

THE RUSSIANS REPULSED

Attacked Forces at Chu-Chia-Tun, But Had to Retire.

JAP DIVERS WILL REMOVE MINES.

General Kuroki Reports the Result of an Encounter With Six Hundred Cossacks Near Simatsi—A Force of 2,000 Russians Pressing Japanese Cavalry Engaged by a Large Japanese Force and Retire to Telishu.

Tokyo, (By Cable).—The Japanese and Russian forces located north of Pulation, which were in a series of brushes during the early part of last week, had another encounter near Chu-Chia-Tun. On that day the Japanese cavalrymen met the Russians at noon.

The Russians numbered 2,000 men and were composed of infantry, detachments of cavalry and artillery. They were pressing the Japanese cavalry when the Japanese assembled their entire force and engaged the enemy. The Russians drew off gradually and at 5.30 o'clock in the afternoon they retired to Telishu. The Japanese suffered four men killed and four men wounded in this fighting.

Cossacks Defeated.

A report has been received here from General Kuroki saying that on Friday last a detachment was dispatched from Ai-Yang-Cheng (Ai-Yang-Pienmen?), to the east of Feng-Yang-Cheng, to make a reconnaissance toward Chaimatsi (Simatsi), thirty-five miles north of Feng-Yang-Cheng. This detachment encountered 600 Cossacks, and after a brisk engagement the Russians retreated.

General Kuroki reports that the Russian loss was heavy. The Japanese suffered only one man killed and three wounded.

Wireless at Port Arthur.

It is suspected here that the Russians at Port Arthur are communicating with points on the Chinese coast by means of wireless telegraphy. It was reported that a wireless station had been erected secretly at the village of Peh-Wang, on Takin island, one of the Miao-Tao group, situated in Pechili strait, and the Japanese cruiser Chitose visited the island to investigate. She did not find anything. It is reported that another such station has been erected near Shan-Hai-Kwan, and the Japanese are investigating this matter.

The Chitose steamed in close to Liao-Shan promontory and discovered four masts and a watchhouse near the coast. One of these masts evidently was fitted for wireless telegraph operations.

Emplacing New Batteries.

The Chitose reports having heard a series of explosions at Port Arthur and believes them to have resulted from blastings preparatory to the emplacing of new batteries.

The Japanese torpedo boat destroyer Ikazuchi discovered and exploded a large mine off San-shan island at the entrance to Talienwan bay.

Divers Removing Mines.

The Japanese naval authorities engaged in clearing out the mines in the vicinity of Talienwan bay are employing Japanese shell divers from Kushiu province for the purpose. These divers volunteered for this work and are wonderfully expert. It is said that with their diving paraphernalia they can stay under water for half a day at a time.

Hundreds of Japanese fishermen are volunteering to assist in clearing away Russian mines, and it is probable that some of them will be used for this work. These voluntary offers are taken to illustrate the unity of the Japanese people in the war.

PASSENGER TRAINS COLLIDE.

Colorado Flyer Crashes Into the Accommodation—Tramp Killed.

Kansas City, Mo., (Special).—By the head-on collision of two Missouri Pacific passenger trains near Mastin, 22 miles south of Kansas City, one person has been killed and 19 have been injured, most of the latter being passengers. The trains were No. 1 the Colorado Flyer, westbound, and No. 36, a Hossington, Kan., accommodation train eastbound.

Both trains were behind their schedule and were trying to make up time. No. 36 had orders to take a siding at Mastin, but had not reached that station, and was met on a culvert a mile beyond Mastin by the flyer. Both engines were demolished. The day coach on the accommodation train was telescoped as was the mail car on the flyer. All the cars of both trains were thrown from the track and the track and roadbed completely wrecked.

A relief train was sent from Kansas City with a dozen physicians. Some of the injured were made comfortable at Mastin, and others were brought to Kansas City.

Peace in Santo Domingo.

Washington, D. C., (Special).—The Navy Department has received the following cablegram from Rear Admiral Sigbee, dated Porto Plata, Santo Domingo.

"Representatives met aboard the Detroit, according to arrangements made with the commanding officer of the Detroit. Peace has been agreed on in Santo Domingo and a cessation of hostilities for the next two days to obtain the consent of the recognized government. The Newark arrived opportunely as the conference made better arrangements.

Murderer Lynched.

Grangeville, Idaho (Special).—T. M. Myers, who killed George Brownlee and wounded Wallace Bennett, near Crooks Corral, three weeks ago, was taken from a party of officers near White Bird and lynched. The lynchers were masked and outnumbered the officers three to one. The officers rode on to Grangeville. The method of death is not known. Myers was being taken to the county jail when the lynching party overtook the officers.

NEWS IN SHORT ORDER.

The Latest Happenings Condensed for Rapid Reading.

Tornadoes did considerable damage in Dallas, Tex., Joplin, Mo., Arkansas City, Kan., and other places in the southwest. A number of people are reported injured. Floods have demoralized railroad traffic in Kansas and Missouri.

The Philadelphia and Lehigh Valley Traction Company's bondholders have adopted a reorganization plan by which the entire system will be made compact, with a new first mortgage for \$4,600,000.

The convention of the Western Federation of miners adopted the report and recommendations of the committee on affiliation with other labor organizations.

Counterfeit United States half dollars and quarters are abundant in Vancouver, B. C. They are the same make that lately flooded the Sound cities.

The cash embezzled by Douglas M. Smith, teller of the National Tradesmen's Bank of New Haven, Ct., is estimated at \$50,000.

Supreme Master Workman William H. Miller, of the Ancient Order United Workmen, died at a sanitarium in Battle Creek, Mich.

Confucianism and Taoism were discussed at the International Missionary Union, in session in Clifton Springs, N. Y.

The Missouri and Indiana buildings at the World's Fair, in St. Louis, were dedicated.

Twelve hundred miners suspended work in vicinity of Terre Haute, Ind., to assist in search for the four-year-old son of Dr. Byers, who has been missing from home since Sunday. Ponds and abandoned mines were searched and gypsy camps examined.

C. L. Saylor, general manager of the Armour packing interests in South Omaha, committed suicide. He has been suffering from nervous depression.

Douglas M. Smith, paying teller in the National Tradesmen's Bank in New Haven, Ct., was arrested on the charge of being a defaulter.

Twenty persons were injured, some seriously, by the tornado that swept the town of Tekamah, Neb. The property loss is \$50,000.

The mutilated body of a soldier was found in the rifle range at Fort Ethan Allen. The officers refused to give information.

Arthur A. Eddy was sentenced to prison in El Paso, Tex., for 99 years for the murder of Daniel Mitchell.

Oliver W. Stewart, chairman of the National Prohibition Convention, says the nomination of Gen. Nelson A. Miles for the presidency by the Prohibitionists may not be available in view of the absence of a statement by him setting forth his position.

The first national convention, or conference, of young people's societies of the different denominations, called the Young People's Missionary Movement, will be held at Winona Lake for 10 days, beginning June 17.

The platform adopted by the Nebraska Democratic Convention was framed by Mr. W. J. Bryan and is a reaffirmation of the Kansas City platform of 1900. Mr. Bryan will be a delegate to the national convention.

Samuel R. Calloway, president of the American Locomotive Company, and former president of the New York Central Railway Company died at his home, in New York, aged 54 years.

The Wyoming delegation to the Democratic National Convention will be instructed to vote for Hearst.

The murder several months ago of Andrew H. Green, known as the father of the Greater New York, and one of New York's most prominent public men, was recalled when suit was brought by John R. Platt against Hannah Elias, a mulattress, to recover certain real estate and money in banks, held in her name, and which Mr. Platt claims was obtained on threats to expose his relations with her.

The suspension of S. Munn, Son & Co. was announced on the New York Cotton Exchange. The firm is one of the oldest in the cotton trade in that city. The head bookkeeper and cashier disappeared about 10 days ago, and the firm believes that as soon as its accounts are straightened out it will be able to resume.

Four masked robbers gagged and bound three employees of the Delaware County Electric Railway, at Philadelphia, and blew open two safes, securing only \$150 in cash.

Officers of the North Atlantic squadron were entertained at Lisbon by the King and Queen of Portugal.

President Loubet received Governor Odeit at the Elysee Palace, in Paris.

Dr. Baerenreither, former Austrian minister of commerce, and Count Mervelt, former governor of the Provinces of Tyrol and Silesia, will study educational institutions and to visit the chief industrial centers.

An Italian cruiser arrived at Tangier. A delegation of chiefs of the Angerra Tribe will appeal to Raisuli, the bandit chief, to release Perdicaris and Varley in order to prevent the occupation of Morocco by foreigners opposing the Moslem faith.

It was announced in the British House of Commons that no representations had been made to Russia or Japan regarding the placing of naval mines in the Far East outside of territorial limits.

After living 57 days on bread and water four Newfoundland fishermen brought to St. Johns, N. F., a fishing vessel which had been a drift in an ice floe all winter.

A treaty of arbitration has been signed between Spain and Portugal.

The United States European squadron, under Rear Admiral Jewell, arrived at Tangier. The United States government has sent a message to the Sultan of Morocco declaring that the brigand Raisuli must be held personally responsible for any harm coming to Perdicaris.

The United States battleship Kearsarge, flying the flag of Rear Admiral Barker, commander of the North American fleet, and the battleships Alabama and Maine have arrived at Lisbon.

CATASTROPHE IN PEORIA

A Large Distillery and Stock Yards Burned.

DEATH IN BLAZING WHISKEY.

Ten Men Crushed Beneath Burning Ruins and Over Three Thousand Cattle Are Suffocated and Slowly Roasted to Death—Thirty Thousand Barrels of Whiskey Burst Immediately Into Flame.

Peoria, Ill., (Special).—An explosion which occurred in the eleven-story warehouse of the Corning Distillery, the second largest in the world, completely wrecked the building. The ruins immediately took fire and communicated to three adjoining buildings, burning them to the ground. Ten men were buried beneath the ruins and burned to death and six others were seriously injured. The loss on buildings and whisky and spirits stored will approximate \$1,000,000. The fire spread to the Stock Yards district, where a dozen large cattle barns, filled with cattle for market, were burned.

The cause of the explosion cannot yet be determined.

The wildest excitement prevailed after the explosion, the immense plant was surrounded by thousands of people, who, however, were unable to get close to the structure on account of the intense heat.

The warehouse, containing in the neighborhood of 30,000 barrels of whisky, was instantaneously a seething caldron, and it was seen that no one inside the big structure could escape.

The smaller structure nearby set that on fire, and the whisky from the bursting barrels flooded everything in that section. Large streams ran down grade toward the river, and in a short time there was a foot of whisky in the cattle pens, east of the warehouse, where 3,200 steers were chained fast. Their distress lasted but a few moments, however, for they were soon roasted to death or suffocated.

They were the property of Dood & Kiefer, of Chicago. It is impossible to compute their loss, but it will amount to thousands of dollars.

The two fermenting houses were speedily food for the flames. They are two structures of good dimensions and both of them were practically destroyed.

The firemen got near the fire with difficulty, and the water had little or no effect. A high wind was blowing and fanned the flames in the direction of the Monarch Distillery, and for a time it was feared that the fire would sweep along the entire river bank.

However, the heroic work of the firemen began to tell, and at 7 o'clock the fire seemed under control, with no likelihood of a further spread.

PRISONER SHOT DEAD.

Tried to Throw Captor Into River and Was Killed.

Minneapolis, Minn., (Special).—Two military prisoners at Fort Snelling made an attempt to escape and one of them, Tony Wisch, was shot dead by Private Kennedy. Private Reilly, who managed to get to cover, was retaken later.

The men had escaped from the sentries while at work and had crossed on the bridge leading to St. Paul. Reilly was retaken and led the way to a saloon where Wisch was found. The party started back across the bridge to the fort, and when in the middle the prisoners tried to throw Kennedy over the run into the river below. Kennedy thereupon shot Wisch, who lived only two minutes.

Head-On Collision.

Kansas City, Mo., (Special).—Nine persons are reported to have been killed and many injured in a collision of passenger trains on the Missouri Pacific Railroad, near Martin City, fifteen miles south of Kansas City. The train, which met head-on, were the westbound Colorado limited No. 1 and the eastbound Hossington (Kan.) accommodation No. 36. A message received by Missouri Pacific officials here ordered them to send a relief train as soon as possible and to get all the surgeons obtainable, from which it is inferred that many passengers were hurt.

Get-Fat-Quick Scheme.

Chicago (Special).—The "get-fat-quick" contests were abolished by the Chicago Civil Service Commission. Three candidates for positions in the city fire department who have been dieting and exercising for a week in an effort to reach 140 pounds, the standard required by the civil service rules, failed to accomplish the task. One candidate succeeded, increasing his weight seven and a half pounds. Instead of following the example of his fellows the successful candidate tried what he termed the "rest cure."

Microbe of Phthisis.

Naples—(By Cable).—Professor Schron, the discoverer of life in crystals, gave a public demonstration that he had found a new microbe which causes phthisis, a microbe quite different from that causing tuberculosis. Professor Schron affirms that this discovery explains why Dr. Koch's serum not only did not cure phthisis, but aggravated it.

Boodling Cases Remanded.

Jefferson City, Mo., (Special).—The Missouri Supreme Court reversed and remanded the cases of T. Edward Albright, Jerry J. Hannigan and John A. Sheridan, former members of the St. Louis municipal assembly, convicted on the charge of bribery and sentenced to five years each in the penitentiary. The cases were reversed on the brief of the attorney general that the informations were not verified by affidavits as required by law.

LIVE WASHINGTON AFFAIRS.

No Surplus This Year.

For the first time in five years the Government will be confronted by a deficit at the close of the present fiscal year, which will end on June 30 next. Secretary Shaw, in his annual report to Congress last December, declared his belief that there would be a surplus of \$14,000,000 in the Treasury at the end of the present year. The fiscal experts of the Government hesitate about making statements for publication, but privately admit that the Secretary shot wide of the mark. The deficit will be due to decreased federal receipts, increased Government expenditures, especially for the military establishment; the \$50,000,000 payment on the purchase of the Panama canal property and the appropriation of \$4,600,000 for the St. Louis Exposition.

For 11 months of the present year the total receipts of the Government have been \$493,300,230 and the total expenditures \$545,265,358, or a deficit of \$51,965,128 for the 11 months of the present fiscal year. Compared with the Treasury statement of May 31, 1903, the above figures are exceedingly interesting. For the 11 months ended May 31, 1903, the receipts of the Government were \$510,433,471 and the expenditures \$471,384,855, leaving the Government with a surplus of \$38,048,616 on that day.

It is pointed out by the officials of the Treasury that much of the shortage this year has been due to the Panama Canal and St. Louis Exposition expenditures, and that if this total of \$54,600,000 were deducted from the expense account of the Government there would be a surplus of \$2,334,617 for the first 11 months of the current year, as against a surplus of \$38,048,617 for the same period a year ago.

As compared with a year ago, the receipts of this fiscal year have fallen off about \$17,000,000, and the expenditures for ordinary purposes have increased about \$22,000,000. Including the Panama and St. Louis expenditures the expenditures are \$75,000,000 greater than a year ago.

To Save China Whole.

No matter how the war in the Far East may eventually result, the United States government intends to insist upon the integrity of the Chinese Empire.

This fact was learned from the best of official authority.

For some time there has been a feeling in official circles that European powers were planning to seize parts of China at the termination of the war between Russia and Japan, and that no matter which won, plans were being laid by outside countries to take slices of China, as was the case of the end of the Japan-China war. All of the now powerful influence of the United States will be used to prevent such a grasping policy, and there is every reason to believe that if Japan is victorious she will work in harmony with the United States to save China.

Should Russia be victorious the situation would be more complicated, but even so, the State Department would hope to save China, with the possible exception of being forced to recognize the special Russian interests and domination in Manchuria.

Postmaster Upheld.

Justice Brown delivered the opinion of the United States Supreme Court in the case of the Public Clearinghouse vs. F. E. Coyne, postmaster of Chicago. The case was brought to enjoin the enforcement of a fraud order prohibiting the delivery of mail matter addressed to the clearinghouse, which has a co-operative scheme by which it promised large returns to subscribers. They were required to pay \$3 cash and \$1 per month for 60 months, with the promise of large returns at the end of that time. The court held that the Postmaster General had not exceeded his authority in issuing the order saying that the success of the enterprise depended on getting a constantly increasing number of subscribers, with the certainty that those who held on to the last would lose their money. It therefore, said the court, lacked every element of a legitimate enterprise, and its mail was properly withheld in the protection of the public. Justice Peckham dissented.

President's Plans.

While only tentative arrangements have been made for the President's sojourn during the summer at Oyster Bay, it has been decided that he will leave Washington for his summer home on the morning of Saturday, July 2. He has decided to receive his notification of the nomination at Oyster Bay. The date will depend very largely on the desires of the members of the notification committee.

It is expected that the President will return to Washington in the last week of July, to remain here until about the middle of August, when he will return to Oyster Bay for perhaps a month. When he returns to Washington, in September, he will remain here until election day, going then to Oyster Bay to cast his vote.

Congressman Get's Plumb.

After a conference with the President Attorney-General Knox announced the following appointments:

William M. Lanning, Trenton, N. J., to be United States District Judge for the district of New Jersey. Mr. Lanning now represents the Fourth New Jersey district in the house of Representatives and succeeds the late Judge Andrew Kirkpatrick.

Edward A. Mann, of Las Cruces, New Mexico, to be assistant judge of the New Mexico Supreme Court. This is a new position created by the last session of Congress.

Congressional and Departments.

Elaborate arrangements have been made for the entertainment of the Filipino visitors in Washington.

The annual conference of officers of the Marine Hospital Service was held in Washington.

The coinage of gold during May was \$44,109,000; silver, \$380,000.

Judge Pritchard, of the Fourth United States Circuit Court, granted a temporary writ of habeas corpus to Joseph Daniels, of the Raleigh News and Observer, who was committed by Judge Furnell for contempt.

MAY LET PERDICARIS GO

The Negotiations With the Brigand Raisuli.

HAS COMMUNICATED WITH CAPTIVES.

The Sultan's Representative and the French Diplomats Have a Plan That They Believe Will Bring About Release of Captives—May Be Settled by End of Week—Mrs. Varley Gives Story of Kidnapping.

Tangier (By Cable).—The rumor to the effect that the American warships would land armed parties June 6 if Messrs. Perdicaris and Varley, captured by brigands headed by Raisuli, were not liberated, has, upon investigation, been proved untrue. The Sultan's reply to the representatives of the powers has not yet been received, but it is said on high authority that the matter probably will be settled by the end of this week.

Paris (By Cable).—The officials here now take a more hopeful view of the situation at Tangier. Reports show that Mohammed El Torres, the representative of the Sultan at Tangier, whose first efforts to obtain the release of Messrs. Perdicaris and Varley failed, has another plan for securing their release, which is believed to be acceptable to the Sultan and Raisuli, the brigand chief.

Well Varley has sent her relatives in Norfolk an interesting description of the seizure of Ion Perdicaris and Mr. Varley, her husband, by bandits near Tangier, Morocco.

After describing the sudden attack of the bandits and the capture of the outbuildings, she continues:

"I was rushed out to see what was the matter. They were immediately surrounded, overpowered and bound. When we reached the scene the bandits threw mother and myself down a flight of steps, warning us not to interfere in any way, so we retired. One of the maids, however, with great pluck and presence of mind, slipped away to the telephone and shouted:

"Thieves! They are killing us."

"Before she could say more Raisuli dashed the instrument from her hand and said he would shoot us if we called for help.

"We waited ten minutes while uncle, as we thought, was arranging terms with the bandits, when a soldier informed us that Raisuli had carried off uncle and Cromwell."

The letter confirms the receipt of communications from Mr. Perdicaris acknowledging that he is well treated. The captives are lodged in a Moorish hut, with an anteroom, in which one of Perdicaris' soldiers sleeps. This soldier voluntarily became a captive so that he might accompany Perdicaris. The letter concludes:

"I have been able to send them clothing and provisions."

Washington (By Cable).—The Navy Department is advised by cable that the Marietta left Gibraltar for Tangier, having gone to Gibraltar for stores for the combined squadrons now at Tangier.

Rear Admiral Chadwick, commanding the South Atlantic squadron, now at Tangier, Morocco, reported to Washington that conditions remain practically unchanged in the case of the kidnaping of the American citizen, Ion Perdicaris, and his stepson, Cromwell Varley, a British subject.

JEALOUSY PROMPTS TRAGEDY.

Pittsburg Married Man Killed a Woman and Blew Out His Brains.

Pittsburg, Pa., (Special).—Shortly before daylight Irvin Wise, a mechanical engineer, shot Katie Craff through the heart, instantly killing her, and then turned his revolver on himself, sending another bullet into his own heart and ending his life almost instantly. The shooting occurred at the boardinghouse at 309 St. Mary's court, Allegheny, of which the Craff woman was proprietress. No one witnessed the murder and suicide, but when the police arrived they arrested three young women, who were asleep in the house at the time, and held them as witnesses.

The motive for the double crime is at present unknown, but as Wise had been paying attention to the Craff woman for some time it is believed to have been jealousy.

That the crime was premeditated is shown by a message found on the union card discovered in Wise's pocket. The card reads:

"My name is Irvin Wise. Notify my mother, Mrs. R. Wise, Lewisburg, Union county, Pa."

Wise was married and had one son.

Town Swept By Tornado.

Norton, Kan., (Special).—A tornado which struck the little town of Selden, West of Norton, on the Rock Island railway, demolished a church, five dwellings and much farm property. A funeral service was being conducted in the church at the time and 300 persons were in attendance. A dozen persons were hurt, none seriously, however. Much damage was done to farm property in the path of the storm beyond Selden, but no loss of life has been reported.

\$100,000 Fire in Green Bay.

Green Bay, Wis., (Special).—A loss of nearly \$100,000 was caused by fire in Albert Delaport's clothing store and adjoining buildings. The loss is partially covered by insurance.

\$2,000,000 to School Fund.

Portland, Ore., (Special).—Mrs. Amanda W. Reed, who died at Pasadena, Cal., a few days ago, has provided in her will for the funding of an institution here, to be known as Reed Institute, in memory of her husband, the late Simon G. Reed, a pioneer and capitalist of Portland. The bequest will amount to about \$2,000,000. Her will specifies that the institute shall combine instruction in the fine arts and sciences and manual training.

TASCOTT DIES IN ALASKA.

Murderer of Chicago Millionaire Snel—Mystery of Fifteen Years.

Victoria, B. C., (Special).—If the voluntary declaration of a dying man is to be believed, finis has been written to the historic Snel tragedy of 15 years ago and Tascott, the long-sought murderer, self-identified, has paid the penalty of his crime with penitence and now fills an unmarked grave in the heart of the Alaskan wilderness, whither he had fled for the effacement of his individuality.

Philip Robertson, a strictly reliable man, prospector and miner, received the dying man's confession and tells the story simply and dramatically. Robertson left the Klondike capital, he says, late last fall in a small boat bound for the new placer grounds at Fairbanks. He reached a point near Dahl River in a particularly desolate and forbidden region, when the forlorn wailing of a dog surprised his ears. He found the dog, a half-starved shepherd, seemingly in much distress. Following this animal Robertson was brought to a seemingly deserted cabin some 400 yards above the river concealed in a clump of spruce.

"I ventured to the door of the shack and knocked," says Robertson, "and there was a feeble 'come in.' All was darkness inside and there was no sign of a fire. I caught sight of a bit of candle, which I lighted, and then advanced to where a man lay.

"With a feeble effort he turned and stared at me for fully a minute. Then he said: 'Are you an officer?'"

"The question amazed me a bit. 'No,' I said, 'I am a miner, and I have nothing I can do for you I want to do it.'"

"I soon had a fire going and again approached the bed. The man's hair was white as snow, his face had a color in it that looked like death, and he had the most terrified and hopeless expression I have ever seen on a human being.

"'Partner,' he said, finally, rolling over on his side and little more than whispering, 'I am leaving a world that I did not appreciate. I'm going to —, where I belong.'"

"He lapsed into silence again, and what I thought was a sleep came over him. Two hours passed and he suddenly awakened with a shriek and then sank back in bed.

"In a few minutes he gave another scream and straightened up in bed. Then, in a voice you would think came from a good, strong man, he said: 'See here, boys, my name is Tascott. I'm Tascott. Do you understand? I'm Tascott that you've been hunting like a wolf for years. I cannot run any more. I'm getting paid for what I did. I know I'm dying, and I know where I'll go. Tell the boys when they come back that I am Tascott, and you can tell the world, too, for the world has hunted me a long time.'"

"About 3 in the morning I heard a noise like a man expelling all the air from his lungs. I rushed over to the bed and felt the man's pulse and heart. He was dead.

"The next day his partners got back and I told them what happened. They were the strangest fellows I ever met in the North. They did not say who they were. They did not even thank me for staying with their dead. They did not even ask me to join them at their meal, but they hurried the man, and rolling up their things in a blanket, they started across country in the direction of the Koyukuk.

"Before going one of them came to me abruptly. 'See here,' he said, 'you've seen and heard what you've heard. You can't make anything by talking about it. He's dead, and that's all there is to it.'"

"Before I could ask him anything he had struck the trail, and that was the last I saw of him. I have never told about this until now, but that dead man asked me to make his stork public, and so I do so. I solemnly believe that he was tortured to death by thinking of his own life, and the belief that he was always the object of pursuit, and I as surely believe that he told the truth in saying that he was Tascott. It's my opinion that his partner knew it, too."

ELECTRIC CAR WRECKED.

Passenger and Package Freight Cars Met Head-On.

Norwalk, O., (Special).—In the most terrible accident in the history of the Lake Shore Railway, six persons were killed and many others badly hurt late in the afternoon as a result of a collision between an east-bound fast electric passenger car and a westbound "package freight" car at Wells Corners, a few miles east of this city.

The accident occurred at a point quite distant from any immediate means of communication, and assistance was sent from Norwalk, where every physician and nurse in the city was called into service and hurried to the place of accident on a special car.

When the injured had been attended to they were placed on a car and brought to this city.

All those who were killed were in the smoking compartment of the passenger car, and death came instantly, the bodies showing no sign of life when the rescuers went to work after they had recovered from the first shock of the accident.

The injuries of several of those hurt are so serious that they may result fatally.

Just why the accident occurred is not known.

Superintendent Strelau, of the Fremont division of the road, arrived shortly after the accident and will make a thorough investigation.

FINANCIAL.

"Traffic is steadily on the decline