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ing classes: way rejoicing. Prices right 6; Other battleships, 27 Destroyers, for good work. marines, 42; Heavy cruisers, 12; Waterplane ship, 1; Light cruisers, 16; Tenders, depot ships, etc., 28; Mine-layers, 7.

But to obtain this force practically the entire British Fleet has been con-

centrated in home waters. Only two

really effective modern fighting ships under Admiralty control remain abroad, namely, the Inflexible in the Mediterranean, and the New Zealand in the Southern Pacific.

-In the second stage of the manoeuvres two fleets, the Blue, representing the British forces, under Admiral Sir George Callaghan, and the Red, representing the enemy, under Vice-Admiral Sir John Jellicoe, will be pitted against each other. The main strategic object of the exercises will be to ascertain whether the British Fleet can give security against invasion. Sir John Jellicoe will endeavor to land an invading force, and Sir George Callaghan will be charged with the task of bringing him to battle and destroying him before the landing can be effected.

The problem is of surpassing importance in view of the weakness and disorganization of the Territorial Force. If Sir George Callaghan is successful the Government may be expected to claim that the safety of this country is absolutely assured and that, therefore, there is no need to reorganize the Territorials and introduce national service.

Last year a similar problem was studied, and on that occasion Sir George Callaghan commanded the Red, or attacking force, representing the enemy, while Prince Louis of Battenburg, commanded the Blue, or British defending force. The British force was given a strength nearly

double that of the enemy. But, notwithstanding this great superiority, Sir George Callaghan was able to land 28,000 men on the Yorkshire coast, to break through the British line of patrol in the North Sea, and to effect his retreat to the south with only the loss of his oldest ships which were of little val-

Among the most remarkable features of the coming manoeuvres will be the presence with the fleets of a waterplane depot ship, the Hermes, carrying three waterplanes. This is the first occasion on which aircraft have been used in these exercises. In addition to the waternlanes affoat a certain number of the machines stationed around the coast will be

The new boats of the E class o first time in manoeuvres. They are of about 800 tons and carry two guns in addition to four torpedo tubes. Their radius of action is not less than 1,500 miles, and they are worthy to be described as ocean-going submarines.-Daily Mirror, July 9.

Sea Fowls' Eggs.

The gathering of the sea fowls eggs on the English coast is a perilous work engaged in by the Yorkshire cliff climbers. At the approach of spring the climbers make preparations to gather the eggs of the myriads of sea fowl that build their nests in the dizzy precipices of the northeastern coast. The chalk cliffs sometimes tower 400 feet above the sea Here thousands of gulls, kittiwakes cormorants and other sea birds have their nests in the rough chalky crevices. The egg gatherer, a man of nerve and agility, prepares for his work by placing on his head an old helmet for protection from the pieces of rock which may be dislodged by the rope from which he is suspended in mid-air. Next he buckles a kind of leather hammock around his body in which he sits. His arms are pro tected by leather protectors.

When he is fully equipped he i slowly lowered over the edge of the cliff in an almost horizontal position and presses each foot firmly against the chalk surface. Three men hold the rope and foot by foot the gatherer is lowered. As he swings from nest to nest he puts each egg carefully in a bag slung over his shoulder As soon as the bag is full he gives the "hoist up" signal and the men haul him up. Sometimes several descents are made a day, and whe the day's work is over the spoils ar divided up, and the eggs are af wards sold to the neighboring wil gers for eating purposes. Bempton a few miles from Bridlington, is the avorite resort of these egg hun filliam Winkinson, who has purs

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Hercules.



Hercules was a citizen of ancient Greece who invented the strangle hold and use it on everybody with whom he came in contact. Zeus, but he always preferred to be called by his first name. Her-

nortalized in numerous ways and is used quite liberally to advertise suspenders and stump pullers. So far as is known he never sat for his photograph and therefore people had to submarine will be seen at sea for the draw plaster of paris pictures of him from memory. One of the most popular of these shows him reclining on an elm club in a hathing suit and an attitude of extreme ennui.

Hercules was endowed at hirth with a surplus fund of muscle, which he threw around with the utmost recklessness. One of the very first uses made of this muscle was to ris up in his cradle and strangle two thick and sinuous serpents which had been sent to assassinate him Nobody could caress Hercules as a baby without the danger of being un-

premediatedly caved in. When Hercules got his growth he gave a public exhibition of his strength in order to show up Samson Barnum's giant and other imitators Atlas asked him to hold up the world while he went to spend a week end with some relatives, and Hercules did so without removing his coat or vest or jarring anybody off his home hemi-

sphere.
Probably the best thing Hercules ever did was to purify the Augean stables. These were a celebrated livery barn which had not been purified to any extent for several thousand years, and the neighbours petition ed the city council to take action. Hercules was hired to do the purifying, and was obliged to run a large river through it and drown a numbe stables refused to remain clean, however and now we do our purifying in a different manner, by electing some body every four years who will fill the second class post offices with new

Hercules seems to have had troub with his wife, for one day she rubbed ooison into his spring suit. When Hercules discovered it he did not apply for a divorce, being pressed for ime, but ignited himself and severa ords of dry wood at one and the same ime with the most flattering success This method of getting rid of a husband is still used wherever there is ny consderable amount of life in

Nun.

Milan, July 14.-There has just detta, a nun, whose real name was Miss Penelope Frey, and concerning whom many extraordinary stories

These are chiefly founded upon her alleged possession in a remarkable gree of the power of second-sight. This power, it is believed among the people, enabled her to foretell many events, and in consequence her death has created a great impression in the

Maria Nenedetta's life was one great suffering.

Soon after entering the convent where she died, a painful spinal maladv attacked her, and for a period of fifty years she is said to have lain in a sepcially constructed bed, in her little cell, her head always resting in a kind of loop made by broad ing. Her supposed gift of prophesy, was, according to general report, first exhibited in 1900, when she

foretold to a horrified audience of nembers of the convent community the assassination of King Humbert. So great was her fame that special permission was granted to her to receive pilgrims, who came to visit the convent. At another time she is said to have foretold the death of Cardinal Bebini, bishop of Viterbo; the bishop had sent a gift of tapers to the convent. On hearing this, Maria Nenedetta said with deep emotion that she could see those very candles being used at the funeral of the giver. This prophecy is recorded to have been fulfilled two days later. The elevation of Pius X to the papal chair and the Messina earthquake were two of the events she correctly

No fewer than 30,000 mourners attended the funeral.

Men Who Own London

A list of the largest ground landords in the County of London, the area of which is 116 square miles, was given at the London County Council meeting yesterday as fol-

Over 1,280 acres each, Lord Northbrook (Eltham) and Dulwich Col-

Over 960 acres each, Lord St. Germans (Blackheath); Mr. H. W. Forsron (Plumstead); and Sir Spencer Maryon-Wilson (Hampstead Charlton.)

Over 480 acres, Duke of Westminster (Pimlico.)

Over 320 acres each. Lord Lartnouth (St. Pancras and Lewisham); Prudential Assurance Company (various districts); Mercers' Company (various districts); and Magdalen College Oxford (Wandsworth)

The total number of owners was given as 38,200 (the population in 1911 was 4,522,000); the number of individuals owning one house each as about 14,000; and of those owning five acres or more 700. The area held by railway companies and public authorities was about twentytwo square miles.-Daily Mirror,

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Presbyterian Pastor Defies Church Tradition in Chicago.

Chicago, July 14.-The Rev. Arthur J. Francis, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Englewood, defied Church tradition vesterday by appearing in the pulpit dressed entirely in

There was almost a gasp from the congregation when he stepped on the platform. The preacher appeared com fortable in a temperature of 93, while many members in Prince Alberts and stiff Sunday gowns fanned vigorously. After the sermon, the Rev. Francis said he thought the conventional heavy black coat and stiff collar were "nonsense." He said his costume permitted him to "deliver three times a better sermon" in hot weather.

Two Primitive.

As a certain Primitive Methodist chapel in Derbyshire was closed for ied in the adjoining schoolroom. As this was not licensed for weddings the ceremony was repeated on an other day in the then opened chapel. The couple were recalled from the

"It is best to be on the safe side Primitive Methodists, in future, will be careful to see that their method are not too primitive," says the Pal

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