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PROBABLE WAR

Sr. Peressure, April 29. - The exar has sent an ultimatum to Great and Britain, demanding that the latter shall accept Russia's proposed boundary line between Turkestan and Afghanistan; if Great Britain refuses to accept this boundary, Russia will proceed to occupy Herat.

Fifty heavy guns have been sent from Keiff to Finland The czar has signed orders for the equipment of the whole Russian fleet. The Russian minister of marine has completed an inspection of all the forts at Cron-

The Odessa division of the Russian army, numbering 30,000 men, has been ordered from the Black sea to the Caspian. Garrisons in and around Odessa will be replaced by troops from the interior. The sum of 1,500, 000 roubles (\$975,000) has been awarded to complete the defences around

sent to Sveaborg to strengthen the military defences at that important post. The government is-buying coal abroad, at any price, and is engaging the services of a large number of la-

Two hundred workmen have been

Orders have been issued for the mobilization of the entire Russian Ice is rapidly disappearing from Helsingfors and Riga. In reference to Mr. Gladstone's

speech in the house of commons, the Norae Vremya says Russia cannot agree to an inquiry into the Peujdeh A dispatch confirms the statements

of the Independence Belge that in the recent engagement with Afghans the Bussians were defeated with heavy loss. LONDON, April 30.—The govern-ment has asked Russia to explain the

advance of Russian troops on the Maruchak. Mr. Gladstone will probably make a statement in the house of commons to-night in regard to the matter. The government is in constant communication with Persia, in regard to her present relations with

The speech of Gladstone in the house of commons on Monday upon the vote of credit is received with profound interest throughout Europe, and published in full in all the news-papers. It dispelled any idea that may have been entertained heretofore that England will make concession to Russia. The general opinion of the press is that the speech makes war

Europe.

In the house of commons to day Provisions, chak. Edmund also said Gen. Lumsden himself in a telegram dated April 25, incidentally speaks of the recent occupation of Maruchak by the Russians.

The Standard, referring to the occupation of Maruchak by the Russians, says: "There can be no ques-Glass and Plated Ware, tion of the provocation in this stance. The occupation of Maru-chak stands out broadly and undis-Wines, Liquors, Tebacco, Cigars is little room for doubt that it can be Holden's Auction Rooms | considered anyting else than a deliberate act of aggression, and this act of aggression has the appearance | the Baltic and at the Dandanelles. of being specially chosen in order that there may be no possibility of a further mistake. It is a deliberate Real Estate and General Anctioneer grant violation of Russian promises

and assurances." The Times, in a review of the rewhich is but little removed from act-

nal war. It is stated that the government has received an important memoran-dum from Dufferin upon the views of the Indian government, and upon the action of Russia since the begin-ning of the existing controversy over the definition of the boundary of Russia and Afghanistan.

The Russian advance south of Marchak is regarded in parliamentary circles as dispelling the last hopes of a peaceful solution, and the precursor of a Russian advance upon Herat.

A Rawal Pindi letter states that the ameer of Afghanistan regards the

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ture Herat. The whole people of Afghanistan and Turkestan therefore looked to England apparently in all sincerity to aid the ameer in repelling Russia.

Bussian papers publish a pretended proclamation of the ameer, issued from Jamroo, declaring "it war is forced on the Afghans they will rise as a single man, to repel the invaders; but as between England and Russia, if left to our own independence, I will protect peace between the control of passengers will leave taking and fragrant perfume. Price 25 and 50 cents and fragrant perfume.

It is reported that Baron DeStaal, in an interview with Earl Granville. stated that an advance of English to-

ward Candahar would be the signal for Russian occupation of Herat. Russia, he said, would not admit the right of England to form a protect-orate of Afghanistan and would insist upon that country remaining neu-

Berlin, April 29.-France, Germany and Austria have been discussing a project for promotion of a neutral league, and have invited Italy and Turkey to join them, but neither of the later powers has as yet given a decided reply.

COPENHAGEN, April 29. Sweden and Norway are urging on Denmark the expediency of uniting with them in the issue of a proclamation, in the event of war, declaring strict neutrality. Parts, April 29.—Morning papers here, in their comments to-day on Gladstone's speech, regard it as a

preface of war. NEW YORK, April 29 .- The Herald's cablegram from Moscow says: Nine thousand troops and six batteries of artillery belonging to the eighth army corps left here to-day for the south. Last night ten companies of engineers, with 200 carloads of rail-

and telegraph plant, left for First Class in Every Respect Askabad, where the greatest activity prevails. Telegraph lines that only a few weeks ago ended at Askabad now extend to Sarakhs, 200 miles be-yond, and only 190 miles from Herat. It is stated that sufficient railway material has been already collected Fitted up with every Conven-at Askabad to build a railway to Herat, via Sarakhs and Penjdeh, a dis tance of 460 miles, in an incredibly short space of time. Extraordinary preparations by Russian engineers are being made to follow up the ad-vance of troops by the immediate

construction of railroads. SUAKEM, April 29.-Hostile Arabs re again becoming troublesome to the British. Scouting parties of these Arabs now make constant attempts to destroy sections of the Sunkem-Berber railway already constructed, and they cut telegraph lines whereever they can. Every night now El Mahdi's men fire upon and into the British forts.

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The conjoined planets are just setting: this presignifies sedition, certain. Newspapers are filled with discussions of probable alliances the respective belligerents may form in reign of violence, corruption of fruit, the event of war It is now thought overflowing of the sen, epidemie sick-the war so near at hand will not be ness, and a high rate of mortality." confined to Asia, but be extended into Montreal, Can., Gazette

WINNIPEO, April 29.—The govern-ment wire to the front, which was Allen, Lord Edmund Fitzmaurice, under ment wire to the front, which secretary of foreign affairs, read a interrupted yesterday, cutting off communication with General Middle-telegram from General Lumsden, telegram from General Lumsden, working again to-night. gram mentions that the governor of Herat had received a report that Russian troops had advanced upon Maruchak. Edmund also said Gen. Lumsden tion and Gatling gun for Middleton,

The ice is out of the Volga and breaking in the Baltic; the ports in the latter sea have been laid with torpedoes during the past fortnight; Officers out of the country have been recalled to report at their above. recalled to report at their ships or FRUITS AND VEGETABLES.

chak stands out broadly and undisguised as a clear invasion of the territory of Afghanistan, without even the pretense of military necessity.

Assuming that the news of the occuthat the Muscovite army is in Herat, intrenching against an Indian inva-sion, and that the English fleet is in

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