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Unfortunately, his military duties were only on very rare occasions any restraint to him. His days were mainly spent in dangling after Lady | And this is what they say to me: Suffolk and other fair dames. It was auctions at Christie's, and morning concerts and afternoon rides, and plays and dinners and balls, and masks at Ranelagh's. It was sails up the river to Richmond, and trips to Wells, and one perpetual round of flirting and folly, of dressing and dancing, and dining and gaming.

And it must be remembered that the Englishwomen of that day were such as England may well hope never to see again. They had little educationmany very great ladies could hardly read and spell properly. Their sole accomplishments were dressing and embroidery, the ability to make a few delicate dishes for the table and scents and pomade for the toilet. In the higher classes they married for money or position, and gave themselves up to intrigue. They drank deeply, they played high, they very seldom went to church, for Sunday was the fashionable day for all kinds of frivolity and amuser...ent. And as the men of any generation are just what the wome make them, England never had sons so profligate, so profane and drunken. The clubs, especially Brookes', were the nightly scenes of indescribable orgies; gambling was their serious occupation; duels were of constant oc-

Such a life could not be lived except at a frightful and generally ruinous expense. Hyde was soon embarrassed His pay was small and uncertain, and the allowance which his brother William added to it, in order that the heir apparent to the earldom might live in becoming style, had not been calculated on the squandering basis of Hyde's expenditure. Towards Christmas, bills began to pour in, creditors became importunate, and for the first time in his life creditors really troubled him. Lady Capel was not likely to pay debts any more. The Earl, in settling debts any more. The Earl, in settling Hyde's American obligations, had I ought to have asked Katherine."

"No, sir; you ought to take what and had frankly told him he would permit him to go to jall rather than pay any such wicked and foolish bills again. The income from Hyde Manor had never been more than was required for the expenses of the place | close?" and the interest on Katherine's money had gone, though he could not tell and he foresaw he would have to borrow some from Lady Capel or some other accommodating friend. He returned to the barracks one Sun-

day afternoon, and was moodily thinking over these things, when his orderly brought him a letter which had arrived during his absence. It was from Katherine. His face flushed with delight as he read it—so sweet and tender, and pure was the neat epistle. He compared it mentally with some of the shameless, scented billet-doux he was in the habit of receiving, and he felt as if his hands were unworthy to touch the white wings of his Katherine's wants to me! Oh, the dear one! Not more than I want to see her! Fool! Villain that I am! I will go to her! Katherine! Kate! My dear little Kate!" So he ejaculated as he paced als narrow quarters and tried to arrange his plans for a Christmas visit

First, he went to his colonel's lodging, and easily obtained two weeks' absence; then he dressed carefully and went to his club for dinner. He had determined to ask Lady Capel for £100, and he thought it would be the best plan to make his request when she was surrounded by company, and winning rubber. And if the circumstances proved adverse then he could morning retirement

to his wife and child.

Chairs and coaches were waiting footmen quarreling, shouting, talking; hate my good, rich, noble son-in-law, link-boys running here and there in the great Duke of Exmouth." search of lost articles or missing servants. But the hubbub did not at that time make his blood run quicker or any light of expectation to his! countenance; for his heart and his thoughts were near a hundred miles

Sunday night was Lady Capel's great card night, and the roms were full of tables surrounded by powdered and painted beauties, intent upon the game and the gold. The odor of musk was everywhere, and the sound of the

Caller Herrin'

Wha'll buy Caller Herrin', They're bonny fish and halsome fairin'; Wha'll buy Herrin' New drawn frae the Forth? When ye were sleepin' on your pillows Dream'd ye ought o' our poor fellows Darkling as they faced the billows A' to fill the woven willows?

PER TIN, OR

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tapping of gold snuff-boxes, and the fluttering of fame, and the sharp technical calls of the gamesters, and the hollow laughter of hollow hearts. There was a hired singing girl with a lute at one end of the room, babbling of Cupid and Daphne, and green meadows and larks. But she was poorly ws and larks. But she was poorly dressed and indifferent looking, and she sang with a sad, mechanical air, as if her thoughts were far off. Hyde would have passed her without a glance, but as he approached she broke her love ditty in two, and began to

They say there is a happy land Where husbands never prove untrue; Where lovely maids may give their hearts.

And never need the gift to rue; Where men can make and keep a vow, And wives are never in despair-I'm very fond of seeing sights,

The question seemed so directly addressed to Hyde that he hesitated a moment and looked at the girl, who then, with a mocking smile, continued:

"They say there really is a land, Where husbands never are untrue; Where wives are always beautiful, And the old love is always new. I've asked the wise to tell me how A loving woman could get there: 'If you that happy land would see, There's only one way to get there. Go straight along the crooked lane, And all around the square."

The scornful little song followed him and conveyed a certain meaning to his mind. The girl must have taken her cue from the gossip of those who pass-ed her to and fro. He burned with indignation, not for himself, but for his sweet, pure Katherine. He was deter-mined that the world should in the future know that he held her peerless sive mood he approached Lady Capel She had been unfortunate all the evening, and was not amiable. As he stood behind her chair, Lord Leffham asked, "What think you, Hyde, of a party at picquet?"
"Oh, indeed, my lord; you are too

much for me." "I will give you three points;" then, calling a footman, "Here, fellow, get Lady Capel flung her own down "No, no, Leffham. Spare my grand-

son; there are bigger fish here. Dick, I am angry at you! I have a mind to banish you for a month.' "I am going to Norfolk for two weeks, madam." "That will do. It is a worse punishment than I should have given you.

Norfolk! there is only one word between it and the plantations. At this time of the year it is a clay pudding full of villages. Give me your arm, Dick; I shall play no more until my luck turns. Losing cards are dull

"I am very sorry you have been los ing. I came to ask for the loan of £100, grandmother." "No, sir, I will not lend you £100, nor am I in the humor to do anything

ed Katherine. You ought to take what you want. Jack Capel took every shilling of my fortune, and neither said 'by your leave,' nor 'thank you.' Did the Dutchman tie the bag too

"Councillor Van Heemskirk left it open in my honor. When I am scoun-He was destitute of ready cash, drel enough to touch it I shall not come and see you at all, grandmoth-"Upon my word, a very pretty com-

pliment. Well, sir, I'll pay you £100 for it. When do you start?" "Tomorrow morning. "Make it afternoon, and take care of me so far as your Aunt Julia's. The Duke is of the Royal Bedchamber this month, and I am going to see my daughter while he is away. will make him supremely wretched at Court to know that I am in his house.

So I am going there, and I shall take care he knows it." "I have heard a great deal of his "A playhouse kind of affair, Dick, I assure you. All in the French style. Gods and goddesses above your heads, and very badly-dressed nymphs all around, and his pedigree on every window, and his coat-of-arms on the

very stairs! I have the greatest sat-

isfaction in treading upon them, I as-

sure you!

"Why do you take the trouble to go? It can give you no pleasure."
"Imagine the true state of things, Dick! The Duke is at Court-say he is holding the royal gold wash-basin; but in the very sunshine of King George's smile, he is thinking, 'That under the pleasurable excitement of a snuffy woman is lounging in my white and gilt satin chairs, and handling stances proved adverse then he could all my Chinese curiosities, and asking try his fortune in the hours of her if every hideous Hindoo idol is a fresh likeness of me.' I am always willing The mansion in Berkeley Square was brilliantly lighted when he approached to the people I like; I will gladly go to any amount of trouble to annoy in lines of three deep; coachmen and the people I hate as cordially as

> "No: I lost £70 tonight." "I protest, grandmother, that such stakes go not with amusement. People come here not for civility, but for the chance of money."

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ing .- Wm. Law. LIFE SAVED.—Mr. James Bryson cameron writes: "I was confined to my bed with inflammation of the my bed with inflammation of the physilungs, and was given up by physicians. A neighbor advised me to try Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil, stating that his wife had used it for a throat trouble with the best results. Acting on this advice, I procured the medi-cine and less than half a bottle cured me; I certainly believe it saved my somewhat paradoxical arguments, life. It was with reluctance that I consented to a trial as I was reduced to such a state that I doubted the ject of many a warm debate. power of any remedy to do me any

verse is turning out a song for the Czar's visit. A fortnight before he was expected in Paris 66 songs in hon-or of the event were peddled on the

Give Holloway's Corn Cure a trial. It removed ten corns from one pair of feet without any pain. What it has done once it will do acain.

Discoveries Talked About at the British Association Meeting.

The Present Generation Is Drunk-

en With Writing.

Largest Market in the World to be Found in Africa,

Dragon Flies With Two-Foot Wings Shown to Have Existed.

A London correspondent writes: The British Association at Liverpool during the past ten days has made an unusually interesting summary of the year's progress in human knowledge, for that is the scope of investi-gation now undertaken by this institution. The time was, not so very long ago, when some of the principal scientific discoveries of the year were first announced from its annual platform. Now the world declines to wait so long for its news or to delay putting its newly acquired knowledge into practical use. Nevertheless, the British Association meetings are still full of novelty and interest for layman and specialist alike, and this year's gathering was no exception to the rule. Two papers, which were presented

were noteworthy in a remarkable de-gree. The first was the inaugural address of the president, Sir Joseph Lister, who for the first time made public the history of his investiga-tions which resulted in that inestimable boon to humanity-anti-septic surgery. The second was Prof. Flinders Petrie's paper, entitled, "Man Bebut, perhaps, too technical subject, which the great surgeon, Lister, dis-cusses, and his modesty still forbids him to make it clear how gigantic is the debt which this and future generations owe to him for epoch-making discovery.

DRUNKEN WITH WRITING. Prof. Petrie's address was upon more popular lines. He began by controverting successfully the theory generally held that thought without word and language is impossible. It that Prof. Petrie is the highest authority of the day on archaeology. His specialty has been the study of hunan records, older than the birth of language-or written language at east. His investigations have given him a certain contempt for mere words as the vehicles of ideas, and he does not hesitate to give free expression to his conclusions. The present generation, he affirms, is "drunken with writing." We let it override the growth of our minds and the common use of our senses. The servant, speech, has come to be mistaken for the master, thought." One is almost led to believe that Prof. Petrie must have been pursuing some "cross gold" literature from the political campaign in the United States when gold" he made these observation. The suggestion grows stronger when we read his citation of the Baconian aphorism that words are the money of fools,

Very interesting is Prof. Petrie's description of the formation of ideas prior to speech and the development of art prior to language. The ob-servation of children and animals, he points out, furnishes convincing knowledge of the former, but a little introspection will yield additional

"Who does not recall" he asks. "anything which has once been seen without a single word passing in the mind. In combinations yet unmade, does the engineer describe the work before he imagines its action? In considering the motions is there not first before the mind the feeling of the vision of a face or a person who is subject to that feeling before we frame the words? And does not the very fact that it is often most hard to choose the night words to express our thoughts-the fact that we search for our words as if we spoke a foreign tongue, and that for even one single thought we have to use several words to add or subtract one or the other-does not this prove most clearly that those thoughts are wider and deeper than our speech, and are not subjected to it?

Prof. Petrie is enthusiastic in his appreciation of the development of an art prior to language. The pictorial writings of the ancient Egyptians furnish him his illustrations. These records certainly antedate the discovery of alphabetical writing, and are a splendid monument of intelligent expression apart from words. Prof. Petrie finds in them far greater truth according to nature, and in the best sense artistic merit as well, than is discoverable through long ages after man began to use arbitrary signs, symbols, and wrote to express

his meaning. A STARTLING ASSERTION. Prof. Petrie does not hesitate to hold language responsible for certain serious mental shortcomings of mankind. He makes a somewhat startling assertion, for instance, in this

"We must always remember that however needful writing may be to tell of what cannot be learned otherwise, it is but a hugtful hindrance when it takes the place of the direct knowledge of the senses. As the awakening of the Renaissance taught men that words were but counters, and that no knowledge could be reached by dealing with words alone; so the awakening of this century has begun to teach us that the senses cannot grow and feed the mind when the fetters of writing are allowed to hold them back from the living touch of nature. Nay, more. As there is no growth of the mind in one way but at the end of its fullness in another, so this trust in writing has plainly dead-

It is a disturbing suggestion, this that the senses of an ignorant or il-literate man are keener and truer than those of a well-educated in-dividual. I will not attempt to fol-low the bold essayist further in his somewhat paradoxical arguments, of language will probably be the sub-

THE NEW GAS. other information taken from the vast mass of matter presented to the various sections of the British Associa-

Prof. Ramsay has divided his new gas, helium, into two portlons, one of which is lighter than the other, although both give the same spec-trum. The discoverer of this suppos-ed new element to a good deal puzzl-

that the abnormal behavior of the gas may be explained by supposing that all the molecues of the gas are not of the same weight.

The opinion was advanced that both behavior and a way advanced that both The opinion was advanced that both helum and argon, which seem to be devoid of the power of entering into chemical combinatins, are the first examples of a kind of matter possessed of qualities which differ greatly from those of all previously known

It has been discovered that the X rays exist in nature. They are produced of that humble insect, the ordinary glow worm. The light from pacity as the Rontgen rays for passing through ordinary solids. It will even penetrate thin sheets of alumi-num. Perhaps it is not the visible light from the insect which does this, for Dr. Dawson Tucker, in his experiments had a good deal of difficulty in getting the worms to glow, but he found that he gave off a radiation which affected the photographic plate even when not visibly glowing. Prof. Thompson suggested that perhaps all insects communicate with each other by means of some, to us,

invisible radiation. This would account for the peculiar construction of the eyes of insects, which do not de-Most British geologists are now prepared to admit that the earth nas passed through several glacial periods,

instead of only one, as is commonly supposed. BIG DRAGON FLIES.

The latest discoveries among the older rocks of the Palaeozoic age show the existence of dragon flies measur ing over two feet in the expanse of wings. These are much larger than the reported tracts of enormous insects discovered about a year ago The whole known fauna of that luxuriant period was upon the same gigantic scale.

Recent discoveries of representations of the process of oyster culture show that the ancient Romans were more advanced than modern methods in

this respect.
Mr. C. D. Sherborn, who has been engaged for five years in preparing an index of the forms of animal life known to man, has registered thus far 135,000 different species, and the work is not finished.

Mr. J. Logan Lobley read a carefully argued paper to show that small olumns of lava cannot pass through 30 miles of earth crust, and that therefore the source of lava cannot be at that distance from the surface, as is so often assumed. From the pressure of overlying rocks there could be no fissures of lava below ten miles from the surface. A column of lava 300 feet in diameter and 30 miles deep would, by contact with cooler rock masses, lose its fluidity at 20 miles from the surface. A column of lava 300 feet in diameter and 30 miles high would require a dynamite force of 820,800,000 tons to sustain it even without ejection. His conclusion was that lava is not derived from a central source, but that by combined physical and chemical action rocks are fused and lava produced within the outer rind of the globe of ten miles in thickness. A BIG MARKET.

The largest market in the world is tended by 25,000 to 30,000 persons daily. There may be some readers who never heard of Kano, which is the principal town in the land of the Hausa. In case there should be anybody so ignorant as not to know where Hausaland is I will explain further that it is in the vast region south of the Great Sahara and north of the equator and stretching from the River Nile in the east to the At-lantic in the west. J. C. Robinson, who told the British Association about his recent trip there, said that the majority of the inhabitants of Kano are engaged in the manufacture of cloth. If their literature was to be elied on, the inhabitants had been so ngaged for the past 900 years. The Tausa language was the most spoken f any language in Africa, as it was believed that within Hausaland itself 15,000,000 spoke it.
Turning to the question of the development of the country, Mr. Robinson said that three things were necessary—namely, a better currency, improvement in transport, and the abolition of slave raiding. The currency was in shells, 2,000 of them being equal to only 25 cents, and the white man's patience was sorely tried thereby. At present everything had to be carried on men's heads, and if the resources of the country were to be properly developed it could only be by means of a railway. On the question of the slave trade he urged that there was no part of the world where slave raiding was so unchecked, and the responsibility for that state of things rested with England



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