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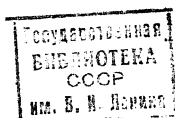
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PREFACE

WITH the publication of the present volume is brought to an end the author's series of political treatises dealing with the Far East from the point of view that Russo-Japanese rivalry has been the mainspring of the events of recent years.

In *Manchu and Muscovite*, written in the year 1903, some of the results of the Russian occupation of Manchuria were described, and the apparent policy of Japan warmly approved.

In the second work, *The Re-Shaping of the Far East*, written after the lapse of eighteen months of stirring and historic happenings, a broader estimate was attempted and the position of affairs in China, Japan and Korea, as well as in Manchuria, was detailed at some length. On this occasion the writer was compelled to qualify his former approval of the policy of Japan, and to point out that in Korea at least she had been a grievous disappointment.

In the third volume, *The Truce in the East and its Aftermath*, the author discussed the events and reasons which led to the making of peace between