

If they laugh, who win," and "they who laugh best" their own advertisers should be both mirthful and obese.

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## A GREAT BATTLE HAS COMMENCED.

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## RUSSIANS EXPECTING VICTORY.

Have Smaller Number of Men, but They Rely on Strength of Their Position.

## INCESSANT SHOWER OF SHRAPNEL.

Fell for Four Hours—Japanese Have Chosen Mikado's Birthday in Which To Make a Grand Effort.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 30 (2:22 p. m.)—The long expected battle at Liao Yang has begun and the two armies are now fighting what probably will prove to be the decisive battle of the campaign. The Japanese armies are attacking Gen. Kuropatkin's forces upon his chosen ground and his friends and admirers here are confident that, having accepted a general engagement, he will defeat the Japanese.

In a brief telegram received this morning Kuropatkin says the general advance of the Japanese began yesterday at noon, the Russian outposts falling back upon the mainland. The heaviest fighting was taking place when his dispatch was sent from a point 10 miles southeast of Liao Yang, where the Japanese seemed to be concentrating for their main battle. The Russians suffered principally from the shrapnel fire of the Japanese artillery.

The Japanese selected the mikado's birthday for the decisive battle and it will not be surprising if today is also signified by a grand assault on Port Arthur.

The Russian forces are disposed at Liao Yang to meet the onslaught of the three Japanese armies described in these dispatches yesterday. A telegram from Kuropatkin which gives this information together with the details of the retirement of the Russian troops upon Liao Yang has not been given out for strategic reasons. The combined armies of Gens. Kuroki, Oku and Nodzu probably exceed 200,000 men. Their forces are considerably superior in numbers to Gen. Kuropatkin's but the Russian commander-in-chief probably relies upon the strength and character of his position to overcome the disparity in numbers.

The war office is waiting with breathless anxiety for news of the progress and issue of the battle on which so much depends.

## INCESSANT SHOWER OF SHRAPNEL.

Liao Yang, Aug. 30, 10 (a. m.)—From 8 o'clock this morning up to 9 o'clock there has been an incessant shower of shrapnel. The heaviest cannonading is coming from the southeast, where the Japanese evidently have numerous guns. Deadly shells are bursting everywhere, their white smoke being distinctly traceable against the dark foliage of the mountain sides. The Japanese are searching the whole country side with their fire, selecting certain squares of territory on which for a few moments they make a hail of shot and shell from all their guns. They then pass to another square, thus working the whole field, with mathematical precision, from right to left. In this way the entire Russian front has been systematically searched in the first four hours of the cannonading. Then commenced the general Japanese advance along the whole line.

At this hour, 10 a. m., the Japanese artillery fire has somewhat slackened, but their infantry is steadily pushing forward.

The Russians have been holding their ground gallantly and their losses are small, considering the terrible nature of the Japanese fire.

HALF A MILLION MEN ENGAGED, Berlin, Aug. 30.—A dispatch from Liao Yang to the *Lokal Anzeiger*, timed 9:25 a. m., today, says:

"What appears to be the deciding battle began at 4 a. m. Since then the artillery has been thundering and rifle fire has been rolling incessantly. The encircling heights resemble fire emitting mountains. The Japanese began the attack east of Liao Yang along the Taitze river but were repulsed."

The fire is now specially heavy south and southwest of Liao Yang. One can no longer distinguish individual detonations. The Wyberg regiment, of which Emperor William II is honorary chief, is deploying upon the battlefield.

The Russian army is full of confidence.

"The total strength of the combatants engaged is estimated at over half a million men. The battle probably will continue for several days."

## MAIN JAPANESE ATTACK.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 30.—A dispatch from Gen. Sakaroff, dated from Liao Yang at 10 a. m. today, says:

"The main Japanese attack is being directed against the Russian center and right, where the Russian losses have been the heaviest."

The Japanese posted artillery with in range of all the Russian positions during the night. A hot fire was opened at 5 a. m., and by 2 o'clock the Japanese were close to the Russian positions."

SHELLING THE JAPANESE. Berlin, Aug. 30.—Col. Gaedke, corre-

spondent of the Tagblatt at Liao Yang, telegraphed to his paper at noon today as follows:

"The deciding battle has been in progress since early dawn. The Russian positions are on the heights surrounding Liao Yang, making a semi-circle of about eight and a half miles from the railroad to the upper Taitze river, and averaging about four and one-third miles from the city.

"A magnificent artillery duel is in progress. Since 11 o'clock it has reached extraordinary intensity. At 9:30 a. m., a Russian battery posted on the heights north of the Taitze river began shelling the Japanese, who were attempting to advance on the Anping road."

## JAP LOSSES AT ANPING.

Tokio, Aug. 30 (5 p. m.)—The Japanese lost 2,000 men killed or wounded at the battle of Anping. The Russian losses have not been estimated but are said to have been heavy.

The Japanese captured eight guns at Anping and eight guns at Anshanshan.

## EXAGGERATIONS OF WAR.

Gen. Dragomiroff Shows How Abused Some of Them Are.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 29 (12:23 p. m.)—Gen. Dragomiroff, the former governor-general of Kefif, and authority on military matters, devotes a long article published in a military magazine today to the exaggerations of the war, ridiculing the marvelous tales of Japanese exploits, in scaling precipitous heights and scaling the walls of the strongest fortifications of the Chinese. Correspondents are apparently running riot. He refers to one correspondent who described the Cossacks' lances and swords as being blunted on shirts of mail worn by Japanese officers, and quotes another who described the Japanese as transporting dumplings which were carried in boxes. Russia, for the first time, general mentions a gunner who said the Japanese gunners carry a map of the whole of Manchuria with every range marked on it.

Gen. Dragomiroff, who himself is a partisan of the bayonet, has come with the assertion that the Japanese are not afraid of this weapon, declaring that the Japanese evidently understand its use better than the Russians, knowing the folly of rushing at an enemy from a long distance without preliminary fire. He says the Japanese of the past were accustomed to cold steel and produced some famous swordsmen and sword makers.

## BELGIAN SOCIALIST ARRIVES.

Watching Growth of Socialism in the United States.

T. N. McCauley Arrested Was President of International Mercantile Agency.

New York, Aug. 30—Emile Vandervelde, leader of the Socialist party in Belgium and one of the foremost exponents of Socialism in Europe, who arrived in America to speak at Senator Hoar's, to attend a meeting of the inter-parliamentary union in St. Louis next month, declares he is watching the growth of socialism in America with keen interest. There is no occasion for alarm over the spread of social revolution, which, he says, is in progress here to even a greater extent than in Europe.

"At first in the nature of an importation from Germany," he continued, "the doctrine of Socialism appears to have spread to a considerable class of those who call themselves native born Americans."

"During the last five years especially the movement seems to have gone forward by leaps and bounds, until now I find many Americans whom I have met admitting their belief in many of the doctrines of Socialism, whereas here to ten years ago they would have as soon thought of calling themselves Americans."

"In Europe there is an opportunity of anarchy but a peaceful revolution; the military powers are too strong. In the United States there is the opportunity, I think, but not the desire for any such radical measure. But though the movement is of slow growth, it is certain, and the day will come in the lifetime of the young men of today, when our country will be ruled according to the doctrines which Socialism should be accepted philosophically."

DRIVEN INTO RIVER BY HORNETS.

New York, Aug. 30—Alexander Dickson, a 12-year-old lad, has been driven into the Bronx river and drowned by a swarm of hornets.

The boy, with several companions, had stoned a hornet's nest until the little insects came out in swarms and chased the boys away from the river. Dickson stumbled and fell into the water. The hornets hovered about, stinging him viciously when he came to the surface. Seven other boys fled in terror and did not return until Dickson had been drowned.

## Kaiser Wilhelm's New Record.

New York, Aug. 30.—The north German Lloyd steamer Kaiser Wilhelm II, which arrived here today, broke her own best westward passage by one hour and 20 minutes, making the exact time of the steamer's arrival at the Suez Canal. Her speed could not be ascertained but it is estimated that she arrived there about 2:25 this morning, as she was cast of that point at 2:07 a. m.

To equal her best time westward the steamer was scheduled to arrive at the lightship at 4:10 a. m. Assuming her time of arrival was 2:25 a. m., the steamer had made a net time of passage over 100 and 45 minutes.

The Kaiser Wilhelm II left Bremen Aug. 23, and Southampton and Cherbourg on the 24th.

## NO ANTI-SEMITIC DISTURBANCE.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 29.—Nothing is known at the department of the interior of anti-Semitic disturbances having taken place recently in Bessarabia, as reported by the Vossische Zeitung of Berlin.

SHORTEST IN McVICKER ESTATE.

Chicago, Aug. 30.—With the opening of the steel deposit books, Mrs. J. H. McVicker, her wealth and the sum of a will, has come the announcement by Attorney L. D. Condee of a shortage of \$63,000. The amount of money and bonds found, it is stated, was under \$200,000, while \$350,000 was the total amount counted on.

Attorney Condee, representing Horace McVicker, the steamer owner, has come to discuss the seeming shortage, further to say he hoped the money would be found in some other place of safe keeping. The will found was not open.

The work of examining the assets and making the official inventory of the estate was begun almost immediately after the issuance of letters of adminis-

TUESDAY, AUGUST 30, 1904. SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH.

TRUTH AND LIBERTY

Wouldn't you like to draw an income, as a "silent partner," from a dozen different business ventures in this city? Place your idle money through a Business Opportunity advertisement.

## BATTLE IS GROWING IN INTENSITY

Japanese Advance Pressed so Hard it Soon Developed into Hand-to-Hand Fighting—Attack Repelled with the Bayonet—Indications Are It Will Last Several Days.

Liao Yang, Aug. 30, 6:49 p. m.—The battle is growing in intensity. The Japanese fire is chiefly directed on the Russian southern contingent. The Japanese advance was pressed with such vigor that it developed into hand-to-hand fighting. The Twenty-third regiment repelled an attack at the point of the bayonet. One of the Japanese batteries was dismantled.

Wounded men have been pouring into Liao Yang since 8 o'clock this morning mostly

hurt by shrapnel shells and some by rifle bullets. The heights of Mac Tung, near the railroad,

have been showered with projectiles.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 30.—The latest reports received by the war office indicate that the battle at Liao Yang will probably extend for several days. The Japanese are directing their energies to bombarding segments of the circles of defensive positions occupied by the Russians. The latter have suffered heavily from the hail of shells.

## TALMAGE TALKS ON PORTLAND FIGHT

Found That Prejudice Was Strong Even Before the Delegates Arrived

## OREGONIAN WAS VERY BITTER.

Utah People Were a Unit in All Matters Calculated to Bring the Headquarters to Salt Lake.

Dr. James E. Talmage of the University of Utah returned home this afternoon from Portland where he went as a delegate to attend the session of the Mining congress at that place. Asked by the Deseret News for a statement concerning the fight that was waged against Utah by LaFence, the political nomad, he said:

"I heartily join with Judge Powers in praising the unselfish and earnest work of the state delegation. Although no action as to a state amendment to the constitution of the annual session would be permitted to vote on a question so important to the future growth of the institution. The congress has a well defined membership; the members are at least supposed to be vitally and permanently interested in the success of the organization; delegates may attend for a single day and most of them are never heard of again in connection with the congress. The congress in its session at Butte, two years ago, was literally swamped with miners, many of them illiterate and unnaturalized aliens who were brought in as Montana delegates, to vote on questions assumed to be of interest to that state.

UTAH'S OFFENDING.

The only semblance of excuse put forward in partial justification of Pence's assault, is that Utah had offended Colorado, firstly in displaying a banner, "No strikes in Utah," and secondly, in the fact that Judge Powers' speech against the Oregon delegation, although from labor leaders, and to Col. Conrado's present painful irritation, in this respect. The excuse is weak and futile, for surely, troubles between mine owners and their employees constitute a fit subject for discussion at a mining congress; but I fail to see what connection can possibly be found between the work of the Congress and questions of church or sociological importance. Utah is not the only other state.

In the language of the resolutions adopted by the Utah delegation, in behalf of themselves and of the people whom they represent, "the law and order usurped in connection with the Oregonian showed its anti-Mormon bias by publishing, usually in the form of short paragraphs, rather than as leading articles, allusions to Utah intended to be contemptuous."

OPENING OF THE CAMPAIGN.

On the arrival of the delegation from Utah, camp work began in earnest, and in a manner strictly open and honorable in every respect. Under the efficient leadership of Mr. John Dern, chairman of the Utah delegation, the organization worked as a unit, and the utmost harmony and singleness of purpose prevailed in all their deliberations.

Judge Powers, Thursday afternoon's session was set apart as early as the preceding Monday, for the special consideration of the permanent headquarters question.

The Utah delegation went to the convention hall at the time of the special order, in a four horse tally, with other carriages behind, and accompanied by boys bearing banners. By the way, the Utah men had decorated the assembly hall with banners and mottoes, and thus made their presence and purpose known.

JUDGE POWERS' FINE ADDRESS.

When the question at issue was brought fairly before the congress, Judge Powers, who had been officially announced on the printed program as the speaker chosen to represent Utah, and to speak in behalf of Salt Lake as the place for permanent headquarters, took the floor and delivered his address which is considered

absolutely free from any objectionable statement or reference whatsoever. He was followed by LaFence, who prefaced his address by announcing that Mr. Hamblin of Denver was absent and that he appeared by proxy.

Mr. Hamblin, however, was not present, but it is estimated that he had aged and was haggard in appearance, the former suitor had not lost his majestic bearing and still possessed the appearance of a man in the full possession of his mental faculties.

The confinement of Murad V has been the subject of much discussion, but it is estimated that he arrived at the Suez Canal on the 21st of July, and was cast of that point at 2:07 a. m.

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## SUED FOR AN ACCOUNTING.

San Francisco, Aug. 30.—Letitia Balliet has been sued for an accounting by the White Swan Mines company, limited, the complaint being filed by C. H. Stoller, the secretary. It is stated that the suit was brought by the company because of a shortage of \$63,000.

It is alleged that the company had paid disbursements amounting to \$183,597, which are entered on the books, were made without authority and not for the company's benefit.

## LINUP AT BLACKFOOT.

Trouble is Expected When the Pocatello Applicants Arrive.

Blackfoot, Idaho, Aug. 30.—The line-up at the land office at Blackfoot in anticipation of the opening of Fort Hall reservation lands Sept. 6 is gradually increasing. Every train brings recruits. No serious conflicts have as yet taken place, but trouble is expected when the Pocatello applicants, who were caught napping by the early arrivals here, commence to arrive, as several tracts close to Pocatello will be sub-

sequently contested.

HOW SALT LAKE LOST.

The Utah men fought hard to have the vote determining the location of the permanent headquarters delayed until the fall, but Denver, the advocate of the

fall, was given the limit of the law.

A ball game was played here on Saturday between the Helmer Brothers' team and the Morgan team, resulting in an easy victory for the latter, by scores of 12 to 5. Only eight innings were played. The winning team is now in the lead for the Morgan county pennant and will probably land the \$100 cash prize to be awarded to the winners.

## GOVERNMENT LANDS.

Certain Plots to be Turned Open to Entry on and After Sept. 22.

The United States land office in this city gives notice that the following fractional township plots have been received from the United States surveyor-general for Utah, viz:

Township 6 south, range 6 west, Salt Lake meridian.

Township 6 south, range 7 west, Salt Lake meridian.

Township 11 south, range 20 west, Salt Lake meridian.

These plots will be filed in the local land office, and the government land thrown open to entry under the public land laws, on and after Sept. 22, 1904.

## TEACHERS' EXAMINATIONS.

Program Arranged by Supt. Christensen for Thursday and Friday.

Following is the program arranged by Supt. Christensen for the city teachers' examinations to be held in the Fremont school on Thursday and Friday.

Thursday, Aug. 30, 9:30 a. m., writing, 9:45 to 11:15 a. m.; history, 1:15