

BLOODIEST BATTLE OF WAR.

**Casualties on Both Sides Estimated at
Fully 100,000 Men.**

Tokyo, March 3, 6 a. m.—The continuous battle about Mukden is already the bloodiest of the war. Upon the ground that Gen. Oku alone gained lie 8,000 Russian dead. The reports from the other armies are expected to triple this figure. It is estimated that the Japanese have lost 50,000, making the joint slaughter far exceed 100,000 men.

St. Petersburg, March 7.—The general staff admits that the carnage in the battle will probably exceed anything in modern warfare, although the staff officers insist that the Japanese must have sustained the heaviest losses. The Russians believe they surely will reach 50,000.

RUMOR OF ARMISTICE.

**Kuropatkin Reported in London to Have
Asked for Conference.**

London, March 10.—In the lobby of the House of Commons last night it was rumored that Gen. Kuropatkin had asked for an armistice, but the report could not be traced to any reliable source.