

EUROPEAN ARMIES STARVING THE SCHOOLS.



WHAT EUROPEAN POWERS SPEND FOR MILITARISM AND FOR EDUCATION.

When the Turkish soldiers in Asia Minor sack and burn the schools people are horrified at their lack of civilization, but a French writer comes forward to remind us just at this time that the so-called civilized nations are robbing the schools to support their soldiers, which comes to about the same thing.

Germany gives to educational purposes one-third of the amount she devotes to military purposes. In Austria and Russia the proportion between school and caserne expenditure is as two to nine. Italy spends upon her army nine times as much as she devotes to public education.

THE STRUGGLE.

Say not, the struggle naught availeth, The labor and the wounds are vain, The enemy faints not, nor fails, And as things have been they remain.

Humble Pie

"I overheard the offer my father made you. You think the device is worth more?" "Very much more."

In getting there—I wanted to ask Delafield some questions. "Yes, daddy."

"The boy had perfected a valuable device, a transmitter of a remarkably ingenious type. He brought it to me. He thought the Carter Motor Company could use it. I knew it was a good thing the instant I looked at it."

satisfied with this promise. And that, dearie, is what I call eating humble pie—and lots of it.

"Well, well," he muttered. "And, daddy, Robert's price has gone up. I—I found it out this afternoon. He wants me, too!"



"TELL ME ABOUT IT."

I felt sure he would come back and accept my offer. I was positive he couldn't get the capital he needed to start a plant and manufacture the thing—and that's where I was wrong.

But let us pay the doctor by the week. As we pay for our furniture and fixtures. And maybe we the druggist need not seek so often, for those queer prescription mixtures.

DISASTERS ON MONT BLANC.

The Worst of Many Occurred in 1870 and Cost Eleven Lives.

In the long list of disasters which darkened the history of Mont Blanc the worst, according to Edward Whymper, the famous mountain climber, occurred to a party in 1870.

The amateur alpinists were two Americans, Mr. Randall and Mr. McBean, and a Scotch minister, the Rev. G. McCorkindale, of Gourrock.

On the next day, writes Prof. Whymper in the Strand, a number of persons below watched their progress through telescopes. They were seen to arrive on the summit and to begin the descent.

Even 12,000 feet below it was seen whirling the snow about so that the members of the party were obliged to throw themselves down to avoid being carried away by it.

No one came back and on September 7 fourteen men from Chamonix started out to try to learn something. Bad weather came on again and it was not until the 17th that the fate of the party was ascertained.

About three hundred feet higher up they came upon Mr. McBean and another porter sitting down, the former with his head leaning on one hand and the elbow on a knapsack, ropes coiled up, batons, axes and knapsacks round about them still containing a little food.

Upon Mr. McBean a note book was found containing several entries in respect to the occasion. All the five corpses were hard frozen. They were put into sacks and dragged down to Chamonix.

One of the earliest avalanche accidents on Mont Blanc occurred in 1820. When Dr. Hamel, a Russian, set out on Aug. 18 to go up Mont Blanc accompanied by two Englishmen and eight guides.

Snow again broke away above and more or less covered up the whole party. Some of them struggled out but three of the leading guides were hurled into a crevasse and buried under an immense mass of snow.

Ten years afterward, when conducting another tourist up Mont Blanc by the same route, one of the surviving guides pointed to the crevasse and said to his employer, "They are there."

He was wrong. At that time (1830) the bodies were no doubt a considerable distance from the spot where the accident occurred, for the dismembered remains of the three unfortunates commenced to reappear at the lower end of the Glacier des Bossons in 1861 more than four miles away in a direct line from the place where they perished, and must have traveled down or an average at the rate of 500 feet per annum.

Wit of the Youngsters

Teacher—Why do you persist in saying the trunk is the front instead of the middle of the body, Johnny? Small Johnny—Well, the trunk of the elephant I saw at the circus was in front.

Caller—Harold, when you get to be the head of a family what will you say to your children when they are naughty? Harold—Oh, I'll do like papa. I'll tell them how good I was when I was a kid.

One day when there was fish for dinner little Edna said: "Mamma, I know what a shad is." "What is it, dear?" queried her mother. "It's a porcupine turned outside in," was the triumphant explanation.

"Now, Richard," said the teacher, "can you tell me who Atlas was?" "Yes, ma'am," answered Richard. "He was a notorious footpad." "A what?" queried the teacher. "A footpad," repeated Richard. "He held up the earth, you know."

A little girl came in from school one day very indignant because she had been kept in to correct her problems after the others had been dismissed. "Mamma," she said, "I'll never never speak to Edna Bates again as long as I live."

"Why, dear?" asked her mother. "Because," pouted the little maid, "because I copied all my samples from her, and every one of 'em was wrong." New York World.

When you show some men a favor, instead of appreciating it, they flatter themselves that they have worked you.

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