

A BIG BATTLE.

Russians Beaten and Driven from Their Position.

VLADIVOSTOK SQUADRON SEIZE AN AMERICAN SHIP.

Czar's Government Backs Down Before British Diplomacy.

(Special to Daily Herald.)

Yokohama, July 25.—The Vladivostok squadron yesterday sank the American steamer Knight Commander, from New York, off the province of Isu, after transferring the crew and passengers to the steamer Tsunan.

They also captured a German and an unknown British vessel, which were sent to Vladivostok in charge of the prize crew. The German vessel had 3,000 tons of flour on board.

New Chwang, July 13.—A battle took place yesterday east of Ta Tche Kiao, which resulted in the Russians being driven back, and it is believed they will have to retreat to Liao Yang.

The battle lasted all day.

St. Petersburg, July 25.—It is learned from reliable authority that the Russian volunteer ships Smolensk and St. Petersburg, have been ordered to return home and to refrain from further attempts to stop merchantmen, either in the Red Sea or the Mediterranean.

This Morning's Despatches.

Newchwang, July 24.—A battle was fought Saturday near Tatchekiao, attended, it is believed with heavy losses. The progress of the battle was watched by many people in Newchwang from the roofs of the houses. The day was clear and the smoke of the guns could be plainly seen.

Tien Tsin, July 24.—A report from Newchwang is that Saturday's battle was at Ta Hsui Tong, six miles distant, and that the Japanese were successful.

Tien Tsin, July 24.—News has reached here that a battle is raging outside of Newchwang. The fighting can be seen from the house tops. In the engagement yesterday, the Russian losses are reported to have been 700. The Japanese are slowly nearing Newchwang. Great excitement prevailed in that city during today's and yesterday's fighting.

Tien Tsin, July 25.—In accordance with orders issued by General Kuropatkin, the Russians commenced to evacuate Newchwang Sunday.

This morning the Russian railway station is in flames. The Russians are evidently destroying their property previous to evacuation.

London, July 25.—Specials to London morning papers confirm the news of active operations in the seat of war.

The Daily Chronicle's Yinkow correspondent reports that there was heavy fighting Saturday and Sunday in the neighborhood of Tatchekiao with General Stakelberg's force consisting of twenty battalions of infantry, a brigade of artillery and a division of Cossacks, and that the Russians appeared to be drawing the cordon tighter around the Japanese positions.

Russia's Back Down.

St. Petersburg, July 24.—Grand Duke Alexis presided at yesterday's council which Count Lamsdorff, the foreign secretary, and Vice-Admiral Avellan, and other high naval officers attended.

The result of the conference removes all doubts concerning the present attitude of Russia with regard to the volunteer fleet. The validity of the view expressed in the British note regarding the irregularity of the position of the vessel so far admitted that the council agreed to waive the right of search.

After a long discussion, in which Count Lamsdorff took a leading part it was decided that, the present status of the volunteer fleet was not sufficiently well defined according to international law to render further searches and seizures advisable and that therefore Russia, in the interests of friendly relations with the powers, should withdraw the author-

ity given the volunteer fleet in that respect.

St. Petersburg, July 24.—The Associated Press is able to state on the highest authority that the Russian and British governments have agreed on a mutually satisfactory basis for a settlement of the question of the status of the Russian volunteer fleet steamers in the Red Sea and the seizures by them of British ships. A few minor points still remain unsettled but these probably will be cleared up tomorrow, and it is not expected that further complications will arise.

JOINED THE STRIKE.

Thousands of Workers at Chicago Walk Out.

(Special to Daily Herald.)

Chicago, July 25.—As at first anticipated all the allied trades connected with the packing house strike have quit work today. Mechanical trades workers, steam fitters, electricians, plumbers, machinists boxmakers, millwrights and helpers, engineers and firemen are out.

Thousands of men carrying lunch baskets are in the yards, but no cases of disorder are reported.

The teamsters employed by union stock yards and transit company have struck. Packers' teamsters are still at work, but are expected to quit.

IN HIS SEAT AGAIN.

(Special to Daily Herald.)

Ottawa, July 25.—Mr. John Charlton, who is looking as well and bright as ever, occupied his old seat in the House of Commons today. Mr Charlton has been seriously ill for some months.

MARYSVILLE NEWS.

Successful Baptist Social--Bridge Needs Repairs--Slept in a Graveyard.

(By Our Own Reporter.)

July 25.—The ice cream and strawberry festival on the grounds of the Free Baptist church last Friday evening, was a grand success, there being a large crowd present who thoroughly enjoyed the evening and entered heartily into the several games provided. The most interesting feature was the old archery, in which several took part, Mr. William McConaghy winning the prize with the remarkable score of 17 but of a possible 20. He was closely followed by Rev. H. H. Ferguson, who made 16 points. The ice cream and strawberries sold rapidly and about forty dollars was realized which goes towards the building fund of the new church which is being erected.

The residence of Mr. and Mrs. Duncan Robinson, Brick Hill, was the scene of a very enjoyable party last Friday evening, when several friends of the Misses Robinson assembled and tendered them a surprise. The usual parlor games were played and the young people had a jolly good time. During the evening light refreshments were served.

A good story is told of a well known citizen of Sandyville who a few nights ago was considerably under the weather and while in that state was quietly laid away in the Free Baptist burying ground between two tomb-stones and carefully covered over with leaves. Sometime between midnight and morning the sleeper awoke from his slumbers and was not only surprised but dreadfully frightened at the ghastly surroundings as the pillars of white stood prominently out in the rays of the clear moon lit sky.

The attention of your correspondent has several times been drawn to the fearful and dangerous state of the driveway over the highway bridge, as it is certainly in a very disgraceful condition. It is not only an eye sore to the community, but very dangerous to those who are daily compelled to use it, as on several occasions horses have been known to go through, there being large holes in different parts of the planking. As it is necessary for heavy teams to cross this bridge the planks are very much shaken and the spikes are projecting several inches above the surface which is very dangerous and risky to the horses, and is apt to ruin them for life. The teamsters are making complaints—are almost afraid to drive over it with heavy loads. As Marysville has always been supposed to be an up to date town, this little matter should be looked into as it is the duty of either the council board or local government to see to it immediately and have it repaired before it has gone too far.

Mr. William Foss, a section hand in the weave room met with a very painful, although not serious accident, while at work last Saturday. He was cutting leather for a picker stick and in some way the knife slipped, cutting the fleshy part of his right hand almost to the bone. The wound was skillfully dressed by Mr. G. Bradford Smith.

Mrs. James Gibson has rented the Barbour cottage at Bay Shore, St.

John, for the remainder of the summer.

The lovers of good music as well as the general public will hail with delight the announcement of the re-organization of the Marysville Brass Band, and it is hoped that after the boys have had a little practice they will be heard at least once or twice a week in one of their popular open air concerts. On the other hand the citizens should turn out in force to assist the boys when called upon to do so and keep alive the interest and enjoy that which thus far this season they have been deprived of, good band music.

PERSONAL INTELLIGENCE.

Capt Hawthorn has returned from a business trip to Otta va.

Rev J H MacDonald and family will spend the week at Pine Bluff Camp as the guests of Mr F. W. Porter.

Master Douglas Winslow, son of Mr J N W Winslow, barrister of Woodstock, is visiting at the residence of Mr T B Winslow.

Mr and Mrs Albert W Edgecombe with their family returned this morning from Pine Bluff, after a pleasant week at that popular resort.

Mr George A Treadwell, a well known and esteemed resident of Manguerville, who has been in poor health for some time, was on Saturday admitted to the Victoria Hospital for treatment.

Suit Cases to Suit.

Yes, it is Edgecombe who is showing such a fine stock of suit cases, suitable for ladies or gents' use when they go away this summer. They are evidently the correct thing, a case that suits.—d&w.

"Royal Oak Day."

May 29 is celebrated in many parts of Great Britain as "Royal Oak day," it being the anniversary of the restoration of Charles Stuart to the throne in England as Charles II. The celebration is not what it formerly was, having died out entirely in many of the southern counties of England. The day was formerly commemorated not only as the day of "restoration," but on account of the marvelous escape of Charles, who, after the battle of Worcester, climbed into an oak tree and hid from his pursuers among its branches. On "Royal Oak" those who celebrate wear sprigs of oak in their hats and use the leaves for various decorations.

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