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Two ~~strong~~ nations promise to emerge as a result of World War 11. China and Russia. China will be the dominant power in Asia and Russia in Europe. If England can recover lost colonies, following the close of the war with Japan, and can harmonize discordant elements in India, she will ~~continue to be~~ a strong nation, but will not ~~thereafter~~ dominate the seas as she has in the past.

The commercial chess board ~~of the world~~, will have been upset and there will be greater competition for the trade of the world. The east Indies will no longer be the main source of ~~supply~~ *for certain minerals and for* many of the articles for our tables; and never again be the main source of supply *for* rubber. Maylayasia will ~~no longer produce~~ be the main source of supply *for* rubber.

China thru the crucible of war, having been fused into a nation, will require much ~~but will~~ in food products, because of her teeming population and soon equip herself to the limits of her arable land. She will however produce vast quantities of manufactured products, and with her lower standards of living ~~and wages~~ *of wages and* will undoubtedly be enabled to undersell western nations.

What the development will be in Africa is hard to surmise. The negro in his native state has been slow in developing. He has been exposed to ~~the~~ *their such* culture and trade for time immemorial, but ~~its~~ *their* manners, ~~and~~ customs and responsibilities have not appealed to him. While ~~in~~ in his native state he has been beset by enemies from within and without, he has ~~clung~~ *clung* to the free ~~life~~ *if not kindly* life of the jungle.

Northern Africa was the granary of the world for ~~perhaps millions~~ *centuries*, and even yet American soldiers have been surprised at what ~~is there produced~~ *it still produces*. Its possibilities can greatly be enlarged and probably will be following the close of the war. Religiously ~~it~~ *Africa* is largely pagan, ~~but~~ *but* with a great ~~number~~ *large* many of Moslems, and a smaller number of Christians. Its divisions and animosities are age old and will not readily be overcome no matter how many modern "Flying Dutchmen" give it the once over and then oracularly proclaim the imminency of world brotherhood and good will.

European Russia, east of the River Don; Germany, Italy, Portions of France ~~and~~