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## Salt Lake Man Writes of the War From Japan.

Millado's People Rejoice Over Victory, but Hearts Are Touched With Sorrow at Mighty Losses Of Brave Sons- Official Reports Show a Frightful Slaughter-

Newspaper and Other Comments.

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OKYO, Japan, March 15 .- Tha mighty conflict which began the latter part of last month having

terminated with the Japanese once more victorious, it is almost superfluous to say that the whole nation is

In a state of high elation. On the afternoon of the 11th inst., the first official reports from the field of action were received here at imperial military headquarters, and soon following their reception the streets were enging with the criss of the news carriers announcing the details of the first day's battle. Subsequent reports re-vealed the fact that the Russians had been badly beaten and as usual, those who were able to move, were on the this time with the Japanese in

brating this great victory and it re-joices in its continued success, yet the hearts of the people are very sad be-cause of the loss of ao many of their brave sons. The latest reports show that 41.522 have been killed and wound-cd, among whom are 141 killed and 752 wounded offleers. wounded officers. With regard to the Russian dead and

With regard to the Russian dead and wounded the report says: "The enemy's dead are lying in heaps on each bat-tiefield, but we have as yet had no time to bury the bodies." It must have been a perfect slaughter for Marshal Oyama's report states that "the ene-my's casualties are estimated at 90,000. The Russians left 26,500 dead on the field." With regard to the spolls and prisoners of war, he adds: "The Rus-sian casualites and the number of pris-oners and spoils taken by the different sections, of the imperial army are so sections, of the imperial army are so far roughly estimated as follows, there While the nation as a whole is cele- being a continual increase in the num-

ber of prisoners, guns of different de-scriptions, and other spoils: Prisoners, including Maj.-Gen. Nakhimoff, over 40,000; killed, left on the field, 26,500; wounded, 99,000; flags, 2; guns, about 60; rifles, about 60,000; ammunition wagrons, 156; transport wagrons, L600; gun ammunition, 200,000 rounds; rifle ammunition, 25,009,000 rounds; cereal, 4,569,240 pounds; fodder, 16,761,240 pounds; materials for light military raliway, sufficient for 45 miles; rail-way cars for above, 300; horses, 2,000; maps, 23 Chinese cart loads; accoutre-ments, over 1,000 Chinese cart loads; bread, 1,000,000 loaves; ruel, 750,000 tons; bry, 1,250 tons. In addition there are innumerable quantities of entrenching ools, cattle, telegraph poles, square imber, iron bedsteads, stoves, etc."

Naturally the newspapers of the ountry are ablaze with patriotic and ongratulatory editorials lauding, to the skies, the achievements of the na-

tion's noble patriots tion's noble patricts, Marshall Oyama at their head, Jiji con-siders the present deta, id the re-treat of the enemy as a screditable even for him, it have expected a more stubborn and such dresistance on his part, and that the ve cannot be a more elequent tribition to the super-iority of the Japanese rules in strut-esy and faction that the very fact. Jiji con-id the re-screditable egy and factics that "Kuropatkin had ful his very fact. five months, hich he had every moment of used to its utmost v his positions both a which to strengthen fense works and the number of conunnts, and when the clash came he ought into his knowledge, art id energy to their utmost extent, as he transfer of his forces from one point to another would forces from one pg it to another would prove. Yet his g ind armles are now flying in confusion and he will no longer be able to humbit the world with his premeditated resear. In any case Russia has now roved of her own ac-cord that she's no match for Japan on the field of attle." And the jour-nal thinks that her boast about bring-ing forward a freeh arms of 400 400 me ing forward a fresh army of 400,000 men will only end in brag. The Asahl believes that a new situa-

tion will arise with regard to the war as the result of the engagement. For,

Marshal | field of a fresh force double the Japanese host in numerical strength, and to do so it will take her at least three four months. "But," as the article tes, "her war stores at Mukden and Fushun being either now destroyed of in our hands, the forwarding of sup-In our hands, the forwarding of sup-plies will have to precede the trans-portation of soldiers, so that Russia will altogether require some eight or nine months to bring up her armies at the front to a working form and posi-tion. In that period, what will not happen in Russia! In short, Russia is irretrievably beaten, whereas the vio-tory has added many noins to Japan's has added many points to Japan's it abroad and has opened a new

The Nichi Nichi is overjoyed that the pursuit of the enemy has, in the pres-ent engagement, been as effective as can be, and all operations, respecting the Japanese armies, have been carried the Japanese armies, have been carried out as planned. Referring to the ene-my, it says: "What with her forces in the field completely routed and re-duced two-thirds, and her troubles at home growing more acute and danger-ous as the result of the defeat, Russia will find the blow dealt quite irremedi-able," and the journal thinks that the engagement at Mukden and neighbor-hood may in all apiness be called a de-delive one

In connection with this latest victory

Joy! in the laundry, the kitchen. Fels-Naptha cuts wash-day in half. Fels-Naptha Philadelphia

it has been decided to hold a grand public celebration on the 18th Inst., at Hibiya purk, under the auspices of the city council.

city council. According to official returns issued up to Feb. 28, the Russian prisoners now in this country number 39,353. However, since the above date there have been continual arrivals from the front, and these prisoners in addition to the sick and wounded Russians at Port Arthur, will swell the total to some 40,000, Add to this over 40,000 Russians so far officially reported to have been captured during the battle of Mukden, and those taken since that Mukden, and those taken since that time, the aggregate total will reach 100,000. No small number for poor (?) little Japan to feed. No doubt, with the great amount of stores recently captured and with her own good crops she will be able to look after "her own" and her prisoners without suffering any great hardship. HORACE S. ENSIGN,



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