

RELENTLESS PURSUIT.

Japanese Closing in on Fleeing Russians.

KUROPATKIN QUILTS GAME

One Report Has It That Victorious Forces Have Succeeded in Cutting Off the Russian Retreat - It Is Not Confirmed.

London, March 17.-A despatch from General Oku's headquarters announced that the pursuit of the Russians is being kept up with the same vigor that has marked all of the Japanese efforts to overtake the enemy.

A despatch to the Central News from St. Petersburg says that General Kuropatkin left Tieling on a special train Wednesday night, bound for St. Petersburg.

An unconfirmed report has reached London that the Japanese have succeeded in cutting off Kuropatkin's retreat.

Opinions as to whether Kuropatkin will continue the retreat steadily to the northward or will attempt to effect a junction with the Russian forces at Vladivostok. It is believed that a fresh Japanese army has landed near Vladivostok and that the Japanese are now trying to envelop Kuropatkin and invest Vladivostok. This would leave the Russians no alternative but continue or be annihilated.

DETAILS ARE FEW.

Late Despatches Say That Japs Captured Many Prisoners at Tieling.

Tokio, March 17.-The details of the capture of Tieling by the Japanese are coming in slowly. Late despatches say that the Japanese captured many prisoners when they took Tieling and the Russians destroyed vast quantities of stores when they evacuated the place.

THE LAST STRONGHOLD.

Southern Manchuria Now in Complete Possession of Japanese.

St. Petersburg, March 17.-With the evacuation of Tie pass Wednesday night the Russian army abandoned the last stronghold in Southern Manchuria and definitely turned over the section to the Japanese for the campaign of 1905. At least no other strategic position is possible for General Kuropatkin in view of his scanty supplies of ammunition and stores, the shattered condition of his army and the wide enveloping movements which the Japanese have continued almost without a stop since the Russian defeat at Mukden.

Nothing has been heard of the part which General Kawamura's army is taking in these operations, but Generals Nogi and Oku, operating in the low hills of the Tie pass gorge were themselves sufficient to turn the shattered Russian army out of the fortifications which have been prepared with a view to being held by the army after it should have been withdrawn from Mukden.

The Japanese are evidently doing their utmost to accomplish the envelopment of the Russian army, which all but succeeded at Mukden, but General Kuropatkin with the railway for a line of retreat will probably be able to keep ahead of his pursuers. A constant succession of delay from the rear guard encounters may be expected.

A BREAK WITH FRANCE?

Russia Is to Withdraw Special Privileges to French Correspondents.

Birmingham, Eng., March 17.-The Post says that Russia is about to withdraw the special privileges which have been accorded the French correspondents in the Far East. This is regarded as the first sign of the weakening of the alliance between Russia and France.

WILL DO LITTLE GOOD.

But Russia Just Wanted Kuropatkin's Official Scalp.

St. Petersburg, March 17.-General Soukhomlinoff will be chief of staff, with General Linievitch who succeeds General Kuropatkin as commander-in-chief of the Russian armies. A temporary war council will be organized in Manchuria. The official messenger mentions Kuropatkin's dismissal in a few words, without the slightest reference to his distinguished services. This has caused much strong comment from the public.

General Linievitch is popular with the army, but it is admitted that he will not be able to change the course of the war materially.

HE IS FOR PEACE.

Russian Prince Causes Sensation in St. Petersburg.

St. Petersburg, March 17.-Prince Mestecherky, in an article in the Grahdanin, advises the government to promptly conclude peace. He says: "Let us have the heroic strength to confess defeat before the world. Better conditions will be obtainable now than

later, when Vladivostok and Sakhalin have fallen into the hands of the Japanese, and the conclusion of peace will prove the salvation of the country, by averting internal shipwreck."

These words from such an influential reactionary as Prince Mestecherky have caused a sensation.

BURNED PROVISIONS.

Russians Attempted to Destroy All Before Retiring.

Washington, March 17.-The Japanese minister today received the following report from Tokio:

"The railway station and other facilities for transportation at Tieling are practically unimpaired, being in about the same condition as those at Liaoyang after its fall. Of the large quantity of Russian provisions and fodder stored, nearly two-thirds has been burned by the enemy. Our troops took many trophies which as yet remain unaccounted. Numerous prisoners were captured on our right, but the number has not yet been reported."

BATTLE REPORTED.

Japanese Engage Russians North of Tieling.

London, March 17.-A St. Petersburg despatch to the Evening Standard says a fierce battle is in progress north of Tieling.

Threats to Blow Up Buildings.

St. Petersburg, March 17.-Considerable alarm has been caused here and at Moscow by the receipt of anonymous blow up public buildings. The threat as to Moscow applies particularly to the depots of army stores destined for Manchuria.

The action of the Moscow corn exchange in voting an address to the emperor on the subject of his recent rescript shows the extent of the liberal movement, only two of the 46 members present raising a timid voice against the address which contained a reference to "liberating the people," even these two later signing the address.

FOUND UNCONSCIOUS.

Helen Testereau Told a Strange Story in Waltham, Mass.

Waltham, Mass., March 17.-Helen Testereau, an 18-year-old girl, was found last night unconscious from the effects of an unknown drug and bound hand and foot behind a billboard in a field off Lexington and near Curve street. By her side was a small vial containing a liquid, the nature of which has not yet been determined.

Upon regaining consciousness the girl declared that she came here from Boston yesterday in search of employment and that while walking along Lexington street she met a young man of whom she inquired the way to Lincoln street.

Miss Testereau said the man replied that he was himself going to Lincoln street and would personally direct her. She says that they walked together until they reached an unfrequented spot, when her companion suddenly seized her and held a handkerchief over her face until she lost consciousness.

HE SOLD BAD VEAL.

Rutland Man Pleaded Guilty to Breaking Health Law.

Rutland, March 17.-The case against Myron Stearns of 57 Prospect street, which was continued from Wednesday, came up before City Judge Willis M. Ross in his office yesterday. Mr. Stearns pleaded guilty to a charge of having kept with intent to sell, veal less than four weeks old and was fined \$10 and costs, which he paid. The other charge against Mr. Stearns, that of maintaining a slaughter house within 200 feet of a dwelling, was held open upon his promise to place his premises in a condition satisfactory to the health officer.

VERMONTNER IN LIST.

Arthur Le Field of Bakersfield Is a Rhodes Scholar.

Waterville, Me., March 17.-President C. S. White of Colby College was notified yesterday by the Oxford College examiners in England, that Arthur Lee Field of Bakersfield, Vt., Karl Raymond Kennison of Waterville, and Harold William Soul of Hingham, Mass., have passed successfully the examination for admission to Oxford under conditions of the Cecil Rhodes scholarship bequest.

"ROBERT EMMET" TO-NIGHT.

St. Patrick's Day Presentation at Opera House by Local Talent.

At the Barre opera house this evening, March 17, the great drama, "Robert Emmet," will be presented by Division 1, Ancient Order of Hibernians, with the following cast:

- Robert Emmet (the Irish Patriot), Mr. William A. Moore
Darby O'Gaff (a Sprig of the Emerald Isle), Mr. Daniel J. Sullivan
O'Leary (an Old Soldier), Mr. Wm. J. Kingston
Dowdall (Friend to Emmet), Mr. John Heney
Kernan (a Traitor), Mr. A. J. Guthrie
Sergeant Topfall (of English Army), Mr. William McTurk
Corporal Thomas (of British Army), Mr. Wm. A. Reilly
Lord Nurbury, (a Judge), Mr. Wm. A. Reilly
Baton George (a Judge), Mr. M. C. Sullivan
Baron Daley (a Judge), Mr. James Goff
Conor (Jailer), Mr. Wm. J. Kingston
Sarah Curran (Emmet's Sweetheart), Mrs. A. C. Moore
Judy O'Dougherty, Miss Agnes G. Nash
Peasants, Soldiers, Colleagues of Emmet's, Constables, Jury, etc.
Specialties--Songs by Wm. H. MeTurk, James Bennet, Jr., Miss Grace Devers and others. New Regulation U. S. A. Drill by Capt. P. J. Rogers and Squad from Co. E, V. N. G.

Prices, 25c, 35c and 50c. Seats are now on sale at the Red Cross Pharmacy.

FULL PAY WITHHELD

New York Strike Breakers Disgruntled

AND FORM REBELLION

Farley's Crew Claim That They Have Not Been Well Treated by the Interborough Company.

New York, March 17.-There was open rebellion among the 600 strike breakers brought here by the Interborough Rapid Transit company from surrounding towns and cities, and considerable excitement last night, owing to the alleged unfair treatment of men by the company. Police reserves were called and placed in and about the barns of the company at Third avenue and 179th street. The men first complained because the company stopped supplying them with meals more than 13 hours before they received their pay and the men had not sufficient money to buy their own meals. When the pay card did arrive the men found that they were only paid for the work they did last week, and as many wanted to leave they wanted their pay in full.

The advantage secured by the visitors yesterday was reduced by two games, the Americans winning six of eleven games, while twenty-nine were drawn. Particularly brilliant play marked the evening session, each team securing four games. The total score for the two days play is: Britishers 14, Americans 9, drawn 57.

The feature of the day's play was the work of Henfner (American), who succeeded in winning three of his four games with Halliwell. The fourth game was a draw. With Reynolds, the Syracuse player, Champion Stewart of Scotland was unable to secure better than a draw.

A serious injury to the score of the American team was the playing of Grover against Gardner. Grover, who played four draws, opened strong in each instance, but his endings were too weak to score him a win.

The interest in the tournament continues unabated and 200 spectators closely watched the progress of the various games tonight. Several of the American players expressed the opinion that the match will be a close one, the Americans having recovered from their "stage fright," when contesting with the visitors, nearly all of whom are present or past champions. There remain to be played 320 games.

GETS MILITARY INSTRUCTION.

Major Dyer, National Guard Officer, Completes Course at Fort Ethan Allen.

Burlington, March 17.-Major H. Edward Dyer of the Vermont National Guard, who has been at Fort Ethan Allen the past four months taking a course of military instruction, completed his studies and examinations yesterday and in the evening left for his home at Rutland. Major Dyer is the only officer of the Vermont National Guard to take this course of study. Other officers, although desiring the course could not neglect their business interests. Major Dyer received from the government during the course his costs for living and transportation to and from his home. All other expenses had to be defrayed by him, and he received no salary while on this duty. He had to purchase extra uniforms and had other expenses. The course embraces the same subjects that the officers at the fort study and is of great benefit to militia officers. Major Dyer showed up exceedingly well in all of his examinations. He will return to the fort next year and take higher subjects.

CHURCHES MAY UNITE.

Congregational and Christian Societies of Randolph Consider Propositon.

Randolph, March 17.-At a business meeting of the Congregational society held at the church Wednesday evening, the proposition, which has been quite thoroughly agitated for the past few months, in regard to the uniting of the Congregational and Christian churches of this village, was discussed and very favorably considered by the members of the Congregational society. A vote taken in favor of the move was almost unanimous and it was voted to have the standing committee confer with the standing committee of the Christian church and report at a meeting to be held March 29. It is understood that the members of the Christian church are quite as much in favor of the change which may be brought about in the near future.

Killed in New York Subway.

New York, March 17.-Two employees were killed in the subway last night. Charles Berg, an assistant foreman who was walking the track, was struck and instantly killed by a southbound train. The motorman, John D. Murtha, was arrested. George Brown, a track walker, was killed in the same manner.

DENTISTS ADJOURN

Dr. C. H. Kent of Barre a Vice-President.

BRATTLEBORO NEXT YEAR

After Election of Officers This Forenoon Forenoon the Convention of Vermont Society Was Concluded--Social Function Last Evening.

Rutland, March 17.-The state dental convention adjourned at noon today, after the election of the following officers:

- President, George F. Barber of Brattleboro.
First vice president, George O. Mitchell of St. Albans.
Second vice president, C. H. Kent of Barre.
Secretary, Thomas Mound of Barre.
Corresponding secretary, Miss Grace L. Bosworth of Rutland.
Treasurer, W. H. Munsell of White River Junction.
Executive committee, Harry F. Hamilton of Newbury, Charles F. Macnaman of Bellows Falls, A. J. Cutler of Bennington.

The following dentists who were guests of the Vermont association during the convention, were made honorary members: Dr. Edgar O. Kinman of Cambridge, Mass., Dr. C. Frank Bliven of Worcester, Mass., Dr. James E. Power of Providence, R. I., Dr. Walter E. Brigham of South Framingham, Mass., Dr. Edwin C. Davis of Alston, Dr. C. W. Meeker of Newark, N. J., and Dr. H. S. Stephen of Newark.

It was decided to hold the next annual convention in Brattleboro in May, 1906. Last evening was observed as "ladies' night," an enjoyable musical and literary programme being carried out at the Grand Army hall, after which there was an informal dance.

FIRE IN MONTEPELIER.

O. M. Fisher's Residence Damaged \$150 This Forenoon.

Montpelier, March 17.-Fire damaged the residence of O. M. Fisher on State street to the extent of \$150 this forenoon. The fireman called out at ten o'clock found that the floor beneath the kitchen had a large hole burned in it. It caught from the ash pipe. The loss is fully covered by insurance.

CADET DIED SUDDENLY.

Cuban Student at Norwich University Ill Only 27 Hours.

Northfield, March 17.-Cadet Miguel Sierra, '07, Norwich University, died yesterday afternoon at his boarding place, after an illness of only 27 hours. Yesterday he was taken seriously ill and doctors were called immediately but were unable to determine the nature of his illness. He continued growing worse and became unconscious about five hours before he died. He was a Cuban coming here from Santiago, Cuba, and when in an unconscious state talked wholly in Spanish. An autopsy was held at five o'clock last night and it was found that an abscess had formed on the intestines near the kidneys and broken.

Sierra, according to the authorities at the university, had been on the sick list many times during the last month and his peculiar actions had attracted much attention. He was about 20 years old and had no relatives in this country except a brother living in Mobile, Ala. The body will be sent to Mobile today on the 12:50 train.

Death of Northfield Woman.

Northfield, March 7.-Mrs. George W. Brooks died yesterday at her home on West Hill at about six o'clock. She was about 25 years old and leaves a husband and one child, born January 1. Mrs. Brooks has been in very poor health since the birth of the child, being confined to the bed most of the time.

SPEAKS TWICE TONIGHT.

President Roosevelt Left Washington for New York This Morning.

Washington, March 17.-President Roosevelt, accompanied by Mrs. Roosevelt, Secretary Loeb, Stokes of the Navy and Stenography Lotta, left this morning for New York, at 6:45 over the Pennsylvania road. The President is to attend the wedding of his niece, Miss Eleanor Roosevelt, this afternoon, and this evening will attend two banquets, that of the Friendly Sons of St. Patrick at Delmonico's and the Sons of the American Revolution at the Hotel Astor.

The president's party will leave New York on the return trip soon after midnight.

GOV. PEABODY WON.

But Guaranteed That He Would Resign in Favor of McDonald.

Denver, March 17.-James H. Peabody yesterday won his contest for the office of governor of Colorado, from which he retired on January 10, after serving a term of two years, but his victory was achieved only after he had given his pledge to resign and surrender the chair to Lieut. Gov. Jesse F. McDonald, Republican. Governor Peabody took over the office of governor from Adams last night.

SECOND PLACE DECIDED.

Foresters of America Cribbage Team Defeats Clan Gordon.

The second place in the Interfraternity Cribbage league standing was won by the Foresters of America, the tie between them and the Clan Gordon team being played off last evening. The Foresters won at five tables to three. The result by tables was as follows: A. Smith and A. Clark, F. of A., defeated A. Rennie and John Cruickshank, C. G.; William Williams and Wm. Evans, F. of A., defeated H. Gordon and Robert Shaw, C. G.; Alex Stephens and Oscar Burgh, F. of A., defeated J. Smart and J. Booth, C. G.; William Scott and William Morrison, F. of A., defeated George Riddle and D. McLeod, C. G.; William Mackie and William Alexander, F. of A., defeated Alex Milne and B. Scott, C. G.

Next evening the Interfraternity Cribbage league schedule for the season is now finished, and arrangements are being made for the annual banquet which will be held shortly after Easter. The present season has been most successful.

NORWICH DEFEATED.

In Rough Game of Basket Ball Company D Won, 25 to 13.

St. Johnsbury, March 17.-In an exciting but rough game here last night, Company D defeated Norwich University by the score of 25 to 13.

Table with 3 columns: Name, P., W., Pct.
CO. D.
Beck, I. f. 57 14 .792
Eagle 35 16 .686
Eureka 35 16 .686
Dewey's Collis 23 29 .431
Hot Airs 14 37 .374
Independents 10 41 .196

HOT AIRS SURELY.

Montpelier Bowlers Easily Defeated Last Evening.

The Hot Airs of Montpelier proved themselves worthy of their name last evening when the Eureka of this city easily defeated them three straight strings at Bascombe's alleys. The totals were as follows:

Table with 3 columns: Name, P., W., Pct.
Eureka 840 804 835-2479
Hot Airs 740 747 715-2202

WELL ENTERTAINED.

Members of Over the Tea Cups Club Had Enjoyable Time Yesterday.

The members of the Over the Tea Cups club were entertained at the home of Mrs. F. T. Cutler yesterday afternoon. The affair was in the form of a social which was very much enjoyed by all present. One feature was a guessing contest and Mrs. Charles Allen was awarded the prize.

At 5:30 o'clock the guests were invited into the dining room, where the table was filled with palatable dainties. The supper was served by the Misses Gray and Sadie Cate who deserve much credit. The evening was spent in playing whist by those who indulge. The club was entertained by Mrs. E. L. Smith, Mrs. A. L. Morse, Mrs. Geo. McFarland and Mrs. F. T. Cutler. At nine o'clock the members said good-night to their hostesses and all declared they had had a good time.

FUNERAL OF O. F. WHITE.

Held This Morning From St. Monica's Church.

The funeral of Oliver F. White was held from St. Monica's church at 9 o'clock this morning. Mass was celebrated by Father Cray and the requiem was sung by Miss Rose Cook. There was a large attendance of friends and relatives and many beautiful floral offerings decked the casket. The pall bearers were four brothers, David E., Edgar J., Louis E., and Ezra J. The interment was in the Catholic cemetery.

Funeral of Madine Creed.

The funeral of Madine, the 18 months old daughter of Mrs. Grace Creed, was held at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon from her home in the Morse block, Rev. F. A. Poole officiating. The body was placed in the tomb in Elmwood cemetery.

Fine Menu and Programme.

Menu and programme for supper at Presbyterian church, Tuesday, March 21st. Menu: Roast beef, roast pork, mashed potatoes, gravy, cabbage salad, sweet pickles, hot roll, lemon pie, cake, doughnuts, tea and coffee.

The following is the programme: Selection by ladies' quartette, composed of Mrs. A. W. Allen, Miss Bessie Jones, Mrs. H. R. Hay, and Mrs. J. M. Panton. Solo... Mrs. George Houghton. Violin Solo... Albert Scott. Duet... Miss Phillips and Mr. Sheriffs. Reading... J. Ward Carver. Solo... Miss Maggie Brown. Solo... Mr. T. Mercer. Selection... Ladies' Quartette.

EXTRAVAGANT MANAGEMENT

Trustee Ballard Tells of Unnecessary Expenditures

AT THE STATE ASYLUM.

Also Says That Superintendent Hutchin-son Exceeded His Authority - Dr. D. D. Grout Says Institution Was Well Conducted.

The special commission which is investigating the management of the state asylum for the insane at Waterbury finished up its work in Montpelier last evening and went to Waterbury, where arrangements were made to bring before the board today such patients as could be relied upon, that is, those patients whose minds are normal on all matters except some opiate mania. These witnesses will be depended upon to a large extent to substantiate or refute testimony concerning abusive treatment of patients which was taken at Montpelier yesterday as presented by former inmates and officials. After hearing these witnesses for a part of the day the hearing was adjourned to a later date.

Orrie Ballard, a trustee of the institution from 1899 to 1900 was on the stand at the close of the hearing last evening and had not concluded. He testified there was so much friction between Dr. Hutchinson and the heads of departments that soon after he was appointed a trustee the board divided the administration into four distinct departments. Dr. Berry was made superintendent of the medical department; P. L. Lyons, superintendent of buildings and construction; J. F. Shipman, farm superintendent; and W. J. Belmont, superintendent of the electrical department.

Mr. Ballard said Dr. Hutchinson, the superintendent, at one time raised the pay of an engineer without consulting the trustees, which he had no authority to do. He said Dr. W. N. Platt of Shoreham, one of the trustees, never was in his right mind a whole day at a time. He was evidently under the influence of some opiate or drug. Mr. Ballard said Dr. Hutchinson was incompetent and useless as business administrator. As an example of this Dr. Hutchinson sold to him for \$1 a wagonette that cost \$125, and could have been sold for \$50 or \$60. Mr. Ballard shipped this to a man in St. Albans and made him a present of it. The man used it for several years. Ballard also bought of Dr. Hutchinson for \$10 a three-seated sleigh that cost not less than \$150.

An Extravagant Superintendent.

He testified that Dr. Hutchinson used about \$750 per month in putting up permanent buildings which the trustees thought could not be done without a special appropriation. A piggy bank was needed at the hospital and the trustees got out lumber from the hospital farm to build it. Dr. Hutchinson did not like this and built a piggy bank of brick against the express orders of the trustees. He used 90,000 brick and paid \$6.50 per thousand when they could have been bought in the open market for \$5.70. He used 200 barrels of cement in building this piggy bank, paying \$1.85 per barrel for it, when it could have been bought for \$1.20. In last one year the superintendent ran the institution in debt \$5,951, and expended in buildings \$12,000, for which there had not been an appropriation. They lost 70 or 80 hogs in the new piggy bank because of poor ventilation.

Mr. Ballard said that Dr. Hutchinson testified in Lamoille county court in a will case that in a year and a half he had visited every ward in the state hospital once and some of them he had visited twice. When the trustees heard of this they issued an order that he should visit every ward in the institution at least once a week.

James Williams for the past six years painter at the institution, testified as to the excellency of the administration of Dr. Hutchinson. He had never seen anything out of the way.

Dr. D. D. Grout of Waterbury testified he believed Dr. Hutchinson was fully competent to manage the institution. He had been called there to perform several autopsies and always found everything in good shape.

Depositions of Former Officials.

Attorney-General Fitts has received a type written copy of the depositions taken February 10 at Young's Hotel in Boston of Patrick L. Lyon, formerly superintendent of construction at the hospital, and Dr. Frank W. Page, a former superintendent at the institution. Mr. Lyon's deposition covers over 85 type written pages and some of it criticizes very sharply the methods of Dr. Hutchinson. Mr. Lyon said among other things that he reduced the pressure in the boilers enough to save 70 tons of coal in a year and to pay the men in the boiler room and could thoroughly heat the building with reduced pressure, but after Dr. Hutchinson arrived he had orders to change it back to the full pressure of 60 pounds.

Dr. Page is now superintendent of the insane asylum at Danvers, Mass. In his disposition he said that had he known in what condition the Waterbury asylum was before he went there he would never have taken charge of it. He said the institution was untidy, the administration of affairs could not have been worse; the patients were poorly fed and inattentive, the attendants were careless and indifferent and the patients were neglected. He had found it necessary to discharge 175 nurses the first year he was there.