

FRANCE VERY SORE AT TURKEY.

Awarding of Contract for Rearming Turkish Artillery
Is the Cause.

RELATIONS MAY BE STRAINED

Sultan's Government Informed That
French Market is Closed to
Fresh Turkish Loans.

ATTEMPT AT COMPROMISE FAILED

Constantinople, Feb. 8.—Germany's victory in capturing the contract for the re-armament of the Turkish artillery threatens to result in a serious

The French Ambassador here, M. Constans, proposes to leave Constantinople soon for Paris to consult with Foreign Minister Deleasse. Meanwhile the ambassador has informed the Turkish government that the French navy

Tewfik Pasha, the foreign minister tried to compromise the matter offering to settle the Syrian railway question in a manner satisfactory to the French claimants and to purchase military equipment to the amount of \$2,000,000.

France. The ambassador, however demanded the expenditure of \$6,000,000, being one-third of the value of the new armament, with French gun factories and the complete satisfaction of the French demands regarding the railroad. These terms the ambassador declared to be final and not having re-

ceived a reply Feb. 6, the ambassador informed the Turkish government that he refused to continue the negotiations adding that the French government was closed to further Turkish loans. As a result of this notification the Ottoman bank withdrew its proposals for the projected loan and notified the minister of finance, Reshad Pasha, that it would not entertain any request of this kind.

government in any request of the Reichstag for advances. The Deutsche bank then came to the port and offered to advance the money, aid with an offer to assist the treasury. The Germans are thus for the moment in complete possession of the financial field and an trade has already been promulgated ordering the purchase of all the new guns in German factories, but it has been decided only to re-arm 60 batteries at present, instead of 142 as originally proposed.

No Senator in Missouri.

Jefferson City, Mo., Feb. 8.—The only variation today in the dead-lock over the selection of a United States senator was in the receipt of Representa-

BRITISH TROOPS.

Infantry Battalions to be Withdrawn from West Indies.

New York, Feb. 8.—The decision of the British government to withdraw all the infantry battalions from the West Indian colonies at an early date has been the occasion of considerable discussion in business circles during

the last few days, cables the Herald's London correspondent. It does not appear to have come as a surprise to army and navy officers.

One man high in the military service stated that the move is, in a way, the complement of what is being done in regard to British naval matters in the same locality.

"It appears," said the officer, who however, refused to permit the use of his name, "that the British government has determined to take President Roosevelt at his word and accept his definition of the Monroe doctrine. In the United States is prepared to prevent any territory in the western hemisphere from falling into European hands, if it is already under government by

Americans, and care of territory now owned by European powers, from being taken over by other powers in Europe, then the necessity for Great Britain's maintenance of ships and troops in the West Indian possessions ceases at least to a very large extent.

"Why, for example, should we be at the expense of keeping soldiers at Barbados, Bermuda and Jamaica, who

MILTON FRANKLIN ANDREWS
Circular Charging Him With
Bessie Bouten's Murder Out.

Colorado Springs, Colo., Feb. 8.—Chief of Police O'Neil has sent out 5,000 circulars giving a description of Milton Franklin Andrews with the request to arrest him upon a charge of murdering Mrs. Bessie Bouton on Cutler mountain "on or about Oct. 5, 1904."

A careful description of the man gives his age as 31, weight 131 pounds, height six feet and a half inch in stocking feet; complexion light; eyes brown or blue-gray; hair light brown and wavy, well kept.

This is the first charge that has been made by either the city or county officials taxing "Andrews with the crime of murdering Mrs. Bessie Bouton."

Japanese Capture British Ship
Tokio, Feb. 8, 3 p. m.—The British steamer Eastry, bound for Vladivostok with coal was captured off Hokkaido yesterday. She is being brought to Yokosuka.

The Eastry is a steel screw steamer of 2,393 tons register. She was built in 1892 at Furness and belongs to the Imperial Steamship company, Ltd., of West Hartlepool. She is commanded by Capt. W. T. Morsfield.