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RUSSIA WATCHING CHINA CLOSELY.

St. Petersburg Hears Rumors of Closer Relations Between China and Japan.

MANCHURIA MAY BE RESTORED

Port Arthur, When Captured, May Also be Turned Over to The Chinese.

WAR MAY TAKE ON A NEW PHASE.

Powers May be Called on to Act as The Neutrality of the Celestial Empire Vanishes.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 17.—Important developments regarding China's attitude toward the belligerents is anticipated in well-informed quarters. There are rumors of closer relations between China and Japan, of the possibility of the Japanese turning over Port Arthur when captured to China, of their restoring Manchuria to the Chinese, etc. Although these reports are not confirmed they lead to quite a general belief that some sort of negotiations are going on behind the scenes of which the outside world has little cognizance. The Russ says it believes the Japanese successes are emboldening the Chinese government more and more, and, and steps are being prompted such as diplomatic steps as the Japanese occupation of Manchuria and direct contact between the Chinese and Japanese have seemed to quickly reach an understanding, the occupation of neutral territory evoking no protest.

NEW PHASE OF WAR.

The Russ expects the war to take on a phase, as Chinese neutrality vanishes, which the powers in their agreement to preserve China's neutrality cannot ignore. Moreover, the Russ believes the situation will call for deeds and not words. It concludes.

We need not be unduly alarmed, however. The interference of China will scarcely be to our disadvantage. Ambassador McCormick, as custodian of Japanese interests, has made inquiries regarding the two suspected Japanese spies, Constantino Saratori and Masahachi Tokaki, recently arrested here. He ascertains that the authorities only contemplate deporting them abroad.

PEACE SUGGESTION DENOUNCED.

The Novoe Vremya bitterly denounces the suggestion of peace advanced by M. Meshersky, in the Gazetdinin, as a means of "defeating the selfish ends of Great Britain and Germany," both of whom, M. Meshersky asserts, are interested in weakening Russia and Japan.

The Novoe Vremya announces that the Russian people would not tolerate the self-humiliation of the empire before Japan.

The emperor's congratulatory message to Gen. Kuropatkin is regarded as an effectively putting an end to the stories of imperial displeasure with Kuropatkin's generalship at the battle of Liaoyang.

REPORTS ON PATIENTS.

Telegraphic reports from the Red Cross show the following proportion of patients suffering from wounds or disease out of the total sent to the hospitals in the area of the military operations—cases of severe illness, 10 per cent; slight illness, 56 per cent; wounded, 44 per cent. The only epidemic disease noted is dysentery with 5 per cent of cases.

Upon his promotion to the rank of general division, announced last night, Gen. Samsonoff gets the Siberian Cossack division.

Gen. Skugarevski is promoted to the command of the sixth army corps. He formerly commanded the Twenty-seventh infantry division.

JAPANESE ARE FLANKING.

Mukden, Sept. 17.—The Japanese are reported to be advancing on both flanks from the east, southeast and southwest.

YALE GRADUATES.

Triennial Catalogue Shows that There Are 12,744 Living.

New Haven, Conn., Sept. 17.—The triennial catalogue of Yale university, issued today, shows that there are 12,744 living graduates and 9,291 dead graduates of Yale, a total of 22,035. The gain in living graduates for the whole university during the three years is 1,368, and 449 Yale graduates have died during that time.

Hotel Guests in Panic.

Cincinnati, Sept. 17.—The Bristol hotel was damaged \$20,000 by fire today, causing a panic among the 90 guests, who were aroused from sleep. All escaped. Mrs. C. J. Smith of Los Angeles, Cal., and two others, were taken out unconscious from the effects of smoke, but later recovered. Several were temporarily prostrated from fright.

Dr. Henry Ridgely Dead.

Dover, Del., Sept. 17.—Dr. Henry Ridgely, president of the Farmers' bank of Delaware and one of the wealthiest and most prominent citizens of the state, died today. His death was due directly to hemorrhage. He was 71 years of age. The Delaware legislature appointed Dr. Ridgely to represent the state in the peace congress held in Washington in 1861.

Distinguished Arrivals.

New York, Sept. 17.—Major Ronald Ross, the well known authority on the mosquito theory of malaria, arrived here on the steamer Lucania from Liverpool today. Maj. Ross will visit St. Louis

and lecture before the scientific congress, and later will go to Panama and Jamaica. Among the other passengers on the Lucania were Right Rev. Ferguson, Protestant Episcopal missionary, returning from Liberia, and Capt. W. H. Brownson, commandant at the United States naval academy at Annapolis.

A Night in the Sweatbox.

Winfield, Ia., Sept. 17.—After a night in the sweat-box Harry Anderson and James King, the suspected train bandits caught by a posse at Brighton, are believed to have had no connection with the Rock Island robbery. They will probably be released.

Montana Spanish War Veterans.

Butte, Mont., Sept. 17.—The Spanish-American war veterans have selected the following delegates to the national encampment to be held in St. Louis next Monday: C. R. Sutton, of Helena; Gen. Harry C. Kessler of Butte; F. J. Adams, of Great Falls; Capt. Louis P. Sanders, of Butte; Alex. Westcott, of Bozeman; Capt. J. E. Moore, of Great Falls, and Sam Hilburn, of Kalispell.

Irish Immigrants Arrive.

New York, Sept. 17.—An unusual influx of Irish immigrants in the last two months is reported by the immigration authorities. The records show that in the last seven days nearly 1,500 Irish immigrants have arrived at Ellis Island. Of these nearly 70 per cent were girls, and only a small percentage of the total were over 23 years old.

UNITED MINE WORKERS.

District Presidents in Wilkes-Barre to Meet John Mitchell.

Wilkes-Barre, Pa., Sept. 17.—The district presidents of the United Mine Workers' Nicholas, Fahey and Detrey, who are in town to meet President Mitchell who will arrive here from Washington today. A conference will be held by the national president and the district presidents relative to the suit at Birmingham, N. Y., in which A. D. Wales, an attorney of that city, seeks to recover \$200,000 from President Mitchell and the United Mine Workers for settling the miners' strike two years ago. The case will be heard next week.

TRANSPORT LENA.

Dismantling of Russian Ship Begins at Mare Island.

Vallejo, Cal., Sept. 17.—The dismantling of the Russian transport Lena began today at the Mare Island navy yard. The work is being done under the supervision of Capt. Drake of the ordnance department, assisted by Gunnery Lieutenant. The officers and crew are anxiously awaiting a final decision regarding their disposition.

WIRELESS CONFERENCE.

It is Postponed at Request of France and Great Britain.

Berlin, Sept. 17.—The international wireless telegraphy conference summoned at the initiative of Germany, which was to have met Oct. 4, has been postponed at the request of France and Great Britain, which countries desire more time to study the questions involved. The German government hopes the conference can be convened two or three months later. The United States government will be notified when a date for the meeting for the conference has been determined upon.

UNITED MINE WORKERS.

Probably Have Reached Understanding With Federation.

Pueblo, Colo., Sept. 17.—It seems to be generally believed today that an understanding has been reached with the Western Federation of Miners and the United Mine Workers of District No. 15, to an affiliation but just how far the negotiations have gone could not be learned. It is known, however, that after President Meyer's views were submitted it was decided to continue the strike in this district. The disposition of the two organizations will probably be made today and much interest is manifested in the decision.

CANADIAN PACIFIC.

Will Make No Concessions to Boiler Makers.

Winnipeg, Man., Sept. 17.—The Canadian Pacific railway company has refused to make concessions to the boiler makers and helpers who are out along the line from Fort Williams, Ont. to Lagan, B. C., demanding 35 cents instead of 25 cents an hour. They say the company's business has been too slack and its earnings too small to justify the expense of \$100,000 more a year in wages for the mechanical department. The provincial government has fixed the rate of wages and this has been ratified by the federal government.

A Big Passenger List.

Quebec, Sept. 17.—The White Star liner Celtic, which sailed today for Quebec, for New York, carried 3,330 souls, believed to be the largest number ever taken in one vessel from a British port. Nine hundred and fifty of them embarked here and about 100 steerage passengers were left behind on account of lack of accommodation.

Herbert Bismark Sinking.

Berlin, Sept. 17.—Prince Herbert Bismark, according to the latest reports from Friedrichstrasse is steadily sinking.

Presidents' Visitors.

Oyster Bay, Sept. 17.—Three visitors were received at Sagamore Hill today by President Roosevelt. They were John W. Smith, editor of the Indianapolis News, H. W. Taber of New York, and George Ade, the author and playwright.

Reward for Train Robbers.

Ottawa, Ont., Sept. 17.—A proclamation was issued by the Dominion government offering \$500 reward for the capture of the holdups who held up the Canadian Pacific railway train at Mission Junction and robbed the express car.

B. L. Crosby Promoted.

St. Paul, Sept. 17.—The Northern Pacific railway announces that B. L. Crosby, for many years a prominent bridge engineer in the west, has been made principal assistant engineer of the system at this city.

Big Fire in La Port, Ind.

Lafayette, Ind., Sept. 17.—Fire today destroyed five-story buildings inside the state prison walls at Michigan City, causing a loss of over \$100,000. The fire started from a dry kiln chair factory, according to a statement by the authorities, although rumors are in circulation that the convicts fired the buildings.

Judge Parker a Pallbearer.

Esopus, N. Y., Sept. 17.—Judge Parker was one of the pallbearers at the funeral of Dr. Jacob Chambers, which took place at Kingston today. Representative Francis Burton Harrison of New York, chairman of the bureau

Turning Back the Wheels of Progress Twenty Years.

READERS of the Salt Lake Tribune who see no other paper—fortunately the number is steadily diminishing—might well be pardoned for imagining that Salt Lake and Utah were in a seething, political ferment, that business and breadwinning were forgotten, and that men, women and children had abandoned themselves to the single thought of how to smash the "Mormon" Church. It would come almost as a shock to those who have allowed themselves to be worked up into a hysteria by Senator Kearns' organ, if they were to be told that the big overwhelming mass of the community, Gentry, Jew and "Mormon" alike, only viewed the birth of the alleged "American" party with curiosity and amusement—some, it is true, with exasperation, as they realize the effect such agitation has upon business, and how it places the community in the eyes of the outside world.

How great has been our progress in 20 years, is a theme that has often engaged the attention of our writers and speakers. Yet, listening to the utterances of the speakers at Wednesday's meeting, one might fancy we had been standing absolutely still, or that the wheels of progress had been turned backward! How like the Liberal fulminations of the eighties were the sentiments expressed! One might suppose in reading the Tribune, that its bitter editorials of those days, had all been held in type, salted down for future use.

To illustrate the pure "Americanism," the lofty toleration and the generous spirit that permeated the utterances at the meeting, the following pearls of thought, selected at random from the verbatim reports of the speeches, ought to be read, weighed and inwardly digested by all unprejudiced people.

E. B. CRITCHLOW.

"The movement began long ago in the hearts of the people, the movement to redeem the state, and it will go on now regardless of where this apostolic editor, this grinning hyena, may stand."

"This feeling of resentment against the unfaithfulness of the Church leaders has been gathering force for years, and it is not due to any lack of good faith on our side. They know where the trouble is. Has there been no church interference? I could summon almost countless witnesses to prove that there has been."

"Others who have been identified with the various political conventions may go on with the fight, and after the smoke and carnage are all over, and the dead are picked up—those who have received the ecclesiastical knife under the fifth rib—we will be on the ground to give the first aid to the injured."

"There has been no real politics in Utah."

"Truth and liberty." "The liberty it teaches," he said, "like the men on a battleship said they had. 'We do as we blanket blank please they told a lady visitor, until some one tells us to do something and then we do it blanket blank quack!'"

"No heed was paid to the warning from Washington against the election of Reed Smoot to the senate. But few dared to resist it. There were snarls, wringings and fears lest some one be hurt."

SENATOR DUBOIS.

"This present contest is not of your seeking. It is not of my seeking."

"In those days, in Idaho, the Mormons were all Democrats. There was no exception at all. There was no such thing as a Mormon Republican."

"Now, we are not making any fight on the Mormon people. I am not, you are not."

"This fight is on in Utah. The fight is on in the United States, and it will be fought out. We were confronted with that in Idaho."

"Now in addition to that testimony before the senate committee shows by those in authority in this Church that no one from the Bishops, even Bishops, presidents of the state, the Patriarchs, the three Bishops and the Twelve Apostles take them all, not a single solitary one of them can be a candidate for office without first getting the consent of this hierarchy."

JUDGE McDOWALL.

"Actions speak louder than words; results show what is done. And there is not only political dominance, but dominance in business, as well. In the early days policemen were placed at the doors of Gentile tradesmen to warn the people not to trade with them. This is not done in the same way now, but the order is sent out to not deal with our enemies, and the same result is effected."

JUDGE HILLES.

"And have we not seen these priests meet in the legislature of the state, and they with their tunes and coadjutors fling scorn on the advice of the president of the United States and the leaders of their party, even as they fling scorn on the Constitution of the state and the statutes of the country?"

"We propose a party organization which shall permit the priests and these priests shall attend to their business of saving souls instead of directing the course of political conventions, and the determinations of legislatures. God knows they will have enough to do if they shall attend strictly to their legitimate business."

"Of course, there be some who will

tell you that there is no good ground for complaint. They see it in the Deseret News. But, my friends, the 'Deseret' when it is discussing these questions, always uses the truth in moderation. In the application of truth to these subjects it is a decided homoeopathy. It believes in but small doses."

"The confidence and trust which some of us repose in these ecclesiastical impostors was touching, but the example was not edifying. For we all know that these promises were repudiated and disavowed, and the man in the priesthood who insisted that these promises should be kept, that priests as well as other men are bound to keep that faith which 'holds the moral elements of the world together,' was unfettered and degraded from his apostolic office for his temerity."

"They assert that in virtue of their apostolic authority they can dispense with obedience to law. If they can thus have such immunity and dispensation for themselves, they can, of course, grant it to other men, and thus put the people at the mercy of those who are above all human law whatsoever, in a word they can be a law unto themselves."

"Not many months ago the president of the Salt Lake Stake of Zion stood up in his place in the Tabernacle and declared to the people that it is their religious duty to have no business or social relations whatever with 'outsiders' except where the circumstances of the case compel it."

"And these are the people who instruct their Church and people in the 'Deseret' and instruct their people in such ways and courses, and they expect American citizens to believe that they are American citizens also."

"Under the circumstances which exist here in Utah, my friends, I deny that there is any genuine Democratic or genuine Republican party."

The Deseret Evening News vs. "Fakes."

Idaho Readers of the Salt Lake Papers Are Justly Puzzled Over a Remarkable Phenomenon in the Direction of Rapid Delivery—The "Date Lifting" Industry in the City of the Saints.

An Idaho subscriber writes: "Why does not the Deseret News print a morning edition for its extensive Idaho patronage? From Pocatello north and west along the Oregon Short Line, there is a demand for the Salt Lake papers. All three, the 'News,' Herald and Tribune, arrive on the same train; all three left Salt Lake together the night before, and all three have consumed the night getting into Idaho for distribution next morning, yet the Herald and Tribune bear the date of that same morning—eight or ten hours later than they could possibly have been printed. Why does not the 'News' date ahead the same way?"

The answer is simple—because the "News" is not in the "faking" or deception business. Our correspondent is right in saying that all three Salt Lake papers leave Salt Lake on the same evening train, and all three should bear the same date. Every Idaho reader knows that the morning paper he receives on the train arriving at Idaho towns in the morning, is an issue of the evening before, nothing more, but dated eight to ten hours later than it was printed. Good newspapers should expose this "fool" trick by so palpable a trick is little short of astonishing.

Of much the same character is the practice of the Tribune in "lifting" date lines, in other words clipping from eastern papers items three to six days old, dating them the previous day, and publishing them in its telegraphic columns, thus saying to the readers in so many words that these are Associated Press dispatches. They are "fakes."

most popular department of the University, and no one department strong enough to draw Utah students away from outside colleges in any number. The exceptionally strong faculty and excellent equipment in this department is causing a heavy registration in it this year, and among them are not a few from points outside the state, who are attracted by the curriculum.

Today saw the enrolment of a great number of old students who have returned to take up the winter's work. Among the new students the graduating class of the High school is well represented, especially by the girls. Former high school students who have been away at eastern universities are seen about the campus looking up registration matters.

For the first time in the paper's history the Chronicle appeared on the first day of registration. Its editors' policy shows some radical changes from former years, in the direction of life and interest. The two leading articles deal with student life—one by Ike Russell, discussing life at the University, 19 years ago, and the other by S. W. Wallace, also former student, of the same school. Both articles are accompanied by cuts. "Maddock and Victory" is a lively discussion of the football outlook, that attracted much attention. Subscriptions are pouring into the paper liberally as a result of the enterprise shown by the editors in getting out an edition so early.

GOODRICH WILL LEAVE A SHIP IN SAN FRANCISCO.

Washington, Sept. 17.—Instructions were sent to Rear Admiral Goodrich at San Francisco today directing him to detach one ship from his squadron when he leaves for Magdalena bay to hold the autumn target practice.

The vessel detached will remain in the vicinity of San Francisco, prepared to enforce neutrality should other Russian or Japanese vessels put in at the Golden Gate. The Wyoming has also been ordered to remain at Bremerton in readiness for the same duty.

The department has no information that there are other Russian cruisers bound for the Pacific coast but there is talk to the effect around San Francisco and it was thought advisable to be ready for any emergency.

FLORAL EXHIBIT.

Displays of Flowers to be a Feature at State Fair.

The Florists of Utah, who have up till now been conspicuously absent among the state fair exhibits, have agreed to arrange displays for this year, that will be among the new features of the fair. Just what portion of the exposition hall will be allotted to them will not be definitely known until after the meeting of the committee on allotments next Wednesday afternoon. As the final portioning out of the space will be made at this meeting all intending exhibitors are requested by the fair management to apply for their space at once.

The fair is to have its Pike, Secretary W. J. Bateman is concluding arrangements with several attractions that will be entirely clean, and inexpensive to provide fun for the visitors. A department that will greatly profit by the failures of previous years is the restaurant. To prevent the dissatisfaction of last year, the concession will not be given this year until a satisfactory guarantee is given that the food supplied will be first class and well served and cooked. Live stock entries are coming in in a manner that indicates a large display.

PROF. LYMAN AT U. OF U.

After Two Years at Cornell He Returns to University.

Prof. Richard Lyman, head of the department of civil engineering at the University of Utah, is back from his two years' leave of absence, and is again at work in his department. While absent Prof. Lyman was engaged in advanced study at Cornell university, and for a short time at Chicago. In June, 1903, he took out the degree of master of civil engineering at Cornell, and is now working on the tasks required for the degree of Ph. D., which he will return to Cornell to receive in June, 1905.

His return makes a valuable acquisition to the school of mines and engineering department, which, under his direction became several years ago, the

cal football. A good deal of new material is looked for in addition to these old men, and altogether the graduates are prepared to show the variety some rapid work. Captain Van Cott hopes to have his team on the skirmish line within a week.

SHIPPED SCAB SHEEP.

A Peterson of Pleasant Grove is Now in Trouble.

A Peterson will think several times before he again ships sheep afflicted with scab out of the state. He was brought up to Salt Lake last night from Pleasant Grove, by Deputy United States Marshall L. H. Smythe, and placed under \$700 bonds to appear at the next term of the federal court. The arrest was made on a bench warrant charging Peterson with delivering to the Rio Grande Western railroad, at Colton, 1,400 sheep for shipment outside of Utah, the sheep being at that time afflicted with the disease. The interstate commerce laws were violated by this action of Peterson, and the arrest followed as the result of an inspection of the flock.

INDECENT "ART" PICTURES.

A Practice That Should be Vigorously Stamped Out.

The question of placing objectionable pictures and lithographs in merchants' windows up and down Main street, especially in the windows of news and stationery dealers, and more especially still in stores which have the trade of school children, is agitating the minds of many people. It is emphatically time that the subject was seriously considered. A morning contemporary properly says that the practice of placing indecent pictures on walls and in windows has reached an outrageous extent. It is currently reported that there are several establishments in Salt Lake which make a practice of selling "confidentially" pictures which they would not dare to hang out in their windows. There is a law against such traffic, and it ought to be vigorously enforced.

While this fact is being reported to say that this species of merchandising is unknown in the Deseret News Book Store. Manager Lewis says he will not cater to such trade and he has refused all inducements of druggists to place their questionable "art" pictures in his windows, or to carry them at all.

CONRIED MAY COME.

Great Opera Company Wants to Give Parsifal in Salt Lake.

Manager Pyper of the Salt Lake theater almost had his breath arrested this morning by the appearance of a gentleman, who laid down his card as representative of the Conried Metropolitan Opera company of New York, and announced that he desired to place the company here two or three nights next April on its way to San Francisco. The gentleman in question is Mr. G. Schlotterbeck, who comes direct as Conried's representative, and who has in charge the arrangements of the stop-offs at Kansas City, Omaha and Denver, en route to San Francisco. New auditoriums will be dedicated in both Denver and Omaha with productions of "Parsifal," Wagner's world famous opera, produced in New York last winter for the first time in America. Mr. Schlotterbeck said that Mr. Conried's first choice would be the Tabernacle, if it were possible to obtain the building for "Parsifal," and he thought that the best objection would be waived when it was considered that the production was semi-religious in its character. Failing in this he wished to obtain the Theater. If "Parsifal" were given here it would begin as it does in New York at 8 o'clock in the afternoon. The first act would run till 6:30, then an adjournment of two hours would be given for supper and the performance would be resumed at about 8:30.

Another feature would be the production of "Aida," with Sembrich and the leading roles, with full orchestra of 60 and the Metropolitan Opera House chorus of 100, with the accompanying ballet. Mr. Pyper gave Mr. Schlotterbeck every assurance of assistance, and said he believed the people of Salt Lake would rise en masse in support of any proposition that would induce the Conried company to play Salt Lake a visit, whether their performance took place in the Tabernacle or the Theater. Of course, the great problem would be the price, as very heavy rates would necessarily have to be exacted to induce the company to play here. Further developments will be awaited with decide interest by our music lovers.

STRIKE AT BLACKFOOT.

Sugar Factory Laborers Demand an Advance of Five Cents Per Hour.

(Special to the "News.") Blackfoot, Idaho, Sept. 17.—The laborers employed in the construction of the sugar factory in this city struck today for an advance of 5 cents an hour in wages. The strikers announce that unless their demands are complied with inside of three days they will not return at any price. It was planned to have the sugar factory completed and in operation in time for the fall grinding of sugar beets, and unless work is quickly resumed great loss to farmers will result. The erection of the plant contemplates an expenditure of \$500,000.

The Blackfoot factory is the independent plant being built by capitalists from Birmingham, New York, from which point the machinery was removed.

"LIEUT." VON PROGEN.

Soldier Fraud Pleads Guilty to Charge of Forgery.

New York, Sept. 17.—Gerhardt Von Progen, who was arrested recently while posing as a lieutenant in the army at Brighton Beach hotel and charged with forging pay checks which he acquired while serving as a clerk in the quartermaster's office at Governor's Island, has pleaded guilty to forgery in the second degree. He was remanded for sentence later.

Von Progen enlisted as a private over a year ago. He claims to be a German count and was having a good time with the sojourners at the beach when the hotel proprietor had him arrested on account of checks which had been cashed and came back later from the banks.

TO PLAY U. OF U.

Graduates Meet to Select a Football Team for Practice.

The University of Utah alumnus are not going to let any opportunity slip by to help the varsity team on to a series of victories this year. This morning Captain Van Cott of the graduating team issued a call to all graduates and ex-students to call as soon as convenient at his office in the Templeton building and arrange for the preliminary practice preparatory to a game with the varsity eleven. Among those who are counted on for the lineup are Dr. Anderson, one time tackle for Pennsylvania, and two Stringfellow brothers, who won fame on the local gridiron six or eight years ago. Riser, recently from the University of Michigan, and a back from Pennsylvania, and Ames, Douglass, Hodger and Roberts, all well known to lo-

Have you gotten acquainted with the new people next-door yet? Chances are that a "To Let" ad. in this paper made them neighbors of yours.

NAVAL BATTLES OF THE FUTURE.

General Board of the Navy is Convinced That They Will be Fought at Night.

MAKE PREPARATION FOR THEM.

North Atlantic Squadron Now Practising Target Shooting at Night.

SOME VERY REMARKABLE SCORES.

One Battleship, Using Her Eight-Inch Guns, Made Eight Hits Out of Nine Shots.

Washington, Sept. 17.—Remarkable results have already been obtained in the naval target practice now going on in Menemsha light. The vessels of the North Atlantic Squadron in last spring's target practice broke all the world's records for rapidity and accuracy of fire both with big and little guns, but this was daylight work under favorable conditions for good shooting. The big ships are now doing some extraordinary night shooting. The experience of the Russo-Japanese war has convinced the general board that in the future the great naval battles may be fought at night and it is certain that most of the torpedo work will be done in the hours of darkness. Hence it is believed to be essential to develop the gun pointers in night work and already surprising results have been obtained in the practice in the night. Using her 8-inch guns one of the battleships made eight hits out of nine shots at night. The target, distant about a mile, was illuminated by a searchlight and the gunners used a special night sight. The ship from which this shooting was done was foraging ahead in the open sea at ten knots.

AUTOMOBILIST WAS KILLED.

Ballwin, Mo., Sept. 17.—In endeavoring to turn out to avoid a farmer's wagon an automobile containing two men and two women was precipitated down a 30-foot embankment near here today, killing one of the occupants and injuring the others.

THE DEAD.

John Kalleen, New York City.

THE INJURED.

Edgar Parkhurst, Ballwin.

Miss Lou Marquitz, St. Louis, seriously.

Miss Nellie Marquitz, St. Louis, slightly.

The party had been for a pleasure trip and were returning to Ballwin when the accident occurred. The automobile was moving at a rapid rate when, on turning a sharp curve, Kalleen, who was acting as chauffeur, noticed a farmer's wagon coming toward them. There appeared to be room to avoid hitting the wagon and Kalleen turned out, but the outside wheels slipped and the machine slid down the embankment, turning over several times. Kalleen was caught beneath the automobile and crushed.

The injured were taken to Ballwin where they were attended by a physician. It is believed that Parkhurst and Miss Lou Marquitz will recover.

Joe Jefferson's Autumn Tour.

New York, Sept. 17.—Preparations for the autumn tour of the veteran actor, Joseph Jefferson, have been abandoned and all engagements for the season cancelled, according to the Herald. Recently, he was attacked by