The Fight for Supremacy in the Far East.

on the world at large are such as to cause him to shudder. If the war could be kept confined to the two contesting powers, the result would not be fraught with so much importance, but no military expert or analytical statesman can overlook the possibilities involved to the corring fight.

With the first gun shot in the Far sian troops would continue to hold all With the first gun shot in the Far East there started a titanic struggle between Russia and Japan such as the world has not seen since our own civil war and the Franco-Prussian war. To the analyst the struggle assumes truly terrible proportions, and the contemplation of the consequences on the world at large are such as to

In the coming fight.

It has been said that Russia does not dare to fight unless China can be drawn in. The attitude of China just now is to preserve a strict neutrality, and that is not satisfactory to Russia, and that is not satisfactory to Russia, and that is not satisfactory to Russia, and the satisfactory to Russia, and more fortifications was the answer. much for China to grant, backed as

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clearing either frontier. In all probability the first invasion will be made in courage.

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Korsa, whichever side gets started first; there the first big land battle will be fought at first, aside from the efforts of Japan to take the ports in Manchuria.

If Japan is victorious at first, she will move ever into Manchuria and fight the garrisons along the railway. After this any attempt to predict the pregress of the war would be idle speculation.

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Russia, on Paper, Appears to the World Like a Great Giant Pigmy.

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HOW THE NEWS TRAVELS.

The Way War News Comes From the Far East.

be until spring, and the large fleet business is quiet the men will have equipping plants, will be of little use. garded as only a fair preparation for The docks in Port Arthur are not yet the tremendous stress of war times. in perfect shape, and in case of a disastrous reverse at sea there is no place for Russia to repair and recuperate. Port Arthur, also, can be successfully "bottled up."

Asked whether they expected Russia would try to cut the cables the authorities seemed inclined to resign themselves to the will of Providence. If Russia cuts them she will cut them, But cutting a cable is not so easy as

outting soap. It was recalled, more-over, that in the Spanish-American war the only cable that the Americans cut was an abandoned cable's loose end. Nor in the Russo-Turktsh war was the cable under the Black Sea from Odessa to Constantinople cut at all, but sealed and guarded at one end by a couple of Turkish

come? Curiously enough, rather less than no time at all. A press message

