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RUSSIA AND HER SERFS.

The chimera of the Popes of the Middle Ages is now realized in an empire of sixty millions of men. If you can bring yourself to imagine the all but complete triumph of the will of one man over the will of God, you will understand Russia. [MARQUIS DE CUSTINE (1811.)

There is no country with so great a diversity of races, manners, religion, and tone of thought, as Russia. Variety remains at the bottom, however uniform the surface; and the unity is only apparent. [CAZAR NICHOLAS.

The strange exceptional position of Russia...

clous Lord's anointed on record. He killed his son with his own hand, and everybody trembled at the sight of that savage and his iron mace. He sent an embassy to demand Queen Elizabeth of England in marriage. She declined the honor; for though a lone herself, she might naturally fear that, in marital encounters, the tiger would get the better of her. Others of the Ivan stamp succeeded; and in 1613, the Russians elected to the throne Michael Romanoff, whose blood flows in the present

The Russian army groaned under the *bizarre* and truculent discipline of that savage martinet, who was a perfect maniac on the subjects of drilling and dress. He threw scorn upon his mother's policy, and undid as much as possible what she did. She had imprisoned Kosciusko. Paul visited him in his dungeon, let him out, and gave him money to take him to America. Paul, in his own cracked way, could say good things. Occupied with the imperial science of drilling men into machines, he

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