FIRST BATTLE ON LAND.

Sharp Fight Between Cossacks and Japanese at Chong-Ju.

RUSSIANS WERE SURPRISED.

They Found Mikado's Troops En-

orce, met for the first time near Chong-Ju, about 50 miles northwest of Anju yesterday, and after a fight asting an hour-and a half, the Russians were forced to retreat. Their loss was three killed and 16 wounded. The battle which was fought on the sixth anniversary of the Russian occupation of Port Arthur, was a cavalry which he believed to be intrenched beyond Chong-Ju, but which as found to be in occupation of the town.

While the report made to-day to the general was a first the first properties of the kind of the complete failure of the last Japanese attempt to close the port by sinking fireships in the chancel. Admiral Makaroff is said to be giving the forts some lessons in

while the report made to-day to the emperor by Gen. Kuropatkin intimates that the Japanese gained no great advantage it acknowledges that the Russian forces were obliged to reireat and that they finally reached Nusan, about 35 miles northeast of Chong-Ju, carrying their dead and wounded.

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Gen. Mishtchenko pays a tribute to the tenacity and bravery of the Japanese, the first detachment encountered by the Russians only ceasing to die after an engagement which lasted aslf an hour.

The Japanese cavalry squadrons ashed to the succor of their fellows in the town, but one squadron was badly cut up by the Russians. After the engagement had lasted an hour and a half and before the Russians sould follow up their advantage, an additional Japanese reinforcement of lour infantry companies were seen soming up and the Russians were forced to retreat.

Considerable loss of life on the part of the Japanese force is evident from the statement in the report that the Red Cross flag was hoisted from two points in the town and men and horses were seen to fall among the Russians boarded and removed the savalry reinforcements.

Japanese Meet Hardships.

The Shanghal correspondent of the London "Daily Mail" says the Japanese troops in Northern Korea are ancountering many difficulties. The army numbers 100,000 men, and their long marches are beginning to tell on the men. Eight per cent of the croops are sick and unfit for fighting; constant stops are made to attend the sick. The army has for some time been awaiting an advance by the Russian for some time been awaiting an advance by the Russian flat important stops are made to attend the sick. The army has for some time been awaiting an advance by the Russians then sunk the steamer not taken off.

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INFANTS CREMATED.

Horrible Practices Charged Against Philadelphia Woman.

Startling evidence of the manner in which live babies were burned was given at the Ashmead inquest in Phila-delphia in the alleged "malargatica given at the Ashmead inquest in Philadelphia in the alleged "malpractice
syndicate" case. David Monsier, 1739
French street, an alleged physician,
swore that he saw Mrs. Ashmead go
to the cellar of her home with an
apron filled with newly born infants,
several of them alive and crying, and
throw them into the blazing furnace.
"That's the way she disposed of
them," declared the witness. "I have
heard them cry as they were thrown
into the fire."

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Penth street testined that he occupied offices in the building.
"I asked Mrs. Ashmead what she did with the babies," added Dr. King, "and she said she wrapped them in newspapers, let them die and then threw the babies into the furnace."

FOREIGNERS BUTCHERED.

Ameer Not Poisoned.

Captain Irkoff, of the Manchurian commissariat service, sentenced to 25 longing to Princess Alice de Bourbon, years' penal servitude for having sold formerly the property of Marie Antoi-

MARAKOFF'S FLEET NOW AT SEA.

Japanese Attempts to Close Entrance to Harbor at Port Arthur Proved a Failure.

Japanese troops are reported to have pursued the Russians beyond Chongju after their victory at that place Monday. There is a rumor that the Cossacks ambushed and destroyed 53 of the enemy.

they Found Mikado's Troops Entrenched in Town Instead of in the Open.

The Japanese report of Monday: The Japanese report of Monday: Engagement differs somewhat from the official Russian statement. The latter described it as a Russian attact on Chongju, while the Japanese say that they did the attacking and drove the Russians out of the town. The Japanese admit a loss of five killed and 12 wounded.

The American and British flags

Davis and Shared His Imprisonment.

Burton Norvill Harrison, husband of Mrs. Burton Harrison, the authoress, and father of Congressman Harrison, of New York city, died in Washington, aged 65 years. During the Civil war Mr. Harrison was private secretary to Jefferson Davis and shared the imprisonment of Mr. Davis rather than forsake him.

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Mr. Harrison was sent to prison in Washington and finally sent to Fort Delaware, where he remained in solitary confinement until 1866, when he was released. During the latter months of his imprisonment he studied law and later went into the office of former Judge Fullerton, in New York, where he had since continued in the practice.

Mr. Harrison was largely instrumental in the prosecution of the Tweed ring.

Negro Presidental Candidate.

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W. T. Scott, a negro has announced that preparations have been completed for a national convention for the nomination of a negro candidate for President in St. Louis, July 6, the date of the National Democratic Convention. The name of the new party is "The National Civil Liberal party." A pension list for former slaves will be advocated. S. P. Mitchell of Memphis, Tenn., is president, and I. L. Walton of Washington, D. C., vice president.

A steady demand holds in the wool

Americans and Europeans Attacked by

market, both domestic and foreign. Chinese Outlaws.

Tientsin advices by the Oriental steamer Chronicle tell of a Chinese upfising especially directed against the foreigners near Guo-Tuck-Fu in Shanting, and also in the vicinity of Lo-Annu and also in the vicinity of Lo-Annu and management of the vicinity of Lo-Annu and also in the vicinity of the domestic and foreign. The call for medium and low wools is active, but the scarcity of the domestic and foreign. The call for medium and low wools is active, but the scarcity of the domestic and foreign. The call for medium and low wools is active, but the scarcity of the domestic and foreign. The call for medium and low wools is active, but the scarcity of the domestic and foreign. The call for medium and low wools is active, but the scarcity of the domestic and foreign. The call for medium and low wools is active, but the scarcity of the domestic and foreign calls active, but the scarcity of the domestic and foreign calls active, but the scarcity of the domestic and foreign calls active, but the scarcity of the domestic and foreign calls active, but the scarcity of the domestic and foreign calls active, but the scarcity of the domestic and foreign calls active, but the scarcity of the domestic and foreign calls active, but the scarcity of the domestic and foreign calls active, but the scarcity of the domestic and foreign calls active, but the scarcity of the domest

Long Sentence for Ham

Wallace H. Ham, formerly Boston The Ameer of Afghanistan, who was manager of the American Surety com erroneously reported to have been pany, of New York, was sentenced to poisoned, is quite well. He is residing at the Baghbala palace, outside of Caull. The Ameer's brother, Nasrullah Kahn, in a quarrel with a half brother, Mohammed Umar Khan, is reported to have been severely wounded by a revolver shot.

Dany, of New York, was sentenced to serve not less than 15 nor more than 20 years in the State prison at hard labor. Ham last week pleaded guilty to the embezzlement of nearly a quarretro for a million dollars from the company and from St. Luke's Home for Convalescents in Roxbury.

Famous Necklace Recovered. years' penal servitude for having sold information to Lieutenant Colonel Akasi, ex-military attache of the Japanese legation at St. Petersburg, will be sent to quicksilver mines.

Four men, Tuhis Slingerland, Abraham Slingerland, Peter Piersna and John Brandt, were drowned in Lake Calumet by the capsizing of their boat.

TRAIN ROBBED BY BANDITS

Boarded Cars and Shot Messenger in the Fight.

MONEY RUINED BY EXPLOSION.

Southern Pacific Express Train Held Up and Safes Dynamited and

on the Southern Pacific, was held up by three masked men near Keswick, garly Friday morning. They killed W. J. O'Neil, the Wells-Fargo Express messenger, and carried off the contents of the express box.

When the train pulled in to Copley

ne highwaymen emerged from rush. They first encountered emerged from the brush. They first encountered a tramp, who was attempting to steal a ride. He was forced at the point of a rifle to enter the smoker. Meanwhile one of the robbers knocked on the door of the express car. Messenger O'Neill asked him some question. The reply was evidently satisfactory, because O'Neill sild the door back about 18 inches, when a rifle bullet was sent through his body. It passed near his heart and he fell back dead. O'Neill was not armed. He evidently believed that the knock came from a member of the train crew.

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Then while one robber remained on the lookout the other two marched the engine crew to the express car. The robbers all the time used vile language and discharged occasional shots from the rifles. This apprised the passengers of what was going on, but they remained in the cars and were not molested. Colford, helper to Messenger O'Neill, was armed with a shotgun and tried to shoot one of the robbers, but the cartridge failed to explode. Colford pluckily stood his ground and started to put another shell into the gun, but the robbers leveled their rifles at him and commanded him to lay down his gun or killed. Engineer Bissell also urged Colford not to make a fight, arguins that if he did they might all be killed. The robbers now compelled the two firemen and the brakeman to climb into the smoker. Because Brakeman Stone was not quick enough one of the robbers hit him over the head with a rifle, inflicting a severe scalp wound. When the bandits found that Colford could not open the safes they used dynamite, first removing the body of O'Neill, which lay near the safe, was blown off. Tiny plees of greenbacks and twisted coins covered the floor. It is certain that the robbers did not get a great amount of plunder although their blundering, work may have destroyed thousands of dollars.

After robbing the express car the men cut the car loose and, getting on the engine, compeled Engineer Joesink to go shead. When near Keswick the men dropped off the engine and disappeared in the night with their plunder.

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Mexican Bandits Make Raids on Moritation of the western division of Wells-Fargo & Co., sadd that there was not much money.

26 Railroads Accused.

Eight specific charges, each one pointed out as a violation of the Sherman anti-trust law, has been brought against the 26 leading railroads running into Chicago in a bill prepared for the Chicago Coal Shippers' association to be filed in the United States cago Car Service association cub business, on the ground that it is illegal combination of railroads

CAUSED NINE DEATHS.

Frightfully Fatal Explosion Caused by Careless Girl.

To amuse herself and somewhat annoy her fellow workers, Beckle Lewis threw an unfilled squib, or fuse, into the stove in the Dickson squib factory at Priceburg, near Scranton, Pa. There was a little explosion and the squib hopped out of the stove and into a pail of liquid sulphur standing close by. Then there was another explosion, followed by a third, when 200 pounds of powder in the place blew up, tearing the building into fragments. The following were killed and so mutilated and burned as to be hardly recognizable:

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The New York Legislature passed a batter part of hills were passed by the house Saturday in two hours. Another hour was devoted to rapid fire legislation bills were passed by the house Saturday in two hours. Another hour was devoted to rapid fire legislation by unanimous consent in which a large number of bridge bills and other matters of minor importance were disposed of.

Russia Buys Warships

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It is stated that four ships of the cruiser type built for the Turkish government by Germany and also two cruisers built by France have been purchased by Russia at the price of \$20,000,000, the terms being that all be delivered within a short period. An American house is going to supply tinned provisions to the value of \$1,-125,000 roubles.

The carpenters of the Beaver Valley went out on a strike for an advance in wages from \$3 to \$3.25 a day.

CONTENDING FOR CONTROL

Rockefeller and Morgan Carry Securities War Into Courts.

LARGE AMOUNTS ARE INVOLVED.

Rockefeller Interests Demand Return of the Stock Held for the Oregon Short Line.

Ing the bidding like iraginents. The following were killed and so mutilated and burned as to be hardly recognizable:

Beckie Lewis, aged 17; Lizzie Bray, aged 16; Lilian Mahon, aged 17; Laura Matthews, aged 18; Lizzie Howey, all employed in the factory and residing in Priceburg; George and Theresa Callahan, children, who lived with their parents in rooms over the factory, so badly injured that she will fee, and Cassie E. Faulds, Annie Heffron and Oscar Ayser, foreman, were badly injured, but will live.

The windows of all the buildings for blocks around were shattered. Fire broke out in the debris immediately after the explosion and before it was extingulshed destroyed what was left of the squib factory and also burned the Wayne hotel and a butcher shop adjoining. All the buildings were owned by Anthony Peterson.

Three more deaths occurred on the following day, making nine fatal cases so far.

FLOODS IN OHIO.

Much Damage Reported From Many Towns—Trains Delayed.

Ottawa river, which runs through the center of Lima was higher than as ever been known, flooding a large centric of the town. Thore are 2000.

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I. Stanton Was fought. Dispatches from Korea credit the Russians with much heavier losses in that engagement than they admitted in the official report. A battle of some magnitude is believed to be imminent in Northern Korea.

The opportunity for an easy capture of Newchwang by the Japanese has cour rison and 100 big guns there to oppose a landing by the enemy. Troops are encamped along the railway all the way from Harbin down to Haicheng, a few miles east of Newchwang.

The presence of Chinese troops on the Manchurian border is looked upon as a menace to Russia, despite China's declaration of neutrality.

Confessed Robbery.

George W. Wilso

Pitts

Ton H. Coe, said to be a son of John W. Coe, a New York State Sena tron and politician, was found dead at San Francisco.

It is announced here that Joseph E Schwab, president of the American Steel Foundries company, would soon resign owing to pressure from powers in the company.

As a fast express train on the company was rounding a curve near Titusville, Ky., it struck a cow, knocking the animal against Norton Morgan and his 14 year-old son, Oscar Morgan, killing both of them.

Russian Warship Ram

A private tell.

Pittsburg, went to police headquarters in New York city and acknowledged that he was guilty of connection with of such an accident. the theft of an express package in Pittsburg. The package contained \$1,-180 and Peter Munze, who assisted on in the robbery, is in the penitentiary.

CANAL CASE SETTLED.

Nothing Now Stands in Way of Com

Nothing Now Stands in Way of Completing the Deal.

The attempt of the Colombian government and others interested in delaying the purchase of the Panama canal by the United States government was killed by the civil tribunal of the Seine in Paris, when the suits brought by the republic of Colombia and Napoleon Bonaparte Wyse to enjoin the transfer of the canal company's property to the United States were declared not receivable and the plaintiffs were ordered to pay the costs.

This decision practically enus the Ritigation in France, and it is now safe for the United States government to make the payments to Panama outlined by the recent treaty with the new republic. No obstacle now exists here for the transfer of the canal concession from the company to the United States.

THREE PLUNGED TO DEATH.

Rescuers and Woman They Tried to

whose name is unknown. Miss Willie operated the ferryboat at this point Wednesday night she took the boar Wednesday night she took across in response to a call. On the return she found the guide rope was return she reportly and put back. not working properly and put back Graham and the other man, who were on the opposite side, took their skiff and crossed to the ferryboat. They took Miss Will's off and started back to the south bank. As the boat neared the shore it was caught and taken over the falls. No traces of the bodies were ferred.

the Russian battleship Petropavlovsk was maneuvering in the inner harbon there she rammed the battleship Se bastopol, seriously damaging th ter. The naval staff denies know

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