

cabled by the resident correspondents, thus resulting in a confusion of dates Port Arthur, according to the best information, is weakly forti-fied landwards, and the Russian guns in the fortifications do not cover Pigeon Bay, a landing place on the western side. A Japanese force disembarking there could assail the town on the flank and in the rear while the fleet engaged the land batteries from the sea. Such an attack, if successful, would almost certainly result in the Russian loss of both town and fleet. Such a reverse would be a hu-millating and irreparable blow to Russia. Regarding the operations on the Corean mainland, the Japanese troops are understood to be pushing their way rapidly towards the Yalu River. The strength and exact location of the Russian force is unknown, altho the Japanese intelligence department is no doubt (one into touch south of the Yalu. Japanese authorities say the number of the Russian troops is greatly exaggerated, and they pro-fess to have no doubt that they will be driven back towards Harbin, the point of junction of the Trans-Siberian and Manchurian railroads. If they succeed in this it will enable them to cut the main line of communication between Port Arthur and the mainland of Manchuria, thus preventing reinforcements from reaching the Port Arthur gar-tore.

The Japs are greatly elated at having been allowed so easily to occupy and fortify Masampho. It is a place of immense importance to Japan, as it commands the Straits, and in Japanese hands makes them for Russia another Dardanelles. Baron Hayashi declares that with the fortification of Masampho the integrity of Japan is assured forever. No fleet, he says, can pass there against Japanese wishes, "Even if we are beaten, we would not give up Maampho."

BERLIN, Feb. 12.-Baron Kurino, the Japanese minister at St. Petersburg, has arrived here. He says China will abandon fits attitude of neu-trality and aid Japan immediately after the Japanese have gained a decisive land battle.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 13--(6 a m.)

-A report has been received from Viceroy Alexieff saying that the Rus-sian torpedo boat transport Yen!-set has been blown up as the result of accidentally striking a mine at Port Arthur. The Yenisei and Cap-tain Stepanoff, three officers and instrume men were lest

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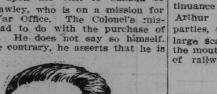
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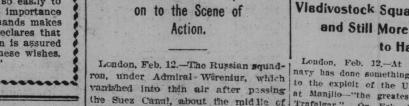
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That the investigation into the asessment rolls will yet bring out sensations is undoubted. In spite of the fact that Harry Page, in the withess box, said he knew of no other instance of padding having been done, it was asserted yesterday that he made the statement on the advice of counsel interested in the case, and contrary to

The World. "After several interviews with my solicitor, Mr. Hales," he said, "on his advice I made a statement to him four or five days before the investigation began. That statement covered the whole situation as far I was concern-ed, and I must refer you to Mr. Hales for any further information concerning t."

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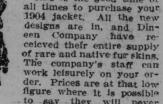
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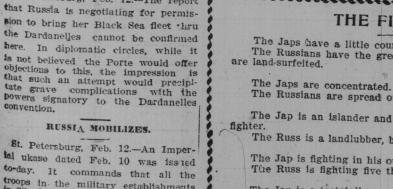
TO-DAY IN TORONTO. W. A. A. exhibition of Dutch Paint-

W. A. A. exhibition of Dutch Paint-ings, last day. Pittsburg Orchestra, complimentary concert to Mendelssohn Choir, Massey Hail, 3 p.m. Toronto Driving Club, "The Guns," Queen's Park, 3 p.m. W. B. Yeats on "Poetry in the Old Time and the New," Toronto Univer-sity 3 p.m.

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Toronto Industrial Exhibition Board, 3 p.m. Musicale, Trinity College, 3.30 p.m. Students' Volunteer Union, Vars'ty Y.M.C.A., 4.30 p.m. Canadian Pony Society, King Edward Hotel, 8 p.m. Toronto District Labor Conneil, Rich-mond Hall, 8 p.m. Princess, "Forbes Robertson, in "Ham-let," 2 p.m.; "The Light That Failed," 8 p.m.

Sp.m. "The Volunteer Organist," 2 and 8 p.m. Majestic. "Shadows of a Great City," 2 and 8 p.m. Shea's, vaudeville, 2 and 8 p.m. Star, burlesque, 2 and 8 p.m.



The authorities are empower-

St. Petersburg, Feb. 12 .- An Imperal ukase dated Feb. 10 was issued to-day. It commands that all the troops in the military establishments in Siberian military districts be placed in readiness for war, that all the di-visions in the Far Eastern vice-royalty be brought to war strength, and that army and navy reserves in the

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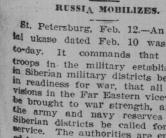
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St. Petersburg, Feb. 12 .- The report

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Siberian districts be called for active ed to requisition the necessary horses. It is thought here that the action of the Japanese in flooding Pekin with posters relating to her victories is part



The Russ is fighting five thousand miles from home. The Jap is a teetotaller.

The Russ has long ones.

of a well laid campaign projected from



JAPAN AIDED BY PAST. London, Feb. 12.-The censorship has Tremont Hotel Lunch Counter and Dining Room. Young Turkey, Dessing and Sausage, 25c.

THE FIGHTERS.

The Japs have a little country and are land kungry. The Russians have the greater half of all Europe and Asia and are land-surfeited.

The Jap is an islander and seafaring, a naval as well as a land

The Jap is fighting in his own back yard.

The Russ is a hard drinker.

most of civilization. The Russ has few friends outside his country, has incurred the

The Jap has short legs.

The Jap has the sympathy of the Englishman, of the Yankee, cf

just hatred of the world_wide Jew.

The Russians are spread out.

The Russ is a landlubber, but a plodding fighter.