

LONDON GOSSIP.

LONDON, Dec. 10th, 1917.
PRINCE ALBERT'S OPERATION.

The operation performed on Prince Albert is professionally described as gastro-enterotomy. In other words, it is the short circuiting of the intestine—the putting out of action of the part which the ulcer has perforated. The intestinal tube is not cut right through, but a hole is made in the side of it above the ulcer and a similar hole in the side beneath the ulcer, and these two apertures are sewn together, making a new passage. It is now nearly twenty years since this operation was last performed, and the history of the earlier cases show that there is no bad after-effect. The only dangers attending the operation are the usual septic risks and the need to maintain the vitality of the patient by artificial feeding for a day or two until the internal wound has healed. With the treatment and careful nursing which his Royal Highness will of course receive there is no reason why he should not be in a state of convalescence within a month.

BRITISH EMPIRE HONORS.

When the new Order of the British Empire was founded we were told that the list of recipients of the honor in the Dominions would be made known at a later period than that at which the first list was published. It is now not anticipated that it will be issued before March next. The list has to be prepared in the Dominions, then sent on to London to receive Court approval, and afterwards returned to the Dominions. The High Commissioners have also been invited to submit the names of people living in the United Kingdom, but coming from overseas, who have done good work for the Empire.

"THE WRENS."

The announcement that the Admiralty is establishing a Women's Royal Naval Service very much on the lines of the Women's Auxiliary Army Corps will give great satisfaction to the girls of England, and no doubt as soon as recruits are asked for the response will be keen. The exact number that is required is as yet unknown, but I hear that a great many cooks will be wanted, many motor drivers and ordinary clerical workers, and, of course, a certain number of officers, who will be very carefully selected. As yet recruits are only to be asked to serve in Britain, chiefly in London and naval bases in the South. The official notice says that the method of recruiting has yet to be arranged, but those who know Dame Katharine Furse, whose appointment as director of the new service will be very widely welcomed, are assured that any scheme selected will work in smoothly with the recruiting for the W.A.A.C., and that as far as possible there will be no rivalry between the sister services. It will be very interesting if the two schemes can be co-ordinated. The "Wrens," as the women of the new service are already called, will, of course, have a distinctive uniform,

and this at least is known, that it will have brass anchor buttons. Dame Katharine has been installed in office and working on the new scheme for the past week or ten days, but the "Wrens" have as yet to find a permanent home. They work directly under Dame Katharine Furse, whose chief is the Second Sea Lord.

THE EAST AFRICAN VICTORY.

Africans in London are delighted at the news from "German East." It has been a terribly hard campaign against picked German colonials—long service Non-commissioned officers and soldier settlers—backed by Askaris of sterling worth. The conditions have been as bad as could be imagined. The lowlands of the coast are miasmatic forests, and much of the interior is dry desert most of the year and swamp the rest. As one who fought there said, "It wasn't pleasant fighting. If you were wounded, you were lost in the long grass and the ants ate you." Yet much of the colony is healthy. In the north it resembles the ranching territory in British East Africa. Those who have marched over it believe that it has a prosperous future. Of course there are radicals here who want us to show our magnanimity by announcing that if Germany makes peace she can have it back again. But the Government view is that South Africa has the right to say whether she wants the Germans back in Africa. Anyone who has studied General Smuts' speeches knows what South Africa will reply. The victory does not, as most of the newspapers here have stated, give Britain the last German colony. There is still Kaiser Wilhelm II. (Romfing) Land, a frozen desert in the Atlantic. Germany may keep this.

ANOTHER GAILETY PEERESS.

Another Gailety star has married into the peerage. The pretty nineteen-year-old actress, Irene Richards, one of the stars in "Theodore and Co." is now Viscountess Drumlanrig, wife of the Marquis of Queensberry's eldest son and heir. The wedding took place at a London church last week, and the bride, the bridegroom, and the Marquis occupied a box at the Gailety Theater in the evening. Nobody knew of the event except a few friends, and the news did not leak out until the next day. Viscountess Drumlanrig is the latest of a long line of Gailety girls who married into the peerage. Viscountess Dangan was May Picard, who appeared in the "Girl on the Film," while Olive May married from "The Sunshine Girl." Company Lord Victor Paget, brother of the Marquis of Anglesey. Other instances are Eva Carrington, who married Lord de Clifford; Rosie Boote, who became the Marchioness of Headfort; Kate Vaughan, who married the Hon. Frederick Wellesley; Sylvia Storey, who became Countess Poulett, and Connie Gilchrist, who entered the ranks of the peeresses as the Countess of Orkney.

CHINA AND GERMAN INTRIGUE.

The Chinese Government have communicated to the British, French, Japanese and American Governments copies of many documents showing clearly the extent of German intrigue in China both before and during the war. Some of the documents date as far back as the Boxer rebellion of 1900, when, it would appear, Germany was not averse from a policy of intrigue against even the European and American forces with which she was allied in the relief of Pekin—forces which, as the House of Commons was reminded by an interjected question this week, had been placed by the countries then in alliance under the supreme command of Count von Waldersee, one of the earliest among the Kaiser's leading military favorites and advisers.

CLOTHES AND PRICES.

Military tailors in the West End of London have received the new schedule of prices for officers' standard uniforms. Henceforth any officer can demand that his tailor provide him with a uniform of Government cloth at Government price. The cloth is extremely good, but the prices are, if anything, higher than those which hitherto have been charged. For instance, the subaltern is to pay £5.15s. for a standard tunic without badges or buttons. If I know anything of tailors, they will advance the price of all tunics to something like this, whether made of Government cloth or not. The West End knows nothing of the report that the Government has a desperate design to standardise women's dress or limit their annual dress bills. In any case, the Government won't try any restrictions of trade before Christmas, for which the shops have dressed their windows as lavishly as ever. After that carnival we shall have to restrict expenditure on food and luxuries by some means.

Stafford's Prescription "A"—
Cure for Diseases of the Stomach—Indigestion, Dyspepsia, Catarrh, Gastric and Nervous Disorders.—Nov 6, 1917

Girls! Use Lemons! Make a Bleaching, Beautifying Cream

The juice of two fresh lemons strained into a bottle containing three ounces of orchard white makes a whole quart of the most remarkable lemon skin beautifier at about the cost one must pay for a small jar of the ordinary cold cream. Care should be taken to strain the lemon juice through a fine cloth so no lemon pulp gets in, then this lotion will keep fresh for months. Every woman knows that lemon juice is used to bleach and remove such blemishes as freckles, sallowness and tan and is the ideal skin softener, smoothening and beautifier.

Just try it! Get three ounces of orchard white at any pharmacy and two lemons from the grocer and make up a quart of this sweetly fragrant lemon lotion and massage it daily into the face, neck, arms and hands. It naturally should help to soften, freshen, bleach and bring out the roses and beauty of any skin. It is simply marvelous to smoothen rough, red hands.

Naval and Military Convalescent Hospital.

Am't already acknowledged, \$ 9,447.46
Donation from St. Mary's Branch of the C. of E. Women's Association, per Mrs. Uphill 20.00
Half net proceeds of "Peg O' My Heart" Entertainment, per Mr. Reginald C. Harvey 250.00
Portion of legacy left by the late Mrs. Bessie McCoubrey White, for Red Cross work in connection with the Nfld. Regiment, per Major C. Macpherson . . . 15.00
Third instalment from the Alexandra Workers, per Mrs. W. H. Crowdy . . . 125.00
Collected at Three Arms, N. D. Bay, by Mrs. James Norris 10.00
St. John Ambulance Association, November and December donations of donation 910.00
St. Hilda's School Entertainment, per Miss Dawson . . . 20.00
Received from Department of Militia for November . . . 810.00
\$11,607.46

Donation from Mr. Levi Diamond of New Stove and Fittings, value \$40.20, in memory of his grandson killed in France.

Every Saturday evening after 7 o'clock, Choice Ends of Beef, Mutton, Lamb, Pork will be sold at cost. ELLIS & CO., LTD., 203 Water Street.—Nov 29, 17

A Plot to Poison.

Red Cross Bandages Discovered at Cleveland, Ohio.
Cleveland, Ohio, Dec. 26.—A plot to poison Red Cross bandages and spread wholesale death among the soldiers was frustrated here. Revelations of the conspiracy were made to-day, when it became known that the Department of Justice agents were hunting for perpetrators of the deed. 3,400 surgical dressings, rolled by patriotic women in Toledo, were infected with a mysterious greenish poison while in transit between Toledo and Cleveland.

Immediately every one of the bandages were burned. They were destroyed secretly in the rear of the Red Cross warehouse here. Officials of the Lake Division of the Red Cross refused to discuss the poisoned bandages, but the authoritative information was obtained that the bandages had been destroyed and that Government agents, aided by only slender clues, were trying to solve the mystery.

The poisoned bandages were part of the periodical shipments received at the local headquarters of the Lake Division from Red Cross headquarters in other cities in the division, which comprises Ohio, Indiana and Kentucky.

The boxes of bandages arrived here from the Toledo chapter last week and were taken to the warehouse. While women were examining the huge quantity of surgical dressings, as to specifications, a dark greenish substance was noticed on one of them. Investigation showed that all of the bandages in the box had been treated with poison.



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That small piece of lead was fired from a pistol in the hands of a crack-brained youth of Serbian nationality into the body of the heir to the Austrian throne. The troubles arising from this mad act and its punishment set fire to the powder trains in Europe and led to hostile act after hostile act and finally and suddenly to open war in 1914.

That little piece of lead should be preserved as a memorial to all future generations and as the costliest thing mankind has ever known. It would become the greatest silent teacher the world has ever seen. It would teach restraint for the weak minded and violent; it would teach the importance of minor acts and things; it would teach peace as no costly monument, no book of horrors, no painting of tragedy could ever teach it.

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that seems to go straight through the skin and reach the pain. That is a good description of

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We believe there is no more generally useful liniment. It seems to reach the spot every time. No home should be without a good liniment for use in those emergencies common to all homes calling for a reliable liniment. Keep a bottle of "Stafford's Liniment" in your medicine chest.

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THE RIGHT WAY TO SHAMPOO.

Blond hair, unless shampooed very carefully, will darken with age. Egg shampoo is not good for light hair, for it contains sulphur which will darken it rapidly. Oils, also, have a darkening effect on light hair and should not be used unless absolutely necessary. An excellent soap jelly for blonde hair is made by shaving a cake of Castile soap into a sauce pan and dissolving it in a pint of boiling water. Keep the mixture warm until the soap is dissolved, then pour the liquid into a wide mouthed jar.

When shampooing the hair use one half a teaspoon of bicarbonate of soda to each teaspoon of the jelly. If you find that the soda has too drying an effect on the hair use half the quantity. Do not dry blonde hair by artificial heat. It will lose its sheen and texture. Rub the scalp briskly, but gently, with a heavy towel to stimulate circulation and then sit in the sun separating the strands so that each portion receives its share of the sun bath. This manner of drying requires a much longer time but the softness will reward you for your patience.

Brunettes should use shampoos containing oils, such carbonate of soda and yolks of eggs, for instance. They are excellent for dark hair, stimulate growth and improve the luster. A wonderful shampoo for the dark haired lady is made of the yolks of two raw eggs slightly beaten, one half pint of claret and one gill of soft water. Rub this liquid into the scalp and hair thoroughly and allow it to remain on for twenty minutes. Now wash in the usual manner.

Woolen stockings in bright colors are worn for winter sports. Most satin gowns depend for their interest on contrasting collars. Natural muskrat is used for good-looking and cheap fur sets. Gray squirrel trims a suit of sport jersey with charming effect.

Help to Win the War by USING LESS FLOUR.

Oaten Bread Recipe

TAKE
1 sifter full of WINDSOR PATENT Flour and
1 sifter full of OGILVIE'S ROLLED OATS.

THEN
Scald the Rolled Oats with 2 cupfuls of boiling water. Make sponge with 1/2 yeast cake and one cup of WINDSOR PATENT; then add the Rolled Oats—after allowing sufficient time for them to cool.

ADD
1 tablespoonful of Butter,
2 teaspoonfuls of Salt,
1 1/2 tablespoonfuls of Sugar.

Knead well, adding WINDSOR PATENT as required to give it the proper texture before proceeding to bake.

The Above Recipe Will Make a Wholesome and Delicious Bread.

A. & S. RODGER.

CLEARING-UP LINES.

This week we are offering special values in Ladies'

Brown Furs, \$1.80 & \$4.50

Black Furs, \$2.60 & \$3.00

THIS WEEK.

A. & S. RODGER'S.

Something FOR THE New Year.

SILVERWARE :

Cake Dishes, Toast Racks, Forks and Knives, Table, Dessert & Salt Spoons, Smoking Sets, Mugs, Candy Dishes, Sugar Sifters, Serviette Rings, in Bone and Silver; and we have one only set Five O'Clock Tea Spoons. These goods are marked at lowest possible prices to clear.

LADIES.	MEN.
Blouses in Silk, Voile, Lawn; assorted colors, from 85c. up	Suits from \$7.50 up
Camisoles. Reg. 45c. Now 40c.	Fancy Shirts 85c. up
Felt Slippers. Reg. \$1.15. Now . . . \$1.10	Fancy Neckties from 25c. up
Underskirts, White \$1.75	Collars from 15c. up
Underskirts, Coloured \$1.10	Suspenders from 45c. up
Sweater Coats from \$3.75 up	Woolen Mufflers from 95c. up
Then we have Gloves, Hats, Scarves, Collars, Handkerchiefs, Belts, Hose, Side Combs, Hair Pins, Hat Pins, Belts, Barettes, etc., all marked at lowest prices.	Rubbers. Reg. \$1.35. Now . . . \$1.25
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	Sweaters from \$2.50 up
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Odds and Ends fittingly priced

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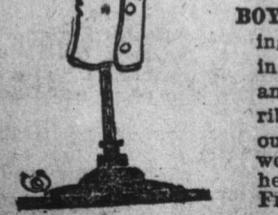
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