AT CEDAR HILL. Exercises Yesterday at the Pub-School-The Promotion List.

was a large attendance of parwas a large attenuance or par-i friends at the Cedar Hill pub-ol yesterday, when the closing s were held. Inspector Nethervery complimentary to the puto the principal, Mrs. M. A. s., and Mr. Munro Miller devery able and interesting ad-

omotion list follows:-

Offerhaus and Harold Russell. Russel and James Miller, 3rd to Miller, Belle Laing, Rose Palmer bel McRae, 3rd jr. to 4th sr. Merriman and Irene Laing, 2nd to 1st reader. I Miller, Winnie Russell ard Graft Prize List.

Offerhaus (head of class) pro-High School; Harold Russell, to High School; Mabel Miller, erriman, Nellie Russell, Ethel Fourth

Russell, promoted; James Miller. Wilfred Holmes. Third Senior. Miller, promoted; Belle Laing, Rose Palmer, promoted; Isa-

Third Junior. Merriman, promoted; Irene Laing, i; Shirley Offerhaus.

Primers. Miller, promoted: Winnie Russell, i; Graft Knight, promoted. prizes for spelling awarded to lmer, Marian Offerhaus, Marian and Mabel Miller. lowing programme was rendered:

Pussy" autiful Summer"...5th Class
Story Grew"...Six Girls
ifting"...Marian Offerhaus
il to the New Year"....School

Ethel Irvine and Mabel Mille Motions' School
on Ethel Irvine and Mabel Miller
on School
on Ethel Irvine
's Dream'' 7 Girls and 4 Boys
Song School
on Mabel Miller
Night, Children'' 6 Girls and 6 Boys
anada'' and 'God Save the Queen'
School

NIQUE AFRICAN TOWN.

is a town in Africa which is wn, but it holds a unique posithe world. An astounding sight gaze of the traveller who haplight on the town, for he will city built entirely of zinc. vernor's residence, the public the barracks, the arsenal, the he hotels, the houses and their ngs are al made of zinc. The nt effect produced by this prezinc is difficult to describe: knowledge that human beings ive in such houses is so burnmate intensifies the painful im-

as of tons of galvanized iron have

out from Great Britain, and America, and this quantity used to build up the town-a plished in six months. e fever of speculation, and the for cheap and hastily-found being so imperative, the city has structed of this material. nothing may be wanting to the of iron a railway, with wagons ks composed of zinc, traverses from end to end. Indeed, it is ading that not only is it used oof and build up walls, but retchers are composed of it. inhabitant fall ill or meet ccident, he is carried awayeto al on a sheet of zinc torn from

fences or buildings nearest to

s carried to the grave in a zinc

of the catastrophe.

to the scarcity of natural prothe food of the entire popula-of tinned meats, for no other be procured at any price. her a most curious place, for on to the houses of zinc, the are littered everywhere with eat tins of all shapes and sizes. ary monotony of everlasting ly relieved by two stone houses e recently been built, and comresidence and depot of agents nch factory. The houses were ed at a cost of \$30,000, and, alfar from worth it, are objects of the inhabitants of this desert re the laborers earn \$5 a day barely manage to make both

MAND FOR HARDWOOD.

nardwood trade is really in a isfactory condition than that ng to the soft woods," says the estern Lumberman. "There is ak spot in the market anywhere ne season is near an end. and are inclined to restrict their to necessities, there yet has little slackening of the urgent which has characterized eason. Dry stocks at the mills. south, have would ordinarily be considered ving been cleaned up. his season has predominantly ommon and cull lumber, the rsts and seconds having been usual, except when lumber was for export. The greater demand er, that seeming to have good stock as they required absorbed faster than it could be ill over the country. also been sold out to the extent at the mills south, and at ints. Black ash in the north e almost an unknown market and the same can be said of soft elm. It is also said that er portion of Wisconsin bass changed hands, and the deull is in excess of the ready Poplar has done better this sea for years, and the demand is while prices are \$1.50 to \$3 a thousand higha year ago.'

ICAN COAL IN GERMANY. an coal operators have awaken e idea of bringing coal into Ger-here English coal hitherto has market to itself. Henry S. Flemetary of the Anthracite Coal rs' Association, with offices in ork, is now in Europe, closely all questions connected with the of coal to the old world of his investigations is such mpany is likely to begin opera spring. It is expected that a ne of colliers will ply between and continental ports. Mr. will take in all the ports of including St. Petersnd also the chief ports on the ranean Sea.-Chicago Record.

OUR LONDON LETTER

The Sirdar's Most Brilliant Achievement Was in Evotving the Gordon Memorial College.

How Slow They Go in London - Seriously Debating an Inter-Police Stations Tefephone System.

London, Dec. 8.-The "Sirdar" will get the £100,000 he wants for his Gordon Memorial College at Khartoum. Long before this letter reaches you, judging by the rate subscriptions are pouring in, he will have got them. It was a fine idea of his; noble in conception, as, fortunately, it would appear to be feasible in practice, and will redound more to his fame in the years to come when the history of his many achievements is written than the brilliant exploit of the 21st Lancers. Not to many men of war has it been given to evolve from their inner consciousness in the very flush of victory a scheme of this magnitude for the lasting benefit of the conquered race, and that Lord Kitchener should have seized the psychological moment when the whole country is ringing with his personal fame to turn popular sympathy to practical account and that for the benefit of others puts him at a bound in the foremost rank not merely of warriors but of statesmen.

They gave him a grand ovation of the company has let continued to these, the company has let continued to these, the company has let continued to these, the company has let continued to these. They gave him a grand ovation at Capel Court the other day. To enter those sacred precincts is in itself a mark Capel Court the other day. To enter those sacred precincts is in itself a mark of the most extravagant favor and only of the most extravagant favor and only on the most extravagant favor and only on the most extravagant favor and only on the conditions render the work possible. A proposal will shortly be sub-

on this occasion was not resorted to was presumably because door-knockers, being mostly of metal, will not blaze. Had they only been made of combustible material not one probably would have

London, were, "Thank God, that's over."
One might just as well be "baited" as "feted" as he has been for the last three order to prevent a recurrence of the boisterous scenes, more resembling a football to have a yielding capacity of one hun-scrinmage than a welcome home, which characterized his arrival, the authorities is almost exactly similar to the Fernie took special precautions and Her Majesty erself is not safe-guarded with greater care than was the popular hero. It is to no small risks as regards personal safety to be the idol of a London erowd. young lady just at the last moment braved the dangers of the law, defied the cordon of police and asked one of the np if she might speak to the Sirdar. With soldier-like gallantry the request was granted and she presented him with a button-hole sweet him with a button-note of sweet smelling violets. At least they are re-ported to have been sweet smelling, but I am not in a position to personally vouch The Sirdar of course pir ned them into his coat and the crowd cheered lustily. Now if he would only marry that young lady—L understand

she is a spinster-what a gloriously roclimax to an heroic career. But he won't-at least I expect not. Every one laughs at the countermovement said to have been set on foot in France to establish French schools in opposition to or in rivalry of the Gordon Memorial College at Khartoum. at is the best way to treat it. The French government will not of course be so short-sighted as to countenance it for a moment. The whole scheme is prob-ably a forgery of jealousy. What would the French have said had the idea of establishing English schools in Madagascar in order to combat and nullify French influence in the island ever been

eriously contemplated in this country? What would they not have had the right The lord mayor of London, still to harp for a moment on this much vexed question of education, has been taken to task by some of the papers for his statement the other day at a prize-giving function of the London imber of Commerce, when he spoke of "the signal success which had attended the efforts of the chamber in the promotion of both commercial and technical education in this country." One suggests that had his lordship sul One journal ed "failure" for "success" he would have en nearer the mark. As a matter of fact England is far behind the continent in this respect, even Japan, that toddling paths of commerce, being

But we go not at all if we go not slow, Particularly in London.
Would you believe it that one of the topics of correspondence in the daily press has been on the subject of desirability of connecting the police stations with the telephone system. At present they are not "on the teleso if perchance you happen to late and are half murdered by your infuriated spouse in consequence only chance of invoking civil asistance is to run out into the street and blow a whistle, which in nine cases of ten calls up half a dozen cabs,

miles ahead of us.

I'm not speaking from personal experience in the matter, but I gather from what I am told that that is how it The chief constable, who has been in-

not think it would work," and there (despite shoals of testimonials from provin-cial cities where it works admirably) the

matter rests.
Meanwhile the Daily Mail, synonym for energy and enterprise, has worked an admirable "bluff" upon the authorities. It offers to defray the entire cost of connecting all the police stations in London with the telephone exchange upon the assumption that the only obstacle which stands in the way of the necessary reform is the question of expense. If any-thing could bring a blush to the cheek of

Scotland Yard, surely this will. The exquisite politeness of the late Claud Duval, prince amongst highwaymen, lives again in the brigand chief Canding the most feared and murderous of Sicilian bandits, who has recently written to the leading papers of Palermo stating that he has expelled a noto-rious robber named Gabo for the crime of "discourteous and unmannerly con-duct in his dealings with the public!" Skagway and Dawson marauders, if there are any, might take note.

ARTHUR SCAIFE.

CROW'S NEST PASS COAL. How Development of the New Mines is Progressing—300 Tons Per Day.

From Mr. Robert Jaffray, the well known Toronto capitalist, and Mr. W. Blackmore, general manager of the Grow's Nest Pass Coal Company, the following information was elicited by the Free Press in respect to Crow's Nest

of the most extravagant favor and only accorded on the rarest of occasions, for they say that no body of men adheres more closely to its customs and traditions than that extraordinary aggregation of individuals known as the London Stock Exchange, which of late years has grown almost as cosmopolitan as the British Empire itself. One member, to whom are attributed many of the "good things" which are bandied about amongst its fourteen hundred members, remarked the other day that the only language which was no longer spoken with any degree of fluency in Throgmorton street was English. The humor of this remark of course lies in its extravagance, but it shows none the less what a remarkable influx none the less what a remarkable influx of foreigners there has been of late years into the commercial and speculative world of London.

It is to be hoped when the Gordon Memorial College rears its stately head on the banks of the Nile and nods across the desert to the pyramids of the limitation of the volcanic action of the earth's interior had resulted in the elimination of the volcanic action of the earth's interior had resulted in the elimination of the volcanic action of the earth's interior had resulted in the elimination of the volcanic action of the earth's interior had resulted in the elimination of the volcanic action of the earth's interior had resulted in the elimination of the volcanic action of the earth's interior had resulted in the elimination of the volcanic action of the earth's interior had resulted in the elimination of the volcanic action of the earth's interior had resulted in the elimination of the volcanic action of the earth's interior had resulted in the elimination of the volcanic action of the earth's interior had resulted in the elimination of the volcanic action of the earth's interior had resulted in the elimination of the volcanic action of the volcanic action of the earth's interior had resulted in the elimination of the volcanic action of the volcanic action of the volcanic action of the earth's interior had resulted in the elimination of the volcanic action of the earth's interior had resulted in the elimination of the volcanic action of the earth's interior had resulted in the elimination of the volcanic action of the volcanic action of the elimination of the volcanic action of the earth's interior had resulted in the elimination of the volcanic action of the earth's interior had resulted in the elimination of the volcanic action of the earth's interior had resulted in the elimination of the volcanic action of the elimination of the volcanic action of

mention political economy, will make a better use of the "education" provided for them by the Sirdar than did those in datu pupitaris at Cambridge the other ary, when they celebrated the visit of hero of Khartoum to the banks of m. Ccording to a local paper, which ought now, the undergraduates like a big re on the market hill and fed it for ours with the following fuel: Item, people's shutters; item, tradespeors; item, handcarts; item, wheels; item, barbers' poles; item, by reason why the time-honored of wrenching off door-knockers, ly of metal, will not blaze.

In anthracite coal, with the following fuel: Item, people's shutters; item, barbers' poles; being mostly of metal, will not plaze one place in the world where an equally Had they only been made of combustible material not one probably would have been left in the town.

Of course the "hat" went round next day through the various colleges and more than enough was collected to make good the damage done and hand over a surplus to the hospital. But nevertheless one asks oneself the question cui this the Fritish Columbia coal contained the contained at much its 20 per cent. of ask material, and very much more sulphur than the Fernie coal. The valuable constituent in any coal was its fixed carbon, and of the course of the less one asks oneself the question cui this the British Columbia coal contain-The Sirdar got away yesterday, and the last words he is reported to have said, with a sigh of relief, on leaving London, were, "Thank God, that's over."

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London, were, "Thank God, that's over." "feted" as he has been for the last three same time its percentage of ash was months; the terms are in fact practicalsynonymous. At Victoria station, in at Michel was in course of being developed, and before very long it is expected

> sidered even better. The Crow's Nest Pass Coal Company employs 200 men permanently, and be-fore long this number is expected to be substantially increased. During the time that the ovens were being built fully five hundred men were given employment. The pay roll has amounted to \$10,000 per month. Fernie has a population of 1,000 now, a large percentage of which stituted by the miners and their families.

coal, but for domestic purposes it is con-

AMERICAN BRIEFS.

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 23 .- The uncombe, formerly failing from this port. It is believed that the vessel foundered in the November blizzard, and that the eight members of her crew were lost. She was bound from Philadelphia to

New York, Dec. 23.—It is announced to-day that consolidation of the local gas, light and heating companies of Pitts-Pa., has been successfully ac-lished. The combination was man-by Brown Bros., bankers, of this burg. aged The capital invested is \$26,000, 000.

BRITISH RAILWAY EARNINGS. Large Increase In Passenger and Freight

Business Last Year, The annual report of the British board of trade on the railways of the United Kingdom during the past year, which has just been published, gives striking evidence the improvement in business in that

of the improvement in business in that country. It shows that the paid-up capital of the various British railway companies, which reached over \$5,000,000.000 at the close of 1895, exceeded that sum at the end of last year by nearly \$450,000.000. Included in the total sum, however, was about \$750,000.000 which was merely nominal, being due to additions made in the conversion, consolidation or diversion of stocks, so that deducting this sum the real amount of the aggregate paid-up capital was \$4,685,000.000.

The passenger traffic last year brought in \$165,180,000, an increase of \$5,750,000 over the previous year. The freight traffic y'elded upwards of \$225,000,000, and the misellations receipts were upwards of \$25,000,000 more than in 1896, making the grand total of receipts upward of \$425,000,000, or close upon \$15,000,000 of the more than the returns for the preceding twelve months. The mineral traffic receipts last year amounted to \$98,735,600, and on general merchandise to \$133.685,000. The mineral tonnage hauled on Pritish railways was over 266,000,000 tons, showing an increase of over 12,000,000 tons, feneral merchandise carried was over 107.000,000 tons, or an increase of more than 5,000,000 tons. The total operating expenses of the railways last year amounted to over \$265,000,000, or an increase of close upon \$15,155,000, and the expenditure in repairs of rolling stock \$7,490,000.—The Manufacturer.

Manufacturer. The Queen is to visit Netley Hospital, when she will see the men who were wounded in the Soudan. This is the third time that Her Majesty has visited Netlew this year. Her Majesty takes a great terviewed in the matter, says "he does" interest in her wounded soldiers.

Provincial News.

NELSON.

Mr. C. J. Campbell, formerly store-keeper of the Crow's Nest Pass Rail-

way, is building a hotel at Sirdar on the C. N. P. line.

The rush of business houses to Sirdar still continues. A. Ferland and William Teirney of Nelson are opening a general store there. They expect to have their stock in place and open on January 1.

The Canadian Pacific Telegraph Co. has just inaugurated in Nelson, Rossland and Revelstoke the money transfer. land and Revelstoke the money transfer system by wire. The system includes all the company's affairs in Canada and all the leading ones in the States. Another lost brother is being enquired about. Miss Carrie Chipchase of Detroit is anxious to procure some informa-tion about her brother William. Seven years ago he came to this district and his relations have not heard of him since. His sister's address is 8331, 15th

street, Detroit, Mich.

Now that the city has got possession Now that the city has got possession of the electric light plant, steps are being taken to ensure an adequate water power. Clearwater Creek, called by some the headwaters of the Salmon river, and Roaring Creek have been staked, and a flume will be built to divert their waters into Cottonwood Creek.—Nelson Miner.

The efforts of a section of the citizens of Nelson to have the electric light by law declared invalid have been defeated.

law declared invalid have been defeated, and the Electric Light Company will, accordingly, get \$35,000 for their plant on Cottonwood creek.

Large quantities of freight continue to arrive daily via the Crow's Nest Pass

railway. over the Crow's Nest Pass line in a day or two, and on his report being given the road will be thrown open for passenger traffic.
Capt. Troup has received the hand-

some steam launch which was recently built for him at Vancouver to ply on Kootenay lake. The finishing touches are being put on the craft here. Provincial Constable Jarvis has been ordered to Gladstone, and leaves to-day to enter upon his new duties. This new arrangement leaves Mr. Bullock-Webwithout assistance here.-Nelson

NANAIMO. Jas. Miller and Digby Uffhain, two young men of Comox, left a few days ago

A. M. Williams, from Helena, Mont., arrived in this city yesterday and has

decided to start a steam laundry.

The city license commissioners met last Friday, when ten licenses to sell liquor by retail in this city were granted. They were nine hotel licenses and one

NEW DENVER

A. Stirrett, well known in this town, at Sandon on Thursday evening, after a five weeks' slege of pneumonia. The re-mains were interred here on Sunday, Rev. Messrs. Cleland and Sanford officiating at Messrs. Cleland and Sanford officiating at the grave. The frneral cortege was large, the A.O.U.W., L.O.L. and Oddfellow ledges, of Sandon, attending, as the deceased was a member. Mr. Stirrett left a wife and two children, who are provided for with insurance from the Workmen, as well as by interest in several mining claims round here. Deceased was a native of Ontario and had lived a number of years in Calgary.

Calgary.
New Denver, thanks to the liberal and progressive spirit of J. C. Harris, late owner of the Bosun mine, is now possessed of the neatest and most complete operahouse, to be known as the Bosun Hall, to be found in Kootenay, or, for that mater, in the interior of British Columbia.

SEALERS TO INCORPORATE.

An Important Decision Arrived at by the Owners and Agents of Sealing Vessels.

At a meeting of the owners and agents of the Victoria sealing vessels held yesderwriters have given up as lost the terday in the board of trade rooms, there three-masted schooner Howard H. Hans-being a full attendance it was unanibeing a full attendance, it was unanimously resolved, subject to the conclusions of the international commissioners at Washington, that the sealing business 000, to be known as "The British Columbia Sealing Co., Limited Liability.' The necessary documents of incorpora-

SLUMBER SONG.

Sleep, my little one, sleep— Narrow thy bed and deep; Neither hunger, nor thirst, nor pain Can touch or hurt thee ever again; I, thy mother, will bend and sing As I watch thee calmly slumbering. Sleep, my little one, sleep.

'Sleep, my little one, sleep— Narrow thy bed and deep; oon in thy angel's tender arms, closely sheltered from earth's alarms hou wilt awaken, baby mire! Where all is mercy and love divine. 'Sleep, my little one, sleep.

Sleep, my little one, sleep— Narrow thy bed and deep; I have wept till my hearr is dry, But now I smile as I see thee l'e With small hands crossed in death's mute Never to bench in the wild despair Of hunger's anguish. All is o'er'll de le wept, but now I can weep no more. Sleep, my little one, sleep.

Sleep, My little one, sleep— Narrowl'thy bed and deep; A little duble I, too, shall rest Close by the side of my baby blest. Safe is my baby—earth's anguish done— Safe at the feet of the Holy One. Sleep, my little one, sleep.—Anna B. Bensel.

The Neues Wiener Tageblatt says that The Neues Wiener Tageblatt says that the dungeon in which the assassin of the Empress Elizabeth is now confined is a windowless, damp, stone chamber, and that Luechini will probably pay for his crime by the loss of his eyesight and his reason. Only once a fortnight is he permitted to walk in the prison courtyard for half an hour. He does not eyen see the attendants who bring his daily rations at 6 o'clock every morning.

on his bicycle."-Chicago Record.

SUPERSTITION.

Napoleon I. always feared December 2nd as an unlucky day, and it is related of him that before every important battle he would throw dice to ascertain if he were to lose or win. The "red men" whom he always saw going to bat-tle with him were a delusion that caused him much suffering.
Among crowned heads, Louis XI. of

France was one of the firmest boli-vers in superstition. He it was who had an unfortunate astrologer brought before him, who told him that a beautiful woman, a friend of the king, would die, and Louis, enraged at the verification of the prediction, sent for the astrologer, and when he appeared before him or-dered his courtiers to throw him out of a window of the palace. Before the or der was obeyed he asked the astrologer with a sneer, if he could tell him (the with a sheer, in the count ten in the king) the hour of his own death,
"Sire," replied the quick-witted astrologer, bowing low, "I shall have the honor of dying just three days before your majesty."

your majesty.'
Not only did the astrologer save his Not only did the astrologer save his life then, but he was treated with the greatest care, that his valuable life night be indefinitely prolonged.

Like Napoleon, Abraham Lincoln always believed he was a man of destiny. He thought he would rise to some lofty station in life, but that he would have a sudden fall. He was pleased, yet alarmed at what he looked upon as a rent in the veil which hides the future from mortal sight, for the vision he saw was of tinued glory and of blood.

MILITARISM IN AUSTRIA.

An extraordinary story of military tyranny reaches me from Kolomea, in Gancia. A lieutenant of dragoons, accompanied by six privates, entered the Control by six privates, entered the control hotel there and demanded a room. The proprietor, Herr Ruckenstein, politely informed the officer that the hotel was quite full and he could not accommodate him. The lieutenant replied that a room must be found for him and approached the door of a him, and approached the door of a chamber already occupied by a guest. Finding it locked, he ordered his men to to report the aggressive officer to the military authorities. The officer thereupon rushed at Herr Ruckenstein with his drawn sword, pursued him into the street, and, overtaking him, slashed at him with savage fury. Herr Rucken-stein received terrible skull wounds and was carried bleeding and unconscious into the hotel. A crowd which had gathered attempted to mob the officer, who called his six dragoons, and charged the people with drawn swords, hitting out, wildly right and left. The of ficar then re-entered the hotel, shouting that he must have a room. On Herr Ruckenstein's aged father reproaching him for his violence, the military blusterer assaulted the old man, and knocked nim down with the flat of his sword. Some idea of the rampant militarism in Austria will be gained when I add that the officer and his men are still at large. and no steps are being taken to bring them to justice.—Vienna correspondence London Daily Mail.

A MOTHER'S FAITH.

The will of the late Grand Duchess touching proviso that proves she still entertained a hope of the return of her missing son, the Archduke Johann. It will be remembered that as plain John inbline event of his death being clearly established, his share should be divided between the other beneficiaries. But it is further provided that, should it be proved that he made any valid testaal efforts to get her position recognized.

SMALL CURIOSITIES.

The smallest book ever printed is the story of Perrault's little "Hop-o'-My-Thumb," lately published. The book is one and one-half inches long by one inch

Gaust is the smallest republic as to area, which is exactly one mile. The through the brush and over the rocks of population numbers 150. It is situated Northern Ontario for two or three miles the Pyrenees. Tavolara is the smallest republic as to population, having only fifty-three men,

from Sardinia. Washington, that the sealing business be formed into a joint stock, limited lia-be formed into a joint stock, limited lia-lantic, sends out its mail once a year to ed to be according to "Rifle and Rod" bility company, with a capital of \$650,- the outside world. It has a population were the fire and the beds of balsam. sixty-four persons-eighteen men, He nineteen women, fifteen boys and twelve of them for years; their delicious soft-

King Malietoa, the Samoan monarch, every movement of the sleeper, their tion will be prepared and submitted for lately dead, received a smaller salary ratification.

than any royalty, \$150 monthly, and it He told himself that the hot bannock was usually in arrears. Chinese streets are the narrowest in

the world.

The smallest cows in the world are to for the breakfast fire and lustily singing the old hunting chorus: be found in the Samoan islands. The smallest locomotive ever made can now be seen at the Omaha exposican now be seen at the Omaha exposition. Its height from the top of the stack to the rail is 25 inches, and the gauge is 124 inches. The cylinders are 2 by 4 inches; the boiler is 1/2, horse tower, made of steel and tested to 300 pounds pressure, and will hold twenty four gollons of water. The diameter of the driving wheel is 10 inches. The weight of the little engine is about 600.

Start for the runway

Beresford couldn't understand why it was that a man at the very outset of a trip should get out of his way to make himself disagreeable. And at 4 o'clock in the morning, too.

Beresford hadn't any appetite that morning, and he breakfasted on a cup weight of the little engine is about 600. weight of the little engine is about 600 of coffee, two soda biscuits and a little quarters of an inch square. It will draw the

Shores and beaches are protected from washing by the use of a Texan's device, formed of piling driven down at intervals, with braces bolted on the piles to support a lattice work, forming a row of baskets to be filled with stone and ce-

ten cars, each containing two persons.

newly designed collar acts as its own tie-holder, the tie being inserted in slots at the ends of the collar, just back "We broke that divine healer all up." of the buttomholes, with a passage under the edge of the collar from one end to the day of the buttomholes, with a passage under the edge of the collar from one end to the other, which keeps the tie out of sight at the back.

Beresford's Buck.

When Beresford was asked to go on a deer hunt last season, he felt like weeping great big tears of joy on the shirt front of the man who invited him. For Beresford was fond of hunting. He icals devoted to sports afield for seven.

Beresford put in his spare time from the office in oiling the rifle and reading the periodicals. When he was asleep he dreamt of "a-chasing the deer." He belonged to a sportsman's club and once his dictum as to small bores and cart-ridge loading was the subject of a two ridge loading was the subject of a tribing loading as "that well known sportsman, Beresford," when they were chard up for "copy." Beresford would sit in an easy chair with his rifle across his knees and say to one another as they clambered down from the chambers: "That man Beresford is a terror on the hunt," and was breaking the game law by devas-tating several herds of red deer, every unit of which had five-pronged antlers.

he north. It was a week before the start a was to be made, but Beresford left the office early and gave his rifle an extra oiling. He sat late that night wondering whether it were better to take thirty buckshot cartridges and fifty ball or fifty buckshot and thirty ball on the trip, as he was going to take a Greener along. His forehead almost came down over his processing the latest the interior of the couldn't remember anything against it. Finding it locked, he ordered his men to smash it in. Herr Ruckenstein protested against this outrage, and threatened to report the aggressive officer to the milfound cartridges more in harmony with his trend of thought than counting sheep ed. jumping over a gate, for sleeplessness.

Beresford believed in the eternal harmonies. It seemed that Michael Macdonald, their half-breed guide, philosopher and friend on the trip, did also. For when Michael met them at the little northern Ontario village on the first of November he seemed fascinated to the little half-breed guide, philosopher and friend on the trip, did also. For when Michael met them at the little hotel when he was buying Michael a "bracer" before they started. He looked at it doublously for a minute November he seemed fascinated by Beresford and his general make-up. He Beresford and his general make-up. He followed him around for about an hour and just looked at Beresford, his traps and his costume—just looked at him, as a fox-terrier does at a strange beetle. And then he would go over to the little on his face he battled with the assort-backwoods hotel and take a drink. Beres- ment of tobacco and cabbage leaf. backwoods hotel and take a drink, berestord would have been sorry if he had known, for he was a strong temperance man, that his outfit (which emanded man, that his outfit (which eman, that his outfit (which eman, that his outfit (which eman, that

had driven an otherwise self-respecting half-breed to bed with his boots on. But Beresford didn't know. He hadn't time to know. He was burning, simply burning for deer.
When a man has been reading up Maria Antonio of Tuscany, who died dashing, off-hand accounts of deer hunt-the other day at Gmunden, contains a ing in an armchair, it takes time or an actual experience for the fever to burn out. Eight miles of jolting in a lumber bounded into the open. her out. Bight miles of jolting in a lumber it wagon over what Michael called "de ohn road," and being thrown twice on his Orth, skipper of a trading schooner, he was supposed to have been lost with his ship off the coast of South America.

The mother still included him among head heirs, but directed in a codicil that, ed his ankle, never missed a whiff of the pipe he was smoking and shot three deer before breakfast next morning. So mentary disposition no portion of his Beresford never squealed. He half re- ney of at least six feet, before he could

gretted that he didn't smash a rib or outside the circle of the imperial family, two. The story that he was already ar-This clause, of course, had special re-ranging for the "Sportsman's Club" de-trembled so that the slight noise of the ranging for the sportsman's club determined so that the sight hoise of the would at least one smashed rib. But leaves on which he was lying caused the would insist on holding him on to have been the morganatic wife of the vanished archduke, and has made sever- waished archduke, and has made sever- he would spoil his clothes. For Michael should be no disturbing movement on had a half-breed's admiration for the barbaric splender of Beresford's cos-When they arrived at the described lumber shanty which was to be their neadquarters for a week the others said they would fix things up that day. Berestord fought with the desire to show fought with the desire to show them how a hunter's camp should be wide, and one-quarter inch thick. It fixed up according to "Rifle and Rod," can be read only by the aid of a micro- but allowed his thirst for the gore of a scope, but is complete in every way and deer to assert itself. He said he would has four engravings. He oiled his rifle Shears no bigger than a pin is one of again and greased fifteen ball cartridges. the exhibits of the skill of a Sheffield It took Michael nearly two hours that workman; a dozen of these shears weigh afternoon to find him and help pull him less than half a grain, or about the out of a bog hole he had strayed into less than half a grain, or about the out of a bog hole he had strayed into ever, managed innocently to say. His weight of a postage stamp; they are as while cautiously stalking a brown rock friend didn't bother him, for a telegram perfectly made as shears of ordinary that he mistook for a restful buck. had been forwarded by special messensize, and the company that he mistook for a restful buck. Beresford believed he was what is called ger summoning him to the city on im-

women and children. It is twelve miles the effect of adding to his keenness, from Sardinia.

He disapproved of the arrangements had read of those beds and dreamt ness, the "springiness" which yielded to and bacon that he had eaten at supper was the cause of his sleeplessness. And the world—some of them are only eight then another north end of a fragrant feet in width.

the world—some of them are only eight then another north end of a fragrant balsam would catch him in the ribs. The smallest horse in the world is a shortland nonv owned by the Marquis chink in the old shanty. Beresford never Sherland pony owned by the Marquis Carcano. Its height does not surpass seventy centimeters; it is often harnessed to a liliputian mail coach.

He then Stanted a draught frough a chink in the old shanty. Beresford never could stand draughts. And the feathering end of a branch tickled him under the ear. He thought his couch was too Berlin has the smallest elephant in low at the top and he essayed to remedy It is only one meter high and it, but the whole bed wanted to move weighs eighty kilograms. at once when he began trifling with any
The smallest camels belong to Persia. part of it. And just as he was sinking They are not more than fifty centimeters into a sleep that was half a nightmare he heard his friend outside cutting wood

Start for the runway, Start for the runway Before the break of day.

poppeds, and it will run on a rail three- canned salmon. His friend told him that dogs mightn't strike a scent until late in the day, and suggested that Beresford should "tank up." He might not get back before night. Beresford said, as he watched the others disposing of unlimited quantities of bacon and bannock, that he hadn't come out to gorge himself; deer was what he was after. And he drew himself up and Michael gazed wonderingly at his

clothes. The sun had not shown above the pine trees when Beresford was p'aced on the runway to Trout lake. "De bes' on de divide," Michael had told him. "Deer almos' sure to run to Trout lake to-day." Beresford's friend, to whom the country one displays his image. - Goethe.

CARREST Was familiar, had started out for a runway leading to Red Horse lake on the other side of the range of hills, and Michael went to put the dogs "out." And at six o'clock on a cold, snappy morning Beresford was left lying behing a log in a clump of underbrush, alone, "The world forgetting and by the alone, "The w world forgot."

For two mortal hours he kept his eyes glued on the spot where Michael said the deer was to "make de run," and then he began to feel lonesome. The silence of the forest became oppressive and he welcomed the tapping of an energetic woodnecker which seemed to tree or other in the vicinity. To bass the time he counted its tappings, mouthfuls. Beresford savagely thought, as he began to feel peckish himself. ed up to eight hundred and ninety and

of canned salmon is not expected to carry a man much over three hours, and talk deer hunting by the hour, and the by twelve o'clock he felt like eating his friends who had just "dropped in" would imported English hunting boots, and he hadn't heard the yelp of a dog as yet-He didn't say anything aloud, for all the Beresford is a terror on the nunt, and Beresford would give the gun its nightly oiling, see that his hunting suit, leggings in his breast he thought out a varied collection of complicated gentlemanty that would have surprised his ntimate friend the curate of St. Alban's. Beresford rather affected curates, for he was a good sort of young man, with novices to speak of. He played first-class Beresford was therefore glad of the opportunity of going on a genuine hunt. For with singular fatality he never had been able to get away in the open season been able to get away in the open season and his first buck was yet customed to a couple of pipes in the morning for years. He grew to hate that spot that he was to glue his eyes upon where the deer was to "make derun." A man gets tired of gluing after

couldn't remember anything against it.

The editors probably hought it was unnecessary. He had left his pipe at the shanty, for he had a lurking idea that smoking and deer hunting didn't harmonize and he didn't want to be tempt-But in one of the many pockets of his hunting jacket he had discovered doublously for a minute. However he wetted it to keep it half together and

thing about the fact that on a short run the deer is generally very much ahead of the dogs. Again he heard the deep baying of the hounds and it was nearer. Before throwing away the stub of his cigar he casually looked at the place where the deer was to "make de run," when Great Caesar's Ghost—Beresford's

It stopped suddenly, and with head erect, snuffed the air. The red deer of irondacks, dislocated his collar bone, trying to kill the tad taste in his month. broke his arm in two places and sprain- His hand trembled as he quietly reached tume And Beresford's friend grinned, said things to himself that if published would have caused him to every curate of his acquaintance. hounds, now close at hand, and with a roud toss of his head the deer sprang

oward its refuge in time of peril-the lake.
"Did you see de big buck? Did you niss him?" asked Michael, when Beresord, half famished and with a feeling in his heart that was almost murderous,

s heart that red into camp.
"That deer? What buck?" he, how-"What deer?

Seresford believed he was what is called a like a sportsman. But scrambling from the brush and over the rocks of through the brush and over the rocks of Northern Ontario for two or three miles wet from the waist down and with his watertight hunting boots full of cohesive mixture of mud and water hadn't the effect of adding to his keepness.

"You can stay with Michael and finish out the week." "No," said Beresford, wearily; "if you go, I go, too."

And Michael spends a considerable portion of these long autumn nights in porth, wondering where that out the north wondering where that old buck he and the dogs started on second of November went to. only knew. Beresford has killed it at least three nights in the week in snoking room of the Sportsman's Club and will keep on slaughtering it for years to come.—Charles Lewis Shaw.

DISASTERS IN THE SOUDAN. Many in the Past-Horrors of Warfare There.

It was found at the very outset, says the London Saturday Review, when Osman Digna first arrived in the Suakin district as the Mahdi's apostle, that the dervishes were not men who could be fought in the manner customary to civilization. It was not a matter of manoeuvring, or "coming into action at 100 yards," or anything of that kind. The dervish method of fighting was something much more simple. The enemy being sighted, banners are raised, swords are drawn, spears are poised. of fighting was something much more simple. The enemy being sighted, banners are raised, swords are drawn, spears are poised and the whole force goes straight at him. That was what Mahmud Pasha Taher and Commander Moncrieff had not realized when on November 4, 1883, they took 550 Egyptians from Suakin toward Tokar. One hundred and fifty dervishes completely routed them. Moncrieff was among the killed. Suakin was paralyzed, stiff with terror. Then poor Valentine Baker, our former dashing colonel of hussars, was commissioned by the Khedive to retrieve this disaster. H's Egyptians were slaughtered at El Teb like sheep; they fled, they knelt on the desert, raising their hands in prayer, stretching forth their necks to the sword. There was no quarter for Egyptians or English; their heads rolled in the sand; their bod'es were smitten through and through with spears. Hicks had perished with a great army in faraway. Kordofan. It was the same there.

England was roused. The armies led by English officers had suffered complete defeat, in one case annihilation. Gerald Graham was sent out and now for the first time the English private soldier joined battle with the dervish; now for the first time the English private soldier joined battle with the dervish; now for the first time the English private soldier joined battle with the dervish; now for the first time to dated the "unwritten chapters" of Soudanese warfare. From that time Tommy Atk'ns became familiar with slaughter in a form new to him—the slaughter of women and the slaughter of women and the slaughter of women and the slaughter is a horror beyond words.

Behavior is a mirror in which every