

RUSSIANS LOST IN ALL DAY FIGHT

A Desperate Battle That Lasted 27 Hours

THE JAPS WON OUT But the Enemy Put Up a Very Stiff Fight Before Their Last Defences Were Taken—Tapping the Reserves for Fighting Men.

TOKIO, July 21.—A special telegram from Otsuru says that the Russians defeated at Balme were about 200 with six field and three machine guns and, taking the fullest advantage of the topographical character of the district, offered the most desperate resistance. The Russian positions were hidden among a thick forest and it was impossible for the Japanese gunners to make a correct observation. The cannonade, however, was opened by the Japanese at 6 o'clock on the morning of July 7, and was kept up until dusk. The Japanese infantry gradually gained ground, closing in on the enemy's line of defenses, awaiting an opportunity for an infantry charge. It was nearly two hours past midnight when the enemy's first line of defense, strengthened by barricades and trenches was taken. This success was vigorously followed up, but it was not until nine o'clock on the morning of July 9 that the enemy was driven out of the second line of defense and a victory secured with troops of four field and machine guns.

The nature of the ground exposed the Japanese assailants to a great disadvantage and risk. It was believed that on account of the short supplies of ammunition and provisions the Russians at Sakhalin could not hold out much longer.

TOKIO, July 21, 9:30 a. m.—It is officially announced that Russians who have thus far surrendered at various points on Sakhalin Island number 401, including one colonel and 14 officers.

An imperial ordinance was issued this morning authorizing the appointment of non-commissioned officers from the reserve conscript, also converting those of army service rank into private fighting rank.

COPENHAGEN, July 21.—A despatch from St. Petersburg to Godesdian says that private advice received at the Russian capital say that Japanese warships have been sighted near Nikolaievsk, at the mouth of the Amur river. Many of the inhabitants of Nikolaievsk and Vladivostok, it is added, have fled to Khabarovsk.

NEW YORK, July 21.—An official of the Mercantile Trust Company today said that the loan of some \$800,000 by the company to former President Alexander and Thomas D. Jordan, of the Equitable Society, has been liquidated. When asked how payments of the loan had been made, the Trust Company official said that the loan was paid by Mr. Jordan, acting for himself and Mr. Alexander as trustees. More than that he declined to say.

A LIQUOR SEIZURE Inspector Jones Locates a Jug of the Ardent in a Water Street Store.

Yesterday morning Inspector Jones visited a place on Water street kept by Philip O'Neill and confiscated a large jug of 40%.

INTERNATIONAL TENNIS LONDON, July 21.—Holcombe-Ward and Wm. Larned have been selected for the single and Ward and Wright for the doubles in the challenge round of the Davis International Tennis Trophy, play for which will begin at Wimbledon today but the right is retained to change these nominations at the last moment.

ANOTHER ALDERMAN WILL SUPPORT MANUAL TRAINING Alderman Bullock Pledges Himself to Favor It if the Proposal to Adopt It in St. John Should Come Before the Council.

"Introduce manual training, and the sooner the better," said Alderman Bullock to the Times today. "The English Alderman Bullock strongly favors the idea of teaching manual training in the public schools, and regrets that it has not been introduced before this. Today he says there is plenty of theory which, of course, has its place, but what is needed is something that will make the youth of the day more practical, and he thinks that to accomplish this object a course in manual training should be added to the present curriculum of the public schools."

MIKE TWIN SURPRISED

At the Alleged Complaint of an Unfair "Deal"

BY BETH McLEOD

American Boxer Says McLeod Told Him "the Best Man Won"—Has Posted \$1,000 to Meet Jimmy Britt or Sullivan.

Mike (Twin) Sullivan called at the Times office this morning and in conversation with a reporter said he had been treated fairly on his visit here. Regarding his bout with McLeod he says he is willing to give the local boy another chance at anytime or he will come here to meet anybody who wishes to go against him. He has received a proposition to meet Tom Foley in Halifax and it is possible that arrangements may be made today for Sullivan to come off in the made today. Sullivan speaks well of McLeod and says with a little more experience the local boy will make a good boxer.

Concerning the statements in the "Star" last night credited to Beth McLeod, he said it was odd that McLeod would say what he is credited with saying, after telling him all the news that the reputation of being the most gentlemanly boxer in the ring, and all who know them have nothing but words of praise for both boys. They never brag but are always ready to go against the best of them in their class.

Asking whether McLeod or Littlejohn put up the best fight with him he replied that he thought he was an even loss. On August 5th Jack (Twin) will go up against the Philadelphia 140, Jack O'Brien in their last bout which took place about two weeks ago Jack gave the light heavyweight champion all he could handle, although O'Brien had twenty pounds the best in weight.

Accompanied by his manager, Tom Dana, Mike returned home on the Calvin Austin tomorrow night and pending acceptance of his challenge to take up his work with his fiancée.

WHERE DO LAWYERS GO? Judge Sewall and Joseph Story were dining together at an inn when a jolly son of Erin appeared at the door and called for dinner. The landlord told him he could get him when the gentlemen had finished.

"Let him dine with us," whispered Judge Sewall, "and we will have some fun with him."

"No, I was born in Ireland." "Is your father living?" "No, sir."

"What was his occupation?" "Trading horses, sir."

"Did he ever cheat anyone?" "I suppose he did, sir."

"Where do you suppose he went to?" "To heaven, sir."

"Has he ever cheated anyone there?" "He has cheated one man, I believe."

DOES THE SPELL DOOM FOR THE BALFOUR MINISTRY?

British House Held Short Session Today and Adjourned Until Monday to Give Government Chance to Consider the Situation---Intense Excitement in England.

LONDON, July 21, 12:30 p. m.—The house of Commons sat barely half an hour today and then adjourned until Monday to await the government's decision regarding its future course of action in view of the defeat of the ministry last night on John Redmond's motion to reduce the vote for the Irish Land Commission.

The house was packed in every part, much excitement was visible on all sides and there was a disposition to view the defeat of the government as more serious than it was generally regarded in the earlier hours this morning.

Immediately after the house had assembled, Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, the Liberal leader, moved its adjournment, declaring that it would be unseemly under the circumstances to proceed with the

business while the government was considering its position. Premier Balfour, however, declined to adjourn the house until the bill dealing with the differences of the United Free Church and the Free Church had been passed. This was quickly accomplished. The house rose and the excited members swarmed into the lobbies, eagerly discussing the probable decision of the cabinet, which has been summoned to meet this afternoon. The view that the government will resign, however, is not held in circles generally well informed of the government's intentions, and it is reiterated that the resignation of the Balfour ministry is not likely, in view of the almost practical certainty that the government will be rehabilitated by its normal majority on the trial of strength, July 24, to which the opposition formally challenged the ministry.

The unionist members of the house of commons are busily signing a memorial to the premier against either the resignation of the government or the dissolution of parliament.

In the unionist centres like the Carlton Club it is confidently asserted that Mr. Balfour will stand or fall according to the outcome of Monday's motion of censure.

Stocks Affected LONDON, July 21.—Prices on the Stock Exchange today opened flat, operators being apprehensive that the defeat of the government in the house of commons last night meant the fall of the Balfour ministry.

DR. PUGSLEY HOME AGAIN He Returned Last Evening from Ottawa and New York---The Central Railway.

Attorney-General Pugsley, who returned last evening from a trip to Ottawa and New York, when asked regarding the work to be done on the Central Railway, said that tenders for the work had been called for, and they would close on the twenty-fifth of this month. It is probable that work will be commenced as soon as possible after the contract is awarded, and when the road is repaired, as called for by the recommendations of Engineer Brown, the Central Railway will be one of the best branch roads in the province.

WINNIPEG IN THE LEAD (Winnipeg Telegram) The best evidence of the advancement of Winnipeg is to be obtained by observing its building operations. E. H. Rodgers, city building inspector, stated yesterday that 120 date 1848 permits had been issued, representing 2,386 structures and an estimated expenditure of \$7,148,000. This amount is greater than that of the same date last year by nearly \$600,000, the exact amount for July 4, 1904, being \$6,600,000, and for the whole year \$3,500,000. Mr. Rodgers was very conservative in his estimate for this year, but said that the indicated expenditure would certainly run over the \$10,000,000 mark.

It might be supposed at this time of the year the number of permits would begin to grow less. Such, however, does not seem to be the case. Yesterday twenty-five permits were issued, and this is but a fair sample of what takes place every day. One thing which makes the showing this year particularly gratifying is the fact that a large proportion of the permits is for buildings to be used for residential purposes. Last year the amount was less divided, owing to the number of very large buildings for which permits were issued, among them were the Eaton store, the new C. P. R. station and hotel and the Union Bank of Canada. The number of the tenement blocks in course of construction this year is greater.

The following tabular statement of the building figures since 1900 serves to bring out the enormous growth of Winnipeg along this line:

Table with columns: Year, Permits, Bldgs., Cost. Rows include 1900, 1901, 1902, 1903, 1904, 1905 (to July 3), 1905 (to July 3), 1905 (to July 3), 1905 (to July 3).

The following comparison of last year's figures with those of other cities is of interest:

Table with columns: City, Permits, Bldgs., Cost. Rows include Winnipeg, Toronto, Montreal, Hamilton, St. Paul, Cincinnati, Buffalo, Detroit, Minneapolis, Boston, Philadelphia, Chicago, New York.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT The Times new reporter has learned on the very highest authority that the street railway company may at some future time consider the extension of its line to Millidgeville. The subject has not yet been considered by the directors, but it may be. In fact it is possible that it may be considered. It may be considered because there is reason to believe that it may be considered.

VISITOR HAD HEAVY LOSS New York Man Dropped a Well Filled Wallet ON MILL STREET It Contained One Hundred and Seventy-five Dollars and a Diamond Ring Valued at Five Hundred Dollars—The Police Informed.

A black morocco pocket book, containing \$175 in bills and a valuable diamond ring, besides some other articles, was lost on Mill street this morning by a man who gives his name as Charles Brown of New York.

Mr. Brown has been staying in the city for a time, and says he lost the money on Mill street, somewhere between Union street and the depot. He is naturally very much disturbed over his loss, and cannot understand how the money got out of his possession. He informed Policeman Marshall, and an effort will be made to ascertain its whereabouts.

The money was in American \$5, 10 and 20 dollar bills. The diamond ring he prized very highly, and said he would not take \$50 for it. The other articles were not of so much consequence.

EXIT MISS BOOK AGENT Children are said to be good although unconscious judges of human nature; and most of them do at least recognize sincerity and detect pretense.

"Come here, my little darling," said the book agent. She had a face which belied her words, but she was trying to cultivate the little daughter of the woman who had not yet come downstairs. "I do so love children!" she added, in a clear tone, as she heard footsteps on the stairs. "But you seem to like the kitty better than me. Why are you so fond of her?" "Cause she purrs as if she meant it," said the little girl, calmly.—Exchange.

PERSONAL INTELLIGENCE Fred Chalmers is seriously ill at his home on Adelaide street with typhoid fever.

Alfred Clarke, of Fredericton, who has been visiting in St. John for the past few days, returned to his home this morning. Mrs. Charles Armstrong, of Portland, Me., is visiting relatives in the city.

DR. J. M. Barry went to Melrose, Westmorland Co., yesterday morning.

ON BOARD THE LUDLOW. ON BOARD THE LUDLOW, off Partridge Island, July 21, 3:10 p. m.—(Special via the Breakwater and Blue Rock Signal Station)—Mayor White is suffering slightly from sea-sickness and Deputy Mayor Lewis is in command. The weather is fine and the city engineer has told a new story to the mayor's clerk. They are now embracing each other. Harbor Master Ferris is casting the lead, and Ald. Christie is

DEAF MUTE IN TROUBLE Frederick Treen, Wanted in Halifax, Jugged by Detective Killen.

As a result of a telegram received by Chief Clarke from Chief O'Sullivan of Halifax, Detective Killen yesterday afternoon, between two and three o'clock, arrested Frederick Treen, a deaf mute, on a charge of forgery.

The telegram requested the local department to do all possible to effect a capture, as it was considered an important arrest in Halifax.

Treen left Halifax for this city on Tuesday night, and on Wednesday Detective Killen was talking in an unofficial manner to the forger by means of writing. He ascertained his name to be Frederick Treen, and the writing stated that he had come from Moncton.

The detective, as soon as he read the contents of Chief O'Sullivan's telegram, knew that he had been talking to the same man, and yesterday afternoon arrested his prisoner on Mill street.

On his person were found \$4.58, a bundle of notes, three valises and a rain coat. The telegram stated that Treen was making for Boston, and might endeavor to pass some forged notes in this city.

Detective Power arrived here this morning and took Treen back to Halifax with him this morning on the 11:45 train. The amount of the note forged is \$20.

TWO IRISH YARNS An American soldier who served in the Spanish war tells in the Portland Oregonian several stories of the Irishman as a soldier. Some of them illustrate the Irishman's ready wit.

A number of American officers at Cavite were watching the arrival of a body of Spanish prisoners of war, tattered and hungry-looking. One man suddenly stepped from the ranks of the Spaniards, and saluting an American officer, said in the strongest brogue: "Any chance of getting a job in your army? I think it's about all up with this one."

A captain who had just got a new company was looking down the muster roll, on which the names ran "O'Brien," "Mahoney," "Murphy," "Sullivan," "O'Flaherty," and so on.

"Is every man in this company Irish?" said the captain to the sergeant. "There's wan Swede, but he doesn't have much to say," was the response.—Exchange.

RECKLESS AUTOIST DRIVEN TO DEATH

YOUNG HERO SAVED LIFE Willard Finn Rescued Another Boy Yesterday AT SOUTH END BEACH Thirteen Year Old Lad Showed Great Heroism—Another Narrow Escape From Drowning Reported at Beulah Camp.

Two drowning accidents were narrowly averted yesterday afternoon; one at Seaview beach, below the Barrack Green, the other at Beulah camp wharf.

The first will long be remembered as one of the pluckiest rescues ever witnessed in St. John, and a thirteen year old boy was the hero of the day.

Yesterday afternoon the tide was high, and as the beach in that locality is favorable to bathers, a large crowd congregated to cool themselves in the refreshing waters of the Bay of Fundy.

Amongst the large crowd were two boys, one a son of John Lelachur, and Willard Finn, a stepson of Samuel Clifford, turkey of the jail.

Young Lelachur was enjoying himself in the water, and although just learning to swim, had reached the raft safely, partly through swimming, and partly by means of the line that extends from the shore to the raft. When returning from the raft he became exhausted, and went down. Willard Finn seeing the boy's peril from the shore, quickly rushed into the water and swam to the exhausted youth.

A strange fact is that young Lelachur did not catch hold of his youthful rescuer, but allowed Finn to take hold of him, and take him to the shore.

The little Finn boy is a member of a bathing club, whose members frequent that beach, and through diligent practicing has become quite proficient in the art of swimming.

Mr. Lelachur, needless to say, has no words strong enough to express his thanks to Willard Finn for the heroic rescue he effected yesterday in saving his son's life, and will send a letter of appreciation to the young hero at once.

The other accident occurred at Beulah Camp. Robert Knowles, the seven-year-old son of J. S. Knowles, and his uncle, George Horsemann, of Boston, who are spending (Continued on page 8).

Millionaire Hancock is Killed in Auto Smash-up

A BOY CHAFFEUR Was Speeding in Car at 40 Miles an Hour Through Los Angeles Streets, When It Struck a Carriage—One Killed, Four Injured.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., July 21.—M. T. Hancock, a well known millionaire plow inventor and manufacturer, is dead as the result of an automobile accident in this city last night, in which his wife, son and daughter were seriously injured. Hancock himself sustained two fractures of the skull and concussion of the brain. He died in a hospital without regaining consciousness.

The party was travelling forty miles an hour when the machine collided with a buggy. The car swerved to the curbstone and crashed into a pole, demolishing it and hurling the occupants to the street.

J. Saul Dairman, the driver of the buggy, was thrown from his vehicle to the street and severely hurt.

Mr. Hancock, jr., a 16-year-old boy was driving the machine at the time of the accident. With him in the front seat was his young brother, Newton Hancock, who was the only member of the party to escape unhurt. In the rear seat was Hancock, his wife and daughter. The machine was wrecked.

Hancock was known here as one of the most reckless automobile drivers in the city. He had been in the police court on different occasions for driving his machine in excess of the speed limit, and on one occasion a few days before was fined \$150 for fast driving. He paid his fine at the time with a check which he insisted should bear this inscription:

"For driving an automobile sixty miles an hour in the city of Los Angeles."

"JIM" HALL A PICKPOCKET Ex-Champion Boxer Arrested for "Light-fingered Work" in Chicago.

CHICAGO, July 21.—"Jim Hall, formerly pugilistic champion of Australia, who fought with Robert Fitzsimmons for the largest purse ever offered in a prize ring, was arrested yesterday on a charge of theft. It was asserted by the police that Hall was one of three men who attempted to pick the pockets of a passenger on a street car. Hall denies the charge.

YACHT CLUB FLEET SHOULD REACH OAK POINT TODAY

The R. K. Y. C. Boys Are Having a Great Time on the River ---A Concert and a Squall at Evandale --- Accident to the Gracie M.

(Special Correspondence of the Evening Times) ON BOARD YACHT LOUVIMA AT THE NARROWS, Wednesday, July 19.—At 9 a. m., the Scionda left the fleet at the Narrows to meet some guests who were coming up to join Commodore Thomson. The orders for the day were to make Jenkins or Ingle Cove in the Belleisle, starting at 10 a. m.

The departure of Commodore Thomson was marked by an interchange of salutes between the Scionda and Louvima, indicating a transfer of the command of the squadron to Vice-Commodore Likely.

The morning was fine and very warm, registering above 80 degrees in the Scionda's wheel-house at nine o'clock. At this time there was not enough breeze to blow the flags out, though there was an occasional ripple on the water.

There were some light green particles of matter floating on the water, almost covering the entire, which caused many enquiries and much comment. The explanation was that it was fish spawn.

The yacht got under way at ten o'clock, after an impromptu concert on the deck of the Canada. Wind was then light southwest, sun bright, sky clear and air very hot.

Louvima's bow, thereby taking the leading position. The Canada has been handicapped, being short handed, her crew at present comprising but three men. Shortly afterwards the Scionda passed down, showing a code signal signifying "stop at Evandale." The Scionda had the Gracie M. in tow, the latter being minus her bowsprit. About 4 p. m. the Canada, Louvima, Gracie M. and Scionda anchored at Evandale, where the Winogone was already lying. Here we heard the story of the Gracie M's misfortune. When trying to make the dredged track at the foot of the Washademoak, the Smoke on the port tack, was run into by Gracie M., which was on the starboard tack, and had the right of way. The Smoke, which should have given way to the Gracie M., did not see the latter, as her owner's attention was attracted elsewhere for the moment; while the Gracie M., having the right of way and knowing that Smoke could not cross her bow, was not looking for her. The Gracie M's bowsprit tore through the Smoke's jib, the former's bowsprit was then hit by the Smoke's mast, and the bowsprit was broken. The commodore offered to tow both, but Capt. Fowler bent on his number two jib and came down under his own canvas.

In the evening most of the crews took a walk ashore and after the arrival of the Elaine a number of hotel guests, yachtsmen and others assembled in the hall and started an impromptu concert. After several selections by the Stormy Petrel's quintette, a northerly squall struck, and the yachtsmen made a sprint for their boats. The squall quickly subsided, but as the weather looked very threatening and the Scionda's barometer had been falling all day, most of the yachts put out their spare anchors. The evening was fine and the air warm and pleasant, but most of the yachtsmen were tired and turned in early, as the sail down, while one of the most enjoyable of the cruise, had been a very hard and tiring one.

The present intentions are to make the Belleisle to-morrow (Thursday), and Oak Point Friday.

After the squall passed there was a dead calm and the moon rose and there was a photograph concert, the machines being on the decks of the Armored and und-

The Times New Reporter

WILL GO TO JERICHO. JOPPA, July 21.—(Special).—There have been no strange lights in the sky hereabouts, and the arrival of "Elijah" Sanford enroute to the stamping ground of the ancient prophet did not excite any special degree of interest. Several beggars approached the "prophet" and sought alms, but got no encouragement. "Elijah" said he did something in that line himself, back in Maine. He will visit Jericho, having often been urged to go there by persons whose conscientious scruples would not permit them to mention a warmer place.

Chief Clarke and the Times new reporter will box for points at the policemen's sports. The grounds will be enlarged to give the new reporter room for foot work, and to hold the crowd.

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