

sledges were used instead. At one time the train crossed over tracks laid on the ice and a large part of the army the loc and a large part of the army marched across through the snow. At the border of Manchurla a tunnel had been commenced through the Kinghau range of mountains, but it was not fin-ished, and during the earlier part of the LOSSES IN BATTLE.

"Calculations based upon the losses in particular battles in which the strength of the Russians is known, show that the percentage of the killed and wounded was 21.45 of the total number of men engaged. According to Woolsey who is the highest military Woolsey, who is the highest military authority we have, this is a very large percentage. He gives the total losses of the Germans in the Franco-Prussian war as 4:12 per cent of the army present, whether engaged or not. At Get-tysberg, which was one of the bloodiest battles in the history of the world, 20 per cent of the troops engaged were killed or wounded. At Gravelotte, which was one of the bloodiest engagements in Europe, the German loss was 7.39 per cent of the men engaged. Thus you will see that the per centage of killed will see that the per centage of killed and wounded in the Russian army dur-ing the recent war was the largest on record, and that is the best possible evidence of the courage and discipline of the troops. There was never any more desperate fighting in the history of the world than that of the Russian army from the beginning to the end of the war.

gains approximating those of China and Japan. The growth in exports to China from the United States is especially marked

these items.

in copper, cotton cloth, flour, sewing machines, locomotives, paper, canned beef, manufacturers of tobacco and lumber, though cotton cloth and cop-per are by far the most important of To Japan the growth occurred in ages a

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ss on almost prohibitive grades. The trains had to be split up, because a locomotive could haul only a very few cars. The maximum capacity of the road at that time was nine trains each way a day, 1,000 men to a train. The way a day, 1,000 men to a train. The tracks have a five-foot gauge with 60-pound rails. In addition to the troops the railway had to haul their equip-ment, their horses, ordnance, tools for building fortifications and all kinds of military equipment and impedimenta. Fortunately they did not have to trans-

war everything had to be hauled over

ercise.

port much food. "The troops that first came were from Siberia, because they were the most available and could be brought in quickest; and they did most of the fighting. The railway was completed as rapidly as possible under the direction of Prince Khilkoff, minister of communications in the czar's cabinet, who was educated on the Pennsylvania railroad and is very appreciative of the opportunities he enjoyed in this country. During this war he has given us the most remarkable exhibition of transportation skill in all history. The problem he had to solve was infinitely more difficult than any that ever came up during our Civil war or during any other war. Very few accidents happened. Very few detentions ochappened. Very few detentions oc-curred. The entire line was given up to military purposes. All trains ran 10 miles an hour on a fixed schedule, the only exception being one express train between Moscow and Irkutsk, which ran each way four times a week at the usual speed. Even the mail trains were kept down to the 10-miles-an-hour schedule. Prince Khil-koff adopted the 'slow but sure' policy; he sought safety rather than speed.

AROUND LAKE BAIKAL.

"The construction of the tracks around Lake Balkal was a stupendous undertaking and was carried on with the utmost vigor and skill. The lake is the crater of an immense volcano, Is the crater of an immense volcano, and the mountains come down sheer to the water. The only way to get around it was to cut a shelf 160 miles long on the edge of the rock, and 30 tunnels were required in that distance, very much like those on the Bwiss railroads and on the Corniche road along the Riviera. The tunnel through the Kinghau mountains, two miles long, was completed at the same through the Kinghau mountains, two miles long, was completed at the same time, and a large number of sidings and stations were added to those that already existed. All this time, during all this construction work, you must remember, the mobilization and the forwarding of troops and even the fight-ing was going on. This movement of troops has been almost continuous since the beginning of the war. The troops has been almost continuous since the beginning of the war. The road has scarcely been idle a day. A continuous procession of trains only two or three hours apart has been passing east and west day after day and month after month without cessa-tion, and the manner in which the movement has been conducted is extraordinary object lesson in transportation.

"How long will it take to send back

"How fong will it take to send back the million and more men who are now in Manchuria?" I asked. "There will be no difficulty in send-ing them all home during the 18 months allowed by the treaty of peace." re-plied Col. Hoff. "That gives the Russians 18 months from last fall; that is, they will have until a year from next spring to evacuate, and I suppose they will send a portion of the army home by sea. I assume they will send the Siberian troops home first. That would be the natural program, although, so far as I am aware, it has not been an-nounced. Those that have seen the longest and hardest service are likely to be sent first.

ARMY'S CONDITION FINE.

"The army is in magnificent condi-on," said Cal. Hoff, "and it is com-used of splendid fighting material-typposed of splendid fighting material (yp-ical Russian peasants, illiterate, ox-like, stupid, stolid, enduring, but do-clie and good-natured. They are easily susceptible to discipline, obedient to SICKNESS IN ARMY.

"How about sickness-did they have much typhoid fever?"

"They had about 20,000 cases of ty-phoid," replied Col. Hoff, "which is rather less than might be expected. The rather less than might be expected. The mortality was about 10 per cent, which is about ordinary. The hospitals were admirable. They were right up-to-date in every particular—in appliances as well as methods. The organization of the medical corps of the Russians is peculiar and quite different from that of any other army. Their sanitary de-partment, as it is called, is made up of several divisions. The surgeons comseveral divisions. The surgeons com-pose one, the Red Cross nurses an-other, and the "evacuation," as they call it (that is, the distribution of the wounded in and back of the theater of war,) composes a third division. At frequent intervals the patients in the hospitals are inspected and distributed according to convenience and the best judgment of the surgeons in charge. Some of the wounded and diseased are sent to one place and some to others, according to their condition and the condition of the various hos-pitals. This inspection and distribu-tion is done by a distinct corps called the "evacuation." The fourth division

"The chief of the sanitary service. "The chief of the sanitary service is Lieut. Gen. Ivanhoff, who is an officer of the staff of the commanding general and has under him a staff of experts, representing the four divisions, each having his particular jurisdiction. Un-



cotton, agricultural machinery. machines. locomotives, leather, paper canned beef, tobacco and lumber. Cot-ton cloth exports to China in the 10 months ending with October aggregat ed in value \$27,405,450, against \$9,657.07 in the months of 1904. ports to China are compar-new feature of our trade Copr atively

atively new feature of our trade with that country, the amount in the months ending with October having been \$11.320.407, against \$611.677 in thy same months of last year. The copper is used in making new copper coins. Flour is about the only important arti-cle of export to China showing any ma-terial reduction this year while manterial reduction this year, while man-ufactured tobacco shows a material in-crease. Cotton exports to Japan for the



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