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tary experts many of whom have igable an intimate geographical acquaintance with the Far East, are busy busy figuring out the probable land to the probable location of impending conflicts. In the war with China Japan was able to penetrate into the very heart of Manchuria with an army of 100,000 men, but in the present conflict, with Manchuria fairly covered with Russian troops, conditions are radically differ-

With the Japanese troops concentrated in Korea and the Russian in Manchuria it would seem likely that the clash might come near the boundary separating the two provinthe ces. Then, again, the Russian war authorities might decide that they authorities might decide that they were not sufficiently strong to risk a decisive engagement where Japan manifestly possesses distinct advantages in being located near her base of supplies. In this event the scene of hostilities would probably be transferred further north, possibly to the northern limits of Manchuria or in the vicinity of the Amuriver, which in the past has been the river, which in the past has been the scene of many fights between the Russians and the Chinese.

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Aggressions Upon China.

earliest Russian advance across Asia to the Pacific did not follow this attractive route, for the moves of Russia and Japan on the Chinese forbade, and were strong war chess board and speculating as enough to enforce their will. Instead the Russians swept north-ward and eastward as the river turned south, reaching the ocean on the shore of the bleak sea of Okhotsk. It was not uptil 1858 that Muraview by his daring and diplomacy gained the Amur province and the left bank of the river from China, And two years later the Assuri province feel into Russian hands, with the port of Vladivistok, right at the Korean frontier.

The great provinces just to the north and east of Manchuria therefore have been Russian but 40 years and prior to that time were virtually parts of Manchuria. Russia possesses a number of strongholds in this locality and the names of these are likely to figure prominently in the war dispatches from the Far East as soon as the land movements of the contending powers are well under way

Aigun until recently was the Chinese outpost from which the Russians were watched. It is a city of several thousand inhabitants, and a military post rather than a trading point. The scene of battles and treatles in earlier Russo-Chinese wars, it has figured prominently in history. It is about 20 miles down stream from Sakhalin, A Chinese telegraph line extends north through Manchuria to Aigun and thence to Sakhalin which is the terminus.

First City of Siberia.

Further north is Blagovechensk, the finest and most modern city of Siberia except Vladivostok. Founded by the Russians when the Chinese yielded the Amur in 1858, it has been an important military post from the first. The growth of traf-fic on the Amur and the remarkable gold discoveries up the Zela, which flows into the Amur from the north at Blagovechensk, have made it a city of more than 50,000 inhabitants,

with a modern opera hous eand he tels, wide streets lined with excel-lent brick buildings, and stores in which are sold European fabrics and vegetables. The garrison at all times numbers several thousand Cossacks, and in the present war the city is likely to be made an im-portant base of operation.

When, in 1898, it became known that Russia had obtained the privilege of carrying the great Siberian railway across Manchuria instead of following the northern curve of the Amur, this fact coupled with the leasing of Port Arthur and Tailien Wan gave notice to the world that Manchuria had become virtually a Russian province. The treaty car-ried with it the right to "police" the line with such forces as should be needed to guard it, Russia to be the judge of necessity. Acting under that privilege Cossacks by the thou sands have been poured into the province. At the same time the Port Arthur branch of the railway has been rushed to completion. is along this spur of the line that some important military develops ments may be looked for shortly.

Besides making a great strong hold of Port Arthur, the southern terminus of the road, the Russians have strongly entrenched them-selves at Mukden, a point not quite half way from Port Arthur to the junction with the main line at Har-bin. Other important fortified important places are New Tsurukhaitui, where the line crosses from Siberia into Manchuria, and at Onon, where branches from the Siberian rail-

FEARS UNCLE SAM WILL BUY DANISH ISLAND.

Looks in Distrust on Movement of the United States to Acquire St. Pierre and Miquelon, in the St. Lawrence River - Thinks This Country Also Covets Greenland.

Our Canadian friends continue to be somewhat alarmed about the French Islands of St. Pierre and Miquelon and the Danish island of Greenland.

They fear that France will sell to the United States the two little sen-tinel rocks of the Gulf of St. Lawrence and that one of these days we shall buy Greenland from Denmark, thus getting control of the entrance to Hudson's bay. So they say Canadians must establish a sort of little Monroe doctrine of their own to the effect that if the little islands or the big one ever change hands it must be to come into Canada's possession.

The chief defect of this doctrine will be that it will conflict with the original Monroe doctrine which has ome 80 years. However much Canadians may refer to themselves as a nation with a big N the fact remains that they are only part of the Brit-ish empire. Now the Monroe doc-trine opposes the transfer of any American territory from one Euro-pean power to the other-not in so many words, but in effect and interpretation.

Thus, so long as we stand for the Monroe doctrine, the French and Danish possessions will have to fly the flags they fly now, unless they be replaced by the Stars and Stripes. To acquire St. Pierre and Miquelon would do us little good and would deeply offend the Canadians, who would consider that we took them only to menace Canada.

But Greenland is different. Out-

side of the ice cap of that country there is said to be about 40,000 square miles of good country and the mineral resources may be great. An expanding nation of more than 80,000,000 people may very properly require such a source of raw mater ial in its business.

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In Letter Writing.

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