



WHERE MAN FIGHTS MAN, ENVELOPED IN CLOUDS, ON THE DIZZY EDGE OF MOUNTAIN CRAGS.

These unusual photographs show Austrian troops in action in the Italian Alps in the recent offensive, now halted by the Russian thrust in Galicia. The Austrian soldiers in the picture on the left are garbed in white. In the present world-wide war man is copying Nature and wild animals. Nature gives the hare a white coat in winter to match the snow, thus protecting the animal against its foes. The Austrian troops wear white uniforms, which make them almost indistinguishable in the snow. Day after day these soldiers toil through Alpine snow, climb mountains, creep along glaciers, cling to the edges of precipices, camp under cloud-fogged ledges in short, take their lives in their hands every moment of their day. And the Italian troops are doing likewise. Each tries to find the other with Death beckoning ahead, on flank and in rear. Note, in the picture on the right, the Austrian soldier on the end of a crag. He is bare to the waist.

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