

STILL HOLDS OUT.

Port Arthur Garrison Expects Relief Before March 1st.

AND WILL CONTINUE DEFENCE AS LONG AS A SOLDIER REMAINS.

Provisions Quoted at Fabulous Prices

(Special to Daily Herald.)

Tokio, Dec. 28.—Trustworthy advices from Port Arthur confirm the report that General Kondratienko has been killed, and General Smutnov is reported wounded.

Advices further say that the stern of the battleship Sevastopol is sunk in shallow water, the bow is damaged in two places and the steering room gear is also damaged.

The garrison is reported to be confident that relief will arrive before March 1st.

Despite its heavy losses on Nov. 26, the garrison is cheerful and resolved to continue the struggle as long as a single soldier remains.

The army claims to have enough provisions to last till February and the navy possesses one month's stores.

Prices in the beleaguered fortress are high; beef is a rouble for one-half pound, horse meat is sixty copecks per pound, turkeys 150 roubles apiece, and eggs 160 roubles per hundred.

It is expected that the capture of the heights of Pigeon Bay will further curtail the landing of supplies.

Tokio, Dec. 28.—The emperor today received in audience and decorated Captain Zurbonson, of the steamer Willehad, which brought home Japanese refugees from Russia.

Tokio, Dec. 27.—A message from Dalny reports that the Russians at Port Arthur have proposed to surrender on terms which Gen. Nogi has refused. The terms were that the garrison and ships be allowed to return to Russia.

The capture of another fort and the news of the death of two Russian generals, Kondratenko and Irmann, and the wounding of another, Gen. Fock, indicate the rapid progress of the closing events of the siege of Port Arthur.

Japanese strategy in the closing days of the siege is apparent. Evidently General Nogi is working to control the Liaotian promontory before he makes a final effort to capture the town of Port Arthur by storm. The reason for this is apparent. With Liaotian in the possession of the Japanese their heavy guns would quickly demolish the forts on Tiger Tail and Golden Hill. The Russians would be unable to prolong the siege by retreating to Liaotian for a last stand.

The advanced Japanese batteries at Port Arthur have succeeded in reaching the Russian battleship Sevastopol. One successful hit is reported. It is expected that the battleship will soon be completely destroyed.

A DEADLY PLAGUE.

Carrying Off Large Numbers of Russian Peasants.

(Special to Daily Herald.)

St. Petersburg, Dec. 28.—It is officially announced that a disease whose character is much similar to the Bubonic plague has appeared among the Kirghiz Cossacks in Ural territory, resulting in 190 deaths between November 24 and Dec. 26. The localities have been declared infected with plague.

WIFE OF FEW MONTHS.

And Former Hospital Nurse Dead at Moncton.

(Special to Daily Herald.)

Moncton, Dec. 28.—The death of Mrs. Fred Gillen occurred this morning. Deceased was a daughter of Alex. McDermott, of St. John, and was formerly on the Moncton hospital staff. She had been married but a few months. The remains were taken to St. John this afternoon.

CHARLOTTETOWN MOURNS

The Death of a Prominent and Respected Citizen.

(Special to Daily Herald.)

Charlottetown, Dec. 28.—Benj. Heartz, fifty-nine years of age, one of the most energetic and successful wealthy business men in this province, died this morning.

A few months ago he was seized with an internal malady, for which he was treated by the most eminent specialists. In the hope that a mild-

er climate might bring improvement he went to California, but returned two weeks ago in a very weak condition.

He has been president of the Merchants' Bank of P. E. I. seven years, and was largely instrumental in putting that institution in the present strong financial standing. He owned one of the most extensive cattle ranches in Alberta, and a large farm in this province, was largely interested in mining in Colorado and a director and shareholder in many local enterprises. He leaves a widow and one son.

FRENCH SCHOOL BOOKS.

Joint New Brunswick and Nova Scotia Committee Meeting at Moncton.

(Special to Daily Herald.)

Moncton, Dec. 28.—A joint committee representing the boards of education of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick is meeting here today to consider the adoption of French text books in the public schools of the provinces.

Dr. McKay, Supt. of Education of Nova Scotia, Dr. Inch, Supt. of Education of N. B., Hon. C. H. Labille, C. H. Leger, M. P. P., and others are present.

BITS OF NEWS.

Miss Mayre Hennessy of Newport, N. S., is dead as a result of drinking carbolic acid by mistake.

S. Kent Scovil, who has been running quite an extensive bakery at St. John for some years, has assigned.

The late F. X. St. Jacques, for many years proprietor of the Russell House, Ottawa, left an estate valued at \$100,000.

January 25 has been decided as the date upon which McGill University will confer the degree of LL.D. upon Earl Grey.

Vice-admiral Lord Charles Beresford has been appointed to succeed Admiral Domville in command of the Mediterranean Squadron on May 1st.

The steamer Begonia, with a crew of eight men, overdue three weeks, has been posted at St. John's, Newfoundland, as missing. It is feared she foundered.

Whitelaw Reid, the distinguished journalist, has been appointed United States ambassador at London in succession to Joseph H. Choate, whose term expires March 4, and who will return to New York and practice law.

Benjamin Heartz, one of the wealthiest citizens of Charlottetown, is dead. Deceased was a brother of Rev. Dr. Heartz, a well known Methodist clergyman of Halifax, and was formerly president of the Merchants' Bank of P. E. Island.

The body of James Kelly, was found dead in his room Tuesday morning at the Brunswick House, Woodstock. Deceased was about 70 years of age, and had connections in Carleton and York counties. It is thought his death resulted from heart failure.

Ernest Elles, valet of Lord Grey, who came out with him on the Parisian, after a short illness of only six days, died of pneumonia at Ottawa, Tuesday morning, and while his body lay in the chapel at Rideau Hall, a fire broke out in the room, extinguished however, before there was serious damage.

In the Montreal city council Tuesday aldermen declared their belief that the bad whiskey sold in Montreal is the cause of so much crime recently committed by men and women in drunken frenzy. It was decided to ask the federal government to make an analysis of the intoxicating liquor sold in the saloons.

The St. Croix Shoe Mfg. Co. of Calais, has assigned to the United States Leather Co. of Boston, Geo. A. Curran and Geo. H. Eaton of Calais, and the liabilities are placed at \$150,000. Over three hundred hands are thrown out of employment.

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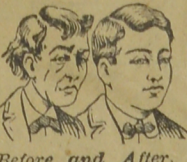
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