Britain May Get Into the Far Eastern War.

ORDERS SHOW HER ALARM

Russia May Attempt to Take Ships Through Dardanelles.

HER HOT WORDS AS EVIDENCE

English Naval Officers on the Retired List Are Communicated With and Gun Practice Is the Order at All Barracks.

LONDON, Feb. 11 .- All of the commimioned and warrant officers of the British mavy who have been retired but are ellgible for service have been communicated with by the Admiralty Board. Gun practice is also being held in all of the gun barracks. The main idea in the minds of those who are trying to explain this move on the part of the government is that Great Britain anticipates, in the near future, a possible attempt on the part of Russia to pass her Black Sea fleet through the Durdanelles, which, as has already been pointed out by Foreign Secretary Lansdowne, would be a violation of the treaty of Berlin, unless Russia first secured Great Britain's permission,

With the Russians accusing Great Britmin of giving financial aid to Japan, and with France leaning toward the Russian side of the controversy, there is a feeling re that such a trend of international here that such a tresu of include to a relations are the possible prelude to a crisis, which may involve several other crisis, which may involve several other European powers in the Far Eastern trou-

tion the determined stand that government seems to have taken with regard to the passage of the Russians through the Dardsnelles, and the action of Egypt in prohibiting a war vessel to coal in the Suez Canal

IS A SECOND DARDANELLES.

Japanese So Regard Their Occupation of Masampho.

LONDON, Feb. 12.-Baron Hayashi, the Japanese Minister, summing up events of the Far East said to the Associated Press

Whatever may be the eventual result of the war, Russia in allowing us to oc-cupy and fortify Masampho has created for herself another Dardanelles. With the fortifications of Masampho the integrity of Japan is assured forever. No fleet can now pass there against Japan's wishes. Even if we are beaten we should

not give up Masampho."

The Associated Press understands that The Associated Frees anosensances that the Japanese troops are advancing rap-idly towards the Yalu River. There, it is expected they will meet and engage the Russian forces. The Japanese declare that the number of Russian troops are greatly exaggerated.

The plan of the Japanese appears to be

The plan of the Japanese appears to be to take the road which leads almost straight to Mukden. They profess to have no doubt that they will be able to drive back the Russian forces towards Harbin. Proceeding diagonally, the Japanese in-tend to cut the line of communication be-tween Port Arthur and the mainland of Manchuria, not only preventing rein-forcements from reaching the Port Ar-thur garrison, but inflicting damage on the Manchurian Raliroad. It is believed that the Japanese Ad-

miral will follow tactics almost exactly similar to those intended to be pursued at Santiago, the troops storning the but-teries in the rear, while the Japanese feet lies waiting for the ships of Vice-roy Alexieff, who in the event of a land attack being successful must either make a dash for liberty with his crippled feet, fight where they are against practically hopeless odds.

of the tack of news it is con fidently held here that the Japanese land forces are actively engaged in a most important movement, which will come to a climax as swiftly as did Japan's first

Hayashi has received a cable-Baron Hayashi has received a cable-gram from the government at Tokio an-nouncing that the latter had not yet reectived an official report of the battle fought off Port Arthur, and adding that apparently the disembarkation of Japanese troops is proceeding satisfactorily and

further announced that M. Pavioff, the Russian Minister at Seoul, and the Rus-sian Legation guard have departed for China, and that the Russian officers and satiors who surrendered to the Japanese after the battle fought off Chemulpo, will or sent to Shanghai, under parole, on the first neutral vessel available. The official telegram adds the information that all the survivors of the Variag, Korletz and the transport Sungari, were taken on British, French and Italian

warehips off Chemults M. Pavloff, from Scoul, reported that he asked Mr. Allen, the United States Minister to Corea, to convey the survivors of the Russian ships to Shanghai or Che-foe, on board two American transports which were anchored off Chemuipo, after converting them into noncombatants, but the Japanese Minister at Seoul was ulti-mately instructed to accept the Prench flor to take them to Shanghai on board the cruiser Pascal, on the condition that Russia engage not to allow them to pro-ceed northward from Shanghai during the

war, The foregoing is the first reference made in the Eastern dispatches to the loss of the in the constorn distractions to the loss of the Sungari. Apparently she was a Russian transport which had arrived off Chemulpo with the intention of landing troops there, though no mention has been made of their capture by the Japanese. It was ann February 7 from Tokio that Russian troops had been dispatched to Seoul.

RED CROSS TOLD TO PREPARE.

Dowager Empress' Rescript Meets With a General Response. PETERSBURG, Feb. 12.-The Down-ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. II.—The Down-ger Empress has issued a rescript to the Red Cross of Rusela directing at to make provision to alleviate the sufferings of the wounded in the war with Japan. A branch of the Red Cross has been estab-lished in the new hermitage of the Win-ter Palace. The offers of service have been so numerous that no more will be entertained at present. A continuance of the patriotic demon-strations in which thousands of students

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TO HEAD RED CROSS WORK.

Friends of the Czar Will Probably Have \$5,000,000 at Command.

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ST. PETERSBURG. Feb. 12.—Count
Von Ontsoffdashkoff, one of the closest
friends of Emperor Alexander III. will
be head of the Red Cross work under the
Empress Dowager. The Red Cross has
received an appropriation of \$2,500,000
from the City of St. Petersburg, and the
merchants of the city have promised to
give \$150,000 more. The City of Moscow
and the merchants there have contributed \$300,000, and it is expected that the
amount available for Red Cross work will
reach \$5,000,000 within a week.

All the officers in the ministries have
promised to contribute three to ten per
cent of their salaries. Four thousand
hospital beds are ready for shipment, and
4000 more will to forward within a fortnight.

Russian Women Show Patriotism. Russian Women Show Patriotism.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 11.—In response to the appeal of the Downger Charina, several grand duchesses and numerous other noble women have segantized committees in St. Petersburg. From all parts of the Empire come telegrams telling of the feverish activity of ladles' committees, embracing various classes of the population, who are preparing linen bandages and other supplies for the hospitals and the Red Cross Society.

WILL CLOSE IN ON RUSSIANS.

Japanese Will Plan to Prevent Invasion of Interior of Corea.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.-The Japanese troops landed at Gensan are intended to operate with the troops that have now been successfully landed at Pingyang, on the opposite side of the Corean peninsula, says a World dispatch from Kobe, Japan. These two forces constitute Japan's sec-ond line of defense against the Bussians. who are marching over the Yalu into

Cores.

A first line of defense has been arranged. It is composed of picked troops, who are lined up along the south bank of the Yalu. It is, however, considered most unlikely that this army will reach its destination in time to intercept the invading Russians. The second line may fail to hold the invaders, in which case it is expected that a land battle will take place not far from Second.

Seoul.

In any case the Japanese preparations are made with the view of closing in on any body of Russian troops that succeeds in forcing its way into the interior of Corea. Mobilization of the army has been effected without hitch. The transportion of soldiers and supplies by mans of the reliewy from the interior. portion of soldiers and supplies by means of the railway from the interior to the coast proceed with great precision.

MILLIONS FOR DEFENSE.

Japanese in San Francisco Plan to Raise \$5,000,000.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 12 .- The Jap anese residents in this city have decided to undertake the work of raising a war fund of \$5,000,000 for the assistance of their country in the fight against Rus-sla. Consul Uyeno presided at the meeting, and he was elected to take permanent charge of the work, appoint

permanent charge of the work, appoint committees and superintend the transfer of money to the home country.

About 200 of the most prominent residents of the local Japanese colony attended the meeting. Many patriotic speeches were made, and the general sentiment was that if the Japanese are not needed for actual fighting they should contribute everything they possess if necessary. San Francisco is excess if necessary. sees if necessary. San Francisco is ex-pected to begin the work by the early raising of \$500,000 to \$1,000,000, and calls for funds will be made upon the Japanese in every California city, in Arizona, Newada, New Mexico, Colorado, Utah, and the movement will be extended to the Eastern States where they are many year. States, where there are many very wealthy Japanese, and to Mexico and British Col-

to say whether the money given by him shall go into the government war fund, the Red Cross fund of a fund for the support of widows and orphans of Jap-aness soldiers killed in the war.

RUSSIA MOVING TROOPS FAST. Siberian Railway Is No Longer Open to Emigration.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 12.—What additional information the authorities have has been obtained from the Russian Embassles abroad. The Ambassador of Russla at Paris has sent a full story of the battle off Chemulpo, in which he praises the heroic conduct of the Russian sailors. The newspapers here today printed the bare telegrams telling of what has hap-pened in Corea. Large crowds of people are constantly at

the Admiralty seeking information in regard to the fate of relatives in the fleet.
*The movement of Russian troops east-

ward is being pushed from all directions.

Notice has been given that emigration eastward is suspended. In fact, the Siberian Railroad is monopolized by the transperiation of troops and war munitions to the complete exclusion of commercial traffic

RUSSIAN RESERVES CALLED OUT Divisions in Far East Also to Be

Brought to War Strength. ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 12.-An imperial ukase, dated February 10, was issued today, it commands that all the troops in the military establishments in the Sibe-rian military districts be placed in readness for war, that all the divisions in navy reserves to the Siberian and Kazan districts be called out for active service.

Russia Holds Back No Advices. ST. PETERSBURG, Peb. 12.-It is posi-

tively asserted by the government that no telegrams have been received from Vice-roy Alexieff, except these already given out, and it is understood that the Czar is expectantly awaiting official informa-

At the admiralty it was said that some additional technical details had been re-

The explanation of the Admiralty of the nonreceipt here of direct news of the naval battle off Chemulpo was lack of

Lack of Workmen in Manchuria. HARBIN, Manchuria, Feb. 11.-In con sequence of the calling out of reserves and the departure of the Chinese, there is a lack of workmen and servants in the mills and factories, which has brought about a restriction of the output. The price of provisions is rising daily. Ex-press traffic over the railroad has stopped as has also steamer traffic to Dainy. Shanghai and Japan.

Believes Turkey Will Let Her Go. ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 11.-The report that Russia is negotiating for perm to bring her Black Sea fleet through tions to this, the impression is that such an attempt would precipitate grave com-plications with the powers signatory to the Dardanelles convention.

Squadron Waits for Warships. ISLAND OF PERIM, Red Sea, Feb. 12.— Mall advices received here from Jibuth,



THE FREE PIANO CONTEST

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READ THE CONDITIONS

Every plane has a number the same as every watch has. Your old organ or plane has a number. If it's an organ you will find the number in or on its back. If it is a square plane lift the whole lid and hunt around and under the strings, and the number will readily be found. Put the number and name of your old instrument on a card and mail or bring it to our store. In our east window we have placed a new 130 upright plane. We have pasted a slip of paper over its number. On April 1 we will remove the slip and the owner of the old plane or organ bearing the number nearest to that of the new upright can trade the old one for the brand new one without one dollar of additional cost, no matter how old or diapidated the instrument turned in may be. Should the winning number be entered by more than one contestant, the first one entering the contest will be declared the winner. It costs nothing to enter so look up the number of your old plane or organ and bring or send it in.

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French Somailland, say the Russian squadron which passed Perim January 27 has couled at Jibutl, and will wait there until February 18 for the Russian warships due at Jibutl from Suez.

SMALL REVOLT IN RUSSIA.

Many of the Peasants Are Not Imbued With the War Spirit.

VIENNA, Feb. 12.—Dispatches from St. Petersburg indicate that in spite of the patriotic demonstrations that have been reported from St. Petersburg and Moscow, there is a lack of enthusiasm among the great masses of peasantry in the interior districts. These dispatches say the revolutionary element of the country is olutionary element of the country is growing most active in the remote regions, and that there is a spirit of dis-content which grows more dangerous to the government momentarily. The rebellious movement is passing beyond the control of the police in some districts, and an awful revolution similar to the reign of terror in France is believed within the bounds of possibility.

the bounds of possibility.

All of these conditions, it is believed, influenced the Czar throughout the negotiations with Japan on the side of peace, it is pointed out that with the main fighting body of the Russian army actively engaged in Corea and Manchuria, the Czar realized that he would be endangered from internal sources, and held out against the war party so long as he could against the war purty so long as he could against the do so without incurring the dissufely do so without incurring the displeasure of the most powerful of his ad-

It is thought probable here, also, that there will be considerable danger to Russia through secret agents of revolutionary parties who may be with the army in the Far East, and who would readily risk their lives to betray the army

RUSSIANS ARE PATRIOTIC.

Great Throngs Parade Streets of Capital Despite the Bitter Cold.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 12.—Another atrictic demonstration occurred here this fiternoon. An enormous procession, coded by choristers of the various churches, marched through the city. The demonstrators raised to their shoulders, and cheered all the military officers they met on the streets. Massing in front of the Winter Palace, the crowd sang the national anthem. They all uncovered. in spite of the fact that mow was falling. The Czar appeared at a window of the palace and was given a tremendous ova-Patriotism attained fever heat tonight when several thousand almost exclusively workingmen, marched behind six big flags from the Anitchkoff Palace, where the Empress Dowager lives, to the Kazan Cathedrai, hurrahing and throwing their hate and caps up all the way. The streets of the city were blocked by spectators, who, with bared heads, and many with tears in their eyes, listened to the singing.

JAPANESE FORCE IN COREA BIG

Sixty Thousand Men Are Now Marching Toward Seoul.

TOKIO, Feb. 12.—It is stated on good authority here that 80,000 Japanese troops have been successfully landed in Corea. and are now marching toward Scoul from

Although the Japanese successes during the past week have fired the people here with enthusiasm, and victory is being cel-ebrated, there is no inclination to minimize the possibilities of war. The news papers are cautioning the country against too great sanguinity, and every effort is being put forth to increase the effective-ness of the army in the field, and follow up the blows already dealt at sea before Russia has time to recover.

May Be but Echoes of Battles. NEW YORK, Feb. 12.-A careful study of the reports that have reached America and Europe from the East, including and communications

through official channels, would indicate

Spring Medicine

There is no other season when good medicine is so much needed as in the

The blood is impure, weak and impoverished-a condition indicated by pimples and other eruptions on the face and body, by deficient vitality, loss of appetite, lack of strength, and want of animation.

Hood's Sarsaparilla and Pills

Make the blood pure, vigorous and rich, create appetite, give vitality, strength and animation, and cure all eruptions. Have the whole family

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OF COURSE THEY'LL NEED "FIXINS" OF SOME SORT BEFORE SCHOOL BEGINS AGAIN.

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LINE MENTIONS OF COLUMN BARGAINS

First Showing of Baby Go-Carts-Fourth Ploor Special Clearance Sale of Blankets-4th Floor. Special Sales of Decorated Dinner Sets and 1/2-Price Sale of Glassware-Third Floor.

SATURDAY SPECIAL.

50c Needlework Art Pieces, 5c

Art Shop-Second Floor-Thoroughfare Aisle. Point lace and Battenburg patterns in Doilies, Centerpieces, Scarfs, Tie Ends, Cushion Cov-ers, Handkerehiefs, Collars, Boleros, Dress and Hair Ornaments for all sorts of braids and wheelwork-regular values to 50e-choice...56

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BOYS' AND GIRLS' 50c BOOKS 23¢.

Some very interesting books of adventure, splendid stories and

good, healthy reading for the youth; in attractive bindings of

colored cloth, good bold print, 12mo. size, written by such fa-

mous authors as Carey, Henty, Oldfellow, Carroll, Aimwell,

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"Jerry," "Jessie," "For the Temple," "Mark Seaworth's

Voyage on the Indian Ocean," "Simple Susan" and

VALENTINES

Immense showing of Valentines, 3e to \$3.50. ALL AT HALF PRICE SATURDAY.

"Quick Meal" Ranges, \$24.85-Third Floor.

The "Closing Out Sale" of Good Books-Second Floor.

NEW GAGE HATS-First showings for Spring of Gage Hats; also

NEW SHIPMENT just opened of the popular games of Flinch and

NEW TWEEDS, 50¢ YARD.

Domestic Aisle-First Floor.

Very attractive fancy Tweeds, unexcelled for wear and specially

"Through the Looking Glass."

Children's \$5.50 Coats, \$1.59

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Handsome little garments. Of all wanted materials and late styles, but only in 5 and 6-year sizes; regular \$5.50 values, for.....\$1.59

Children's Kerchiefs FIRST FLOOR.

In a wonderful variety, and exceptional values. Plain hemstitched, 4c, 5c and 10c. Fancy hemstitched and embroidered, 15c.

Children's Linen Collars

FIRST FLOOR.

Best quality collars, 2 for 25c.

Windsor neckscarfs, in verg swell, new and attractive colorings and handsome patterns, embracing a line of new platds, strikingly handsome, 25c and 35c.

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Boys' Shoe Special Splendid acaring Box Calf School Shoes with heavy soles— Sizes 11 to 13, regular \$1.75 values, \$1.23; 13½ to 2, regular \$2.00 values, \$1.48; 2½ to 5½, regular \$2.50 values, \$1.78.

Children's School Shoe

No parent would countenance for a mo-ment the idea of changing the shape of schild's hand by the kind of glove worn on it, but that is exactly what has been done for generations to children's feet.

To permit the foot to develop naturally, as the hand does, is the purpose of our as the hand does, is the purpose of our Children's —oe Store. Healthy feet make healthy children. We sell only Shoes made on foot-shape lasts. Our lines for the children, the youth and maid are unapproached in Portland for variety, style, newness and value. All the wanted leathers are included, embracing Box Calf, Vici Kid, fine Velour Calf, etc. Choice of heavy or light soles for street or dress wear. We print a few prices placed upon the best shoe values ever offered in this city by this or any other house: CHILDREN'S SHOES—Sizes 6 to 8, in

lace or button styles, \$1.00 to \$1.50 pair; 8\% to \$6\%, lace or button, \$1.25 to \$1.76; 11 to 3, lace or button, \$1.25 to \$2.50. A GRAND SPECIAL-Misses' regular \$2.00 school shoes, new lines, today only

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Slates, 7x11, each, 8¢.

Sponges, 2 for 5¢, 4¢ and 5¢ each.

Book Straps, 5¢ and 10¢ each.

Pocket Knives, 10¢, 15¢ and 25¢ each.

Pencil Boxes, 1¢ each.

Special Saturday Sale of Splendid Blankets

EITHER ELEVATOR TO 4TH FLOOR. EVERY BLANKET IN THE BLANKET STORE INCLUDED IN THE SALE WITHOUT RESERVATION. Colors include plain, natural and sanitary grays, mottled, tan, scarlet, vicuna, brown

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Extra large size Library Tablets, plain white paper, 5¢. China Tablets, 3¢ and 5¢ each.

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Boys' Blue Heavy-Print Waists, with fancy white stripes and fig-medium shades, in blue and red, with fancy stripes and figures; also in light grounds, with fancy figures, unlaundered and laundered, less Hose, double knees, heels and toes; sizes 6 to 71/2, 20¢ pair; or with finished foot, double knees, heels and toes, sizes 6 to 10, Misses' fine ribbed Black Lisle Hose, finished foot, double heels and

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Third Floor-Take Elevator.

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that but two conflicts of any moment that but two conflicts of any moment have so far occurred. These are the Japanese naval attack on Port Arthur on Monday night and Tuesday morning and the affair at Chemulpo, on Monday and Tuesday. In circles whose knowledge of conditions in that part of the world allows there to sneak with accuracy the that but two conflicts of any moment have so far occurred. These are the Japanese naval attack on Port Arthur on Monday night and Tuesday morning and the affair at Chemulpo, on Monday and Tuesday. In circles whose knowledge of conditions in that part of the world allows them to speak with accuracy, the various reports of minor engagements are considered but echoes of these two fights. Cable and telegram facilities are limited, and it is evident that as reports of the Port Arthur and Chemulpo affairs reach

ngagement, sent by the Reuter Telegram lompany from Tokio, under date of Peb-uary 10, published in this country yes-erday afternoon, also undoubtedly recompany from Tokio, under date of Pebruary 10, published in this country yesterday afternoon, also undoubtedly referred to the original Port Arthur attack, the news of which had just reached Tokio. This belief is strengthened by the report that no official confirmation has been received of subsequent engagements, and it is pointed out that such official.

The official notice sent out last night from St. Petersburg that the cable from during the full that succeeds the Presidential election here, but from St. Petersburg that the cable from

advices were received through the various

Table and telegram late as reports of the and it is evident that as reports of the Port Arthur and Chemuipo affairs reach various points they are promptly cabled by resident correspondents, resulting in a natural confusion of dates.

The circumstantial report of another from the defense of this depot, even if they are free of ice and not blocked up by a Japanese squadron, as has been report. kodate is entirely disregarded. Naval men in this city say that so far as is known the only Russian vessels in posi-tion to make a move are those at Visdi-

Vladivostok to Nagasaki, the telegraph line from Seout to Massampho and the tel-egraph line from Seoul to Wo San are broken limits communication to Japan to the cables that land at Shanghal, which are under Japanese consorable. This is additional reason to discredit the vague reports of further engagem

Woman Suffragists Urged to Act. WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—Reports of officers and committees and addresses of state presidents occupied most of today's session of the National American Woman Suffrage Association.

During the year Federated Australia has conferred the national suffrage on tial campaign next year a special effort All Farmers on the Dewey Jury.

NORTON, Kan., Feb. 12.-After nine

days' delay a jury was secured today to try Chauncey Dewey, the millionaire ranchman, and his two cowboys, William McBride and Clyde Wilson, on the charge of killing Burchard B. Berry on the lat-ter's ranch, in Northwestern Kansas, and the taking of testimony was begun

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The taking of testimony was begun at the opening of the afternoon session. Roy Berry, showing scars of the fight, will be one of the first witnesses for the state.

Pittsburg Man Heads Painters.

TORONTO, Ontario, Feb. 12.—The Mas-ter Painters and Decorators Association of the United States and Canada hav