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Two Remarkable Careers

One of the Greatest Curiosities of
History.

There is probably no more remarkable
historical parallel than that exhibited by
the career of Scipio Africanus, the hero of
the second Punic war, and the Duke of
Wellington, the conqueror of Napo-
leon.

Each was descended from an ancient
and noble family. Each was the great-
est soldier of his age, pitted in a life and
death struggle against the greatest. As
Scipio was to Hannibal, so was Wellington
to Napoleon. Hannibal threatened the
very existence of Rome; Napoleon was
on a fair way to become the master
of Europe.

Again, Spain was the centre of the
most splendid achievements in Spain are
too well known to need recapitulation,
and Wellington's triumphs in the Penin-
sula War form one of the common
places of history.

Neither of these great generals met his
arch-enemy until the final and deci-
sive battle—Zama and Waterloo respec-
tively. And the result of both battles
was exile to the defeated chiefs. Han-
nibal retired to Ephesus, Napoleon was
deported to St. Helena.

But the parallel does not end here.
Both Scipio and Wellington exchanged a
military for a political career. And here
the same fate pursued them. Scipio in-
curred the enmity of the Roman Senate;
Wellington gained the hostility of the
London populace. And here follows the
most remarkable feature of the parallel
drawn between these two great men.

Seventeen years elapsed from the Bat-
tle of Zama, seventeen years to the very
day when the great Scipio was tried on a
question of bribery. He was not slow in
his defense to remind his judges that on
that day he had saved the republic. Sev-
enteen years elapsed from the Battle of
Waterloo seventeen years to the very day
when the great Wellington had to take
refuge from the attack of a London mob,
angered on account of his opposition to
the Parliament Reform bill.

The only point in which the parallel
falls in this Scipio died outside his be-
loved city of Rome; Wellington had his
monument in St. Paul's Cathedral, Lon-
don. But the parallel between the car-
ers of these two extraordinary men re-
mains as one of the curiosities of history.

An Odd Incident Of War

In the Philippine portion of his book
"The Memories of Two Wars" General
Funston tells of a unique instance at the
siege of Malabon: "Company L was fir-
ing a few volleys, and one of the men,
having just discharged his piece felt a
second blow against his shoulder, it be-
ing almost as hard as the kick of the
gun. Upon trying to reload it was found
that the breech of the piece could not be
opened, and it was laid aside to be ex-
amined by daylight, which was done in
the presence of a number of us officers. Upon
forcing the breech open it was found
that the base of the copper shell of the
cartridge that had been fired just before
the weapon had been disabled had been
shot away, while mixed all up in the
piece's mechanism we found the remains

of the steel jacket and the lead filling of
a Mauser bullet. There was a very pro-
nounced dent on the muzzle of the piece,
what had happened was that while the
man had the gun extended in the firing
position a bullet had gone down the muz-
zle. This weapon is now in the Army
Ordinance museum in Washington."

At the annual meeting of the St. George
Band held in the Town Hall Friday even-
ing, Jan. 12, the following officers were
elected for the year 1912: Geo. A. Craig
pres; Geo. C. McCallum, vice-pres. and
Leader; Josp. Spear, Secy. Treas. The
financial statement given by the Treas.,
showed the band to be in good shape.

During the year the band has built a
public band stand at a cost of \$79.00 to
which the Red Granite Division Dramat-
ic Club had subscribed \$15.00 to head the
list, the general public \$44.00, the bal-
ance \$20.00 being taken from the band
treasury. It was also decided to adopt
the name of Citizen Band of St. George.
A vote of thanks was passed to all those
who assisted the band during the past
year.

THE TROUBLE IN PERSIA had its
origin many years ago, when Britain re-
alized the value of the Red Sea and the
Persian Gulf as a place where an enemy
might gather forces to assail India. The
revolution of a few years ago, when a
constitution and a Parliament were forced
on the reigning Sovereign, accentuated

all the gathering troubles. Then Persia
like Frederick Tudor, in the export of
tea, but not ice, but from the harbor.
After long negotiations between the
powers whose bunkers had lent Persia
money Mr. Shuster of the United States
was appointed financier, but instead of
alleviating the trouble this seemed but to
increase it, for he was no sooner in office
than he showed considerable antipathy
to Russia, began appointing Europeans,
mostly British, to important posts in
northern Persia, and in various other
ways he is said to have been planning to
lessen Russian influence, the former
promptly demanded Mr. Shuster's recall,
promptly her troops into Persian territory
and is now, with her usual iron grip, ad-
ministering part of Persia through a mil-
itary command. The next move may
either mean Russian evacuation, the ap-
pointment of a new financier, or the oc-
cupation of the sea coast and a larger area
of southern Persia by Britain. Tor. Globe.

Boston Harbor Froze.

But That Didn't Keep the Britannia
From Sailing on Time.

Boston harbor froze over in January of
1844, and the advertised sailing of the
Britannia, then in dock, seemed surely
to be impossible. But the merchants of
Boston would not have it so. They met
and voted to cut a way, at their own ex-
pense, through the ice, that the steamer
might sail practically on time.

The contract for cutting the necessary
channels was given to merchants engaged

A Geographical Question.
"Mother," asked Jennie, where is
Atomics?

"Atomics, you mean, I guess."
"Yes, mother, I mean Atomics, because
when a person is in a boiler explosion or
an earthquake they always say he is
blown to Atomics."

He-You look nice enough to eat.
She-Well, I do eat.

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