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vashed the stigma of crime client's fair name with the five women jurors. They de-

THEATRES REMAIN OPEN. ne case if most of the thea-

REAT AIR PAGEANT. st extensive air pageant that taken place is being prepareld at Hendon on July 2nd All the crack squadrons will

At last year's pageant there were over 50,000 persons present, and a large number of people who went to Hendon found it impossible to get into the grounds. This year the arrangements are to be much better. The accommodation will be doubled, and the arrangements for reaching the grounds will be far more serious than some historic contretemps, which prevented the Duke of York from arriving until two all these battles of the Great War has ares me that the introduc- hours after the start owing to the congestion of the streets, is unlikely to be repeated. The Grahame-White Com- given to the same action, which each pany is lending the aerodrome free of charge, and the programme of the centre on a different point. Officially pageant is an extensive one. There the three great battles, subdivided inwill be an artificial cloud screen pro- to three, four, and eight seperate batduced by the airmen, and exhibitions tles each respectively. There is no ofg speech counsel can of incendiary bombing, parashute desner dissolve in tears at cents, destruction of a kite balloon, and close-formation flying will be

SCHOOL FOR WINE-DRINKERS. A novel scheme of advertisement is being inaugurated here next week by an enterprising firm of wine merchants. It is to take the form of a ike is knocking Londons brands and varieties being available on next year by the Army Council, which sample to prospective dustomers. The has decided to open a new cadet school ostensible object of the "tasting" is the for men in the ranks recommended ed was so small that I be- offer a warning to the public against for commissions. The location of the drinking high-priced inferior wines new establishment has not been fixed, me afterwards that he had which have recently been put on the but certain preliminary details of the market, and to afford practical demon- scheme have already been settled and stration of what the proper-priced communicated to the various comquality ought to be. There are few who mands. It is intended to have the ous. But the theatres fail to note the difference between the school working next April, and to proordinary beverage wines, and fine, vide places for the first year's traincostly varieties, or between an inex- ing for sixty men. Rankers eligible and damaging to close a pensive cognac and the mellow vint- must have served for six months as n it is to keep a production age of 1830; but in appreciating the unpaid lance corporals or in similar or a dead loss. The sudden distinctiveness of closer ranges, while higher positions, and must be recomplay suggests lack of mer- the connoisseur may have little or no mended by their commanding officers. valties and certain salaries difficulty, the palate of the layman, in The training will be for a period of inless due notice is given the view of the experts, needs some normally twelve months, and on satisschooling. Accordingly rprises have worked out question is opening a kind of school arefully, coming to the for wine-drinkers. The enterprise undate will receive a commission as secat skeleton audiences and doubtedly offers dangers to "tasters" ond lieutenant. For the first year men office receipts entail on the who may be difficult to please owing will be received up to 24 years of age, to the serious risks which are ordinarily associated with "mixing." It may be added, in order to avoid disappointment, that admission is by invitation

A WARNING.

A male dress reformer, who claims that knee-breeches are the rational war memorial. The pageant wear for men, has issued an appeal begging all owners of breeches to appear in the West End of the city on Il types of machines by R.A. Wednesday wearing them for all men to see. A friend who was going into ted, and all the aces of the the country on Saturday, and went to vill be there. A sensational his office in the morning wearing golfof the show will be the destruc- ing tweeds, suggests that these refordummy village by bombs all mers may be interested in his experiwhich will be used. Some 100 ence. You have only to appear in Lon-

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DOCKETING THE GREAT WAR.

Nothing more clearly shows how the dust is settling on the battlefields of the Great War than the distinctly historical percussion already attaching to their official names. These have been stermined officially, after three years' work, by the Military Committee, reresentative of all the Imperial orces, over which General Sir John Headlam, a famous gunnery officer of South African and European war experience, presided. The shattered ruins and the shadow legious remain, but the echoes begin to die down. The impossibility of following the traditional army practice of giving clasps for each special action is very obvious when it is considered that on the Western front alone eight-two fullpledge battles, officially recognised as such were fought. And this perfectly reasonable method of assessing a "bat tle" as an engagement of strategic import, in which about 50,000 troops were The difficulty in fixing official means to ficial recognition of Givenchy, where it is apparently included in the Battle of Bethune. But it is rather a pity we cannot hope to see some bold regimental sergeant major strutting with eight-two clasp "up."

PROMOTION FROM THE BANKS. A further step in the direction of wine-tasting," some 400 different democraticing the Army is to be made ation at the end of the time the candibut the age limit in the second year will be reduced to 23, and in the third and subsequent years to 22. The higher age in the first instance has been decided upon so as to give men who have served in the war the opportunity of promotion. The number of cadets re ceived in the school after the first year will be determined by the requirements of the service. By the scheme the ranker who enlists early will thus have the definite prospect which he has

Copernicus.

highest positions in the Army.

hitherto been denied of passing to the

Copernicus was a Polish astron mer who in the sixteenth century evolved a new theory regarding the movement of the earth, sun, and the stars. Copernicus, who was born in 1473 at Thorn, in Russian Poland, studied mathematical science at the University of Cracow. From there he went to Bologna, at the age of 23, to study canon law. He received his Doctor's degree in canon law at Ferrara in 1503. Apart from his studies, in 1522, he produced a scheme to re-

form the currency. He completed the main lines of his great work, "De Revolutionibus Orbium Coelestium" at Heilsburg. He first published a brief popular account of his work explaining his theories in simple language. This was seen by Pope Clement VII., and Cardinal Schonberg transmitted to Copernicus a demand from the Pope for the full publication of his work. Copernicus died in 1543, the year in which the complete work was published.

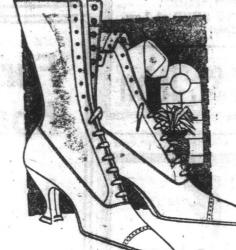
Copernicus's new system laid dewn that the sphere of the stars did not revolve diurnally, but that the earth otated on an axis directed towards the celestial pole. He also insisted that the sun was stationary and that A Great Church Record. red, however, to the old theory of form circular motion, and this in me measure spoilt the perfection of

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shop McNeil, in unveiling memorial statue in St. Paul's R. C. Church, Toronto, claimed that in nnection with the war it had argest number of enlistm any church in the city. The num

thinking where there may have been an inclination to consider some religious denominations outside the pale

No Place for Military Titles.

(From the Sydney Post.)

The Bay of Quinte Methodist Conference has unanimously adopted a resolution, prohibiting the use of military titles by ministers who have served overseas. This is a sensible course, which should be followed in practice by all churches. This is not a militaristic country. Our civilian army was raised for an emergency, and was dissolved with the ending of the war. The issions of all our army officer ended with their militaristic discharge. The title of respect with which clergymen are addressed is more dignified than descriptions of military rank which have no real meaning.

What Did He Mean?

(From Forbes Magazine.) A merchant in a Wisconsin town who had a Swedish clerk sent him out to do some collecting. When he returned from an unsuccessful trip he

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