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TRAINING THAT DOESN'T TRAIN.

The Boer war has exploded a great many traditions of the science of war, and those nations which are open to new ideas will hereafter, in teaching their soldiers, find it necessary to refer constantly to methods adopted in South Africa. Old tactics have had to be discarded by infantry, cavalry, and artillery alike, and new ones devised to suit the changed conditions. The bayonet has been found to be of little use to infantry, the sword and lance of little use to cavalry, while the artillery practice, which was meant for use in pitched battles, has not served to the best purpose in a swiftly moving struggle. Infantry has abandoned close formation, with the result that the private soldier recovers his entity, and must hereafter be allowed to call his soul his own, and encouraged to think and act for himself. The result is the emancipation of the common soldier from a despotism as unmanly as slavery itself. As a consequence, the quality of armies will be improved, and possibly conscription rendered unnecessary. The increasing democratic tendency of the leading nations of the world is steadily reducing the proportion of their populations from whom men can be drawn to accept the regular army—a lot hard, restricted, restrained, and for the most part without those hopes of military advancement which in civilian organizations are to-day open to the humblest people.

One of the most significant discoveries made in the war is that "inexperienced" men of the right stamp can be thrown at once into battle without the drill that has heretofore been considered indispensable. This was first demonstrated by the Boers who left their farms, and without training met the British regulars in battle. They could ride and shoot, and were willing to do both for all they were worth. Unhampered by such baggage as tradition entitled an old-fashioned army to carry, the Boers have carried little about their formation while on the march if but they made fast time.

But if the Boers showed that untrained men could fight, so, too, have the Canadians demonstrated this. The men of the Second Mounted Rifles who fought at Hart's River the other day had scarcely got their "land legs" after their long sea voyage, before they were giving tit-for-tat to Delarey's Boer veterans in a very hot engagement. At the outbreak of the war these Canadians would not have been allowed at the front for months after landing, but would have been kept far in the rear drilling. However well they might ride—though they could sit a horse up and down stairs or keep the saddle while he swam a swift river, that would not have answered earlier in the war. They would have been detained while a cavalry riding master taught them how to hold their elbows and how to form up with their horses' noses in line after performing some ancient manoeuvre. Hitherto the efficiency of a regiment has been judged by the exhibition of drill it could give under the eyes of some visiting somebody, who came around to inspect it. Hereafter its effectiveness as a fighting force will largely be estimated by ascertaining the kind of stuff of which it is composed.

Col. Otter's men, the first to go to South Africa, were kept in the back-ground until they were sick of it. Subsequent contingents were sent up to the front more promptly, and the last ones sent out seem to have been accepted without question, and thrown confidently into battle.

If ordinary reasoning is applicable to military matters, these conclusions are irresistible, that (1) the private soldier must hereafter be allowed to

retain his spirit, and (2) does not need to withdraw himself from the arts of peace to be of service in the event of war. There will probably be a sweeping away of the training that doesn't train.

SOILED MONEY.

The London Free Press says:—"The Chatham Planet thinks that the banks are to blame for the circulation of soiled Dominion notes. 'The Stratford Beacon suggests as a proper course to pursue that people should refuse to accept old or soiled bills, but should demand clean money. That might do some good by causing inconvenience to bank officials, but of course dirty notes are legal tender, and if the bank insists upon forcing them upon customers the customers would have to take them or leave them."

"The Government would be pleased if bankers in general and all persons offended by the filthy state of these bills would destroy them. Every bill so 'put out of business' is a gain to the public treasury, and a loss to the bank or individual. That is not the method now used to put bank notes out of circulation. They are stamped 'cancelled' sent to the head office and there burned. A local bank teller recently informed The Planet that tellers would be very glad to cancel filthy bills, but that if they did so they would be sure to get a sharp reprimand from the head office. The reason is that the banks want their own notes to circulate instead of those of the Government."

A WOMAN IN THE CASE.

Atchison Globe.
 When a woman follows a guest to the front gate it doesn't mean anything, but it means everything when a man does it.

WHAT DID THEY DO?

Pontiac Sentinel.
 The Y. P. S. C. E. gave a stocking social Wednesday evening at the home of Mrs. Hunter. The evening was most delightfully spent by all who attended.

WILLING TO PAY FOR HIS PLEASURE.

Chicago Record-Herald.
 J. Pierpont Morgan says he will attend the coronation of King Edward. If he likes it real well he may hire the King to do it over two or three times.

WHAT WOULD HAPPEN.

Exchange.
 Asked what would happen if England should withdraw from India, a highly educated Babu in Calcutta answered: "Go to a zoological garden, open the gates and let out all the lions, tigers and hyenas, and you would see what would happen."

SOME DRAMATIC CRITICISM.

Worcester Times.
 Mirth, music, beauty, youth and talent is varied, rich and pleasing that they would prove tiresome if they were not woven together so artistically that the changing emotions of the audience passing gradually from one to another, leave but a pleasing whole on the mirror of the mind, and furnish a most pleasing contrast.

SMALLEST OF MICROBES DISCOVERED.

Pittsburgh Dispatch.
 The smallest microbe yet known is said to have been discovered by O. Vooges, Buenos Ayres. It is much less than the influenza bacillus, and only just discernible when magnified 1500 times. The work of the smallest bacterium in the troubled world, is to produce the deadly abscess, known in South America as manguea, in cattle, with this special characteristic—the hotter the climate, the more fatal the infection. A further peculiarity is that if the abscess is opened in its early stages the disease is arrested and the animal saved. Minuteness of the germs of disease is no particular advantage to the victims; the influenza microbe makes up for its diminutiveness by overwhelming numbers.

THAT CHAPTER.

A Chapter on Scott's Emulsion often holds a prominent position in the histories of weak children.

The gist of that chapter usually reads like this:

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KILLING THEIR SCHEME.

Fort Frances Times.
 The Irish Nationalist members in the British House of Commons are taking sure means of killing their home rule scheme. Their rowdiness is causing many of their English sympathizers to hold aloof. Thinking people throughout the empire realize that if these men are unable to govern their own temper they are hardly fitted to govern in a country like Ireland.

DUKE AND EARL.

London Globe.
 In reply to Lord Rosebery's query as to the difference between the Liberal Unionist and a Conservative, the Duke of Leeds asks another. "What is the difference between Lord Rosebery and a Liberal Unionist?" He answers himself that it is merely this, that it has taken Lord Rosebery sixteen years to discover what the Unionist party was certain of at the time—namely, that the Irish Nationalists, avowedly disloyal, would be content with nothing short of separation.

SUCCI'S LATEST FREAK.

London Telegraph.
 Succi, the man of many facts, is now trying an experiment of a new kind in Paris. He has put himself into a cataleptic trance by absorbing some liquid, and will remain in this condition for 48 hours, at the end of which time doctors watching over him will arouse him. At present he is a sort of living mummy, having been swathed in bands of white linen, which close his ears, nose and mouth, seals of red wax being affixed to prevent fraud. The body is stiff as a corpse, the extremities are cold, and breathing is barely perceptible.

A Great Canadian Advertisement.

One of the greatest advertisements the Canadian Northwest ever got is contained in a paragraph from The Indian Head Vindicator, which is now going the rounds of the press. It is as follows: "Last year Mr. Glenn bought a quarter section of land, or 100 acres, for \$200 (scrip). This year the entire section was under crop. He allows expenses in connection with the crop, as follows: Breaking, at \$5 per acre, \$500; seed grain, \$144; labor of seeding, \$50; binder twine, \$84; harvesting, \$350; delivery to elevator, \$210; incidentals, \$160, a total of \$1,968, including the cost of the farm. The yield was 7,447 bushels of wheat, which sold at 55 cents, realizing \$4,095.85. After all expenses and the farm were paid for Mr. Glenn thus had a clear profit of \$2,097.82. The yield averaged forty-seven bushels of wheat to the acre."

The year that is just closing has been an exceptional one, of course, and there is no guarantee that next year will prove as favorable, but the fact that thousands of farmers on the plains have made fortunes while nearly all have extricated themselves from debt at one stroke will give a great boom to that country. If Mr. Glenn paid for his farm and cleared more than two thousand dollars in his first year, others are warranted in expecting a fair return for their work farming in the West.

Said an Irishman: "What a melancholy sight it would be if all the people in the world were blind!"

THE NORTHWAY CO., Limited

THE BUSY CASH STORE

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600 PAIR OF CURTAINS, Nottingham, Brussels, Irish Point, Etc., at a Pair 25c up to \$10.00.

Carpets and Curtains

New Housefurnishings! That's the topic of discussion in hundreds of homes these days and of course this store will be frequently mentioned because being the best and safest place to buy all kinds of house furnishings. As we have stated before, we purpose making a clean sweep of every dollar's worth of Carpets, Curtains, Etc., before moving into our new store. Would advise you making early selections—buying now while stocks are at their best. These prices should make lively buying. Come and see the values they represent.

English Velvet Carpets, superior quality, heavy, deep pile, rich design and colorings, \$1.25 a yard, made and laid at 98c.
 Heavy English Brussels Carpet, in splendid range of patterns and colors, regular \$1.10 a yard, special, made and laid at 87c.
 Best English Brussels, superior make, rich color combinations, guaranteed wear, regular \$1.40 a yard, made and laid at \$1.19.
 \$1.00 Brussels at 83c yard—Our best dollar English Brussels Carpet, guaranteed in color and wear, new designs, made and laid at 83c.
 Canadian Brussels Carpet—Heavy, firm make, splendid wearing quality, choice patterns and colorings, regular 95c yard, made and laid at 75c.
 60c imported Tapestry carpets at 47c.—A splendid wearing English tapestry, in rich colors, and designs, regular value, 60c yard, special at 47c.
 English Tapestry Carpets—Superior quality, rich color combinations, choice patterns, regular 65c, to 75c, special, made and laid, 60c.
 Tapestry Carpet at 39c yard—Heavy serviceable English tapestry, bright colorings, regular 45c yard, special at 39c.
 Jute Brussels Carpet at 35c—Choice Brussels designs and colorings, clear in gat per yard, 35c.
 Union Carpets—Full yard wide, in new reversible patterns and colorings, very serviceable, special at per yard 25c.
 Heavy union carpets, in splendid range of new spring colorings, choice range of reversible patterns, full yard wide, special per yard 30c, 35c, 39c and 47c.
 Wool carpets at 60c—Heavy cotton chain wool carpets, superior quality, new patterns and colorings, made and laid at per yard 60c.
 All wool carpets, superior two-ply, made from clean scoured yarns, choice new patterns and colorings, made and laid at 60c, 75c and 85c.
 Jute and hemp carpets, large range of new floral and stripe patterns, reversible, wide widths, at per yard 10c, 12 1-2c, 15c, and 25c.
 Floor oil cloths—600 hardy heavy floor oil cloths, 1 1-4, 1 1-2 and 2 yards wide, handsome new colors and designs, special at per square yard 25c.
 Extra quality floor oil cloth, in wide range of new block, tile, and floral designs, 1 to 2 1-2 yards wide, special per square yard 35c.
 Heavy Scotch linolums, 1 yard to 4 yards wide, guaranteed in wear, worth up to 60c per square yard, clearing at 48c.

The Northway Company, Limited, THE BUSY CASH STORE

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We have a large assortment of beautiful colors in Dress Goods suitable for

Spring Wear—

Before making your purchases call at the mill and examine what we have to offer.

THE T. H. TAYLOR CO. Limited, Flour and Woolen Mills

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during the months of March and April via Chicago & Northwestern Ry; \$30 from Chicago to Helena, Butte, Anaconda, Ogden and Salt Lake City; \$30.50 Spokane, \$33.00 Portland, Seattle, Tacoma, Vancouver, Victoria and a large number of other points. Tourist sleeping cars every day from Chicago to the Pacific Coast. For rates and particulars apply to nearest ticket agent or address B. H. Bennett, 2 East King Street, Toronto, Ont. 114a26

SETTLERS' LOW RATES WEST.

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The Indian and the Northwest

A handsomely illustrated book just issued, and containing 115 pages of interesting historical data relating to the settlement of the great Northwest, with fine half-tone engravings of Black Hawk, Sitting Bull, Red Cloud and other noted chiefs; Ouster's battle-ground and ten colored map plates showing location of the various tribes dating back to 1600. A careful review of the book impresses upon you that it is a valued contribution to the history of these early pioneers, and a copy should be in every library. Price 25 cents per copy. Mailed postage prepaid upon receipt of this amount by W. B. Kniskern, 25 Fifth Avenue, Chicago, Ill.

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and

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ARTHUR W. SMITH, Merlin.

TENDERS WANTED

Sealed tenders will be received by the undersigned up to Monday, April 21, 1902, at 12 o'clock noon, for the erection and completion of a manse on the lot adjoining the St. James' Presbyterian Church, Thamesville, Ont. The building committee will furnish all brick. All tenders must be marked "Tenders for Manse."

For further information and particulars, address J. DAVIDSON, Sec'y Board of Managers, St. James' Presb't. Church, Thamesville, Ont.

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