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 While. Complete Lull Prevails in WestField Marshal French Has Been Named Lord Lieutenant of Ireland
Official Announcement of Appointment of Viscount French and that of Edward Short, Member of House of Commons for Newcastle-on-Tyne, as Chief Secretary for Ireland, Made in London Last Night.

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Austrians Assembling Their Legions from Russian and Rumanian Fronts for a Drive at King Victor Emmanuel's Armies Defending the Venetian Plains and Austrian Emperpr and His Chiefs are on the Scene-No Infa try Fighting in France or Flanders, Germans H 1 ving Delayed Renewal of Their Expected Attack-Venice May Be in Danger.

Over the battle lines along the Piave River and in the mountainous region in northern Italy, where the allied forces have been holding their positions since last November, after the great Italian retreat from the Isonzo, there is increased tension and the ling-threatened blow at a fee days.
For many weeks, the Italian war office has been aware that the Austrians have been gathering the legions withdrawn from the Russian and Rumanian fronts for a drive at the Italian armies and it is believed that it will not be long betore the Central Powers will make another attempt to reach the plains of Venetia, break throut in that theatre of the war.
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## Former russian TSAR MOVED TO EKATERINBURG

Ex-Emperor, Together with Former Empress and One of Their Daughters Have Been Transferred to Point 170 Niles Southeast of Perm, on Asiatic Side of Ural Mountains-Monarchists and Peasants Planned Escape of Nicholas - Coup d'etat Coming in Ukraine.

Moscow, Saturday, May 4-(By The Associated Press) -Nicholas Romanoff, the former Emperor, together with the former Empress and one of ekaterinburg ( 170 miles southeast of Perm, on the Asiatic side of the Ural Mountains) ac cording to a Soviet announcement. The tranferred was order because of the alleged efforts of peasants and monarchists in the neighborhood of Tobolsk to promote the escape of the in the ne
prisoners.

The announcement does not mention the former heir apparent, the young Alexis Romanoff


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