

that is made, Japan is showing sense in getting a stock of them on hand. While the United States is, by a leading British authority, placed second on the list of the powers in naval strength, it will be well for us to keep track of the fact that Japan is doing more naval construction than we are at present. On the roll today, in naval strength the leading nations stand thus: Great Britain, United States, France, Germany, Japan. The United States is second and Japan fifth. But Japan is determined to advance a point or two if possible. As Germany is doing a good deal of shipbuilding it will be hard for Japan to get ahead of her, especially as Germany has a long lead now. France, too, which has been second on the list for a third of a century, and which our authorities believe is still second, is busy in naval construction, and if she is behind us now, as the British authority referred to says she is, she may soon regain her old place next to Great Britain.

The naval committees of both branches of congress should, this winter take a careful look over the ground, and arrange to put the United States in the second place. If it is not there now, and to keep it in the second place. We have a far longer coast line than any of the other powers, and though England, with her vast colonial system, needs a large navy, the United States is not far behind in requirements of that sort. In 1907 three British battleships of the Dreadnaught class have been launched, and more are to be launched before December 31. This shows that England is determined to keep her pre-eminence on the water. It was long the aim of the British admiralty to keep England as strong as any three other European powers on the ocean, but this dominance has been lost in recent years, although England is still ahead of any two other nations. This question of adequate naval construction is a matter to which congress should give a good deal of attention in the coming session.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.



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These modern cables, although pliant and easily handled, are really impermeable conduits of small diameter. All that I have seen are manufactured at Belfort and are delivered on huge wooden spools, from which they are unwound into the shallow trenches made ready for them with surprising rapidity. The copper wires composing these cables, arranged in groups of three, are first wound with jute, and the proper number of these groups is then wound again with jute, this cable passing next through an insulating bath. From this bath the cable passes through a lead press, from which it issues completely covered with a thin lead sheathing. The lead sheath is now covered with jute, and the cable then enters a coal-tar bath, passing next through a final bath of lime, after which it is wound upon the wooden bobbin, the lime preventing the tarry cable from adhering. The copper wires are presumed to be as secure from injury and deterioration in their lead sheath as they would be in a costly tunnel or permanent metal conduit.

American cities groaning under a burden of dangerous and hideous overhead wires might profitably consider the advantages offered by these cables. The initial cost of providing and laying these cables cannot be enough greater than that of erecting overhead supports, with all their dangerous and disadvantages, to alarm anybody.

Women Not Getting Paid.

It is proposed to increase the salaries of the New York city school teachers by three million dollars a year. It was claimed by the opponent of the equal-pay bill that, if the women were given equal pay for equal work, it would cost the city nine-million a year. So, even if the three million increase goes through, which is very doubtful, the women teachers will still be getting six million a year less than if they were voters.

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