RUSSIANS CUT

Rojestvensky Interrupts Communication Between the Island and China.

BRITISH SQUADRON IS OUT

Cruising to Guard Hongkong's Neutrality-Successes Claimed by Both Armies in Neighbor-

SPECIAL CABLE.
HONGKONG, April 27.--It is announced here that the cable to Hainan is cut and it is suspected that it is the ork of either Rojestvensky's fleet or of some secret Russian agency. This announcement has greatly inconsed the British residents of Hongkong, who openly declare that, if continued breaches of neutrality are to be permitted upon the part of the Russian Baltic fleet, the time has come for Great Britain to interfere.

It is not believed here that there is any prospect of the two contending fleets battling before next Saturday or

NO DISGRACE IN MAKING PEACE

Countess Tolstol Condemns Prosecu

tion of War by Russia.

DONDON, April 26 .- But if exers and generals feel the disgrace of peace, then let us mothers of all the masses receit against those slaughters which have so rent our hearts."

Thus concludes a powerful appeal for peace written by Countess Sophie Tolstol to a friend, published in this morning's Times. The letter eloquently describes the terrible suffering Russia is enduring through the war, maintains that practically the whole people con-demn the war, and says:

Peace cannot be a disgrace, as many wrongly imagine. A lost war is not a disgrace, but a misfortune. A spiritually undeveloped, unchristian nation, such as the Japanese, was bound to conquer, for among them is rife that principle of patriotism which is opposed to the Christian principle of the love of one's neighbor and therefore of opposition to war. They have not yet grown up to the way to it. Better let go all those lands acquired by such insanely cruel methods, in order that the remaining lands should prosper and the people bless their rulers."

RUSSIANS TAKE TWO VILLAGES

Changtu.

ST. PETERSBURG, April 3.-General Linievitch, in a alimpatch to Empero Nicholas, dated April 25, says:

"Cur advance posts, April 22, forced the onemy successively to evacuate the fortipaiomeng. The Japanese occupied a forti-fied position about three miles south of left flank induced them to retreat hastly towards Kayancheng after burning their provision depot. Our troops, April 23, compelled the enemy to retire to Kayan-

The same day Russian advance guards pursuing the enemy approached Changtu, about 50 miles above Tie Pass, which is strongly fortified and occupied by the Japanese. Our artillery opened fire on the east side of the town, but when it became apparent that the place was strongly held, our troops retired. Our cavalry destroyed telegraph line between Kayancheng

RUSSIANS BEATEN IN SKIRMISH

Japanese Repel Attempt to Check Their Advance.

TOKIO, April 26 (2 P. M.)-The follow-

"On April 24 a Russian force consisting of five battallous of infantry, 16 sot-nias of cavalry, and one battery of arhas of cavairy, and one battery of ar-tillery, in pressing our advanced cavairy, attacked them in the vicinity of Kaiyuan. Our Kaiyuan force attacked the Russians in return, defeating and pursuing them north to Mienhuachieh. Our cas-ualties were 35. The enemy left about 200 dead on the field.

"Two other Russian forces, one con-sisting of six battalions of infantry and is sounias of cavalry; the other of 12 sounias of cavalry and one battallon of artillery, attacked Changtu and Slaotatzu, respectively,: but retreated forth when other Russian force was defeated at

German Collier Given Coal.

PORT LOUIS, Island of Mauritius April 26.—The German steamer Juli-ette has been granted leave to ship 500 tons of coal on board. She will sail tomorrow for Saigon, Cochin-

(The coaling of the Juliette, which arrived here April 19, was stopped by the local officials owing to statements made by British members of the crew to the effect that the Juliette was carrying stores to the Russian squadron in the China Sen.)

Pleet Still Awalts Nebogatoff.

ST. PETERSBURG, April 38.—It is in-timated in naval circles that Admiral Rojestvensky is now in the Gulf of Ton-quin, where, under the shelter of Haiman lained and far outside territorial waters, he can await the arrival of the fourth director of his sandown commended. division of his squadron, commanded by Admiral Nebogatoff. No confirmation of this report is obtainable at the Admi-ralty, where it is maintained that the exact location of Rojestvensky's squadron is unknown.

British Squadron on Cruise.

HONG KONG, April 26.-The British steamer Calchas, from Glasgow for Fokohams, which put in here today, sighted three British battleships add two cruisers this morning, steaming southeast off Linting Island, about 100 miles southwest of Hong Kong.

Formosa Under Martial Law.

TOKIO, April 28 -- (7 A. M.)-The Privy Council today decided that martial law

Fire at North Yakima.

NORTH YAKIMA, Wash., April 26 .-(Special.)-The residence of Richard

KNEISEL'S STRING

OUARTET

MARQUAM GRAND

Saturday Night

As the Kneisel Quartet is unquestion ably the greatest organization of its kind today, and all music-lovers will want to hear them. So does our quartet of highgrade planos-the Knabe, Everett, Hardman and Fischer-stand out as pre-eminently the greatest combination of planos to be found in the United States, and handled by one firm, and persons wanting an instrument that will respond to every requirement should not fall to call at our warerooms and see and hear them. We have them in all the latest styles, and, what is most important, we are in a position to sell them as low as planes of much less standing are sold for. Besides the above, we have other high-grade pianos, as well as quite a number of the cheaper makes, and can meet every requirement as to price and terms. have at this time quite a number of good second-hand and used planes that we are closing out at about one-half their value. You will find them ranging in price all the way from \$75 up, and all sold on our

Allen & Gilbert-Ramaker Co.

Corner Sixth and Morrison.

Strobach, the feed stable of A. F. Baker and the cider mill and plant of J. C. Applegate were totally destroyed by fixe at an early hour this morning. aggregating a loss of \$7500. Fire started in Baker's yard and on account of high wind quickly spread to other buildings. Strobach's loss is \$4000, with \$2400 insurance, Baker's loss is \$1500, with \$500 insurance, and Applegate's loss is \$2000, with no insurance.

POMEROY MILL BURNED.

Landmark of Garfield County Destroyed at Early Morning.

SPOKANE, April 27.-A special from Pomeroy, Wash., to the Spokesman-

"The Pomeroy Flour Mills, a landmark of Garfield County, together with \$10,000 worth of grain and flour, burned about 2 o'clock this morning. The loss on the mill But Linievitch Admits Repulse From 1s \$55,000. Origin of the fire is not known The Allen Hotel was considerably dam-

Lectured by the Judge.

OREGON CITY, Or., April 26,-(Special.)-Charles Straight, found guilty in the Circuit Court of a charge of assault with a dangerous weapon, was this morning sentenced by Judge McBride to Nemaipaomeng, but our artillery fire and pay a fine of \$100. The sentence was the appearance of our detachment on their suspended and Judge McBride soundly left flack induced them to retreat hastliy tectured the young man. Straight was convicted of an assault with a knife on Deputy Fish Warden Louis Rall.

German Prince Will Watch War.

PEKIN. April %-According to present arrangements, Prince Prederick Leopold of Prussia will leave on Sunday next, via Kalgan and Kinchta, to join the Russian army in Manchuria.

His visit here has been very quiet. He officially visited their majesties, the Emperor and Dowager Empress. The Prince expresses himself very much pleased with

100 Doses

For One Dollar

Economy in medicine must be measured by two things-cost and effect. It cannot be measured by either alone. It is greatest in that medicine that does the most for the money -that radically and permanently cures at the least expense. That medicine is

Hood's Sarsaparilla

It purifies and enriches the blood, cures pimples, eczems and all eruptions, tired, languid feelings, loss of appetite and general debility.

"I have taken Hood's Sarsaparilla and found it reliable and giving perfect satisfan-tion. It takes away that fired feeling, gives energy and puts the blood in good condition."
Miss Effix Colonna, 1835 10th Street, N. W.,

Hood's Sarsaparilla promises to cure and keeps the promise.



Positively cured by these Little Pills.

They also relieve Distress from Dyspepsia, Indigestion and Too Hearty Eating. A perfect remedy for Dizziness, Nausea, Drowsiness, Bad Taste in the Mouth, Couted Tongue Pain in the Side, TORPID LIVER. They Regulate the Bowels. Purely Vegetable.

Small Dose. Small Price.

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Portland's **Greatest Store**

FOREMOST CONGRESS STORE ON THE PACIFIC COAST

A Stirring Group of Peerless Values

Whatever we do for the masses we do for the individual, and so this store is to you a better thing than if you had at your command a score of buyers that you could send world-hunting for comforts and luxuries. If you sent your own buyers, you would need to take what they bought. When you look over the fine things we gather, you buy only what your taste approves and your caution justifies.

It isn't worth a cent to us to have you think of this store as simply a great big thing that holds a mass of goods. Think of it as YOUR STORE; think of it as

maintaining every arm of its service subject to your call. That is just exactly what it is and what it does.

No question about it, the tendency is growing to give less good service in many businesses. The railroads and their inter-dependent agencies are doing less for the convenience of the public. So no wonder this, PORTLAND'S GREATEST STORE, shines by comparison when it makes its service better and better.

NOTE PARTICULARLY TODAY THE MATCHLESS VALUES IN THE JEWELRY AND SHOE STORES

SENSATIONAL. SCINTILLATING Jewelry Bargains THAT GLEAM With

Matchless

We have made up one assertment of Stick Pins, Hat Pins, Brooch Pins, Link Buttons, Beauty Pins, Belt Pins, etc., that we are going to offer your choice at, each.......3c One lot of Collar Button Sets; 4 on a card; good quality rolled-plate—25c value for 19c—and the 19c values for 7c

Five gross of good quality Gold-Platel Beauty Pins-Regular two-for-5c value; this sale, per Josen.....19c

One lot 19c Sterling-Top Emery Balls at Your choice of a lot of 25c and 25c Hat Pins for 17e One lot of Rolled-Gold Neck Chains with brilliant cut pen-dants-Regular 85c values for 49c-and the 65c values, 29c

See our "Specials" in Leather Goods Section; they are money-

Special Opening Sale of

LADIES' WHITE DUCK



Ducks are on the wing. Great flocks of them have alighted here the past few days and will have their "homing" to-day. The dainty hats are—to induige in a little permissible slang—real "birds" in style. Chic. snappy. down-to-date creations: a dozen styles in the choosing; very latest effects that include jaunty sailor and Charlotte Corday shapes. Generous assort- 98C to \$8



A BIG SPECIAL WASH FABRICS

JACQUARD PIQUES AT 25c. Wash Goods Aisle-First Floor. Fine Jacquard Piques: soft, medium weight, in handsome raised effects

-Special price, the yard 25c

Thursday's inducements for Hosiery and Underwear Buying

In the First-Floor Shops



WOMEN'S 50c HOSE 59c. Black all-lace Lisle Hope, full fashloned double sole-Regular value 50c; special, pair................39e

WOMEN'S 35c HOSE 25c. Gauze Liste Hose, double sole, spliced heel and toe-Regular value 25c; special, pair25c CHILDREN'S HOSE 15e PAIR.

Children's very fine ribbed Black Lisle Hose; seamless; sizes 61/2 to 16; spe-

WOMEN'S 75c VESTS 59c. White Lisle Swiss-Ribbed long-sleave Vests-Regular value 75c; special,

CHILDREN'S 15c VESTS 10c. Children's White Cotton low neck. sleeveless Vests-Regular values 12%c and 15c; special, each 10c

A Timely Purchase of Women's Smartly Tailored Garments at an Underprice Will Help to Create **Brisk Buying**

For the Balance of the Week

In the Grand Salons of Dress

LARGEST WOMEN'S APPAREL STORE WEST OF CHICAGO.

A SENSATIONAL WIND-UP-OF-THE-WEEK

Sale of Swagger Suits, Jackets and Skirts

Shirtwaist and Tailored Street Styles in the Suit Groups

Read the details-the story is short and to the point. The values are the greatest we ever offered-and the statement is carefully, truthfully made.

All above garments are rare bargains. The product of a leading New York maker, whose very successful models are famous for style and worth thro out the land. He sold them to us at a closing-out price that enables us to mark them at these matchless value prices. Get early selection is our well-meant advice. There's rare selection among these wonderful bargains.

\$15 Suits for \$10.68 Cheviots and Venetians, blouse effects, with peplum, 3-

gored plaited flare skirt; Bishop sleeves; braid and button

trimmed; colors, black, blues and browns \$38.50 Suits for \$29.68 Chevlots, Panamas and fancy tweedish mixtures. In

blouse effects and with fancy jackets with vest. Skirts are

fancy plaited and shirred. Trimmings of fancy braids, novelty buttons and ornaments. In blacks, blues, grays and tans, in mixed effects and rich navys. \$20 Suits for \$14.75

fects; Bishop sleeves; skirts in both flounce and fancy plaited effects, fancy braid and butten trimmings; blacks, blues, browns and mannish fancy mixtures.

Panama cloths and attractive fancy mixtures; blouse ef-

\$25.00 and \$28.50 Suits for \$18.98 Etamines and fancy tweedish mixtures, Etons, blouse and jacket styles; skirts fancy plaited, plain tallored and trimmings of fancy braids, buttons and taffeta. Plain and fancy sleeve effects. Blacks, browns, blues and handsome

Women's Handsome \$12.50 Shirtwaist Suits for \$7.98

Women's

Smart \$10 Jackets \$7.65

In both handsome Coverts and black Broadcloths; very latest style effects, cornel-fitting, single-breasted and full satin-lined. Some collaries and others with notched collars; leg-o'-mutton sieeves, atrapped trimming effects. Best \$19.00 values; special for last three days \$7.65

Women's New \$8.50

Walking Skirts for \$5.98

Beautifully tailored in full, round pedestrienne lengths, of alpaca and Panama cloric; fancy plaited styles; some in 13-gored, others in 28-gored styles; high plaited and graduated plait effects. Blacks, navys and browns. A regular \$5.50 value; special until closing time of Sat. \$5.98 urday only, for

SCHOOL OF DOMESTIC SCIENCE. TEA ROOM Second Floor

Under the Auspices of Portland T. W. C. TODAY'S MENU.

Tea Coffee Chocolote Milk in Bottler Vegetable Soup. Creamed Chicken with Mushrooms on Toast Tongue Sandwiches. Bread and Butter. Scotch Short Bread. Hot Rolls.

Tremendous and Startling Price-Cuts in the

Stock-Reducing Shoe Sale The "Fair-Way"-First Floor, West Annex. WOMEN'S \$3.00 OXFORD TIES \$2.39.

Women's "Champagne" color Oxford Ties: Bluener cut, turned soles; large cycleta and wide ribbon ties; tala senson's goods and very stylish—Regular \$3.00 vaine; special sale price, the pair \$2.00 WOMEN'S \$4.00 IMPORTED TIES \$2.39,

WOMEN'S \$5.00 OXFORDS \$2.50.

Dark tan vici kid Oxford Ties, with either turned or well soles Regular \$4.00 and \$5.00 values; special at, pair \$2.89 WOMEN'S \$1.50 SLIPPERS DIC. Patent Colt One-Strap Slippers-Regular \$1.59 value; spe-WOMEN'S OXFORD TIES in Russia calf, dark shades:
Blucher cut; stylish but comfortable heads—Regular \$2.0 value; special sale price, the pair \$2.30
WOMEN'S LOW SHOES of black vici kid, with patent tip:
military neels; splendid shous—Regular \$2.00 value; special sale price, the pair \$2.30

A GREAT SPECIAL BARGAIN

WOMEN'S \$3.50 OXFORD THES \$2.30.

WOMEN'S WHITE CANVAS OXFORDS. WOMEN'S \$3.50 SHOES \$2.80.

MEN'S SHOES

MEN'S \$3.50 SHOES \$2.40. Men's Snoes, here in vici kid and velour calf; lace style; the famous "Packard make"—Regular \$2.50 value; special sale price, the pair \$2.49

MEN'S \$4.00, \$4.50 AND \$5.00 SHOES FOR \$3.49. The celebrated "Pingree" Shoes for men, here in all the different styles and in the best of leathers; some with double sole, others with medium or heavy soles. These Shoes have been selling for \$4, \$4.30 and \$5, special price, the pair

MEN'S \$4.00 SHOES FOR \$3.39.

BOYS' SHOES. BOYS' \$1.50 CANVAS SHOES 99c.

Boys' Brown Canvas Lace Soces; calf trimmed; all solid; sizes 2 to 512—Regular \$1.50 value; special at pair....99e YOUTHS' sizes in the same Shoes; special at, pair. She CHILDREN'S SHOES,

CHILDREN'S \$1.25 SHOES 79c. CHILDREN'S \$1.50 SHOES SDe.

CHILDREN'S \$2.25 SHOES \$1.50.

CHILDREN'S \$2.25 SHOES \$1.49.

Extra Special!

A SENSATIONAL SALE TODAY OF

REMNANTS

400 Short Pieces of Plain and Novelty Silks, in lengths from 1 to 5 yards, that have sold regularly from 35c to \$1.75 per yard; on Bargain Table in Silk Store, Fifth-Street Annex,

TODAY