Numerical Force of the Various Armies-German, French, Russian, Austrian, Italian and English-Peace Footing and War Strength.

[Brooklyn Eagle.] The combined armies of all Europe in time of peace number about 4,000,000 men, and in time of war can be raised to the enormous aggregate of 12,500,000. As the population of all Europe is about 350,000,000, it follows that for every eighteen men able to bear arms one man is serving as a soldier in time of peace and that in time of war one-fifth of the adult male population is liable to be called into the field. If the army of this country was constituted on the same basis it would number 630,000 in time of peace and at our present rate of army expenditure would cost annually three times the en-

tire national revenue. The strength of the French army on a peace footing is 499,000 men, of which 284,000 are infantry, 69,000 cavalry, 69,-000 artillery, and 12,000 engineers. war footing the French cou d bring 2,-400,000 men into the field. In time of peace 52,000 French troops are kept in

A French regiment of infantry of the line consists of three active and one depot battalion and numbers about 2,000 men in time of peace and double that in the event of war. A regiment of cavalry consists of five squadrons, four in the field and one at the depot, and numbers 900 men. The French artillery consists of thirty eight regiments, forming nineteen brigades Half of the artillery regiments have ten field batteries each, and the other half six field and four horse batteries. Each battery has six guns. A French corps d'armee contains about 40,000 men of all ranks, of whom 30,000 may be rated as combatants, with 108 guns.

On a peace footing the total strength of the German army is 445,000 officers and men. On a war footing its strength would be about 1,800,000 men, exclusive of the second-class of the landsturm not yet organized. The number of troops available in case of war, exclusive of the field reserve of 250,000 men and the Landsturm, would be of infantry, 1,065,000; riflemen, 31,000; cavalry, 110,000, and field artillery, 109,000, During the last war with France the mobilization of the army was ordered on July 16, it was completed on July 26, and eight days later 462,000 German mantry, with 57,000 cav. a lry and 1,584 guns were in position on the left bank of the I hine ready to invade France. In August Germany had 1,183,-000 men of all arms in the field or in gar-

The British army is recruited by voluntary enlistment, and, although the number varies, usually numbers 125,000 men inclusive of 65,000 l ritish troops in India. The men are enlisted for six years and then pass into the reserves. The present strength of the army reserve is In case of war the reserves are called out, and the militia, numbering 140,000 men, embodied, and should the United Kingdom be invaded, 250,000 volunteers would be available, which, with 15,000 yeomanry cavalry, would make a total force of 580,000 men. The British regulars, maintained for the defense of the United Kingdom and colonies, exclusive of India, comprise 12,500 cav-alry, 22,000 artillery, 5,500 engineers, and 89,000 infantry.

The peace strength of the Iussian regular army is 840,000, the war strength 2,265,000. The latter embraces 1,915.00 infantry, 95,0.0 cavalry and 210,000 artill walk," said his debtor, in ery. The irregular army number 4,000 tone of Uriah Heep. on a peace footing and 163,000 in time of war, 142,000 of this force being cavalry. The total war strength of the Russian army regulars, irregulars and militia would reach 2,735 000 men. How many of this large force the government could afford to equip and maintain in the field is another

The Austrian-Hungarian empire has an The Austrian-Hungarian empire has an army of 275,000 men on a peace footing, capable of being increased to 1.3.0,000 on a war footing. The standing army is formed after the model of that of Prussia in the system of the universal liability to arms. The strength of Italy's standing army on a war footing is about 735,000; the mobile militia, 300,000, and the territorial militia, 1,000,000. Probably the first two figures would represent

The strength of the Turkish army, on a peace footing, is about 175,000 men, and on a war footing could be raised to from 400,000 to 500,000. Spain maintains a standing army of 190,000 men, capable of being increased to 450,000 in case of war. Portugal maintains an army of about 31,-00) men, which could be increased to 80,-00) in time of war.

The army of Belgium numbers 45,000 The army of Belgium numbers 45,000 on a peace footing and 110,000 on a war footing. Holland maintains an army of 65,000 men in time of peace, the men being partly raised by conscription and partly enlisted. There is also a colonial army of 32,000 men. The militia and landstrum, which are liable to be called out in war time, would raise the whole available force of Holland to 175,000. Denmark, which has about as many in-Denmark, which has about as many in-habitants as the state of Massachusetts, maintains a standing army of 35,000 men in time of peace, which can be raised to 50,000 in case of war.

Sweden has four classes of troops, the enlisted troops, the national militia, the privates of which are paid and kept by the landowners, the militia by the Gothland land and conscription troops. These, with a few volunteers, form a force of 196,000 men available in time of war. The army on a peace footing does not exceed 41,000 men. The Norwegian army num-mers 18,000 in time of peace and 40,000 in time of war.

An Antidote for Malaria.

[Exchange.] Professor Crudell, a noted eastern scientist, lays claim to having discovered an antidote for malaria. He advises that a decoction of lemon be made as follows: Cut up one lemon, peel and all, into thin slices, put it into three glassfuls of water and boil it down to one glassful. Strain the liquid through linen, squeezing thoroughly the remains of boiled lemon, and set it aside to cool. Drink the whole amount when fasting. amount when fasting,

> Forgiving Our Own Mistakes. [Arkansaw Traveler.]

We ken alius furgin er nuder pusson easier den we ken furgin ourselbes. Ef I makes a mistake an' fools roun'de wraung man, it takes me er laung time ter furgin myse'f fur not habin' mo' judgment.

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It is curious that, in this country, nine out of ten persons would, in referring to Victor Hugo, describe him as "the novelwhile in France it is always "the

The Advantages of Sheep Keeping.

The New Hampshire Farmer says : Thousands of acres of pasture lands are being overrun with bushes and, briers. They are being abandoned not considered being worth re-fencing for cattle. By keeping sheep a few years they can be brought back to a pruductive condition. The day is past when the fleece will pay the cost of keep. Wool is lower, but mutton is higher, than 40 years ago, when it was considered profitable to keep sheep. Combine the two products and sheep husbandry is as profitable as at any previous period, and should again assume as great importance in our State. As States grow older the processes of agriculture must be changed and improved. If the growing of wool will not pay, and it will not pay, and and it will not in any States as lands become more valuable. mutton becomes the most valuable sheep product. As this transition takes place the breed of the sheep must be changed and adapted to this new condition. England formerly produced large quanties of fine wool. Now it can be purchased a much less price than it costs her to produce it. Fine wool is produced very cheap in new and sparsely populated countries. England, on this account, did not abandon sheep husbandry, but keeps as many sheep as at any former period in her history. She changed her fine wool sheep to mutton breads. England keeps a larger number of sheep, according to her acres of cultivated land, than any section in this country. English farmers understand that it is giving sheep this prominence that has enabled them to increase their average yield of wheat per acre up to 28 bushels. Our average is but 12 bushels.

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