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ualism during his life, but who, once dead, took possession of my arm to my great surprise one day, and said he knew now that there were many things he had not properly understood before, and that he was always willing to help me. He is not as good as Dr. Siprio, however, and I do not often call on him to help me."

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As soon as he could leave me the boy ran off to play with a comrade, evi-dently beaing far more humanly boyish than other-worldly. His mother told me impressively that he has communication with a great number of other spirits, 14 of them often speaking to him consecutively. None of them predicts the future, nor is the boy a clair-voyant. One of them, named Calon, says he died in Peru 15 years ago and was a great traveler. He gives in writing long lectures on spiritualism, while another, "Pirot," evidently the joking spirit of the party, was a watchmaker of Montigny. It is seriously asserted that he often winds the clocks of the family and has occasionally mended them

Returning to the subject of the spirit of Dr. Siprio, the boy's mother continued:

"It is not unusual for him to say (al-ways in writing through the boy's agency): 'This is a case I will visit to-night and prescribe for tomorrow.' is done and with wonderful results.

CROWDS OF PATIENTS.

Naturally the peasants crowd to the door whenever they are sick, and even those of better classes do not disdain, when the resources of the family practitioner do not succeed, to send an en-voy or to write and beg the aid of the extraordinary boy. The local doctors scoff and rage, but cannot explain the cures.

I was so interested that I asked whether I might attend a seance, which I did another night, wading through deep snow in company with two Bel-gian journalists. One of them was the editor of the Journal de Charlerol, not a believer in spiritualism and inclined to doubt the spirit cures, though he owned he had heard of such marvelous effects of the herbal spirit treatment that he was fairly puzzled. He had, like myself, paid a previous visit to Chevelipont, and, struck by the reports he heard on every side, decided to test the wonderful spirit cures. He therefore described the case of an old lady who was very ill, having been un-able to sleep at all for many weeks. She had, moreover, a badly swollen leg which no one had been able to cure, and which prevented her walking and kept her in hed.

After listening to the details the boy withdrew a few moments to a darkened room, and emerged with a paper on which was written, "I will visit the patlent tonight." A prescription followed, which-some herb being required that was not in the house-was to be for-warded. The editor lived some distance by train from Chevelipont, and return-ed home late without telling anyone of his errand. Receiving the medicine next morning he called on his old friend to recommend its use. Greatly to his amazement he was told she had had the first good night for weeks and that she was still sleeping like a child. She has continued to mend ever since; the oint-ment has cured the bad leg, and she is walking about. Such testimony from the editor of a paper like the Journal de Charlerol and a man who is not a spiritualist, was very striking.

SEVEN-FOOT JUMP FROM A TABLE.

and who greatly disapproved of spirit- ; ous for remedies. The boy wrote the answers in the dark as before, each case being carefully diagnosed and prescriptions given. I obtained the follow-ing prescription for a friend who had damaged her knee by failing when crossing a railway line:

Grind and make into an ointment the following ingredients: 10 grammes of pure boric acid. 10 grammes ground elm bark. 5 grammes powdered charcoal.

10 grammes very strongly phenticated water.

Rub well with this twice a day.

Up to the present I have not been able to put the prescription in practice, but give it as a specimen of the spirit

The Belgian journalists who already had received specimens of the boy's writing from his college, carefully examined all the papers written that evening-many being written back-wards-and failed to find any similarity between any of the manuscripts, which varied with every spirit and the

boy's own. The seance began at 9 in the evening and lasted till 3 o'clock in the morning. The only person of the party who did not look worn out was the medium himself, who was as fresh and bright as possible at the end. His mother says he is always well and very bright and gay. Seances are continually being held o which any one is welcome providing arrangements are made beforehand. That is obligatory on account of the great number of applications. Four is the outside number of strangers at a time, but investigation is invited, and every day's post brings piles of letters from sick people asking that the spirit doctor may be consulted on their behalf, or expressing gratitude for recov-

The lad is writing a book under spirit guidance, but he does not know which spirit, and has been forbidden by the intangible author to read what is writ-ten. He, therefore, from time to time is busy in a half trance, writing he knows not what for a long book, which his parents naively hope may be a olume on herbal treatment. Many boys who had thus attracted

attention would become concelted and self-assertive. Edward Pirsch, however, remains a simple lad, apparently not greatly interested in all this spirit guidance of which he is the instrument, but rather bothered with it. He is much more interested in his stamp collection, or in the hundred and one other things that attract a boy of his age. The last words of this mysterious boy as I waded out into the snow and

set out through a tempest of whirling flakes, on a long walk through country lanes with my new acquaintances, the Belgian journalists, were: "Don't forget to send the stamps you

promised, and a copy of the photograph you had taken of me. I want to see if the mustache which I am sure I can feel coming shows at all in the picture. A few days after leaving Chevell-pont I received, together with the leter acknowledging the photograph-(both letter and photo are reproduced here)-the interesting information that poung Pirsch was about to start a little monthly magazine, of which the editors were to be Zola. Victor Hugo and other distinguished writers who are no longer living, and whose services are to be given for nothing apparently, as their journal is to be published at 50 cents a year-just enough to cover the cost of paper and printing, as it is hardly reasonable to suppose that any spirits would find it worth while to pay for advertising matter. The spirits are to write the whole paper, the boy merely as a sort of private secretary and business manager for them. J. E. WHITBY.



The above photographs of Admiral Yamagata and Gen. Kodama, respectively heads of the Japanese navy and army, show the two eaders of the "little brown men" at their best. Both of these officers have splendid records for ability and courage and will doubtless give a good account of themselves, and

COMPARISON OF THE MILITARY AND NAVAL FORCES OF RUSSIA AND JAPAN COMPILED FROM LATEST DATA OBTAINABLE.

S THE war cloud in the East darkens, the military and naval critics are turning their attention more A closely to the forces of the opposing nations. The data in government archives are being overhauled to get at the facts, but still a large part of the computations must remain mere guesswork, the actual fighting strength of their armies and navies being known only to Russia and Japan. The naval figures for Russia are deceptive, as they include a tabulation of forces in the Black Sea and in the Baltic that never can come in conflict with Japan. It is the same with the czar's army, which is scattered all the way half across the world from Cronstadt to Vladivostok. On the other hand, Japan's strength is concentrated at vital points, with its basis strategically arranged, and ready to strike when the word is given. It should also be remembered that Japan, a nation of sallors, will fight, if it must, in home waters, and in this respect will have a great advantage over Russia. These facts should be kept in view in comparing the subjoined figures, which are gleaned from sources that are believed to be trustworthy:

STRANGE DOCTRINE

But Let Them Kill

Themselves."

ASYLUMS FOSTER INSANITY."

So Says Dr. Robert R. Rentoul, Mem-

ber of British Royal College of

Surgeons-Shocking Ideas.

Dr. Rentoul, who recently was

The doctor declares, too, that no ef-

"Think how nature would reduce the

We do all in our power to prevent

Today we build palatial residences

obtaining of poisons as difficult as

Yet although thousands of pounds

time that the physical standard

a healthy body, claims foundation for

Special Correspondence.

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JAPAN. Military Strength. Officers, Men. Officers. Men. 5,180,958 Total guns 3,700 Total guns 9.532 gth. Battle ships 28 Battle ships

THE ABARAGER AND inana inanana Cruisers Cher war craft Total guns, all classes 3,225

The statistics as to guns do not include the armament of fortresses and coast defenses,



Cereal Poached Eggs on Toast Lyonnaise Potatoes Coffee DINNER.

Bisque of Tomato Bolled Fowl Oyster Sauce Bolled Rice Spinach Molded Lettuce Saind Suet Pudding Wafers Cheese Coffee SUPPER.

Hot Chicken Sandwiches Cream Biscuit Peach Layer Cake Tea

MONDAY. BREAKFAST.

Coffee

Fruit Cream Baked Potatoes Cereal Broiled Chops Rice Gems

LUI.CH. Fried Oysters with Cold Slaw Hot Biscuits with Honey Boonge Cake Chocolate

DINNEL Vegetable Soup Baked Hams Mashed Potatoes Creamed Turnips Celery Salad Mayonnaise Celery Salad Mayonnaise Apple Pie Coffee TUESDAY.

BREAKFAST. Stewed Dates

Cream Cereal. Creamed Potatoes Coffee Mutton Chops Fruit Gems LUNCH.

Ham Chowder Buttered Teast Preserved Plums Cake Tea

DINNER. Cream of Celery Soup Brolled Tenderloin Mushroom Sauce

Lettuce Salad, French Dressing Prune Pudding Wafers Cheese Coffee Mashed Potatoes

Prune Pudding Wafers Cheese Coffee Coffee BUCKWHEAT CAKES. A popular breakfast luxury the Suc-cessful making of which is said to clude the most accomplished chef. Neither can it be learned, according to some writers, from a recipe: only a colored manuny of cook of the old regime can properly raise and bake a "batch" of these cakes. There is a probability that is more than possible that much of the four used at the present day is not of the same qual-ity as the buckwheat meal of our grand-mothers' time. There is no question in the minds of the grandmothers or the

"January gray is here,"

sure enough. Lots of snow

This matter will be found to be entire, by different from and superior to the surgest of culinary wisdom and eminently practical. Torducted by Katherine Kurtz, Mara quette Building Chicago, to whom all inquiries should be addressed. All rights reserved by Banning Co., chi-cago: Menus for Next Three Days. SUNDAY. BREAKFAST. Grape Fruit Cereal Coreal Data Gens Data Gens

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The preparadrance of catabolydrams a dominands what our instincts and taste seem to desire with buckwheat cakes, for any richer in faits and proteids. We attempt to supply deficiencies by spreadim car cakes generatously with batter, mapp syrup, honey, molasses; and relikh had state seem to supply deficiencies by spreadim car cakes generatously with batter, mapp syrup, honey, molasses; and relikh had state store many honey molasses; and relikh had state store many honey molasses; and relikh had state any relike rye or poor wheat hour; at is easily adulterated, and it is probably due to the adulterated, and it is probably due to the adulterates more than to the face that some few people find backwheat cakes do not agree with them. This may also be due to carelessna in allowing the cake batter to sour and the face ing and serving it. In this condition, when after cating freely of buckwheat cakes you are annoyed by a constant itching and irritation of the skin which characterizes an eruption know mas erv, thema, it is advisable to discontinue cating frees. When according to long established cakes is allowed to stand over high care should be taken that te int holding it be closely covered and set where it will not be too warm. If there is only a slight suspicion of sourness in the morning add a small quantity of baking, in order to "recover it." Buckwheat cakes should be male very thin and light as honey-comb and they should be served very hot from the gridle.

ONE THING

n a kitchen di-"he seance was vided in two by a ion about seven feet high, one-half being used for a dis-pensary and the clerical work connected with the quarry. The door between was open and we were constantly in and out. The room was absolutely bare of anything except the chairs and a heavy kitchen table The party consist-ed of about 12, the Firsch family, the Belgian journalists, myself, and some stolid looking peasants with certainly nothing suggesting imagination about them. The boy sat at the head of the table with a blank copy book and pen-cil, and began writing under the influence of Calon, the guiding spirit, as soon as the room was darkened. The boy wrote without ceasing in absolute darkness for an hour and a half, the only break in the silence being the croaky voice of the grandmother in the chimney corner, who every time she heard the three pencil taps which was the spirit signal that the bottom of the page was reached, cried, "turn, turn," like some voice of Fate, The essay when finished (and glad we

were when the drop of the pencil on the table gave the infimation that it was ended) proved to be a clever treatise on spiritualism, excellently worded, and admirably presented. It also touched on religion and politics, and would have been a praiseworthy production from a man

Many other spirit messages came lat-er on, but this and the table-turning that followed differed little from ordinary seances, except that there were no "properties" in the room to aid in any cheating. The table was the most lively I have ever seen. It endeavored to climb the wall, and actually succeeded in leaping the seven-foot partition into the next room. The noise as it clattered about and turned top down on the stone floor with resounding smacks was deafening, and by the end of the even-ing the top of the table was well split.

A SPIRIT PRESCRIPTION.

The seance closed with a consultation of Dr. Siprio by the various persons present on behalf of their friends, and present on behalf of their friends, and the fall of 1901 by the accidental dis-letters were read from sick people anxi. charge of a revolver in the hands of a

A BULLET IN HIS HEART.

Young German Carries Lead in Left Auricle for Two Years.

Special Correspondence. London, Dec. 17 .- When a healthy, robust looking young German walked into a prominent London hospital the other day, and announced that his heart contained a bullet it is no wonder the surgeons were so incredulous that only the visitor's note of introduction from a Leipsic medical society saved him from returning to the street guicker that he left it. Since the X-rays have proved that the German spoke the truth, however, London med-ical circles are talking of little else than Max Meyer whose case does not seem to be paralleled in the history of modern English surgery. It is true that others have survived for several weeks with gun shot wounds in the heart, while only last June three stitches which closed a knife prick in a man's vitalest organ prolonged his a man's visities of an prioritied mark life a short time, but no one here knows of a person enjoying ordinary health for a good part of two years and during that time taking a fair amount of exercise with an ounce or

two of lead throbbing away in his Only for the X-ray photograph even the word of the German medical soclety might have been doubted by the surgeons here. For even after exhaus-

tiv soundings and careful thumpings, pulse takings and listenings with delicate instruments, they could discover nothing out of the way beneath Max Meyer's ribs. There was a small scar close beside the breast bone, but the pulse was normal, the heart beat strong and regular, and in spite of ordinary exertion Meyer's breathing was na-

chest.

tural. This young German was wounded in

friend while the two were shooting the country near Leipsic. Although the projectile tore a ragged hole in the pericardium and buried itself deeply in the muscular wall of the left auricle, here was comparatively little internal loading and the left auricle. there was comparatively little internal bleeding and after the operation the severed tissues healed rapidly. Early in Deember, after being out of bed aprec than a month, Meyer had a re-aprec, his pulse slowing down so he tad to go to bed again. By the first of February, however, normal heart retion was restored and the German reard no more from his bullet until May, 1902, when his heart began to May, 1902, when his heart began to skip beats occasionally. Sometimes in would stop for three seconds and Mey er was in a hospital most of that sun Although pronounced cured

RUSSIA.

Military Strength.

Naval Strength,

Total war vessels

War footing 78,827

Total

discharged from the hospital, Sept. 1, 1962, Nov. 3 Meyer fainted, remaining 'out'' for five hours. This time the relapse was serious, the pulse going down to 13 beats in a minute with al action so weak as to be hardly count able. By March 1, 1993, however, th man was out of the hospital again, and since then has spent much time ex-hibiting himself to surgeons in the eading German cities. Experts here see no reason why Mey

er should not live to an ordinary old age. His diet is not restricted, he sleeps well, and his endurance is remarkable. On one fact all his advisers agree-Meyer must not touch alcohol. The surgeons have warned him that in-dulgence in the mildest drinks might prove fatal.

Children Poisoned.

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every 301 is an officially notified luna-tic, while in Scotland and Ireland the percentage is slightly lower, one in 247 and one in 209 being the respective and the accompanying cold. numbers. The records show that in 1901, nearly a fourth of those who ap-plied for army enlistments were reject-OF ENGLISH DOCTOR ed as physically unfit, while more than a thousand more were discharged for this reason within three months after their enrollment.

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This physician also believes that omething should be done, and in a something should be done, and in a hurry, to control the marriages of per-sons discharged from asylums. In sup-port of his contention, he points out that from 1885 to 1903, 8,933 lunatics were discharged from asylums in this country as "recovered." and that 2,285 of them had to be readmitted. He men-tions one one of a mon-who were dis-It is, "Don't Restrain Lunatics tions one case of a man who was dis-charged from an asylum and who, within a few months, married the daughter of a woman who had been in the same asylum for years. Another case in-stanced is that of a man, "dull and par-tially idiotic," who married a woman more than half idiotic. They had nine oblidered all idiate: children, all idlots!

A Thoughtful Man.

M. M. Austin of Winchester, Ind., knew what to do in the hour of need.

His wife had such an unusual case of stomach and liver trouble, physicians could not help her. He thought of and tried Dr. King's New Life Pills and she got relief at once and was finally cured. Only 25c, at Z. C. M. I. Drug ONDON, Jan. 12 .- Perhaps no more extraordinary suggestion ever has been made by a medical Store. man of acknowledged standing

than that just put forth by Dr. Robert VALENTINES ! Reid Rentoul, of the British Royal VALENTINES! College of Surgeons, to the effect that lunatics instead of being placed under Lace, card mounts, drops, novelties nd comics, wholesale and retail. Write restraint as at present should be allowed to destroy themselves with as litor illustrated catalogue and price list. DESERET NEWS BOOK STORE. tle loss of time as possible, according to what this medico believes to be nature's 6 Main Street.

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