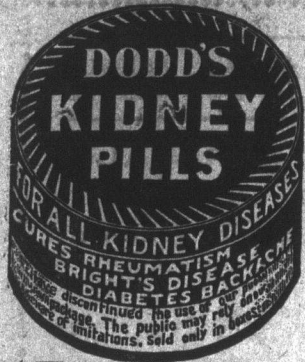




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FATHER GAPON.

Russian Orthodox Priest Who Was Instrumental in Making a Strike a Revolt Against Constituted Authority.

That a Russian orthodox priest should lead a revolt against the constituted authorities—for such is the definition of a strike in Russian law—is the most ominous symptom of Russia's internal unrest that has yet become visible, says a London paper. Father Gapon, whose name is now in everyone's mouth, is a young man, an enthusiast, and a native of a Little-Russian province which has long been noted for its dissatisfaction with the ways of St. Petersburg. Most Russian priests, being themselves "popovitchi," or priests' sons, are slavish adherents of the established order. Gapon had the good fortune to be born the son of a sturdy, prosperous Moujik, who was long known as a fierce opponent of the petty Tsarists who meddle in peasant affairs.

Young Gapon wanted to become a mechanic. His father advised him to become a priest, and sent him to the Moscow Ecclesiastical Seminary. The seminary was discontented. The long-subsisting enmity between the "White" and "Black" clergy led to an open protest against the exclusion of the secular clergy from all posts of importance in the church. To overcome the disadvantages of his position Gapon studied, and while his fellow-students left the seminary half-educated obscurantists, he entered upon his career a politician with a profound knowledge of political economy, and a fierce Liberal—perhaps the first the Russian Church has possessed.

The Government was trying to disarm working class discontent by allowing the mechanics and factory operatives to form "legalized" associations of their own. The men were permitted to speak—in the presence of an official, and to speak under the supervision of the police. Father Gapon quickly saw how these legalized associations might be used for democratic propaganda. He roped thousands of iron-workers and engineers into his club. When the Government woke up to the true facts it was too late to do anything, as the war had broken out, and Father Gapon's clubmen were masters of the army supply organization.

Among the workmen Gapon is known as "Batiushka Khokhol," "Little Father, the Little Russian." He owes his unbounded influence to the fact that, though a sincere adherent of orthodoxy, he never interferences with the religious opinions of his followers. Among the latter are Catholics of Lutherans and Roman Catholics. Moreover, he takes no money for his services, lives frugally, and works from morning to night. Four years ago he was solemnly cursed by the priest of his native village for protesting boldly against the excommunication of Count Tolstoy.

Gapon knows the criminal classes of St. Petersburg better than any detective, and he resolutely excludes from his clubs and associations any man who has been convicted of crime until the crime has been followed by proved repentance. Occasionally he makes fiery speeches, abusing drink, immorality and gambling, and telling the workmen that their abased condition is largely their own fault. He is an enemy of M. Witte's system of protection, and of the various state monopolies, which, under the name of temperance reform, Government railways, etc., were introduced by that statesman with the object of making the working classes directly dependent upon the Government for employment.

He can claim to have naturalized the political speech in Russia. Gifted with a powerful voice, an impressive personality, and an earnestness above suspicion, he is a first-class platform orator. He never reasons above the heads of his audience, and usually puts his points in the shape of humorous apoloques, in one of which the Russian people recently figured as a sheep and the bureaucracy as a wolf.

Altogether the revolting priest is a picturesque figure and a characteristic type of the new Russia which is beginning to show itself. A year ago he would not have remained in freedom an hour after his act of revolt. But things have since marched so far that it is doubtful whether the bureaucrats will have the courage to hurt a hair of his head.

Sandy's Initiation.
 A Scottish gillie was invited by the laird to take a pull at his flask after getting the first fish of the day.

"I canna trink out of a bottle," protested the gillie, with a frown of disapproval.
 "Aweel, try, Sandy," said the laird encouragingly. And Sandy tried—tried so thoroughly that the laird gazed in mingled awe and admiration as the whiskey gurgled out of the flask down the swarthy throat, until, with scarce a heel tap left in him, the "pocket pistol" was handed back to the owner.

"Hoot, Sandy, maybe ye were richt—maybe ye canna trink out of a bottle," gasped the laird, with a mighty sigh; "but, eh, mon, ye'd soon learn!"—Bally's Magazine.

Two Million Co-operators.

Some interesting particulars as to the growth of the co-operative movement in the mother country in the past ten years are published in The British Labor Gazette. Official returns relating to 2,027 societies are dealt with. They show that the growth of the distributive and productive societies of all classes has been continuous during the past ten years. The total membership in 1903 was 2,085,731, compared with 1,245,066 in 1894. An increase of 67.5 per cent. The total share loan and reserve capital was £27,055,810, compared with £19,063,164 in 1894, an increase of 94.4 per cent. The total trade was £99,010,145, compared with £49,774,025 in 1894, an increase of 99 per cent.

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A Finny Acrobat.
 No two leaps of the tarpon are quite alike. As the tarpon comes out into day his jaws distend, his gills flap open, and the mullet bait flies out across the water for a hundred feet, while he retches at the hook, shaking his head angrily from side to side, like a horse that fights his bit. In midlight he will turn and cut into the stream with a head on dive that makes a perfect cleavage of the whitened water. His next emergence may be a back somersault and he third a long distance jump with no height to it, but a substantial gain in feet. With infinite spirit he will continue his play until absolutely worn out, when the spring and somersaulting lapse into a long, rolling stroke from side to side, showing the two foot dorsal filament, which waves and floats out behind, like some independent water creature.—Country Life in America.

The Knowledge That Pays.
 If you glance round at the work of some of our big men you will be surprised to see how many have made their reputation by doing one small thing, but doing it well. If a man gets to the front in one narrow subject the world credits him with knowledge of all the rest. It is, however, even easier to acquire a large amount of knowledge than an advanced special knowledge of one narrow subject. The specialty must not be too narrow either. It is often said that the pursuit of knowledge has a nobility of its own. But what knowledge? No knowledge is worth obtaining for its own or any other sake unless it is or will probably be useful to man.—James Swinburne in Electrical Review.

When the feelings are hurt there is no use venting spite on some one not responsible for the wound.

NEW THOUGHTS.

Are you growing more attractive as you advance in life?
 "Given a healthy body," says Dr. R. V. Pierce, the specialist in women's diseases, of Buffalo, N. Y., "and a healthy mind, and everyone can cultivate and enjoy happiness."
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ALL-BRITISH SUEZ CANAL.

Considered Necessary to the Interests of the British Empire.

The necessity for providing an all-British canal through the Isthmus of Suez is strongly urged by Sir Theodore V. S. Angier, the great shipping expert, in a letter which he has addressed to The London Daily Mail on the subject of the present autocratic management of the Suez Canal.

"The capacity for traffic of the existing canal," he says, "is limited. Already the amount of traffic exceeds its capacity for efficient service; the speed of transit is considerably below the requirements of the times, and much below what it ought to be. Each year accentuates this grave drawback, and at the rate of increase of the past five or ten years in another five years' time blocks and delays must become too serious to be submitted to."

"Under these circumstances, I submit common prudence dictates the provision of a second canal to obviate this certain impending congestion, and considering the long time necessary for construction, as speedy commencement of the work as possible."

"The political and strategical aspect points still more emphatically to the vital necessity for a separate all-British canal in order to ensure the protection of our Indian possessions. The South African war and the present Russo-Japanese struggle have produced only too overwhelming evidence of the facility and certainty of belligerents obtaining almost any aid from neutrals, if they pay adequately for it, and it may be accepted as a certain fact that we were engaged in a war where India was our vulnerable point, our enemy, or enemies, would most certainly themselves, or by the assistance of subjects of a neutral power, effectively block the present canal, which is under the management of an independent and foreign private directory and under international influence."

"Therefore, unless the British Government constructs a British canal, it must accept the certainty that, as a belligerent, it would be unable to count on the use of this necessary route in any scheme for the defence of our Indian possessions."

IMMENSE CAVE FOUND.

British Columbia Claims to Have the Biggest in the World.

A wonderful subterranean excavation, believed to rival the Mammoth Cave of Kentucky, has been discovered in the Canadian Northwest, and it is believed to be the largest cave yet found in the world. The cave is in the Selkirk, B.C., within two miles of the Canadian Pacific Railway.

It has four entrances, and its length is two miles and its width is nearly half a mile. It has a depth in some places of over two thousand feet. It is studded with millions of brilliant crystals and colored stalactite, ranging from colorless, pink, red and brown to purple, which hang from the top and sides in clusters resembling icicles. Beautiful colored columns six inches in diameter reach from floor to ceiling.

The formation is blue limestone, and the cave has probably been formed through the action of water, far down in the depths of the abyss in the centre of the cave can be heard the rushing waters of the mighty subterranean river, whose source or outlet is yet a mystery.

The cave is a most interesting discovery, and was made by prospectors for coal or gold, and was first partially explored by a party of Canadian engineers, who made measurements. An exploration party is now being formed to systematically traverse the entire cave and gather such information as it may.

Member of Irish Family.

A correspondent writes to The London Star: Surgeon-General Alfred Keogh, C.B., M.D., whose appointment as Director-General of the Army Medical Corps you referred to in your personal column, is a member of a prominent Irish family, and is nephew of the well-known Irish Judge of that name who figured so prominently before the public 34 years ago, when he unseated Col. Nolan as M. P. for the county, on the petition of Col. Trench, the Opposition candidate who thereupon was declared elected to the seat. The judgment, which was subsequently traversed by Mr. Mitchell Henry in the House of Commons, not merely disfranchised the Archbishops of Tuam and the Bishop of Galway, as well as half a dozen priests, but also entailed immense costs on the unseated candidate, as he was condemned to pay the expenses of both sides in the suit. A public subscription was soon started, and over £20,000 was obtained, which enabled Col. Nolan to discharge the costs of the trial, and at the ensuing election he was again returned for the east, which he has almost uninterruptedly held ever since.

The Perfectly Formed Man.

Ralph Rose, the first "perfect man physically" ever at the University of Michigan, has earned his hour of glory. On the anthropometric chart he gets the "100" mark for all his measurements. He is the bright consummate flower of symmetry, and muscularity. Height, six feet three; weight, 246 pounds; chest, expanded, 47.6 inches; right arm, up, fifteen inches; right arm, down, fourteen inches; right forearm, 12.6 inches; but we shan't give a detailed catalogue of his perfections. To be nineteen years old and physically "perfect" is a big bump of good fortune; and we hope that Ralph's intellectuals will be so exercised as to match that perfection.

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Duncan McDonald has come home to spend a short time with his parents.

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Mr. Flin has moved from the Bay and has taken up his abode on the Peterkin property.

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