

Head of the Salvation Army

The venerable General William Booth delivered an address at Exeter Hall, London, on the recent Day of Prayer. This photograph shows him preparing this address at his home at Hadley. General Booth, who is in his 78th year, was converted at fifteen, and entered the ministry of the Methodist New Connexion in 1852. Being recalled from evangelistic work to undertake a regular circuit, he resigned to give himself to the labor that he loved best, On the 5th of July, 1865, he commenced regular work on behalf of the destitute of East London. This effort was first styled the Christian Mission, but developed in 1878 into the Salvation Army, which now has 7,219 societies established in 52 countries and colonies under 18,556 officers. The Army has now 19 social farms, 121 rescue homes, 88 workshops, shelters accommodating 20,000 people, 196 food depots, and last year supplied over eight million meals. Photo, copyright, by Halftones, Ltd.



Wholesale Slaughter of Wild Fowl

At Marchais, in the department of Aisne, the Prince of Monaco has a wonderful shoot for wild fowl. The sportsmen take cover behind a high palisade of rushes and use great duck-guns, of No. 45 calibre, mounted on a field-carriage. They fire 115 grammes of powder and 500 grammes of lead. Their effective range is about 130 yards. Duck-guns of No. 4 calibre are also used, but these are seldom fired from the shoulder. They are placed on a rest, with a cushion to defend the sportsman from the enormous recoil. The decoy ducks are fastened, half a dozen at a time, to an endless string. They are kept on duty for twenty-four hours at a time. From drawing in the "Illustrated London News."