroad and the left sweeping southeastward toward Benshiu. The real bloody work did not begin until Wednesday, when the Japanese made a series of determined attacks on Shaluhedzy, about seven miles north of Yental, but the Russians held off their assailants. In the meantime, however, the extreme right was forced back, thus compelling Kuropatkin to slightly draw back his line above Yental in order to preserve its alignment. On the extreme left, after a determined resistance, the Russians succeeded in carrying the rocky heights and Hua pass north of Benshiu, but the arrival of Japanese reinforcements made it impossible for the Russians to press their advantage here and as the left was now too far advanced it also was withdrawn some distance. Reports from the left, however, only bring the situation up to Thursday afternoon.

A high officer of the general staff tells the Associated Press that the situation, while critical, is not desperate. Kuropatkin is keeping his head and acting cautiously, as is shown by his withdrawal of both wings in the hope that the Japanese assaults will exhaust themselves. He says the slaughter is yet possible, but they run face into the thousands. The losses were especially heavy on the Russian left and center. In a single regiment out of over a hundred officers only eight escaped.

## REPORTED BY KUROPATKIN

BELATED DISPATCHES TELL OF  
RUSSIAN DEFEAT ON THE  
RIGHT FLANK.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 15.—The emperor has received the following dispatch from General Kuropatkin:

"Two regiments of the Russian right on Oct. 12 sustained heavy losses. The commander of one was killed and the brigade commander was wounded. Both regiments were compelled to withdraw, abandoning their artillery, but subsequently, under Colonel Vannovsky, who temporarily assumed command of the brigade, they after a desperate assault, regained possession of the guns with the exception of sixteen, which remained in the hands of the Japanese. The final issue of the battle Wednesday on this flank was unsuccessful for us. On account of a night attack of the Japanese, who executed turning movements, our troops were forced not only to abandon their positions, but again lost the guns previously recovered from the Japanese. Our forces retired to the position previously prepared on the Shakhe river."

## JAPANESE OFFICIAL REPORT

MIKADO'S FORCES HAVE BEEN ON  
THE OFFENSIVE SINCE DAY-  
BREAK THURSDAY.

Tokio, Oct. 15.—Marshal Oyama sends the following report of the engagements of Wednesday and Thursday:

"In the direction of Benshiu the enemy made repeated counter attacks on Wednesday, but were repulsed. The enemy showed a sign of retreat to wards the evening and our forces assumed the offensive since daybreak of Thursday. The flanking movement of our strong force of cavalry on the Kanien largely contributed to the favorable development of the situation in that quarter.

"The central and left columns of the right army both occupied important eminences, continuing attacks. Operations of the central army are progressing favorably, dislodging the enemy there from several strategic positions. Our reinforcements are arriving continually at Yental."

## Cannot Go on Ballot Under Name of Democrats.

Helena, Mont., Oct. 15.—The supreme court has held the Walsworth Democrats of Silver Bow county to be regular. The effect is to shut out the so-called Helme Democrats of that county from a place on the ticket under the designation "Democratic." Butte is in Silver Bow county.

## SMUGGLING IS CHARGED.

Officers Arrest Canadian Bringing Grain Across the Line.

Porter, N. D., Oct. 15.—Albert Walberg, a prominent Canadian, was arrested here during the evening on a complaint sworn to by George Scofield, United States custom officer, charging him with smuggling a load of flax and the team, also belonging to Walberg, was also seized.

## WOMAN AND MAN FIGHT A DUEL.

Both Principals Killed and Two Other Persons Wounded.

Euporia, Miss., Oct. 15.—In a pistol fight at close range, between James Stallings and Mrs. Dixie Beard at Cologa, Mrs. Beard and Stallings were killed and Beard and his child were wounded. The cause of the trouble is unknown.

Agrees to Pay the Award.

Washington, Oct. 15.—Mr. Dawson, American minister at San Domingo, cabled the state department during the day that the minister for finance had agreed to pay the award of the arbitrators in the case of the San Domingo Improvement company, amounting to \$4,500,000.

## ALL ON BOARD PERISH

SCHOONER WENTWORTH ASHORE  
DURING STORM OFF MASSA-  
CHUSETTS COAST.

## LIFESAVERS POWERLESS TO ASSIST

VESSEL CARRIED CREW OF EIGHT  
AND CAPTAIN, WIFE AND  
THREE CHILDREN.

Chatham, Mass., Oct. 15.—Driven down the coast by a northeast storm the Nova Scotian schooner Wentworth was thrown upon Chatham bar and smashed to pieces in the terrific surf. It is believed that not a soul on board survived.

The body of a woman has been dragged out of the breakers by the government lifesavers, who had been waiting on the beach powerless to aid since the vessel went onto the bar. Later another body, that of a man, was recovered.

It is believed that in addition to the unfortunate woman the ill fated vessel carried a crew of at least eight men, besides her skipper, Captain Pridde. The Wentworth was a three-masted schooner owned in Windsor, N. S., and was bound from Hillsboro, N. B., to New York with a load of plaster.

St. John, N. B., Oct. 15.—At the house where Captain Pridde lived in this city it was said that his wife and three small children accompanied him on the voyage which has ended in disaster. They left here some weeks ago and the captain and his wife were both natives of Newfoundland.

## FATAL FIRE ESCAPE TEST

WOMAN INSTANTLY KILLED AND  
HER HUSBAND RECEIVES  
FATAL INJURIES.

St. Paul, Oct. 15.—Mrs. J. C. Scammon was instantly killed and her husband received fatal injuries while giving an exhibition test of a new patent fire escape at the Germania Life Insurance company's building in the presence of a large crowd. Scammon had descended in safety from the eighth story to the third, where he took his wife on the rope by way of showing how rescues could be effected. The added weight caused the rope to cut through on the sharp stone sill where it was fastened at the eighth story and it broke almost as soon as Mrs. Scammon got on the escape. Both victims struck on their heads, the woman's neck being broken. Mr. Scammon was still alive when picked up and placed in an ambulance.

Physicians say there is no hope for the recovery of Mr. Scammon, who is sinking rapidly.

The apparatus was tried last week in a series of tests in Minneapolis with eminent success.

## HOTTENTOTS MAY RISE.

Expected to Join Rebellion Against German Rule.

Berlin, Oct. 15.—Germany's old enemy of a decade ago, Hendrick Witbol, according to an official dispatch from Windhoek, German Southwest Africa, has declared war against the Germans. He sent Samuel Isaak, Oct. 3, to Burgsdorff with a declaration of hostilities.

The station at Morenga, which recently was reported to have been attacked by insurgent Witbols, is offering a firm resistance and is continually receiving reinforcements of mounted and unmounted Germans. There are many gatherings of Hottentots on the Grootbroek and Carro rivers, eighty miles south of Gibeon, connection with which has been cut off. It is expected in German official circles that Hendrick Witbol's influence will cause a majority of the Hottentot tribes to join in the uprising as Witbols, since his rebellion was quelled ten years ago, has been credited with designs to seize a favorable moment to throw off the German yoke.

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Men's Overcoats, very stylish in plain Vicana cloth, regular price \$14.00 selling out price . . . <b>\$9.50</b>	Men's new Fall pants, very nobly, \$4 grade, sell- ing out price . . . <b>\$3</b>	Arrow brand collars in all styles, regular price 2 for 25c, closing out price 3 for . . . <b>25c</b>
Kaufmans Overcoats in black Irish frieze, 52 in. long, very stylish, former price \$15, sell- ing out price . . . <b>\$10.50</b>	Men's fine worsted pants in handsome patterns, regular \$5 grade, selling out price . . . <b>\$3.90</b>	A full and complete line of neckwear in all the late fall designs, regular 50c grade, closing out price . . . <b>38c</b>
Men's Suits, all wool chevrot in late gray and brown former price \$10 selling out price . . . <b>\$5.95</b>	<b>Men's Furnishings</b> Men's fleece lined shirts and drawers, regular 60c quality selling out price <b>40c</b>	Regular 50 cent overall, closing out price . . . <b>35c</b>
Men's high grade suits in all styles, new fabrics, bought to sell for \$11.00, selling out price . . . <b>\$7.75</b>	All wool ribbed drawers and shirts in gray and blue shades, regular \$1.00 grade, selling out price . . . <b>60c</b>	Extra heavy overall, former price 75c, closing out price . . . <b>55c</b>
Men's very fine suits, all the latest cut in the latest shades, bought to sell for \$16.50, selling out price <b>\$10.75</b>	All wool shirts and drawers, \$1.50 grade, selling out price . . . <b>\$1</b>	You will find our shoe line the most complete and up-to-date line. We handle the famous Walk-Over and Meyer lines for fine dress shoes in the latest styles and lasts at equally reduced prices. We also handle the Chiffman & North Star Cruisers, former price \$3.50, closing out price . . . <b>\$2.75</b>
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	Extra fine all wool fancy ribbed shirts and drawers, regular \$1.75 quality, closing out price . . . <b>\$1.30</b>	The Boss hat, regular price \$2.00, selling out price . . . <b>\$1.25</b>

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