

### JAPANESE ENGAGE RUSSIAN FLEET.

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### WAS VLADIVOSTOK SQUADRON.

News Lacks Confirmation—London is Very Skeptical—Ritvizan and Askold Refuted.

London, March 9.—The Daily Telegraph this morning publishes a dispatch from Tokio, dated March 7, saying: "It is rumored that the Japanese fleet engaged the Russian Vladivostok squadron at sea yesterday. The result of the engagement is not announced, but it is believed the Russian ships were destroyed or captured."

The far eastern news published here continues to be most meager. The dispatch of Viceroy Alexieff adds practically nothing to the accounts of the Vladivostok bombardment contained in the dispatches of Monday.

There is no further mention of the rumor that the Russian Vladivostok squadron has been engaged, and the Tokio correspondence of the Daily Telegram, cabling on the night of Tuesday, March 8, says:

"No details have yet been received of the fight of Vladivostok."

The whereabouts of the Vladivostok squadron is still unknown, and it would appear to be quite unlikely that a naval battle has occurred.

The sending of Marquis Ito on a mission to Korea is regarded here as the most significant news of the day, and is believed to indicate a virtual protectorate over Korea, which will become the Japanese military base and source of supplies.

Marquis Ito enjoys great prestige. He visited the emperor of Korea in 1893, and since then has been held in the highest esteem by the emperor, who often consulted with him.

It is reported from Shanghai that Viceroy Alexieff is preparing to remove his headquarters to Harbin after having in vain ordered the Tartar general to dismiss the Chinese garrison at Mukden.

In Shanghai it is believed that the Japanese will attempt the seizure of Newchwang as soon as the ice clears. A correspondent of the Daily Express at Shanghai asserts that the Russians are throwing up a continuous line of earthworks from Kaiping to Iao Yang.

The Chefoo correspondent of the Daily Express reports that a large Japanese fleet has been seen proceeding in the direction of Newchwang.

Among other unconfirmed reports, it is said at Yinkow that the Japanese have advanced to Fenghoencheng (in Manchuria, about 40 miles northwest of Wiju).

It is also reported that news has reached Osaka, Japan, of an engagement between Japanese and Russians at a point 100 miles from Vladivostok, in which the Russians flew.

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### THE WAR IN THE EAST

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### GOV. HERRICK CALLS OUT TROOPS

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### MOB SETS THE TOWN ON FIRE

Trouble All Arose Out of the Lynching Of the Negro Dixon—A Race War Imminent.

Columbus, O., March 8.—Upon the request of Mayor Bowler, Gov. Herrick tonight ordered seven companies of militia sent to Springfield, O. It was represented that a race war is threatened as a result of last night's lynching, threats having been made to burn the "levee" district, which is largely populated by negroes.

### TROOPS ON THE WAY.

Springfield, O., March 8.—Five companies of the Ohio National guard are on their way here on a special train by order of Gov. Herrick in response to the request of the city and county officials. During the afternoon threats were heard that the "levee," the negro section would be burned. It is said the negroes are determined to avenge the lynching of Dixon. In one of the large shops today the white men treated the negro employees with contempt, and this resulted in heated arguments and threats being exchanged. Fearful of the consequences of the mutterings about the city, a conference was held in the mayor's office tonight by the mayor, the sheriff, two members of the board of public safety, the county prosecutor and others.

As a result of their deliberations a telegram was sent to Gov. Herrick asking for six companies of militia and requesting that the local companies be stationed in their armories. In response to this the mayor received a telegram to the effect that his request would be complied with at once and asking that the governor be kept fully advised on the situation. The saloons were ordered closed.

At 11:20 the mob, frequently made through the day and evening, was finally made good, and a volume of flame was seen to shoot up from the rear of a place occupied by "Lee" Thompson, a saloonkeeper. Preceding the firing of the building, the mob, at a distance of 100 feet, shot at the front of the building for half an hour, but it is not known whether any of the occupants had remained in the building, and if they did, whether any fatalities resulted from the shooting. The fire spread both ways from Thompson's place. It is thought the mob will not tolerate any effort of the fire department to put out the fire in the "levee" district, but will offer no resistance to the attempts to confine the fire to the buildings along Washington street, known as the "levee." These buildings are dilapidated frame structures, ranging from one to three stories in height. They are for the most part saloons, dwellings and small rooming houses. There are a few branch offices maintained by downtown firms in the vicinity. To the north of the "levee" on Washington street, running parallel with it is East High street, the most beautiful as well as the most fashionable thoroughfare in the city. There is little or no danger, however, of the fire spreading to this street.

The fire department will probably experience no trouble in confining the fire



WHAT CAME OF A LETTER.

My Dear Aunt Kate: I must tell you the good news. Right after receiving your letter, the day before New Year's I started in with new resolutions on the first of the year. I wrote to Dr. R. V. Pierce, at Buffalo, N. Y., as you requested me to do. I gave him all my symptoms, which were that I was tired—tired all the time and did not care to go anywhere, depressed and sad, and all ambition gone, backache and a dragged-out feeling, could not sleep, limbs feeling sore and aching. I followed the doctor's advice, which he went to considerable pains to make plain to me—to rest every day—a nap after lunch—complete relaxation—cultivate repose of mind, try not to worry, get as much outdoor air as possible, and practice long deep breathing, expanding the lungs. Then for a uterine tonic, Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, coupled with a wash he told me of. I must say that after following his advice for four months I feel perfectly cured and like a new woman. I am yours affectionally, JEWEL. Letters like the above are not unusual.

Mrs. Kooman, of 83 Grant Ave., Schenectady, N. Y., says: "I continued with the medicine I had taken for some time, but when I read the 'Pleasant Tablets' and was cured. I always recommend Dr. Pierce's medicine to my friends when they are not well."

"My daughter is in quite good health, thanks to Dr. Pierce's medicine. My wishes are that all who are afflicted will try them and see what good can be done for the sick," writes Mrs. Elizabeth McConell, of Rochester, Ind. Send 31 cent stamps to Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y., for his Common Sense Medical Adviser, 1008 pages.

to the frame buildings, but it is not thought the mob will tolerate any interference in its burning. The militia has not arrived in sufficient numbers to attempt to quell the mob, and the fire is rapidly spreading to the east and west. At midnight the entire block in Washington street, from Gallagher street, west to Spring street, is on fire, with no hope of saving any of the buildings. The troops from Cincinnati, Miamisburg and Dayton will be here on a special train within 15 minutes. They are urgently needed, as it is entirely probable that the negroes will make good their threats to fire the bus buildings. The troops from Cincinnati, Miamisburg and Dayton will be here on a special train within 15 minutes. They are urgently needed, as it is entirely probable that the negroes will make good their threats to fire the bus buildings.

### ADVICE TO MILLIONAIRES.

Andrew Carnegie Tells Them How To Get Rid of Their Surplus Cash

New York, March 9.—Advice to millionaires as to how to get rid of their surplus wealth has been given by Andrew Carnegie at a memorial meeting in honor of Peter Cooper, founder of Cooper Union. "One must always follow the pioneers of humanity," said the ironmaster. "It is not to the millions, or by the millions that the greatest advances are won. It is to the individual that we see the divine impulse." "The distribution of wealth is the greatest problem of the age. I care not how great an individual a man may be, he must realize that the problem must first find solution. No man has the right to put his own selfish interest in the distribution of wealth." "The world will make no progress except under that law of Christ, that a man may reap as he sows. It is written down in the Bible that every man is destined under his own vine and fig tree. 'No revolution ever did much or any good in this world; no true evolution ever failed to do anything but good. I do not wish to be understood as putting down a man's government or his money. I think that a man who has entered any profession is working for the advancement of the race. The successful captain of industry is not one of those low type who seeks the hoarding of dollars as his life's work. The money which reaches beyond his wants he seeks to find use for in the bettering of others."

### MANY HOMES SUBMERGED.

Rise in the Delaware Makes Three Hundred Families Homeless.

Port Jervis, N. Y., March 8.—More than 100 homes in the lower part of town have been flooded to the second story and 300 families have been made temporarily homeless by a sudden rise in the Delaware river caused by an ice gorge. The electric light plant was flooded and the town is in darkness. All day the river has been rising. Just before dark the ice started moving. It stopped at a big gorge three miles down the river and a large body of water immediately backed over the town. So sudden was it that many people standing on the banks were obliged to wade shoulder deep in the streets and hundreds were imprisoned in their homes.

Boats were put in commission to rescue the inmates. The water subsided for a while but soon began to go up again, at the rate of four feet an hour.

The Port Jervis division of the Ontario and Western railroad is blocked with ice and the Erie tracks and shops are under several feet of water. The flood has extended to the principal business streets.

A section of the iron bridges of the Matamoras and Milford railroad has been carried out, destroying communication with Matamoras and other nearby towns.

### Notice of Increase of Wages.

New York, March 9.—About 900 employees of the Manhattan Elevated Railroad system have been notified of an increase in wages. They comprise tower men, handswitchmen, porters and trackmen. An advance was recently granted to the guards who, for a time, talked of a strike.

### Orders to Russian Steamships.

New York, March 9.—The Russian Steam Navigator company is said to have received government instructions which compel it to curtail ordinary operations, particularly outside the Black sea, says a dispatch to the Times from Sebastopol. It is understood the instructions provide for a contingency call on their tonnage by the government. The company's convention with the government provides for a government's acquisition of the whole fleet for troops and other military work within the Black sea only.

### Russian Bishop of Alaska.

New York, March 9.—Innocent Pusinski, Russian bishop of Alaska, who has just arrived here from Moscow, will receive the formal nomination to his new office next Saturday in this city. He will leave for Sitka in two weeks. There are 40 churches in two dioceses and 60,000 Russians and Esquimaux converts to the Russian church.

crowd a negro fired a shot. There was a cry that it was aimed at an officer, and immediately the whole contingent of police and the mob at their heels with a yell started after him. The negro escaped.

Negroes were not much in evidence through the early part of the evening. When they appeared they were greeted with hoots and yells.

The company of militia from Xenia arrived at 1:30 this (Wednesday) morning and were immediately sent toward the levee by a circuitous route. The companies of local military are guarding the armory, where ammunition is stored. The feeling of unrest is accentuated by the uncertainty as to what the mob is going to do or where the trouble may next begin. Last night there were a mob and their purpose was to lynch the negro. Tonight there are reported to be two mobs, under cover, one of whites and one of blacks, and there is a feeling that a race war of a serious proportion is imminent.

### FIRE BURNED OUT.

Springfield, O., March 9.—At 2:30 o'clock this morning the fire had burned itself out and both mob and spectators have for the most part dispersed. Quiet prevails throughout the city and the mob is now dispersed and orderly, evidently satisfied with its night's work. It is hardly probable that an attempt will be made by the whites to burn the West Washington street resorts out, as the mob is closely guarded by Dayton and Miamisburg troops. Probably 20 small buildings were destroyed by fire.

### TROOPS NOW IN CONTROL.

Springfield, Ohio, March 9.—Among the buildings destroyed by last night's fire were a number of saloons patronized by negroes and whites. With the arrival of Company I, Second Infantry of Kenton, the total number of soldiers in the city is 35 officers and 213 men. With the coming of the Dayton and Miamisburg companies at midnight the total number of men was 273 with 32 officers. Col. Meade of Dayton and Maj. Kirkpatrick of this city being in command.

At 3 o'clock the soldiers have the downtown districts under control and comparative quiet reigns. The fire has practically burned itself out and of all the levee saloons only that belonging to Chas. Brannaman at the corner of Gallagher and Washington streets is left standing.

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**SPECIAL!**  
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**A TABLE LINEN SPECIAL!**  
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But better be here at 9 o'clock sharp.  
50 yards half bleached dice checked table linen, 66 inches wide, none better for hard service, a standard 5c table linen, limit 6 yards to a customer, at per yard ..... 46c

**A TRADE ENTICER.**  
Thursday Afternoon, 2 to 5.  
**WHITE GOODS DEPT.**  
A bargain far and beyond the best you could reasonably expect. 200 yards fine white India Linen, 48 inches wide, very sheer and highly finished, good values at 25c, for 3 hours, limit 10 yards to a customer, at per yard ..... 16c

**CLOAK DEPARTMENT.**  
Thursday Morning, 9 to 12.  
**SPECIAL!**  
5 dozen madras waists, white with fancy stripes, were bought to retail at \$2.00. No other story to tell, but come and see for yourself, Thursday, 9 a.m., your opportunity to buy ..... \$1.15

**THE SNOWBERRY**  
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Thursday Morning, 9 to 12.  
**SPECIAL!**  
A very superior toilet soap in extra large 10 oz. bars, regular 10c grade, on sale Thursday 3 to 12 o'clock, at a bar ..... 5c

**OUR SHOE DEPARTMENT.**  
Thursday Morning, 9 to 12.  
**SPECIAL!**  
Ladies' Dongola Kid Shoes, lace or button, extension soles, splendid values at \$1.75, 3 hour special ..... \$1.00  
LADIES' RUBBERS, all kinds, at ..... 45c

**OUR SHOE DEPT.**  
Thursday Afternoon, 2 to 5.  
**SPECIAL!**  
Misses' Kid or Box Calf Shoes, very dressy, lace only, sizes 11 1/2 to 3 special value at 1.50, 3 hour special ..... \$1.00  
LADIES' RUBBERS all kinds, at ..... 45c

**GENTS' FURNISHING DEPT.**  
Thursday Morning, 9 to 12.  
**SPECIAL!**  
GENTS' COTTON HOSE, in black and tan colors, regular 15c and 20c value, for 3 hours only, Sale ..... 10c

**BOYS' CLOTHING DEPT.**  
Thursday Afternoon, 2 to 5.  
**SPECIAL!**  
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Boys' Knee Pants, \$1.25, \$1.00 values; not many in the lot, at ..... 55 cts  
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75c and 50c Boys' Caps, broken lines, ..... 25 cts

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