

BRITISH FAITH IN LURKING TOGO

Experts Do Not Expect a General Engagement.

THE RUSSIANS TO BE HARRIED

**May Eventually Be Coralled in
of Vladivostock—French Neutrality
Crisis Relaxing.**

London, May 15.—Though somewhat disquieted by the delay, Englishmen retain their confidence in Admiral Togo. He must be hushed in grim repose for some good strategic purpose. Those best qualified to judge refuse to accept

the picturesque assumption of some London journals that Japan will stake her whole fortunes on one pitched battle. As a correspondent recalls in the

Times, when Lord Nelson did this in 1805, he had behind him the other numerous and unconquered fleets of Great Britain. Behind Admiral Togo, if he should be decisively defeated, stands nothing. Admiral Rojestvensky, pro-

D" ably, will therefore be harried from point to point, losing many mind and craft. If he gets through with the re-

mainder of his fleet to Vladivostok, as is thought not improbable, Japan will try to invest the place, and repe-

the Port Arthur experience from the
land. If, on the other hand, the Ru-
liens should defeat Admiral Togo and
gain command of the sea, English ex-
ports bid us remember that Napoleon

was two years in Egypt, a much less promising country, after he had lost command of the sea, and that the Japanese in Manchuria will get plenty to do.

Happily, the crisis over the French neutrality question has lost during the past week some of its ugliest features. It has been made clear even to Japan that France earnestly desires to avoid

If Mr. Balfour were in the habit of making confidences, as he is not,

would probably express the belief that he will live in history chiefly because of two achievements, namely, his

position to Irish Nationalism and home rule, and his discovery of a reasonable defense policy for the British Empire. In his capacity of chairman of the defense committee of the Government, he has finally laid the invasion bog which has haunted Englishmen at intervals since the days of the first

pooleon, one might indeed say since the Norman conquest. He has proved at least to his own satisfaction, that invasion is impossible either in the country or in India. The force of 70 men, which Lord Roberts and other military experts agree is the small

possible force that could hope to capture London, could not land in the face of the torpedo attack and the submarine mines. Under the new system, keeping a fleet of reserve ships always ready for action at home, all danger would be removed.

Regarding the invasion of India, Balfour declared that unless the Russians should succeed in building a way through Afghanistan to the Indian frontier, all ideas of an invasion might be dismissed, and he gave

Two practical conclusions follow. The Indian army must be strengthened.

Passes an the British home defense force, namely, the volunteers, must be liable on an emergency to serve abroad. The fear of many members of Parliament is that the committee's conclusions may be made an excuse to

The Spectator declares that should be mad to destroy the volunteers. No man can say what national emergencies ahead. We the volunteers to train the manhood the nation to meet emergencies.

ever they may be, and whenever they may arise."

Mr. Wyndham has gone home. Sir Antony MacDonnell and the United Irish reformer remain, and will continue to give emphatic and unflinching assertion to their conviction that, notwithstanding, Ireland can only escape national paralysis by the adoption of some form of direct democratic rule of Irish affairs. As Lord Dufferin said, "The only way to get the people to do anything is to let them do it."

Whyte, of the present, sets for a year. A long, and ever, better.

**THE "WOLVERINE"
SMASHES RECORD**

**by New M. C. R. Flyer Does
Miles in 105 Minutes, Wind
sor to St. Thomas.**

Windsor, July 15.—The summer timetable of the Michigan Central Railroad took effect yesterday, and the "Vermine," a new, fast, passenger train from Detroit to New York did a record-breaking. The train's regular running time from Detroit to Buffalo averages nearly a mile a minute. Yesterday she ran from Windsor to Thomas, 110 miles in 195 minutes, between Ridgeway and St. Thomas twice reached a speed of 84 miles an hour.