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ns And Howitzers.

rds "gun," "howitzer" and have become common in the ers and are now used in ar speech. It is difficult to the line separating these classes ems. Even an expert in ord- would not find it easy to make a layman just at what point erties of a gun disappear and the howitzer begin, or at ent the characteristics of the r end and those of the mortar Considered in a broad and way, the special purpose of gun, and is, to destroy other to destroy troops in the open batter down objects behind troops find shelter.

projectile of the gun, by high- pressure, was given a high and relatively flat trajectory, means that the shot passing gun in target does not rise high line joining gun and target. Round the powder pressure re- for this work the gun was relation to the weight of the . From the fact that the ended in a path relatively of curve, its slope of fall was not When it reached the highest its path it continued to travel as it came down. It would ugh a stone wall or would go deep in a dirt embankment or would reach the farther slope behind a crest, but it was hard to put a shot in a trench — to break through the earth and timber with which the trench might be roofed, and it was difficult to put a shot so close behind an embankment as to kill the men sheltered there.

To accomplish these things the gun was modified. The powder pressure was decreased, the elevation of the gun was increased and the angle of departure of the shot was so increased that when it reached the summit of its path it fell so steeply that if the practice were good the shot might plunge through a trench shelter or fall close behind an embankment or parapet. In making this sort of gun the makers found that after decreasing the powder pressure per square inch of powder chamber they could also lighten the gun and improve its mobility. They lightened the gun by making the barrel shorter. Then they concluded that they would not make the gun lighter, but would enlarge the bore and increase the size of the projectile, thus increasing its efficiency. This type of gun was given the specific name of "howitzer." It is not named after the man who developed the idea of high-angle gunfire. It is said to be an old German word for "catapult," which was an ancient engine of war.

The catapult was not what many men think it. The catapult and the ballista were ancient artillery of the crossbow type. The ancient engine which threw big stones on the leverage principle, and, necessarily, gave a very high trajectory, was called at first, the scorpion, and later, the onager.

The principle of high-angle fire and steep slope of fall was carried further in the development of the mortar. It was a very short piece of ordnance, generally fired from a platform and held down by ropes. A plunging fire was obtained from these, so that shell could be landed inside a fort or on the deck of a ship The range used to be obtained altogether by varying the powder charge. To-day mortars weighing at least four tons, fitted with an elevating device and range scale and with recoil and recuperator devices, are hauled around on wheels and then set down on a platform, which has also been hauled around on wheels.

The field gun, for the purpose of firing across ridges, getting at troops on the farther slope of ridges, giving shrapnel the proper slope of fall for effective distribution and keeping the load light on the horses, has veered away from the gun as developed in ship and fort guns and in the direction of the howitzer. It has also been given a high degree of elevation, not only that they may be laid on higher targets, but that the shell may fall more nearly perpendicular.—Washington Star.

The Evening Prayer.

In the twilight of my days,
In the evening of the years,
Life unto my saddened gaze
Seems a vision veiled in tears.
All the knowledge fades away
That I vainly thought to keep;
As a little child I pray:
Now I lay me down to sleep.

I have wandered far from Thee
Since the childish prayer I said,
And the lips that taught it me
Have been gathered to the dead;
Yet her face I seem to see
When the evening shadows creep,
And again, as at her knee,
Pray Thee, Lord, my soul to keep!

Softly fades the lingering light;
Lo! the last beam leaves the skies;
And I watch, amid the night,
For the evening star to rise.
Far beyond the bounds of space
I may drift ere day shall break;
Let me see my mother's face
If I die before I wake!

Darker grows the gathering gloom,
While my soul its vigil keeps
With the memories that loom
Up from Life's unsound deeps.
When upon a sunless strand
I shall hear the surges break
Ere I near the Nameless Land,
Pray Thee, Lord, my soul to take.

When Germans Escape.

Nothing is more notorious than German cunning, and when three hundred specimens of it, the majority of whom are officers, are penned up in a detention camp with nothing to do but think out fresh schemes for escaping, you may guess that it takes more than ordinary care to hold them.

In the camp at which I am stationed there have been several attempts during the past month, all of which have been unsuccessful. The first two were fencing of the compound. Their plans showed the tunnel was intended to pass right under the wire, coming to the surface among some bushes in the garden. The only tools they had were a poker, which they used as a fire-shovel. They also had a large square wooden frame which they pushed along the passage as they worked forward to prevent a collapse. This frame was made from shelves, etc., taken from their huts, and was dove-tailed together beautifully—a typical sample of German workmanship. The soil was collected in a sack, and was distributed among the flower-beds and gardens during the night, so that it should not attract attention.

Music Hath Charms.

The next attempt was made a day or two afterwards, when the laundry was being collected. A large basket was brought out of the compound, and as it was being lifted into the van the sentry noticed that its weight seemed to be causing considerable distress to the German privates carrying it, so he tipped the whole lot out and sat on it with a bump. A yell came from the pile of linen and out crawled Fritz, rubbing his head ruefully.

Two more were afterwards discovered making a tunnel from the music room estimated to reach daylight in a large bed of artichokes. The sounds of digging they drowned with orchestral accompaniment crescendo. Although the tunnel was discovered by the inspecting patrol, no one could be caught at work there. In order to discover the culprits, a sudden parade was called, and all the prisoners were inspected. Two of them had particles of soil and gravel on their clothing which they had not had time to remove, and these two then confessed that the tunnel was theirs.

When caught the prisonrs are remarkably frank, and in the majority of cases treat it as a joke, and are just as overbearing and bombastically confident that there will get clear away "next time." But when one does escape, he never gets very far.

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Dead Countries.

The Allies have promised that when the war is won Poland and Palestine —to mention no others—shall be restored to freedom. Poland was destroyed as a nation in 1795, and Palestine so long ago as 70 A.D. Yet history shows that there is no reason why they should not return to life.

Quite a number of countries have been wiped off the map for centuries, and have then reappeared on it Greece, after being the most famous state of antiquity, was seized by the Turks in 1453, and remained enslaved until 1821. Then the Greeks of the Morea rose against their oppressors, and through years of heroism, blood, fire and agony fought their way to freedom.

Portugal was wiped out in 1580, when Philip II. annexed it to Spain; but after what is called the "sixty years' captivity," a revolution gave the kingdom its existence once more.

Restored Through Bloodshed.

The lot of Spain was harder. In 711 the Moors, under their leader Tarik, poured over the Straits of Gibraltar, and overthrew the Goths. The Spaniards were driven to the mountains; but through the long centuries they fought and won back the land, province by province, until in 1492 Boadbil the Unlucky surrendered Granada, the last Moslem stronghold in the Peninsula.

After the Roman Empire crashed down in the fifth century Italy died as a united nation. For over a thousand years it was divided amongst scores of petty tyrants and foreign spoilers. The Popes had Rome, and Austria ground Lombardy and Venice under an iron heel. But then Garibaldi came to begin the work of liberation Napoleon III. helped to drive the Austrians out, and in 1870 the Italian troops marched into the Eternal City.

After being free and prosperous Belgium fell under the yoke of Spain, who handed her over to Austria, and for three hundred years the land was known as the Austrian Netherlands. For a brief while it formed part of Napoleon's Empire. In 1815 it was united to Holland, and in 1830 broke loose and declared its independence.

All the Balkan States, after being great kingdoms in the olden days, were wiped off the map by Turkey, and then found their way back to existence by the way of blood and fire—Bulgaria mainly by the help of Russia, whose deadliest enemies she ungratefully joined in the present war.

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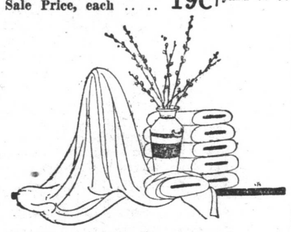

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CURTAIN NET.
A special one is 32 inches wide, nice design; really dependable quality; well worth the special price we make for this Sale. **Sale Price, per yard** **23c**

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viz., $46.60 for Bos Flank; $45. Bos Packet and $45 for Boneless local stocks short in consequen the loss of consignments on Cascapedia. No reduction of the quotations may be expected, and quite likely that an upward turn take place. Pork, on the Ch markets, has taken an upward some quotations being $2 a higher than last week. This has brought about by an increased pean demand for purposes of Locally, Fat Back is being so $49 to $49.50; Mess, $48.50 to Ham Butt, $47 to $47.50, whol Sugar continues scarce the fact signment having been dispose very quickly. The prices last were $12.70 per hundred pounds American Granulated and $11.25 shipment of brown per S. S. Ea part cargo of Molasses arrived Barbados by the Prydwen, but this does not materially relieve the age, there being but enough in to supply the sealing and early fisheries. The wholesale price 98¾ cents per gallon, retailers ch ing $1.15 and $1.20 for Fancy Grocery. Vegetable importations P. E. I. are not coming in str home grown produce continue supply the demand.

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Press Briefs.

TAKING THEIR WEAPONS.

(Boston Herald.)

The British are receiving those murderous U-boats much as a justice receives slungshot and brassknuckles.

QUEER DAYS.

(New York Evening Post.)

Who would have thought that he would live to see more ex-monarchs in Europe than ex-Presidents in America?

THE CASUALTY RECORDS.

(Hamilton Record.)

Canada's casualties in the war were two and a half times as numerous as those of the United States. But then the American armies were just striking their stride when the fighting stopped.

POETIC JUSTICE.

(Montreal Herald.)

Germany began the war for plunder and ends it by begging for the crumbs from the Allies' table. Was ever there a more ideal exposition of poetic justice?

WORTH WATCHING.

(New York Herald.)

Watch those Bulgars. They are now talking about making a republic. obviously in the hope that they may be allowed to hold on to some of their ill-gotten gains. The monkish roles of the devil of the Balkins these days is due to acute illness. Watch those Bulgars!

NO REGRET.

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Household Notes

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Cranberry sauce can be sweetened with corn syrup.

Potatoes are reckoned a splendid energy-givin food.

To remove threads from rugs dampen the broom.

Always keep a vessel of water in a steam-heated room.

An onion boiled with the cabbage gives it a good flavor.

Every bowl of punch should have a pinch of salt added.

The best codfish cakes are made of freshly boiled potatoes.

Potatoes can be used in endless ways in luncheon dishes.

Laundry soap can be used instead of oil for squeaky hinges.

A little glass fish bowl is a good holder for a ball of yarn.

Custard should be very thoroughly beaten before baking.

Marketing methods are a strong factor in food conservation.

A child's dress, outgrown, can sometimes be utilized for aprons.

Wash scratches or cuts in warm salt water before dressing them.