THE UNITED STATES NOTE.

Statement of Instructions Sent to Min isters By Secretary Hay.

Washington, Feb. 13. The state de-

apparently total wrecks. The Japanese attack was resumed in the morning, when another battleship was disabled Russian fleet appeared to be completely demoralized and their torpedoes were useless against the Japanese."

Island of Hokkaido), were surrounded and shelled by four Russian warships, presumably the Vladivostock squadron off the coast of Herunshi (Okushir). The Nakanoura Maru was sunk, but the Zensho Maru escaped and arrived safely described in the college of the coast of Herunshi (Okushir). The Subject of China have created surprise here. It is pointed out that the note was only printed a few days are not the following inand shelled by four Russian warships, at Fukayana (island of Hokkaido).

Transport Lost.

More Troops Ready.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 12.-Russia is evidently not prepared at this time to give an answer to Secretary Hay's note on the subject of neutrality of China as previously stated in these dispatches. Hostilities having begun, the military authorities must be consulted and the Czar doubtless will refer the matter for Viceroy Alexieff, if he has not already done so. Russia, it can be said, is as anxious as the United States that the war should cause no uprisings or disorders in China. Indeed the attitude of China is already causing some misgivings here, as she has not declared her

It is thought here that the action of the Japanese in flooding Pekin with posters relating to their victories is part of a well-laid campaign projected from the beginning to break down Russia's prestige in China for the purpose of effecting the union of the two races.

Another patriotic demonstration occurred here this afternoon. An imperial ukase, dated February 10th, was issued to-day. It commands that all the troops in the military establishments in the Siberian military dis tricts be placed in readiness for war that all the divisions in the Far Eastern vice-royalty be brought to war strength and that the army and navy reserves in the Siberian and Kazan districts be called out for active service. The authorities are empowered to requisition the necessary horses

Count Von Outsoffdashkoff, one of the closest friends of Emperor Alexander III:, will be head of the Red Cross work under the Empress Dowager. The Red \$2,000,000 from the city of St. Peters burg, and the merchants of the city have promised to give \$750,000 more. The city of Moscow and the merchants here have contributed \$900,000 and it is ex pected that the amount available for Red Cross work will reach \$5,000,000 within a week. All the officials in the minis tries have promised to contribute from three to ten per cent. of their salaries. Four thousand hospital beds are ready for shipment, and four thousand mor will go forward within a fortnight.

Fired on British Steamer. Ohefoo, Feb. 12 .- The British steame Fa Ping when leaving Port Arthur was nese members of the crew were wounded The Russians afterwards apologized for firing on the vessel. The Fu Ping anon its arrival at Wei-Hai-Wei filed a protest with the British commissioner

Seeking Money. Paris, Feb. 13.-The Berlinant correspondent of the Gaulois says he learns Report of Destruction of Hakodate Is liam, prafiting from his influence over the Sultan, has obtained from the Turkish ruler a formal promise to take no steps which would create complication in the Balkans so long as the war in the Far East lasts. It is alleged, the correspondent continues, that Bulgaria has given a similar pledge to St. Peters-

Gil Blas, this morning, declares that the Russian government is negotiating with several banks, which are to underin France, which is to be issued at 92. and to bear interest at 5 per cent. The paper declares that this project would have already been accomplished but for the danger of causing depreciation in the value of the existing bonds.

Another Fight.

Tientsin, Feb. 13.-It is reported from Ohin Wang Tao, about 150 miles northeast of Tientsin, that heavy firing has been heard at sea, and it is inferred that | Far East. another engagement has taken place.

Russian Baltic Fleet. Berlin, Feb. 12.—The best denial of the statement that Russia wishes to send 15 canal was made at the navy department, ing all she has there, according to the intelligence here, that could be made serviceable against Japan, and as many the sender claims he saw one Japanese coaling ships might have to go with them, the German naval opinion is that so small a fleet could do nothing alone. Russia is withdrawing portions of her garrison on the German frontier, pre-sumably because she is fully confident of Germany's neutrality.

MAKE LIGHT OF DAMAGE.

New York, Feb. 13.-In a cable from London, the correspondent of the Tri-

bune says: damages to the fleet are ridiculed by exinjured battleships, which cannot be repaired for service during the war.

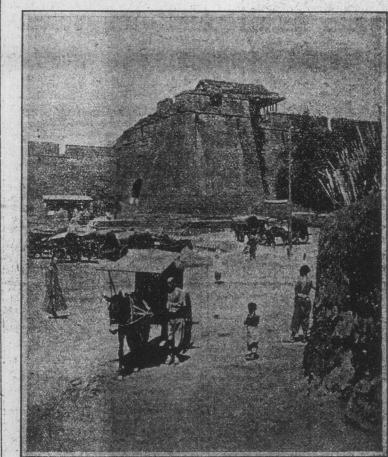
to pay high insurance premiums in war appearing, and entire confidence is ex-

Possible action by Germany is regard- sian arms. ed as a factor in the Far Eastern situ-ation and is causing some apprehension, slight reverses which we sustained at the "Mr. Conger, at Pekin, constantly reation, and is causing some apprehension, ation, and is causing some apprehension, according to a dispatch to the Herald from London. It quotes a correspondent in St. Petersburg as saying: "Already proposals are affirmed to have been made by the chief of that state, which, if active the state of the state cepted, will considerably complicate mat- deserve.

The garrisons of the Port Arthur forts herself of the present crisis to win back were absent from their stations, so retal- Russia's friendship and oust France from up, when the vessel came in contact with deputation presenting the document, in the East to draw lessons in the scilation was impossible. Daylight showed favor, but the proposals which have emtwo Russian battleships and one crulser anated from Berlin are definite, and if favor, but the proposals which have em- another and caused the destruction. accepted are likely to interest Europe

more keenly in the Far Eastern war. "England's military expedition, now and beached. The fire from the forts pressing into Thibet, has also become the compelled the Japanese to retire. The target of the eyes of the great powers in the Far East. This is because England while apparently all smiles at Secretary Hay's Chinese neutrality proposition, has ouncing that on February 11th two what would probably be the extent of in-Japanese merchant steamers, the Nakan- | ternational concurrent action for the

the British government already has communicated what is regarded as tantamount to an answer. This, it is undermount to an answer. This, it is underthat war was nevitable. There will be it is structural to the Amenical representative to the Amen



THE WALL AND GATEWAY OF MUKDEN. The Russians Are Reported to Be Concentrated Round This Important Town on the Trans-Siberian Railway.

clares Japan is a free nation. Russia

on the contrary is an Asiatic despot. The

Have Sunk the Akoura Maru.

here that the Russian warships Gromo-

boi, Bossia, Rurik and Bogatyr sunk the

Japanese merchant steamer Akoura Maru off Hokkaido on February 11th.

staff embarked here yesterday on their

EN ROUTE TO EAST.

Number of Russian Warships Sighted

by Captain of British Vessel."

New York, Feb. 13.-The captain of

On the other hand, they might attempt

From private inquiries which have

FEAR TROUBLE IN OHINA

Great Unrest in Canton, Where Arms

Have Been Constantly Imported.

New York, Feb. 13 .- A dispatch to the

"Germany has taken active steps to

ailding gunboats similar to those used

an English steamer, according to a cable

return home.

The Russian diplomatic and consular

Yokohama, Feb. 13.-It is reported

legation guard and all the other Russians | that the task of the Russian people lies at Seoul, left the Korean capital on the neither in Korea nor in Manchuria, but same train yesterday bound for China, exclusively in Russia, where domestic revia Chemulpo, guarded by Japanese forms are pressing. The document de-

roops and gendarn The owners of the British steam collier Foxton Hall have been advised that the present war will prove that the autocfavessel has been detained by the Russian tic regime situation is grave." authorities at Port, Arthur. Russian soldiers have been placed on board the LOSS OF MERCHANT STEAMER. vessel, and her British captain and crew have been sent to Cheroo, whence, it is reported, that several other neutral vessels are detained at Port Arthur.

STORY DISCREDITED.

Not Believed-Another Rumo Denied. St. Petersburg, Feb. 13 .- The Associ-

ated Press is authorized to deny the re port that Japanese troops had landed at Port Arthur with the loss of two regi-

Nothing is known here officially regarding the movements of the Vladivosto squadron, but the reports that it had sank Japanese transports off Wonsan and destroyed Harsodate are generally dis-destroyed Harsodate are generally dis-credited, it being pointed out that it is sia, says ne sighted twelve Russian mpossible for the squadron to have been warships steaming in the direction of the

two places almost simultaneously. Kattegat, presumably on their way to A naval expert says that if the Hako- the Far East. By overcoming extraordate story is true, Admiral Stackelberg, dinary difficulties if they did not touch in command of the Vladivostock squad- at a British coaling station, they would on, will come down the eastern coast of have to make for Jibo Japan and cause enormous havoc along Somaliland, and thence to Saigon, where the shore and to shipping, and to ulti-the French might again grant them mately effect a juncture with Admiral whatever fuel they needed. Vrienius's squadron on its way to the

to take colliers with them, but that would Vicercy Alexieff's silence about the mean that their rate of progress would Vladivostock squadron is explained as be slow, that they would be hampered follows: For strategic reasons the viceroy, in every way. In regard to the Black as commander-in-chief, is empowered to Sea fleet, the same objection dispose of ships and men without con- even if permission is granted to pass the warships through the Kaiser Wilhelm sulting headquarters. The enumeration Dardanelles, of the Russian ships engaged at Port where it was said that Russia has not 15 Arthur was purposely omitted in the ships in the Baltic that could readily be official reports as it would have given a said that the movements of the Russian Baltic that could readily be sent to the Far East, seven or eight being all she has there, according to the A private telegram has been received tended to satisfy the demands of the from a resident of Port Arthur in which public.

The fact that no mention was made of this in the viceroy's dispatches does not disprove the story, because the writer is careful not to announce anything out-

side of personally established facts. It is pointed out on high authority that Herald from Washington says: Japanese are not likely to admit the Japanese are not likely to admit "The information received by the such a loss, and it is recalled that during German government that an outbreak in

The telegraph line between Port Arthur and the Yalu river is believed to be receiving careful consideration because "Russian attempts to minimize the damages to the fleet are ridiculed by exdirect news regarding the naval engagement to obtain the neutrality of China.

The state department learns that there is a receiving careful consideration because of its vital effect on the present movement of the neutrality of China.

The state department learns that there at Port Arthur is too small to hold the is entertained as to the fate of the is great unrest in Canton. Arms have the instructions to Minister MacCormick. Variag and Koreitz.

been constantly imported. The Chine The blowing up of the Russian torpedo are reported to be often officered by "The American proclamation of neutrality attracts comment as more addidentally striking a mine at Port Arthur, There has been an American warship, trality attracts comment as more advanced in the direction of the protection of private property than the practice of European governments warrants.

"The current idea here is that the British commerce is safe, while the navy commands the sea, and ships can afford commands the sea, and ships can afford comments warrants.

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pressed in ultimate success of the Rus- protect her interests in the interior by

slight reverses which we sustained at the

cepted, will considerably complicate matters. The German government is espected by the Czar By the Council of the Serve.

According to the Novoe Vremya, the Yenselm was laying mines at the entrance of Talienwan bay with the object of closing it against an attack from Wei-Hai-Wei before The Hague tribunal.

"Germany's fixed resolution is to avail

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THE CZAR RESPONSIBLE. Defeats Attributed to the Actions of the Ruler of Russia.

New York, Feb. 13.-The blame for the Russian defeat in the Orient is openly attributed by the Russians to the Baron Hayashi, the Japanese minister not up to-day expressed formal accept. Czar himself, according to a dispatch here, has received a dispatch from Tokio, ance of the idea, but has been inquiring from Berlin, to the American. It cortinues that a high Russian official said:
"The Czar's recent manifests were oura Maru and Zensho Maru, while on preservation of neutrality. This would their way from Sakak to Otaru (on the seem to indicate that Downing street recried peace when everybody else knew

quires some important information be-fore committing itself." that peace was impossible. The loss of his warships at Port Arthur and Chemonly printed a few days ago, and that that war was inevitable. There will be structions to the American representative

occasioned. (Signed John Hay." GERMANS LEAVE. Women and Children Sailed From Port

Arthur on Cruiser Hausa. Berlin, Feb. 13.-The German second class cruiser Hausa, which left Chefoo the latter port the same day for Tsin Tau, in Kiao Chou, the German possession on the Shan Tun peninsula, having on board the German women and children who resided at Port Arthur.

peaceful intercourse of the world may be

GERMAN NEUTRALITY. Order Which Has Been Issued By the

Imperial Chancellor.

Berlin, Feb. 13.-The Imperial chanellor, Count Von Buelow, to-day issued the following proclamation: "In consequence of the official declaration of war between the Imperial government of Russia and the Imperial gov ernment of Japan, it becomes the duty of every one in the German Empire, and in the Empire's colonies, and also of Germans residing abroad, to observe in all their relation the strictest neutrality "The officers of the crown are charged o see that neutrality is enforced.'

GOING TO SHANGHAI. United States Squadron Will Sail From Manila on Monday.

Manila, Feb. 13.—Rear-Admiral Coop r, in command of a squadron composed of the New Orleans, Raleigh, Frolic and Annapolis, is under orders to sail for Shanghai. The ships will probably sail on Monday next.

Regarding Neutrality of China During the War. It I

PROCLAMATION ISSUED

Tokiog Feb. 13 .- The Chinese government resterday proclaimed the neutrality of China during the war between Bussia

PLEIADES DETAINED. United States Minister Instructed Aska Russian Government For

Explanation.

ment at St. Petersburg for an explan- finds no adequate expression in the Lon- points to prevent a breach of neutrality,

ence of war. The report that the Jap-'I thank you for the expression of your anese had succeeded, by means of her sentiments and hope with you that God's help will be with us in these times so doubted by that officer, who pointed out serious to us."

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operation of land forces.

Lieut. Colonel English also alluded to the question of the army, which it was possible the opposing nations could put in the field. He thought that 200,000 men would be about all that Russia could maintain at the seat of war. This would, he thought, bring the forces of each side to practically the same basis in point of numbers.

The lecture was listened to with great interest by the forces at the barracks.

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partment to-day issued this statement:
"After some preliminary exchange of views between this government and gov-

FURTHER FIGHTING.

Paris. Feb. 14.-The Figare this mornstood here, expresses complete agreement on broad lines with Hay's proposition.

Yenseih has been blown up, as the result of accidentally striking a mine at Port Arthur. The Yeniseih and Capt. Stepanoff, three officers and ninety-one men were lost.

Stepanoff, three officers and ninety-one men were lost. who last week replaced Admiral Dictalbe limited as much as possible, so that undue excitement and disturbance of the kenberg, who had suffered a stroke of

Chinese people may be prevented and the least possible loss to the commerce and The corres The correspondent says that a report is current in St. Petersburg that before bombarding nakodate the Russian war-ships encountered a fleet of Japanese (ransports and sank several of them. Rumors of the bombardment have been current, but lack confirmation from either Tokio or St. Petersburg. There is munication between Hakodate and Tokio.

Japanese Version.

London, Feb. 13 .- A report originated with a Japanese firm having correspondents in Tokio, was circulated here tonight to the effect that three Russian cruisers, presumably the Vladivostock squadron, were torpedoed in the straits of Tsugaro vesterday. The straits of Tsugaro are between the island of Nokaido and north of the three Japanese nds, and Nippon, the central island. Hakodate is on the northern side of the

The Japanese legation has heard noth ng confirmatory of the report, although it has been received from several sources. The officials received the report with con-

siderable reserve.

The Japanese have a strong naval base at Kotamari, at the northern end of Nippon, and on the south side of the straits; and it is considered possible, should the Vladivostock squadron attempt to harass the coast about Hakodate, that they would be met by torpedo boats from Kotamari.

No Change.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 13. - Viceroy Alexieff to-day telegraphed the Czar that there had been no change in the Far East in the last few days. The Russia, which to-day published a story of the destruction of four Japanese cruisers and six transports by the Russian Vladivostack squadron, will be penalized by the authorities for the publication of false news.

Off Wyu. St. Petersburg, Feb. 14.-1.20 a.m.-An official telegram received from Port to reduce to a minimum the area of war. Arthur, dated February 13th, says the To this end the war operations should be enemy's ships were seen off Inkan, on the evening February 11th. It says further that advices reached Rort Arthur should be reduced as much as possible, February 12th that six Japanese bat and the war should be confined to Japan tleships had appeared in the scalareads; and Russia in of Tatung Kon, on the estuary of the Consagration. Yalu river and opposite the Korean port 2. It is of the

non had been heard. Control of Sea.

Washington, Feb. 13.—The state department has instructed Ambassador MacCormick to ask the Russian government at St. Petersburg for an arrival of the popular jubilation in Great Britain, should also keep sufficient garrisons at but the extent of the popular jubilation is Shan Hai Kong and the state of the Russian government at St. Petersburg for an arrival of the popular jubilation in Great Britain, should also keep sufficient garrisons at but the extent of the popular jubilation in Great Britain, should also keep sufficient garrisons at but the extent of the popular jubilation in Great Britain, should also keep sufficient garrisons at but the extent of the popular jubilation in Great Britain, should also keep sufficient garrisons at but the extent of the popular jubilation in Great Britain, should also keep sufficient garrisons at but the extent of the popular jubilation in Great Britain, should also keep sufficient garrisons at but the extent of the popular jubilation in Great Britain, should also keep sufficient garrisons at but the extent of the popular jubilation in Great Britain, should also keep sufficient garrisons at but the extent of the popular jubilation in Great Britain, should also keep sufficient garrisons at but the extent of the popular jubilation in Great Britain, should also keep sufficient garrisons at but the extent of the popular jubilation in Great Britain, should also keep sufficient garrisons at but the extent of the popular jubilation in Great Britain, should also keep sufficient garrisons at but the extent of the popular jubilation in Great Britain, should also keep sufficient garrisons at but the extent of the popular jubilation in Great Britain, should also keep sufficient garrisons at but the extent of the popular jubilation in Great Britain, should also keep sufficient garrisons at but the extent of the popular jubilation in Great Britain, should also keep sufficient garrisons at but the extent of the popular jubilation in Great Britain, should also keep sufficient garrisons at the

The Trying Time

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renej, belonging to the Russian volum teer fleet, which had sailed from Vladi-vostock and which was believed to have been captured by the Japanese, has arrived safely at Singapore.

Washington, Feb. 13.-A cablegram has been received at the Japanese legation from Tokio, stating that upon quest made through the British consul at Chemulpo, 34 of the Russians wounder in the recent naval engagement were put in the Japanese nurses' hospital at Che mulpo and are being treated by Japanes

To Repair Destroyer.

Suez, Egypt, Feb. 13.-The govern ment has permitted the disabled Russian torpedo boat destroyer at Suez to go into dock for repairs. She will be towed to

Japan and China.

tion to-day gave out the text of a mes-sage from Tokio defining Japan's atti-

geographically limited.
2. The number of belligerent powers

and Russia in order to prevent a general

of Wiju, and that the booming of can- order be preserved throughout the interior of China and at the treaty ports, therefore Japan has instructed her minister at Pekin that China observe neutrality

and neglect at this crit largely responsible for

womb, or from leucorribea who has
used Dr. Pierce's
Favorite Prescription without complete
success, Dr. Pierce would like to hear from
such person—and it will be to her advantage to write as he offers in perfect good
faith, a reward of \$500 for any case of the
above maladies which he cannot cure.

"I wish to tell you the benefit we have

above maladies which he cannot cure.

"I wish to tell you the benefit we have received from using your remedies," writes Mrs.
Dan Hall, of Brodhead, Green Co. Wis. "Two years ago my daughter's health began to fail. Everything that could be thought of was done to help her but it was of no use. When she began to complain she was quite stout; weighed 170, the picture of good health, until about the age of fourteen, then in six months she was so run down her weight was but 120. She kept failing and I gave up, thinking there was no use, she must die. Friends all said. You will lose your daughter.' I said I fear I shall I must say, doctor, that only for your Favorite Prescription! my daughter would have been in her grave to-day. When she had taken one-half bottle the natural function was established and wa bought another one, making only two bottles in all, and she completely recovered. Since then she is as well as can be."

Doctor Pierce's Common Sense Medical Adviser, in paper covers, is sent free on receipt of 3r one-cent stamps to pay expense of customs and mailing only. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.

Caring For Wounded.

Port Said from here.

Paris, Feb. 13.-The Japanese lega-

tude toward the neutrality of China. It says China should observe strict neutrality and also lays down the following 1. The belligerents are morally bound

It is of the utmost importance that

and the Variag was hit in only six places. One shot which struck her on the water line amidships wrecked one of her engines.
When the Russians anchored off the entrance to the harbor the British eruiser Talbot sent four torpedo boats out to her with a doctor and nurses. The United States gunboat

> 3.30 p.m., her crew going on board the Pascal, and at 3.57 p.m. she blew

up with a terrible explosion.

The Variag was abandoned soon afterwards, her officers deeming the situation hopeless. Her dead were left on board. The crew of the Variag went on board the Talbot, the Elba and the

Vicksburg also sent three boats with

The Koreitz was abandoned at

and a boat from the British cruiser

Shortly afterwards the Variag

and Koreitz got under way and steamed out of the harbor. The

crew of the English warship cheer-

When the Russians were four

The Japanese lay between the isl-

When the Russians were six miles

began on both sides, The Variag turned her broadside loose at 11.55 a.m., then turned at

ands, ten miles out, blocking the only entrance to the harbor.

from the Japanese fleet heavy firing

right angles and steamed a short distance westward as if to make the beach, but suddenly turned east and gave the enemy her other broadside. The Japanese continued firing un-

til 12.22, when the Variag was seen

back towards the harbor and ceased firing at 12.42 p.m.

The Japanese followed almost to the entrance of the harbor, firing on the Variag, which had a heavy list to port and was evidently in a sink-ing condition. The Koreitz was ap-

The Russian vessels then turned

The Variag lost thirty men and

About six hundred shots were fired

in all, but the firing was not accurate

seven officers killed and forty-two wounded. Count Muro was killed

to be on fire near the stern.

parently untouched.

on the bridge.

surgical aid

ed them as they went out to fight.

miles out the Japanese threw a shot

across their bows, but they did not

went out.

Vicksburg The Variag burned until 6 p.m., with frequent explosions, as the flames ignited her ammunition. Then

The Russians eventually went from the Pascal to the steamship Sungaii.

A Russian officer told the captain of the Vicksburg that he had come to ask asylum for one night only. The Japanese casualties are not known, but it is rumored that one torpedo boat destroyer was sunk during the action.

ATTACK ON PORT ARTHUR.

Particulars of Tuesday's Bombardment By the Japanese Squadron -The Russian Losses.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 15.-The first unofficial account of the battle at Port Arthur of Tuesday last has been received in a telegram dated Port Arthur, February 9th. It is as fol-

"At half-past eleven o'clock this-morning a Japanese squadron of 15 vessels began the bombardment of Port Arthur. "Our squadron and fortresses replied, and the battle lasted forty

"The Japanese squadron could not stand the well-placed fire of our fleet, and particularly of the forts, and be-

gan a rapid retreat.
"The Japanese flagship was seriously damaged, and, according to the testimony of an eye-witness, five-other Japanese ships were considerably injured.

"Boats report that two Japanese ships sank at sea Our losses affoat were two officers wounded, one so slightly that he con-tinued, six men killed and forty-five wounded. In the forts two men were s.ightly wounded. "The bombardment of the fortress

and the town did no damage, but frightened the people. "At intervals during the night firing was heard at sea." The dispatch adds that the temper

of the army and navy is excellent, and that the bulletins circulated by the Novoe Krai have begun to tranquilize the people. No attempts have been made by the Japanese to land on the Kwong Tung peninsula. The repairs to the ships damaged by the torpedo attack are proceeding

LAST WEEK'S FIGHTS.

Owing to Damage to Russian Warships Port Arthur Depends on Forts For Protection.

Chefoo, Feb. 15 .- The steamer Wenchow, arriving from Port Arthur, reports that eleven Russian ships wre struck in Monday's and Tuesday's engagements. It is stated that the cruiser Askold, with a big hole at the water

line, has been towed into the inner basin and beached. battleship Sebastapol has a shell hole just above the water line and is useless in rough weather.

The cruiser Nevik has a hole in her after port side. The battleship Retiven is on the beach and her bottom has fallen

The cruiser Pallada was torpedoed abaft the engine room. The battleship Czarevitch, which also was torpedoed, has been dock-

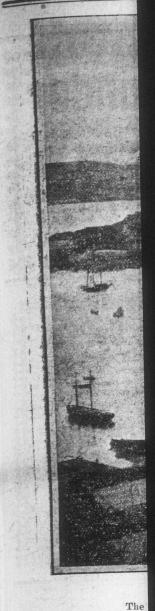
The whole fleet has been taken into the inner harbor and Port Arthur is depending for protection on her forts, which have been reinforced. There is frequent firing, which is esumably drawn by Japanese pedo boats. Firing was heard at midnight on February 11th at intervals, also on

the nights of the 12th and 13th. On February 14th the firing continued until 5 o'clock in the after-noon. An eye-witness claims to have seen eighteen dead landed from the Russian ships on Wednesday. understood that Admiral Stark has been reduced for his

The cruiser Novik was the only vessel to do effective work. She gave chase to the Japanese torpeds poats and, according to the Russian account, sank two and captured

failure to repulse the Japanese at-

The Wenchow had 400 Japanese



Wenchow. She was al

February 14th.

It is stated that t

esidents of Port Arthu reassured, but that the making frantic efforts to Reports of Russian it is said, being circula up the hopes of the res It is apparent that t have, for the present, to use their fleet, but de land forces. Eleven sl is stated, have to be rep they can take the aggre The captain of the ports that he was he Arthur until all the Jap vicinity were gathered aboard. Japanese from points as far away A few Japanese are l churia. The refugees homes and stores, in losing thousands of dollar Japanese have been arr charge of having in the maps and charts. Refu Japan can give the raluable information. A reliable report says Russian torpedo boats sunk by guns from the were mistaken for Japan CONTRADICTO

Russian Warships Sighte Straits After Being Destroyed.

New York, Feb. 15 .firmation is given in Tokic a cablegram to the World that three of the four Ru from Vladivostock which aru straits to attack H ary 13th, while attemption

A cablegram from Lor later advices are that four ships have been sighted straits since the report three of the cruisers had

VLADIVOSTOCK Russian Warships Are Sea of Jap

Tokio, Feb. 13.-The vostock squadron is sti ing in the sea of Japan.
A report to the effe sumaye had been bom Russian squadron is an

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Ying Kow, Feb. 14.-

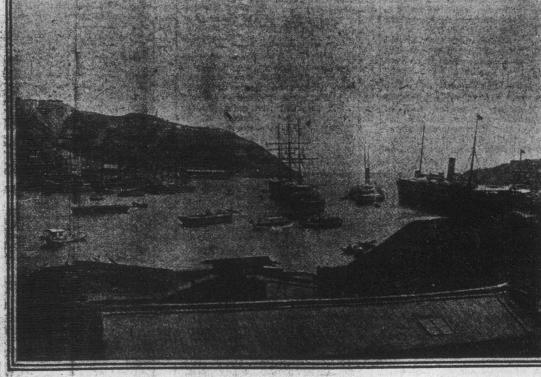
tive authorities have not erican or British consul of the neutral ships wh seized. Both consuls ha The civil administrati thur has intimated that will not recognize the corelating to Port Arthur In answer to the Brit for an explanation of th

neutral ships at Port Alexieff replied that vess ed because they had Japa The shots fired at the Fuping by the Russian Port Arthur as the Fupi that port last Tuesday says, due to a mistake fficers of the guardship

The Russians are se Newchwang and the Chi ed and are closing their ing their possessions un The Russian residents fearing that the army w

positing their treasure diction of foreign flags. Japanese upon Port Alexieff has ordered a civilians out of that place of the Russian officers in being sent to Russia, and great pressure upon the was the first place to be non-combatants and civil doned all their property

and Dalny. The Russians freely a preparedness for the Jap have been a terrible blut the ships were in line of officers were ashore cele niversary of Viceroy Ale A stirring episode was into the harbor of the



THE HARBOR AT PORT ARTHUR. The Vicinity of this Russian Port Has Been the Scene of the Heavy Fighting Be tween Opposing Fleets.

ation of the compulsory detention in the | don press, which is careful not to offend | and see that all territory except Manthe Chinese war they were most secretive about the casualties.

China might be expected as soon as the present war began is partly confirmed by steamship Pleiades, which conveyed a from Honolulu in the s cargo of flour to that port from Honolulu in the street" Great Britain's Far East-just before the outbreak of hostilities. ern ally has exceeded all expectations, The ship is owned by the Boston Steamship Company, which has made a formal who prophesied initial successes for mplaint to the state department, hence

> TO WATCH OPERATIONS. Lord Dundonald Recommends That an

Expert Be Appointed. Ottawa, Feb. 13.-Lord Dundonald has ndations to the minister of militia to send an expert to watch the and naval, are drawn publicly and pri

operations between Japan and Russia. A circular has been sent out by the enstoms department asking collectors to constant to the department if depths by the duel between Viceroy Alexany ships of either belligerent takes coal | ieff and Admiral Togo. If the British and apply for instructions.

LECTURED ON WAR. Lieut.-Col. English Gave Interesting In-

and even the naval and military officials Japan, are surprised. The total or partial disablement of nine Russian warships in the opening

From the point of view of "the mar

stages of the struggle is generally re garded by experts here as giving Japa ontrol of the Far Eastern seas. Lord Salisbury's much criticised treaty with the rising power in the Orient nov stands among the most popular steps undertaken by any British statesman. Countless deductions, both military

vately from the dramatic events which have occurred since Monday, and all the therent naval interests pervading the themselves had been involved in the fight of opposing forces they could scarcely have followed them with keener

What strikes those responsible for the

British cruiser Talbot, the French cruiser Pascal, the Italian cruiser Elba and the United States gunboat

churia is free from war operations. Un

der the foregoing conditions Japan will

THE BATTLE OF CHEMULPO.

Seoul, Feb. 15 .- The following ac-

count of the battle off Chemulpo,

which resulted in the loss of the

Russian cruiser Variag and the gun-

During the night of February 8th

the Japanese landed 1,500 men at

Chemulpo, and on the morning of

the 9th three Japanese cruisers, four

gunboats and eight torpedo hoat de

stroyers, under the command of Ad-

miral Uriu, approached the harbor

The Koreitz and Variag were ly-

ing in the harbor and the Japanese

admiral gave them until noon to come out. Both Russian vessels

All the shipping in the harbor was

There was in the harbor also the

notified by Admiral Uriu to get out

boat Koreitz, has reached here.

respect China's neutrality.

but did not enter.

of the firing line.

Vicksburg.
The Variag signalled the Talbot

refugees on board and there was an exciting time during the battle of Wednesday as shells fell around the vitch and Novik after t