

# JAPANESE TROOPS DRIVEN BACK.

## Ninth Day of Battle Signaled by a Russian Victory. Loss of Life Very Heavy.

Mukden, Oct. 18.—The Russian forces at 11 o'clock yesterday morning penetrated the Japanese center and it is reported captured eleven or thirteen guns and 150 prisoners east of the railway. At another point during the day the Siberian regiments took twenty-four guns.

The Russian operations yesterday were quite successful. The Japanese, after a terrific resistance, were compelled to retire along their whole line, losing heavily. All the trenches carried by the Russians were filled with Japanese dead. In one not very large trench there were counted sixty corpses of Japanese. In spite of their losses the Japanese were undaunted. They have brought up siege guns and have left no stone unturned to regain mastery of the situation. Every step

the Russians have pushed forward has been in the face of a superb resistance that has cost the Russians dear. The Japanese seem to be willing to fight until they are annihilated.

Today is the tenth day of the battle.

**Casualties Emphatic.**

Washington: Count Cassini, the Russian ambassador, in a conversation with a correspondent of the Associated Press Monday night, reiterated with great emphasis what he has already had occasion to say several times regarding intervention by the powers to conclude the war.

"There is," he said, "absolutely no opportunity for intervention to stop the war. Russia proposes to prosecute the war to the end, and all efforts of peace at this time must be rejected."

# HER CAUSE FOR ANGER.

## Fiance's Proposition a Reflection She Would Not Endure.

A young West Philadelphia man, who was engaged to be married last fall, but whose wedding appears to have been indefinitely postponed, has confided to one or two intimate friends all that he knows of the cause of the wreck of his hopes and is asking them to explain, if they can, what it means, says an exchange. He went to the Adirondacks last year with a hunting party, and along with the tender and even tearful adieus of his fiancée he took a commission to bring back to her some deer skin suitable for making a pair of moccasins to be worn in her boudoir. He was lucky enough to get a deer soon after his arrival at the hunting grounds and in a burst of love and enthusiasm he sat down and wrote to the girl of his heart.

"I told her," he says, "that I had killed a deer all right and had not forgotten her order and that just as soon as I got another I would have the moccasins made myself and bring them to her. She never answered the letter, though she had plenty of time, and when I got home and called on her, she told me without comment beyond the threshold of the parlor and in the most icy tones that our engagement was at an end. No explanations were offered, nor could I get any. Now, what do you make out of that?"

# RUSSIANS ARE BESTING THE JAPS.

## Severe Hand-to-Hand Fighting—Gen. Yamada Lost Fourteen Guns—Jap Casualties, 1000.

Tokio, Oct. 19.—A report telling of the disaster to Gen. Yamada, and citing the conditions at the front has reached Tokio. It is as follows:

"The enemy's infantry, about a regiment strong, attacked part of the right army, occupying Shangpitaizu and Tachaku, on the morning of Oct. 16, but the Russians were routed by a counter attack and at 9:30 o'clock retreated toward the north.

"The enemy in the direction of Wai-tun Mountain remains in his position, but his state is uncertain.

"There is no change in the direction of our right army and there is no change in the front of our center army.

"On the evening of Oct. 16 a mixed detachment under command of Major General Yamada was sent to help part of the left army attacking the enemy north of the Shakhe river. It commenced its operations at the right wing, driving off the enemy. The detachment captured two guns and two ammunition wagons.

"Having attained its object the detachment after sunset, under cover of darkness, began retiring toward its original position.

"In the meantime, at 7 o'clock, the enemy, a division strong, made a vigorous advance and enveloped both wings of the detachment. Severe hand-to-hand fighting ensued.

"The detachment succeeded in driving off the enemy in front, but was unable to resist him on both flanks.

"After breaking through the Russian line the detachment reached its original position.

"Our artillery lost most of its men and horses and was compelled to leave behind nine field and five mountain guns. The enemy in front of the left army remained in the position he occupied. The front line of all our columns fired slowly until sunset.

"The enemy in front has been heavily reinforced, especially in front of our center army has the enemy's strength been enormously increased. The enemy's strength against the left flank of the left army amounts to a mixed brigade.

"Our casualties during the battle of Oct. 16 reached about one thousand."

**Summary of War News.**

St. Petersburg has been cheered by the report that Gen. Kurapatkin has resumed the offensive and by the news of the defeat of the Japanese commander Gen. Yamada, and the capture of Lone Tree Hill, which is reported to be the key to the position on the southwest front of the contending armies. If the report of the advance is authentic, the Russians have crossed to the south side of the Shakhe river, a later rise in the stream may have produced conditions seriously threatening the failure of Gen. Kurapatkin's plans, for it is believed the advance force will be cut off from the reserve and the base of supplies and retreat rendered problematical. It is, however, questionable if the advance movement had proceeded to the point indicated. There seems no immediate prospect of a cessation of the fighting that has been in progress for the last ten days, although there are signs that on both sides the supply of ammunition is falling short and that the limit of endurance of the troops must have been nearly reached.

# Camphor Gum Good Barometer.

A piece of camphor gum is a very good indicator of what the weather is going to be. If when the camphor is exposed to the air the gum remains dry, the weather will be fresh and dry, but if the gum absorbs the moisture, and seems damp, it is a sign of rain.

**Pleasant Man.**  
His kindly word will turn the edge Of envy's keenest saber. He needs but frankly smile to pledge The fealty of his neighbor. He makes of duty privilege. And glorious work of labor.  
—Newark News.

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**Return Hair in Disfavor.**  
In the hope of exterminating or lessening what they considered a curse, the Egyptians, in the time of the Ptolemies, used to burn a red-haired maiden once a year, so violently opposed were they to hair of a bright hue.

**Her Way of Putting It.**  
Mrs. New Cohn (who has been absorbing some of the vocabulary of her newly made acquaintances)—I have spent such a tiresome day over the perusal of wall paper for the cook's boudoir.

**Could Get No Rest.**  
Freeborn, Minn., October 17 (Special)—Mr. R. E. Goward, a well-known man here is rejoicing in the relief from suffering he has obtained through using Dodd's Kidney Pills. His experience is well worth repeating as it should point the road to health to many another in a similar condition.

"I had an aggravating case of Kidney Trouble," says Mr. Goward, "that gave me no rest day or night but using a few boxes of Dodd's Kidney Pills put new life in me and I feel like a new man."

"I am happy to state I have received great and wonderful benefit from Dodd's Kidney Pills. I would heartily recommend all sufferers from Kidney Trouble to give Dodd's Kidney Pills a fair trial as I have every reason to believe it would never be regretted."

Dodd's Kidney Pills make you feel like a new man or woman because they cure the kidneys. Cured kidneys mean pure blood and pure blood means bounding health and energy in every part of the body.

Because it contained an article on the Darwinian theory of evolution, a Russian archbishop has suppressed the Georgian almanac.

**Allen's Foot-Ease, Wonderful Remedy.**  
"Have tried ALLEN'S FOOT-EASE, and find it to be a certain cure and gives comfort to one suffering with sore, tender and swollen feet. I will recommend ALLEN'S FOOT-EASE to my friends, as it is certainly a wonderful remedy."—Mrs. N. H. Guilford, New Orleans, La.

A 4.7-inch gun will send a 45 pound shell a distance of over six miles.

Dickey's Old Reliable Eye-water cures sore or weak eyes. Don't hurt. Feels good.

We seek too high for things close by, and lose what nature found us, for life hath here no charms so dear as home and friends around us.

**Cotton Seed Hulls**  
Cake and Meal  
Low Prices. Quick Shipment.  
STREET & GRAVES, HOUSTON, TEX.

**Loses His Watch.**  
A Londoner lent a street bookmaker his watch, so that the bookmaker might be sure that he did not take bets on a race that had already been run. The bookmaker kept the watch and the lender sued for it. The court decided that, as it had been lent for an unlawful purpose, it could not be recovered at law.

**Equimaux Dogs.**  
The Equimaux dog will travel two days without food. One of the mixed breed must be fed at the close of the first day, or he is good for little the next. In winter their food often consists chiefly of dried capelin—the small, smelly fish used by the cod fishermen for bait.

**Beware of Ointments for Catarrh that Contain Mercury!**  
Mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous membrane. Such articles should never be in use. Sufferers from Catarrh of the Nose, Throat, Lungs, and Bronchitis, should use the only safe and effective remedy, Dr. J. C. Cheney's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Chicago, Ill. It is a purely vegetable and mineral preparation, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the seat of the disease. It is taken internally and made in Tablets, sold by F. J. Cheney & Co., 123 West Madison St., Chicago, Ill. Price, 50c per bottle. Take Allen's Family Pills for constipation.

**Father—Now, Maud, in selecting a husband look before all things, for intelligence and integrity. Your mother, I am sorry to say, looked only for money.**

Some one asks whether success is most due to luck, pluck or brains. The answer is easy—all three.

**Mrs. Winslow's Roothing Syrup.**  
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The man who puts his head into a barrel does not eclipse the sun.

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**TALK ON ADVERTISING**  
By C. W. Post to Publishers at Banquet at Battle Creek.

The sunshine that makes a business plant grow is advertising. Growing a business nowadays is something like growing an apple tree. You may select good seed, plant it in good soil, water and work with it, but the tree will not produce fruit until another and most potent element, energizing and life-giving element is brought to bear. You must have sunshine and lots of it. Can you expect to grow apples in the dark? Can you expect to grow a profitable business plant nowadays without the sunshine of public favor produced by advertising?

This Postum plant is a good illustration of that law. It seems but a short time ago when I put a few men at work in the carriage house of the barn you have seen to-day, where we began making Postum coffee.

The seed then planted, less than 3 years ago, was a new kind of apple seed and it was not altogether certain how the people would like the apples. We did our work thoroughly and plenty of it. We knew we had a good

Some thoughtful man might say that if what you manufacture has merit, once you get a trade established, people will continue to purchase, even if the advertising is stopped, but to act on that conclusion would be a fatal mistake, for there are always bright men on the lookout to steal your apples, and if you give them the chance they will come in and take the fruit, sure. Right here let us drive a nail, not a single nail but a forty penny spike. Your article must have merit, and away beyond the ordinary unadvertising thing. It should be the very best that human intelligence and ingenuity can produce. Then you have a foundation to build upon that will not slip off from under, when the building grows heavy. There are persons ignorant enough to believe that a poor article can be advertised into a success. It cannot and any one who tries the experiment will pay heavily for his experience. Critically examine any well known and advertised article that has been years on the market and

it will be found to possess exceptional merit.

In ancient days newspaper publishers considered an advertisement an evil but a necessary evil, and that it should be hidden away as carefully as possible, so that no one would discover that the paper was trying to make a little money by inserting public announcements. A paper run that way to-day would fail.

The most successful exponents of the new plan of doing business with ink and paper are using every possible means to make the announcements attractive and sought after by the readers.

It is safe to say that thousands of women read the newspaper—get the telegraphic page, but the pages containing announcements of bargains in stockings, shirts, hats, gloves, pianos, furniture, food for the table, etc.

You have been invited to visit Battle Creek for the purpose of viewing one of the most unique advertising buildings in the world, also to look over a large business built up, sustained, nourished and kept active by sunshine, and, at the same time, have an opportunity to see one of the most thrifty, active and prosperous towns of its size in the world, built up largely by the same kind of sunshine.

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apple tree of fine quality but how to develop our work and turn the apple tree into a productive and profitable tree was another question.

It needed sunshine and the kind of sunshine that is spread by the newspapers and magazines. It is an absolute certainty that without the publicity thus given—in other words, the sunshine—the business never would have developed.

You have seen to-day factory buildings—thirteen or fourteen in number—covering many acres of ground, employing hundreds of workpeople, producing food and drink in an aggregate of four million packages per month, which goes to every civilized country on the globe, and yet the entire enterprise is less than 9 years old. We have found it necessary, inasmuch as the tree has grown and the apples matured by hard work and sunshine, to continue the work and the sunshine day in and day out, month in and month out, the sunshine appropriation amounting to approximately a million dollars a year for advertising, for experience teaches that if you mature the tree under strong sunshine, and bring it up to a thrifty and healthful state where it produces profitable apples, you can not withdraw that sunshine else the tree will gradually die.

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**LIEUT. DEEN DEAD.**  
Was Killed in the Philippines by Lieut. Pritchard.

Washington: Crazy, possibly, as a result of long service in the tropics, Second Lieut. William D. Pritchard, son of United States Circuit Judge Pritchard of North Carolina, on Monday committed murder and suicide in Stotsenburg, P. I. This cable contains all that is known here of the tragedy: "Second Lieut. William D. Pritchard, while insane, shot Second Lieut. Fred L. Deen in the head at 11 o'clock this morning. He then immediately shot himself through the head. Both officers are dead."

Both men were in the Thirteenth United States Cavalry, Lieut. Pritchard in Troop F and Lieut. Deen in Troop D. No one knew of any trouble between them and the report of insanity is regarded as the only explanation. There is nothing in Lieut. Pritchard's record to show he was ever seriously ill or in any degree mentally unstable. His record was excellent.

Lieut. Deen was a native Texan. His home was at Athens in this state, and he graduated from West Point in 1901 and was assigned to the Thirteenth Cavalry. While at the Military Academy he was a star football player.



**GRAND DUKE NICHOLAS.**  
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The czar has virtually settled upon this grand duke as the commander-in-chief of the forces in Manchuria, although an official announcement to this effect is not expected until the second army, to be commanded by Gen. Gripenberg, is ready to take the field.

**Pilgrims to Esopus.**  
New York: A delegation of about 300 members of the New Harlem Democratic Club on Saturday next will go to Esopus where they will pay their respects to Judge Parker. An engraved and framed set of commendatory resolutions, recently passed by the club, will be presented to the nominee.

**Heavy Rail Laying Completed.**  
Hearne, Texas: The steel gang that has been laying heavy steel between this place and Bryan for the past few weeks finished the work Monday. This gives the Houston and Texas Central heavy steel from this place to Houston. The light rails in the yards here will be replaced by the 50-pound rail.

**Pump House Threatened.**  
El Paso, Texas: The Rio Grande continues to rise in this vicinity, but thus far there has been no material damage. The Galveston, Harrisburg and San Antonio Railway train dispatcher received a telegram Monday night from Fort Hancock stating that the railway pump house there is threatened with destruction.

**Caught in Whirling Shaft.**  
Oklahoma City, Ok.: John P. Capp, aged 35 years, employed at the Southwestern Oil Mill in this city, was caught in machinery and killed. He has relatives somewhere in Texas.

**Negro Boy Lost a Leg.**  
Conroe, Texas: News has reached here that a negro boy, whose name could not be ascertained, got one of his legs cut off by a Santa Fe freight train at Waukegan Monday while attempting to catch the train while in motion.

**Died in a Wagon.**  
Hillsboro, Texas: J. G. Bankson, a merchant of Galena, Kan., died at a wagon yard here Sunday night. He arrived the night before in a wagon with a nephew en route to San Antonio. They were traveling in a wagon for the benefit of his health.

**Conference at Victoria.**  
Victoria, Texas: The quarterly conference of the Methodist church was held here Saturday and Sunday, Rev. J. C. Wilson presiding.

**Refunding Plan Adopted.**  
Denver, Colo.: The threatened injunction against the proposed bond issue of \$45,000,000 by the Colorado Fuel and Iron Company did not materialize at the annual meeting of the stockholders, which was held in this city Monday afternoon. The refunding plan was adopted.

**Smith Resisted Arrest.**  
Mobile, Ala.: John Bullock, the town marshal at Lucedale, Miss., has shot and mortally wounded John Smith at that place. Smith was resisting arrest for disorderly conduct. Smith hails from Limestone, Fla., and was employed by the Kansas City Lumber Company. Smith is in a critical condition at the hospital in Mobile.

**The Right Kind of Friends.**  
Goazales, Texas: A neat sum of money was made up by friends of Mr. and Mrs. Guppy and presented to them to build a home to replace the one destroyed by fire Friday.

**WOOD GROWN IN BOSTON.**  
Dye Boadices Used Still Raised in Some Parts of England.

It is not generally known that wood, which impressed our earliest years with envy when we learn that the ancient Britons stained themselves bright blue with it at a moment's notice, is still grown in Lincolnshire as a dye.

The neighborhood of Boston and of Wsbech in Lincolnshire are the places where the industry survives. The seed is sown early in April, on little embankments, and the plants grow from three feet to four feet high. The cultivation is laborious, as the ground has to be weeded constantly, and to do this men and women work on their hands and knees.

The harvest goes on from August till November, the plants being pulled in a green state as they come to their full height. To insure their coming on in relays the sowings are very intermittent.

The juice is crushed out by heavy wheels working in a trough, and is peculiarly poisonous to other plant life. The finest and most lasting blue dye for cloth is obtained in this way.—Country Life.

**The Greatest Treasure.**  
Recently a gentleman entered a prominent bank in Berlin and said to the cashier:

"I understand that you take charge of title deeds, jewelry and other treasures, and, as I am about to start for America and will be absent for some time, I wish to place in your hands something very valuable and which, if lost, could not be replaced."

"All right, sir," was the reply. "Bring it here whenever you please."

"And will you take the greatest possible care of it?" asked the gentleman.

"In our hands it will be perfectly safe," answered the cashier. "For it will be placed in a box in our vault which no burglar can enter."

"Oh, that wouldn't do at all," exclaimed the gentleman, "for it would die without fresh air."

"Fresh air?" cried the astonished cashier, then, recovering his usual self-possession, he asked: "What is the treasure which you intend to place in our charge?"

"My wife," replied the gentleman with a smile.—New York Herald.

**Benny on the Gorilla.**  
The gorilla is the largest and homeliest of the monkey race. He is not handsome, but he is strong. A gorilla is a match for five or six men, but if I was Jim Jeffries I would not be afraid to meet him in single combat. This is because Jim Jeffries has more science. If you were traveling in Africa and should meet a gorilla your only hope would be to seek safety in flight, unless you had a gun. There are several gorillas in captivity but they are all stuffed. When you see a stuffed gorilla in a glass case you wonder why the Lord made him, but something inside of you seems to tell you, in soft and gentle accents, that it is one of your business. If I had a gorilla I would trade him for a pony, which is much more genteel, and will eat sugar out of your hand.

**"Fairy Stories Told Here."**  
An ingenious girl lately introduced a popular novelty in the way of entertainment, upon being called upon to take part in a charity bazaar likely to attract many children, says the Philadelphia Inquirer. She conceived the brilliant notion—R proved even more brilliant than was expected—of turning her powers of story telling and her remarkable memory to account "for the good of the cause." Her society had always been in demand among children, and when she set aside a pretty decorated corner placard of "Fairy stories told here, 5 cents each," the circle of campstools arranged about her own chair was filled as soon as each tale ended. There were always little ones waiting for admittance—and sometimes an older listener appeared.

**Life's Lover.**  
With those who know her for gifts He came to where Life's altar rose; And some she crowned for royal state, And some she crowned for sacrifice.

Garlands she had of palm and bay, Laurel and thorn; the lit white rose For those whose lives are prayers; the rose for those who follow Love's delight.

Then he, her lover, embraced at last The steps of Hope, whereon she stands; And smiling, asked her, "What for me?" And reached to her his empty hands.

"Even as the rose," she said, "so I, My best for you. Below I kneel, And bend about my brows she set The sunny expanse bringing sleep."—Chicago Tribune.

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New varieties of potatoes are bringing \$5 and \$10 per pound in the London market.

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