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## ON THE MOVE

Kuropatkin, it is Reported, Has Again Assumed The Offensive.

## TEN DAYS FIGHT

Is Still in Progress With Na Imminent Prospect of a Cessation-The Russians at St. Petersburg-Fightthe Great Mondarin Road-First Japanese Guns of the War Are Captured by Russians-Heavy Rain is Hindering All Operations.

St. Petersburg has been cheered by the report that General Kuropatkin has assumed the offensive and by the news of the defeat of the Japanese command of General Yamada and the capture of Lone Tree hill, which is represented to be the key to the position on the southwest fronts of the contending armies. If the report of the advance is authentic and the Russians have crossed to the south side of the Shakhe river, a later rise in that stream may have produced conditions seriously threatening failure of General Kuropatkin's plans, for, it is believed the advance force will be cut off from the reserves and the base of supplies and retreat rendered problematical.

It is, however, questionable if the advance movement had proceeded to the point indicated. There seems no imminent prospect of a cessation of the fighting that has been in progress for the past ten days, although there are signs that on both sides the supply of ammunition is falling short, and that the limit of endurance in the troops must have been nearly reached.

RUSSIAN ARMY ADVANCING. that the Russian army is advancing. plies of all sorts are delayed.

Cossacks brought in captured guns and Japanese wounded prisoners on October 17th. Russian soldiers sur- Six regiments advanced, fording the rounded the prisoners and gave them river in the face of a murderous fire. bread and water and in other ways The enemy determined to make us pay tried to relieve their wants.

Japanese left flank has been driven but nothing could stop them. They Parker he would lose no Democrats back with heavy loss and its retreat cut reached the other side, clambered up by his declaration that if elected he off. A Russian regiment is now be- and at 11 o'clock at night, the position ing hurried to the scene in the hope

of completing the rout. General Mistchenkos division reports Russians clutched in a death embrace, that a sanguinary fight has taken place I saw no such ghastly sight at Shipka at Laitkhezi, fifteen miles southeast of or at Plevna. The credit for the Shakhe, to which fort General Mist- achievement belongs chiefly to the 36th chenko retired in order to preserve and 19th rifles. Four other regiments communication between the Russian participated. The 36th attacked from centre and eastern flank. The Japanese | the east and the 19th from the west. made a determined effort to cut the Poutiloff, leading the brigade and perline of communication at this point and sonally directing the attack, was the attacked under cover of a terriffic can- first to reach the summit and was in nonade. Out of one company of a Rus- | the thick of the fiercest fighting around sian rifle brigade only fifteen men were the Japanese guns. The Japanese gunleft. Two companies that had expanded | ners died at their guns. | Kuropatkin their ammunition prior to the last Jap- | personally thanked the heroes for their anese attack lay in the trenches until gallant exploit. The captured guns the Japanese were within a few paces. Then the Russians hurled a volley of stones, charged and broke the attacking line, compelling the Japanese to flee.

eral Kuropatkin is indcfatigable, personally directing the forward operations. Nothing seems to affect him, but he wears his usual quiet smile under all circumstances.

The last Japanese of Lone Tree hill, two artillery officers, refused quarter and died fighting with their swords beside their guns.

KUROPATKIN WITH HIS TROOPS. Mukden, October 18 .- The fighting of October 17, was confined to the Russian center at Shakhe river and was artillery fire, the Japanese using big guns and high explosive shells. During the nine days of continuous fighting the losses were never less than two thousand a day. A battle is assured in the positions surrounding the town.

It becomes more and more evident that the resources of the country cannot support a large army. This season's crops are spoiled.

General Kuropatkin remains with Kuroki on Monday night, but were the troops, having abandoned his headquarters at Mukden.

As this dispatch is filed, Tuesday evening, the Russians are retaining the evening, the Russians are retaining Several Maxims have been captured. The firing ceased after dark today.

JAPS LOSE THEIR FIRST GUNS. Tokio, October 18 .- 1 p. m. The Rus-

sians enveloped General Yamada's column on Sunday, October 16th, and captured fourteen guns. The Russians are now concentrating in front of the left army under General Oku and the center army under General Nodzu and another great battle is expected. These are the first guns to be lost by

the Japanese during the war. A report telling of the disaster to General Yamada and stating the condi-

tions at the front reached Tokio during the night. It is as follows: "The enemy's infantry, about a regiment strong, attacked part of the right

army occupying Shanpintaitzu and Taichiku on the morning of October 16th, but the Russians were routed by a counter attack and at 9:30 o'clock retreated toward the north.

"The enemy in the direction of Waltuo mountain remains in his position

but his state is uncertain. "There is no change in direction of our right army and there is no change in the front of our center army.

"On the evening of October 16th, a mixed detachment under command of Major General Yamada, was sent to News that Kuropatkin is Again on help part of the left army attacking the Advance Greatly Cheers the the enemy north of the Shakhe river. It commenced its operations at the right wing, driving off the enemy. The ing Yesterday Was on Both Sides of detachment captured two guns and two ammunition wagons. Having attained its object, the detachment, after sunset, under cover of the darkness, began retiring toward its original posi-

"In the meantime at 7 o'clock, the enemy, a division strong, made a vigorous advance and enveloped both wings of the detachment. Severe hand to hand fighting ensued. The detachment succeeded in driving off the enemy in front but was unable to resist him on both flanks.

"Our artillery lost most of its men and horses and was compelled to leave behind nine field and five mountain

"The enemy in front of the left army remains in the position he occupied yesterday. The front line of all our columns fired slowly until sunset.

"The enemy in front has been heaviy reinforced, especially in front of our center army has the enemy's strength been enormously increased.

"The enemy's strength against our eft flank of the left army amounts to mixed brigade. "Our casualties during the battle of

October 16th reached about one thou-

THE RECAPTURE OF LONE TREE HILL St. Petersburg, October 18.-7:04 p. m.

Nemirovich Danchenko, the well known Russian war correspondent, telegraphs a description of the recapture of Lone Tree hill, which fell into the hands of the Japanese, during a night attack while the Russians slept. He says:

day, ordered the hill to be retaken and James J. Smith, Jr., who called on the whole Russian artillery concentrat-Mukden, October 18 .- It is reported | ed at five in the morning showered the tacle lasting the entire day. It seemed Rain is hindering everything. The tacle, lasting the entire day. It seemed rivers are bank full and the fords are that no human being could outlive such impassable. There are no bridges. Sup- an ordeal, yet the defenders remained manfully at their posts.

"The sun was already declining when Kuropatkin gave the order to storm dearly for it. He poured a hail of gun News has just ben received that the and rifle fire on our advancing columns, was in our hands. I have just visited the scene of our triumph. The trenches An officer who has just returned from are filled with dead Japanese and were brought to Mukden.

REPORT FROM SAKHAROFF.

St. Petersburg, October 18 .- The gen-

sides of the Great Mandarin road. Gen- dispatch from General Sakharoff, dat-

"The Russians repelled a Japanese attack on their right wing during the night of October 17, and seized the vil- lished there in conformity with that lage of Shalandtzy, on the bank of the constitution. Shakhe river, and east of Shakhe. The enemy strongly bombarded the captured village, but did not advance to the attack on Lone Tree hill, now called

Putiloff hill. "The work of burying the dead proceeded all night long. Military honors were paid the Japanese dead.

"A considerable concentration of the enemy's troops has been observed against our center. There was no fighting yesterday on our left flank."

RUSSIANS REPULSED WITH

HEAVY LOSSES. Tokio, October 18.-3:30 p. m. The Russians fiercely assaulted General Oku and attacked Generals Nodzu and everwhere repulsed with heavy losses.

ESTIMATE OF RUSSIAN CASUAL-

Headquarters of General Oku's left Army, October 16 .- 3 p. m. via Fusan, October 18 .- Since Sunday last the Jap-

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## Situation Political States Doubtful

Discussed.

## LATE CANVASS

Shows that the Prospects of Carrying Indiana are Encouraging-The Situation in New Jersey is Very Complex-Philippine Island Question Considered-Ulster County Citizens in New York Organize-A Letter from Judge Parker is Read Discussing the Question of Constitutional Government.

New York, Oct. 18 .- The political situation in Indiana and New Jersey were the most important affairs of the Democratic campaign considered by Judge Parker after he arrived here to-

A report was made to him concerning Indana by Simon P. Sherin, who was secretary of the Democratic national committee in 1892. Mr. Sherra was introduced by National Chairman Taggart, who consultew with the candidate twice preliminary to leaving New York tomorrow to take a hand personally in the canvass of that state. It is said the conference did much to shape the contest to be waged by Indiana Democrats for supremacy in the election. The announcement was made by Indianans who called on Judge Parker that the prospects of carrying the state as shown by fourth canvass are encouraging. and no results of the canvass will be made public from the headquarters of Judge Parker or the national committee until the return of Chairman Taggart.

In New Jersey the situation is reported to be far more complex than in any other of the doubtful states and the result more dependent upon the work done in the remaining two and one-half weeks of the campaign. This "General Kuropatkin, the following was the judgment of former Senator Judge Parker and declared certain the election of Black for governor and predicted that the Democratic national ticket will win also.

Edward Atkinson, of Boston, discussed the Philippine Islands questions with Judge Parker. Their conference was brief, but Mr. Atkinson took occasion to compliment the judge on his Philippine speech delvered at Esopus

on Saturday. Judge Parker's position on the service pension order was given support by General John W. Kay, of Brooklyn, who called on the candidate. The general said he could assure Judge would revoke the executive order and use his influence to have congress enact a service law.

Judge Parker discussed the question of constitutional government in a letter read tonight at a meeting of citizens of Ulster county, N. Y., held at the headquarters of the commercial travelers' league, 597 Broadway. The meeting was arranged by William S. Rodie, Charles M. Preston and Lawrence Van Etten, all prominent in New York state Democratic politics. There are more than 600 Ulster county citizens now living in this city and the attendance tonight was large. Judge Parker's letter, which is addressed to the committee on arrangements, was in part as follows:

"I want to say just a word about the significance of your meeting. "It is well that the sons of Old Ulster should bear a part in the great struggle for government by the rule of the constitution. There is a peculiar appropriateness in it. Ulster was the There was fighting today on both eral staff has received the following the Empire state. Twelve years bebirth place of the first constitution of fore our national constitution was in operation that of New York was formulated and adopted at Kingston. and the state government was estab-

> "The federal constitution is a chart that sets forth the course the ship of state should sail to insure a safe vovage. By it government is divided into three departments. Each department is to perform its proper and specified functions.

"This is popular government in its most perfect form. So long as each department performs the functions, and only those conferred upon it by the people through the constitution so long are we safe. Under Republican administration this rule has been disregarded. One of the branches of the national government has on one occasion gone beyond its authority and usurped functions withheld from

it by the constitution. "Therefore this is in issue: Shall the ship of state sail by the peoples' chart, or at random?"

## Capt. L .C. Jones Here.

Capt. L. C. Jones, of Florence, S C., Atlantic Coast Line conductor on the Florence-Augusta route, came in yesterday in charge of the pay train, and will leave this morning on the early train south in order to resume his regular service. He was a welcome visitor at The Messenger office

COPAL CONVENTION.

Several Resolutions Referring to the Subject Presented-Whole Matter Referred to the Committee on Canons, from Which it Can be Called at Any Time-Other Business Attend-

Boston, Mass, Oct. 18 .- The divires issue again came before the Episcoral general convention today, but co final action was taken on several resolutions referring to the subject which were presented. The house of bishops sent a message to the deputies informing them that the sish ps had voted to forbid the the remarriage of any divorced persons, but when the matter was haid before the deputies on the question of concurrence, Rev. Drs. Lewis Parks and W. D. Hunt'agton both of New York immediately set the parliamentary machinery in motion to defeat or at least to side track the bishops' resolution. After a Lrief but spirited skirmish, the matter was referred to the committee on canons,. from which it can be called a: any

During the forenoon several resolutions favoring a stricter canin on marriage and living were referred to a committee.

The divorce matter again came to the fore through a resolution of George Foster Peabody of Brooklyn calling for the appointment of twelve members from both houses to consider the entire question and report to the next general convention. The committee is to confer with other religious legislation bearing on marriage and divorce. It was referred to the com-

mittee on canons. A joint commission, appointed three years ago, presented an extended report recommending that all dioceses and missionary districts be grouped into seven provinces to have authority to legislate on matters which do not conflict with the general convention. Each province is to elect a primate to preside over it. The report will be acted upon later.

The house of deputies today decided to refer a proposition to elect a negro oishop for the southern state to the t convention.

resolution reported by the commatee on state of the church was adopted, that a joint commission of five bishops, five olerical and five lay deputies be appointed to obtain information with reference to formation of a colored missionary district in the south and suggest the proposed legislation to the next general convention. The house of bishops nominated Rev. Logan H. Roots, of Arkansas, for bishop of Hankow, China; Rev. Frank S. Spaulding of Erie, Pa., for bishop of Salt Lake, and Rev. A. W. Knight of Atlanta, Ga., for bishop of Cuba. The nominations will have to be ratified by the house of deputies to become effective.

## WORK OF AN INCENDIARY.

#### Mr. W. A. Lineker's Barn Was Burned Early Yesterday Morning-Total Loss Was About \$700.

Mr. W A. Lineker, who owns a valuable farm on the Castle Haynes road about 3 miles from the city, had the misfortune early yestedray morning to lose his barn in which was stored a large quantity of forage and also some valuable farming utensils. The total loss is estimated at \$700 with \$200 of insurance.

The barn was located only a short distance from Mr. Lineker's residence and yesterday about 4 o'clock Mrs. Lineker was awaked by a noise in the direction of the barn and upon looking out of the window discovered that the barn was a mass af flames. Mr. Lineker rushed from the house and ran to the barn to save whatever he ries 1861-'65" which, compiled by veteout but by this time the fire had gained such headway that he had to retreat from the building. He soon saw he would have a difficult time to prevent his residence from burning. The kitchen was the nearest to the barn and this caught afire several times, but fortunately there was a barrel of water sitting near the house

or it would have been destroyed. Mr. Lineker was painfully burned. He did not have time to put on his There was no intention to assert that shoes and his feet were burned and the soldiers from North Carolina were his face and hands were blistered. braver than those from our sister the upsetting of a stove in the cottage The house was damaged to the extent |Southern States, but merely that the of about \$150, but this was fully cov- fortune of war having furnished them ered by insurance.

The barn that was burned was a building 66 by 26 feet in size and was | "They saw their duty, a dead sure only recently erected. Mr. Lineker's horses were in another barn some; And went for it, then and thar," little distance from the feed barn. The We also deemed that it was shown be- der control the cottages of Mrs. King, barn was burned almost to ground before any of the neighbors arrived. Mr. Lineker is positive that it was the work of an incendiary.

## REVIVAL MEETING.

#### Series of Meetings Being Held at First Baptist Church.

Rev. Wm.Lunsford, D. D., of Asheville, has arrived in the city and is assisting Rev. Dr. Fred. D. Hale in a dersigned Committee were appointed by series of revival meetings being held at the First Baptist church. Services mittee met 12th May, 1904, being the 8 at night. There have been very 40th anniversary of a day which is forgood crowds thus far and it is expect- ever memorable in North Carolina from ed that the interest will greatly in. the valor of her sons at the deadly crease as the meeting progresses.

and he delivers his sermons in such a manner as to command the closest attention of his hearers. The services will continue throughout the week.

# THE DIVORCE MATTER N. G. SOLDIERS

Report of Committee in Reply to Judge Christian's Charges.

## **CLAIMS PROVED**

The Report Was Presented at the Annual Meeting of the State Literary and Historical Association-Besides a Varied and Instructive Programme of Addresses,, the Committee's Reply to Judge Christian's Charges Was Read by Judge Clark-Testimony of Eye Witnesses and Documentary Evidence Offered.

(Special to The Messenger.) evening the fifth annual meeting of the Alphonso Smith, of the State University presiding. The subject of his address was "The Average American." The Mr. Durrette, the chief witness should next event, and the feature of the evening of course was "North Carolina several weeks ago and from which and the Civil (War," being a reply to the charges brought by Judge George H. Veterans of Virginia, Judge Walter Clark submitting the report. Professor the State University on its Relation

to North Carolina History. Among those on the stage besides the officers were General W. R. Cox and Major Joseph Morehead. All the addresses were of a high order, that of President Smith remarkably so. Mr. McNeil's paper was unique, bold, witty and made a decided hit. J. Y. Joyner, in behalf of the special committee offered a resolution which was adopted raising a committee of three to memorialize the legislature to provide a fire proof building to contain the state library and hall of history. A resolution offered by Edward P. Moses was adopted to provide for the promotion of study of local history through county organizations. A resolution offered by E. C. Brooks was adopted, urging the legislature to continue the appropriation for free librarie sfor rural public schools.

The committee on selection of new officers composed of H. G. Connor, II. A. London and Joseph Morehead reported as follows: President, Robert W. Winston, of Durham; Vice Presidents A. C. Avery, William R. Cox, Mrs. Lindsay Patterson. The report was unanimously adopted.

Secretary Poe reported that the association had three hundred members. THE COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

Upon the monument which this state has erected at the west front of the Capitol in Raisigh in perpetual memory of the adelity to duty of the sons she sent to the front in 1861-5, is inscribed the legend

## "FIRST AT BETHEL.

LAST AT APPOMATTOX." Upon the cover of the five volumes of "North Carolina Regimental Histocould. There was a fine cow in the rans who were actual participants in barn and she was driven out and he the events they narrated, have been also succeeded in pulling his buggy published and issued by authority of the state, there is stamped the above words with the insertion between the first and last lines of the following: "FARTHEST TO THE FRONT AT CETTYSBURG AND CHICKA-

> These claims were not made as a matter of boast. They were merely a statement of historical facts, amply supported by the testimony of eye-witnesses and documentary evidence contained in the volumes in question. the occasion they were equal to the opportunity-only this, and nothing

MAUGA."

thing

the | youd question that North Carolina furnished to the Confederacy more troops J. L. Townsend had been destroyed than any other state. It can not be controverted that, owing to the foresight, practical ability and patriotism of our great War Governor, Zebulon B. Vance, the troops from this state were send hotels and a large hotel owned by the best clother and shod, and the best Dallas Marvil were on fire but were cared for in the Confederacy.

The above propositions, save the last having been controverted by Judge Christian of Virginia in a pamphlet issued by authority of the United Confederate Veterans o fthat state, the unthe North Carolina Historical and Literary Society to make reply, The com-"Horse Shoe" at Spottsylvania. With a Dr. Lunsford is a preacher of force view of placing our reply upon the testimony of eye-witnesses the work was sub-divided anl allotted as follows:

> "First at Bethel," Major E. J. Hale. (Continued on Sixth Page.)

## M'CUE TRIAL NOW ON.

OUT OF SPECIAL VENIRE NINE JURORS WERE OBTAINED.

Another Venire of Fifty Men Will be Summoned from Richmond-An Important Witness for the State Cannot be Located-The Prisoner Appears in a Good Humor.

Charlottesville, Va., Oct. 18 .- The case of former Mayor McCue, charged with wife murder, was called for trial today. Soon after the opening of the court it was announced that W. O. Durrette, an important witness for the commonwealth, was absent from the city. Captain Micah Woods, who is assisting the prosecution, said that Mr. Durrette was an essential witness. It was stated that Mr. Durrette, when last heard from was in Roncevert, W. Va. Mr. Lee, of counsel for the defense, stated that they were anxious to go on with the case and that if Captain Woods cared to disclose what he expected to prove by Mr. Durette, he thought it very probable the defense would agree to admit it. Captain Woods did not make the disclosure but said that he had sent several telegrams after the witness and would like a little time to ascertain the result of these messages, Without disposing of the question the

court took a recess until afternoon. A large crowd was in attendance within the court room when the case was called. The special venire from Raleigh, N. C., October 18.-At Petersburg, from which a jury will the Raney Library Building this be drawn to try the case, was present. Mr. McCue when he came into court, was affectionately greeted by his chil-State Literary and Historical Associa- dren, all of whom were present except tion of North Carolina was held, Dr. C. Samuel. His young daughter cried

Comment was made on the fact that have gone to Poncevert, where the children of the accused were taken city they returned on yesterday.

The afternoon session of the court was consumed in the examination of Christian of the United Confederate the fifty veniremen from Petersburg. and out of the city alone nine jurors were obtained. A number of the Petersburger's declared that they would D. H. Hill, of Raleigh, spoke on North not convict on circumstantial evidence. Carolina books of this year; John At the conclusion of the session the Charles McNeill, of Charlotte on State city sergeant of Charlottesville left Literature, and President Venable of hurriedly for Richmond, where he will tomorrow morning, summon fifty more

veniremen to serve in this case. The striking feature of the trial today was the fact that several of McCue's borthers, who were in the court room with him, kissed him a number of times. The prisoner is said to have returned to jail this evening whistling

### EMPEROR UNVEILS A STATUE. Brilliant Company Attends the Cere-Mony at Berlin.

Berlin, October 18.-Emperor William unveiled the equestrian bronze statue of Emperor Frederick in front of the new museum of art today in the presence of a brilliant company of princely personages. The emperor, the members of the royal family and the other more distinguished personages after the unveiling, withdrew to the marble hall within which his majesty dedicated the building to art.

The emperor, referring to the schism between the orthodox and impressionist

schools of German art said: 'In my opinion art is partly on a devious road that leads far away from the true ideal of beauty and our artists should bear in mind what precious possessions are placed in their hands. Art and genius must be allowed to draw from unknown and hidden depths, but this does not justify the younger artists in cutting loose from every tradition and school. The indefatigable zeal and holy striving with which the older masters wrestled with their ideal of art should present even to the artists of this day an attained model and should promote self criticism, modesty and respect for the achievements of others on the part of the younger generation."

## A \$20,000 FIRE.

Rehoboth Beach Saved from Destruction Only by the Timely Arrival of Outside Assistance.

Rehoboth Branch, Del., October 18 .-Fire broke out here today, caused by of Mrs. King, resulted in a loss of nearly \$20,000 and for a time threatened the town with destruction.

Assistance was summoned from Georgetown, Lewes and Wilmington but before the flames could be got un-Mayor J. T. Thompson, of Lewes, and and a score of others seriously damaged. Sections of the board walk were also burned. The Brayton and Townsaved by the heroic work of the fire-

Richmond Horse Show Opens. Richmond, Va., October 18.-Richmond's fourth annual horse show opened tonight, under favorable auspices. The attendance was good, and as brilliant as usual. The leading feature of the present show is a detachment from troop C., of the Seventh cavalry, U. S. A., which gives dashing exhibitions of horesmanship.

Mr. Bryan is rousing the Hoosiers to a high pitch of enthusiasm in his speech-making tour of Indiana .- At 211ta Constitution.