

BLACK SEA FLEET TO BE DISBANDED

Officers Put Crews Ashore and Ungear Machinery.

THE POTEMKINE FLEES

She and a Torpedo Boat at a Roumanian Port.

CIVILIANS IN COMMAND

Mutiny Planned by Revolution- ists—The Georgi Pobiedono- setz Surrenders at Odessa.

SEVASTOPOL, (via St. Petersburg,) July 2.—Immediately after the Black Sea squadron arrived here yesterday (Saturday) a council of Admirals and Captains was held on board the flagship Rostislav, Admiral Kruger presiding.

The council resolved to ungear the machinery and to authorize the officers and men to go ashore.

The Ekaterina II. is here and has been disarmed.

The squadron which went to Odessa consisted of two divisions, commanded by Admiral Kruger and Admiral Vyshorevetsky, respectively. The former's division included the battleships Rostislav and Sinope and the latter's the battleships Georgi Pobiedonosetz, Tria Sviatitelia, and Dvenadzat Apostoloff and the torpedo cruiser Kasarski. Several torpedo boats accompanied the squadron.

On arriving in the roads the flagship signaled the Kniaz Potemkine to join the squadron, to which the battleship replied, "We ask that the Admiral should come on board of us."

No answer being given, the Kniaz Potemkine cleared for action and steamed at full speed along the whole fleet. She passed so close to the other vessels that even the features of her commander, who wore a thick beard and was in civilian clothes, were clearly distinguishable. Several among the crews assert that they saw at least thirty men in civilian costume on board the Kniaz Potemkine.

Admiral Kruger signaled to the squadron, "Head for Sevastopol," and at the same time the Kniaz Potemkine displayed the signal "We remain here."

Commander Gazevitch of the Georgi Pobiedonosetz signaled that the machinery of his vessel was disabled. Admiral Kruger repeated his order to make for Sevastopol, whereupon the Georgi Pobiedonosetz replied, "We remain here." She then steamed alongside the Kniaz Potemkine and hoisted the signal, "We wish to hand you our officers."

This was the last signal seen by the squadron before heading for Sevastopol.

Capt. Golikoff and all the officers of the Kniaz Potemkine except five, most of them engineers, were killed on June 28 on the voyage to Odessa.

It is stated that 300 workmen from the Sermovo works were on board the Kniaz Potemkine.

During the disorders in the port of Odessa the Kniaz Potemkine obtained supplies from the cruiser Otchakoff.

The Captain of the transport Vecha was made prisoner by a ruse. The Kniaz Potemkine signaled to him to come on board. He did so, and was seized and bound and then put ashore. The crew of the Vecha then declared common cause with the crew of the Kniaz Potemkine, as did also the crew of one of the torpedo boats.