## CURRENT TOPICS.

A German scientist, Dr. Emil Konig has lately undertaken to prove that in highly civilized countries man has become concerco concerco abused his constitutional strength and consequently is more susceptible to disease then he was in earlier times. There i: obviously something to be said for

course of other diseases; but it is so this averment, but considered as a striking a symptom, and one so easily whole the facts do not bear it out. It recognized, that it is often regarded as is unquestionably true that as civiliz- a discase in itself, while the underlying ation advances human life becomes condition of which it is a symptom more complex, and the pressure upon a locked upon as its cause. It consists in a staining of the skin, mam's physical resources tends to bethe eyes, and indeed all the tissues of come more intense. It is also true that the body, with the coloring-matter of certain forms of disease, such, for ex- the bile, which is not cast out, as it ample, as cancer and heart weakness, should be, but is taken up by the blood was a great success. and carried to all parts of the body. appear to be more prevalent than they It is produced in one of two ways were a century ago-we say "appear," by obstruction to the outflow of bile or because only in a comparatively recent by the action of some poisonous subperiod have the statistics of mortality stance which alters the constitution of the bile. The first form, "obstructive and its causes been trustworthy and jaundice, is the result of more or less exhaustive. Neither can it be denied complete closing of the channels through that by our sanitary improvements, which the bile escapes from the liver. the multiplication of hospitals and sani- This obstruction may be due to plugging of the passages by gal' stones, to taria, the demonstration of the germ

the presence of a tumor pressing upon origin of disease, the discovery of antithe passages, or to inflammation and texins and specifics and the development the resultant swelling of the mucous of antiseptic surgery we have sensibly membrane lining these passages. The other form, called "toxemic' checked the natural process of elimination which brings about the survival of tain general diseases, such as malaria buildings. the fittest and the extinction of human or yellow fever, or poisoning by phosbeings unable to transmit physical vig- phorous and other chemical substances, or of acute atrophy of the liver. or to their offspring. Dr. Konig like-The color of the skin varies, accord- for the position. wise thinks that be discerns marked deing to the intensity of the jaundice, that terioration in the human stomach, owis, according to the amount of bile coling to what he alleges to be the present oring-malter circulating in the blood, from a light lemon to a bright saffron

swift decay and loss of the teeth.

hue, or even a dark yellowish green. The eyes are frequently the first to Much of this may be admitted, but show the yellow color, and in mild casthere is preponderant evidence on the cs may be the only parts where the other side. If it were a fact that in jaundice is visible. The saliva, perspirhighly civilized countries man is de- ation, and other secretions are usually stained yellow. generating we should undoubtedly observe two things, namely, a diminish- spiration. Itching also is very common, driving crusade.

ing birth rate and a progressive short- and this, like the perspiration, may be Twenty cocks of hay, owned by Jas. not alone amongst Afridis in their love ening of the average human life. If we general, or limited to certain parts of Clair. Tinnock, County Wexford, were of fighting for fighting's sake. the body, and grows worse at night. burned to ashes recently. The origin take a broad view of the matter we find Sufferers from jaundice, unless fever of the fire is unknown. the contrary to be the case. In France A rigorous boycott has been institutis present, usually have a slow pulse. it must be acknowledged the birth rate Headache, and sometimes dizziness, is ed in Carrick-on-Shannon against peohas declined so notably that the popu- complained of, and the patient is likely ple who have taken untenanted lands it is large- or not, and, if sown, how much extra to be exceedingly irritable. ca the Whyte estate. lation remains almost stationary from There is no treatment for the jaun-Mr. Edmund Roblins, manager of the one decade to another. Against this dice itself. An endeavor must be made Belfast Press Association, has recentphenomenon must be set the signally to discover the cause, and if this can ly celebrated his journalistic jubilee. reduced death rate, the result being that be removed, the skin will speedily re- He began as an apprentice at the age the ability to outlive the Scriptural three sume its natural color, and with this of eleven. score years and ten, and even to sur- ache and the other symptoms so often vive for a century, is much more fre associated with the jaundice .-- Youth's Galway harbor, in order to permit of lodged. the entrance of Atlantic liners, is under quently exhibited in France to-day than Companion. it was four generations ago. Then, \$497,500. THE HOME DOCTOR. again, Germany, where there is less illiteracy and where culture is more To prevent the skin becoming discolwidely diffused than it is in the French ored after a blow, make a paste of finethe poor in commemoration of his com- a while when things get too hot for probably a more serious disadvantage Republic, has at once a high birth rate ly-powdered starch and place it over the spot. This should be done immedi- ing of age. and a low death rate. As for the sup- ately. posed injurious influence of the decay erts' Fund are seven old Ulster soldiers or 'two By mixing two leaspoonfuls of glyand loss of teeth on the stomach, it is cerine with one tablespoonful of lime who fought either in the Crimea or Innotorious that the extraordinary devel- water and one teaspoonful of paragoric dian Mutiny, and whose ages run from Every now and then one of these expe- use the rest for feed. A tremendous opinent of the art of dentistry in the last you have an excellent gargle for a sore 72 to 82. In Bray Station, county Wicklow, form of war. All the odds are in favor Farm r's Advocate. half century and the studious care of For Burns.-Saturate a wad of cotton two railway employes, Timothy Doyle of the Zakka Khels. teeth now inculcated and almost uniwith ammonia and pat the burn with and William Neetham, were ran down versally practised by highly civilized it. Keep doing this until the fire is all by an engine, and so badly mangled fights for the sheer fun of the thing consist in numbering the ears, say, peoples have brought about an aston- drawn out, which will be in ten or fif- they died soon afterwards. teen minutes: Relief will be almost in-

Olive oil is very good for weak peo-

It should be taken with the food when-

ever possible, and a tablespoonful taken

before going to bed will do wonders.

in keeping the digestive organs in work-

dissolve as much common washing so-

first generally proves fatal. It is not

vor is that which is made from sweet

There are two kinds of croup, the ation.

away the largest warts.

ple or those who suffer from indigestion.

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JAUNDICE.

Jaundice, or icterus, is not a disease,

but only a symptom, occurring in the

FROM ERIN'S GREEN ISLE SPORTING ZAKKA EHELS every possible difficulty. Our officers NEWS BY MAIL FROM IRELAND'S SHORES. Happenings in the Emerald Isle of

Interest to Irishmen.

It is proposed to start an agricultural North-West frontier of India are now school in north-east Ulster.

Star line. The annual concert in aid of the Bel-

fast Masonic charities, held recently,

merce with Irish ports.

Mr. Robert Hill Baillie, a well-known of somewhat larger dimensions. resident of Larne, fell down stairs, db-

land

The body of Hugh McAllister was tains.

suddenly during the night at Callan, Co Kilkenny. He had recently inherited \$100,000.

Owen Hughes, of Killyneal, has been they only muster about 4,000 fighting appointed, on the accommendation of men all fold. Lord Rossmore, a magistrate for the County Monaghan. In Roscommon, 55,000 acres of un- well-armed warriors of more than thirty tenanted land are being offered for sale thousand against us. At present no such There is generally an increase of per- by landlords as the result of the cattle- combination is anticipated, but one

the loss of a life means, as well, the loss of several hundred pounds and MEN WHO FIGHT FOR THE LOVE OF many years of training. The country is so difficult to move in that, as a gen-THE GAME. eral rule, for every fighting manoof the force at least one "follower' is required to handle the transport. Fighting and Thieving are in Their In the 1897 campaign there were 30.-Blood, and They Couldn't Drop 600 men engaged, of whom only 7.509 were soldiers; but since then Lord Kit-Either if They Tried. chener has organized many important

The Zakka Khels, with whom General reforms with a view to doing away with Willcocks and his little force on the many of their camp auxiliaries. A campaign of this kind entails very

waging war, are the toughest foes our severe strain on the nerves of the troops Harland & Wolff, of Belfast, will build troops have ever had to encounter, not engaged. There is rarely anything in two 1,000 foot steamers for the White even excepting the gallant "Fuzzy- the way of a regular big fight, which Wuzzies' of the Soudan, who broke a is what the "Tommy" loves, and, for a Brilish square in the first Egyptian war, greater part of the time, the enemy is

We are fighting the Zakka Khels never even seen. simply and solely for the reason that A little puff of smoke on the mounthey wish us to do so. Just as a high- tain side, and two unsuspecting sentries Twenty nations have agreed to sup- spirited child confined to the house on fall dead to the ground, then, after perply separate trade returns of their com- a wet day breaks out into one naught- haps several hours of quiet, the same ness after another, so the Afridis, after thing happens again elsewhere. No Sir Henry A. Blake, G. C. M. G., ex- several years of peace and petty plun- chance of hitting back-no means of Colonial Governor, has been sworn in der, varied by occasional skirmishes knowing from which quarter the attack as a magistrate for the county Cork. amongst themselves, yearn for a "scrap' will come again. At night a strict lookout must be kept for sudden rushes, a

The trouble began with the usual form of warfare at which the Afridis locating his neck, and dying instantly. policy of goading us into taking action are past masters. A total of 39,082 emigrants left Ire- by a series of "pin-prick" outrages. Luckily, as the commander of a punioff and used for chicken or pig feed. land last year. Since 1851, 4,103,015 Irish men and women have left the isoutposts, stole rifles, killed a policeman warfare, for he was mentioned in de- bushels of seed corn in a day, locator two, and disappeared into the moun- spatches so long ago at 1881 for his ing all weak or bad ears. As one writwork against the Waziris on the sama er has expressed it, there are dimes for

Then they grew bolder, and their last frontier; whilst he had seen fighting 'n minutes in this work. jaundice, is an accompaniment of cer- he had gene to get stones for farm little pleasantry was to descend upon Afghanistan so long as twenty-eight Those who are obliged to buy s Peshawar itself, and, after a skirmish years ago. Many years later he was at corn, as well as those who c Francis J. Duffy, Boho, has been ap- with the police that almost amounted it again in the Tochi Valley campaign, persuaded to take the slight tro pointed master of Enniskillen work- to a small battle, raided the house of so this is his fourth campaign on the testing their corn by the ear, s house. There were nine candidates the richest native banker in the place. North-West frontier, and his eleventh least make a general germination test, and rode away with the plunder. After campaign or expedition altogether!— In order to guard against the possibit-Dr. Pierce Hayes, of Thurles, died that, something had to be done. Pearson's Weekly ity of sowing seed so low in vitality that

ONLY 4,000 OF THEM. The only satisfactory thing about the

Zakka Khel is that he is not numerou-

If, however, the other tribes join in we shall have a force of trained and mannan neversknows. The Zakka Khels are

or paper moist, but not wet. If cloth TEST OF SEED CORN. or paper is used, it should be in the It is a mislake to buy seed corn shell. bottom of a plate or dish, with another With no military roads leading into their country, and with avenues of es. ed where it can be had on the ear, but plate inverted over it. The promptness, cape at their back, through which to inasmuch as the great buik of ensilage vigor and percentage of germination will retire into Afghanistan with their fam- seed corn which passes through the indicate whether the corn is fit to sow crto enjoyed the double advantage of ly a case of Hobson's choice. Ear corn seed should be used to make difficult access and easy retreat. Is preferable for several reasons. In defunct grains. A few non-viab. A handful of sharp-shooting Zakkas, the first place, one can see what kind in a sample are not of very serious consecurely perched on the edge of pre- and variety of ears he is planting from, sequence in ensilage corn, providing the cipice, or secure in one of their little and reject inferior ones. The embryo proportion is known and allowed for, rock-bound fortified villages, can do a will be somewhat less liable to have but any considerable number of weak, lot of damage to an advancing foe in had its germinating qualities impaired non-vigorous kernels may occasion The improvement and dredging of the valley beneath before they are dis- by heating in storage or in transit. much loss. Most important of all, he can test his Seed corn should be tested every year, And the Zakka can bolt to cover in corn by the ear, thereby culling out as a matter of course, but indications discussion. The proposed estimate is emergencies, like a rabbit in a warren, those that show inferior germinating are that it will be particularly necessary and nothing on earth will dislodge him. quality. There are almost sure to be this spring, as the unusually cold, wet The Duke of Leinster has presented The tribesmen have all sorts of hidden a certain proportion of these which, if season of 1907, in the corn-belt States, several handsome contributions to the caves and shellers dotted about the used for planting, would mean either did not allow the corn to mature and clergy of Athy for distribution amongst mountain-side where they can retire for blank spaces in the field, or, what is dry out well before the scason of frost.



helled

it will not produce a crop. This is par-

ticularly important in a cold, wet sea-

son, when only seed corn of the high-

est vitality may be depended on. This

lest should be made, if poss ble, before

purchasing the seed, and certainly be-

fore sowing any of it in the field. In

a little box of earth in the window, or

between double folds of flannel or blot-

ting paper, place one or two hundred.

average kernels. Keep the earth, cloth

ELUSIVS.

man, bitterly, pausing in the consump-

"I don't see no ham in this!" said a

"Oh, you ain't come to it yel," said

A minute or two passed. The mans

"I don't see no ham yet, young wo-

"Oh,' she replied, "you've gone and

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## Madness.

scientist, to give it scientific corrobor-

It will be comforting to many lazy people to know that the shock of im-

To Remove Warts .- To destroy warts mediate rising in the morning may produce insanity, and that the wakeful ka's blood, and he couldn't drop either period, prove that the average duration da as the water will take up; wet the test in bed is necessary for one's health if he tried. He starts as soon as he of human life is materially greater than warts with this for a minute or two, and before getting up.

This great truth has long been reyears ago: Not only the average length of human existence but the retention water in a bottle and repeat the wash-ing often, and it will, it is said, take it remains for Dr. Savary, the Parisian "BE A THIEF, BE

of the land they hold, and despising The members of the French Acad- the trade in firewood, which is the

> Cleverness in thieving is the so'e Every male child is consecrated, as i ed backwards and forwards through it with the words, "Ghal Shah, Ghal Shan Ghal Shah"-Be a thief, be a thief, be a thief.

At ordinary times we pay a subsidv

During the process of that campaign

them, ready to creep out again at night- in drilled corn, weak-growing, poorly-Among the beneficiaries of Lord Rob-fall, and "pot" an unsuspecting sentry to buy an extra quantity of seed corn.

> Frontier fighting is an evil necessity plant the strong-germinating ears, and loss occurs every year in America as a tion of a very hard, dry railway ham are a most one-sided and expensive result of inferior seed corn, says the sandwich.

For testing corn by the car, several the maid behind the counter, And the Zakka knows this. He only easy systems have been devised. They smile.

and when the end of the campaign with a label on the butt, then selecting jaws worked gloomily. Then they stopcomes he cheerfully sets to work to re. four or five representative kernels from ped again, and said: huild the villages that we have burnt, cach ear, and planting in a small box with the money derived from subsidies of sand or garden mould, divided off man." from the Indian Government; while the into squares corresponding to the num-

French Medical Man Says it Leads to young men of the tribe come down and bered ears. By the promptness and vig- bit over it now." shake hands gleefully and join the ranks o with which these representative kernels of our own Indian Army, where, pro. sprout, the advisablty or otherwise of

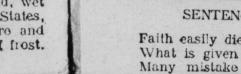
perly disciplined, they make some of using each particular ear is determin- enemies when their enemies have them ed. Butts and tips should be broken down. the most reliable fighters we have.

can walk, and he keeps on at it as long

They do little towards the cultivation

I to all the Afridi tribes as a guarantee the maintenance and safety of the Khy-

tified collections of stone and mud. easily rebuilt. We destroyed fifty of the strongholds in the campaign of 1897, but they have all been since rebuilt



Envy is a con tution. Sound doctrine cased heart.

The pursuit of eternal youth. e richest gift pockets. he life of serv of conduct.

A man's title pend on the glor You never lose ing an ear to an It doesn't take . another's misfort Happy is he w to worry over a A square deal sharp edges and The cross is ir

try to climb it

The man who the universe disco Only the mora ing as the only re. Too many givin the street are st the alley. When a man tel self he is anxious him a liar. He who believes derstands it fully ge of knowled igion never werful impr

al expression re would be ity in this world te force the form on other men.

## SLEEPING DRAT SOC

A wise mother little one a sleepi mixture or opiate upon the advice tor, who has seen things contain de you give your b Baby's Own Table antee of a governi medicine does not of opiate or na ot possibly d ood. Mrs. G ace, Ont., , S Own Table

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over at forty-six; Von Moltke's can taking a little soda in a glass of hot According to Dr. Savary, it is absoscarcely be said to have begun, so far as great achievements were concerned, is over, and keep up this treatment un-ing called before getting up. ti'l he was nearly seventy. What is ti' all trace of indigestion has disaptrue of war is true of diplomacy, of law, peared. of medicine, of every field of work in

stantaneous

it was a hundred and fifty or a hundred let them dry without wiping. Keep the

what is called the prime of life, tends true or membraneous and the false. The

ward. The fruitful activity of men ter False croup, the one so common, diate rising.

which mental and physical energy is CHURN CREAM SWEET AS POSSIBLE examine impartially all the data, weigh- the shorter the time elapses between the milking of the cow, and the manufacture of butter, the better will be the

ing accurately all the evidence pro and mistic view of the effect of civilization an acquired taste. The true butter fla- an eye." on the bodily well being and longevity cream, churned as soon as possible af- it a deserving case, do you think?"

ishing change. We scarcely ever see

now in men and women under age

mouths disfigured by the loss or decay

of teeth, whereas this was a common

have been kept carefully for a long

of human existence but the retention

of physical and intellectual vigor, or

to be prolonged. The age limit of use-

fulness has in practice been, pushed for-

The official records of Geneva, which ing order

sight up to fifty years ago.

of man. As for the increased ability ter the milk comes from the cow. This of highly-oivilized man to withstand the so-called ripened cream flavor, is someattacks of disease, this will be evident thing for which we have to develop an

when we recall the devastation wrought unnatural taste, and I put it in the same class as smoking cigars, drink-

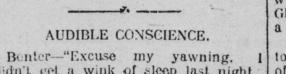
Jupp-"Toothache?"

some money yesterday, and I refused course, withdrawn in war-time. con, we seem justified in taking an op- quality of the butter. What we call a her. Well, the tones of her voice rang The Zakka Khels have little to 'ose. timistic rather than Dr. Konig's pessi- ripened cream flavor of the butter is in my head all nigm I couldn't close Their villages are merely strongly for

> Bonter-"It was my wife." TWO METHODS.

> > . . .

Amateur Farmer-Why, yes, I reck- they cut up a detachment of the North



indispensable. When, in a word, we I have come to the conclusion that didn't get a wink of sleep last night. of the r good behaviour and to ensure

Bonter-"No. A woman asked me for ber Pass, but these subsidies are, of

Jupp-"Conscience-stricken, eh? Was built against the solid rocks, and are

emy of Sciences nearly smiled recent- chief means of subsistence in winter to a noisy kind, like false croup, and there 1; when Dr. Savary warned them of most of the other tribes, they depend isn't that crowing sound as in the lat- the grave dangers arising from imme- wholly upon plunder. over sixty and even seventy years of is not a disease that need excile alarm, The strenuous business man who is characteristic which leads to distincage is a phenomenon far more frequent- as it eastly yields to simple remedies. called at an early hour, and bolts from tion amongst them. It is a virtue which If the cause of your headache is a his bed to his bath as soon as he opens the maidens of the tribe seek in their ly observed to-day than it was a hun-disordered stomach, give that organ a his eyes, renders himself liable to a future husbands, and mothers fondly

dred years ago. Napoleon's career was day's rest by adopting a simple diet and number of ailments, including madness. look for in their new-born babies. scarcely be said to have begun, so far water. Sip a cup of hot water before lutely necessary for every one to rest were, at his birth to crime. A hole is

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dug in the wall, and the infant is pass-

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