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be, company, president of the Sharp, Jenson Livestock company, and until recently a director in the First Nation. al bank of Ogden, the Ogden Savings bank and the Blackfood Stock company. He was prominently identified with all the principal enterprises of this inter-mountain region, and in all showed marked business ability and sound judgment. FORMER MAYOR OF SALT LAKE DEAD. judgment. EARNEST CHURCH WORKER. As a Church worker Mr. Sharp was also prominent. He filled two missions to Great Britain, one in 1850 and the other in 1875. On his first mission he labored principally in Scotland, where he was president of the Edinburgh con-The Sudden Illness of Hon. James Sharp Terminated Fatally This Morning. ference. During his second mission has labored in the Liverpool office and travlabored in the Liverpool office and trav-eled over the continent of Europe. For 11 years he has been an active worker in the Salt Lake Temple, and the great-er part of his life he has been one of the most stalwart members of the Twentieth ward. AN HONORABLE CAREER. It can truly be said of James Sharp that he was a good man and his des-mise will be keenly felt by his many friends and associates. One of his most intimate friends was Hon. W. W. Riter who was much affected by the news of Mr. Sharp's death. Came to Utah With Parents More Than Half a Century Ago and Settled in This City. TRAGEDY WEIGHED UPON HIM. ACTIVE IN MANY AVENUES OF LIFE It is a matter of knowledge to the associates and friends of the deceased associates and friends of the deceased that he has not been in the best of health for some years, and that his condition was preatly aggravated in the tragic fate of James R. Hay, his son-in-law, who was so cruelly murdered. It will be remembered how he declared in open court before judge, jury and ac-cused that God had revealed to him the identity of the assassin. The statement was made in all soberness and created Pioneer, Business Man, Legislator, Educator, Good Churchman and Sterling Citizen.

RUSSIANS RETIRE FROM FENG WANG CHENG.

News Confirmed in St. Petersburg-Retreating Troops Hard Pressed-Railway at Port Adams Destroyed-Japanese Have Landed on the Liao Tung Peninsula -Attack Part of Russian Rear Guard, Capturing Four Hundred Prisoners.

St. Petersburg, May 7 .- 6:10 p. m .- The Russian retreat from Feng Wang Cheng is confirmed. The Japanese pressed the retreating troops, though with few losses to either side. The Japanese destroyed the railway at Port Adams, blowing up the bridges.

Shan Hai Kwan, May 7 .- (6:30 p. m.) - The reports of a Japanese landing on the Liao Tung peninsula are confirmed. The Japanese are said to have disembarked 10,000 men on both sides of the peninsula, on Kin Chun bay, and at Pitzewo, and to have cut the railroad above Port Arthur. This report was brought into Shan Hai Kwan by railroad men who give the Russian censor at Yin Kow as their authority.

It is believed here that two other divisions of Japanese troops will land near Newchwang and attempt later to effect a juncture with the army from the Yalu.

Antung, Manchuria, Monday, May 2, via Seoul, Korea, May 7, 7 a. m .- A Japanese force today charged a thousand men of the Russian rear guard, consisting of a battalion of infantry and two batteries of artillery near Hamatan, west of Kiu Lien Cheng. After sustaining heavy loss, the Japanese spiked the Russian guns and captured 400 prisoners.

Salt Laker Writes of the War in the Orient.

Buddhists Have Commenced a Crusade Against Everything Christian-They Declare That to Become a Christian is to Become a Russian and a Traitor-

First "Mormon" Baby Born in Japan.

A newsy letter from a Salt Laker,] Horace S. Ensign, president of the Japan mission, gives some interesting information concerning conditions in the realm of the mikado and the effect the present war is having on things generally in that land. Among other things he says:

"Since the outbreak of war between Russia and Japan, the Buddhists have Russia and Japan, the Buddhists have begun a systematic crusade against ev-erything Christian. Priests are travel-ing through the country holding meet-ings in the streets, in the homes of the people and in the temples. They are preaching that to become a Christian is to become a Russian and a traitor to

vest, which he slipped under his arm. He was detected in the act by Frank Gardner, brother of the proprietor of

their country. The argument is having its effect in some districts, particularly among the ignorant classes, and they are using it for all it is worth. "The landlady of the boardinghouse where one of the Elders was stopping

where one of the Elders was stopping received an anonymous letter, stating that unless she turned out the Yasokyo from her home by a certain day, her house would be burned, and the preach-er killed. She became very much ex-cited, and that she might have peace of mind. Elder Caine moved to another hotel in the same village. He has heard no more of the affair, except from his friends, who are many, who claim that it was the work of the Buddhist priest and his emissaries, caused by a speech which the priest delivered on the above mentioned subject." mentioned subject.'

itiative. They forced their way in the face of the Russian fire, which was



Elder Ensign says he had a call a short time ago from Mr. Katsunuma, who dropped in on them from Honolu-lu, where he is engaged in the civil ser-vice of the United States. He was de-lighted to meet some of his old Utah friends and sends greetings to all his moundingness.

An interesting bit of gossip contain-ed in the letter referred to is the state-ment that on April 6. Mrs. Feather-stone, wife of the secretary of the mis-sion, presented her husband with a 10-pound son, whose name will go down in history as the first "Mormon" baby born in Japan. Elder Ensign says the work of the missionaries is being crowned with success and they are much encouraged in their labors. acquaintances.

cessors in desperation and the courage displayed by the volunteer crews is IPat si vn in any event war history of the world. Although Vice Admiral Togo again avoided damage to a single one of his vessels the attack proved to be expensive in lives. Blockading flotilla consisted of eight stone-laden merchantmen. They were escorted by the gunboats Akagi, commander Fugimoto and Choikai, com mander Iwamura; the second to boat destroyer flotilla, under the torped mand of Commander Chida; the Third torpedo boat destroyer flotilla, Com mander Tsuchia; the fourth flotilla Commander Nagai; the Fifth flotilla Commander Mano; the Ninth torpedo boat flotilla, Commander Yashima; the Tenth torpedo boat flotilla, Commander Otaki, and the Fourteenth tor-pedo boat flotilla, Commander Sakurai blockading flotilla had been scattered The blockading vessels and their es by a gale and the commander of the cort left the main squadron for Por flotilla had signalled in vain that the Arthur on Monday evening. They en countered a southeasterly gale and by 11 o'clock at night the seas were attempt be abandoned pending the moderation of the storm, the crews of mountainous and it was found impos-sible to keep the steamers together Commander Hayashi, who was in comthe separated ships, in no way daunted by the weather, which isolated them mand of the expedition, observed the impossibility of keeping the flotilia infrom their companions, proceeded to the work on their own desperate intact and signalled it to abandon the at-

Those detained by sickness must fur-nish a physician's certificate." "Right now." he added, "we have more men ready to go to work in the machine shops than the total number of machinists who have gone out." Mr. Buckalew says that he has re-ports from his men showing that the strike was seriously affecting the en-gines and other rolling stock on the sys-tem, According to his information eight

tem. According to his information eight engines have "died" at Newton since the strike began. Santa Fe officials claim that they are not inconvenienced in the least.

P. E. CHURCH NAME.

Committee of Fifteen Decides Change is Inexpedient.

Boston, May 7 .- The committee of 15 which was appointed by the national triennial convention of the Episcopal church at San Francisco in 1961 to consider the advisability of changing the legal name of the denomination, has secured an extended report in which the opinion is expressed that any change at this time is inexpedient. The report is to be submitted to the general convention, which will assemble in this city next October. The committee recommends the passage by the Boston convention of the following resolution: "Resolved that the committee be dis-charged from the further consideration of the subject.

of the subject." The report is signed by all 15 mem-bers of the committee, although three appendices, one signed by seven mem-bers, a second signed by five and a third by one is attached. The second appendix recommends that the words "Protestant Episcopal" on the title page of the book of common prayer be strick-en out. Although officially party lines of the sentiment in the investigations of the sentiment in all of the 78 dio-ceses and missionary districts, a change was generally favored by the high church party and with one or two exceptions the committee, while agreeing on the report itself, divided on the supelementary statement

A SENSATIONAL KILLING.

A Leading Texan Shoots Two Prominent Texans.

Kansas City, May 7 .- A special to the Star from Austin, Texas, says: A sensational killing occurred today

at Luling, 80 miles southeast of Aus-tin. S. L. Nixon, a member of the state Democratic committee and a wealthy planter, shot and killed R. W. Malone and Col. Vessy, two prominent citizens of Luling. The shooting is said to have grown out of an old family feud.

Coal Operators Must Answer.

Topeka, Kas., May 7 .- The supreme court today decided that the county attorney has the power to compel the coal mine operators to answer questions in mine operators to answer questions in inquisition cases. The decision was in the case against the Osage county mine operators, brought by Otis Hun-gate, county attorney of Shawnee coun-ty, in the Topeka courts last winter, Judge Hazen decided that the mine operators must answer questions per-belows to the Gyles of roles af coal as

taining to the fixing of prices of coal as asked by the county attorney.

FIFTY-FOURTH YEAR.



General Kuropatkin Decided Not To Give Battle at Feng Wang Cheng.

KUROKI'S ARMY IS ADVANCING.

It Has Reached Kao Li Menn, Known In the Far East as the Gate Of Korea.

PORT ARTHUR LEFT TO ITS FATE.

Fortress and its Defenders Must Shift For Themselves Until Aid from the North Can Come and Rescue Them.

St. Petersburg, May 7 .- (5:30 p. m.)-According to a persistent rumor Gen. Kuropatkin decided not to give battle at Feng Wang Cheng. The Russians have fallen back and the Japanese have occupied Feng Wang Cheng.

KUROKI'S ARMY ADVANCING. St. Petersburg, May 7 .- (1:02 p: m.)-The Russian capitol has now been without news from Port Arthur for almost 24 hours. The last telegram received was filed at 6 o'clock last night. It is believed that the spot where the Japanese cut the railroad and telegraph line is near Port Adams, opposite Pitsewo.

No news of other landings on the Liao Tung peninsula has reached the general staff.

Important developments are hourly expected from Feng Wang Cheng, News of heavy fighting there is anticipated shortly

A telegram from Gen. Kuropatkin says Gen. Kuroki's army is advancing upon the Russian position in two divis-

The enemy, with artillery, he reports, has reached Kao Li Meun, called the "Gate of Korea," which is within 10 miles of Feng Wang Cheng.

RUSSIA REMARKABLY CALM. St. Petersburg, May 7.-(2:20 p. m.)-The calmness with which the Russians accept the isolation of what always has been regarded as the Russian Gibraltar in the far east, is remarkable. In mili-tary circles it had been considered in-evitable from the first. No attempt is made to belittle the energy shown by the energy shown by the energy, but from the strategic point of view the investment of the fortress is regarded as relieving the military situation on the main and which had been much embarrassed by the necessity for maintaining the seagirt strong-hold at the extremity of the Liao Tung peninsula. Besides, the utmost confi-dence is expressed in the ability of the fortress to withstand a seige. The whole of the lower end of the peninsula from Kin Chou, thirty miles above Port Arthur, south, is an entrenched camp commanded by a chain of most formidable fortifications, which surmount the crest of every hill . Millions of roubles and years of work have been devoted to rendering the place impregnable by land or sea. The railroad circling within this camp will permit of the easy transportation of the defending troops. JAPS HAVE BIG TASK. According to the Russian view the Japanese have a Herculean task before Japanese have a recruisan task before them in the event of their attempting the reduction of the fortress. Successive lines of defenses must be carried, and the Japanese operations cannot begin at the advanced position of Kin Chou, until their slege guns are landed. Gen. Stoessel, who will have supreme com-mand of the defense of Port Arthur, is considered to be able and resourcefu and to have an indomitable will. His His orders of the day have breathed a spirit of unyielding defiance. One of them declared that the last man must die in the defense of Port Arthur. The latest newspaper dispatches from the benewspaper objectes from the be-leaguered fortress contained an account of a stirring appeal made by Gen. Stoessel to his troops yesterday on the occasion of the review in honor of the empress name's day, in which he announced that he would never surrender. In addition to the 10,000 sailors on board the ships at Port Arthur and the regular fortress artillery, probably number-ing 2,000 men, the defending force consists of a division of riflemen and three batteries of artillery, a total of about 22.000 men. VALUABLE DOCUMENTS REMOV-ED. In anticipation of the severance of communication all the valuable public documents have been removed to Muk-den and the work of supplying the fortress with provisions and ammunition had been progressing for weeks. The authorities apparently are satisfied that practically no non-combatants remain there. The inhabitants of Port Dainy vere sent away some time ago. The newspapers accept the news sto-tcally, adjuring the people not to be discouraged, since the cutting off of Port Arthur was a foregone conclusion



Former Mayor of Salt Lake Who Died Today

Lake and for many years one of the state's most prominent public men, passed away at 8:10 this morning at his residence, 411 east South Temple street, from paralysis of the intestines, surrounded by his family and friends. As stated in last evening's "News," Mr. Sharp was taken suddenly ill a week ago while visiting with his son Heber, in Rexburg, Ida. At the time, however, it was not thought to be of a serious nature, but a few days later his condjtion became more acute, and it was deemed advisable to bring him on to

this city. He arrived home Thursday night, since which time his condition has been such that the attending phyisians gave little hope of his recovery the meantime every possible atten tion was given him, but the nature of his illness was such that he gradually sank, and passed away as indicated above.

SON OF BISHOP SHARP.

The deceased was the son of the late Bishop John Sharp, known as the rail-road king of Utah, and was born Nov. 18, 1843, at Falkirk, Stirlingshire, Scot-With his parents he emigrated to America in 1848, and stayed in St. Louis till the spring of 1850, when they took up the march to Salt Lake City, arriv-ing here in August of that year.

HIS PUBLIC LIFE.

Mr. Sharp's first public service was trip to the Missouri river in the in erest of emigration, when a boy of but 18 years of age. In 1862 he was called by President Lincoln to join Lot 5 mith's command for the purpose of 5 uppressing Indian troubles extending m Fort Bridger to the headwaters of Snake river. This was one of the most celebrated military expeditions of early days and resulted in the pacifica-tion of the red men only after an arduous experience, baset with many diffi-culties and privations. As a young man he was associated with his father in the construction of the Utah Central. Utah Southern and Utah Cen-tral. Utah Southern and Utah South-ern Extension railroads, and on the former's demise succeeded him as a member of the board of directors of the Union Pacific.

ACTIVE IN MANY SPHERES.

In politics Mr. Sharp has been active for many years. In 1878 he was elected to the Legislature from Salt Lako county and served several terms, both in the upper and lower houses. In 1884 he was elected speaker of the lower house, and at the close of the session was presented with a beautiful silver mounted gavel, suitably inscribed. He In 1884 mounted gavel, suitably inscribed. He was mayor of Sait Lake from 1884 to 1886, an office which he filled with marked ability and with entire satis-faction to his constituents. He has been a member of the board of regents of the University of Utah for many years and was president of that body when he percent event. He was also a when he passed away. He was also a member of the Church board of education and a director in a number of in-stitutions, among them the Descret ational bank, Deseret Savings bank, which he was one of the founders: lark, Eldredge & Co., Cunnington Jompany, president of the Sharp Gro-ery & Supply company, at Rexburg, Ida. tvice president of the Oregon Lum-

Hon. James Sharp, ex-mayor of Salt | a tremendous sensation at the time and for months thereafter. The declarat: made a pronounced impression upon all concerned and was very widely dis-cussed. Through the long, legal battle that followed. Mr. Sharp maintained the correctness of that statement, though he maintained it unwillingly, it being drawn from him by the attorneys of the defense. The whole dreadful affair preyed

heavily upon his mind and no one will know how much it had to do with hastening the closing chapter of his days upon earth. Certainly it broke down his health and brought sorrow and to a life that had previously enjoyed much sunshine

THOSE WHO REMAIN.

The dead man leaves a wife and sev

The dead man leaves a wife and sev-en living children. The names of the latter are: Mrs. Ben. R. Eldrege, Miss Cecclia Sharp, Mrs. James R. Hay, Dr. John Sharp, who is attending a medical college in New York, Heber Sharp, a merchant at Rexburg, Idaho; Joseph L. Sharp a traveling salesman, who is somewhere in Nevada on a business trip, and Miss Chloe Sharp. All of these with the exception of John and Joseph, are at home, and the two latter have been notified by wire, of their fa-ther's demise. It is expected that Jos-eph will reach here in time for the fu-neral but it has been decided that John shal inot come, from the fact that he is shal inot come, from the fact that he is just now in the midst of his final examinations at school, and to leave at this juncture would mean a loss of time and points that could not be made good again this year.

FUNERAL ON TUESDAY.

The funeral will be held in the As-sembly Hall on Tuesday afternoon next under the direction of the presidency of the Ensign stake, President Richard Young being in immediate charge of the arrangements.

EVANGELICAL WORKERS.

Are Considering Sunday School Matters-Last Meeting Tomorrow.

Today's session of the evangelical Sunday school convention is being held this afternoon, and addresses are sched. uled to be made from the primary, home and teachers' departments, foi-lowed by a superintendent's symposium. lowed by a superintenden's symposium, Among the participants in the program are: Miss Vera Lane, Mrs. E. E. Shep-ard, Miss Mcmie, Banker, Miss E. Cur-tis, Rev. John Lincoin, Mrs. Sarah Reed, Rev. Wildman Murphy, Thomas Welr, Mrs. William Igleheart, Profes-sor L. M. Gillilan. A Swedish session will be held at 3 o'clock, conducted by Pere A. Anderson and Fritz Ebren.

Rev. A. A. Anderson and Fritz Ehren-

The final session comes tomorrow at 3 p. m. in the nature of a Sunday school rally, when Rev. Dr. Pinkerton will speak.

SHOPLIFTERS NABBED.

Two Smooth Strangers Were Doing Wholesale Business When Arrested.

Shortly after 7 o'clock this morning two men entered the Gardner clothing store on East Temple street, and while one of them made a small purchase the other helped himself to a coat and

Gardner, brother of the proprietor of the store, who, as they left the place, instructed one of the clerks to follow them. The men repaired to a certain PORT ARTHUR. lodging house in the western part of the city and after depositing their lodging house in the western part of the city and after depositing their plunder for safe keeping, proceeded back to town and turned a similar trick at the Bargain clothing store

ere they got two coats and two ts. It was then they came to grief Officer Hilton was duly notified Tokio, May 7 .--- (4 p. m.)--- Vice Admiral Togo's official recital of the latand after an exciting chase overtook the fellows and carted them to the po-lice station, where they gave their est engagement off Port Arthur, which lice station, where they gave their names as John Lane and Frank Stellar. They were charged with petit larceny. was received here today, shows that the Japanese have blocked the entrance to the harbor. On Tuesday morning, after the

TWIN FALLS WORK. South Dams Completed and Steel Gates Nearly in Position.

where

vests.

Colonel Milner reports 400 men at work on the great canal system of the Twin Falls company in Idaho, and that the big steel gates are nearly in posi-The placing of these has been tical very heavy work. The two south dams are completed, and the north dam will

more deadly than ever before as a re-sult of the improved Russian defences, be finished as soon as the flood waters have passed down the river. Thirty over the field of mines. Many of these exploded, yet five out of the eight Japhave passed down the the rest. They miles of the grand canal have been completed; the prism is $80x1^{\circ}0$ feet and 10 feet deep, and water will be let in in about a month. The company will put several steam launches on the canal, anese blockading ships were jammed into the inner channel and now pre-vent egress from the harbor to all craft excepting small boats. This attack exceeded all its predewhich of itself will be a regular river.

FRED C. LOOFBOUROW, The New Chairman of the Republican City Committee.

Mr. Fred C. Loofbourow, who has been chosen chairman of the Republican city committee, is a well known young lawyer who has been very active in party politics for some years. In fact he has been one of the most active members of the local Republican organization, and aside from the late inmented Mr. Eichnor and Mr. Eldredge, his associate, there have probably not been another half dozen men in the party who have been better posted on municipal politics or more aggressive therein than Mr. Loofbourdw, who is now at the head of the city committee, and who is strongly spoken of as a candidata for the sa; of district attorney, which position was recently filled by the appointment by Governor Wells of Hon. Benner X. Smith. Mr. Loufbourow. was given authority by the committee to select his own secretary, and this afternoon announced the appointment of Parley White of the Third precinct, to that position.

JAPANESE VERY CONFIDENT.

tack.

London, May 7.—Quiet confidence con-tinues to prevail here that the Japanese in their own good time will carry out ail their carefully arranged plans of campaign on the Liao Tung peninsula, which is now generally regarded as be-ing practically in Japanese hands. In diplomatic quarters no events are expected, either in the shape of a Chin-cee breach of neutrally or of the medi-

ese breach of neutrality or of the medi-tation of some power which would interfere with the normal course of the Foreign Secy. Lansdowne has d explicit information which received leads him to the bellef that there is no danger of the Chinese failing to main tain strict neutrality. The Chinese minister called at the foreign office here this week and so assured Lord Lans An attempt at mediation, ac cording to the general opinion in official and diplomatic circles, must for the present at any rate be postponed, At the Japanese legation it is thought that Russia does not intend to make a ver determined resistance at Port Ar-thur. In support of this idea, it is pointed out that Russia already has largely depleted her garrison at Port Arthur and that Viceroy Alexieff's departure from there hardly seems a step that would be adopted by a commander who desired to risk everything to keep up the morale of his troops and enable them to withstand a prolonged slege. The Japanese officials here do not count so much on the Japanese commander succeed in starving out Port Arthur as on the inevitable demoralization which they believe will spread among the already rather disheartened sallor and soldiers at Port Arthur, and which must necessarily be heightened by constant sea bombardment and menace by the land forces and complete isola-tion. As regards the land fighting in Manchuria and the disposition of the other mysterious Japanese armies Bar-

on Hayashi said today; "You may be pretty sure that the Japanese will not undertake any engagement in the near future unless our forces outnumber those available by the Russian commander, and I think will find the superiority of numbers will generally, for the present at any rate, be on our side."

NO MORE NECOTIATIONS WITH STRIKING MACHINISTS.

Topeka, Kas., May 7 .- "There will be no further negotiations with the striking machinisfs on the part of the Santa Fe road." said General Manager Mudge this morning. "A notice will be posted in the shops today to the effect that all men who do not report for work Mon-day need make no further applications.

Large Families at a Premium.

Des Moines, Ia., May 7 .- "Hereafter preference will be shown clerks who are married, especially those with large families.

The above notice was posted in the Des Moines postoffice today. Postmaster McKay stated the order came from the postoffice department at Washington and is in line with a suggestion from President Roosevelt and his large family idea.

Prest. Canadame of Peru Dead.

Lima, Peru, May 7 .-- President Canadame, who has been ill for some time at Arequipa, died today.

UTAHNS IN WASHINGTON.

(Special to the "News.") Washington, D. C., May 7.-Jas. A. West and Joseph D. Nelson of Salt Lake are in Washington sightseeing. They go from here to New York.

FLAG DESECRATION.

Bill Pester's Mistake Comes Near Re sulting in Prosecution.

A complaint was filed this morning with the county attorney against Owens, Varney & Green, the bill posters, for "Desecration of the American Flag." The desecration consisted of the posting of large bill board advertisements of a brand of whisky, the central feature of which was the partial envrapping of a bottle of liquor with the national emblem. This is in viola-tion of the law passed by the last legislature which distinctly prohibits anytigns of this kind under severe pen-alities.

County Atty. Westervelt called the attention of Manager W. S. Anderson of the bill posting company this morning, to the violation of the law, and Mr. Anderson readily showed the counar, Anderson reachy shown the objectional on his part, and that it was unintentional on his part, and that he would have the objectionable advertising matter covered up entirely before night. On that understanding, the complaint was withdrawn, and the American flag will no more be associated with whisk, ad-vertisements in Salt Lake City.

SENT TO REFORM SCHOOL

Judge Morse Blames Parents for Immorality of the Woolf Gir!.

Sarah Woolf, a girl 17 years of age, was committed to the state industrial school today by Judge Morse. It was shown that the girl for several months and prostitutes, and had been guilty of using obscene language. Judge Morse, in committing the girl, stated that her mother and step-father were to blame for her conduct, as they did not seem to have taken any interest in har and did not try to look after her. At the same time under the showing made he said he could not do other than commit her to the reform school. The girl has threatened to commit suicide if an attempt is made to take her to the reform school, and the officers who are detailed to take her to Ogden will no doubt have a hard job on their hands.

RETURNS HOME ILL.

Hon, F. S. Richards returned this noon from Washington, where he has been in the interest of the proposed ir-rigation development in this part of the state. He went immediately to his home, where he is confined with an attack of malaria contracted in the east.

from the first. The Novoe Vremya says: "The fortress and its defenders must now shift for themselve until our army in ufficient strength can come

down from the north and rescue them. In the meantime the people must accustom themselves to be without direct news from Port Arthur." STROESSEL TO HIS TROOPS.

Port Arthur, May 6 .- (Delayed in ransmission.) -Lieut, Gen. Stroessel has issued an order to the troops of his command as follows:

command as follows: "On April 30 and May 1 the enemy crossed the Yalu river in great force and our troops fell back to positions which had been previously selected. "Yesterday the enemy effected an

important landing on the Llao Tung peninsula, south of Pitseow and in the vicinity of Kin Chou bay. Now our work is beginning. Naturally, the enemy will destroy railway communiand endeavor to drive our back to Port Arthur, and becation troops slege this fortress, Russia's bulwark in the far east. We will defend it until the arrival of the thops which are

coming to relieve us. "I consider it my duty to call upon You to display uncessing vigilance and eaution, and you must be ready at all times to demean yourselves towards your general with the dignity and or-der beseeming the glorious troops of Russia. No matter what happens, you

