Japanese Artillery Creating Great Havoc in the City

NEVER WANTED WAR.

graph from Copenhagen savs that Ame i an cargoes. One too' in Sven Hedin, the noted geographer thousand tons of flour. Many junks and explorer, had an interview with continue to enter the port. the Czar & few days ago. He found The despatch adds that Gen. Stoeshis Majesty in the best of health. He sel has been wounded again, but not beamed with joy when the explorer seriously. His former wound is healpraised Gen. Kouropat in, who is an ing. intimate friend of Sven Hedin. In regard to the war the Czar said he never desired it, and sincecely wished that it might be concluded as soon as possible.

STOICISM OF WOUNDED.

A despatch from Harbin says: tals here, in an interview said:-

our wounded are shot in the head. I movements on both sides are hamper- impossible to grant Gen. Kouropat- ronto. attribute this to the shrapnel burst- ed by the freezing of wells and the kin's request, his opponents are con- Cats-Firm; 33c to 334c for No. ing in the air. The Japanese artil- lack of snow, which render it ne est tending that he is endeavoring to I white, east low freights; No. 2, lery has been responsible for most sary to keep near the river for water shirk the responsibility in case of 321c, low freights, and 32c, north and of our casualties so far. It is the supplies and near the coal mines for the failure of the Manchurian cam- west most effective arm of the Japanese fuel. Bervice.

to ask him at the end what message few cases of serious illness. he had to send to his parents or relatives. He gave me the number of his rifle and requested that it should be sent to his commander. Another soldier limped in here on foot.

put twenty-five in a tent. They pre- also occupy Siaolyr, on the south serve their discipline even in bed, bank of the Taitse River, and are and elect one of their tent mates guarding the bridge, which is no usually one of the less severely longer of any importance, owing to wounded, as commander. All this is quite independent of the regulations. The wounded take orders from their tent chief, and wherever there is a shortage of helpers, and there tically finished. usually is, they help the doctors with the dressing and bandaging, and also help to get and serve the meals.

UNCHANGED AT MUKDEN.

A despatch from Headquarters of in the proposed reforms in Russia. Japanese Second Army, via Fusan, M. Kiriloff, in a special despatch to says: There is a probability that the Russ from Mukden, says the solfood among the Chinese this Winter. thoroughly to understand the mean-Firewood is quoted at \$40, and ing of such reforms and attributing food is selling at three times its the same to a desire to reward them normal value, with the end of sup- for the hardships they are now enply in sight. The Japanese are pay-during. ing Chinese laborers treble their or- The idea has thrown net. life into dinary wages, and also are paying them, together with a desire to finish market prices for all the fuel and off the Japanese quickly, in order to supplies they purchase. The cold get home to live as men with liberweather continues. The military ties. situation is unchanged.

AT PORT ARTHUR.

the Third Japanese Army, via Fusan, wan is now at the military hospital ad ance on the shores of Pigeon Bay on comparatively level ground against the Tai-Yau-Kow, Idzchan, and Antzeshan forts. The approaches to the fortifications are easy, but the forts are enormously strong, and the near approach is all the more difficult, as the sapping of trenches will have to men, destroyed the third line of wire, be done through frozen ground.

The naval guns mounted on 203-Metre Hill will be able to cover the advance of infantry against any of the western forts

STOKSSEL IS HOPEFUL.

Russians in civilian garb, but a ness of the atmosphere was very immilitary training obvious in their pressive. We all covered ourselves bearing, arrived on Friday in an with green branches and leaves and open sailboat carrying despatches. proceeded on all fours, keeping as who lost their lives were those They were unwilling to talk and c'ose as possible to the ground. The whose escape had been entirely cut. went immediately to the Russian Russians were busily searching for Consulate. A high wind enabled any signs of an enemy by the means them to make a quick passage from of searchlights and fireworks, but Port Arthur.

warships at Port Arthur have been tanglements, and destroyed it, and, destroyed, but they are confident that as we had then discharged our duty, the fortress will hold out for we might have returned, but, mustermonths. They say that three steam- ing up all our courage we determined ers with food and ammunition ran to attack the first line also.

night. they made the trip from Port Ar- and pitialls. As it was dangerous to thur was a large one and had a big crawl among these, we endeavored to sail spread, and also the fact that cut off the blasting lines. With the she came out in the daylight with- greatest possible effort, we succeeded out molestation show the imperfec- in destroying twenty, although havtion of the blockade. When they ing no shears, we were obliged to left, according to their story, nei- gnaw them apart. I myself, gnawed ther belligerent held 203-Metre Hill. off four of them. Each of them con-The guns of four big forts command sisted of twenty-four slender wires the position, which, therefore, the Ja- enveloped in rubber, making the line panese probably would not occupy, about as thick as a thumb. The capture of the hill cost the Ja- as you may suppose, all my teeth panese 12,000 men in two hours. The are damaged. As for the pitfalls, Japanese have lost three destroyers took off my white waist cloth, tore before a final verdict can be given.

indicate that Gen. Stoessel is hopeful able to reach the first line of enand that the Japanese official reports tanglements are evidently exaggerated.

FLOUR FOR PORT ARTHUR. A despatch to the London Daily

the steamers that lately ran the A despatch to the London Tele blockade at Port Arthur carried

GRUMBLE AT COLD.

A despatch from Usan hen says: Occasional artillery firing is heard east of the railway. The Russians captured two Japanese, who were in a pitiable condition. The prisoners grumbled greatly at the Manchurian doctor in one of the Zemstvo hospi- rold, and said they were glad to be fed and warmed.

Brigandage is increasing. There is "We have many examples of the considerable want and suffering stoicism and devotion of the soldiers among the natives. Reports from who come under our care. I was Vladivostock state that the number attending a dying Cossack recently, of sick in the hostitals there is rap-He was in terrible pain. I stopped i'ly de reasing, and that there are

OYAMA'S ARMY MOVING ON.

He Japanese column on General Oyama's strongest in the world, combining had refused to let the stretcher men right, which General Benn n ampli the strength of barbarism with civcarry him, saying there were others reently drote back to the Taitse lization, drawing from the former who needed the stretchers more. His Rive, is again reported to be mov- fanatical bravery and scorn of death foot was amputated within an hour." ing north-east, and strongly holding and from the latter the latest know- Daity tubs, good to choice 16c to 17c In the field hospitals the men are the Siaodagai-Sin han region. They ledge of the science of war. We have the freezing of the river.

> The extreme cold keeps things quiet alo g the front. The distribution of warm clothing to the troops is prac-

REFORMS THEIR REWARD.

A despatch from St. Petersburg says: It is significant that the soldiers at the front are keenly interested

there will be a shortage of fuel and diers talk of little else, appearing

JAPS GNAWED WIKES.

A despatch from London says: An A despatch from Headquarters of engineer named Kawamura Sakui. says: The Japanese are working their at Jentsuji, has supplied the following account of one of his experiences with the in esting army at Port Arthur to the Samu'i Shimbun :-

"There were three lines of barned wire entanglements before the enemy's battery. The first party of storming volunteers, consisting of twenty hirteen of them being killed and three severely wounded. A second storming party, also of volunteers, was then formed, consisting of seven men, including myself, under the command of a non-commissioned officer named Hosoi. The night was A despatch from Chefoo says: Seven extremely dark and the absolute stillthey failed to find us. We succeeded The men admit that the Russian in reaching the second line of en- boat, 22, including eight passengers. the blockade during the past fort- our great surprise we found that the slope which we had to climb was The fact that, the boat in which defended by a large number of mines it into pieces, tied the latter to The men delivered despatches at the small sticks we carried, and fixed mittee of five members to examine Russian Consulate, where enquirers them on any pitfalls discovered, with and returned

WORSE THAN SHAMBLES.

triumph."

Telegraph from Chefoo says that A destatch from London says: Eng- operated upon.

lish correspondents with Gen. Nogi's a my, which is besieging Port Arthur, express themsel es as being horrified by the carnage at 203-Metre Hill. They declare that the dynamite bombs and hand grenades used by both sides are a hundred times worse than dum-dum bullets, and that their use ought to be banned by the Geneva Con ention. The effect of the grenades thrown at lose quarters was Very dull, 98c bid for red and white; hideo s beyond description. The Rus- spring, 93c; goose, 86c to 87c. Manisian trenches were filled with masses toba, No. 1 northern, steady at \$1 .of shattered flesh and bones, which 03; No. 2 northern, 98c; No. 3 co ld not be recognize as human northern, 92c, Georgian Bay ports; bodies. The sight was more sickening for more granding in transit. then a meat shumbles. The northern | Flour-90 per cent. patents, \$4.25 slo es of the hills are now cleared to \$4.40, buyers' sacks, east and of the dead, b t the southern slopes we t. 15c to 20c higher for choice. are still strewn with heads, hands, Manitoba unchanged at \$5.35 to none of this variety was offering tolimbs and other fragments of human \$5.70 for first patents, \$5.20 to \$5 .- day. remains, all horribly mutilated.

PREPARING FOR DEFEAT.

A despatch from Paris says:-The ceived there from the front is of the \$18 for bran, exports. most unfavorable kind. Gen kour- Parley-Dull; 45c for No. 2, 43c \$3.50 to \$4; mixed lots, medium, at opatkin telegraphs that unless the extra, and 41c for No. 3 malting \$3 to \$3.50; common at \$1.75 to \$2number of trains on the Siberian outside, Toronto freights. Riailroad is considerably increased it Rye-74c to 75c for No. 2. will be impossible to keep the army Corn-New Canadian yellow, 43c; in provisions, in which case he would mixed, 42c, f.o.b., Chatham freights: be unable to answer any longer for new American, No. 3 yellow, easier, "Curiously enough, the majority of | The general position is uncertain. the course of the campaign. As it is 52c to 521c; mixed, 52c, on track To-

TROOPS IN MUKDEN.

A despatch from St. Petersburg and 40c for bro en lots outside. entirely satisfied with the military and east. situation in Manchuria, being convinced that the Japanese have reached their high tide. A high official said on Wednerday:-

"The Japanese army is unique in A despatch from Mu den says: The military history, and, probably the been fighting them under heavy handicaps, but have at last definite- Dairy Ib. rolls, good to ly stopped them. They have missed the psychological moment. They should now be at Harbin, with Vladivostock and the eastern littoral cut off and de facto theirs, instead of is Russia's ally now, as it was job lots here. The Japanese against Napoleon. cannot endure extreme cold like the to 21c for fresh and 20c for limed. They are not strong enough to attempt to turn Mukden now, and will not be even if Port Arthur falls, and 50,000 reinforcements are sent up to join Field Marshal Oyama. In the meantime Russian troops are piling up behind Mukden. In February, before the port of New Chwang is ice free, Gen. Kouropatkin will have close upon balf a million men, disposed in three armies, amply sufficient to turn Oyama's position at the Sha River, and force the Japanese back into Corea

OYAMA'S PROCLAMATION.

and the Liao Tung Peninsula."

A despatch trom Rome says:-A telegram from Tokio states that despatch has been received from Marshal Oyama announcing that he has issued a proclamation provisionally annexing South Manchuria to Japan.

----NINE LIVES LOST.

Steamer Took Fire in Long Island Sound.

Sound on Saturday nine lives were and in bags, \$2.50 to \$2.60. lost, and property roughly estimatnot sacrificed undoubtedly was due to the personal courage of the officers and crew and the excellent discipline maintained when a horrible death for all seemed almost a certainty. When the steamer was abandoned she was flameswept from stem to stern, and yet the only persons off by the fire before the alarm reached them.

Of the ten passengers and the crew of 21 who sailed on the steamwere brought back to the city.

CANCER

Dr. Doyen Does Not Claim It as a Radical Cure.

gery the report of the committee ap- per 10. pointed to investigate his cancer | Beans-In a jobbling way sales of shipped from the Haileybury Mine cure. It is written by Dr. Metchni- choice primes were made at \$1.35 to New York. One carload, consistmember of the committee. It sets bushel. forth that Dr. Doyen's micrococcus is habitually found in cancerous tumors and that Dr. Doyen's serum has undoubtedly had the most favorable result in many cases, but much more study respecting the specific nature of the bacillus and the results of inoculation is necessary

The Ruling Prices In Live Stock and Breadstuffs.

BREADSTUFFS.

Toronto, Dec. 20-Wheat-Ontario-

40 for second patents, and \$5 to \$5 .-30 for bakers'.

demand: \$15 to \$15.50 for bran in mand for good cattle, but little de-St. Petersburg correspondent of the bil, \$18 to \$18.50 for shorts, east mand for those of poor quality. Temps telegraphs that the news re- and west; Manitoba, \$21 for shorts, Good to choice butchers' are quoted

Folled Oats-\$4 for cars of bags and \$4.25 for barrels on track Toronto, 25c more for bro'en lots here, says:-The general staff apparently is Peas-67c to 68c for No. 2, west

Buckwheat-Dull; 50c to 51c.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

tive for choice grades. Quotations are | cwt. up, at \$5 to \$5.75.

Creamery, prints 22c to 23c co tubs 19c to 20c do medium 13c to 15c do infe ior grades 10c to 12c

choice 17c to 18c do large rolls 16c to 17c do medium 14c to 15c Cheese-Has a firmer tone and is

5%c to 9c, and hens at 5c to 6c.

and 90c to 95c out of store.

to \$6.30 per cwt. for selected weights. It can be seen only under good atchanged at \$7.50 per ton for No. 1 sun is shining upon it at the proper timothy and \$6.50 for No. 2 and angle. mixed clover on track here.

Baled Straw-Quotations are unchanged at \$6 per ton for car lots on track here.

MONTREAL MARKETS.

very little doing in wheat, the de Sontum, writing on trade conditions mand for oats was somewhat slow. in the Scandinavian countries, says no actual change, with sales of car there is a market for Canadian ap lots of No. 2 white at 39c to 391c ples in Norway, Sweden, and Den per bushel ex-store.

A New York despatch says:-By tents, \$5.80; strong bakers', \$5.50; the burning of the Starin Line winter wheat patents, \$5.70 to \$5 .- rel when the \$2 duty is paid. The steamer Glen Island in Long Island 80; straight rollers, \$5.30 to \$5.40, Scandinavians use apples for decora-

Feed-Manitoba bran in bags, \$17 ed at a quarter of a million dollars to \$18; shorts, \$19 to \$20 per ton; was destroyed. That more lives were Ontario winter wheat bran, in bulk, \$17 to \$18; shorts, \$19 to \$20; moullie, \$24 to \$28 per ton as to Contracts Signed for New Guns quality.

> Meal-The tone of the market for rolled oats remains steady, but the volume of husiness passing is small at \$2.121 per bag. The demand for cornmeal is fair at \$1.35 to \$1.45 per bag.

Hay-No. 1, \$9 to \$9.50; No. 2, \$8 to \$8.25; clover mixed, \$7 to \$7.-25; and pure glover at \$6.25 to \$6.-75 per ton in car lots.

Eggs-Cold storage eggs are offering at 18c to 19c per dozen, and Montreal limed at 19c. The demand pattern, within nine months. for selected eggs in a jobbing way continues fair and prices rule firm at 24c to 25c, and Montreal limed at 20c per dozen.

Poultry-Turkeys sold at 14c to A Paris despatch says:-Dr. Doyen 16c, chickens at 81c to 11c, ducks has presented to the Society of Sur- at 10c to 12c and geese at Sc to 10c

koff, of the Pasteur Institute, a to \$1.40, and seconds at \$1.30 per

stock are quoted at 43c to 50c per covered after two days' prospecting, bag and choice at 60c to 65c.

quietly going on leading to a turn- in sight. over of more than 20,000 boxes since Friday last, at prices ranging from 9%c for Ontario tail ends up to 10%c

for finest eastern fall grades. Butter-At present local jobbers Dockyard at Port Royal Ordered and study all cases that Dr. Doyen readily concede 21c for 30-1b tubs for were told that the Russians still hold a view to warning the troops who submits. Dr. Doyen reiterated that the city trade and demand for them A despatch from Kingston, Jamaiall the northern forts. The despatches were about to follow us. We were he does not claim he has discovered is rather in excess of the supply. Any ca, says: The British Admiralty has a radical cure for a disease that has choice creamery obtainable in 56- ordered the dockyard at Port Royal in such numerous forms as cancer, but Ib. boxes that is suitable for export to be closed immediately. Nearly two he contends that his treatment us- is being bought up also on the basis bundred workmen received notice c4 ually produces favorably modifica- of 20%c and put away. While under- their dismissal on Friday evening, tions and improvements in cases that grade creamery ranges down to 20c, This in in pursuance of the plan the are so grave that they cannot be dairy butter sells as to quality at make Bermuda the naval head 15'e to 17c.

CATTLE MARKET.

Toronto, Dec. 20.-Trade at the Western Cattle Market to-day was not so good, and trade was slower in the week. The quality of the cattle was not so good, and trade was quietar on this account. Butcher cattle are quoted easier. Other lines were quiet. Sheep and lambs were firm and hogs weak in tone.

Export Cattle-Trade was quiet, very few cattle of this kind being on the market. Quotations all round are unchanged. Extra choice are quoted at \$4.40 to \$3.75, good to medium at \$4.25 to \$4.40, good cows at \$3.25 to \$4.

Butcher Cattle-The run of Christmas cattle is pretty well over, and The quality of the butchers' generally, too, were not so good, and trade was slower on this ac-Milfeed-Is firmer with the winter count. There is still a good deat \$4.25 to \$4.75, fair to good at 50,, cows at \$3 to \$3.40, and bulls at \$2 to \$2.75.

Stockers and Feeders-Continue quiet and in light demand. The few offering sold about steady with previous quotations. Stockers are quoted at \$1.50 to \$3.25; bulls are quoted at \$1.75 to \$2.50. Feeders are unchanged at \$2.50 to \$4.25 per

Milch Cows-Are steady, and are quoted unchanged at \$30 to \$60 per

Calves-A fair lot were offering, and they sold steady. Quotations are unchanged at 34c to 54c per lb. and \$2 to \$10 each.

Sheep and Lambs-Despite a fair run, the trade was brisk and everything was sold, prices having a firmer tone. Export sheep are quoted at \$2.50 to \$4.20, culls are higher Butter-The demand continues ac- at \$2 to \$4, and lambs are 25c per

> Hogs-The market retains its weak tone, but is quoted unchanged at \$4.80 per cwt. for selects, and \$4.60 for lights and fats.

LUNA'S FACE IS CRACKED.

Eighty-Mile Crevice Observed on Moon's Crust.

A despatch from Berkeley, Califorquoted 1c higher at 10%c to 11c for nia, says: The discovery of a great wintering where they are. The cold large and 11c to 11to for twins in crack or rill on the face of the moon, which extends lengthwise through the Eggs-Are quoted steady at 20c valley of the Alps for a distance of eighty miles, is one of the facts an-Poultry-Turkeys, 13c to 14c for nounced in the latest bulletin issued young and 10c to 11c for old. Ducks from the Lick Observatory. The rill and geese, 8c to 9c. Chickens at on the moon was discovered by Assistant Astronomer J. B. Perrine Potatoes-Ontario stock, 65c to with the 36-inch telescope. The rill 70c on track, and 75c to 80c out of is in the nature of a crack in the store. Eastern, 75c to 80c on track moon's crust, or of a dry river bed only a few hundred feet in width, and Dressed Hogs-Car lots on track some eighty miles in length, extendhere are quoted unchanged at \$6.25 ing through the centre of the valley. Baled Hay-Quotations are un- mospheric conditions and when the

GREEDY FOR APPLES

Scandinavia Will Use the Best Fruit From Canada.

A despatch from Ottawa says: In a further report to the Trade and Montreal, Dec. 14.-Grain-There is Commerce Department, Mr. C. E. mark, if the exporters send the best Flour-Manitoba spring wheat pa- fruit. Baldwins being the most ac ceptable apples, are worth \$10 a bartions as well as for consumption.

WAR OFFICE AROUSED.

for 130 Batteries.

A despatch from London says:-The War Office and the treasury have at last reached an arrangement to provide funds for the rearmament of the artillery, and it is understood that the Sectetary of War, H. O. Arnold-Forster, on Friday signed contracts which, with the guns to be built at Woolwich arsenal, will result in the supply of 130 batteries of field artillery and 30 batteries of horse artillery, with guns of new

WERE LUCKY PROSPECTORS.

Owners of Haileybury Mine Discover Rich Deposits.

A despatch from Toronto says: Four carloads of ore were recently ing of twenty tons of silver cobalt, realized \$37,500. The vein from Potatoes-Car lots of fair to good which the ore was taken was disand reports state that there is over Cheese-There has been some buying a quarter of a million dollars of or

BERMUDA HEADQUARTERS.

Closed.

quarters in the Western Atlantic.