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 AWAKENING OF THE LION.
 In her twelve centuries of history Great Britain has fought more battles and won more victories than any other nation of the present or past. She has contributed officers and men to nearly every great armed contest where principle was at stake. She was largely the cause of the undoing of Rome and she wrested from Spain her proud title as mistress of the seas. Three times she hurled the French from the pinnacle of national glory. Yet never in all this military history has England put such an army in the field as is contemplated by the late orders of her ministry in council. It is plain that the British realize that amongst European powers England has nothing but enemies. The Russian bear has for many generations been possessed with hungry longing for India and a port on the Mediterranean. French interests in Africa conflict with those of Great Britain, and France is a tradition enemy of the English. In spite of the ascendancy of Von Buelow in Germany, it is well known that there is not an amiable feeling on the part of Germans for the English, while they claim kinship for the Boers. It would take but little to cause Holland to cast her fortunes with those of her race in South Africa. These are the conditions that have caused the alarm throughout the United Kingdom over British reverses at the hands of the Africans, and they are responsible for the tremendous army of a half million men which Great Britain will have fully equipped in a few weeks.
 England has a two-fold object in view. It is desired to have her men ready for action in case one or more of the nations of Europe should see fit to take advantage of Great Britain's predicament to settle some real or imaginary grievance with her; and it is also intended as an object lesson. The world is to be shown that it was not on account of any financial weakness that Buller was furnished an army entirely in men in the field within a few weeks ready to act with her wonderful navy, the temptation for ambitious continental statesmen to achieve fame through defeating Great Britain will not be so alluring as it otherwise would be.
 Those people who profess to believe that Englishmen are losing their heads over the South African situation should look deeper into the situation. The British do not propose to be caught napping. The lion is simply awakening, and giving an exhibition performance to show his great latent strength.
 DAWSON WEATHER.
 The thermometer reached 40 below zero at Dawson Tuesday and 42 yesterday. It is to be hoped that this will satisfy those who have been praying for cold weather there. The Dawson News of the 1st claimed that the November weather was "too warm for comfort," and it was fearful for the health of the community if it did not get colder. It is evident, however, that there is something in the standpoint from which one views the subject of weather. For instance, the following from the Dawson paper quoted, would indicate that a Dawsonite's idea of "too warm for comfort" might not agree with the opinions of a resident of Florida or Southern California. The News says:
 "The days have always been warm—that is, an average of 10 above—which is considered too warm for comfort in this country. * * * * * Whatever may be taking place in nature, the fact remains that this November weather on the Yukon is unprecedented and that a little more snappy and seasonably cold weather would be not only more acceptable but decidedly more healthy."
 DAWSON'S SWINDLERS.
 The Dawson News has commenced a crusade against the custom of overweigh-

ing of gold, which, it alleges, prevails amongst the retail dealers in the Klondike metropolis. It claims that the purchaser will lose on an average \$1 out of every \$5 spent at Dawson's retail stores on account of this pernicious custom alone. The News accuses the merchants with purposefully loading their weights for the sole purpose of cheating the public. It estimates that in one year Dawson mine owners and wage earners lost \$1,000,000 to the avariciousness of the small trader by this process alone. The News' remedy is an official sealer of weights and measures, whose duty it should be to officially test and stamp all the weights in use, and to prevent the use of any not so tested and stamped. This complaint is one that has been many times told of the Klondike capital, and the wonder is that it had not long ago been a subject for official inquiry. The Canadian authorities stop other swindling "sure thing" games promptly, and if the truth is told by the News, and it is verified by Dawson people generally, there has been more money taken from the producer by this method many times over than by all other swindles combined. The News will have the good wishes of all good citizens of the northwest in its efforts.

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