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MARCONI OUTDORE.

In the correspondence concerning the siege and relief in a Parliamentary paper to the British House of Commons, is a communication from Sir George White in Lady Smith to General Buller in command of the relief forces, in which Sir George White complains that the enemy learned every plan of operation he formed; that he could not discover the source, though he had every suspect locked up, and had still undoubted evidences of betrayal. Almost concurrently with the publication of this correspondence comes the news that Dr. T. W. Smart, ex-Commissioner of Public Works in the Cape Government, has made the definite charges on the floor of the Legislature that an official of the Government, Mr. Teewater, at the outbreak of the war, sent the secret Ministerial code book of which there were only three copies, to ex-President Steyn, at Bloemfontein. This gives some idea of the way in which the Boers acquired their wonderful perspicuity regarding the movements of the British forces.—Toronto News.

It may give some idea; but it will scarcely account for all the facts. There are incidents reported in the war which no number of stolen code books and no amount of treachery would explain. One writer, the author of "Behind the Scenes," says: "Again and again have Kaffirs reported events hours and even days before the news could possibly have got through by the ordinary channels. I remember, for example, how the Kaffirs in Petrolia detailed the account of the capture of Malaboch at least four hours before the first telegram arrived in Pretoria." And the writer adds: "Whatever the true explanation may be it has not been brought forward yet, and the fact remains that the Kaffirs have some means, unknown to whites, by which they can transmit intelligence vast distances under conditions that preclude the possibility of their having any agency that we are familiar with."

Readers of histories of the wars in India are familiar with a similar phenomena. There are numerous instances on record where the natives were found to be in possession of important news long in advance of the fastest reports, and under circumstances that made it utterly impossible that the information could have been brought by messenger. A correspondent of the London Spectator of February last mentions that the death of the Amir of Afghanistan was known in the bazaars of India in 1901 well in advance of the official news; and when the Roumania was wrecked it was known on Saturday, though the agents of the line did not receive the news till the following Monday.

Many peoples have traditions concerning the secret transmission of news; and perhaps others than the natives of India and Africa possess something more than the traditions. The natives of New Zealand are credited with remarkable powers in the acquisition and dissemination of news.

What is the secret? No white man appears to know. Perhaps it is something that has been handed down through the ages. Is Marconi on the track? Is it related to wireless telegraphy, to telephony, to clairvoyance? We have warrant for saying that there is nothing new under the sun. What if the mightiest achievements of practical and experimental science are but leading us back to the mysteries that were once the commonplace property of our ancestors ages and ages ago? Wireless telegraphy is the transmission of impulses through the ether from one machine to another, said machines being in a certain vibratory relationship to each other. Telephony is—or is supposed to be—the transmission of impulses through the ether from one brain to another, said brains being supposed to be in some mysterious relationship to each other. Clairvoyance—well, it is no very clear what it is; but may be the remarkable power possessed by the natives of India and Africa, and by others, be something akin to wireless telegraphy, telephony or clairvoyance?

The Bird and the Woman.

Still the merry war goes on between lovely woman and poor defenceless birds. In the millinery advertisements never was such enumeration of breasts, whole birds, wings, &c., as the present season has brought forth.

A fashionable lady's headgear cannot be pronounced a "perfect love of a hat" unless a dead bird is perched upon it, or some part of a warbler's silky plumage is fastened to it some where. Let the preacher preach, let men denounce the cruel practice as they will, let the Humane Audubon societies labor on—is not the bird hunter with the shotgun woman's truest friend, since he enables her to look stylish?

This consideration is surely enough to overbalance the loss the world sustains by the extermination of the birds. What if the orchards and field crops fail because of the raids of destructive insects that the birds would eat? What if the sweetest music in the universe is silenced? Is that any reason why fashionable hats should not have a bird-trimmed hat? Out upon the foolish suggestion! Is not a woman's appearance paramount to economic, humane and sentimental motives?

Fortunately the birds have their friends as well as their destroyers, and some good literature is appearing upon the subject. Just as the horse has been befriended by the history of "Black Beauty," so the birds have an advocate in "Dicky Browne," a story devoted to bird protection. It is such literature as this that must educate the popular mind and create a new feeling for the animal creation.

What Dressmaker Says.

Basket weaves are much in evidence. Simplicity, not plainness, is the fashion. Clover leaf patterns appear in a number of silks. Box-plaited box coats are extremely modish.

Usually the soft toned grays look well with yellow or brown hair. There is a good deal of moral support in a nice gown and hat.—Ladies' Home Journal.

Elaborate tucking in yoke effect serves to perfect the fit of many a dress skirt.

Trailing skirts shortened immediately across the back are supposed by the wily Frenchwoman to make her appear younger.

Red is struggling hard, and successfully, too, to compete with its less brilliant rivals, but it is such a trying shade that few are bold enough to attempt it. When it is becoming there is really nothing lovelier, and, strange as it may seem, its brightness is one of the summer's snuggest fads.

The Drug Clerk's Dilemma.

A certain drug clerk had heard the story of the colored woman who, on asking for flesh-colored court-plaster, was given black by the observant shopkeeper; and treasured up the incident, hoping for an opportunity to imitate the sharpness of the dealer. His opportunity came. One evening a comely colored girl stepped into the store.

"I want some court-plaster," she said.

"What color?" inquired the clerk, with affected nonchalance.

"Flesh color, sah."

"Trembling in his shoes, and keeping within reach of a heavy pestle, the clerk handed the young woman a box of black court-plaster. She opened the box with deliberation that was ominous, but her face was untroubled as she noted the color of the contents.

"I guess you must be misunderstood my ordah. I asked for flesh color, and you done give me skin color," she said.

The drug clerk has resolved to subject every joke to rigid laboratory test hereafter before using.—Pittsburg News.

When Kipling Was Raising a Baby Lion
"He kept himself to himself more and more as he grew older, and one day—I shall never forget it—he began to see out of his eyes. Up till then they had been dull and stupid—just like a young baby's eyes. But that day—I saw them first under my couch—they were grown-up lion's eyes—soft and blazing at the same time, without a wink in them, eyes that seemed to look right through you, and out over all Africa. Though he had been born in captivity, like Alice, his mummy, and Indiana, his father, and though the only home he had ever known was on the slopes of the big mountain where Africa ended; we never once saw him look up the hill when he lay down to do his solemn serious thinking. He always faced squarely to the north, to the great open plains and the rugged, jagged mountains beyond them—looking up and into the big, sunny, dry Africa that had once belonged to his people."—Rudyard Kipling's description of his baby lion, in Ladies' Home Journal.

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Special Notice

Owing to the tremendous rush of business this week we have been unable to make our first display of Fall Clothing (ready-to-wear.) As stated in this space, we will not disappoint you, having received 15 cases of

High Grade Clothing

Straight from the factory, which is ready for your inspection. We will make a display in our window as soon as possible.

REMEMBER!

We are sole agents for the largest Clothing manufacturers in Canada. Established 1868.

Meynell's

Three Doors West From Market, King St. Chatham

Horses in Australia.

There were only 200 horses in Australia in the year 1800. Now there are more than 2,000,000.

Paraffine Polish.

An excellent furniture polish is made by mixing together one-third of alcohol and two-thirds of sweet oil. Apply with one soft cloth and polish off with another.

A Norway Custom.

A curious custom is practiced in Norway, where those in search of a drowned body row to and fro with a cock in the boat, fully expecting that the bird will crow when the body reaches the spot where the corpse lies.

Curious Accident.

While on the wing a pigeon was guillotined recently in Cardiff, Wales, by being caught between a trolley and a power wire on the street railroad.

Barley Gruel.

A barley gruel made of boiling two tablespoonfuls of barley in a quart of water for two hours till it is reduced one-half is a nutritious and excellent food, which may be sweetened and flavored to the taste.

Olives.

In France olives are gathered in November or December and in Italy in February or March.

A Barber's Revenge.

Having had a man he was shaving, a barber of Alipore, Calcutta, revenged himself by cutting off the tip of his adversary's nose. He was sent to jail for six months.

Bernarda's Coral Roads.

The coral roads of Bermuda are the finest in the world for cycling. They are as smooth as a dancing floor and are never dirty.

To Clean Gilt Frames.

Sponge with a mixture of half a pint of water, two ounces of common salt, an ounce and a half of alum and two ounces of purified niter. This will make them wonderfully clean and bright.

Brooms.

When buying a broom, test it by pressing the edge against the floor. If the straw bristles out and bend, the broom is a poor one, for they should remain in a solid, firm mass.

Made Them Bad Boys.

"Too severe education" is gravely reported as having caused 2 per cent of the bad boys in Tokyo reformatory to be sent there.

Ocean Springs.

Near the coast of Cuba a fresh water spring arises from the bottom of the ocean, and for some distance round the water is perfectly fresh. A similar submarine spring is known to exist in the gulf of Spezia.

Medicine Bottles.

Never use anything but glass stoppers in medicine bottles, particularly in those containing acids, as acids will quickly destroy all cork.

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THE NORTHWAY CO., Limited

THE BUSY CASH STORE

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Dress Goods

OUR LARGE STAFF

OF MILLINERS are busy preparing your Fall Headgear. ADVANCE ORDERS receive prompt attention.

Big selling means big values. If our values for Dress Goods were not better than elsewhere our sales would not be so large.

If you think this over you will see the force of it and will feel inclined to come here for your Fall Dress whether you have purchased here before or not. Once a customer, always a customer, for it is values such as we offer below that holds our friends and constantly increases their ranks.

Covert Venetian Suitings made from fine pure wool, rich satin finish, 44 inches wide, fall weight, in Black and fashionable shades for Autumn suitings, special per yard..... 50c

Satin Pannet Suitings, a rich all wool fabric, firm weave, medium weight, 44 to 46 in wide, "Pirle finish" in every fashionable color, special per yard 75c

Broad Cloth Suitings, fine imported weave in medium and heavy weight, beautiful quality and finish, guaranteed not to spot or shrink, in Black and colored, special at per yard \$1.00 \$1.25 \$1.50 and..... \$2.00

Camel's Hair Stripes, finest French wool, medium weight, with rich camels hair stripes, in cardinal, myrtle, grey and navy, really worth \$1.00 a yard, special at..... 50c

Broadcloth Special, 56 in. pure wool, fine broadcloth suiting, heavy weight, has velvet finish, in colors,

navy, myrtle, brown, light and dark grey, and black, the best value we have ever offered at per yd. \$1.40

Homespuns, made from pure clean, thoroughly scoured yarns, medium and heavy weights in every wanted shade, special at per yd. 75c 85c and..... \$1.00

Bradford Suitings, good fall weight, full 48 in wide, fine smooth finish, in large range of new Autumn shades, special at per yard..... 35c

48 in. Cheviot Suitings, excellent quality, 48 in wide, in black, navy, light, and dark grey, brown, myrtle and oyster, a good 50c line, special at..... 40c

Royal Serge, 44 in. pure wool, in firm weave, medium twill, bright smooth finish, guaranteed in color and wear, black and navy, special at per yard..... 50c

"Pannet" Serge, rich satin finish, 44 in wide, warranted pure wool and

guaranteed not to spot or shrink, in black only, special per yard 50c and 75c

Black Dress Silks, rich, heavy, double faced black Peau de Soie Silks, guaranteed in wear, Bonnet's make, for dress or separate skirt, a reg. \$1.25 silk, special at..... \$1.00

Black Taffeta Silks, from the best French makers, 3 special lines, extra values, 22 to 27 in. wide, rich pure lustrous quality, special at per yd. 75c, 85c and..... \$1.00

Moire Velour Silks, rich heavy water waves effects, in black, cream and white, matchless values, at a yard, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50 and..... \$2.00

French Taffeta Silks at 50c yd. rich, pure quality, bright finish, in ten leading shades, regular 85c a yard, special at..... 50c

Japan Taffeta Silk, 27 in. wide, real Lyons dye, pure quality silk, in 25 leading shades, special per yd. 50c

THE NORTHWAY COMPANY, Limited., CASH ONLY AND ONE PRICE

We Save You Money

When you buy your **Summer Suit** from us, because being the manufacturers we are able to sell our goods **CHEAPER** than other tailors, and for the same reason we can show the **LATEST SHADINGS AND PATTERNS** six months before the other people get them.

FOR THE LADIES

We have a full range of the best Homespuns, Venetians, Boxcloths, etc. Our own make of Ready-made Clothing at from \$6.00 to \$8.00 a suit cannot be beat. As we employ nothing but the best skilled workmen, we guarantee the fit or money refunded.

THE T. H. TAYLOR CO. Limited, Flour and Woolen Mills

Four Lovely Diamonds.

When on a diamond buying trip to the cutters at Amsterdam, we never forget to supply ourselves well with four "special" sizes, viz.:

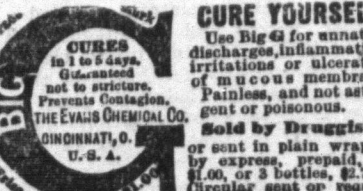
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A Tombstone Wall.
The wall in front of Glasgow cathedral is built almost entirely of tombstones. It runs from Infirmary square down to the Bridge of Sighs.

Burned Milk.
Nothing is more disagreeable than burned milk. To prevent this first rinse the milk sauceman with plenty of cold water and then rub the interior of the vessel with a little fresh butter. This will form an excellent protection for the milk. It must be noted that a milk sauceman once burned should never be used for its original purpose again.

Prussian Forests and Fruits.
Of the 86,151,083 acres of land in Prussia 23 per cent is occupied by forests and orchards.

A Scotch Tree of Liberty.
There still flourishes at Dundee, Scotland, a tree which was dedicated as a "tree of liberty" more than a century ago during the ferment caused by the French revolution.

Detroit River Tonnage.
During the nine months that navigation is open on the great lakes the tonnage which passes through the Detroit river is greater than the tonnage which enters and clears at the ports of Hamburg and Liverpool.

Baked Beans.
Half a tablespoonful of mustard mixed with the water poured over beans in the baking gives a fine flavor and makes the beans more easily digested.

Falling Bodies.
A falling body moves at the rate of thirty-two feet the first second of its drop, at sixty-four feet the next, ninety-six feet third, and so on, increasing thirty-two feet per second during each second of its fall.

Silent Cats.
In South America there is a race of cats to which "meowing" is an unlearned accomplishment.

Female Barons.
In only two cases have baronetcies been conferred on women in England. Once was in 1686 on the mother of General Cornelius Speelman; the other was Dame Maria Bolles, made so by Charles I.

Microscopic Life.
Even a bacillus, so small that the utmost powers of the microscope are taxed to render it visible, must have something to live on or it will perish.

Area of Hawaii.
The land area of Hawaii is 4,000,000 acres.

Your step has lost its elasticity because your blood has lost vitality, which Hood's Sarsaparilla will restore.

Honesty will succeed as a principle where it fails as a policy.

Grasse and Perfumes.
Grasse, even in the opinion of sober historians, would appear to be one of those towns which are predestined to commercial prosperity, and what is more, its inhabitants through the ages of its existence have shown themselves capable of benefiting by those gifts with which nature has been so prodigal. Omitting allusion to more remote periods, we have the authority of the historian Bouche for the statement that in 1180 all European countries provided themselves with soaps manufactured at Grasse; while the town was also famous for its oils. In 1420, as Massa informs us, its odorous essences, fine silk, exquisite fruits and renowned leathers were a source of great prosperity.

It may interest many to know that, according to the testimony of the greatest historical authority upon Grasse now living, nothing precise has as yet been discovered in the municipal archives relating to the origin of the perfumery works.—Gentlemen's Magazine.

Permanent Muscular Strength

There is this to be borne in mind in these days when so many young men are giving so much attention to physical development, in gymnastic and athletic exercises, that there cannot be permanent muscular strength where there is not blood strength. Hood's Sarsaparilla will give blood strength, promote digestion and assimilation, and build up the