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MALE HEIR BORN TO RUSSIAN THRONE

Event so Long Wished for by the Czar and Czarina Occurred This Afternoon.

CHILD WILL BE NAMED ALEXIS.

Birth of the Boy Attended With All The Ceremonial Ordained by Imperial Tradition,

SALUTE OF 101 GUNS WAS FIRED

First from Peterhof and Repeated From Forts Around St. Petersburg -Christening in a Fortnight.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 12, 2:15 p. m .-A son and heir to the Russian throne has been born. The empress and the child are doing well. The accouchment occurred at 12:30 o'clock this afternoon. The child will be christened Alexis.

The birth so greatly wished for, that of an heir to the Russian crown, occurred not in the great palace at Peterhof, but in the Alexandra villa, one of a group of four small palaces in a seluded corner of the magnineent Peterhof park. In one of these buildings the empress had been living for weeks. The other three are occupied by members of the imperial family gathered there in expectation of today's event, including the empress' mother, his majesty's two sisters, the Grand Duchesses Xiena and Olga; his brother, Grand Duke Michael, and other relatives.

ALEXANDRA VILLA.

The Alexandra villa is a much more private spot than the grand palace. The warm brown tinted buildings, in the center of which rises a tail, square watch tower, are set in a thick forest of oaks, birches and lindens, hiding them from view on every side except towards the guif of Finland, whose waters almost iap the foundation of the nearest shoreward building, From this section of the park the public had been excluded for days past, while a short mile down the coast children romped and shouted under the deserted windows of the big Peterhof palace, and crowds of visitors gathered each afternoon to watch the marvelous fountains, second only in all Europe to those of Versailles. The Alexandra villa is a much more

cordance with the Russian law there ere present besides the emperor, Baron Fredericks, the master of the cere-monies, and Prince Dolgorouky, the grand marshal of the court, and Dr. Rott, the emperor's physician. Dr. Hiruch was the surgeon in attendance.
Dr. Rott personally announced the birth of the heir to the awakening imperial family. A formal announcement will be published in the Official Messen-

An imperial salute of 101 guns was subsequently fired, first from Peterhof, and it was then repeated from all the forts around St. Petersburg.

The christening of the heir will take place in a fortnight. It will be a cere-mony of the most elaborate sort. In accordance with Russian imperial cus-tom, it will be performed in the imperial chapel of the Peterhof palace, cred-ited with being the most magnificent chapel in Russia.

FOUR DAUGHTERS.

The emperor and empress of Russia (formerly Princess Alix of Hesse), who were married Nov. 14, 1894, had previous to the birth of the child born today, four daughters—Olga, born Nov. 8, 1895; Tatiana, born May 29, 1897; Marie, born June 14, 1899, and Anasta-Sia, born June 5, 1901.

The emperor and empress have for

The emperor and empress have for ome time past in anticipation of the event of today, been residing at Alex-andra villa, at Peterhof, the summer



towns and cities the glad tidings wer

solemn masses tomorrow, In the various ministries this after-

noon the officials were convoked to hear

the announcement.

The hearts of the Russian people are

to his interposition. The emperor will signalize the event by some gracious act, like the remission of arrearage of

taxes and amnesty, and for the next two weeks until the christening, there will be a hollday and public feates of

EMPEROR TO THE FRONT.

that with the succession to the throne assured the emperor will follow the example of the house of Ramonoff and

The heir's name will be Alexis Nich-olaevitch, and if he reigns he probab-ly will assume the title of Alexis II. The last Alexis was emperor of Mosco-

May Appeal to Germany.

Berlin, Aug. 12 .- Official circles here

think it probable that Turkey will ask

for Germany's advice regarding the

situation created by the American na-

val demonstration off Smyrna. Answer-

ing a direct question of the correspond-

ent of the Associated Press as to what Germany would do in such a case, the foreign office answered that Germany would advise Turkey to at once satisfy

Japanese Cruiser Kasuga Sunk.

London, Aug. 12 .- A dispatch to Reu-

ters Telegram company from St. Peters

burg says that the Japanese armored cruiser Kasuga (formerly the Argen-tine warship Rivadavia) was sunk with

all on board during the engagement off

Port Arthur on Wednesday last.

the United States' demands.

go to the front.

vy in 1645

already a revival of the talk

EMPRESS ALIX, HAPPY MOTHER, Of Baby Alexis, the Long Awaited Heir to the Great Russian Throne.

palace of their majesties. The villa, so-called, is situated in one of the most beautiful parks of Russia, about one and a half hours' ride from St. Petersburg, on the Baltic railroad, which Petersburg, on the Baltic railroad, which runs northeast from St. Petersburg to the shores of the Baltic, extending as far as Riga. In the park are several lakes, at the end of which is the "golden staircase," marble steps covered with real gold. The palace is not a large building, when compared with the winter palace at St. Petersburg. In the park are several other palaces, or the park are several other palaces, oc-cupied by different grand dukes and their suites, and in the neighborhood are many houses of the nobility and

PEOPLE AT PETERHOF.

The queen of Greece, a sister of the empress, and the members of the im-perial family assembled at Peterhof last month and have been there ever

since. Daily large crowds of people have gathered at Peterhof.

The people throughout Russia, notably the ciergy, have been praying for an heir to the throne, and the famous MUCH CEREMONIAL.

The birth of the heir to the throne was attended with all the ceremonial ordained by imperial tradition. In accordance with the District of the throne of Russila. Incidentally, Father John, who is worshipped by the people and who has great influence over the em-peror, is said to have stated to his majesty before his first daughter was born, that the emperor would have seven daughters before he would have a son, and that the eighth child of the compress would be a son. This prophecy is firmly believed by the Russian peo-

> The announcement from Peterhof was immediately followed by a salute of 100 guns from the imperial yacht lying at anchor off the palace, but it was 2:45 p. m. when the guns of St. Peter and St. Paul fortress, opposite the Winter palace here, conveyed the glad tidings to the people of the Rus-sian capitol. The effect was electrical. With the boom of the first gun the peo-ple in the streets, who had been momentarily expecting the event for 24 hours, stopped to listen and count the guns. Only 31 are fired for a girl. When the thirty-second boomed, and the people were aware that at last an heir to the throne was born, there were scenes of rejoicing everywhere, and before the salute had finished, the whole city had blossomed out with flags and bunting, and the shipping in the harbor was dressed. Then the bells of the churches began to ring wildly.

ALL THE EMPIRE KNOWS.

In the meantime, the announcement had been telegraphed to the most re-mote corners of the empire. In all the

JAPAN'S ACTION **VERY GRAVE MATTER**

Diplomatic Circles so Regard Her Course in the Case of the Ryeshitelni.

INTERNATIONAL QUESTIONS.

China's Neutrality Probably Violated -May Extend Area of Conflict that Hay Sought to Limit.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 12, 2:12 p. m .-The action of the Japanese torpedo boat destroyers in attacking and towing out the defenseless Russian torpedo boat destroyer Ryeshitelni at Chefoo is regarded in diplomatic circles as being a very grave matter for Japan. As soon as the facts are officially established, no doubt exists that Russia will promptly call the attention of the powers to this breach of the neutrality

Aside from the possible questionable right of an uninjured warship to seek right of an uninjured warship to seek a sanctuary in a neutral port when not forced to do so by stress of weather or lack of coal and provisions, all the diplomats agree as to the absolute illegality of belligerent ships entering neutral ports and there committing hostile acts. The case, so far as the facts are known, is considered much more flagrant than at Chemulpo, where all the foreign commanders, except the all the foreign commanders, except the commander of the American warships there, protested against the proposal of the Japanese to enter and fight the Russian cruisers Variag and Korietz in a neutral harbor.

It is recalled that

towns and cities the glad tidings were spread with the cianging of bells and the booming of cannon. Thanksgiving services followed in all the churches. At the chapel of Alexandra villa, the emperor and the imperial family attended a Te Deum.

The formal announcement of the birth will be made by the metropolitans of St. Petersburg, Moscow and Kieff at solemn masses tomorrow. in a neutral harbor.

It is recalled that at the opening of the France-Prussian war a warship of each of the belligerents was in the harbor of Havana, and they went out to try conclusions, with the result that the Frenchman was crippled and sought refuge in the harbor. The German vessel, however, did not attempt to follow the French ship, which remained there to the end of the war.

The only possible justification conceived for the Japanese torpedoboat destroyers is that the Russian destroyer may have first fired upon the Japanese and afterwards entered the port of Chefoo.

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The hearts of the Russian people are likely to be more deeply touched by the good fortune of the imperial family than by a dozen victories or defeats in the Far-East, and the superstitious Russian character will read in it an augury of a better time. St. Seraphim, who was cannonized last summer by the emperor at Saraffoff, has now become a favorite patron saint, as the birth of the heir is attributed chiefly to his interposition. The emperor will Chefoo.

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may represent to the powers that this act was a violation by Japan of the neutrality of China under the guarantees given in response to Secy. Hay's

The admiralty has just received a telegram from the Russian consul at Chefoo reporting the Japanese attack upon the Ryeshitelni in that harbor and the towing of her off. The message says of the crew survived.

No official reports from Tsing Chou received here up to this hour, and no details are obtainable of the naval engagement.

BRITISH VIEW OF CASE London, Aug. 12.—The British officials and foreign diplomats regard the action of the Japanese in cutting out the Russian torpedoboat destroyer Ryeshiteint at Chefoo, as raising a serious question of importance to all nations.

The foreign office received this morn-

ing a dispatch from the British consul at Chefoo confirming the capture of the Ryeshitelni and her removal by her captors from the harbor. The consul added that the facts were immediately

added that the facts were immediately reported to the Chinese governor and the foreign diplomats at Pekin.

The former evinced considerable concern, not so much at the fact that the attack was made on the destroyer as at the precedent established by Japan which Russia may follow in case of emergency, thereby extending the area of hostillies which Secy. Hay sought to of hostilities which Secy. Hay sought to circumscribe. The foreign office declined this after-

noon to comment on the effect of the Japanese action, but the officials are hopeful that an adequate explanation will be made which will not permit the incident to serve as justification for fu-ture violations of Chinese neutrality. It is believed that Japan will promptly

of her destroyers, even returning the Ryeshiteini to Chefoo provided she is convinced that her officers acted wrong-

The Japanese legation here has cabled to Tokio asking for an explanation and expects that an immediate inquiry will be instituted by the Japanese government. Until all the facts are ascertained the legation says it will be unable to intelligently discuss the procedure of the officers, but it is confident that they had good reasons for their act.

The legation added:

"Japan is deeply interested in the maintenance of the neutrality of China, and has given the most stringent orders to prevent its violation. In view of this fact we are loath to believe that the officers were guilty of disobedience to the orders upless circumstances justo the orders unless circumstances justifled such action.

No representations have yet been made to this government by the Russian ambassador, but it is pointed out in Russian diplomatic circles that the question is one which particularly concerns the United States, which obtained piedges from both Japan and Russia to respect the neutrality of China. Nevertheless, Great Biffain, too, must take notice of the Chefoo occurrence as she accepted the principle of the neushe accepted the principle of the neu-trality of Chinese territory outside the zone of Russian occupation. But, whatever action Great Britain takes will be simply advisory.

AS VIEWED IN WASHINGTON.

Washington, Aug 12.—The report of the capture by the Japanese torpedo boat destroyers of the Russian destroy-Ryeshitelni, in the harbor of Che as conveyed to Washington by confor as conveyed to Washington by con-sul general's cable today was received with the deepest interest, and also concern, for it was realized that there were in this incident the germs of ser-lous international trouble. Mr. Fowler spoke of the affair as a "cutting out" expedition, thereby differing in an im-portant point from the press dispatch-es which at first reading appeared to pertant point from the press dispatches, which at first reading appeared to indicate that the seizure of the Russian boat was in at least some legree caused by the action of the captain of the craft in attacking the Japanese boarding ileutenant. It may be that upon this point will turn the decision as to whether or not there has been a violation of Chipese neutrality by the iolation of Chinese neutrality by the

AN OFFENSE COMMITTED.

If the expedition was a genuine cutting out one, then there is no question in the minds of the officials here that the Japanese have committed an offense against international law by viofense against international law by vio-lating Chinese neutrality, and in addi-tion have broken the agreement they entered into at the beginning of the war, at the instance of the United States government, to limit the field of warlike operations to Manchuria and Kores and their waters. Should this prove to be the case, the results prob-ably will be grave and vexatious. Under the teners of international law the capthe tenets of international law the cap-tured vessel must be returned to the ustody of the Chinese government, and custody of the Chinese government, and an apology rendered for the offense against Chinese neutrality. But if Russian lives have been lost, as reported in the press dispatches, a greater complication will follow for Russiamay in turn hold China responsible for the punishment of the Japanese who caused the death of her sailors when under the shelter of the Chinese port authorities. Altogether the situation is full of danger, and the many apprehensions of the officials here is that it may be the incident that will break down the agreement of the powers and plunge China into the war as a full fledged beliggerent and ally of Japan. ledged belligerent and ally of Japa The consequences of such an act on China's part upon existing alliances between Great Britain and Japan and between Great Britain and Japan and Russia and France can be only con-jectured, and the prospect is so alarm-ing that it is not doubted the state department will do its utmost along with the rest of the powers to effect such a settlement of this incident as shall preserve the agreement as to China in full force.

RUSSIA FORMALLY PROTESTS.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 12 (5:50 p. m.).— The Associated Press is able to an-nounce that Russia has already for-mally protested to Japan through France, against the action of the Japareacce, against the action of the Japa-nese torpedo boat destroyers in at-tacking the Russian torpedo boat de-stroyer Ryeshiteini at Chefoo and tow-ing her away from that port, and that protest has been communicated to the powers.

This prompt action is based upon the official report of the Russian consul at Chefoo which is very explicit on the subject of the dismantling of the Ryeshitelni, saying that not only were the breech-blocks of her guns and all her small arms removed but her engines were rendered useless. The vesse therefore was reduced to the condition of a hulk. The consul also reported disayow the action of the commanders that the Japasese fired upon the Rus

sion sailors while they were in the

While the admiralty at this hour detares it has received no further news of the Port Arthur squadron or of the sea fight the foreign dispatches pouring in have dashed the Russian hopes that the squadron had succeeded in escap-ing and it seems now to be only a ques-tion of the extent of the Russian sea disaster.

TURKEY CIVES MINISTER LEISHMAN ASSURANCES

Constantinople, Thursday, Aug. 11.-Naoum Pasha, under secretary of foreign affairs, called on Minister Leish man this morning at Therapia, a town on the Bosphorus, nine miles northeast

on the Bosphorus, nine miles northeast of Constantinopie.. He reiterated the assurances of the government regarding a speedy and favorable reply to the demands touching the rights of American citizens in Turkey.

Subsequently Izzel Pasha, secretary of the palace, and Minister of Mines Selim Pasha, had a long interview with Minister Leishman for the purpose of determining upon the text of a reity which may prove acceptable to Ameriwhich may prove acceptable to Amer

GERMAN SQUADRON.

Commander of the East Asiatic One Sails from Chefoo.

Berlin, Aug. 12.-Vice Admiral von Prittwitz, commanding the German East Asiatic squadron, telegraphs to the navy department that he sailed to-day from Chefoo, on board the armored cruiser Fuerst Bismarck, for Tsing

German cruiser Soadler sailed from Ching Wan Tao for Tsing

TO RECOVER BODIES. Rescuing Parties Working to

Find Those of Pueblo Wreck. Pueblo, Colo., Aug. 12.-Feverish efforts are being made today by the rescue parties to recover the bodies of the victims of last Sunday night's railroad dis-

aster near Eden. It is realized that recognition of bodies found even now will be very difficult, owing to decomposition.

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Blood hounds were used in the hope of locating bodies yesterday, but were called off after one narrowly escaped drowning in the quicksands.

The experience of the wrecking crews at the scene of the disaster yesterday caused the officers to express the opinion that many bodies were drawn into the sand at that point so deep that they would never be recovered. With great difficulty the locomotive was raised, and it took the combined strength of two men to pull out a shovel that was being drawn down by suction of the undercurrent.

More impetus was given the search today by offers of \$50 reward for each body found and in some cases a much larger sum is promised.

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The coroner's jury hopes to complete its work today.

Russian Torpedo Boat at Shanghai

Washington, Aug. 12 .- Consul General Goodnow cabled the state department today from Shanghai that a Russian torpedo boat destroyer had just arrived there and that four Russian cruisers were expected tomorrow. It is understood here that if these vessels in-tend to remain more than 24 hours at Shanghal they must dismantle and re-main tied up until the end of the war, Probably the treaty of peace which will finally conclude the war between Russia and Japan will contain a paragraph making disposition of the Russian ves-sels which have thus taken refuge in Chinese waters: if Japan is the victor she probably will claim the ships; otherwise, they will be again armed and refurned to Russian ports.

Strike Breakers Attacked.

Chicago, Aug. 12.-Shooting followed an attack today on a Lake Shore & Michigan Southern train bearing a large number of strike-breakers from their homes to work at the stock yards. Windows were broken, and a number of the occupants of the train had been struck by flying missiles when one of the strike-breakers opened fire into the attacking crowd with a revolver. That to one was struck was little short of niraculous. One of the bullets passed miraculous. through the hat of a striker, grazing his scalp.

Reply in K. Commander Case. St. Petersburg, Aug. 12.-The Russian

eply to the British representations in the Knight Commander case was handthe Knight Commander case was handed to Ambassador Hardinge today. As cabled to the Associated Press Aug. 10, while couched in the most friendly terms, it does not recede from the Russian position as set forth in the prize regulations, to exercise the right to destroy in cases of emergency, neutral vessels carrying contraband. At the same time, Russia assured Great Britain that there would be no more neutral ships sunk, unless circumstances render it impossible to bring the vessel before a prize court.

All Oniet at Cripple Creek.

Chipple Creek, Colo., Aug. 12 .- The district is absolutely quiet today, Sheriff Bell's proclamation, which was signed by Mayor French of Victor and Mayor Shoekley of Cripple Creek, declaring that the laws will be enforced, and all citizens protected, has been favorably received and it is believed there will be no more whitecapping. The citizens are very much aroused over the outrages of the last, few nights, and business men in general declare they would turn out and deal simmarily with any one known to be simmarlly with any one known to be implicated in another whitecapping epi-

Admiralty Highly Pleased. St. Petersburg, Aug. 12, 12:06 p. m.— The emperor has just received a long telegraph from Kal Chou, which is now

theigh deciphered.

The latest news that four of the Russian battleships are off Shanghai is received with great satisfaction at the admiralty, as indicating that the bulk of the squadron has escaped.

The telegram to the emperor probably contains an official account of the sea fight.

ORDERED TO FORT DOUGLAS

Contract Surgeon Milton Staughan to Relieve Surgeon Hepburn.

(Special to the "News.") Washington, D. C., Aug. 12.-Contract Surgeon Milton Staughan has been relieved from duty in the Philippines and ordered to Fort Douglas for duty, re-lieveing Contract Surgeon James H. Hephurn who will proceed to his home in Pennsylvania for annullment of con-

FIFTY-FOURTHYEAR

MOST CRITICAL MOMENT OF WAR.

Fate of the Port Arthur Squadron Causes Great Anxiety in Russia.

ATTEMPT TO ESCAPE FAILED.

One Torpedo Boat Destroyer Put in To Chefoo and Was Cap-

OTHER SHIPS ARE NEAR SHANGHAI

Those at Tsing Chou Have Been Ordered by German Foreign Office to Leave Within 24 Hours.

Dispatches from various points today indicate that the attempt of the Russian Port Arthur squadron to reach Vladivostok failed, and the vessels have become widely scattered. One torpedo boat destroyer put in to Chefoo, where she was boarded and captured by the Japanese. The battleship Czarevitch, the cruiser Novik and a torpedo boat have arrived at Tsing Chou, at the entrance of Klao Chou bay, the German concession on the southern shore of the Shan Tung peninsula, According to other dispatches the cruiser Askold is also at Tsing Chou, but advices to the German foreign office do not include her. Another Russian cruiser and a torpedo boat destroyer are reported as near Shanghai, and four battleships are off the Saddle islands, about 70 miles southeast of that port. Chefoo reports say that one Russian torpedo boat was captured off the Chinese coast, and Tokio hears that a number of vessels of the squadron have returned to Port Arthur.

The German foreign office has given instructions that the uninjured Russian warships at Tsing Chou must leave

warships at Tsing Chou must leave port within 24 hours.

The Japanese system of communication has heretofore been so perfect that there can be little doubt that the government is thoroughly informed of the position of the various vessels of the escaped fleet and will be able either to drive them into neutral ports or attack them with overwhelming force.

PORT ARTHUR FLEET.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 12, 2:10 p. m. Everything else, from a military stand-point, seems to be forgotten in the gen-eral anxiety concerning the fate of the f the admiralty hang upon the presen of the admiralty hang upon the praction of the bulk of the squadron, and it is not too much to say that the present is regarded as being the most critical moment of the war. The admiralty until noon declared that it was without official advices as to the without official advices as to the whereabouts of the squadron, and could not confirm the report that the protected cruiser Novik and another Russian warship, the battleship Czarevitch, sian warship, the battleship Czarevitch, had put into Tsing Chou, at the entrance of Kjao Chou bay, the German concession on the Shan Tung peninsula. Nevertheless, as stated by the Associated Press last night, private dispatches seem to show that the squadron may have been communicating with Russia after passing Shan Tung promontory, and hope is high that the squadron successfully broke through the Japanese ships and is now steaming for Viadivostok. The departure of the squadron in the face of the superior Japanese fleet is commended by all classes. The papers consider that the squadron is taking desperate chances, but at the same time they are loud in their praise of its dash.

The Russ says: "The squadron is now somewhere in Pacific waters, disnow somewhere in Pacific waters, disnowledged the control of the superior is now somewhere in Pacific waters, disnowledged the control of the superior is now somewhere in Pacific waters, disnowledged the control of the superior is now somewhere in Pacific waters, disnowledged the control of the superior is now somewhere in Pacific waters, disnowledged the control of the superior is now somewhere in Pacific waters, disnowledged the control of the superior is now somewhere in Pacific waters, disnowledged the control of the superior is now somewhere in Pacific waters, disnowledged the control of the superior is now somewhere in Pacific waters, disnowledged the control of the superior is now somewhere in Pacific waters, disnowledged the control of the superior is now somewhere in Pacific waters, disnowledged the control of the superior is now superior in the superior in the superior is now superior in the superior in the

their praise of its dash.

The Russ says: "The squadron is now somewhere in Pacific waters, discharging its heroic duty. The prayers of all Russia accompany it."

The Novoe Vremya believes that the vagueness of Admiral Togo's report shows that he is trying to hide unpleasant truths now definitely known.

The armored cruiser Bayan did not accompany the squadron, the injury she sustained by the explosion of a floating mine having rendered this imfloating mine having rendered this im-

deny the Chefoo report that the Vladi-vostok squadron had been reinforced by purchased warships, but the report is given credence. PUT TO SEA AUG. 10.

The admiralty declines to confirm or

St. Petersburg, Aug. 12.—The emperor has received the following dispatch from Viceroy Alexieff, dated Aug. 11: "According to a report of the com-mandaut at Port Arthur, the squadron put to sea Aug. 10. The steamer Mon-golla followed the squadron. The fol-lowing Japanese vessels were on the horizon: Three first class cruisers, eight small cruisers and 17 torpedo boats. The port had been bombarded with slege guns for the past four days." ARRIVAL AT TSING CHOU.

Chefoo, Aug. 12, 7 n. m.-An undoubted authority confirms the reports

that Russian warships have arrived at Tsing Chou. He says they consist of the protected cruisers Novik and Askold and a battleship of the Czarevitch type. Two of them and one torpedo boat destroyer, he adds, are taking Car-diff coal on board.

The cruiser and one torpedo boat destroyer are now nearing Shanghal.

There are indications that the remainder of the Russian squadron has returned to Port Arthur.

The Japanese are guarding all points. Interviews with Admiral Sah and Capt. Ching, who is in command of the Hai Yung, indicate that the Chinese naval authorities were more active than was at first supposed. When the first Japanese torpedo boat destroyer, towing the Ryeshiteini, departed to the towing the Kyeshiteini, departed to the northward, the second Japanese destroyer steered a course past the flagship and the cruiser Hat Chi. The latter cleared for action and signalled to the destroyer to stop. This was done, Admiral Sah informed the commander of the Japanese destroyer that the Reyshitation was a second as central. of the Japanese destroyer that the Reyeshiteini must be returned, as neutrality had been flagrantly violated. To this the commander of the second destroyer repiled that he would overtake the first destroyer and return to Chafoo. Admiral Sah accepted the wors of honor of the Japanese commander and allowed him to depart. The Chinese admiral is deeply chagrined at this occurrence, and is ill as a result. He

Birth of Son is a Russian Trumpet Sound.

Coming of Male Heir to the House of the Romanhoffs, Says English Writer, is Like A Welcome Sign from Heaven-Declares if Will Stir Russia to Patriotic Endeavor as Nation Was Never Stirred Before.



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NICHOLAS II, CZAR OF RUSSIA, Who From the Time of His Firstborn Has Been Praying for a Son.

Discussing the highly interesting and much anticipated event of the Romanhoff household, so elaborately chronicled in today's ditpatches, a member of the London Daily Mail's able staff of writers observed about two weeks ago: The man in the train reads his news-

paper, chuckles over the courage of

Togo, marvels at the brilliance of Kuroki, and asks himself how much longer the Russians can endure disaster. The man of the club, watching the real armies of Russia moving up behind the raw levies scattered and driven by Kuroki, and seeing Skrydloff appearing here and disappearing there, like a De Wet of the sea, asks himself what ans-

wer five years will give to the question, "Which?" And the man in the chancelleries, the quiet, soft-looking man of affairs, looking away from the flaming mountain pass, smoking battleship, and shatterds port, fixed his eyes on the palace of the czar, and also asks himself the question

The answer to his jquestion, however, will be given not in four or five years' time, but in a few days. The answer will be given, not by cannon and torpedo, not by rifle and saber, but by a not only the issue of this war, but the destiny of Russia.

WAITING RUSSIA.

Wonderful it is to think that all the wealth and all the power and all the knowledge in the world cannot influence the decision of fate in this matter. The czarina, on her knezs, night and morning, prays God to give her a and morning, prays God to give her a son. The czar goes up to the sitar and bows himself in prayer, or journeys thousands of miles to consult a religious propaet, or sends thousands of miles into Europe for a man of science who has theories on this mystery of

sex; and it is all in vain. These great ones, with wealth that cannot be assessed, with power that cannot be gainsaid, are powerless before the arbitrament of fate in this simple human event—the birth of a child.

discontent laugh into the face of the young men; and despair will blow across the dominions of the czar like the wind of death. Then, it may be that the Russia with which Tolstoi has long threatened bureaucraey, the Russia with which Tolstoi has long threatened bureaucraey. And Russia hangs upon the issue. This huge and barbatic nation, this vast

and ingenuous people, is waiting for in-spiration, waiting for impulse, waiting for an emotion. Give Russia an emo-tion, and you shall see such patriotism as the world has not known. Give Rusas the world has not known. Give Russia despair, and you shall see horrors before which the shambles of the French revolution will seem small and trivial. In the heart of every Russian there is a simple God and a terrible devil. The sex of the czarina's child will exalt the one or loose the others.

Those who have studied Russian history and are acquainted with the Russian nature know how true it is that the fate of its empire awaits the travail

PRINCE OR PRINCESS?

A son will be like the sound of a trumpet, like a sign in the heavens, like the voice of a god. He will be to the millions of Russia a reminder of their past, a prophet of their future. They will rise with a great shout and stand round about their czar like an ocean of octance. They will be a people which has put on its youth and stands at the threshold of its destiny. Old Russia threshold of its destiny. Old Russia— the Russia of doubt and muttering an-archy, the Russia of decadent Gorki and unpractical "folstoi—will die like an old man trodden under the feet of youts hastening to its heritance. The Russia of simple faith, unquestioning loyalty, and fanatic patriotism will be bors again, and will put itself into the hands of its czar that he may bend with it

DESTINY. So much, so much and much more, liangs upon the sex of a child. With all our knowledge of the human body, we are as ignorant of the determination of sex as we are of the essence of personality. No man can decide how one sonality. No man can decide how one child is born of this geoder and another of that.

of killing.

This is one of the supreme mysterior of existence. For the life which at one time is sexless, neither male nor fe-male, becoming presently the one, assumes a nature of a poise of soul de-finite and distinct from the other. Edu-cation and every other aid of civiliza-tion will never make man and woman of one likeness; from creation they ar man and woman, the male and the fe male. Their point of view is different the processes of their minds are dif-ferent, the emutions and the sentiments of their hearts are of a separate order.

that the Russia with which Tolstoi has long threatened bureaucracy, the Russia

sia of hunger and nakedness, of mutiny

and sedition, of atheism and anarchy, will rise up and strike only for the joy

WHY?

And this marvelous difference in na-ture takes place at some secret and intangible moment, we know not when; and for good or for evil, for happiness or for misery, oursues its course in the bidden life till the hour of its birth,

we know not how.

The world is reminded of this elemental mystery by the crisis in Russia.
Our civilization calls a halt, we grow impatient of our veneer and our polite sophistries; we are back thousands of years in the history of the human race, barbarians in a world of mystery But if another princess comes to the imperial house, then will the old Russia of babbling philosophy and grumbling little child.