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FIFTY-FOURTH YEAR.

Anglo-Russian Dispute Will Be Settled By Arbitration.

ORDERS ISSUED TO RUSSIAN FLEET

The Second Pacific Squadron is Directed to Remain at Vigo, Spain.

ELIMINATES A CREAT DANCER.

Samely, Possibility of a Premature Clash Between the Russian and British Squadrons.

CABINET MINISTERS VERY MERRY

When They Left Meeting They Were laughing and Chatting, and in a Happy Frame of Mind.

Lendon, Oct. 28, 1:34 p. m.-Orders mve been issued and acknowledged by Vee Admiral Rojestvensky that the Rasilan squadron remain at Vigo until the conclusion of the present Russo-Ritish negotiations. This eliminates what was regarded here as one of the nost dangerous features of the situation, namely the possibility of a prenature clash between the British and Russian squadrons,

The cabinet today considered the Rossian proposition to submit the questan of individual responsibility to a commission. The details of the examhation of this commission have not yet ben quite determined upon, but Russia has expressed her willingness to detach the commander of the Second Paour squadron and such other individual officers as may be found to have teen directly concerned in the firing for emmination by the commission. By agreeing to abide by the verdict of this egawission Russia would undertake to carry out sentences which it may imis and thereby it is believed the sep-ante guarantee of punishment, which as o distantabil to Russia, may be ob-

Ambassador Benckendorff, after secmy Lord Lansdowne this morning, was hopeful of a satisfactory issu Be will see Lord Lansdowne again today, and is still expecting further in-stractions from St. Petersburg anen Unless the cabine belines to agree to the proposition in schepe, to which Lord Lansdowne his thus far raised no insurmountable objection, a settlement is expected tolight or tomorrow.

BENCKENDORFF BUSY EARLY.

London, Oct. 28 .- Russian Ambassacer Benckendorff paid another visit this morning to Foreign Secy. Lansdowne at the latter's private residence. The visit was made before half-past 10 ecock. The ambarsador conveyed to the minister further dispatches from the Russian government. The earliness of the call is accounted for by the accessity for placing the foreign min-bier in possession of the latest views of the government at St. Potersburg regarding the North sea incident, so that Lord Lansdowna would be in a poat the cabinet meeting today the full-est details regarding the negotiations held up to date. The ambassador's held up to date. The ambassador's star did not last more than a half hour Ambassador Cambon again was present and remained at Lord Lanedowne's a tw minutes after the departure of Count Benchendorff. There are evidences of increasing be-

tel among well-informed persons that the dispute between Russia and Great Britain will not lead to serious complications, and that an amicable set-tlement will be reached. Russia, so far as is known, is showing every dispo-sition to meet the British views, and it is conceded that the delay in replying to the British demands is readily exstan government naturally desires to be placed in possession from its own sources of all details connected with

Subsequently Mr. Balfour and Fortign Secy. Lansdowne had a somewhat prolonged conference. They then proceeded to the meeting of the cabinet. which was attended by the whol minis-

Subsequent to their meeting at Lansowne house Ambassador Benkerdorff and Ambassador Cambon held a con-ference at the French embassy and lat-Russian embassy saying it was in con-mant communication with the British government, and that as a result of these communications the embassy aboed that there would be a speedy and satisfactory settlement, and that the whole aspect of the situation had decidable improved.

FROM RUSSIAN EMBASSY.

London, Oct. 28, 1:07 p. m.—A statement has just been issued by the Russian embassy as follows:

We are in constant communication with the British government. As a retult of these communications the embassy hopes that there will be a speedy and satisfactors, extlement. The schole and satisfactory settlement. The whole aspect of the situation has decidedly improved."

CABINET MINISTERS HAPPY.

London, Oct. 28.—The widespread in-terest in today's cabinet meeting was evidenced by the early assembling this morning of crowds in Downing street. These gatherings soon became so thick that the police were obliged to disperse them into the neighboring Whitehall district.

Premier Balfour was early at work attending to his correspondence and retelving visitors, among whom was

The cabinet meeting broke up shortly before 2 o'clock, the ministers laughing and chatting and being apparently in the napplest frame of mind, thus confirming the belief that the crisis is in a fair way to be dissipated.

fair way to be dissipated. Queen Alexandra's deep concern re-garding the Anglo-Russian crisis was evidenced today. Hardly had the cabi-het rises when the cabibet risen when a message was handed to Mr. Balfour from her and the pre-misr immediately drove to Buckingham palace, where he had a prolonged intercourse of the afternoon proceeded to Sandringham and Mr. Balfour went to Southampton,

INSTRUCTIONS TO ROJESTVEN-SKY.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 28, 5 p. m .- The imirally authorizes the statement that Admiral Rojestvensky has been in-structed to remain at Viso pending the inquiry into the North sea incident.
A high admiral said to the Associated

I consider that the acute stage of this deplorable misunderstanding is over. I do not countenance for one minute the wild insinuations that British torpedoboats were the aggressors, but I cannot explain the presence of two mysterious forpedoboats. I cannot believe they were Russians returning to foin the squadron and that they were mistaken for fees. But if this turns out to be the case it was Rojestvensky's duty to protect his ships from what he believed to be a hostile attack."

SETTLEMENT OF ANGLO-RUSSIAN DIFFERENCES.

London, Oct. 28 .- It is suggested that the rricles of the convention concluded at The Hague furnish a good and satisfactory basis for the contemplated procedure Article 9, etc., of the convention, dealing with international commissions of inquiry regarding "differences involving neither nonor nor vital interests arising from differences of opinion on points of fact" and how the court of inquiry shall be constituted are considered to meet the situation. Mr. Baifour will thus be enabled to tell his audience tonight of the practical settlement of the dispute which, but for this solution, would have led to a clash between the British channel squadron and the Russian Second Pacific squadron, which must have plunged the two countries into war. How near was the rupture is evidenced by the fact that Great Britain went to the length of conveying a strong hint to Russia that unless satisfaction was given, ensuring an adequate inquiry and the punishment of any one found guilty, the Russian squadron will not be allowed to proceed beyond Tangier. Even this morning, in dispatching cruisers from Gibraltar, Vice Admiral Lord Beresford, the commander of the channel squadron, the commander of the signalled them "situation critical, Good luck." situation. Mr. Balfour will thus be ea-

Throughout the affair the influence of the recent Anglo-French understanding has been a potent element and Ambassa-dor Cambon, whether acting person-sonally or in behalf of the French gov-ernment, has been indefatigable in using his close relationship with both the British government and the Russian em-bassy to bring about an honorable settle-ment.

Britian Buys Mules.

New York, Oct. 28.—A dispatch from Buenos Ayres, Argentina, says, accord-ing to the Herald correspondent at Val-paraiso, Chile, that the British governtrent has purchased there 8,000 mules destined for the Indian army. The animals are to be delivered in Calcutta next February,

ACCIDENT IN SUBWAY.

Young Woman Falls Between the Platform and a Train.

New York, Oct. 28 .- The first serious accident since the formal opening of the subway occurred today when a young subway occurred today when a young woman named Sadie Lawson of Jersey City fell between the platform and a local train at the Fourteenth street station and was badly crushed. She has a fractured hip and bruises of more or less serious nature, but will recover.

When the rush hour schedule went into effect today averything in the subway was in perfect order, and the big downtown bound crowds were handled with little trouble.

Cockran Has Throat Trouble.

Kansas City, Oct. 28.-Bourke Cockran New York, who passed through Kansan City for St. Louis early today, it develops, consulted a physician regarding his throat, which has been causing him some trouble of late. The physician, it is stated, advised an operation, which, however, Mr. Cockran, it is said, decided to postpone until after election. Mr. Cockran is en routs to Indiana, where he is to make several speeches.

Admiralty Orders.

London. Get. 28.—Admiralty orders have reached Portsmouth to stop the leave of all officers and men and directing that the torpedo heat destroyer flotilla be kept in readiness to proceed wherever ordered,

Allanton and Calchas Released.

Viadivestek, Oct. 28.—The British steamers Allanton and Calchas, both seized by the Vladivostok squadron, have been re-leased. A deposit of \$300.00 was made in behalf of the latter vessel, whose case comes up on appeal at St. Petersburg

Parker's Appreciation of Bryan. Esopus, N. Y., Oct. 28.—Judge Parker has expressed high appreciation of the part William Jenuings Bryan has taken in the present campaign, and today sent him a telegram as follows:

"To Hon. William Jennings Bryan: I wish to thank you for the splendid service you have rendered to the Democratic party in Indiana, and cisewhere, during resent campaign. gned) ALTON B. PARKER."

Cornelius Shields Dead.

Sault Ste. Marie. Mich., Oct. 28.—Cor-nellus Shields, general manager of the Consolidated Lake Superior corporation, died suddenly teday from heart failure.

Boom Defenses at Gibraltar.

Gibraltay, Oct. 25.—Boom defenses are seing rigged at both ends of the barbor.

The batticships of the channel fleet are till in port with steam up and decks leared.

Ex-Gov. Nash Drops Dead.

Columbus, Ohio, Oct. 28.—Former Gov. George K. Nash dropped dead in his bath-room today.

FIRE IN SOUTH BROOKLYN. One Man Burned to Death. An

other Seriously Injured. New York, Oct. 28.-One man was burned to death and another seriously injured in a fire at the Bush Terminal company's pier, South Brooklyn, early today. The dead man is Patrolman Cushing and Fireman John B. Walsh is in a hospital suffering from injuries. The fire was discovered on the lighter Victor, lying at pier 7, foot of Forty-first street. The vessel was laden with cotton. When the engines arrived the flames had spread to the pier, which was loaded with cotton, and it was en-tirely destroyed by fire. The pier was 700 feet in length and was one of the largest in this vicinity. The losses soon reached the lighters Bend, Iowa, and another known as No. 206, all laden with cotton, and then jumped to pier 6, at the foot of Forty-dxth street, and set fire to the Italian steamer Citta di

England And Russia Will Not Fight.

The Dispute Arising in Consequence of the North Sea Incident Will Be Satisfactorily Settled-Great Britain Offers to Submit the Complications to an International Commission - Every Reason to Believe That Russia Will Accept Ofer.

LONDON, OCT. 28, 4:07 P. M.-THE ASSOCIATED PRESS IS AUTHORIZED TO STATE THAT A SATISFACTORY SETTLEMENT OF THE ANGLO-RUSSIAN DISPUTE HAS BEEN REACHED. SEVERAL DETAILS AND FORMALITIES REMAIN TO BE ARRANGED, BUT THE PRO-POSAL TO REFER THE MATTER TO A COURT OF INQUIRY HAS BEEN ACCEPTED.

PARIS, OCT. 28.-GREAT BRITAIN HAS OFFERED TO SUBMIT THE RUSSO-BRITISH COM-PLICATIONS TO AN INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION, AND THERE IS EVERY REASON TO BELIEVE THAT RUSSIA WILL ACCEPT THIS ARRANGEMENT.

ST. PETERSBURG, OCT. 28, 2:45 P. M .- ORDERS HAVE BEEN TELEGRAPHED TO VICE-AD-MIRAL ROJESTVENSKY TO DETAIN AT VIGO ALL THE WARSHIPS WHICH TOOK PART IN THE NORTH SEA INCIDENT.

THE ENTIRE DISPUTE WAS ENDED WHEN AMBASSADOR BENKENDORFF CAW LORD LANS. DOWNE AFTER THE CABINET MEETING. A FINAL INQUIRY WILL BE HELD AT THE HAGUE UNDER THE RULES OF THE HAGUE CONVENTION. THE APPOINTMENT OF THE ARBITRATORS WILL BE DISCUSSED TOMORROW BETWEEN AMBASSADOR BENKENDORFF AND LORD LANS-DOWNE. THE ONLY DETAIL WHICH REMAINS TO BE ARRANGED IS THE PERMISSION OF SPAIN FOR THE PORTION OF THE RUSSIAN SQUADRON CONCERNED IN THE NORTH SEA INCIDENT TO REMAIN AT VIGO UNTIL THE INQUIRY IS COMPLETED. THIS NO DOUBT WILL BE OB-TAINED. THE REMAINDER OF THE RUSSIAN SQUADRON IS EXPECTED TO PROCEED TO ITS

Palermo, which was damaged to the | deletel-lete

A number of steamships and smaller craft were taken out on the stream and escaped the flames. Fire Commissioner Doyle says the loss will not exceed

THE LABARE MURDER.

Bringing of Guilty Parties to Jusice to be Insisted On.

Washington, Oct. 28 .- Immediate action looking to the arrest and trial of the outlaws implicated in the murder of Mr. Labare, the American mission-ary, nearly a year ago in Persia, will be insisted upon by Dr. Norton, consul at Harput, who has been sent to Persia by the state department, accredited to Teheran as envoy on a special mission, At the state department it is stated that the leader of the band supposed to have murdered Labore has been arrested. The Persian government is acting with a dilatoriness not to the sking of the Washington officials, and Dr. Norton will be instructed to state the dissatisfaction of this government with the conduct of the case,

MISSIONARIES ORGANIZE.

Class at L. D. S. University Full of Energy and Interest.

"The day missionary class at the Latter-day Saints' university is small in numbers, but excellent in quality," is the report of the teachers, President J. H. Paul and Elder Benjamin Goddard, who are conducting the work. One of the class, M. M. Bywater, has just discontinued in order to fill a mission, in this country. Most of the class will re-main at school till next April. Those who desire to attend may report at the

On Wednesday merning the missionary students assembled in Room 301 of the Business college, and effected a class organization. Fred A. Sheffleid of Kaysville was elected president, Miss Eva Jensen of Salt Lake City, vice president, and Walter T. Hogan of Bountiful, secretary and treasurer. The members expressed a determination to do good work, and spirited addresses were made by the newly elected officers. It was suggested that at the monthly lass meetings some of the leading brethren be invited to address the missionary students. A proztam com-mittee was appointed, consisting of Mrs. T. W. Bliss, August Nelson and John I. Hatch.

TIMMS OBSEQUIES.

Impressive Services Held in Twenty-Seventh Ward Chapel.

The funeral of the late William Timms was held from the Twenty-seventh ward chapel yesterday afternoon, Bishop James Maxwell, presiding. The ward choir furnished the music, and the opening prayer was offered by El-der Walter Williams, after which remarks of a consoling nature were made by Elders George E. Perry. Thomas Nash, Robert F. Neslen, Herbert J. Foulger, Benjamin Goddard, Bishop James C. Watson and Bishop Maxwell. The benediction was pronounced by Elder Benjamin Wilson. In their remarks the speakers praised the deceased for his integrity to the truth, he having been a faithful member of the Church for a period of 61 years. Interment was in the city cemetery.

ADJUDGED INSANE.

Miss Irene Carrington Ordered Committed to State Mental Hospital.

Miss Irene I. Carrington, who resides at 142 north West Temple street, was examined as to her sanity this morning at Unity hospital by Judge Lewis and Drs. Mayo and Young and was committed to the state mental hospital at Provo. The woman was in a violent condition and had to be strapped to the bed during the examination. Only a few days ago she created quite a sensation at the city and county building by reporting that a house opposite the building was being burglar-ized. Upon investigation it was discovered that there was no cause for

such a rumor. On the same day she went into Judge Stewart's court room during the trial of a case and disturbed the court and had to be taken from the room. A short time ago she petitioned the court for letters of guardianship of the person of her mother, whom she alleges was an incompetent person. It was found by the evidence submitted that it was simply a case of jealousy on her art because she imagined that her brother was trying to defraud her mother of some of her property. The Mew with the queen. The latter in the set fire to the Italian steamer Citta di Judge Hall.

CZAR APPROVES SETTLEMENT

St. Petersburg, Oct. 28.—The

BY ARBITRATION.

emperor has approved the proposal to submit the North sea incident to an international tribunal.

ROJESTVENSKY'S STORY IS TOO THIN

English Press Thinks the Sooner He Returns Home the Better It Will be for Everybody.

HE IS RECARDED AS A LUNATIC

Russian Naval General Staff Publishes Dispatches From Vice Admirat.

London, Oct. 28 .- How much longer?" is the burden of the newspaper editorial articles this morning. Commenting upon the continued delay of the Russian government and what is characterized as the amazing story Admiral Rojestvensky presents in defense of his action little disposition is displayed to listen for a moment seriously to the admiral's story. Some St. Petersburg special correspondents even go so far as to suggest the explanation "home manufactured." The most serious of the morning newspapers

New Saturday Features.

Commencing tomorrow, the "News" takes pleasure in announcing the first installment of . a series of articles on interna- I tional questions from the pen of a distinguished Washington diplomat. His name is withheld for obvious reasons, but of his ability to pass on the delicate question of the relations existing between the world powers, no one who reads his papers can doubt. The articles will appear simultaneously in the leading eastern papers, but only in the Saturday "News" in the western I section of the country.

The Saturday "News" will T also begin the publication of extracts from the new book just issued, "Old Gorgon Graham, More Letters from a Selfmade Merchant to His Son." Nine foreign countries have already it secured the rights to print this book, which promises to exceed i in interest its predecessor, "Letters from a Self-made Merchant to His Son."

The extracts from the work are furnished the "News" by special I arrangement with the publishers, Doubleday, Page & Co.

confess that the country is under the shadow of war, and that the word is now with Russia.

'The Standard editorially describes Rojestvensky's whole story as the creation of a disordered imagination, bearing its refutation on its face, and says:

'For Exemples of the country with the shadow of the country with the same of the country with the c "For Russia to enter a controversy with England on the basis of such a tissue misstatesments can only lead to

The Daily Telegraph says: "If the admiral believes his own story, all that can be said is that the sooner he re-turns home and is looked after the bet-ter it will be for himself, his family and his country. These extracts well represent the

opinion of the country and press. The fact that the Baltic squadron appears to have fired on vessels of various nationallties is regarded as proving that its officers were in a condition of nervous panic, rendering the squadron a danger to the world's commerce. According to the Daily Telegrap's St.

Petersburg correspondent Admiral Ro-Jestvensky received from the admiralty in code secret instructions not only authorizing but obliging him to fire on all ships approaching too close or other-wise arousing suspicion, but that foreign governments were not notified of instructions.

At Hull, where the simplicity of the funeral rites over the bodies of the victims was in strong contrast to the deep feeling displayed by the enormous con course of public mourners, Admiral Ro-jestvensky's statements are dismissed as absolutely inaccurate and unworthy

of the slightest consideration.

The fishermen are emphatic in declar ing that it can be proved beyond doubt that there were no Japanese torpedo-boats in the vicinity of Dogger bank. Further, they point out that the Baltic squadron was 30 miles out of its proper course, with the result that the vessels steamed into the midst of the trawlers and this is the only foundation, they assert for the allegation that the transport Anatol was surrounded by unknown vessels.

ROJESTVENSKY'S DISPATCHES. St. Petersburg, Oct. 28.-The naval

general staff publishes the following dispatches from Vice Admiral Rojest. First dispatch: "The North sea inci-dent was caused by two torpedo boats advancing to attack without lights un-der cover of darkness against the ves-

sels leading the detachment. When the detachment turned on its searchlights and opened fire the presence of several amail steamboats resembling steam fishing boats was discovered. The detachment endeavored to spare these and ceased firing as soon as the torpedo boats were out of sight.

The English press is indignant because a torpedo boat left by the detachment on the spot until morning did not aid the victims. Now there was not a single torpedo hoat near the detach-ment and none remaining near the small steamboats was that torpedo boat which was not sunk but only damaged. The detachment did not aid the little steamboats because we suspected them of complicity on account of their obstinately cutting into the order of the position of our vessels. Several of them showed no lights and others only very

Second dispatch: "Having met several hundred fishing boats, the squad. ron showed them every consideration, except when they were in company with foreign torpedo boats, which one disappeared, while the other, according to the fishers' own evidence, remained among them until morning. They supposed it was a Russian and were indigmant because it did not aid the victims; but it was foreign, and remained until morning, seeking the other torpedo boat, its consort, either to repair damage or through fear of betraying itself to those who were not its accomplices. If there were also on the spot fishermen imprudently dragged into the enterprise l begin the name of the whole squadror to express my sincere regret to the unwhich no warship, even in time of deep peace could have acted otherwise." MYSTERY DEEPENS.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 28, 3:10 a. m.-The mystery of the trawler affair, in stead of being cleared up by Vice Admiral Rojestvensky's report today appears to be deeper than ever. The Rus-sian admiral's explanation is hailed with the greatest satisfaction at the admiralty and elsewhere, but it is felt that a direct issue has now been raised

between Great Britain and Russia and

the issue has entered on a more delicate

Public sentiment in both countries doubtless will demand the most searching investigation to establish facts, and probably neither nation will be willing

to accept the result of an ex-parte in-quiry by the other.

The outcome probably will be a mixed tribunal of some sort. This at least is the suggestion of some of the cooler men here, as it is felt that only thus could a repetition of the Maine inquiry could a repetition of the Maine inquiry Popular excitement has reached a

pitch unequalled since the beginning of the war. Public sympathy and confi-dence undoubtedly are with Vice Ad-- - miral Rojestvensky and should Russia | sary.

out further inquiry there is no question that such a course would be popular with the masses, who would be willing to back the government in the contro-versy to the utmost extremity. It is most unlikely, however, that the

government will adopt such a course, It is much more probable that after the first flush of excitement has faded a middle way will be found whereby the facts can be established and the na-tional pride of both countries main-

RUSSIAN PRESS COMMENT.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 28,—The morning papers today print Vice Admiral Ro-Jestvensky's report of the North sca in-eldent, with extensive comments, the me of which does not mean concilla The Bussian admiral's report i accepted without reservation as the true explanation of the happenings the concurrence of Vice Admiral Relacked by torpedoboats with the decla-ration of the lishermen that the torpe-doboats, of which the Russian fleet had none, ran in close to the trawlers before heading for the vessels of the Rus-sian squadron. Attention is called also to the statement by the fishermen that a small vessel remained six hours at the scene of the disaster, while Vice Admira Rojestvensky reports that the whole Russian squadron proceeded to

throw the blame for all the less of life upon the Japanese, some of the newspapers do not hesitate to intimate that it is Great Eritain's private affair.

The Novoestl baldly suggests the possibility that the control of the control

sibility that the torpedoboats described by the Russian commander were boats loaned to the Japanese by the British government.

The Novoe Vremya says that, not-withstanding Great Britain's numerical superiority upon the sea, there is no need to flaunt the fact in the face of the Russian people, who are able to awalt eventualities, trusting in God. The paper adds:

"The Japanese lesson given in the early days of the stege of Port Arthur has not fallen upon sterile ground. The Japanese now find it harder to surprise Russian fleet than it was formerly. The Russ congratulates Vice Admiral Rojestvensky upon "beating off the Japanese attack," and says his report, as it was expected it would, puts an entirely different face upon the whole

COUNT CASSINES VIEWS.

Washington, Oct. 27.-Count Cussini, the Russian ambassador was deeply in erested tonight in the dispatch from Russia that the Russian government had not yet received any request from Great Britain for the punishment of the officers responsible for the firing on the British fishermen, if any were found to be responsible. The ambassador said, speaking personally, that such a request to say the least, would be "unprecedented."

"Russia," he added, "cannot admit the right of any power to interfere in her internal affairs or even suggest a method of internal administration and it is to be hoped that no nation will ake such suggestion

The ambassador, in response to a further inquiry said very emphaticily; "Await the facts; thinking people in this country will, I am sure, insist upon the facts before forming their opin-While the situation is delicate, the

ambassador is very sure diplomacy will

solve it peaceably.

supposedly last night.

Miss Mackay Beats Miss Bishop. New Haven, Conn., Oct. 28.—Miss Pauline Mackay of Oakley defeated Miss Georgiana Bishop, the national champion, at the open gold tournament on Country club links today, in the final match by a score of 1 up, 19 holes.

Gen. Edgar D. Allen Suicides. Richmond, Va., Oct. 28.-Gen. Edgar

Allen, former United States district attorney and a prominent Grand Army man, committed suicide near this city

REPORT OF CITY SCHOOLS. Tetal Eurollment Reaches 13,234 Pupils, of Which 36 Are Colored.

The report of City Supt. of Schools Christensen for the first month of school ending Oct. 7 shows that the total enrollment in all of the city schools was 13,234 pupils, of which number only 36 are colored. The total number of teachers in the schools is 32 and the average number of pupils to each teacher is 42. There were 911 cases of tardiness during the month, at cases of truency and three cases of corporal punishment. The corpora ounishment was all in the Grant school, while the Sumner school heads the list

in the cases of truancy, there being seven in that school during the month.

The average attendance in all the schools was 95.6 per cent and the average in punctuality was 99.7 per cent. Eight of the schools had an average of 39.9 per cent in punctuality. The high est average in attendance was at the Sumner, its percentage being 98. It also unetnality. During the month 83 ere made to patrons by teachers,

OLD MAN DROPS DEAD.

William Collet Expires in His Room Following Hemerrhage of Lungs.

After William Cellett had been dead 2 hours the police broke into his room this afternoon and discovered the body, From appearances the man had died of nemorrhage of the lungs.

Deceased was 50 years of age, roomed at 231 east Third South street with a family named Berry. Fred Berry, the head of the house, works at night in a saloon. His wife, who is sick, was awakened at 2 o'clock this morning by the sound of something heavy falling in he room of their lodger. Thinking that it was some plaster from the ceiling, she went to sleep again. Early this morning her husband went to bed and nothing was thought of the incident eft had not left his room. The poce were summoned and shortly after o'clock Detective Shannon and Office Evans forced the door to find the man ying on his face. The lamp was still burning and everything in the room

Collett had been lodging at the place duce Oct, 18, and appeared to be a so per and industrious man, with no bad

The remains were removed to an unlertaking establishment after Coroner lark had been notified. It is not believed that an inquest will be never-

NO SURRENDER OF PURT ARTHUR.

'I Now Bid You All Goodbye Forever; Port Arthur is My Grave," Says Stoessel

THAT MESSAGE SENT EMPEROR.

Garrison is Told That to Court a Glorious Death is Preferable To Capitulation.

FEAR OF SOME TROOPS DESERTING

the southward.

While it is the general disposition to Bombardment is So Incessant That It is Impossible to Bury the Dead at Any Depth.

> Shanghai, Oct. 28 -- A private letter from Port Arthur dated Oct. 21 received here-today says: "Gen. Stoessel wired the Russian em-

peror and court recently: "I now bid you all good bye forever Port Arthur is my grave."

"Gen. Stoessel has instructed the garrison of the beleaguered fortress with the spirit that to court a glorious death is preferable to capitulation.

The Japanese shells are inflicting great damage to the Russian fleet in the harbor and to the fortifications. The arsenal with its contents of ammunition and small arms has been destroyed and preparations are being made for the last deadly struggle at close quarters, The water supply having been cut off wells are being sunk. Provisions are scarce. Only tinned meats being left, the soldiers hold gala feasts on horses killed by the shells.

"Gen. Simonoff, it is said, would surrender but is overruled by Gen. Stoes-

"Certain troops included in the Earrison have to be closely watched at present for fear of desertion or treach-

"The field and naval hospitals are crowded and ayzeme condition coming desparate. The bombardment at times is so incessant that it is impossible to bury the dead to any depth. Over one half of the original garrison is dead, wounded or sick.

"The high angle at which their artillery fire is directed by the Japanese has practically destroyed the

When the fleet attempted to break through the blockade some time ago the garrison was to have mad a desperate sortie and inflict as much damage as possible and if necessary capitulate. The failure of the fleet to escape frustrated the plan.

The besiegers are pressing closer dally and it is hard to say how long we can hold out When the end comes there will be a desperate fight and surprise. Thousands of the enemy will perish

as everything is mined."

This letter was entrusted to a native boatman who ran the blockade and mailed it at Chefoo. The recipient is a prominent con-tinental business man of this city with

a branch house at Port Arthur. HUGE SIEGE GUNE ARRIVE

Chefoo, Oct. 28, 5 p. m .- Japanese at Dlany report the continued arrival of

huge siege guns.

A junk from Port Archtur with eleven Chinese who left there on Oct. 19 on account of the costilness food arrived here today. They say that several of the Russian warships have been hit by dropping shells but nonhave been sunk. They estimate able bodid seldlers ther now at 10,000 saying a smaller force would be insufficient to garrison the various posi-

JAPANESE RUSH TRENCHES.

Gen. Kuroki's Headquarters in the Field, via Fusan, Oct. 28.—The Japa-ness gave a stirring exhibition of sharp determined fighting yesterday, They drove the Russians from a high They drove the Russians from a high hill 10 miles east of the railroad in Gen. Ruroki's front, which is important strategically as a post of observation, and was the only point south of the Shakhe river which the Russian held. About a regiment of Russians were entrenched there with five machine guns. The Japanese rushed the Russian trenches, shot many Russians as they were suming down the hillside, and

were running down the hillside, and captured two machine guns. The Japanese had 20 killed and 80 wounded. The Russians left 20 dead on the field. There was hand-to-hand fighting when the trenches were taken. The Russians re-tired across the river. When the Japa. nese flag was raised over a tower sur-mounting the hill the Russian batteries showered shrapnel on it for an hour but

without result. DESPERATE ATTACK OPENED.

Tokio, Oct. 28, 4:30 p. m -- It is reported that the Japanese opened a deperate general attack on the east-ern forts of the Keekwan group, north of Port Arthur, during the morning of Oct. 36 and slienced the Russian bat-A shell exploded the Russian

Simultaneously the Japanese tacked the forts on Rihlung mountain and Sunghohowian mountain, silenced the Russian batteries and stormed and occupied the forts in front of these

On the night of Oct. 26 there was a conflagration in Old Port Arthur and on Oct. 27 a shell hit the Russian bat-tleship Sebastopol and two Russian steamers were sunk,

neking but the reports are believed JAPS CAPTURE FORTS.

Shanghal, Oct. 28.-It is reported that

Official confirmation of the above is

the Japanese have occupied two focts to the northeast of Port Arthur, that a Russian battleship in the barbor has ben sunk, and that the Japanese attack on the fortress is becoming more furi-

ous. This report lacks confirmation.