Kuropatkin Dismissed in Disgrace.

SCAPEGOAT

Handicapped by Hostility of General Staff.

LINIEVITCH HIS BITTER ENEMY

Turned Loose in Manchuria Without Maps of Country-Huge Army Will Be Rushed to the Front.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 17 (1:06 P M.).-With the Japanese hanging on the heels and flanks of the remnants of the broken, defeated Russian army, General Kuropatkin, the old idol of the private soldier, has been dismissed and dis-graced, and General Linievitch, commander of the first army, is appointed to succeed him in command of all the Rus-sian land and sea forces operating against Japan. The word "disgrace" is written in large letters in the laconic imperial order gazetted, which contains not a single word of praise, and also disposes of the sumor that Kuronatkin had asked to be rumor that Kuropatkin had asked to be

remor that Europaten had assed to be relieved. The Russian military annals contain no more bitter imperial rebuke. While it was known that the war coun-cil had already decided to supplant Kuro-patkin after the Mukden disaster, the decision to confer the task of saving the remainder of the army on Linievitch in the very midst of its flight, although bruited last uight, was not anticipated. It the very must of its inget, attought bruited last night, was not anticipated. It transpires that Emperor Nicholas, on the advice of General Dragomiroff and War Minister Sakharoff, determined that the seep was necessary when it became apparent yesterday morning that Kuropatkin, while concentrating for a stand at Tie Pass, seemed unaware that the Japanese had worked around westward, and again practically allowed himself to be surprised. Old reports brought by General Gripenberg regarding Kuropatkin's failing mentally also had influence. Under the circumstances, therefore, it was considered imperative, in view of the exceedingly perilous position of the army, to turn over its command to Linievitch, who alone had been able to bring off his army in order after the battle of Mukden. His record during the Chinese war had also demonstrated his capacity as a commander.

General Kuropatkin will return to St.

Hard Task for Linlevitch. The task confided to Linlevitch of with-drawing what is left of the great army of 550,000 men to Harbin is a desperate one. He is heinmed in on all sides. General Kawamura presumably is pressing northward through the mountains eastward, ready to swoop down; Generals Nogi and Oku are on the west of the Russian forces, the whole line of the railroad is threatened, if not already cut, and the Chinese bandits are even reported to be in the rear of Harbin. A repetition of the Mukden disaster is feared.

Napoleon's plight in the retreat from Moscow, with Kutuzsoff's Cossacks har-

rassing the starving, freezing French-men, was hardly as bad or dangerous. Nothing further has arrived from the front, but it is feared that the decimated battallons, which had hardly recovered from the demoralization of the Mukden

retreat, have again been thrown into con-The War Office greatly fears that the siege and field guns which Kuropatkin

naged to save at Mukden have been erificed in the hurried flight from Tie stores at Tie Pass, where the commis-seriat was only beginning to feed the half-famished troops when the new retreat

New Army Ordered Out.

it even in the face of the possibility of the complete loss of the army and the admitted fact that Vladivostok is already possibly lost, the Emperor still shows no signs of yielding. Preparations for con-tinuing the war on a larger scale than ever are proceeding. The dictum has gone forth that another army of 450,000 is to be dispatched to the Far East, and in order to avoid delay it has been decided in-stead of sending only reserve men, to form now armies, largely of regular units, leaving the reserves to replace the regu-lars in garrison duly at home. Through-out the war many military men have con-tended that it was a fatal mistake to send reserve men to the Far East. A division of the Imperial Guard will be sent to the front. It is not improbable that some of this year's conscripts will be sent. Sepa-rate armies are to be organized under Generals Grodekoff, Gripenberg and Mak-

Even in the most optimistic quarters however, it is realized that a general mobilization is likely to be accompanied by widespread disorders unless the composition and functions of the popular representation under the imperial rescript are more satisfactory than now appears

Practically no progress is being made by the Bouligan Commission. The Emperor is so much occupied with the war situation that he has twice postponed action on Governor Bouligan's recommendations, and the latter is represented to be so discatisfied that he desires to resign turn over his work to his assis

definitely decided that Vice-Admiral Rojestvensky shall continue his voyage and give battle to the Japanese in the hope of wresting control of the wa from Admiral Togo If Rojestvensky is successful, it is claimed that an entirely new omplexion will be placed on the situa

In the meantime, the completely dis-heartened ranks of those who are crying for peace are growing, the strangest convert being Prince Mestchersky, who as shown by his article in the Grashdanin this morning, has become suddenly a zealous advocate of reform, declaring that to make an end of the war would not require more heroism than to con-clude peace after victory. He thanks God for sending defeat instead of victory, which, he says, would only cover with laurely the gaping wounds and miseries of the poverty-stricken people and the badly-fed and badly-clothed but heroic soldiers, justified robbers of a peaceful

Glorified, though faithless servants of the Emperor" are exhorted to pe fter the present trials, and are urged to give re-birth to honor and duty."

No Other General Wanted Task. LONDON, March 17.—A St. Petersburg dispatch to the Times says General Line-vitch's appointment to succeed General

Kuropatkin was decided on at the last moment, because all the other Generals Emperor Nicholas consulted declined to assume the heavy burden.

KUROPATKIN WAS KNOCKED General Staff His Open Enemy, and

Equally Hostile to Linievitch. ST. PETERSBURG, March II.-Although General Kuropatkin's downfall was inevitable from a military standpoint, it arouses sympathy in circles familiar with the long campaign that has been waged against him by the General Staff. General Sakharoff was his open enemy, and General Dragomiroff his most severe critic, and many of his own subordinates were ical-Many epigrams about General Kurepatkin's shortcomings are attributed to General Dragomiroff, and the supersession of the former at such a critical moment is directly attributed to General Dragomiroff's advice, Emperor Nicholas not giv-ing ear to the veteran strategist in mili-

tary affairs. General Linievitch is distinctively a line officer with a long record as a fighter. He is almost as cordially disliked by the General Staff as was his predecessor, and there is also bad blood between Kuropatkin and Linievitch, dating from a personal quarrel in the days when Kuropatkin was commander of the Trans-Baikni army, which led Linievitch to demand satisfaction. Kuropatkin assumed the postion that he could not fight an officer of inferior rank. The succession of this offloer will naturally increase General Ku ropatkin's discomfiture.

FAULT IS WITH GENERAL STAFF

Kiriloff Says It Neglected to Map Scene of Hostillties.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 17 .- (11:12 P M.)-A. Kiriloff, the war correspondent M.)—A. Kiriloff, the war correspondent, continuing his disclosures of Russian army conditions, attributes to the failure of the General Staff to map properly the region between Liaoyang and Mukden, the Rus-sian loss of 45,000 men south of Mukden in sian loss of 45.000 men south of Mukden in October, when the troops were ordered to make a turning movement against a naturally impregnable position. Kiriloff asserts that the Gripenberg episode and other events indicate that the fault had not been remedied when the battle of Mukden began, and there were encountered "obstacles that were not expected because the country was not known until then because unmapped, and mapless because nobody bothered himself, though there had been ample time and opportuthere had been ample time and opportu

Kiriloff cites the case of a Chinese cali-ing on a missionary in Mukden and cas-ually mentioning that the Russians were preparing to burn the store at Yinkow, who, when questioned, said he had told the Cossacks that "this would cause Mist-chenko's failure."

Kirlioff concludes that the chief cause

of the reverses was the inactivity of the

General Staff.

Captain Clado, who was chief tactician for Vice-Admiral Rojestvensky, writing to the Novoe Vremya, attributes to the navy faults much the same as those which Kiriloff has ascribed to the army, the main shortcoming being the lack of scientific training and treating the science of war in general with contempt.

RUSSIANS FLED IN CONFUSION Japanese Capture of Tie Pass Climax

of Military Feat. WITH THE JAPANESE ARMIES.

WITH THE JAPANESE ARMIES, March 18 (10 A.M.), via Fusan, March 17.—The pursuing armies fully occupied Tie Pass at midnight, after a severe fight. The Russiana retired north in confusion, after setting fire to the railroad station and supplies.

The successful conclusion of the army's mission makes the movement the greatest of modern history. The armies covered about 90 miles in a forthight, fighting practically every inch of the way. It is not probable that the Russians will make another stand south of Harbin.

HONOLULU, March 17.—The British steamer Richmond, bound from London to the Orient, has put in here short of coal.

Her cargo is supposed to consist of war supplies. The captain of the Richmond says that his destination is Manila, but by some members of the crew the statement is made that the vessel is going to meet is messe may-yard. One of the after-noon papers says that the Richmond has a large cargo, including ammunition and machine guns, for the Japanese. Another paper publishes the report that the desti-nation of the vessel is Viadivostok.

Means War Will Continue. WARSAW, March 17 .- News of the dismissal of General Kuropatkin was an-nounced in special editions of newspapers today and caused excitement. The ap-pointment of a new commander-in-chief in Manchuria is taken as an indication that the war will be continued.

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Russia and Japan Both Seek Extensive Loans.

RUSSIA TO BORROW AT HOME

Her Banks Ready to Furnish \$100,-000,000 Japan Begins Negotiations for Loan in Berlin and New York.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 17 (5:30 P. M.)—An internal credit loan of \$100,000,000 on a 5 per cent basis is now being negotiated by the Ministry of Finance. The oan will be floated probably in a short time. The price of issuance has not been determined, but probably will be 33 to 55. The Associated Press was informed at the Ministry that the issuance of this loan is entirely independent of the French

loan is entirely independent of the French negotiations, which have not yet been concluded. Domestic rentes will be issued for a long term and will, as in the case of the internal credit loan, not be subject to the obligations of foreign loans. The payment of the interest and principal will be in gold and probably will be taxable.

The determination of the government to turn to Russia itself for funds was taken only recently. Yesterday the Minister of Finance conferred with a number of the principal bankers of St. Petersburg and Russia generally, and received the assurance that the project was feasible. The banks are prepared to underthe assurance that the project was real-ible. The banks are prepared to under-write on suitable terms. The Govern-ment Savings Bank, it is said, will as-sume \$25,000,000 of the total, and such banks as the Moscow Merchant, Volga and the Kama banks are well able to underwrite large portions of the loan from their resources.

A director of a prominent bank said that the banks of Russia could, if required, take the bonds and hold them in their own vaults. Questioned about the price, he declared that 33 would be "very cheap," but he said the conditions on that point had not yet been determined.

to the one issued last Fall, which was fully subscribed in half an hour.

BERLIN, March 17.-Inquiries of bankers here falled to confirm the report that Japan has actually begun negotiations for a loan in Berlin. lin and New York. Although no nego-tiations have yet begun, Japan is prob-ably testing the feeling of Germany towards a loan. The German govern-

ter, and that in the same way Japan was privileged to obtain a loan.

The Frankfurt Zeitung advises against investing or speculating in Japanese internal bonds, some of walch have reached Frankfort, London and

JAPAN WILL GO TO GERMANY Negotiations for Loan in Berlin and New York.

NEW YORK, March 17.-Negotiation are now under way in Berlin looking to the placing of a Japanese loan by German bankers. Advices to this effect were received by New York bankers today. The negotiations, it is understood, have been under way for some days, and a definite announcement on the subject is expected

If satisfactory arrangements are agreed upon, New York panas in arranging the proposed Japanese loan.

CZAR WILL NOT HEAR OF PEACE

Displeased When Witte Advised Hin to Take Kaiser's Advice. ST. PETERSBURG, March 17.-Many

interesting stories of the occurrences Tsarskoe-Selo are current in St. Petersburg drawing-rooms, where sometimes court news first leaks out. The most important statement is that Emperor William early this week strongly advised Emperor Nicholas to clared to have declined, answering that it was impossible under the present

According to the story, M. Witte president of the committee of ministers, was at the Alexander Palace when Emperor William's message was received and Emperor Nicholas asked his opinion. M. Witte is reported to have replied that he was ready to im-plore his Majesty on bended knees to accept the advice, whereupon Emperor Nicholas showed great displeasure and M. Witte again requested to be re-lieved of his functions as president of the committee of ministers.

OYAMA'S TRIUMPHAL ENTRY

Chinese Officials Welcome Marsha Into Mukden-Streets Decorated. GENERAL OKU'S HEADQUARTERS, March 15 (5 P. M.).—Field Marshal Oyama and staff entered Mukden this afternoon. They were met at the south gate by many troops encamping near Mukden, who lined the streets, displaying their tattered battle flags.

The Chinese officials welcomed Field Marshal Oyama, and thousands of Chinese congregated in the streets to with

MUCH BOOTY, MANY PRISONERS Japanese Tell Results of Victory at Tie Pass.

TOKIO, March 17 (9 A. M.),-A tele gram received today from army head-quarters in the field says: "The railway station at Tieling is ably testing the feeling of Germany towards a loan. The German government does not seem opposed to the project, because Chancellor von Buelow today, replying to criticism of Germany taking up the last Russian loan, said it was plainly a private material was destroyed. We have captured to the station at Tieling is a tous today to the splendid structure, and its arrangements of the Liao Tang. The enemy's provisions and fodder, piled around the station, were set on fire and two-thirds of the loan, said it was plainly a private material was destroyed. We have captured to the project, because Chancellor von Buelow today, replying to criticism of the project, because Chancellor von Buelow today, replying to criticism of the station at the project, because Chancellor von Buelow today.



Children's Dresses We will display today in the Suit Store the first arrivals is children's dresses for Spring wear. made in Buster Brown, Peter Thompson and Russian sailor styles of brilliantines, cheviots, serges and shepherd checks. Sizes 6 to 16. Prices begin at \$5 and go up to \$12.50.

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ings, mounted with gold and jewels in a great variety of new designs; real \$1.25 to \$2.00

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ity Trefousse P K Snede Gloves, Paris Point embroidery, black, white, slate, mode; regular \$1.75, spe-.....\$1.49

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tured numerous spoils, but have had no time to investigate them.

"A great number of prisoners have been taken in the direction of the right wing, but the details of their Russia's recourse to raising money by capture have not yet been received."

CRIMINAL AGAINST HUMANITY German Socialist Denounces Czar in Debate on Russian Loans.

BERLIN, March 17.—In the Reichstag today Herr Bernstein, Socialist, referring to the placing of the recent Russian loan in Berlin, said:

"Russian securities have shown since the outbreak of the war singular stabil-ity. Nothing similar has been seen in country before. It is an open secret high finance in Berlin and Paris does everything possible to maintain the quotations on Russian bonds, influencing public opinion by all possible means to prevent a crash, which otherwise would be unavoidable. Behind these operations

means of loans proves her determination not to issue paper, although that would render loans unnecessary. Russia's great sacrifices for the adoption of the gold standard preclude its return to unredeem-

Quite a sensation has been created throughout Europe by the London Times article and this is the only official author-

-War News Depresses Stocks.

PARIS, March 17.—Prices on the Bourse today were much depressed by fears of a prolongation of the war and heavy selling of internationals. Russian imperial 4s were quoted at \$7.20, and Russian bonds of 1904 at 5.02.

AT THE HOTELS.

prevent a crash, which otherwise would be unavoidable. Behind these operations stands the imperial government, I want to know what is the attitude of the government on the question. Russia must be kept borrowing to pay the interest on old loans. If a private man acted thus, he would come before the couris for fraudulent bankruptey."

Herr Bernstein argued against Germany loaning to Russia, since it only prolongs the rotten system in Russia, "which stamps Emperor Nicholas and his henchmen as criminals against humanity."

Vice-President Pasche, who was in the chair, called Herr Bernstein to order for these words.

Herr Bernstein rejoined; "If what is going on in East Asia is no crime, then let's strike the word from the language. The war is only a question of power for Russia. Everybody must do what is possible to overthrow the system in Russia."

Chancellor von Buslow, replying to Herr Bernstein, said the maintenance of the quotations on Russian securities was due to the fact that the great majority of the holders of these bonds in Germany have greater confidence in the conomic and political conditions in Russia and in the future of the Russian empire than the Socialists have, and therefore they of the Socialis

the holders of these bonds in Germany have greater confidence in the economic and political conditions in Russia and in the future of the Russian empire than the future of the Russian empire than the Socialists have, and therefore they held them for better times rather than throw them away in panicky fright. The government, he said, is perfectly neutral toward Russia's borrowing here.

"We would," he said, "calse no difficulties if Japan wanted to raise money in Germany, We had no ground on which to prevent Russia from foating a loan in Germany, considering our good relations. When Prince Bismarck inaugurated his campaign against Russian loans he thought the money borrowed in Germany would be used for military purposes against Germany. We have no such fear today. Bismarck changed his mind later and had Russian securities recommended to the German public."

ATTACKS ON BUSSIAN CREDIT

Governor of State Bank Denies the Statements of London Times.

ST. PETERSBUEG, March II.—Privy Councilor Timesheff, Governor of the State Bank and a man of the highest standing in the hank world, said today:

The London Times campaign against. Russian credit is malicious and unwarranted. Our gold reserve is proportionately the largest in the world and remains in the vaults and photographed by Sir in the vaults and photographed in the vaults and photographed in the vaults and photographed in the vaul

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