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EMPEROR'S PRESENT LESSON.

If England win her latest controversy with France, it will be because her fleet is ready for action. The radicals in Paris care little for the fact that under treaties and by right of conquest England has a just claim to Fashoda. Certain of England's unpreparedness for war and hopeful of support from Russia, the French extremists would laugh at England's claims and insist that Major Marchand hold Fashoda. But with a victorious Anglo-Egyptian army within striking distance of Fashoda, with the people of England putting aside party differences and supporting as one man the government's policy of no surrender, and with the British fleet ready for action, France will be likely to yield and peace will probably be preserved.

In European capitals outside of Paris the French claims to Fashoda has no standing, and yet the purpose of the French government in organizing the Marchand expedition to the Upper Nile country was definitely hostile to England's plans in the same region. France hoped to have a footing on the Nile before the power of the Mahdi could be broken by England, and in this way to compel a readjustment of the claims in the Nile valley. As it is, France has only a constructive advantage, not a tactical one. The French government may insist upon its interpretation of the occupation of Fashoda, but in the face of existing treaties and the notification of England's purpose as to the Soudan, such an interpretation is unwarranted, and insistence is only an excuse for war. With such an excuse, flimsy as it is, there probably would be war, were England unprepared. But as her army and navy are ready there will be peace.

In all the discussions of this question in Europe it is noticeable that no reference is made to the Czar's pronouncement in favor of disarmament as a means of preserving peace. The moment the vital interests of nations conflict, the Czar's utterance is pushed aside. Even in the foreign office of Russia it is admitted that it is useless to preach disarmament to the great powers, and that the Czar's rescript can only be applied to the weaker powers. If the weaker powers will disarm, says the Russian foreign minister, the stronger powers fully armed, will protect them and preserve the peace. In other words, only that nation can maintain sovereign rights which is sufficient strong and adequately prepared to enforce them. That is the lesson of the present situation in Europe.

A Democratic paper says the Republicans have changed their tone on the subject of new markets away from home. The new markets chiefly under consideration at present are not away from home. They are to be a part of Uncle Sam's territory. Republican expansion is not a theory, but sticks to the ribs.

Missouri's Democratic officials have not yet decided that the Populists have any right to a place on the official ballot. This sequel of fusion is rough on the trustful Populists, who thought to reform the world by joining hands with Democrats.

A Democratic paper in St. Louis charges that the Populists of the state are Republicans in disguise. This is a queer reward for nearly fifty thousand votes for the Democratic ticket in 1896.

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