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THOUGH a Second Edition of this book appears within three months of the publication of the first, new matter to the extent of nearly seventy pages has been introduced. A fuller consideration of the position of mail-steamers has been rendered indispensable by the seizure of the *Prinz Heinrich*. The exploits of the *Peterburg* and the *Smolensk* made it needful to examine more fully than before the legal status of the Russian Volunteer Fleet, and the international regulations which control the navigation of the Bosphorus and the Dardanelles. The extraordinary trial of the *Allanton*, and the still more extraordinary destruction of the *Knight Commander* without trial, have caused the addition of a new chapter; while the seizure by the Japanese of a Russian destroyer in the harbour of Chifu has necessitated further consideration