WINTER AT HARBIN NEWS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY DEATH IN A STORM SOUTH CAROLINA

Resine Armies Have Been Working Toward Winter Quarters

LLEGED PLANS ARE MADE PUBLIC

here Yet Remaine, Hewever, Two Before Extreme Cold Weather Sets in and These May Be Changed.

Inactivity of the opposing armies of Russia and Japan continues and no aghting of a general character is reported. Information coming from an authoritative source in St. Petersborg is that the Russians will winter at Harbin, but the fact that there will probably be two months of good weather for military operations before extreme cold weather sets in, leaves room for a revision of this purpose in the light of events that may transpire. The Japanese are reported to be collecting taxes and otherwise administering affairs in Manchurita, as hough that country were conquered territory. The publication of General Europatkin's report of the fighting of August 26, until the retreat upon Mukden, has created a better feeling in St. Petersburg. The report distinctly places upon General Orloff the responsibility for the failure to hold the deights in the vicinity of Sykawantun and, so check the Japanese advance. General Stoessel reports repulses of the Japanese at Port Arthur. St. Petersburg, By Cable.-The Em-

peror has received the following dispatch from General Stoessel (commander of the Russian military forces at Port Arthur) dated August 28: "I am happy to report to your majesty that at three o'clock in the morning of August 27, during a violent rain and thunder storm, the Japanese again attempted to capture our left flank positions, near Fort No. 1, and Udan Mountain. Their attack was everywhere repulsed. Our losses were small-taree men killed and two officers and 98 men wounded. wounded were brought in and are being carefully attended. A number of Japanese corpses would have been picked up by us, but the enemy prevented us from so doing by opening fire on the hospital attendants . who had been sent out under the Red Cross flag."

Another dispatch from General Stoessel to the Emperor, dated September 2. says:

"On the night of September 2, the enemy attacked Visokaya and Dlinnaya Mountains and the neighboring fortifications, opening simultaneously an artillery fire on the forts and mountains. The leading files of the with the Japanese columns fol lowing were found in good time and our batteries opened on them .The leading files fortunately encountered some automatic mines and many o the enemy were blown in the air. The attack was repulsed in an hour. Our losses were inconsiderable—one officer and seven men wounded.

No More Fighting.

There has been no renewal of fighting on a large scale between the Russian and Japanese armies in the Far East. At St. Petersburg, the people are harassed by rumors of impending disaster to General Kuropatkin which find ready credence because of the lack of official information and for the moment the popularity of the head of the Russian armies in the field is in eclipse. In that capital, too, there is much uneasiness felt lest the Japanese advance in Manchuria should afford occasion for the growth of an anti-Russian spirit in China and the ultimate projection of that power into the conflict.

Norfolk Storm-Swept.

Norfolk, Special .-- This entire section was swept by a wind storm Wednesday the velocity of the blow reaching 52 miles an hour in Norfolk. The government wires along the coast went down and information from that section is meagre. No marine disasters have been reported. The blow caused many steamers to leave after schedule time and Hampton Roads shelters many stormbound craft. Telephone and telegraph service is being badly crippled and the river has flooded many low streets, interfering with the trolley system. A great amount of minor damage is reported, but no fatalities have occurred so far as can be learned.

Damage at Newport News.

Newport News, Va., Special.-During a terrific wind and rain storm, which raged here Wednesday night, the Chesapeake & Ohio steamer Louise, broke from her mooring at the ship-yard and was blown several miles out into James river. Two tugs recovered the vessel Wires were prostrated, fences leveled telegraph and electric light poles uprooted or felled in several parts of the ty. No serious damage to shipping in the harbor is reported.

Bankers Choose Officers.

New York, Special-The trust com-Dany section of the American Bankers' Association elected E. A. Potter, of Chicago, chairman. Among the vicepresidents are T. R. President, of Chattanooga; J. T. Main, of Radcliffe; Va. and W. E. Allen, of Greensboro, C. F. H. Fries, of Winston-Salem, C., was elected a member of the ex-

Gathered From Many Sources.

Through the South.

It is expected that the Norfolk and Western Railroad Company will build another coal pier at Lambert's Point.

Returns from the fifth Louisiana Congressional primary show the overwhelming nomination of Congressman J. E. Randell, over O. C. Dawkins.

The Governor of Georgia has ordered a court-martial to try the military officers implicated in the Statesboro lynching affair.

It is said in Charlottesville that public sentiment on the McCue murder has not changed, but the people are satisfled with what has been done for the present

Col. W. H. Patterson, formerly of Philadelphia, died at his home at Russellville, Tenn., aged 70. He was a son of General Robert Patterson, a distinguished soldier and patriot.

All of the 200 negro excursionists who were on the steamer River Queen when she sank a lumber scow were saved.

More complete returns from the sec ond Democratic primary show the nomination of J. O. Patterson, of Barnwell county, over S. G. Mayfield, as Congressman from the second district of South Carolina to succeed T. G. Croft.

Mrs. H. C. Corbin and a party rode from Manassas to Washington in aucomobiles in 3 hours and 5 minutes.

Captain John A. Webb, of Jackson, Miss., secretary of the Southern Railroad Commissioners' Association Tuesday issued his official call for the meeting of the association to take place in 5t. Louis, October 25. All the railroad commissioners from the Southern States are expected to be in attend-

Washington Happenings.

President Roosevelt's letter accepting the Republican nomination for the Presidency was made public at Oyster Bay.

Mr. Roosevelt heard a sermon on The Peace of the World" preached at Christ Episcopal Church, Oyster Bay. Five hundred members of the Fifth Massachusetts Regiment met Judge

Parker at Esopus and all clamored for

The commerce of the United States, with its non-contiguous territory, the last fiscal year was valued at \$103,586,-

Democrats in Washington believe the declination of Senator Kearns to stand again for election will help that party materially in Utah.

Receipts of crop money at the Treasry Department this year aggregate \$7,145,000.

The election in Maine resulted in a Republican majority of \$27,000.

John Isaacs, a negro, shot and severe wounded Maddie McGill, slightly wounded Claude Gardinen, who was in an adjoining room, and then committed sicide, in New York.

Foreign Affairs, The condition of Prince Bismarck is

reported as extremely critical.

The Russian Baltic fleet sailed for the ar East. New and bloody anti-Jewish rio.s

took place in Russia.

Emperor William was welcomed to Mecklenburg-Schwerin, the home of the Crown Prince's betrothed. Natives of New Guianet who murder-

ed German missionaries were captured and put to death. Mme. Melba's automobile accidentally

ran over and killed an aged man in

King Edward congratulated the officers of the British Antarctic expedition which has returned to England on the

The Emperor of Russia has reeceived dispatch from General Kuropatkin arnouncing that a considerable force of Japanese has been seen southward of the village of Biniupuza, 36 kilo meters southeastward of Mukden. No further engagegents are reported.

Miscellaneous Doings.

Reports from cities along the Rio Grande river state that the heavy rains which have been falling for several days have ceased and the river is now receding. All danger from the flood which threatened Rio Grande City has now passed.

The latest news from Presidio, Mexco. is to the effect that nothing remains except the Catholic church, which is located about a mile or more from the river. The people are herded together on a hillside and many of hem are in need of the necessaries of ife. Two hundred and eighty-six are without homes and unable to provide or their present needs.

The Interparliamentary Union, made up of members of the English law-making body and the Parliaments of Kurope, arrived at Philadelphia. The party is on a tour of the continent as

guests of the United States. Judge Gray, who was chairman of the Anthracite Coal Commission, heard as umpire argument by the members of the Board of Conciliation on the question of the right of operators to collect money from miners with which to pay check-veighmen and docking bosses. dria were nolle prossed.

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Tropical Surricane Develops Great **Force on Northern Coast**

8 DROWNED AT WILMINGTON, DEL.

A Tug of the American Dredging Company Swamped in the Delaware River-New York Was Visited by a Terrific Wind, Rain and Thunder Storm

New York, Special.—A number of lives were lost, much property damaged and several ships were wrecked in the storm which swept up the Atlantic coast last night and Thursday.

It was one of the fiercest September storms on record-thunder and lightning adding terrors to a howling gale which swept drenching sheets of rain over sea and land. At night telegraphic reports say that the storm has swept out into the ocean from the Canadian coast.

The greatest loss of life was near Wilmington, Del. The tug Israel W. Durham, with a crew of 6 men, and four other men, employes of the American Dredging Company, was swamped in the Delaware river early during the height of the storm. Eight of the ten persons on the little craft were drowned. From farther down the coast -Jacksonville-comes the report that 5 men were drowned off Charleston. This report was brought in by one of the

Halifax, N. S., is now mourning \$500,000 fire. While this fire was not directly due to the storm, the flames were fanned and driven forward by the high wind which prevailed.

New York suffered comparatively littie. The wind and rain and lightning and thunder were terrific, but little damage was done. Nineteen coal barges went adrift in the bay and their wreckage strews the shore from the battery to the narrows, but no lives were lost. Several small vessels also went ashore on various parts of the coast near New York. One fatality was reported in this city when a piece of cast iron fire escape was blown from a building and struck Carl Hertzner, killing him instantly.

A fishing steamboat, Joseph Church, of Green Port, N. Y., struck on Peak's Hill bar, today and was smashed to pleces. The captain and crew of 21 men were saved.

Wilmington, Delaware. comes the news that great destruction was caused by the storm. Trees were up-rooted, houses flooded and crops ruined. In Chesapeake Bay the storm was particularly flerce. In-coming steamers arriving at Baltimore report that never before in their experience has such a severe gale swept down on them at this time of the year. One accompanied by a cold wave.

New York State Ticket.

Saratoga, N. Y., Special-The Repulican State convention adjourned at 2:30 p. m. Thursday, after nominating unanimously the ticket for State officers forecasted by the Associated Press For Governor, Frank W. Higgins, of

Cataraugus. For Lieutenant Governor, M. Linn Bruce, of New York. For Secretary of State, John F. O'Brien, of Clinton.

For Attorney General, Julius M. Mayof New York. For Comptroller, Otto Kelsey, of Liv-

ingston. For State Engineer and Surveyor, Henry A. Van Alstyne, of Columbia. For Chief Judge of the Court of Ap-

Kings. For Associate Judge of the Court of Appeals, Win. E. Kerner, Republican, of Monroe.

Telegraphic Briefs.

Fourteen plucky negroes, fishermen, who crossed the Charleston bar Tuesday morning have not returned, three are known to be drowned and there is only a bare possibility that the two other boat-loads were picked up by a passing vessel.

The Italian Government is trying to secure the return of the ancient cope stolen from Ascoli and later sold to J. P. Morgan.

Two Killed in a Bridge Accident.

Stillwater, Minn., Special. -The oridge across ake St. Groix, which is a half mile long, extending to the Wisconsin side, caught fire late Thursday afternoon. The fire created some commotion and the fire apparatus in responding to the alarm was followed by the usual crowd of persons. fire had so weakened one end of the spans of the rather ancient structure that when the fire apparatus and the crowd attempted to cross, it fell into the water, twenty feet below. About twenty persons were precipitated with the wreckage into the water. Adolph Boo, aged 22, and George McCrath, aged 16, were killed, and five others were seriously injured. The financial loss was small.

By Wire and Cable. Prince Herbert Bismarck is critically ill at Friedrichsruhe, Germany. German army maneuvers began near

Schwarin. Governor Montague announced that ne would be a candidate for United States Senator to succeed Senator Mar-

The campaign in the Northern Neck cpened in a lively manner. The cases of Sunday law violations that recently created a stir in AlexanBULLETIN

· Crope Mater

The week ending & a. m. September 13, had a mean temperature of 74 degrees which is 3 bules normal, due to unusually cool nights. The temperatude deficiency was greatest in the interior. The extremes were a minimum of 57 at Florence on the 9th, and a maximum of 90 at Yemassee on the 6th.

The precipitation was successive over most of the southern and eastern portions, and it was deficient in the north-ern and western ones. The rainfall was confined to the early part of the week, the latter part having been generally clear and dry. In the parts that had excessive rains the amounts ranged from about an inch to 4 inches; the other parts from less than an inch to no rain, the latter in Greenville

Farmwork was delayed, early in the

Farmwork was delayed, early in the week by cloudy and rainy weather over a large part of the State, but it progressed rapidly during the latter portion throughout the entire State.

As the season advances, it is seen that the condition of early corn is better than heretofore reported, while late corn was slightly dimaged by excessive rains in the extreme northeast; the crop as a watte is the best in many years. Fodder pulling is practically finished except from very late corn.

There are numerous reports of de terioration of cotton due to continued rust and shedding, and, in the eastern rust and shedding, and, in the eastern counties from the ravies of caterpillars which have recently increased in numbers to a damaging extent. On clay lands, cotton has attained a too rank growth causing some rotting of the lower bolls. Cotton a opening fast in the eastern and counties where picking has made good progress while in the extreme northwest there are but few bolls usen and picking has only begun. See island cotton is in excellent condition and is heavily fruited. ily fruited.

Weather was favorable for having during the latter part of the week and much grass was cut, and cured in fine condition. The forage grops are uniformly good. Sweet potatoes are poor in places, but generally very promis-ing. Rice harvest was interrupted by rain, but latterly made rapid progress the late rice crop is well headed. Min-or crops are, as a rule, very promising.

Successful Summer Schools.

Columbia, Special. The last of the summer schools for teachers for this year closed Friday and the office of the State Superintendent . Education has tabulated the returns of d is preparing them for the sinual separt. It was found that there had been 2,629 teachers enrolled in the various State, district and county summer schools during the summer. This does not include the boys' industrial summer school in Fairfield county, which closed Friday after a very successful session of two months, in which 105 boys were enrolled between the ages of 14 and 21 years of age.

The enrollment last year in the was seen adrift in a small row State and county schools was 2.398 so boat in Chesapeake Bay, but it was im- there has been an increase this year of possible to rescue him. The storm was 231 teachers. The average in 1903 was 1.698. The average attendance this year is 2,029. About 100 teachers attended the summer school at Knoxville and other places outside of the State, so it will be seen that a large percentage of the teachers in South Carolina spent a month in studying during the summer and "they will return to their various school rooms with increased zeal and improved methods and added wisdom." said Mr. Martin.

The summer schools are supported by legislative appropriation from dispen-sary funds, by State board appropriations, from income of permanent school fund and by appropriation by Peabody trustees. The total amount used this year was about \$9,000.

Special Fund Exhausted. It was mentioned in The Columbia

State a few days ago that the pay eals, Edgar M. Cullen, Democrat, of of judges of special courts-and of special judges to act for circuit judges who are sick—had about exhausted the special appropriation for that purpose. The governor is given a special contingent fund of \$2,500 with which to meet this expense, and the following are the calls which have been made

upon it already: G. E. Prince, Saluda and Barnwell, \$239.34; J. A. McCullough, Union, 13 days, \$154.01; L. F. Youmans, Greenwood, 15 days, \$235; J. E. McDonald, Yorkville, 23 days, \$324.92; Yorkville, 23 days, \$324.92; W. H. Hunt, Spartanburg, \$308.54; G. E. Prince, Barnwell, \$327.23; F. B. Gary, Lexington, \$193.16; J. Y. Culbreath, Newberry, \$120.00; L. F. Youmans, Greenwood, \$200.00; total, \$2,102.20.

Two-Dollar Wheat Predicted.

Chicago, Special.-"Wheat at \$2 a bushel before next May," was roared by the bulls on the board of trade. At the opening there was an excited demand for wheat and few traders venturing to sell. Those who wished to buy shouted bids of 2 cents a bushel above the prices prevailing at the close of the market Saturday and the quantity that any order would sell even at such a tempting advance was extremely limited. Of winter and spring wheat produced this year in the United States it was contended there is barely enough for bread and seed if every bushel of it was available which is not possible,

Bold Burglary at Rock Hill.

Rick Hill, Special .- Burglars entering the rear door wrecked the safe in McFadden's meat and ice market with sledge hammers and glycerine some time early Sunday morning and secured between \$500 and \$600, leaving no clues. The tools used were left scattered about. The robbers also entered the wholesale groceries of J. W. O'Neal and B. N. Craig. Doors were found broken open but nothing missing ex-cept a few boxes of sarding at O'Neal's,

RESULT OF SECOND PRIMARY

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Returns Received From Every Count in the State.

The returns received Wednesday night from all parts of the State are incomplete and the results are still in doubt except in the 6th Congressional district where the election of J. E. Ellebe is admitted by a safe majority even by his opponent, J. W. Ragsdale.

Mr. Ellerbe will succeed the Hon. Robt. B. Scarborough who declined to enter the race for renomination.

An official count will be necessary to decide the contest for railroad commissioner. Earle leads Mobley by nearly 7,000 votes, but the votes reported are principally from the cities and towns, and when the rural vote comes in the result may be different.

It is not probable that the total vote will approximate 75,000 and in many counties the greatest indifference was manifest. In the 5th judician district Timmer-

man is far in the lead for solicitor, and will probably be elected over Rembert.

RAILROAD COMMISSIONER.

Earle. Mobley		obley.
Aiken, 16 out of 32 boxes.	1,464	1.075
Abbeville, 22 out of 24	843	943
Anderson, 27 out of 49		424
Bamberg, 12 out of 14	552	504
Barnwell, 8 boxes	187	
Berkeley, 8 out of 22	101	250
		261
Beaufort, 6 out of 9		219
Charleston, 20 out of 26	1,303	709
Colleton, 8 out of 30	430	555
Chester, complete	1,002	523
Cherokee, 20 out of 24		1,030
Clarendon, 20 out of 24	824	684
Chesterfield, 10 out of 22	359	933
Darlington, all but one	1,053	1.184
Edgefield, 20 out of 22	621	787
Fairfield, complete	311	923
Florence, 8 out of 18	637	435
Greenwood, complete	886	917
Greenville, 28 out of 41	3.670	819
Georgetown, 9 out of 15	359	528
Hampton, 9 out of 23	311	568
Horry, 8 boxes	527	180
Kershaw, 5 out of 31	154	378
Laurens, 19 out of 32	1,225	560
Lancaster, 12 out of 17	348	469
Lexington, 23 boxes	759	1.589
Lee, 7 boxes	415	366
Marlboro, one missing		621
Marion, 19 out of 21	2.118	836
Newberry, 5 missing	1,077	606
Orangeburg, 18 out of 55.	855	487
Oconee, 5 boxes	641	142
Pickens, 7 out of 23		492
Richland, 20 out of 22	672	1.934
Spartanburg, incomplete .	2,109	894
Saluda, 8 out of 29	282	310
Sumter, 14 out of 22	486	671
Union, two missing	1.046	1.229
Williamsburg, 6 boxes	479	190
York, complete	1.480	1.579
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New School Libraries.

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Columbia, Special.—Superintendent of Education Martin has given out the following:

The following list shows the number of rural libraries established this year. and the number yet to be established r each county in order to receive the benefit of the appropriation for 1904, under the Aull Library Act.

Supt. Martin is anxious, now that the county campaigns are over, for the county superintendents, teachers and patrons of each county to bestir themselves in order that none of this appropriation may be lost in any county at the expiration of the time. December 31, of this year. Each county is entitled to twelve libraries under this act, and should by all means avail themselves of this rare opportunity of outside aid before it is too late.

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	Anderson 5	7
	Bamberg 3	9
	Barnwell 7	5
	Beaufort 3	9
	Berkeley 3	9
	Charleston 2	10
	Cherokee 4	. 8
	Chester 7	5
	Chesterfield 1	11
	Clarendon 9	3
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	Darlington 9	3
	Dorchester 0	12
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New Enterprises.

The following commissions and charters were issued by the Secretary of

The Camden Wholesale Grocery Company was given a commission yesterday. Capital stock \$10,000; corporators, F. M. Wooten, of Monroe, N. C., and W. R. DeLoach, of Camden. A charter was issued to the P. A.

Hodges Manufacturing Company, of Bennettsville. The officers are P. A. Hodges, president and J. L. Ingram secretary and treasurer.

THE STATE FARM A SUCCESS

Some of the Directors State That There Are 30 Mule Colts Which WIN Be Exhibited at the State Fair.

Dr. M. O. Rowland, Mr. D.B. Peuri foy and Mr. J. O. Wingo, of the board of directors of the State penitentiary, have returned from a trip to the De Saussure and Reed farms in Sumter and Kershaw counties. Mr. A. K Saunders, another director, has a planstation adjoining the State farms and e visits the State property quite often.

Mr. Peurifoy, who is a good farmer himself over in the Saluda valley of Saluda county, declared this to be finest crop ever grown upon the State farms. The most satisfactory exhibit of all was a drove of 30 mule colt These will be brought to the State fair with the hope that farmers in South Carolina will take up the breeding of mules in view of the fact that the building of the Panama canal will require the use of thousands of mules and the market will offer good prices. The farms are also stocked with hogs sheep and goats and other farm ani-mals, in raising which there is found

The field crops are magnificent, no withstanding the continued damp spell in August. Mr. Peurifoy states that 500 bales of cotton will be marketed and that there are 500 acres in corn with the finest yield the farms have ever known.

Surrender Themselves. Greenville, Special.—Closely follow ing the announcement of Will Sloan's death at the county jail Wednesday William Putnam and Rube Sudduth charged with the shooting, came in and surrendered to the officers. are now held at the county jail pend

ing a preliminary hearing. Sloan's dying statement was taken by Notary John T. Gilreath and reads: I know I cannot live, and I would like to say that William Putnam or Rube Sudduth shot me on Sunday evening. Me and Stark Cooley went to the woods to get some whiskey. We had the can when they run up and struck a match. I turned to run. William Putnam said, and shoot to kill,' and at that time There was two or three more shots after I was shot. I had no pistol. If Cooley had one I never saw it. I was not selling whiskey nor never did. I had not violated the law and did not resist arrest.

Considerable interest has been awak ened in the case on account of its upusual features. Why did Putnam shoot Sloan and by what authority? is the question oftenest asked. Why did Putnam

South Carolina Items.

The Bank of North was given a charter Friday. The capital stock is \$15,-000. Coporators, J. C. Witt, J. M. Davis,

J. L. Reeves, E. C. Johnson and W. G. Wolfe of Orangeburg. The Bank of Anderson, the Bank of McCormick and the Merchants' and Farmers' Bank of Cheraw are the only banks in the State which have not complied with the request of the comptroll-

er general for statements as to their Mr. W. H. Townsend, assistant attorney general, has returned from Aiken, where he had a conference with other attorneys engaged in the suit to test the validity of the act permitting the merger of several railroads into the essession of the Southern. The suit will come up in Kershaw county at the

The railroad commission is in receipt of a petition from Laurens asking for the depot to be removed to another spot nearby. The station was built just about four years ago, and the rail roads will protest against the proposed removal.

next term of the court of common

The directors of the State dispensary held a meeting last week, deferred from Tuesday, which was election day. The St. John hotel of Charleston was granted a tourists' hotel privilege. This was

about the only business transacted. Gov. Heyward last week received a telegram from Mr. R. H. Edmonds, editor of the Manufacturers' Record, asking for an expression of opinion as to the desirability of having the proposed International Cotton Spinners' associa tion meet in the South. Gov. Heyward being absent, Mr. Norment, the private secretary, replied accordingly. Heyward was expected to return Friday night.

Bennett Again Arrested.

Savannah, Special.-James B. Bennett was arrested here Sunday, and unless he can defeat requisition proceedings, will be taken to Brinson, S. C., where he is charged with having murdered his wife. Several weeks ago the coroner's jury discharged him, the killing of Mrs. Bennett having been thought an accident Now further proceedings have been instituted against him. Bennett, some years ago, was given a life sentence, but was pardoned conditionally. He was not to return to South Carolina. Bennett had enlisted in the army here.

Activity at Mukden.

Mukden, By Cable.—The armies having recovered from the effects of the recent fighting before Liao Yang, may be expected. A mysterious movement is on foot on the part of the bands of young Chinese suitable for military service. All the leading Chinese who have aided the Russians are leaving Mukden.

Fighting at Mukden.

London, By Cable.-It is asserted in

dispatch from Tokio to the Express that the Japanese are vigorously shelling the Russian possition at Mukden, preparatory to a general advance, and endeavoring, by a wide turning move ment, to cut off General Kuropatkin's retreat. The Japanese armies, the dispatch adds, are disposed to same relative positions as in the fighting before Liao Yang.

PORT ARTHUR AGAIN

Persistent Reports of Another Assault Circulated

FIGHT IN PROGRESS OR IMMINENT

Advices From Chefoo to the Effect That a Grand Assault is Now Taking Place, or Will Occur Very

Chefoo, By Cable.-Local students of the military situation at Port Arthur, basing their deductions upon recent development there, are of the opinion that another grand assault is either occurring at the present time or is imminent. This opinion is based on the very heavy bombardment of the Russian stronghold that occurred on Sept. 16th, for such a bombardment forms the usual prelude to an assault: on the arrival here of important messengers from Port Arthur at a time when the running of the blockade is extremely perilous; on a recent authoritative statement that Japanese siege works are completed, and on reports from Japanese sources that at Port Dainy an assalt was expected to take place in a few days. These reports were received last week.

In addition to the foregoing there is the common knowledge that the Japanese realize that their continued inactivity increases the resisting of the Russian garrison, and their consequent desire to make such period of inactivity as brief as possible.

Why Kuroki Failed.

London, By Cable.-The Times correspondent with General Kuroki in a dispatch dated Liao Yang, Sept. 7, and at the conclusion of a long account of the battle there, says:

"General Kuroki's flank movement failed owing to the tactics of General Kuropatkin, who trusted the half of his army would suffice to hold the Japanese south of the Taitse river. His forces were so strongly posted and he possessed such a secure line of retreat that the soundness of the course adopted must appeal to tacticians. In any case it upset the caluculations of the Japanese, who counted upon comparatively feeble resistance to their flanking movement. There are indications to show that while the Russians contemplated a determined effort at check they feared throwing down the gauntlet and fighting a nitched battle. They had very small reserve supplies at Liao Yang, trusting to the railway for supplies. The proof of this is that they left practically nothing for the Japanese captured sufficient to supply their army only for one day. After the Rus sian retirement to the east bank of the river their position presented a scene of carnage unparalleled in European warfare. A remarkable feature of the fighting on the flank was the evidence that the Japanese proved the value of their lines as compared with heavy coninental formations. The Russian's tinental formations. against jeopardizing their ritirement."

Japanese Captures.

Tokio, By Cable.-Marquis Oyama, commander-in-chief of the Japanese forces in the field, telegraphed Monday morning that General Oku had reported having captured thirteen prisoners at the battle of Liao Yang. He also gave a detailed list of the Russian stores which General Oku captured, including 30 horses 2.288 rifles and 127 ammunition wagons, 5,892 rounds of artillery, 659,930 small arms cartridges, great quantities of timber, flour, rice, forage, engineering implements, clothing and accoutre-

Manchester Cloth Market.

ments.

Manchester, By Cable.-The cloth market had a tendency toward hardening, as the makers increased their engagement and a fair turnover of most descriptions resulted last week. The China trade was more quiet, especially in the gray staples. The output for the next six months has been generally disposed of.

Another Georgia Lynching.

Atlanta, Special.-A special to The Constitution from Royster, Ga., says: Judge Lynch held court in Frankit. county and as a result the riddled body of John Ware, a negro, is swinging from the limb of a tree between here and Carnesville. Ware was done to death by a mob for fatally shooting C. Y. Daniel, a son of George Daniel, of Danielsville. Young Daniel and the negro had some words over a trivial matter. It is said the negro, becoming greatly enraged and saying that no white man should run over him, drew a pistol and shot Daniel, the bullet inflicting a wound that will prove fatal.

Manchurian Army Resting.

St. Petersburg, Special.-General Bakharoff has reported to the general staff under date of September 17th: "The Manchurian army was nowhere engaged on September 16 or 17. The arrival of considerable reinforcements is not incredible at the advance posts along the whole of the enemy's front, and especially near the village of Biancupuza, and east of the railway towards the mines."