

this force (which includes the troops brought from Europe) of nearly 160,-000 men and 286 guns has been materially reduced. We are led to believe that it has been, if anything, augmented, though there are doubts whether the country is able to support much excess of these numbers. Reports have, however, reached this country that reinforcements have for weeks been pushed into Manchuria. These reports may or may not have been exaggerated, but, striking a mean, we may conclude that there are probably about 130,000 men in the far east, and is is probable that the Rusisan troops which would be available for service in Manchuria when either Russia or Ja-

pan has proved its naval domination in the China seas will not much exceed 200,000 men.

How far these troops are prepared to take the field it is difficult to say. In ment is of the poorest; consequently they are inured to hardship, and possibly would not feel the change to Pills and is cured. rough campaigning, as do other troops, when the change from peace surround-

ings is more severe. Anyway, the Americans who made a careful study of all troops engaged in the Boxer operations, formed a very low estimate of both Russian officers and men. In short, the best they could say for them was that they were "industrious foragers," and possessed an asset in the Russian "kitchen wagon."

Professional opinion at the present moment anticipates that Japan would be able to dominate the sea, if war should result before Russia can bring further naval reinforcements into Chinese waters. In this case it is generally surmised that Japan would throw

a land force into Manchuria. When once the sea is clear she has exceptional facilities by which she can rapidly embark a large expeditionary

force. She has three harbors well connected with the interior by railway : and, if she has selected harbors for

disembarkation in either the Yellow or communication, she should be able to up missing freight. We have been do land an expeditionary force superior to ing this for some weeks and will likeagainst her in four months. It must be remembered that not only will Russia be operating in a country the friendliness of which is doubtful, and will have to be maintained by the presence of garrison troops, but her land help unless it continues for some time, communication, upon study, does not seem to be the same military asset sults in washouts and later in the forthat so many would have us believe. mation of ice on the rails. It can in no wise compare with the

provided the latter can keep the sea- ness is almost at a standstill. Merway open. The Trans-Siberian rail- chants are enquiring repeatedly for way is but a single, line and the best consignments which fail to arrive, but single line, with enlarged and constant we cannot help it. They are on the sidings, under the most skilful manip- road somewhere and are coming along, ulations, would not serve for the main- but it is out of the question to expect tenance of more than 100,000 men. The stuff to be moved so rapidly now as Siberian railway has stations and sid- when the tracks are clear. ings about 25 miles apart, is very flimsy in structure, and Russian railway management is notoriously inefficient. Over and above this, the railway is extremely vulnerable. To protect it adequately would eat up almost as many men as it could at a European computation, in the present circumstances, supply. It cannot be supposed that this has escaped the perspicacity of the Japanese, and their agents may be ex-

pected to find ample means of constantly wrecking the most vulnerable portions of the railway. But even if were to remain intact, the question of transport after rail head is reached is one which will prevent the Russians from pouring vast forces into Man-

This transport difficulty is churia possibly the greatest with which the Soap Powder is better than other powders, Russian army is mese regions has to se it is both soap and

THE PRAIRIES. DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS CURING THE KIDNEY AILMENTS OF

THE WEST. Giroux, Man., Has Its Proofs That They Never Fail-Philias Norman-

deau Tells What They Did for Him. GIROUX. Man., Feb. 12.-(Special)-Almost daily cases are being reported in Manitoba that shows the old reliable Dodd's Kidney Pills to be still going ahead in their good work of relieving and curing the Kidney Ail-

ments of the Dominion, and this little town is not without proofs of its own of the splendid results they bring. One the best of circumstances their treat- of these is Philias Normandeau. His story is like all the rest. He had Kidney Disease. He took Dodd's Kidney

"I suffered for three years from Kidney Disease," Mr. Normandeau says, "but Dodd's Kidney Pills cured me. I only had to take five boxes when I was able to attend to my work, and all my old pains and weaknesses were gone. recommend Dodd's Kidney Pills to all who suffer from Kidney Disease." Kidney Disease shows itself in many ways. Backache or Urinary Complaint

are its earlier stages; Dropsy and Bright's Disease are its later and most dangerous ones. Dodd's Kidney Pills have been tried in thousands of cases of Kidney Disease of all stages and have never failed to effect a cure.

RAILROAD TROUBLES.

Impossible to get Freight Along Under

Present Conditions.

(St. John Star.)

J. N. Sutherland, freight agent of Japan seas, and can maintain her sea doing practically nothing now but look the C. P. R., said today: "My staff is and an experitionary force superior of her ing this for some weeks and will the tracks are in proper condition. Freight business on every line in Canada is tied up. Storm has succeeded storm and it is impossible to keep the tracks clear. Even fine weather is not much of a because one or two days' thawing re-

"This applies not only to the C. P. R. short sea transport of the Japanese, but to every road in Canada, and busi-

"This condition of affairs will likely continue for some time-I do not say until the winter is over-but until the succession of storms is at an end and the weather becomes more favorable. So merchants and shippers must exercise patience and believe that their goods are coming along as quickly as is possible under the circumstances."

Dr. J. C. T. With and Mr. Beverly made an attempt to ascend Mt. Washington recently, but only made the six mile post, where the intense cold and the wind blowing 80 miles an hour compelled them to turn back.

Lever's Y-Z (Wise Head) Disinfectant

when the Tartars overran the land under the resistless leadership of Attila, called the "Scourge of God." Every step in Russian policy looking to the acquisition of an outlet essential

to the upbuilding of her commerce, has been accepted by England as a menace either to India or English ambitions in China. The western world looks with covetous eyes upon the millions of possible consumers in China. It is peo- air line across Manchuria to Vladivosple they want to manipulate for profit.

The community of interest between England and the United States is commerciaism. Russian territory borders on China for about seven thousand miles, and 'ude unfriendly to Russia, it is highly the ethnical sympathy, considered in probable that a Russian army would connection with their close proximity promptly occupy Peking. Or, it might

enemies. The same ethnical relation were not at work there would be a impatience of English official misconspeedy settlement of the questions now at issue between Russia and Ja- sert that there is in fact a real com-But it may well be imagined in the light of all circumstances that England is again at the bottom of the situation. Her reputed desire to pronote peace would seem to be wanting sincerity. And in view of the atti-

tude assumed by England, her ancient enemy, Russia, cannot recede. The conflict is inevitable, and may come

RUSSIA WOULD ARM HILL TRIBES.

Should England openly ally herself Japan it may safely be predicted a hand, because, like England, we are that Russia would use the trans-Cas- seeking peoples to exploit. pian road, which, with its branches, now runs very near the Indian border as a means of transportation for guns

and war munitions, with which to equip the hill tribes of northern India. these there are 15,000,000 or 20,000,000 and the whole country could be easily

set ablaze. The Himalayas afford a fruitful field for revolt. The whole of India has hitherto been kept under English subjection through the inability of the natives to equip themselves with modern implements of warfare. The time was when such equipment ould reach the Indians through the eaports, but since England has controlled in India she has so jealously guarded the ports that all equipments for warfare has been excluded from the country. The trans-Caspian road, over which I traveled for a distance of 2,000 niles, is essentially a military road. Every man employed upon it is a soldier. Projected in a direct line, as it will be extended, it will nearly cross

Thibet and will be aimed at the heart of China. It is of no greater importance than the trans-Siberian road. Upon the latter I have traveled as the only American passenger on the first through train from Moscow to Irkutsk. distance of 4,300 miles. Since then the line has been completed to its full length of 6.200 miles to Vladivostok. I had wisited China nearly 20 years

ago, and it was to gratify personal curiosity as to exact conditions in Cen tral Asia that I made the trip in Russia, extending it to Siberia as far as the road had then been completed. In the event of war Russia without doubt will convert the trans-Siberian road into a military highway, over which to transport men, munitions of war

verst (two-thirds of a mile) the entire ength of the road there is a guard, and with such a complete system of protection interruptions of traffic would not be easily accomplished. And, if war were in progress, every man em-

Already large numbers of Russian troops have been transported to the probable theatre of war mer this line.

croach upon Chinese territory, when last for many hundreds of years at building the trans-Siberian road, is at- present consumption. tested by the fact that the original surgreat detour around Manchuria solely into operation during the last 50 years on the Russian side of the border. It in Europe and North America, said the was only when the treaty right was speaker. They are principally air drygranted to Russia, after the China- ing, pulping machine peat and briquetlapanese war, that Russia abandoned ting, better known as compressing. In the original route and built the present | Europe peat fuel is largely used. Ger-

stock It is probably wide of the truth to assume there is no sympathy between Russia and China. Should war come. however, and China assume an attitinued, then peat at \$3 per ton equals forbids that they should be natural be done with the consent of China. coal at \$4.50 per ton. Peat will burn enemies. The same ethnical relation Englishmen living in Russia with in any ordinary stove, furnace, or includes Japan, and, if other influences whom I came in contact, speak with grate, but requires close draughts. When coke is manufactured, the byception of Russia's purposes, and as- products become valuable, and in Russia cover the entire cost of producmunity of interest between England ng the coke. If Canada were to produce

and Russia, and not the natural an- fuel from peat on the German scale tagonism so frequently assumed. Rusthe country should turn out 33 milsia's purposes broadly interpreted preon tons a year, which is double the sent no cause for conflict, and if the quantity required. problems now presented are viewed in The industry in Canada has been rational light, and settled upon a broader, higher plane than that of method, said Dr. Spencer. Much money mere commercialism, it will make for has been sunk; heoric efforts have been universal peace for many centuries. made, and no one has made money as But Russia is schooled in the arts of

yet out of the peat industry. The cliliplomacy, and the hand of England pushing Japan to the conflict is ill conthe labor question and a dozen other cealed. Once war begins England will things have stood in the way of proexpect that the United States will take gress, but the chief cause is the small cost of plant, labor, etc. Peat fuel sided there. produced on a large scale to

LILIES OF FRANCE.

Weave Them Into the Union Jack Says Prof. London of Toronto University.

TORONTO, Feb. 12 .- Principal Hutpeat might well be a distinct branch on, of University college, was the for official attention. speaker before the Empire club at its ncheon yesterday. The promise of Canada was his theme. All strong nationalities were a blend of several races. In Canada the composite British race was blending with a race of more subtle intelligence, the French. be so dependent upon another coun-According to Greek teachings, colonies try, he said, to help to make millions were devoid of enterprise, as they were there, instead of here.

mere dependncies. There were ten A vote of thanks was tendered Dr. dencies in Canada to prevent this be-Spencer. ing true of us. Our neighbors to the south, Americanized us, as they an-To cure Headache in ten minutes use tagonized us, all the time. We have

KUMFORT Headache Powders. the same climatic conditions, only better, as they act as a tonic for the production of resource and energy. We Highwaymen Round Up Men and Get relied upon the sweet reasonableness

and loyalty of the united empire loyalists to remove that quarrelsomeness that has always marked the diplomacy

of the United States. Principal Hutmen entered the Colonial Club, freton's proposal that the lilies of France be woven into the Union Jack was greeted with applause,

LUNATIC ASYLUM.

were then relieved of money and valu-About the latter end of February ables to the extent of \$3,000. the Sun will publish an article on the The keys of the bank were then taken institution named above. The subject from Joseph Harlanjo, and from it the is exhaustively treated, commencing robbers got \$5,500 in gold coin. The with the first known reports of care of the insane, and the treatment ac- and laid face downward upon the floor, and supplies to the far east. On every corded them by their same brethren two of the robbers being left in charge very many years ago. The records of the care of the insane in New Brunswick are fully exploited from the commencement up to the present day. The article will be accom-

panied by a picture of the institution ployed on the line would be a soldier. so imposingly situated on the hill overlooking the Reversing Falls at St.

The article is written by "Thaddeus."

sold at \$2 per ton there is enough to enue, but that his body "was hastily sian fleet was hurriedly ordered removed from that unsavory place."

There have been twenty-four provey leading to Vladivostock, made a cesses for the manufacture of peat put 'by the first Mrs. Heyzer and her chil- hind. dren. On the way to the house the mother fainted three times, and afterward she became so prostrated that she was unable to attend the funeral yesterday. The "second Mrs. Heyzer," as she is called to distinguish her from warfare. the widow, did not appear at the sermany alone burns 2,000,000 tons a year.

It is used as a fuel for the home, coke vices. Edgar W. Heyzer, one of the sons of for the factory and other requirements the dead man, said yesterday that his pacity of certain nations to m in Sweden, Holland, Russia and other father and mother drifted apart about countries. It is produced at from .85 eighteen years ago. It was then that to \$1.35 per ton and sold for \$3 to \$4. If the alliance with the "second Mrs. the caloric value of peat be two-Heyzer" was formed. thirds that of anthracite coal. he con-

"Since then," he continued, "it has been a well known fact that my father affair in which intelligence and lived with the woman, but I want to say emphatically that she has no right correspondent thinks, but rather to his name, because she never was his where skilful, courageous sailo wife.'

During the long lapse of years, Mr. Heyzer said, the relations between the father and his children were friendly, is not a master he will produce and he had frequently sent gifts to them and to his grandchildren. He also sent a monthly allowance to the other

Sixth avenue house, so that the wife he had left should want for nothing, confined largely to the compressing but this was stopped when the sons became old enough to support their mother.

At No. 407 Sixth avenue the "second Mrs. Heyzer" could not be seen yestermatic conditions, the processes used, day. A woman, who would not give now hopes are entertained the power will extricate Russia her name, but who said she was there difficulty in which neither M.W. to "comfort the widow," declared that Count Lamsdorff would have Heyzer had not lived at No. 903 Sixth amount produced in proportion to the avenue, but that "only his folks" reher to drift. Frequent message

Mr. Heyzer's death resulted from a be made to pay. Canadians have not scratch on his foot from a piece of been willing to adopt a foreign plan iron. Although the wound was not and the government has not assisted considered serious, blood poisoning set the enterprise. It should be so, he in, causing death. Throughout his illclaimed, either by a bonus or by put- ness Mr. Heyzer was visited by his ting up an experimental plant, and children. Mr. Heyzer was a Mason of high

standing, and services were held over Canada has the fuel question in its his body at the temple on Wednesday own hands if those concerned will lay afternoon. Representatives were preshold of the opportunities, said Dr. ent from lodges in all parts of the Spencer in closing his remarks. Large country, and the Old Guard, of which areas are to be found in all the pro- he had been a member for many years, vinces. It is a shame for Canadians to attended in a body.

At Greenwood cemetery yesterday members were present from Chancellor Walworth Lodge, Pacific Lodge, Triune Royal Arch Chapter and the Nobles of the Mecca Temple, Mystic Shrine, as well as a delegation from the New York Custom House, where Mr.

Heyzer had charge of the records, having first entered the office thirty-seven years ago. Mr. Heyzer had been commander in

bodies since 1896, and, being a thirty-

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 13 .- Five Masonic jurisdiction. He was also which gives them credit on commander in chief of the New York easier than those of the markets quented by leading sportingmen of this Consistory and a past illustrious poten- scarcity of money even now is city, last night. While one remained on tate of Mecca Temple. guard the others broke into the club Mr. Heyzer fought in the War of the labor of many successfully room and rounded up the inmates, who Rebellion and was a member of Lafay- plished by M. Witte will be nullified were lined up against the wall. They ette Post of the Grand Army of the

GREAT BRITAIN AND FRANCE.

Reasons That Will Keep Them Neutral During the Struggle.

(London Times Service.) PARIS, Feb. 11.-In accounting for the disposition of the continental powers to observe strict neutrality in the Far East must be considered the dan-

ger nearer home. The probabilities of approaching trouble in the Near East have not diminished. A rupture between Turkey and the Bulgarians is not improbable. The situation in the Balkan peninsula will be found to in-

but two battleships could not Before its removal, however, private having stuck fast in the mud of services were held there and attended shallow basin, and had to remain

The Times' military correspon does not look upon the Port An affair as demonstrating anything as to the value of torpedoes in nava

"Port Arthur." he says. "proves solutely nothing but the fact that dern science has outstripped the telligent use of the new wear would have been precisely the thing if had been battleships pedoes, men of war and fire sl turemes and catapults. It was no ness combatted similiar qualities. the advantage of stupidity, ne and incapacity. "War is an a correspondent says, "and if the ing that will live."

RUSSIA LOOKS TO GERMAN

Kaiser Reported Offering Czat Suggestions-Russian Finan in a Very Bad Way.

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Although no hints have been ped to form the impression, it sumed that the results of war to sia would be pernicious in the exten because. despite the dispatch of tro and the purchase of provisions by empire, it is, owing to its financial, dustrial and internal political con tion, less ready for a costly and popular campaign at the other end the world than it has been at any these last 10 years, and, to make ters still worse, the near eastern

tion is certain to become acute in spring. Most thinking people severely h the authorities for losing prestig-Austria and Germany in the Ball for the sake of a "will-of-the-wist chief of all the Northern Scottish Rite the far east. Russian finances suffer. They are already suffering third degree Mason, was a member of cause the discount banks here a the Supreme Council of the Northern pendent upon the imperial state fully felt and if war really ensue

> a few weeks. WHEN TROUBLE COMES

"Have any trouble with your pine? reezing?" "No, they froze all right. The time"

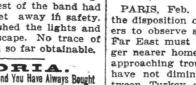
ble comes after they thaw out."-Cina cinnati Times-Star.

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victims were then bound hand and foot of them until the rest of the band had sufficient time to get away in safety. Then they extinguished the lights and made good their escape. No trace of the thieves has been so far obtainable.

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