## ADIANS GOING TO ORANGE RIVER COLONY

## Take Charge of an Experimenta arm - Proposed Steamship Line Between Canada and Sweden.

tawa, Feb. 12.-The Governor of ge River Colony has asked the er of agriculture for two Ontariolfural college graduates. Mr. now assistant to the Dominion. ck commissioner, will be appointtake charge of an experimental. n the colony, and John Buchanan, lph College, will be his assistant. Another Line Proposed.

Johnson Steamship Company, of n, is now in communication with ninion government for the purof establishing a direct line of ers between Stockholm, Sweden, Canada. There is now a big trade en Sweden and Canada. The on boats now call at Sydney, Cape for coal.

FIRE IN MILL.

By Blaze at Peterboro Estimated \$100,000-Over Four Hundred Employees Idle.

oro, Feb. 12 .- Fire this morning age to the extent of \$100,000 to mills of the American Cereal here. The fire will necessitate ng down of the entire plant for hs, until repairs are carried out employees will be thrown out of

armament

Port Arthur.

guns, eight 1.8 inch guns, two 1.04 inch guns and three machine guns.

she was also fitted with six torpedo tubes. The Boyarin was last re-

ported as having taken part in the

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RUSSIANS ADVANCING.

Large Force Reported to Be Near

Harbin-Movement of War-

is reported of 60,000 Russian treops at Irkutsk, says a Herald dispatch

from Port Arthur by way of Chefor They are now nearing Harbin.

ning regularly bringing supplies from

arters at Mukden.

Arthur.

Admiral Alexieff, viceroy of the Far East, is still making his head-

A Russian fleet is reported to be

noving in the direction of Korea or

Southern Japan, with the intention

of bombarding the nearest port, causing a diversion in favor of Port

PREPARING TO LAND.

Japanese Troops May Be Put Ashore

Paris, Feb. 16.-Advices through

the French government's channels confirm the previous reports to the

effect that the Japanese are prepar-ing to make a landing west of Liao

Tung peninsula, or near the port of Newchwang. Owing to the sandy

shallowness near this port, it is said

that the landing will occur at the rocky points eastward of the town. Owing to it being a port of entry of the capital of Manchuria, consider-

able importance is being attached

London, Feb. 16.-The disputer

confirmed and condicting runners, among them a report of another engagement at Port Arthur in which the Russians lost eight vessels sunk and ten captured.

A correspondent of the Daily Mail who witnessed the engagement off Port

Arthur, confirms previous accounts of

JAP LOSSES.

here to the movement.

Near the Port of Newchwang.

Manchurian trains are now run-

ships. New York, Feb. 16 .- The arrival

nt of February 9th at

MANY COMING.

Thousand Families From Utab xpected to Settle in Southern Alberta.

peg, Feb. 12 .- The Raymond, Chronicle estimates that fully families will move from Utah into ern Alberta in the near future. es are based upon estimates those engaged in promoting the

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The Nishin and Kasuga, Recently Pur-chased, Have Arrived at Yokosuka,

NO. 91.

Yokohama, Feb. 16 .- The cruiser Vishin arrived safely at Yokosuka at 9 o'clock, and the cruiser Kasuga at 11 o'clock. These two vessels, recently purchased from the Argentine Republic, will increase materially the preponderance of the Japanese naval strength.

FROZEN TO DEATH.

Six Hundred Russian Soldiers Reported to Have Perished in a Snowstorm

Berlin, Feb. 16.-6.40 p. m.-The St. Betersburg correspondent of the Tag-liche Bundserau says that six hundred Russian soldiers have been frozen to death while marching across Lake Bai-

kal, Eastern Siberia. The correspondent adds that the tem-porary reilroad across the lake is not yet completed, that a larger detachment of troops was sent on a twenty-two mile march over the ice-covered lake, and that it is presumed that part of these troops lost their way in a snowstorm and perished.

GERMAN CRUISER FIRED ON.

According to Port Arthur Telegram the Japs Were Offenders.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 16 .- An issue of 50,000,000 roubles credit notes, secured by gold, was made on February 15th. The comparatively small influx of cir-culating credit notes into the treasury and the Imperial Bank, and the increased vithdrawals for the Far East, are assigned as the reasons for this action. The otal of the credit notes in circulation on February 14th was 680,000,000 roubles. A semi-official telegram, dated from the headquarters of the viceroy at Port Arthur, says the German cruiser Hansa, which has been sent to remove German subjects from Port Arthur, and which had on board also a number of Russian women and children, had been fired upon by Japanese warships. The telegram reiterates the statement that three Jap-anese torpedo boats have been sunk in a night attack on Port Arthur. All was quiet on February 13th, within the sphere of the war operations.

WAR DUE TO ALEXIEFF.

Former Japanese Minister Says Viceroy Did Not Deliver Last Note From Russia.

\*WEST \*PORT

among the thousands which they are con stantly publishing thus proving their "Last sammer during a severe hot spel.", writes John Goetz, Senior Beadle, Foresters of Ameriica. Kodak 326. Cor noral of 6th (regular) Artillery, National Guard, of N. Y., "I became completely prostrated, unable to eat or sleep, with severe pains in groins and back, also blinding headaches. The doctors prescribed for me, but I did not seem to gain any strength, so decided to try Dr. Pierce'sfolden Medical Dis overy as I had heard' so highly spoken Am pleased to state that a complete change for the better almost as soon as I began using

edicine, and, within three weeks fully restored to health and had leven pounds in weight. I feel to write and tell you this." ut two years ago a rash appeared

arms and legs of my nephew, a years of age," writes H. Esq., of 213 East 101st New York, N. Y. "We went to ily physician who pronounced it eczema, and said he could cure short while. After treating o months it got worse instead of I advised the use of Dr. Pierce's Medical Discovery, and after usbottles the patient began to im The itching abated; he could er; his appetite increased, and nued to use the 'Discovery' and intil the scales came off by the We used in all twelve bottles whole body is as clear and a baby's. This is the most I and complete cure that ever er my observation."

ople are invited to consult Dr. rce by letter, free. All core is held as strictly private lly confidential erce's Pleasant Pells regulate the

E-Dr. Pierce's Common Sense Adviser is sent free on receipt to pay expenses of mailing nd 31 one-cent stamps for the olume. Address World's ary Medical Association, Pro-Buffalo, N. Y.

e motive for substitution is to he dealer to make the little more id by the sale of less meritorious He gains; you lose, pt no substitute for "Golden Discovery."

Japanese torpedo boat was sunk and another deserted by its crew in a sinking condition. It was subsequently cap tured by the Russians. He says also that the Japanese lost one battleship and had one cruiser put out of action, and the colonel of the Fifth Rus giment was killed by a shell during the bombardment. Cablegrams to the Daily Mail from Wei-Hai-Wei and Newchwang report a

Japanese fleet, with transports, cruising in the Gulf of Pechili, apparently with the idea of effecting a landing near Port Dalny.

In connection with the rumors of another bombardment of Port Arthur, the owners of the British steamer Foxton Hall, which was detained by the Rusthat she has been destroyed by fire. In a dispatch from Tokio dated February 12th a correspondent of the Times says that the Russia Vladivostock squad-ron is still in the eastward of Tsugaru streit the anti-Strait, the eastern exit being guarded by torpedoes.

Tokio Awaiting News.

Tokio, Feb. 15 .- The Japanese minister at Washington has officially advised his government that he is receiving of-

fers of large contributions to the war fund from Americans, and requests instructions. It is considered that Japan will refuse to accept this aid. The cabinet will consider the question

and formally instruct the minister short-Many applications for permission to Port Arthur yesterday was unchanged. enlist in the Japanese army and navy are coming from various parts of the chwang, he continues, declare the Japworld. All these applications have been anese are preparing to land refused, and no foreigners will be al-

refused, and no foreigners will be al-lowed to participate in the military or naval operations of Japan except as spectators. northwest of Mukden. No Japanese battleships have been seen in the roadstead at Tatung Kau, At a meeting of newspaper men and nercial men to-day it was resolved o support the government irrespective f party lines. Those present at the at the mouth of the Yalu river.

meeting approved the proposed plan of A dispatch has been received here curtailing the domestic administration from Alexieff, dated February 15th, sayexpenses and applying this amount thus ing: "Captain Reitzenstein, saved to the war fund. A plan will of the Russian criuser Rivision, telediers and sailors. The meeting also steamer in Tsugaru Strait. A violent storm, accompanied by heavy snow, has agreed to send a letter of congratulation o Vice Admiral Togo. been raging for three days, and nine de-A detailed report of his battle a Port grees of frost have been registered. The enemy has not been encountered." The squadron referred to is probably thur has not been received from Vice-Admiral Togo by the navy depart-

ment and the public is as yet without the full particulars of the engagement. the Vladivostock division. Stories have been current that these ships sank sevletter from one of the men who par-pated in the naval fight says that the ficial report from Tokio said that two A letter from one of the men who partorpedo attack succeeded through a Japanese merchant steamers were shell dever feint. The majority of the torpedo ed by four Russian crusers, one of the clever feint. The majority of the torpedo vessels manoeuvred in front of the Rus-

vessels manoeuvred in front of the Rus-sian line and held its attention while the rest worked around to the rear and sot close to the enemy before being dis-covered, when they fired their destruccovered, when they fired their destrucsteamship Akouri Maru off the Island ve missiles and got out of range. No further news of the Russian Vladiof Yezo, on Friday, the 11th. Unsuccessful.

ock fleet has been received here. It Chefoo, Feb. 13 .- Four Russian batthought to have returned to the port. tleskips and three cruisers left Port A large body of troops is due in Nag-Arthur yesterday in search for the aska on Saturday to embark on trans-Japanese squadron, which was reported ports for Korea. Nagaski and Yoko-Vladivostock in preference to risking a fight or exhausting its fuel. normous military activity continues,



PORT ARTHUR AND ENVIRONS. Reproduced by courtesy of T. N. Hibben & Co., agents for Admiralty Charts

but the government carefully conceals south on Wednesday night and seen at | hama harbors are protected by mines. Kisin Kaisha steamers Nippon Maru | agent of Japan at Vladivostock. The I know nothing. The military experts sians at Port Arthur, have received news its plans. Every moment of delay helps a distance from Chefoo. The captain Several Russian merchant vessels have and Hongkong Maru. They were all latter reports that ten Russian torpedo the Russians to become better prepared of a British steamer passed a German been captured and sent to Sasebo as deprived of their positions by the action boats are frozen up at that port unable for a conflict. The Japanese apparently Wei-Hai-Wei, and saw her later take a at Moji. course contrary to her former one and Siberian railway, the distance of the

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tations on the proposed accomplishments

of Russia in Manchuria. They feel that

Preparing to Land.

staff, telegraphs that the situation

Reports from Yin Kau, near

naval programme.

signal. The seven warships then turned Russians from their base of supplies and ) back to Chefoo. lack of communication by sea sets limi- ( Mobilizing Japan Army.

Nagasaki, Feb. 12, via Shanghai, Feb. which will be thrown into Korea while 15 .- The mobilization of the Japanese

no danger attaches in that quarter and are awaiting the completion of Japan's army has been carried out methodically. It is estimated that 300,000 troops are out impairing the national defences. The St. Petersburg, Feb. 15 .- Major-Genvements of the troops are surrounded eral Pfulg, Viceroy Alexieff's chief of

in secrecy. They are being moved at night toward their bases at Sasebo, Moji, and Yokouska, and the lights of ordinary trains are extinguished when the neighborhood of troop trains. Members of the reserve force ately step into the places of the outgoing regulars. Their organization perfect and a full equipment is ready for each of the reserves. All the steam ers of Japanese merchant lines are be-

ing rapidly converted into auxiliary cruisers, armed with quick-firing guns and fitted with torpedo tubes. Newchwang shortly for the purpose. The navy department denies positi tary movements. They expect to profit by dissensions in the Russian council of

state. It is believed that the extraordinary powers conferred on Viceroy Alexieff will lead to a clash between Foreign Minister Lamsdorff and General Kuropatkin, especially as the latter is unfriendly to Alexieff. The result of a agreed to it.

isagreement between these two Russian eaders here would end in a military

The Japanese are confident that the and maintain fifty thousand troops at any important point of military opera-There is much talk current in regard

to the possible dynamiting of the Rus-sian railway in Manchuria. Thousands of Japanese, who are practically undis-tinguishable from Chinese, are working

Manchuria and would willingly risk their lives to aid their country's cause.

Landed at Chemulpo. Washington, Feb. 15.-Information has reached here that 20,000 Japanese

troops were landed at Chemulpo vesterare now men-of-war. day, the first division of a large number Russians in Manchuria.

the Russian fleet is bottled up in Port Arthur. mentary paper issued to-day contains the correspondence regarding the Rus-sian occupation of Manchuria, covering By one conversant with the Japanese now ready to be placed in the field with- plans it is stated that the reported attacks on Port Arthur are not for the the period from July, 1900, to January purpose of seizing that place at present, Sth. 1904. unless an unexpected weakness in the fortifications there should develop. They

are part of a plan to harass the Russian eet until Korea can be occupied. The taking of Port Arthur will form that R-ssia would not interfere with the

the second number of the war pro-First, however, it is learned, that the Japanese propose to cut the line of com-

munication well up on the road running from Newchwang to Port Arthur. It is said a large Japanese force will land at

The navy department denies positively The government officials refuse to give out any information regarding their mili-aboard the Japanese ships in the fighting tention to fulfill her promises. For example, the announcement that Newchwang would be evacuated at an early date at Port Arthur. It is said that the United States government requested the would have a reassuring effect, and Lord permission of both the Russian and Jap-Lansdowne was not aware of any local difficulty in the way of this move, anese to place an American naval officer with each of the fleets and military offi-

cers with the armies in the capacity of observers, but neither powers have

Mr. Takashira, the Japanese minister, waited upon Secretary Hay to-day, and

it is understood that the reported deten tion of about 100 Japanese soldiers in Russians will be unable to concentrate Port Arthur was under discussion. Un til the facts are known the state depart ment is inclined to go slow in making representations to Russia. It is bound to do so, however, if Japan formally re fuses it. International law gives mil tary commanders large discretion in such

In War Service.

San Francisco, Feb. 15 .- Among the He will present the flag to the Emperor. passengers on the steamer China, which arrived from the Orient yesterday, were the subordinate officers of the Toyo gees on board, including the commercial action of the Japanese as barbarous.

vessel, the Thetis, some way out from prizes. Nine transports for horses are of the Japanese government in pressing to move. The commander of the garrison the steamers into war service. The and the local authorities at Vladivostock Hongkong Maru is now known as the called on the departing agent and com-Hongkong Maru Kan, and the Nippon plained that the Japanese had opened Maru as the Nippon Maru Kan, the ad- hostilities without having declared war. dition to the names signifying that they When news of the opening of the war

MASSING TROOPS.

Bank of the Yalu River.

reached Vladivostock the squadron there was hastily painted and cleared for action, leaving the port on the afternoon of February 9th. He believed that it London, Feb. 15 .- A lengthy parliareturned to Vladivostock after sinking the Nakonura Maru. There are no tor pedoes nor mines sunk at Vladivostock, and the place is totally unprepared to re-

sist attack. On the latter gave Count Bencken Massing of troops on the north bank dorff, the Russian ambassador to Great of the Yalu continues, the Russian's evi-Britain, communicated to Foreign Secdently believing that the Japanese intend retary Lansdowne a formal declaration to make their main attack there with the object in view of forcing their way existing treaty rights of the powers. through the Russian lines and destroy Lord Lansdowne expressed satisfacing the railway, thereby cutting off com tion with these assurances, but he expressed his regret that Russia should nunication with Port Arthur and Vladivostock. have found it impossible to take even a The Japanese are again agitating for

single step in pursuance of a policy which she thus prescribed for herself the construction of the Seoul-Wiju rail-way, and great quantities of material and said the people of Britain were looking for some evidence of Russia's inused on the Fusan-Seoul railway are available. In the event of a prolonged war a railway between these would b f immense advantage.

PREPARING DAMAGED SHIPS.

Port Arthur, Feb. 15 .- The fining on the German cruiser Hansa by Japanese warships occurred while she was pro ceeding to Port Arthur to take away the Russian's Have Large Force in North German residents, and not when the latter were on board of her. The Hansa Tokio, Feb. 16 .- The flag of the Ruswas not damaged. .

sian cruiser Variag, recently sunk off the harbor of Chemulpo, which will be presented to the Emperor as the first trophy of the war, reached Sasebo yesincident. terday on the cruiser Chyoda, together

with the anchor, a gun and other souvenirs of the destroyed warship. The ly, The city and fortress were undam-captain of the cruiser Chyoda has been aged by the Japanese attack. The people The city and fortress were undamare anxious, and business is at a stand-

summoned to Tokio to recount to the Emperor the story of the engagement. still, but tranquility prevails. The German steamer Batavia has just After the religious service to-day there was a military review before the viceroy, reached Moji with 1.500 Japanese refu- Admiral Alexieff, who denounced the alty anxiously inquiring regarding the

New York, Feb. 16 .- Neither side wanted war, according to Mr. Kurino, former ister to Russia. In a cable to the Herald, Mr. Kurino is quoted as giving out an interview in Berlin to this effect: "When hostilities were at last opened," eclared Mr. Kurino, "it was directly due to the action of Admiral Alexieff. his ostentations preparations for war he made war inevitable.

Mr. Kurino affirmed that the vicerov never delivered the last note to the Japanese government. Mr. Kurino said he had not slightest information as to what the note contained.

"As to the duration of the war," said Mr. Kurino. "that is a matter of which alone can settle that point."

In conclusion Mr. Kurino expressed the strong conviction that France terfere in the conflict. "but if she does England will be depended upon to stand by the Japanese.'

TO LIMIT WAR ZONE.

Russia Will Shortly Reply to Secretary Hay's Note-Consulting Viceroy Alexieff.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 16.-Information has been obtained at the foreign office that Secretary Hay's proposal to limit the area of war operations is considered "practicable," and that a response will soon be forthcoming. Viceroy Alexieff is being consulted regarding the matter. and the authorities are doubtless awaiting an indication as to how the proposiion will be received by Japan.

The sympathetic reception given by the powers to Mr. Hay's note and the repreentations that the powers have made here, have undoubtely had a good effect. on public opinion, and the Russian government shows a more friendly spirit towards the direct representations made the United States. The American minister is now pressing for an answer to the request that United States army officers be allowed to accompany the Rus-sian field operations, but it is said that Viceroy Alexieff, to whom the request was referred, has not yet replied.

Carnival week, usually the gayest of the year in Russia, opened yesterday, but under the shadow of the war, the merry-making was only a ghost of that of former years. In St. Petersburg all the festivities, including balls, public and private, social functions and fashionable weddings, planned months in advance, have been abandoned. Business, how-On her arrival at Port Arthur she took ever, is as usual suspended, and thouon board a number of wives of Russian sands of little Finnish sleighs with sailors, and left the port without further tinkling bells, which for this one week are allowed to compete with the regular

The work of repairing the damaged drivers at cut prices, are driven thr Russian battleships is progressing rapid- the snow-covered streets, although their occupants evidently are not possessed hy he true carnival spirit.

The rush of crowds to buy extra editions of the newspapers, the intense activity at the war and marine ministries, and the crowds about the admirfate of relatives, are grim reminders of