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## The Existence of "Martians" Scouted.

Can it be that Mars is inhabited? The question, though not discussed very seriously of late, has doubtless been suggested again to many Torontonians by the play, "A Message from Mars," recently produced at one of the city theaters. Quite apropos, an article appears in the "Youth's Companion," by Professor Simon Newcomb, the celebrated astronomer, entitled, "Are Other Worlds Inhabited?" Speaking of Mars, Professor Newcomb, says:

"It was long supposed that the surface of this planet resembled our earth in every feature that we could discern with the telescope. The most curious analogy, and one of the first to be noticed, was in the existence of a brilliant white region round each pole of the planet, looking like a white cap. When the sun shone on the north pole the cap diminished, sometimes almost disappearing; when the pole was turned away from the sun the cap increased in extent. There would seem to be no doubt of the cause. Snow and ice are deposited in winter on the poles of Mars, as on the poles of the earth, and in summer these would melt away under the heat of the sun. Supposing this to be the case, it would seem that there must be an atmosphere on the planet with clouds and vapor, as there is around our globe. But the most recent observations, both with the telescope and spectroscopic, fail to show any well-marked signs of an atmosphere. The thinness of the air, if any clouds or vapor obscuring the surface, if an inhabitant of Mars should look on our earth with a telescope, he would frequently find large portions of the surface hidden from his sight by bright white clouds. Only when the clouds disappear here and there would he see the outlines of oceans and continents. But it seems that in Mars the outlines of its surface are always visible. Sometimes they appear more distinct than they do at other times, but this is probably due to the varying clearness of our own atmosphere. If there is air and no clouds on Mars, how can there be any vapors to condense round the poles? The answer is very simple. If there is any water on the surface of the planet, it would still evaporate very slowly, whether there was any air or not. This vapor would condense again on the colder portions round the poles. There could, however, be so little of the vapor that we could hardly suppose a great snowfall. Very likely the condensation may be little more than hoar frost. With our telescopes we can tell nothing about the thickness of the coat; the thinnest layer of frost on the surface would present the same appearance as the thickest ice-caps. It has also been suggested that some other substance than water might produce the white caps, carbonic acid, for example, which condenses into flakes like those of snow under very great cold. What we know of the subject may then be condensed into the simple statement that if Mars has any atmosphere at all, it is much rarer than that of our earth, and that if there is water on the planet, which is very likely, there is not enough of it to form extensive clouds in its very thin atmosphere. Every reader of astronomical literature has heard of the supposed canals on Mars. But these are not canals at all, but simply long streaks stretching from point to point on the planet, slightly darker than the rest of its surface. The most curious of these are the hundred miles in breadth to be visible as they are. They cannot possibly be the work of the inhabitants. At best they can only be darker regions on the surface."

### French Divorce.

The newspapers of Paris are devoting much space to a discussion of the contemplated reform of the French divorce law. It consists of three distinct propositions: first, that incompatibility of temperament be recognized as ground for divorce; second, that mutual consent be deemed sufficient; and third, that under certain conditions the formal and repeated demands of one of the parties be a valid cause for dissolution of the marriage contract. As the law now stands the only grounds for legal divorce are (1) adultery, which must be established by direct evidence, or else (2) conviction by the tribunals for heinous or infamous crimes, which carries with it in France the loss of all rights. Twenty-six years of investigation made since the present divorce laws, of 1876, came into operation show that seventy-five per cent. of the cases of conjugal separation are due to incompatibility of temperament, or, as the French put it, to "incompatibilité d'humeur." This, however, not being legally recognized as ground for divorce, the French lawyers have beaten the devil around the stump by a stratagem at once vulgar, meretricious, and immoral. This is what usually happens: A couple who live unhappily together, owing to uncongenial character or dispositions, and who both agree to unravel their matrimonial chains, come to an understanding and arrange a little comedy in which the leading parts are played by the husband and wife, by the commissary of police, by a municipal constable, by an obliging innkeeper, and, above all, by a complaisant epistoler or Bohemian bachelor, who makes a pretense of fulfilling the functions that in the United States would be equivalent to those of the corespondent. There are hundreds of men and women in Paris whose names are kept on the lists of the divorce lawyers who are only too eager to earn the customary fee of thirty francs, or six dollars, by assuming the ignoble role required of them. Several well-known influential United States, by common consent with their wives or husbands, have utilized in Paris this device for securing divorces. The scandal of this procedure, which complies with the letter of the law, but which eludes its spirit, and is contrary to the intention of the legislature, has at last become so flagrant that enlightened opinion in France demands that it be suppressed.

### Art Photography.

The new art photography is very attractive and a boon to the homely girl for which she will be eternally grateful, but it has its disadvantages. A man discovered the latter fact about a month ago, when he received the photograph of a beautiful creature whom he did not in the least recognize. He examined the likeness that was not a likeness by daylight, by gaslight and by the ghastly glare of an arc light. He looked at the handwriting on the cover, and it conveyed not an idea to his stupid masculine head. Then he gave it up.

"Blest if I know who it is," said he to himself, "but if I ever meet her my bachelor days are over, sure, for she's the prettiest thing ever."

Just last week after he'd cherished a photo of his unknown admirer for a good fortnight, he met his second cousin on the street.

Now, his second cousin is a very amiable young woman, but she isn't in the way of being beautiful, and when she greeted him with—

"Well, Fritz, why haven't you acknowledged the photograph I was good enough to send you?" the man was staggered.

"I never received it, that's why," said he. "I'd love to have a likeness of you, Mab, but you've never sent me one."

"I have sent you one, nearly a month ago, taken in my bridesmaid's gown and with a big chiffon hat on. Now, don't tell me you never received it, for I'm sure you did, and have forgotten."

"Was that you?" exclaimed the man, and then he felt that this was among the thinnest of left unsaid, and he weakly hedged.

"Course I got it," said he. "I just wanted to jolly you a bit. Splendid of you, too."

"What did the man do to her?" he asked his sister half an hour later. "I declare to you I'd never recognize her in the world."

"Well, he drew a line down her nose to make it look less—er—well, less reticent, and really I think it's a very creditable work of art. I'm going to him myself."

The man didn't say a word, but he made up his mind to something, and when people show him a photograph of "my lovely niece down South," or "my sister, who's the beauty of Denver," he glances at it curiously and then he says gently, "It's a very pretty picture, but I should like to see the original."

## A Cosmopolitan Crowd.

In the absence of the King, the attention of London has turned to the picturesque delegates of royalty from the far corners of the earth who are now in the metropolis. "Never have the streets of London presented so cosmopolitan an appearance," says a London correspondent; "the events of the nation from the furthest quarters of the earth have been exploring the empire's capital. Black, yellow and brown faces, surmounting gaudy, fantastic costumes, are met everywhere. Muffled gibbering and a soft, monotonous patter of feet are heard, and one turns to see a big burly figure in a short, heavy blue coat, under which is suspended a kind of linen apron drawn close around the hips and reaching to the knee, while below are a pair of ebony legs and huge, bare feet. After him come some twenty more, all smiling and chattering, and all similarly attired, each of them carrying a small rattan cane tucked under the right arm in the fashion popular with Tommies. These picturesque men are merely the Fiji police, come to London to do honor to their emperor. Then there are splendid native soldiers, in their picturesque turbans, or puggarees, and glittering buttons. With black, shifting eyes, they stride along like kings, and to tell the truth, the average London man who walks near them seems ridiculously insignificant. These fighting men, devoid of much that civilization is supposed to add, are superb in their indifference to the gaping crowds. There are also little men from Japan in top-hats; frocked men with round button-like hats from China; skirled and coiffured men from Ceylon; spectacled and much-withered men from the remote Straits Settlements, looking, every-complexioned, like an array of white robes and pink or red turbans, stout, black-frokked Bengalees, with no head-covering at all; and men from every British colony or dependency, as well as almost every other nation in the world.

"The princes from India, however, have given London its greatest treat. Swathed in costly silks and satins, wearing beautiful turbans bedecked with priceless jewels, they have been the sensation for London's highest as well as its lowest society. Never has a more glittering body of men been seen on horseback than the group of princes who, behind the Prince of Wales, when he reviewed the military contingents from the Indian Empire, and rode through their stolid, impassive ranks. Only quick, stealthy glances betrayed the fact that they were alive and not automata. These princes were seen to better advantage at the reception given in their honor by Earl and Countess Roberts. The scene was brilliant, the dresses and jewels worn by the princes far outshining the lovely dresses and tiaras of the ladies present. A most delightful air of friendliness prevailed, rajahs conversing most willingly and pleasantly with guests, among them many Anglo-Indians renewing happy acquaintances and recalling pleasant associations. The most impressive figure, perhaps, was that of Colonel Sir Pertab Singh, in uniform of white, laced with gold cords, wearing a turquoise blue turban, with a fawn sash.

The most striking of these was the Maharajah of Jeypour and his followers, whose velvet robes were gold-trimmed, and from whose turbans hung bunches of jewels. Their dignified bearing suggested something distinctly biblical. The historic Maharajah Sindia of Gwalior wore a white frock narrowly edged with red. His quaintly-shaped turban was red. His necklaces of pearls were worth an emperor's ransom. There were four rows of big round pearls, then a row of long pear-shaped beauties, some more than an inch long and shaped in proportion. The Sultan of Perak wore a dark blue cloth uniform, with the ribbons of the various orders. His black satin head-dress blazed with the finest diamonds set in most graceful design."

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A correspondent unable to get the required information out of the books at his command, asks us to decide as to the "correctness or incorrectness or otherwise," of addressing an Alderman as "Alderman J. Smith, Esq." We should say such an address is "otherwise." An Alderman may be an esquire and an esquire an Alderman, but it is hardly necessary to give him both titles on his envelope. Germany is a slave to professional prefix, which is claimed even by the wives of unimportant officials. In England Alderman Smith signs himself simply, "John Smith," and gives no clue to the stranger as to his municipal glory. We should counsel addressing John Smith, Esq.—London Chronicle.

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