

THE VENOM OF THE OPPONENTS

It Is Said Feeling Between Belligerents Is Bitter.

RED CROSS DISHONOR.

Wounded Call Vainly For Assistance and Dead Bodies In Decomposing Condition Lie Unburied on Battlefield.

Chefoo, Sept. 20.—According to Lieutenant Prince Radzivil of the Russian army, who reached here Sunday from Port Arthur, bearing dispatches from Lieutenant General Stoessel to General Kuropatkin, the temper of the belligerents at Port Arthur has reached an absolutely merciless stage. Prince Radzivil served with the British in the Boer war, and he says that until he became aware of the state of affairs at Port Arthur he had no idea that war could be so horrible. It was set forth in these dispatches some weeks ago that serious suspicions were entertained by both belligerents that the other was misusing the Red Cross flag. These suspicions have been increased by the commission of various acts by the soldiers of both armies, until now even flags of truce or surrender are not respected by either side.

Prince Radzivil declares that the men of both armies are absolutely venomous in their antagonism. Lieutenant General Stoessel has addressed his garrison saying the present mood of the Japanese indicates clearly the necessity of resisting the into the last drop of Russian blood, because if the Japanese soldiers entered the fortress it would be impossible for their officers to control them and prevent a massacre. For this reason Lieutenant General Stoessel is making no objection to civilians leaving Port Arthur. When the 500 women, who are in Port Arthur engaged in hospital work, were advised to leave, they replied that they would rather face the possibility of massacre than desert their posts. In consequence of the fact that flags of truce are ignored, numbers of Japanese dead, who have been lying on the slopes of the hills of the northeast defenses for weeks past, are still unburied and the stench in Port Arthur from decomposing bodies, when the wind is in the right direction, is almost unbearable. The Russian soldiers, who are in some cases posted only fifty paces from heaps of decaying dead, have constantly to wear upon their noses handkerchiefs soaked in camphor, or otherwise they would be unable to remain at their posts.

In the course of the assaults which took place in the four last days of August two companies of Japanese soldiers, according to Prince Radzivil, found themselves at the mercy of the Russians and raised the white flag. To this, however, the Russians paid no attention and continued to fire volleys rapidly into the helpless ranks of the enemy. In the meantime, Japanese troops in the rear of the company that had raised the white flag saw what their comrades had done and expressed their disapproval of the surrender by firing into their rear. As a result of this fire from friend and foe 600 men were annihilated. The dead fell among the decomposing bodies of previous assaults. For days afterward the wounded men in this area raised fluttering handkerchiefs in their pleas for help, but the Russians were afraid to venture out to give aid. Within a week the enemy had made its last prayer for help, and the shambles was a quiet, but ghastly field of horror. Among the heaps of dead the prince saw two soldiers, one a Russian and the other a Japanese, lying locked in death embrace. The teeth of the Japanese were sunk in the Russian's throat, while the Russian had forced two of his fingers into the eyesocket of his antagonist.

The prince cited this as merely an incident denoting the ferocity of the conflict at Port Arthur. Continuing his interview with the correspondent, the prince said: "The stories in circulation concerning the shortage of ammunition and provisions at Port Arthur are not true. There is an abundance of ammunition for both large and small arms and plenty of preserved food. The use of Chinese shells was merely a saving measure. "I left Stoessel in the best of spirits. He is encouraged by the heroic example set by the wounded men, of whom 5000 out of the original 8000 in the hospital have returned to the front. "There has been no fighting since Sept. 1, with the exception of artillery and outpost exchanges. "The Japanese shells have done great damage to the hospital and other buildings in Port Arthur, but the losses of life from these bombardments have been very slight. "On Sept. 14 the bodies of 2600 Japanese soldiers were discovered between Fort No. 2 and Fort No. 3. The stench from the decomposed bodies attracted investigation. The Russian authorities admit that they are not able to explain what engagement resulted in this slaughter. "Prince Radzivil gives another version from hearsay concerning the two companies of Japanese troops that surrendered. According to this version a Japanese battery fired first on the two companies when the white flag was raised, whereupon the two companies turned and charged the battery.

Vigorous Shelling.
London, Sept. 20.—It is asserted in a dispatch from Tokio to the Express that the Japanese are vigorously shelling the Russian positions at Mukden preparatory to a general advance, and endeavoring, by a wide turning movement, to cut off General Kuropatkin's retreat. The Japanese armies, the dispatch adds, are disposed in the same relative positions as in the fighting before Liao Yang.

Old machines exchanged. See us at the Singer Store.

RESULT OF JEALOUSY.

House Dynamited, Negro Killed and Two Others in Bad Way.

Martinsburg, W. Va., Sept. 20.—As result of the jealousy of a rival lover John Harris, a well-known negro, is dead; Jennie Smith of Pittsburg has a broken back and will die, and Julia White is so severely cut that she may not recover, a house on East Race street, back of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad shops, is blown up and Ernest Hollins and John Thompson are in jail charged with murder—the result of a Saturday night's dance at the home of Julia White. Hollins and Harris were rivals for the hand of the Smith woman. It seems Julia White and John Harris took the Smith woman to the house shortly before 1 o'clock in the morning. Harris is supposed to have gone with Thomas, a friend, stole the dynamite, placed it under the house and set it off. For squares around the houses were shaken, windows broken and the house itself so badly torn up that it will have to be destroyed.

PRINCE BISMARCK DEAD.

Son of the Late German Chancellor Passes Quietly Away.

Frederichsruhe, Sept. 20.—Prince Herbert Bismarck died Sunday morning at 10:15 o'clock. The end was painless. Prince Bismarck's father trained him for his successor as chancellor of the German empire, and advanced rapidly in the diplomatic service until, at the age of thirty, he was minister of foreign affairs, in which position he took part in nearly every important international transaction.

Since he ceased to be foreign minister on the retirement of his father in 1899 Prince Herbert Bismarck had taken part in public affairs only as a member of the reichstag.

DIED TOGETHER.

Young Man and Young Lady Suicided in Former's Apartments.

York, Pa., Sept. 20.—Michael Schall, head of the Keystone Foundry and Machine company of this city, and Miss Nettie Gattmatt, also of York, were found dead in the young man's apartments here Monday morning. Returning from a visit they wrote notes in which they complained of the cruel world, sat down without removing their clothing and turned on the gas. Schall was a single man and had been drinking to excess lately. Both had been suffering from nervous affections and to this the tragedy is attributed. Both were well connected socially.

CRIMINAL ASSAULT.

Young Man Charged With This Ofense by a Girl's Mother.

Lawton, Okla., Sept. 20.—Mrs. Mary Walker, a widow of this city, made complaint in probate court against Fuller Gore, charging him with criminal assault on her daughter, Pearl, under the age of sixteen years. Gore gave bond in the sum of \$1000. He is about twenty-one years old and was preparing to leave for Stillwater to attend the agricultural and mechanical college.

Much Honey.

Brackett, Tex., Sept. 20.—Walter Yancey of Kinney county has taken about 129 pounds of honey from each of his forty-three bee colonies.

Fatal Band Rivalry.

Cleveland, O., Sept. 20.—During a band concert at the corner of Fairmount and Frank streets Sunday evening a lead pipe loaded with powder or dynamite was exploded with malicious intent, the police believe, and Pasquales Ferrito and Walter Cox, fifteen years old, were probably fatally injured. Ferrito's back was torn away and Cox had a leg blown off. Rivalry between two bands of the district is said to be the cause for much ill feeling of the bandmen for each other.

All Danger Over.

Laredo, Sept. 20.—All danger from the flood caused by the unprecedented rise in the Rio Grande river is now a thing of the past and the waters have fallen so rapidly that it will be only a question of a few days until the normal stage has once again been reached. Reports were received Sunday covering the territory situated between Eagle Pass and Rio Grande City, and indicate that at all points the river shows a rapid fall.

Orel at Barcelona.

Barcelona, Sept. 20.—The Russian hospital ship Orel has arrived here on her way to the far east.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

There were 1600 excursionists at Galveston Sunday.

Texas City has received 4000 bales of steel from Progresso, Mex.

Near Jennings, Okla., Patrick Shanahan was killed in a runaway.

Bar associations of Indian Territory and Oklahoma will amalgamate.

Twenty-four marriage licenses were issued at Lawton, Okla., last week.

At Houston a boy named James McLeary had a leg cut off by a train.

The neck of Ben Johnson, a negro, was broken by a train at Big Springs, Tex.

Fruit and Truck Growers' Association of Texas meets at Tyler Oct. 6 and 7.

Near Smithville, Tex., Henry Mink was shot and killed. Lord Foxwell was arrested.

Oklahoma Letter Carriers' association met at Enid, Oklahoma City gets next convention.

Dr. J. M. Baker, charged with killing Dr. H. T. Bass at Tarboro, N. C. in 1903, was acquitted.

In a seven-inning baseball game Sunday at Chicago between the local National League club and Cincinnati, witnessed by 12,500 people, Chicago scored two runs and Cincinnati one.

KID ALEXIEFF IS ABSOLUTE

He Will Still Remain as the Viceroy in the Far East.

NOTHING IN RUMORS.

Has Always Shown the Utmost Appreciation of the Peculiar Delicacy of His Position, Interfering Never.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 20.—Late Monday a dispatch was received from General Kuropatkin announcing that Generals Rennenkampf and Samsonoff had been conducting important reconnaissances, which resulted in rather heavy fighting with many casualties. From General Kuropatkin's telegram it appears General Rennenkampf has recovered from his wound and has resumed command of his troops. The reconnaissances disclosed further increase in Japanese forces. Acting upon the advice of his military advisers, Emperor Nicholas has decided to form a second Manchurian army. It will be formed of corps which are being sent to the far east and



GRAND DUKE BORIS.

Lieutenant General Linevitch will probably be given command of it. General Kuropatkin will become chief of both armies, but probably without the title of commander in chief. It is impending reorganization, which, it seems, has led to countless rumors and reports of Kuropatkin's supersession of Viceroy Alexieff as commander in chief of the army, the latter's resignation, etc., but the Associated Press investigation indicate the above as the real situation. The Associated Press is informed that Alexieff will continue to be viceroy and as such he could not be subordinated in title to the commanding general, which will happen if Kuropatkin is given the title of commander in chief. Nevertheless, the Associated Press is informed Kuropatkin will virtually be in complete and untrammelled command.

As has been heretofore stated on high authority, the stories of Alexieff's interference with Kuropatkin are entirely without foundation. On the contrary, Alexieff has always shown the utmost appreciation of the peculiar delicacy of his position as Kuropatkin's superior, studiously avoiding even the semblance of interference with the operations of the Manchurian army.

Increase of Japanese forces at Yentai and Rentsiputze is reported. The Russians occupied several villages near the Japanese lines.

General Kuropatkin Sunday reviewed the Thirty-seventh division of the First army corps.

DRIVEN BACK.

Russians Successful in Attack on Front and Right Flank.

London, Sept. 20.—A dispatch to a news agency from St. Petersburg Monday says reconnaissances towards Japanese front and right flank, reported in the Japanese being driven back. The Russian losses, according to this version, are said to be slight.

Not Worth the Candle.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 20.—The Russian government's concession of neutral commerce in the matter of contraband of war does not meet with the approval of the Novoe Vremya, which declares the game of stopping neutral merchantmen is not worth the candle if Russia decides in advance to restore contraband seized.

Influx of Gamblers.

Waco, Sept. 20.—In delivering to the McLennan county grand jury his charge Judge Scott of the Fifty-fourth district court said he had heard there had been an unusual influx of gamblers recently, and advised if this be found true to look into the matter thoroughly, promising to aid in every way possible.

What's In a Name?

Everything is in the name when it comes to Witch Hazel Salve. E. C. DeWitt & Co. of Chicago, discovered some years ago how to make a salve from Witch Hazel that is a specific for Piles. For blind, bleeding, itching and protruding Piles, eczema, cuts, burns, bruises and all skin diseases, DeWitt's Salve has no equal. This has given rise to numerous worthless counterfeits. Ask for DeWitt's—the genuine. Sold by H. R. Moore, druggist.

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WORK OF LIGHTNING.

One Boy and Two Horses Dead and Four Boys Shocked.

Marietta, I. T., Sept. 20.—During a terrific storm here Sunday afternoon five boys and two horses were struck by lightning in front of the Baptist church. Both horses were instantly killed. Four of the boys were carried into the church. Tom Rose died at 7 o'clock, Frank Kesselberg is in a critical condition. Ed Parker was badly burned on his right arm. Burrell Howard is out of danger. Jeff Settle was slightly hurt. Three of the boys were on one horse and two on the other. An eye-witness describes the catastrophe as follows: "The lightning played over their heads and instantly they all dropped limp, like rags, the horses immediately under and the boys, four on one side and one on the other."

SWUNG FROM STEED.

John Ware Lynched and His Body Riddled With Bullets.

Atlanta, Sept. 20.—A special to the Constitution from Royston, Ga., says Judge Lynch held court in Franklin county Sunday and as a result the riddled body of John Ware, a negro, is swinging from the limb of a tree between here and Carnesville.

Ware was done to death by a mob for fatally shooting C. Y. Daniel, a son of George Daniel of Danielville. Young Daniel and the negro had some words over a trivial matter. It is said the negro became greatly enraged and swearing that no white man could run over him, drew a pistol and shot Daniel, the bullet inflicting a wound that will prove fatal.

The news of the shooting quickly spread and a crowd began gathering, many leaving church to join in the chase for the negro. The negro was captured early in the afternoon and while being hurried to Carnesville by the sheriff was overtaken by the mob. The negro was taken from the sheriff and deputies, seated on a horse, a noose fitted to his neck and the other end tied to a limb. The horse was then struck a sharp blow and dashed away, leaving the negro swinging to the limb. Half a hundred shots rang out and the swaying body was riddled. The corpse was left hanging by the mob.

WATER FRONT FIRE.

Powder and Dynamite Thrown Overboard in Nick of Time.

Halifax, N. S., Sept. 20.—Another water front fire which soon assumed serious proportions broke out early Monday morning in the warehouse of Black Bros. The flames in a few minutes jumped to the adjoining wharf. A quantity of powder and dynamite, which was stored in the building where the fire started, was thrown overboard. With the arrival of troops from the garrison and sailors of the fleet the fire was confined to the two wharves and was under control at 2 o'clock. The loss is estimated at \$50,000.

Some explosives blew up and drove the firemen from the warehouse.

KILLS CONDUCTOR.

Thirty-Five Cents Causes Railroad to Lose His Life.

Little Rock, Sept. 20.—Warren Baldwin, a conductor on the Iron Mountain railroad, was shot and killed by O. J. Allison, a section foreman, as his train was pulling into McGehee, Ark., early Sunday morning. The shooting followed a dispute over the payment of a fare of 35 cents. Allison paid the fare and then followed Baldwin into the next car, where he shot him down without warning. He then jumped from the train, but surrendered himself to a deputy sheriff and was taken to Arkansas City. Threats of mob violence were made, but the officers succeeded in getting the passenger to jail safely. Allison claimed that he acted in self-defense.

HORRIBLE DEED.

Woman Taken by Feet and Head Pounded on Floor.

Little Rock, Sept. 20.—Kittie Adams died Sunday morning as the result of a beating she received at the hands of William McMath, who is said to have taken her by the feet and pounded her head upon the floor of her bed chamber until she was unconscious. After dragging her to the bed McMath left her, and was arrested a few hours later. McMath is a son of an ex-policeman. He had been arrested many times for beating the same woman, who invariably came to his rescue with the amount of the fine.

Badly Perforated.

Natchez, Miss., Sept. 20.—J. Z. Stampley, a farmer of Franklin county, is at the Natchez charity hospital suffering from three dangerous pistol shot wounds inflicted by his cousin, Hugh and Thad Stampley. Two bullets penetrated the intestines twenty times. The shooting was the outgrowth of an old feud.

Dies in Father's Arms.

Farmersville, Tex., Sept. 20.—At Pilot Creek the thirteen-year-old son of James Kirby, a Katy section foreman, accidentally shot himself with a gun. The boy ran to his father, put his arms around Mr. Kirby's neck and said he had killed himself. He died in his father's arms.

Serenade of Death.

Oklahoma City, Sept. 20.—While in the act of serenading a girl a few nights ago some one shot Joe Whitney, a negro, in the abdomen. He died without being conscious enough to give location of house. The shot was fired from a barn.

Houston Critically Ill.

Woodward, Okla., Sept. 20.—Hon. Temple Houston, son of the noted Sam Houston, is critically ill. All his court cases at Guthrie have been continued.

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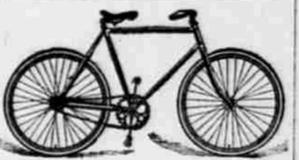
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