PROTEST IS FILED

Britain Takes Up Seizure of Steamships.

AMBASSADOR SO WIRED

Objection Also Made to Work of Red Sea Fleet in General.

HOPES THIS WILL SUFFICE

Question of the Passage of the Dardanelles Will Only Be Raised as a Last Resort.

ST. PETERSBURG, July 20.—Sir Charles Hardinge, the British Ambassador to Russia, this afternoon, in behalf of his government, presented a strong protest to Russia against the seizure in the Red Sea and the detention of the Peninsular & Oriental steamer Malacca, which was carrying 300 tons of British government stores for the naval establishment at Hong Kong, cases containing such stores being marked with the broad arrow, which is the government stamp.

The Ambassador also presented a general protest against the action of the Russian volunteer fleet steamers in the Red Sea.

The protest was in the form of a note made in conformity with telegraphic instructions from the British government. It does not raise the question of the passage of the Dardanelles, but over vessels of the volunteer fleet, it being understood that Great Britain is reluctant to reopen the question of the Dardanelles, and that she will not do so unless as a last resort.

Russia has to believe and contends that the Malacca, in addition to British government stores, had on board munitions intended for Japan.

RUSSIA WANTS NO RUPTURE

She Does Not Believe Britain Has Made Representations to Turkey.

ST. PETERSBURG, July 20.—The news that Great Britain has delivered to Russia a protest against the capture of the Peninsular & Oriental steamer Malacca, in terms which are believed to be almost tantamount to a demand for the immediate release of the vessel, as well as a general protest against the action of the Russian volunteer fleet steamers in stopping ships in the Red Sea, is not generally known here tonight, but this morning's editorial broadside from the London newspapers, reprinted here this afternoon, was a sufficient warning of the state of the British mind, and the public became greatly excited.

In the hotels and restaurants the war was temporarily forgotten, and nothing excepting the possibility of complications with Great Britain was talked of. The old resentment against Great Britain, which had been much ameliorated of late, became revived at the mere suggestion that that country was again seeking to balk Russia, but the official world, which is charged with the responsibility, is keeping cool and calm.

The Mistake Has Been Made.

Provided a blunder has not been made by the Captain of the St. Petersburg in mistaking British stores for contraband of war, Russia will probably be prepared to maintain the justice of the seizure, but if a mistake has been made, the government doubtless will order the Malacca to be set at liberty and pay Great Britain for her illegal detention.

Both powers, while standing on their rights, will, it is believed, do everything possible to avoid cause for a rupture. Whether Great Britain has followed up the step taken here by making representations to the Sultan of Turkey regarding his responsibility in allowing the volunteer steamers to pass the Dardanelles, is not known in St. Petersburg, but there is the best reason for stating that such is not the case. Great Britain has no intention of reopening the Dardanelles, except, perhaps, as a last resort.

The unyielding attitude on the part of Great Britain at this time, in view of the deep-seated and long-standing enmity existing in Russia against her, which is now likely to be revived with all intensity, would be exceedingly unfortunate. It would greatly aggravate the situation, and the diplomats with one accord deprecate the talk of serious international complications.

Wires Hot With Messages.

All the embassies and legations telegraphed the news to their governments, and tonight the wires between St. Petersburg and Port Said are hot with messages.

The report that the crew of the Malacca left the ship at Port Said was not received until midnight.

The Associated Press is authoritatively informed that no decision has been rendered as to whether the Malacca, should the vessel be held, will be taken before a prize court at Libau or Sebastopol, though it is more likely that the vessel will be sent to the former place.

Naturally, the city is already filled with wild rumors, one of which is to the effect that the British Mediterranean squadron is about to sail for the Bosphorus, but none of these rumors receives serious consideration.

Russia seems prepared for any representations Great Britain may make on the subject of stopping ships in the Red Sea. It is understood that before sending the cruisers the Russian authorities became satisfied through an elaborate system of espionage that an immense amount of contraband was going from England through the Red Sea to Japan, and they decided to stop the traffic. It is understood that if this traffic is now diverted to the Cape route, the Russian Admiralty is prepared to send ships to the Cape of Good Hope. If Great Britain objects to the passage of the Dardanelles by more vessels of the volunteer fleet, the ships intended for cruising off the cape may be sent from the Baltic. In this connection, very important developments are believed to be imminent.

PEOPLE ON MALACCA LANDED

Russians Await Instructions as to Disposition of the Ship.

PORT SAID, July 20.—The crew and passengers of the Peninsular & Oriental steamer Malacca, seized by the Russian volunteer fleet steamer St. Petersburg in the Red Sea, have been landed here. The ship is detained by the authorities, who are awaiting instructions before taking further action.

The British captain and passengers complain of the Russian treatment. The former carried his protests to such length that he was threatened with arrest unless he desisted.

The Malacca is declared to have on board no contraband articles for Japan. Her cargo of 3000 tons includes 40 tons of explosives for Hong Kong.

She is manned by a Russian naval Captain, four officers, 45 sailors and firemen.

It is said that the Malacca had been specially waited for by the Russians, on secret information from Antwerp that she was carrying ammunition and ironwork for a crane at Moji, Japan. She was arrested during the morning of July 13, when two and a half miles off Great Hanish Island, near Jebel Zukour, in spite of her captain's protest that the ammunition on board was intended for the British Navy at Singapore and Hong Kong.

The crew of the Malacca were kept under strict arrest, and when they arrived at Suez at dawn July 19 they were not allowed to communicate with the shore. The Malacca arrived at Port Said at dawn today and asked for 400 tons of coal, 200 tons of fresh water and provisions for Cherbourg. The case was referred to the Egyptian government, it being the first time on record that an alleged prize had been taken through the canal under a different flag. It happens that the Malacca had an abundance of coal already and was in no great need of water or provisions. Therefore she might have sailed forthwith, but remains here pending instructions.

RUSSIANS RELEASE STEAMER

Japanese Vessel Seized Near Tsugaru Straits Makes Port.

TOKIO, July 20.—The Russian Vladivostok squadron has released the steamer overhauled by it eastward of Tsugaru Straits. The Russian ships steamed to the eastward. A Japanese torpedo-boat flotilla is in pursuit.

Fleet Steaming to the Southeast.

TOKIO, July 20.—The steamer overhauled by the Russian Vladivostok rived at Mororan at noon today, and reports that she left the Russian vessels steaming to the southeast at great speed. This course creates the impression here that they are heading for Saigon, the capital of French Indo-China, although it is possible that this course is a ruse to deceive the Japanese.

(It was announced during a previous sortie of the Russian Vladivostok squadron that these vessels might attempt to reach the port of some neutral power, enter and claim protection. The reference in the foregoing dispatch to the possibility of the Russian warships going to Saigon probably rises from this report. Saigon is in lower Cochin-China, and about 700 miles north of Singapore. A course southeast from the eastern entrance of the Tsugaru Straits would take the Russian vessels well clear of the Japanese coast. Moriran is on the Island of Yeszo, to the north of Hakodate.)

WILL TRY TO DRAW TOGO AWAY

Vladivostok Squadron Hopes to Weaken Fleet at Port Arthur.

ST. PETERSBURG, July 20.—The news of the first appearance of the Vladivostok squadron in the Pacific since the outbreak of the war, telegraphed from Tokio, causes no surprise at the Admiralty here, although it is said Vice-Admiral Skrydloff purposely has not notified them of the squadron's departure in order to prevent the possibility of the information leaking out.

Vice-Admiral Bezobrazoff's action in giving the slip to Vice-Admiral Kamimura and passing Tsugaru Straits is regarded as evidence of the insufficiency of the Japanese naval forces. It is probably the purpose of Admiral Bezobrazoff to raid the coast towns of Japan, capture merchantmen, make a naval demonstration off Yokohama, and generally create a panic among the population, in order to compel Rear-Admiral Togo to reinforce Admiral Kamimura, and thus weaken the fleet off Port Arthur.

The idea that Admiral Bezobrazoff would seriously attack large ports of Japan is, however, rejected, owing to the danger from submarine boats, mines, torpedo-boats and shore batteries.

The report is current that the Vladivostok squadron is homeward bound under orders to effect a juncture with the first division of Vice-Admiral Rojestvensky's Baltic squadron, which is ready to go out on a trial trip in the Baltic.

The London Times dispatch from Tokio today, saying three Japanese torpedo-boat destroyers had sealed the Liao River, where the Russian gunboat Sivouch and a Russian torpedo-boat are anchored, and also the report that a battle has been fought July 15 seven miles from Ta Tche Kiao, are absolutely denied.

JAPANESE CREW MAKE LAND

Tokio Is Informed of Sinking of Steamer by Vladivostok Squadron.

WASHINGTON, July 20.—The Japanese Legation has received the following cablegram from the Foreign Office at Tokio:

"At 9:30 A. M. July 20 the Vladivostok squadron fired on and sunk a Japanese steamboat of 318 tons off the coast of Isoya, about 25 miles from Hakodate. All of the crew were landed safe at Cape Yesan."

Britain Shipped Only Explosives.

LONDON, July 20.—The directors of the Peninsular & Oriental Company, at a meeting this afternoon, decided to urge strongly on the government the necessity for action in regard to the seizure of the Malacca. The government has been definitely informed that the only explosives on the Malacca were stores shipped by the British government to Hong Kong.

It appears that the Smolensk and St. Petersburg not only passed through the Dardanelles under the Russian commercial flag, but that they also went through the Suez Canal under this flag on their outward voyage.

The Malacca's passengers have been transferred to the steamer Marmora, of the Peninsular & Oriental line.

Opposition Will Support Balfour.

LONDON, July 20.—The opposition leaders in the House of Commons have allowed it to be understood that they will be prepared to support the government in its representations to Russia in regard to the seizure of the steamer Malacca in the Red Sea.

France Hears She Will Release Ships

PARIS, July 20.—Information reaching government quarters here leads the officials to believe that Russia will release the British and German merchantmen seized in the Red Sea, as a means of averting international complications.

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Use Horsford's Acid Phosphate. It allays the nervousness and disordeded digestion caused by excessive use of Tea, Coffee or Alcoholic drinks. Puts the stomach in an active and healthy condition. Try it.

HOLD IT DUE WEST

Taggart Men Deem East Too Grasping.

INDIANAN IS IN NEW YORK

Leaders Not Yet Seen Regarding National Chairmanship—Gorman Is Still Considered a Possibility by Politicians.

NEW YORK, July 20.—There is a belief among the Democratic politicians who yet linger about the Hoffman House that Senator Gorman is still a possibility for chairman of the National Committee. No one seems to be authorized to speak for the Maryland Senator, and those who are in a position to know all that has taken place in recent conferences will not state his position. A sectional question has arisen in connection with the chairmanship, and it is being pushed to some extent by the friends of Thomas Taggart. Both candidates on the National ticket are from the East, and it is said that to take the chairman of the National Committee from the same section would look like ignoring the West, a section in which electoral votes are sought.

Mr. Taggart arrived in the city today, but has not yet met any of the Democratic leaders here. Much depends upon the result of the conference between the leaders and the Indiana men. It is understood that an intimation from Judge Parker that he preferred another man would speedily put Taggart out of the running, but doubt is expressed whether any one will say that much for the Judge.

It is not believed that Senator Gorman will allow his name to be used to defeat Taggart, but those who want Gorman hope that an understanding may be reached which will result in the selection of Gorman as chairman, and that Taggart will be placed in charge of the Western headquarters. Of course the indorsement which the National committee has tacitly given Taggart and the active canvass he made for the place during the convention at St. Louis make it very embarrassing for the leaders, especially the friends of Judge Parker, to insist that the Indiana man shall now step aside, unless he does so valuntarily.

It is expected that there will be many proxies at the meeting of the committee on Tuesday, as men from the Far West are not likely to make the trip to decide a question which is generally settled by the candidate and his advisers.

FOLK FOR GOVERNOR.

Missouri Democrats Read Boodlers Out of the Party.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., July 21.—A special to the Times from Jefferson City, Mo., says:

Joseph W. Folk, Circuit Attorney of St. Louis, was nominated for Governor by the State Democratic Convention, at 3:38 o'clock this morning.

In calling the roll, Hawes moved to make Folk's nomination unanimous, and the motion was carried. Folk was nominated by acclamation. Folk was escorted to the platform by Hawes, amid a great demonstration. Folk made a brief speech of acceptance.

The platform pledges support to Parker; favors the initiative and referendum, and the assessment of franchises, equal rights to labor and capital; separating the police from politics; the eradication of the granting of railroad passes to legislators, and the building of good roads. The principal plank in the platform is in regard to bribery, in part as follows:

"The Democratic party of Missouri not only stands for material and intellectual progress, but for moral advancement, and declares that the paramount issue before the people of Missouri is the eradication of bribery from public life in this state. Bribery aims at the assassination of the commonwealth itself.

"We hereby declare unremitting warfare against corruption, and pledge the Democratic party to hit corruption, and hit it hard, whether in our own ranks or in ranks of the opposition party. The decree has gone forth that there is no room in the Democratic party for boodlers. We repudiate their support, and do not want their votes. We invite such as are masquerading under the cloak of the Democratic party to bolt, and propose to make them bolt, not only the party, but the state.

"We are in favor of the passage of a law making it a felony for an official to solicit a bribe, the misdemeanor punishment now in force being entirely inadequate to the enormity of the offense.

"We favor the passage of laws making null and void all franchises obtained by bribery. We believe the statute of limitation in bribery cases should be made five years.

"We demand the prompt investigation of all rumors of bribery, and the prosecution of offenders, no matter to what party they claim to belong.

"We believe a statute should be enacted authorizing the Government to take charge of any grand jury in the state for the purpose of investigating corruption or any violation of the laws.

"We favor the passage of laws making professional lobbying in the Legislature a felony."

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., July 20.—Prolonged investigations by the committee on credentials caused a cessation in the deliberations of the State Democratic Convention today. After being in session nearly all night, the committee reconvened, after a rest of a few hours, and took up the contests in St. Louis County. It was only after considerable delay that the convention was called to order, and the announcement was made that the committee on credentials would be in session probably for the greater part of the day. The principal contest is from St. Louis County, and involves the delegates favorable to Harry Hawes, who is a candidate for Governor.

While the convention waited, General Crow made a speech, during which he brought forth prolonged cheers by referring to County Attorney Joseph W. Folk as standing second only to "the greatest of American statesmen, William Jennings Bryan."

The friends of Samuel B. Cook asserted today that the chances of his nomination for Secretary of State had been enhanced since last night.

The afternoon session was very brief. A committee was appointed to ascertain when the credentials committee would be ready to report, and after hearing the announcement that the contests would probably be disposed of before 8 o'clock in the evening, a recess was taken until this hour.

When the convention was called to order tonight it was with the expectation that the committee on credentials would end its prolonged session and enable the convention to begin earnest deliberations. Governor Dockery was introduced and made a long speech, counseling harmony and admonishing the delegates to stand together. At the conclusion of the speech, a message having been received that the credentials committee would be unable to conclude its session for some time, a recess was taken until 11 o'clock.

When the convention reconvened, the report of the credentials committee was presented and adopted. It seated the Hawes delegates from St. Louis except in one district.

DAVIS MAKES VISIT TO PARKER

They Decide That There Will Be No Joint Notification.

ESOPUS, N. Y., June 20.—Ex-Senator Davis arrived at Esopus today, accompanied by Norman E. Mack, of New York, and D. J. Campau, of Michigan. Judge Parker and Senator Davis had never met before.

Senator Davis declined to be interviewed, but submitted affably to the phalanx of photographers, who ambushed him at the station.

Messrs. Mack and Campau, speaking of the National Committee chairmanship, said they still regarded Senator Gorman as a possibility.

After luncheon, Judge Parker and Senator Davis first went patiently through the processes of being photographed in various poses, and then entered upon a conference ,which lasted more than three hours. Sitting in a rustic summer-house on the bluff north of Rosemount, and in the shadow of the trees, they talked earnestly together, without interruption, from 2 o'clock until nearly 5:30. In the meantime, Mr. Campau returned to Michigan. No one but Judge Parker and Senator Davis knew what they talked about. Their conversation was very earnest, and punctuated by the Senator's vigorous gestures and now and then by the Judge's hearty laughter. At 5:20 they took the carriage, and with Mr. Mack were driven to the station.

The only possible result of their meeting made known for publication was that there will be no joint notification. Judge Parker declared positively that his own notification would take place at Rosemount. It is likely that Senator Davis will be notified at White Sulphur Springs, that place being more conveniently surrounded than Elkins, the candidate's home town.

The story that Charles F. Murphy is coming to Rosemount cannot be substantiated by any information obtainable here tonight. It is known that no definite invitation has gone to him from Rosemount, and that he is not expected in the near future.

National Committeeman Mack, while here today, talked freely of the situation with reference to Mr. Murphy and Tammany Hall, and their attitude toward the campaign and the National ticket.

"Mr. Murphy will be found loyally supporting the ticket," said he. "Mr. McCarren will not meddle in the affairs of Tammany's territory any more than I would. Mr. McCarren, as chairman of the executive committee, will do his best to build up the organization, and to get the vote up the state."

CHEER LOUDLY FOR CUMMINS

Iowa "Standpatters" Show Appreciation of His Party Loyalty.

DES MOINES, Ia., July 20.—The following ticket was nominated by the Republicans of Iowa today:

Secretary of State, W. B. Martin; Treasurer, G. B. Gilbertson; Auditor, B. F. Carroll; Attorney-General, C. W. Mullan; Supreme Judge, H. E. Beemer; Railroad Commissioner, N. S. Ketchum; Electors-at-Large, E. H. Ormsby and J. H. Trewin.

The convention was notably harmonious, every candidate but Railroad Commissioner King being nominated by acclamation. Ketchum won the Railroad Commissionership in two ballots, defeating his opponents with ease.

The session was one of the briefest held in years, and it was marked by but one enthusiastic demonstration—that given Governor Cummins when his name was read in the resolutions. The delegates howled for several minutes until the Governor was forced to come to the platform and make a short speech.

Governor Cummins was unique in that he aligned himself fully for the campaign with the dominant faction in the party which is opposed to him. He declared himself in perfect accord with the address of Congressman W. E. Hepburn, a leading "standpatter," and as he continued in this harmonious vein he was accorded cheer upon cheer.

Mr. Hepburn held up to ridicule the action of the Democratic party in adopting a platform silent on the money question, the speaker declaring that Judge Parker, after he had had the silent platform before him an entire day, suddenly awoke to the fact that it was not Democratic principles, and dictated a telegram that forced the St. Louis convention to declare its loyalty to a nominee even though he insisted on a declaration not in the platform.

GLOWING PRAISE TO BRYAN.

Democrats Indorse Parker, Then Remember Nebraskan.

ABERDEEN, S. D., July 20.—The South Dakota Democratic Convention today nominated the following ticket:

Governor, L. N. Crill, Elk Point; Lieutenant-Governor, Fred S. Rowe; Secretary of State, John Wade; Auditor, M. M. Bennett; Superintendent of Schools, Miss Emily Meade; Attorney-General, Olaf Eldorn; Railroad Commissioner, Frank Apt; Treasurer, P. F. McClure; Commissioner of Public Lands, H. Peever.

The resolutions adopted are peculiar in that they not only indorse the nominee of the St. Louis Convention but wind up with glowing praise of "that matchless exponent of Democracy, William J. Bryan."

North Dakota Republicans Nominate.

GRAND FORKS, N. D., July 20.—The Republican State Convention today nominated the following ticket:

Governor, E. Y. Searles, Hillsboro; Lieutenant-Governor, David Bartlett; Secretary of State, Edward F. Porter; Auditor, H. L. Holmes; Treasurer, A. F. Peterson; Superintendent of Schools, A. F. Stockwell; Insurance Commissioner, E. F. Cooper.

The resolutions adopted are devoted chiefly to expressions of approval of the National irrigation law. The platform reiterates the support by the party of the existing prohibition laws, and other laws for which the party in the state has stood.

Japanese Retreat After Hot Fighting.

ST. PETERSBURG, July 20.—The Czar has received the following dispatch from General Kuropatkin, dated July 19:

"There has been no special change in the situation since July 17.

"At 5 o'clock in the afternoon of July 18, Japanese advance forces of considerable strength were observed in the direction of Sikseyann, on the Liao Yang-Saimatsza road, moving against a detachment of our troops. After two days' fighting, the latter force is retreating toward the village of Houtslatsze, east of Anping."

Receiver Asked for Fair Concern.

ST. LOUIS, July 20.—An application was made today for a receiver for the Jerusalem Exhibition Company and the Oriental Construction Company, World's Fair concerns, and the appointment of a new trustee in place of the Germania Trust Company, of St. Louis.

It is alleged that the Jerusalem and Oriental Companies owe $40,000 to St. Louis merchants, and several thousand dollars to employes.

Owners of Steamers Have No Advices

BERLIN, July 20.—The Hamburg-American Line has not received any information tending to confirm the report, cabled to the Daily Mail of London from Suez, that the steamer Sambia, of that line, had been captured by the Russians in the Red Sea. The officials of the line discredit the report.

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The New Two-Toned Silk Gloves, $1.25
The strip between the fingers—the "Fourchette"—is of a contrasting color—White with Black, Pongee with Black, Pongee with White—have two large Pearl Buttons.

85c Real Lisle Thread Gloves for 59c
Real Brilliant Lisle Thread Gloves—two large pearl clasps. Colors are White, Pongee, Gray, Slate and Black. All have self-colored embroidery.

The New "Peggy From Paris" Bags, $1.75
Equal to any **$2.50** value elsewhere—made of fine kid, lined with silk—leather strap handle. Gilt, Nickel and Gun-Metal Frame. Others **$2.50** to **$10**.

Women's 85c Ribbed Lisle Vests at 59c
Real Lisle Vests—White only—Several styles. Yoke of Val. and Torchon insertion and edging; also front yoke of heavy hand-crocheted lace.

The Prices of All Hammocks Reduced
Hammock time and Hammock weather—prices of all have been clipped. $2.75 sorts at **$1.98**; $4.50 sorts at **$3.39**; $5 sorts at **$3.79**; $6 sorts at **$4.49** and $7.50 sorts at **$5.59**.

50c and 60c Wash Dress Goods at 25c
Clearance of White and Colored Boutonne Waistings and Suitings—36-in. Colored Linen Suitings and 50c to 60c champagne colored Mercerized Waisting, **25¢**

Tooth and Hair Brushes--Combs, Special
20c and 25c London-made Tooth Brushes—various styles, **25¢**. Hair Brushes, Pure White Bristle; Solid Wood Back **39¢**. Celluloid Dressing Combs in Green Rose Shell, white, **19¢**.

High Grade Toilet Preparations, Special
"4711" Toilet Water—Violet, Lilac and June Rose—**33¢**. Listerated Tooth Powder, **14¢**. Dr. Sheffield's Tooth Paste, **12¢**. "Rose Leaf" Complexion Cream, heals sunburn, removes tan; today only, at **39¢**.

High Grade Turkish Bath Towels, Special
At **22¢** heavy, double and Swiss cream Turkish Towels, 24x48-in. At **15¢** heavy Turkish Cream Towels, 20x43-in. At **25¢** bleached Turkish Towels, double and Twist, 24x52-in. At **38¢** extra heavy Turkish Towels, full bleached, 28x54.

Women's Linen Suits at Just Half Price
Clearance of our Women's Linen Novelty and "Palm Beach" costumes, made of white, natural, blue and cream linen—lace trim'd, now **$6.25** to **$20**, were double.

Women's $22.50 Black Silk Coats at $12.50
Made of rich Peau de Soie Silk, eton, blouse and half-fitting styles, satin and taffeta lined, braid and lace trimmed—also a "special" at **$8.00**.

Children's Wash Dresses at Half Price
Clearance of Children's Wash Dresses, made of fast-colored Percales, madras and Ginghams, braid and embroidery trimmed—were $1.25 to $7.50, now **63¢** to **$3.75**

NO ROOM FOR OFFICE

Portland Will Not Secure Land District Headquarters.

WILL REMAIN AT OREGON CITY

Engineers Find They Need the Rooms in the Federal Building Inspector Had Hoped They Could Do Without.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, July 20.—The proposition to remove the local Land Office from Oregon City to Portland was practically abandoned today when the Interior Department received from the Secretary of the Treasury a letter stating that the Federal building at Portland is completely filled and will not accommodate another office. It was the belief of Inspector Linnen, who originally recommended the removal of the Land Office, that two rooms now occupied by Army Engineers for drafting work could be sacrificed, but the local representative of the Treasury Department, after an investigation, finds the engineers cannot give up these rooms, as there is no other space available in the Portland building.

The matter will therefore have to be dropped, notwithstanding the Interior Department is very anxious to change the location of the Land Office. One of the principal reasons for desiring a change in the location is to save the annual rental now paid for quarters in Oregon City. To remove to rented quarters in Portland would probably cost more than at present.

Rural Carriers for Monmouth.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, July 20.—John E. Wilkerson was today appointed regular and William F. McAdams substitute rural carrier at Monmouth, Or.

Quick Colds

A draught, a quick cold; Ayer's Cherry Pectoral, a quick cure. Get well before you have to think of weak lungs, bronchitis, pleurisy, pneumonia. Ask your doctor what he thinks of this advice. If he has better, follow it. If not, follow ours.

"I have found Ayer's Cherry Pectoral the best all-round remedy for la grippe, bronchitis, and other lung troubles that I have ever used. It has benefited or cured in every instance."
—M. Lodeman, M.D., Ithaca, N. Y.

25c., 50c., $1.00. J. C. AYER CO., Lowell, Mass.

JUSTIFIES COURSE OF RUSSIA

Russ Prints Statement Believed to Be Views of Foreign Office.

ST. PETERSBURG, July 20.—The Russ today publishes an editorial statement of Russia's position relative to the stopping of neutral ships in the Red Sea by vessels of the volunteer fleet. There is great interest in the statement, because it is believed to reflect directly the views of the Foreign Office:

"The operations of the converted cruisers Smolensk and St. Petersburg are causing tremendous excitement in England. Questions are being asked in Parliament, the newspapers are appealing to the public, and there is a panic among shipowners. There also is a good deal of talk in Germany because of the seizure of mails on the steamer Prinz Heinrich, but the most noise there is being made by extremist organs, the others treating the matter coolly. It is a pity the English do not display the same Teutonic calmness.

"It is understood that the British merchant marine feels these restrictions severely. As a result of the stopping and searching of vessels English ships either must give up transporting contraband of war or run at their own risk and peril in time of war between the powers. Others are bound to suffer more or less, as it is impossible to check contraband traffic without search.

"In regard to the detention of the Prinz Heinrich's mails, details have not yet reached St. Petersburg. Comprehensive discussion of this incident is, therefore, impossible. But, it must be pointed out, the official correspondence of a belligerent is contraband. Consequently if the Prinz Heinrich carried Japanese diplomatic and consular reports she was liable to seizure. Of course, whether she did or not, correspondence can be inspected to determine this fact.

"The English, in their excitement, even raised the question as to whether we were justified in converting the volunteer fleet steamers into warships after they had passed the Dardanelles under the commercial flag. This is strange. Every government has a right either to build warships or finally to convert merchant vessels into warships. The volunteer fleet, at its very inception, was intended to be converted into a military fleet upon the declaration of war.

"The English should not feel incensed over the passage of the St. Petersburg and Smolensk through the Dardanelles. The British Embassy at Constantinople hands in a protest to the Turkish government every time a volunteer fleet vessel passes the straits. For many years these protests have been entirly disrgarded, and, therefore, long ago lost their importance. Before the war, the Dardanelles were repeatedly passed by volunteer ships on the way to the Far East, even with troops, arms and ammunition aboard. If this were possible before the war it is possible now, and there has been no change in our relations with Turkey as a result of the war with Japan.

"When the St. Petersburg and Smolensk passed through the straits under the merchant flag their destination was correctly given as being the Far East. In fact, the vessels, upon entering the Red Sea, armed and hoisted the military flag.

"A fundamental principle of international law that a neutral flag covers neutral goods will not, of course, be violated by our cruisers. Consequently, cargoes aboard the ships of neutral powers containing no contraband of war will remain as free as ever."

Shoot Japanese From Treetops.

TA TCHE KIAO, Tuesday, July 19, night (delayed in transmission).—All is quiet in this region. Neither side is moving. The only activity is at the outposts. The Russian sharpshooters are having good practice sniping the Japanese from the mountain sides. Small detachments creep out at night, steal up to the Japanese pickets in the darkness, hide themselves in treetops and there await sunrise. So soon as the light is sufficiently strong they get fine shots before the Japanese pickets can get away.

The Denver & Rio Grande will run a series of special personally conducted excursions to St. Louis during the World's Fair. No change of cars Portland to St. Louis. Call at 124 Third street for particulars.

Eruptions

The only way to get rid of pimples and other eruptions is to cleanse the blood, improve the digestion, stimulate the kidneys, liver and skin. The medicine to take is

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