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Tokio, Dec. 2, 3 p. m.—It is reported here that the Russians have attempted to retake 208 Meter hill. They assembled a strong force and assaulted the position, but were repulsed with heavy loss.

The Japanese finding sailors among the Russian dead, believe that if men from the fleet are being employed in making sorties, the complement of the force must be falling short.

The fact that the Russians are fortifying the positions available between Liao Tie and Mantao mountains, increases the belief that they will make their last stand there.

JAP OFFICERS KILLED.

Tokio, Dec. 2, 11 a. m.—Imperial headquarters make the announcement that 17 officers have been killed and 64 wounded in the field, but does not mention the place. It is presumed that it was at Port Arthur.

The details of the attack of the swimmers at Port Arthur are unknown here, and a difference of opinion exists as to whether any of the attacking parties were armed exclusively with swords. Possibly many of the soldiers carried swords in addition to their bayonets, for the Japanese retain much ancient respect for the sword and continue training with it, despite the opposition of the officers of the newer school.

The results of this sword attack were evidently negative.

The wounded leg of Gen. Nakamura has been amputated.

The party under Gen. Saito retired and did not press the attack.

COSACKS DRIVE OUT JAPS.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 2.—Dispatches received from Mukden today say that Gen. Rennenkampf's force on Nov. 30 drove the Japanese out of a new position southward of Tsinkichien. The fighting was sharp and the Japanese suffered heavily. The Japanese were driven back to their original position in the villages and retreated, pursued by Cosacks so far as the Taitse river. The Japanese losses were about 50 killed and 100 wounded. The Cosacks destroyed a Japanese telegraph line and occupied the village of Suifeng, about seven and a half miles southeast of Tsinkichien.

AVOIDED AN ENGAGEMENT.

Tokio, Dec. 2.—The following was given at the imperial headquarters this afternoon:

"The commander of the Japanese force at Hsienchun reports that on Nov. 25 a detachment of our force attacked the enemy's position at Suchia-hsu and dislodged him, but discovered a large column of the enemy advancing from the rear, and the Japanese force was gradually being surrounded. The Japanese force of four battalions of infantry and eight guns. Our detachment avoided an engagement, rejoining our main position."

DROVE OUT JAP ENTRENCHERS.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 2.—Gen. Sakharov reports that a Russian reconnaissance force attacked the Japanese, who were entrenched at Lamant (Lamant), at nightfall on Nov. 30, and drove them out of the position at the bayonet point. The Japanese were bayoneted and occupied Makhach and the villages. In the forenoon of Nov. 26 some artillery appeared in the direction of Lamant and Wanlu river, and in the afternoon the enemy was gradually being surrounded by the Russian forces. Our detachment avoided an engagement, rejoining our main position.

Russian Warships Seen.

Island of Perm, Dec. 2.—Four Russian warships passed Perm at 2 o'clock this morning, going southward.

Tangier, Dec. 2.—The Russian auxiliary cruiser, formerly the Smolensk, and her two torpedo destroyers, have arrived here, and are coaling.

GERMAN-AMERICAN BANK.

One at Buffalo Opened its Doors
This Morning.

Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 2.—The German-American bank on which a run was begun yesterday, opened its doors as usual at 9 o'clock this morning. At 10 o'clock there were about 20 depositors in line. They were being paid promptly. Vice Pres. Schilling said there was no doubt whatever of the bank's ability to withstand any run, but that he did not anticipate that more than a few thousand dollars would be withdrawn. Pres. Smery stated that the German-American bank had about \$300,000 in available currency and within 24 hours could have \$2,000,000.

DEATH BY FIRE.

Mrs. Alice Gregory and Children
Have Narrow Escape from It.

Colorado Springs, Colo., Dec. 2.—Mrs. Alice Gregory and two children had a narrow escape from death in a fire which broke out early this morning. Their home at 110 South Weber street, was partially destroyed, the occupants of the residence escaping by a porch. Chief Baty of the fire department declares that the fire was incendiary, the house having been set on fire in three different places simultaneously.

Washington State Y. M. C. A.

Bellingham, Wash., Dec. 2.—The Washington state Y. M. C. A. convention, which will be in session until the day of its prorogation, is carrying out the day of its program. The report of the establishment of branches during the past year at Waukegan and Vashon. The property of the organization is being moved to new buildings at Seattle, Spokane, Bellingham, Ho-

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quail and Walla Walla has increased about \$152,000.

J. M. Graham of Vancouver, B.C., and H. Stone of Portland, Ore., were among the speakers. Today, in addition to T. S. Lippy and other prominent men in the work in this state, Ivan B. Rhodes of Portland, Ore., and Harry O. Hill, Pacific coast secretary of student work, is on the program.

PHILIPPINE EXHIBITS.

Net Cost of Those at St. Louis Was \$716,633.

Washington, Dec. 2.—According to a statement prepared at the bureau of insular affairs, the net cost of the Philippine exhibit at the St. Louis exposition to the Philippine government up to the night of Nov. 26, was \$716,633. The total disbursements to that date were \$1,419,024, and the receipts \$512,967, making the net cost \$906,057, of which \$139,425 is covered by an allotment from the Louisiana Purchase exposition fund, reducing the cost to the Philippines to the figures named.

BLANCHE CREW SURVIVORS.

They Tell a Tale of Terrible Suffering.

London, Dec. 2.—The two survivors of the crew of nine of the steamer Blanche, which was sunk in the Mersey river in a collision Wednesday night, say that they escaped in a lifeboat. This boat was dashed against the sinking ship, drowning three of the crew. The remaining six righted the boat and rowed away, but were buffeted by the waves, which soon filled the boat with freezing water. Two more died of exposure. Again the boat was capsized, but the four survivors managed to scramble in again. They renewed their efforts to reach shore, but two more succumbed. At 3 o'clock Thursday morning the lifeboat struck shore at Fornby and the survivors painfully dragged the boat and its gruesome cargo through the surf to land, after having been seven hours in the boat.

Distinguished Arrivals.

New York, Dec. 2.—Morton Frewen, the Rev. Canon McLarny and Darryl Maher, arrived today on the steamship Cedric from Liverpool.

W. C. T. U.

Re-elects the General Officers for
The Ensuing Year.

Philadelphia, Dec. 2.—The National Women's Christian Temperance union today re-elected the general officers for another year. The officers are Mrs. Lillian M. Stevens, Portland, Maine, president; Mrs. Anna A. Gordon, Evansville, Ill., vice president at large; Mrs. Susan M. Fry, Evanston, Ill., corresponding secretary; Mrs. Francis E. Beauchamp, Lexington, Ky., assistant recording secretary; Mrs. Helen Morton Barker, Evanston, Ill., treasurer.

BACK FROM PANAMA.

Hepburn Committee Arrives at
New Orleans.

New Orleans, Dec. 2.—The United States transport Summer entered the river today, bearing Congressman Hepburn and members of his congressional party, which went to the isthmus of Panama to make a survey of the conditions there. The visitors will be entertained at a public reception tomorrow.

Gold for Europe.

New York, Dec. 2.—The report that the National City bank has engaged gold to the amount of \$500,000 in Paris for import to this country is confirmed. The transaction, it is stated, is a special one. It could not be learned whether the gold will take the form of francs, eagles, or bars.

Pussian Ambassador Dead.

Vienna, Dec. 2.—The Russian ambassador, Count Peter Kapnist, died at 1 o'clock this afternoon from an apoplectic stroke.

ATTACKED BY TRIBESMEN.

House of an English Writer at
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Tangier, Dec. 2.—The Benim-Sur tribesmen made a determined attack on the residence of Walter B. Harris, the English writer, last night with the avowed intention of capturing him. The mountaineers surrounded the house, stabbed a guard who attempted to raise an alarm, and entered the house. Finally, after some looting, the tribesmen left without finding Mr. Harris.

The David Evans Libeled.

San Francisco, Dec. 2.—A libel has been filed in the United States district court against the American schooner David Evans to recover \$100,000 alleged to be due as wages. A libel has also been filed against the ship's captain, who is accused of having damaged a cargo of currants valued at \$100,000 on the trip from Antwerp to this city.

Thomas A. Moran's Will.

Chicago, Dec. 2.—The wills of Thomas A. Moran and George T. Smith have been filed for probate. Both documents are alike in that the estates are left almost entirely to the widows and families.

Edward W. Tatum Resigns.

Chicago, Dec. 2.—Edward W. Tatum, for the last five years president of the International Brotherhood of Bookbinders, has resigned from that position and will hereafter devote his entire time to two local unions of paper

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