WHAT JAPAN DEMANDS.

Russia Must Observe China's Rights in Manchuria.

Interview With the Japanese Minister in London, in Which he Says, "if Russia Refuses to Sign a Treaty Recognizing China's Rights in Manchuria That Means War."

St. Petersburg, Feb. 2.—The czar now has before him the report of the special council on the Russian response. All the papers relating thereto were submitted to him yesterday by the Grand Dake Alexis and the czar is giving them earnest consideration. He had not rendered his decision up to 6 o'clock this evening and it is authoritively said it may possibly ba several days before the response is forwarded to Tokio.

RUSSIA READY FOR WAR.

St. Petersburg Feb. 2.-A dispatch from Vladivostock today and issued here by a semi-official agency, says the Russian fleet at Vladivostock his been fully equipped for immediate service and prepared for sea. All the wood findings of the ships were removed yesterday. The harbor is being kept open by ice breakers. The fleet consists of four cruisers, the Cromoboi (12,160 tons): The Rossia (12,130 tons), and the Rurrik (of 10,923 tons), and a transport, the Lena.

Tokio, Feb. 3.—A specially called conference of the cabinet, elder statesmen and military and naval chiefs was held today at the residence of Premier Katsura. The meeting is believed to have been of much importancs, though no details of the discussion have been given the public. Possibly it foreshadows energetic action on account of Russian procrastination. Although the government continues

reticent it is manifest that the situation is of the gravest, and that the crisis is near at hand. The time in which the Russian reply will continue to be a factor in the situation is nar-The patience of the government is

becoming exhausted and if the expected answer is delayed many days long-er, the issuance of an ultimatum by Japan will become inevitable.

The Japanese feel that the existing conditions have entitled them to a more prompt reply and are bound to infer that the St. Petersburg government is determined not to yield, but is utilizing the time to advance its preparations for war.

London, Feb. 4.—A dispatch to Reuter's Telegram company from Tokio says:

"The general impression here is that all hope of reace is gone. "The elder statesmen had a conference this afternoon, at which the emperor was present. It is believed a weighty decision was reached."

THE REPLY SENT. St. Petersburg, Feb. 4.—The Russian response to the latest Japanese note was sent to Tokio tonight.

WAR RISKS BOUND UPWARD. London, Feb. 4 .- The ominous rumors circulating here of the imminence

of hostilities in the far east caused the rates on war risks at Lloyds to bound upwards today from 40 to 70 guineas per cent.

SITUATION AT TOKIO.

Tokio, Feb. 4.-Premier Katsura and his associates in the cabinet gave a dinner today to 18 representative peers and communicated to them the nature and progress of the diplomatic negotiations with Russia. The Marquis Ito bad a private audience with the emperor at which the situation was discussed. These and other incidents clearly indicate the seriousness f the situation.

It is generally belived that Russia is massing troops north of the Yalu river so as to be prepared to resist a possible invasion by the Japanese. The cabinet, elder statesmen and

commanders of the army and navy are n almost constant conference or communication. There is, however, no indication of the course they intend to pursue. The belief is prevalent that Russia is seeking to provoke Japan to take the initiative.

The first break in the reticence of the Japanese government was the publication today of four of the dispatches from Manchuria and Siberia, which are significant, showing as they do the trend of events.

The Japanese commercial agent at Vladivostock was notified Wednesday by the commander of the Russian garrison that he might at any time in accordance with orders from St. Petersburg, have to proclaim a state of siege. Consequently, he desired the agent to make preparations for the eventual departure of the Japanese residents. Should any wish to remain they will be ordered to repair to Habarovsk.

D Japhanese official reports confirm

marked military activity in Manchuria. Houses have been prepared at Liao Yang, Haicheng, Haichow and other places for the accommodation of Russian soldiers. Carts also have been requisitioned to transport ammunition

Troops are steadily moving in the direction of the Yalu and the Chinese residents of Ying Chou are preparing

Paris, Feb. 6.-The London correspondent of the Matin says that he has submitted to Baron Hayashi, the Japanese minister in London, a trans-lation, published in a London evening newspaper, of an interview with the minister printed here in the Matin. Baron Hayashi declared that the Matin correspondent had faithfully reproduced his utterances, and that he was

ready to repeat them. In the interview Baron Hayashi, besides reiterating his former published statement that Japan will insist on a

will fight." "Is your Government unalterably

determined on this course?" the minis- this county has been far above 12 ter was asked. "Absolutely," he is said to have replied. "We will not take promises. Zoo many promises have been broken, nd now we insist upon a signed

The interviewer then asked:

'Suppose Russia's answer is conciliatory and reasonable, but refuses to go to the extent of signing the treaty you desire; will your Government then have recourse to arms?" "That is precisely what I mean,"

replied the minister.
"If the Government of his Majesty, King Edward VII, asks Japan not to make war," continued the interviewer. 'and requests her to accept Russia's

reply, what will Japan do?"
"We shall greatly object to such intervention, even coming from the King. We desire to be left alone in our duel with Russia. We do not want support or assistance. We desire Easley. They profited by observation to settle our own accounts with Rus-

In terminating the interview Baron Hayashi was asked:

"Then you say that if Russia refuses to sign a treaty recognizing China's rights in Manchuria that means war?"
"That will be war," repiled the

Baron Hayashi added to the foregoing that he believed it to be the view of his government, and that authority had been given him to announce it.

RESTS LARGELY WITH ALEXIEFF NOW.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 5.-As announced in the Associated Press dispatches the draft of the Russian response, tentatively approved by the Czar, was telegraphed to Viceroy Alexieff last night. In this respect the document follows the course of its predecessors. The viceroy, being on the ground, will have an opportunity any objections he may have before rereply to Baron de Rosen, Rusian minister at Tokio, for presentation to Baron Komura, Japanese foreign minister. It is expected that Viceroy Alexieff will respond without any delay and send the answer to reach Japan on Monday. While the contents of the response are carefully guarded they are known to be in a conciliatory spirit city. and form, and to contain what are reregarded here as important concessions, although maintaining Russia's former position on some of the main points covering Manchuria and Corea.

CHEESE MAKING IN PICKENS.

Prof. W. E. Dendy Gives Comprehensive Information on an Interesting Subject.

Cor. of the News and Courier:

Pickens, Jan. 29.—It is not unlikley that Pickens county is the pioneer on the co-operative plan of the farmers, county in the State in the cheese in- as they are in this county-in fact the dustry. There seems to be a growing interest in this comparatively new industry, and when it is better understcod, the industry will likely become general. No well equipped farm with even as may as five to ten good milk leaast produces enough cheese for home cows, will be without a small plant consumption, and not impossible that for the manufacture of cheese.

Mr. C. G. Voigt, who lives in this county, a few miles from Easley, introduced the manufacture of cheese in this county, and possibly knows more about the industry than anyother individual in the state.

Mr. Voigt was raised in West Salem, Ill. He began the study of the industry about fifteen years ago. The first factory he had charge of was at Elgin, Ill., in 1892. The year following his superintended the first combined cheese and butter factory in the state of Utah. From Utah he came to Virginiaa, where he remained until about three years ago, where he started the first cheese factory and creamery in the state of Virginia. This plant was the Tom's Brook, located in the valley of the Shenandoah, and has proven

Mr. M. V. Richards, land and in-dustrial agent of the Southern rail-road, induced Mr. Voigt to come to South Carolina, where he settled at Easley about three years ago.

Mr. Voigt at once began the construction of what he believes to be the first cheese factory in South Carolina. This began operation in May, 1902. This plant started out auspiciously and its product found ready sale at profitable prices. But soon the farmers found that by retailing their surplus milk to the mill operatives, they could realize more than the choese factory paid for their

The management then decided to send to the country and collect the milk. This was found too expensive as the farmers from whom the milk could be obtained were too remote and too scattered. There was no previous contract or arrangement made by which the factory should receive a stated supply of milk to keep it in operation. It depended upon voluntary contributions, which proved in-adequate for the maintenance of the plant. The result was the factory suspended operation the past year. So far as the first cheese factory of South Carolina is concerned, it must be termed a distinct failure.

While the Easley plant was in no way a financial success so far as that way a financial success so lar as that plant is concerned, yet it furnished an object lesson to the wide-awake farmers who came in contact with its creamery had closed because of a lack of milk with which to operate. They reasoned that by clubbing together and obligating themselves to furnish a stipulated amount of milk daily, that the obstacle the Easley plant had encountered would be certainly over-

This plan was decided upon by about a dozen farmers in the George's creek neighborhood, situated four miles northeast of Easley. Accordingly, the George's Creek- creamery was organized last April. It is in operation and ready sale is found for its product. It is a small plant, equipped at an actual expense of \$3.0 or \$400. It has a capacity of 150 gallons per day. The milk of a little more than 30 cows goes to the plant, which is a good deal less than the full capacity. statement that Japan will insist on a signed treaty recognizing China's about \$1.30 per 100 pounds; 100 pounds of milk is equivalent to 12 1-2 gailons. In the north the average is 10 pounds saying:

"If Russia refuses this treaty we of cheese to the 100 pounds of milk;

the court about 12 pounds to the in the south about 12 pounds to the The average in so

> pounds. The bulk of the product of George's Creek factory is sold in Greenville at 20 and 25 cents per pound and the supply is far short of the demand.

After it is manufactured, the cheese !

stands for a time, from three to six weeks. If used within a short time after it is manufactured it is very mild. There is a growing demand, the fancy gocers say, for just that kind of

The officers of George's Creek factory are as follows: E. E. Perry, president; C. H. Carpenter, vice president; R. L. Perry, secretary and treasurer.

At Brushy Creek, six miles south of Easley, is to be found another community of progressive farmers that may be termed apt scholars to learn the art of cheese-making from the object lesson, which they observed at at Easley and by clubing together, they have overcome the obstacles that proved the downfall of the Easley

creamery. The Brushy Creek Cheese factory was organized Aug. 1, 1903. It was immediately equipped at a cost of about \$700 and is the best plant in the county. The first cheese was made Nov. 14, 1903. A short time after this date this factory turned out 61 pounds of cheese from 398 pounds of milk. Mr. Voigt, the cheese expert, says this is the finest record of cheese making he has ever known in his long experience. The average in the south for this amount of milk is about forty-eight pounds. The officers of this plant are: I. W. Rosamond president; W. C. Pickens, vice preesident, and C. J. Ellison, secretary and treasurer.

Mr. C. G. Voigt has in successful operation on his farm what he terms a "hand outfit" for making cheese. He has also introduced a similar contrivance among some of his neighbors. to examine the phraseology and report | The hand outfit is a very simple contivance for the manufacture of cheese. ceiving final instructions to deliver the and is made in different sizes, with a capacity of 10, 20 or 30 galllons per day. It can easily be operated by a woman. The quality of cheese thus produced is as good as that of an ordinary plant. The hand outfit saves expense of driving and hauling to factories. The cost of the outfit is \$20 or \$30 or more dependent upon the capa-

> By actual calculation, Mr. Voigt cleared \$19.90 on two cows in one month by converting their product board of health is distributing thouinto cheese.

Three new plants have recently been organized in Oconee. One is located at Walhalla, known as the Walhalla, Cheese factory. It was organized Oct. 16, 1903. Capital stock \$600. B. R. Moss, secretary and treasurer. This plant will be in operation early in the

In the lower portion of Oconee are two other plants, each of 200-gallon capacity. One is located at Tokeena, the other at Mount Tabor. Miles P. Singleton is president of the latter. All these plants have been organized A FACT idea was obtained from Pickens.

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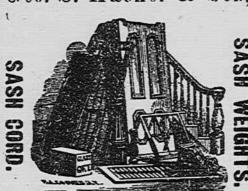
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Washington, Feb. 4.—Announcement was made today by the census bureau 7 that a cotton ginning record will be issued Tuesday, Feb. 3th.

Annapolis, Md., Feb. 4.—In the Maryland legislature today Isidor Rayner of Baltimore, who was nominated last night by the Democratic caucus, received the unanimous vote of the Democratic majority and was elected United States senator to succeed Louis E. McComas. The Republican minor-

ity voted unanimously for McComas. Savannah, Feb. 4 .- Adaline Neusline, a white girl, 10 years old, was killed late this afternoon by a street car at the corner of West Broad and Broughton streets. Her head, chest and arms were crushed and she was instantly killed. The motorman and conductor of the car were arrested.

Danger in Cold Weather.

There is danger in cold weather because it produces conditions favorable to the development of those germ diseases known as la grippe, pneamonia, bronchitis, consumption, etc. These diseases are contracted while the mucous membrane of the throat and lungs is weakened by inflammation resulting from a cold. It is dangerous to neglect even a slight cold. Help nature to ward off disease by using Rydale's Elixir. This modern scientific remedy can always be relied on in all diseased conditions of the throat and lungs. All

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