

CRUSHING DEFEAT.

Japanese Again Have Russians on the Run.

AWFUL SLAUGHTER OF THE PAST FEW DAYS.

Russians Said to Have Lost 30,000 Men.

(Special to Daily Herald.)

Tokio, Oct. 15.—General Oku, captured ten additional Russian guns yesterday.

Heavy fighting continues.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 15.—(1.18 p. m.)—Unofficial reports from the battlefield are more encouraging this morning.

There has been no rout, but there is no question that the Russians have fallen back twenty miles.

According to private advices dated Mukden, at 6.30 last night, Gen. Kuropatkin checked the Japanese advance yesterday, at the Shakhai river. He crossed the river and is holding a line along the north bank extending from west of the railway eastward to Bensiaput.

Mukden, Oct. 14. (Delayed)—News has been received here to the effect that one of the Russian eastern columns has overcome the desperate resistance of Japanese and captured Tumin Pass, which opens a direct road to the right flank of the Japanese main positions at Yentai Mines.

If the report is true Gen. Kuropatkin's plans have succeeded, and the Russians have taken the Japanese in flank and rear.

One more effort, it is asserted, and the Japanese must retreat with heavy loss from Shakhai river or run the risk of being cut off from the army between Shakhai and Sobole rivers and be annihilated, but it is added, it must be remembered that flanking movements are double dyed and cut both ways.

In any case the decisive moment appears to have arrived.

Tokio, Oct. 15.—Field Marshall Oyama, estimates the Russian casualties at 30,000.

The fighting continues, but the Russians are retreating.

General Kuropatkin evidently is crushingly defeated.

THIS MORNING'S DISPATCHES.

London, Oct. 15.—The Standard's correspondent at Yentai, under date of Oct. 14th, says:

"The whole Russian line has been driven back over a distance of twenty miles and seventy guns have been captured. Pursuit is being kept up by a strong force on both flanks. There is good reason to hope that Oyama has succeeded in enveloping the enemy. The cause of the Russian defeat is that the Japanese army drove the wedge into the middle of the enemy's line. Prisoners say that General Kuropatkin personally commanded the troops on the main and that General Mischenko commanded the Bensihiu."

Russian Loss 15,000.

Mukden, Oct. 14.—3.45 p. m.—The fighting has raged today with the same bitterness as on the previous days of the engagement, and the result is still in the balance. The losses on both sides are enormous, that of the Russians being 15,000.

Wounded soldiers are being brought in from all directions. The roads are crowded with long trains of wagons, baggage and transport wagons, as well as ambulances, being pressed into service, even Chinese two wheeled carts filling the mandate of the military.

Men afoot are limping in, using their guns as crutches, the less severely wounded supporting their comrades, after a first-aid dressing on the firing line. Even across the fields you meet them, taking the shortest and straightest road for help and shelter.

It is the most pitiful feature of the bloody drama being enacted at the front when stiffening with wounds, pain-racked bodies sink to the roadside after the support of the danger and glory of the active fight have been withdrawn.

Battle Bloodiest in History.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 15.—The latest word direct from the field of battle is the Mukden despatch to the Associated Press, in which the Russian loss is estimated at 15,000, which, together with today's casualties, would make the fight rank as one of the bloodiest in history. A pitiable feature is the coming of thousands of wounded to Mukden. The roads and fields are covered with crippled men, dragging themselves to the shelter of the hospital, the wounded helping each other, as few able-bodied men are being spared from the fighting line.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 14.—5.20 p. m.—A later despatch from General Sakharoff, sent at 6 o'clock this morning, explains more of the operations of Oct. 12 and 13, from which it appears that the Russian centre was due north of the Yentai mines, the right running west a short dis-

tance beyond the railway, and the left sweeping southeastward toward Bensihiu.

The real bloody work did not begin until Wednesday, when the Japanese made a series of determined attacks on Sialihedzy, about seven miles north of Yentai, but the Russians held off their assailants. In the meantime, however, the extreme right was forced back, thus compelling Kuropatkin to slightly draw back his line above Yentai, in order to preserve its alignment.

On the extreme left, after a determined resistance, the Russians succeeded in carrying the rocky heights and Hua Pass, north of Bensihiu, but the arrival of Japanese reinforcements, Kuropatkin says, made it impossible for the Russians to press their advantage here, and as the left was now too far advanced, it also was withdrawn some distance.

No estimate of the losses is yet possible, but they ran far into the thousands. The losses were especially heavy on the Russian left and centre. In a single regiment, out of more than 100 officers, only eight escaped.

Great Jap Victory.

London, Oct. 14.—A despatch to a news agency from Mukden, timed 2 p. m., today and received by way of Paris, says the Japanese have gained a great victory and that the Russian's lines are withdrawing slowly northward, having suffered heavy losses. The battle continues and despatches are strictly censored.

Russians in Full Retreat.

London, Oct. 15.—The Daily Chronicle's correspondent at Yentai, telegraphing, Oct. 12, via Fusan, Oct. 14, says:

"The Russian attack failed everywhere and they are in full retreat along the whole line, pursued by the Japanese. Thirty Russian guns were captured. The Japanese turning movement is pressing the Russians back to Mukden. The Russians made sixteen counter attacks with splendid bravery, sacrificing themselves freely but unavailingly."

The Russian Report.

Headquarters of the Russian Western Army, Oct. 12, via Mukden, Oct. 13, via Peking, Oct. 14.—The fiercest and most important fighting that has taken place since the battle of Liao Yang, reached its height at noon today, when after a bold attack which lasted for three days, the Russians began a sagacious retirement from the positions they held yesterday and the Japanese by a strong central movement forced the Russian line five miles to the north. The battle which was forecasted in a dispatch filed by the Associated Press correspondent on October 11, reached a stage of unusual severity on that day along the railway and to the westward, culminating in the vicinity of Tonsanpu which place was the correspondent's centre of observation.

By the evening of the 11th, 600 wounded had reached the field hospitals, situated at the Siulintze railway station, ten miles from the front.

The battle at this moment was best observed from Hung Pass Hill, two miles south of Siulintze. Both the Japanese and Russian batteries were distinguished by the clouds of dust which were raised by the concussion.

The result of the fighting was that a mile of ground along the front west of the railway was lost, but the Russians regained this ground during the night by a bayonet attack without a shot having been fired. The battle was resumed today with terrible effect.

At 11 o'clock in the morning the battle reached a stage of severity three times greater than that of yesterday, solid masses of troops filling up the front.

At 2.30 p. m., the Japanese were occupying a hill two miles to the south of Hung Pass Hill, which they shelled from a battery which was plainly visible. The results of this shelling were not important.

At 4.15 p. m., the Russian army made an orderly and timely withdrawal followed by a furious rifle fire from the Japanese. The Red Cross surgeons are performing operations at Siulintze railway station. Many of the wounded were loaded on trains which moved north during the day.

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