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A South Daliota Case.



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shoe emporium.

to the quality of the leather. The youngster turned his nose up coldly, swelled his chest to its full proportions, and, fixing a stony stare on the young shopman, replied, indignantly:

"A pair of kids, indeed! A pair of small men's, thank you!"

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QUICK THINKING SAVED DAY HUMOR WORSE THAN WASTED

Too Small Boy Was Allotted Necessity for Preserving Family Reputation, and He Did It.

At a banquet of the ministers of New York, Doctor Johnston of the Morrisania church, told this story:

"One of the members of my church has instilled into his family the belief that the collection is a vitally important part of the service.

"Consequently his little boy Thomas | tive of a Berlin newspaper. never comes to church without his contribution.

take up the collection at the morning accent. service, Thomas looked along the pew to see if the various members of the family were provided with a contribu-

"Noticing a guest of his sister's empty-handed, he whispered: "Where is your money?"

"'I have none,' was the reply. "Time was short and the necessity great. In a flash the little fellow met the emergency by saying:

'Here take mine. That'll pay for you, and i'll get under the seat.'

'And, flinging his own coin into he lap, he disappeared under the pew, where he remained until the elder had gone by-and the reputation of the family was saved."-Popular Maga-

Porfirio Diaz's Poetic Prophecy. President Porfirlo Diaz, who ruled over Mexico for more than a quarter of a century as an absolute dictator. believed that only such iron rule could bring peace and progress to the half-

civilized millions of that country. Several years ago, when his power was still unbroken, an American, who was on intimate terms with him, ventured to suggest that the Mexicans were now prepared for a more liberal form of government, and hinted that his rule was too severe.

The stern old man stiffened his gaunt figure, and ran his fingers through his locks, now white with

"When these snows melt." he said, prophetically, "the mud will be deep in Mexico!"-Youth's Companion.

Kind Editors. Needless to say, the night was cold.

Brrr! "We have used up the last stick of wood in the house," said the young artist to the brooding poet as they sat beside the embers of a fire. "What shall we do? Must I sacrifice my latest canvas?"

"Hold!" said the poet. "I shall bring my rejection slips." And they kept the fire going all night.

Certainly.

"Do you think it is unhealthful for a man to keep his mouth open while he is asleep." "No, but it is annoying to those

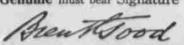
him to keep it open while he is Discretion.

"Do you always acknowledge it whenyou know you are wrong?" "No; only when other people know

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Probably in the Future Madge Lessing Will Be Wary of Joking With German Newspaper Men.

Miss Madge Lessing, who is now appearing in The Blue Mouse, has been playing in Berlin for some time, remarks Pearson's Weekly.

She was telling us the other day that soon after she went to Germany she was interviewed by the representa-

The interview complimented her on being able to speak her lines in "One Sunday, as the elders began to the plece without a trace of a foreign

"Oh," replied Miss Lessing frivolously. "I play in five languages-German, French, American, English and Irish.

Poor Miss Lessing expected at least a smile at her little joke, but the interviewer wrote it down quite seri ously, and in due course the statement appeared in print.

Almost immediately another newsguage. "Miss Lessing." it pointed out. "should know better than to make a mistake like this!"

Grievance of Suffragism.

One of the grievances of suffragists is the inferior position occupied by women as parents. A couple of days ago a woman, whose husband had, so far as she knew, gone down in the Empress of Ireland, applied to the Willesden magistrates for a vaccination exemption for her infant son. She was informed from the bench that the exemption order could not be granted until the father's death was legally proved, as "the law did not recognize her as the parent of the child." If the law does not enable a woman to rank as the parent of her children it must be a "hass" of the most asinine type.-London Globe.

Delicate Flattery.

"What makes you keep saying you wish congress would adjourn?" asked the statesman, a little resentfully. "Well," replied the big business man, "my reasons are entirely selfish. You gentlemen make such interesting speeches that I can't help stopping to read them and it takes my mind off my work.

The under dog always likes to hear the flap of the wings of the peace

Why is it that a big man always takes a little woman seriously?

DISAPPEARED Coffee Alis Vanish Before Postum.

It seems almost too good to be true, the way headache, nervousness, insomnia, and many other obscure with whom he comes in contact for troubles vanish when coffee is dismissed and Postum used as the regular table beverage.

The reason is clear. Coffee contains a poisonous drug-caffeinewhich causes the trouble, but Postum contains only the food elements in choice hard wheat with a little molasses.

A Phila, man grew enthusiastic and

wrote as follows: "Until 18 months ago I used coffee regularly every day and suffered from headache, bitter taste in my mouth. and indigestion; was gloomy and irritable, had variable or absent appetite. loss of flesh, depressed in spirits, etc.

"I attribute these things to coffee, because since I quit it and have drank Postum I feel better than I had for 20 years, am less susceptible to cold. have gained 20 lbs. and the symptoms have disappeared-vanished before

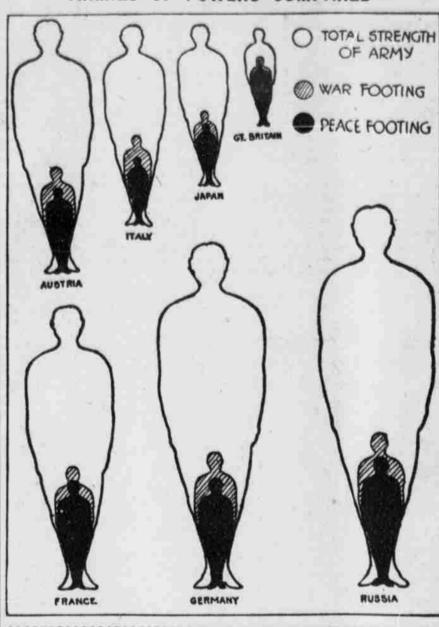
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about the same. "There's a Reason" for Postum -sold by Grocers.

ARMIES OF POWERS COMPARED



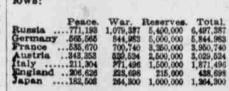
REAL BATTLE CAPABILITIES OF THE ARMIES OF EUROPE

upon their peace time footings?" asked a colonel on the general staff of the United States army. "And don't forget that the nation that gets its fighting force up to its full war strength first will gain a material advantage in the present turmoil."

This means that any hasty deductions made upon the basis of fights won and lost up to date may soon

prove absolutely misleading. The question then arises: Which of the struggling armies can reach its war strength soonest, and, with that paper chided her, solemnly informing relative merits of the reserve material tax is wisely laid upon him. her that American, English and Irish upon which the nation can draw as were practically one and the same lan- battle after battle and disease thin the ranks of those in the field. At present the Germans are virtually fighting alone four other nations, but their initial setbacks are not properly a true index of what is to come in the near future.

Some Figures. As it is necessary to deal with figures it is just as well to begin now as later. These figures, interpreted in the light of additional information have another meaning, one that comes closer to the facts inspiring the aggressive policy assumed by the kaiser in face of seemingly appalling odds. According to authoritative information the peace and the war footing of the powers named are as fol-



As between France and Germany apart from the latter's superior war footing, the total of the fully trained reserves in the Fatherland would be the most potent factor in a prolonged struggle and also the justification for a vigorous initiative despite early heavy losses. Both Germany and France have in the last two years increased the period of service from two to three years. In France this lengthening of the term with the colors aroused a great deal of opposition, not to say discontent.

Immediately back of these soldiers are the first reserves, men who but recently have finished their full tours of active service and of course are familiar with the latest practices. Now look at the foregoing figures. Germany's peace footing is only 29,895 men stronger than that of France, but upon the first call to arms this moderate superority immediately jumps to the greater figure of 144,203, giving the kaiser an advantage of nearly 21 per cent. But this is only the beginning

of the difference. Germany's total reserve of fully trained reserves-men trained with peculiar thoroughness—is today quite 5,000,000, while the admittedly less exactingly drilled reserves of France number but 3,250,000 rank and file. Here, as can plainly be seen, the Fatherland leads by 1,750,000-two and a half times the war footing of France, while still having in reserve as many as France would have at best.

Setting aside the question of the relative military value of the training of the German and the French soldiers, those of France carry a magaand the German infantrymen repeat, of leaden bullets.

"Do you know that the contending | ers having a caliber of 7.8 millimearmies in Europe today are battling ters. Assuming the same propulsive charge, the German gun will carry further and travel flatter than the French weapon, making for better marksmanship at all ranges.

Again, the French rifle is heavier than the German, increasing to that extent the stress upon the man who has to carry it on long merches. The soldiers of both nations carry the same number of cartridges, 120. But the saving in weight in the German musket is offset by other weights he has to carry. Fully equipped the French foot soldier has a total burattained, what are its chances for den of 54.58 pounds, while the Germaintaining that standing in the gru- man infantryman has to bear 58.75 eling days to come? The answer is pounds. As a broad proposition the a matter of administrative efficiency average German is a sturdier man first, and then follows naturally the than his French rival, and this greater

French Equipment. In the French army each company of infantry has the following portable tools: Eight shovels, four pickaxes (double headed), three axes, one folding saw and a pair of wire nippers. The German foot soldier on the other hand does not get off so easily, because each company has to carry 100 small spades, ten pickaxes and five hatchets. Now what does this mean? Simply that the kaiser's infantrymen are able to entrench themselves quicker than their French rivals, and for that reason could hold an advanced position more securely and guard themselves against attack while there better than the soldiers of the tricolor.

Now let us see what Russia repre sents as a foes to Germany on the Fatherland's northern border. Unquestionably the czar's army is superior to the kaiser's in mere point of numbers in peace, in war and in the total available reserves, and so far as personal bravery goes the Russian soldier is unsurpassed. But battles are not won these days by just numbers: training and handling of the men are of supreme importance.

Broadly speaking, it is doubtful if the Russian forces are any better trained than they were when they measured strength with the Japanese in 1904-05. The infantry are armed with magazine rifles of 7.62 millimeter caliber, and as marksmen they are nothing like the equals of the Germans.

How They Compare.

Russia is measurably superior to Germany in the matter of infantry, cavalry and artillery in the form of field guns, and Germany, in turn, leads France in the vital feature of artillery. Artillery has played a prime part in all great wars, and the popular idea is that it is upon these guns that the tide of battle turns. In a measure this is so, for the field pieces have to protect or support the infantry; but with this done, the decisive outcome of an action depends upon the conduct and gallantry of the foot soldier, for he constitutes the backbone of any military force.

As a matter of history, the French have led in field ordnance ever since the Franco-Prussian war. The French were the first to adopt the long recoil which made it possible to use higher propulsion charges and to secure better practice against the target, and to them, too, is owed the introduction of the spade upon the trail by which the recoil of the carriage could be checked, thus making it possible for the gun pointer to hold his position and to fire deliberately and rapidly. To the French, also, the world is indebted for the higher development of the zine rifle of eight millimiters caliber shrapnel shell with its withering blast

AIR MACHINES WILL DO BUT LITTLE KILLING

While he believes war of the air aeronautic service, predicted that air ty men. machines will do little actual wholesale killing in Europe.

They will be used almost solely for chief service will be in scouting. "Bombs," he said. "are not devel- planes and dirigibles.

oped yet to the point where they will be particularly destructive. Their chief effectiveness in the big war in Europe will be to create consternation in groups of hidden soldiers. The will be the war of the future, Captain death rate from an air bomb among Bristol, head of the United States navy closely packed forces might be twen-

That the air machine will lend to the spectacular element of war was his belief. He ventured the predicreconnoisance work, he said. Their tion that some battles may be waged between scout aeroplanes or aero

BEAUTY OF WELL KEPT LAWN

Care Taken of Land Surrounding the Home Adds Much to Arractiveness of Town.

At various times in connection with the newspaper reports of the meetings of citizens' associations the subject of well kept lawns and attractive flower beds has been touched on, and in a number of instances citizens' associations have agreed to continue the practise previously found effective of giving awards for lawns and flower growths of distinguished merit. Many of the urban and suburban neighborhoods of the district are the handsomer, happier and more valuable because of the care given to the land in front or at the rear or on the grass sides of the home. A well kept grass plot or a carefully tended flower garden tells all the world which passes that way that somebody lives there, that there is home life there and that order and content reigns within. In most cases the condition of the yard or "grounds" can be and will be taken as an index of the housekeeping system that is followed in-

with care gives a proper touch to the home and applied to contiguous homes makes the neighborhood better. The climate of Washington is encouraging to fine gardens and everybody who lives in a house has time enough to care for one. The lawnmower, the rake and the spade are fine implements of physical culture.

The security of private lawns and flower beds is greater than it ever was. Public opinion has been so improved and educated in this matter that complaints of marauding are NAMES CAUSE OF CONFUSION rare, whereas not many years ago they were frequent. This is shown by reference to an editorial in the Star, May 27, 1876, which in part follows

"There is probably no place in the country where more is done by its inhabitants to beautify their homes by the cultivation of flowers, shrubbery, etc., than by the citizens of where such efforts are more successful considering the discouragements and drawbacks under which they are great has this abuse grown in some climax was embarrassing. parts of the city that not a few of those who have been so frequently ing a story of Ireland, the clever carraided are hesitating between giving toonist of the Columbus Dispatch. Ireup the pleasant duty of ornamenting the marauders with loaded shotguns. a great many outside that city. ferers is the fact that the police ap- catton trip to the South. A few days ommend for that medical girl?" parently never see any of the despoiling, and that in spite of the stringent of the schools of Columbus said to her made or at least no punishment is in- where Ireland is?"

PLAYGROUNDS FOR THE CITY da."

Statistics Show Less Crime In Places Where the Recreation Plan Obtains.

At a meeting of the City Club in Philadelphia recently at which the subject of municipal recreation was under discussion one of the speakers gave utterance to the sentiment: "A foot of playground is worth an acre of penal institutions."

It is difficult to gauge the value of the playground, but in every city where a playground or a system of playgrounds has been established the testimony has been in its favor as a beneficent institution. Most of our American cities did not give much thought to the recreation idea in the beginning, but none of them undertook to get along without prisons. Perhaps if the playgrounds were more numerous the country might be able to dispense with a few acres of its

penal establishments. That the playground had a civiltzing and elevating influence is not to be doubted. Figures compiled in various cities show that juvenile oftenses are fewest in localities where recreation grounds are available. They also show that there are fewer accidents and injuries to children in such neighborhoods. Children who are "raised up in the streets" make trouble for themselves and for other persons. In cities where there is not a playground system it is inevitable that children will play in the streets -for it is the nature of the child to

No city ever made a bad investment in buying a playground or in establishing a system of playgrounds.

Hissed Off the Stage. Footlighte-How did he come out in his act?

"How so?" "Why, the snake charmer followed him, and one of her snakes hissed him off the stage."

The Human Variety.

Miss Sue Brette-In a hurry

"Oh, ma, Flossie's mamma got a donkey and cart for a birthday present. Did anybody ever give you a donkey for a present?" "Yes, child; pa did when he married me."

Chivalry Has Trials. Chivalry exacts a certain indulgence

of feminine whims from the male sex, but there is a limit, according to a Kansas City man who, after getting a divorce from his wife, asked the court to restore her maiden name. He says his wife twice attempted suicide, flirted with a wife-murderer in jail and now is playing baseball with a "bloomor girls" team in Oklahoms. It is not to be wondered at that the judge regretted his inability to comply with the request.-Louisville Times.



Incident That Was Embarrassing Allke to Newspaper Man and Lady He Was Sent to Interview.

Names can produce sometimes a great deal of confusion. As when Florence D. White, now one of the head men of the New York World, went to liave comfort and happiness from Cana hotel in St. Louis when he was a ada to Mexico, from Atlantic to the Washington. Nor is there a place reporter on the Post Dispatch to see a woman on business.

His card read, "Florence D. White," and the woman naturally inferred made. We refer more especially to that Florence was of her own sex. the pulling of flowers, the destruc- Therefore she asked the visitor to head." tion of shrubbery and the theft of come up. And as she was not dressed rare plants from private grounds. So to receive one of the other sex, the A visitor from Columbus was tell-

land's work is known to every man, their grounds and lying in wait for woman and child in Columbus, and to The most curious thing to these suf- Last spring Ireland went on a valater a teacher of geography in one

law on the subject no arrests are class: "Can any little girl tell me A little hand went up and a little

ERUPTION OVER CHILD'S BODY

voice replied: "He's down in Flori-

Route No. 3, Box 67, Little Falls, Minn .- "Our little boy was taken sick with a fever and after the fever he broke out with a sore eruption all over his body. We could get nothing to help him. The sores were large and red and bleeding. They started with blisters as if he were burned and when they broke they would bleed and they itched so that he could not sleep for some time. We had him all tied up with bandages and then we

had to soak them off every day. "We bought a cake of Cuticura Soap and a box of Cuticura Ointment which soon gave him relief. Now he is as well as can be for in three weeks he was all healed by the Cuticura Soap and Ointment." (Signed) George Wolters, Jan. 29, 1914.

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If It Were. Robert Henri, the eminent painter, said at a luncheon at the Ritz-Carleton

in New York: "These futurists-futurist poets, futurist painters, futurist musicianshave won a lot of notoriety for such young men. Notoriety, however, is not fame. If it were we'd have to admit that the steep ladder of fame as been supplanted by a luxurious and swift elevator."

His Opportunity. "It is said that the old-fashioned bustle is again coming back." "Then the man who used to hide behind his wife's skirts will have another inning."

Montana's 1913 metals production was valued at \$61,900,546, compared to \$64,754,610 in 1912.

The easiest way to prove that one can't sing is to make the attempt.

All-Embracing. "I was listening to the outpourings of a Socialist orator in Chicago on one occasion," says "Jim" Mann, the Illinois representative, "and I derived therefrom some amusement, if not in-

struction. "'When,' yelled the orator, 'these principles are triumphant, we shall Pacific, from Alpha to Omaha!"

Too Much of a Good Thing. "We surgeons, sir, have decided that we will graft a bone in your son's

bonehead already." How It Struck Him. "What do you think of New York?" "Every time I come the skyline and

"Don't do that. He's too much of s

"What kind of a hat would you rec-"Something with a 'stiff' frame."

waistline are different."

One of Nature's Laws. "According to what law do germs propagate and destroy human life?" "The law of eminent ptomaine."

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