

PORTLAND, OREGON, SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1904.

PRICE FIVE CENTS.



Marked Attention is Paid Russian

He will leave St. Petersburg immediately. Although Viceroy Alexieff has been con-demned in come quarters, there is no in-timation that he will not retain the Vice-KAISER'S ACT CAUSES COMMENT

\$1.0114 ers to buy, and ma another spec tacular jump, touching \$1.03. A slight re-

ROOSEVELT FORCES LOSE. Ohio Congressional District Refuses

Toward the close of the session, May wheat again gathered strength, as the result of heavy buying by the commission houses, which were flooded with outside

action followed this effort, and the price

Pacific, was shaken as by an earthquake

The telegraph station at Colon, 15 miles listant, had every window pane broken. The explosion was so tremendous that the first knowledge of the disaster, in-

CINCINNATI, Feb. 19.-Mrs. Hartwell Cabell, 30 years old, a lawyer and the wife of a prominent attorney, shot her-self to death because of the apprehension eing received by telegr hat her suffering from the grippe would

done to add to the general feeling of un-rest within the country, and have selzed

tionists are declared to be well armed and equipped and to have a well-nigh perfect many of the rank and file of the army and

uncement that the place will be the The concentration of troops, the corre-spondent says, proceeds systematically and provision has been made for the and provision has been made for the speedy arrival of 13,00 men from the di-visions of Moscow, Kleff and Varsovie, Before 12 days shall have elapsed the Bussinas will have disposed of an army of 400,000 men through Manchuria.

Intense demoralization exists among the

populace and the people of the surround-ing villages are flocking into the town,

the vining of the possing the the own, seeking to reach Western Russin. The raliroad trains, however, are blocked and over 2000 voyagers are thus held up. The Intenne cold provailing increases, the suffering and adds to the difficulties

WISE MOVE FOR RUSSIA.

She Can Make a Better Stand at Har-

Figaro, which is intensely pro-Russian

Court, says: "The Russian nois explaining the de-hays in the military operations has had the effect of confirmation of Viceroy

Alexieff's plan to withdraw northward toward Mukden and Harbin." The military editor of the Figaro de-clares this would be a wise and factful

ter able to make a stand further north.

PREDICTS RUSSIAN SUCCESS.

General Joseph Wheeler Gives His

Views on the War.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.-Major-General

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of bringing forward troops.



fell off to \$1.02%, which point it was at the clo of Nap The sharp advance was due to fear that the war would not be confined to Russia and Japan. Other causes were the strength of Liverpool and the scarcity of milling wheat. Trading was exceedingly active, the aggregate of business of the day being enormo of Shanghal today. **REDUCES SCHNEIDER'S BAIL** Washington Judge Thinks Amount in Land-Fraud Case Excessive. WASHINGTON, Feb. 18-J. H. Schnei-er, of Tucson, Ariz, who recently was addeted and arrested in Washington for leged complicity in public land frauds in the West, was released from custody to-day under \$12,000 bonds. He was brought up in the Criminal Court on a petition for a writ of habeas corpus, which alleged llegal arrest and excessive hall. The for mer point was waived, to avoid delay, and Justice Pritchard sustained the contention of excessive hail by reducing the amount from \$20,000 to \$12,000. Schneider's attorney held that the foint dictment, naming his client with F. A yde, J. A. Benson and H. C. Dimond all of San Francisco, contained no allega tion that Schneider ever did any act pursuance of the conspiracy, save for the general allegation that the four men con-apired and that Schneider was an employe of the principals, Hyde and Benson. It also was said that only \$10,000 bail had been fixed for Hyde and Dimond on a former indictment charging bribery.

A. E. Pugh, special counsel for the Gov-ernment in the land fraud investigation, suid there were 20,000 acres involved in this one indictment, and there were hun-dreds of thousands of acres of public lands involved in the whole scheme of the alleged conspiracy. He said that the scheme was fraudulently to secure title to lands embraced in forest reservations is the States of California and Oregon, and then under the land law to relincu fraudulent titles for lands outside of the reserve areas of much higher value. Schneider's part, it is alloged, was to se-cure purchasers of the lands in a frauduent manner, by paying them a small sum, and after these lands had been exchanged the titles were transferred from the "dummy" purchasers to the principals to the

alleged conspiracy. Assistant United States District Attor-ney Odkins explained that the indictment set forth two counts, constituting a con-spiracy, for each of which the penalty might be two years in prison and a fine of \$50,000, and even the court smilled at the suggestion of what the cumulative penalties might aggregate. Counsel for the acties might aggregate. Counsel for the ac-cused argued that Schneider was a poor man; that he came to Washington volun-tarily, and "I am informed that the de-fendant never received any benefit from the alleged conspiracy other than his wages as an employe." Schneider, he said, came here with the knowledge that he was involved, and came under the protection of the court and the

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to Instruct Delegates.

GENERAL KOUROPATKIN

DEFIANCE, O., Feb. 19.-The Republi-can Congressional Convention of the Fifth Ohio District nominated W. W. Campbell, f Napoleon, for Representative, and by a ote of 32 to 25, decided not to instruct ntative, and by a its delegates to vote for President Rooseveit at the National Convention.

Japanese Cruiser Near Shanghai, SHANGHAI, Feb. 13.-A large Japanese ruiser arrived at Wu Sung 11 miles north quire into the disaster, and if possible re-

the scene of the disaster, was communicated from Terrace and Lucin, operators at those points reporting to headquarters

CONTENTS OF TODAY'S PAPER that a calamity had occurred. The people of Terrace looking across the old lake ottom, saw an immense cloud of white smoke ancend from Jackson Point, and spread out at a great height and then flames burst forth. This information was given to Lucin, and a lineman was started out from that station on a handcar to in-

ussian fleet in the Red Sea is ordered to abandon trip to Port Arthur and return homs. Page 1. Great revolutionary movement will be launched in Russia with next war reverse. Page I.

Russia abolishes the consorship on news Page 4.

Ends Life, Fearing Consumption.

War in the Far East.

lead to consumption.

Rumia will not grant exequatur to Americ Consul en route to Port Dainy. Page 4. bin Than Anyhwere Else. tritish press warns sation to be prepared for an alliance by "the powers against her. PARIS, Feb. 19.-Significance is tached to the Figaro's discussing possible retreat of the Russian forces from Port Arthur toward the North. The

Page 4. Domestic.

Car of dynamite explodes in collision near Ogden, killing 24 people, and injuring 12 | and enjoys the favor of the Russian

Louis Constables precipitate a riot, in which six men are shot, by attempting to close a posiroom across river in illinois, Page 5.

All Cleveland shows keen sorrow at the faneral of Senator Hanns. Page 2. Presbyterian church committees agree on

plan of union. Page 5.

Congress

sideration of naval appro-House begins of priation bill. Page 3.

Chemawa Indian School's appropriation is in-creased by committee on Indian affairs

fitchell is sure to head interoceanic cars committee if Platt dose not want the place

Commercial and Marine

May wheat touches \$1.03 at Chicago. Page 15. Heavy selling in stock market for foreign ac-count. Page 15.

Backward Spring trade reported. Page 15. San Francisco produce quotations. Page 15.

Forty-one men gult work on Chinook because of poor food. Page 14.

Basehall peace plan may fall through. Page 7.

candidates for Roseburg Land Office.

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rage o. Mysterious assault in Tacoma attributed by victim to woman's disappointed lover

Linn County Republicans organizing to insurvictory. Page 4.

Portland and Vicinity.

Pedestrians will cross Murrison-street bridge at their own peril. Page 10.

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Constable files affidavit saying charge of crim

Three-Mile Rapids to be despend. Page 11.

tlicians from California urge ocratic pol

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The rise in prices is due to some ex-tent to the fail in the value of paper money, which in some places is altogather retused. It is expected that there will

Russin's War Minister, General Kouropathin, until his appol office was a General of infantry. It has been rumored that be would take the field on against the Japanese, but that story is now denied, as the Czar needs him in St. Petersburg to direct the get

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Trade returns for January. Page 13.

Sports.

Pacific Const.

Montana posses in pursuit of Jones gang of desperadoes. Fage 12.

Puyallup Indian and white woman accused of scheme to swindle Indian's mother. Page 6,

sconer's jury at Victoria accuses Captain Roberts, of the Cialiam, of mansiaughter,

Page 7.

Foes of liquor stinck Dr. Woods Hutchinson.

Residents of Sellwood will hold mass meeting to induce woolen mills to rebuild. Page 16.

inal assault made against prisoner was ma-licious and false. Page 10.

Bids for street improvements and bridge opened, Page 10.

Western States to rote as a unit. Page

Joseph Wheeler, after reviewing a squad-ron of the State Guard at their Armory here, has delivered a brief address on his views of the war between Rüssia and Japan. He compared the strength of

Japan. He compared the strength of their armies and their resources and reached the conclusion that Runsta is likely to win in the long run. "I believe that the Chinese, organized and under good officers, would make," he world. They are brave and enduring and seem to enjoy a fight. There are 40.060,00 of them and a tremendous army could be raised there. Those people could make a march and occupy any part of Europe that they chose. However, we need not worry about that just yet."

UNABLE TO GET TRAIN.

Many Russian Women and Children

HARMAN, Manchuria, Peb. 18-116 Russian troops are concentrated in the lower Yalu River Valley. Everybody is in high spirits and daily expecting reinforcements, Russian families are leaving Manchuria, owing to the dearness

of provisions, of which all are required for the troops. The Manchurian and especially the

the demands for transportation. Women and children are unable to get trains and many are waiting at the stations, suffer-

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from cold and hunger.

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Suffer From Cold and Hunger. HARBIN, Manchuria, Feb. 19 .- The