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NURSING BRITAIN'S BIG GUNS

Anyone who has caught a glimpse of the big guns mounted in the forts and batteries around the coast of Great Britain will doubtless have noticed that the mechanism about the breech and carriage is always kept bright and clean. However, few people are aware of the great trouble which is necessarily taken to keep these weapons in a serviceable condition, more especially when close to the sea and in exposed position, says Pearson's Weekly.

Many defects occur which, if not provided against, would quickly render them either inaccurate in their shooting or dangerous to fire from. The wear and tear due to firing with high explosives, and the erosion caused by sea spray and atmospheric influences, are the most important of these.

When mounted, each gun with its carriage is placed in charge of a gunner of the Royal Artillery, whose duty it is to keep it clean and in working order.

At the end of each day's firing the gun is carefully washed out, and, as soon as it is dry, is oiled. Where cordite is used the bore has also to be coated with mineral jelly; while, if not in frequent use, the interior is lacquered with a composition of lead, lampblack, and raw oil.

Guns, again, have frequently to be scraped and painted, and for this it is necessary to dismount them. They are always painted in colors which harmonize with the natural background and surroundings and in most cases are quite invisible a few yards away, this, of course, is done with a view to concealing them as much as possible from the enemy in case of attack.

When one remembers that the larger land defence guns are effective at a range of from eight to ten miles, and that modern explosives are practically smokeless, the difficulty experienced by an enemy in locating them will be easily understood.

When a gun and its carriage are issued from the Royal Arsenal, a history sheet, known as the "Memorandum of Examination," accompanies them.

This gives a full description of each with particulars of manufacture. In it is recorded a complete history of the gun from the date of manufacture, until it is finally disposed of as unserviceable.

Details of all rounds fired, of examinations of bore, and of any alterations made to sights of fittings in order to bring them up to date are also recorded. Particular attention is paid to the record of rounds fired, as after a certain number, varying with the size of the gun, the bore must be examined to ascertain whether the rifling is being worn by the firing, or whether the gun is cracked, and, therefore, dangerous to fire from.

This examination is carried out by specially trained artificers, who obtain gutta serena impressions of the carter's where damage is discovered. These impressions are sent to Woolwich for inspection by experts, by whom the gun may be "sentenced"—that is, pronounced either fit for further use or otherwise.

As the "life" of a gun will only permit of some 200 or 300 rounds being fired from it before it is worn out, as few as possible are, naturally, fired in peace time, in order that men may be trained in its use, a tube, the bore of which is one inch in diameter, and which is known as an "Aiming Rifle," is fitted to the inside of the gun exactly in the centre. By this means firing with miniature ammunition is carried out, thus saving both the wear of the gun and the expense of the larger ammunition.

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the slightest fault in either of these may make a very great difference in the accuracy of the shooting.

The hydraulic buffer, which controls the recoil, also requires constant and careful attention. The liquid in the cylinder is frequently measured, for should it at any time fall below the regulation quantity, the result might be a serious and possibly fatal accident.

As a rule all bright fittings are removed when not in use, and are oiled and placed in a store provided for the purpose. The breech is covered with a water-proof covering, and a "tampon" placed in the muzzle.

When guns become unserviceable, they are either presented to local authorities for ornamental purposes, or used by the Royal Engineers as hold-fasts, or, in a few cases, thrown into the sea.

BABY'S GREAT DANGER DURING HOT WEATHER

More little lives are lost during the hot weather than at any other time of the year. Diarrhoea, dysentery, cholera infantum and stomach troubles come without warning, and when a medicine is not at hand to give promptly the short delay too frequently means that the child has passed beyond all.

During the hot weather months Baby's Own Tablets should be kept in every home where there are small children. An occasional dose of the Tablets will prevent stomach and bowel troubles. Or if the trouble comes unawares the prompt use of this medicine will bring the child through safely. Mrs. J. Renard, New Glasgow, Que., writes: "One of my children had a severe attack of diarrhoea. I gave Baby's Own Tablets promptly. I know of no medicine so good for stomach and bowel troubles." Sold by medicine dealers or by mail at 25 cents a box from The Williams Medical Co., Brockville, Ont.

FIRST CABLE LAID FIFTY YEARS AGO

Fifty years ago this August the first Atlantic cable was laid. The event was celebrated in St. John by the Mayor, who was then W. O. Smith, proclaiming a public holiday. E. A. Fotheringham, the elder, was the chief speaker at the time. He sent the first message to Queen Victoria as follows: " glory be to God on High, and on earth peace and good will toward men."

Rev. William Ferris, who was pastor of St. David's Church, wrote the following poem:

"The cable is laid and the ocean is spanned and Old Ireland is united to Newfoundland."

And Anglin in the Freeman made the occasion of fun of poor Ferris on the occasion.

IT WASN'T SUCH A WARM MONTH

To many the month of July appeared somewhat of a scorcher, but on the whole the average temperature for the month was 61, which is about the same as for the month of August.

The maximum temperature during the month was 84 1-2. This was on Monday, the sixth of the month. The minimum temperature registered was on Tuesday, the 23th.

The first half of the month was unusually dry and sunny. The total rainfall was 2.93 inches and of this amount 2.11 inches fell on Saturday the 13th and the two days following.

The rainfall for the month of July in 1907 was 4.33 inches. The past month was noted for the large number of forest fires and at the time these were raging it was believed by all to be the warmest summer for many years.

The rain figures show that as a whole the weather has been fine.

ONE OF LONDON'S SIGHTS.

Crystal Palace to be Demolished.

Or Turned into a National Institution.

The Government Being Asked to Subsidize it.

LONDON, July 21.—A serious crisis has arrived in the affairs of the Crystal Palace, which opened at Sydenham by Queen Victoria and the Prince Consort in 1851, and since that date has entertained fully 200,000,000 persons. The pros and cons for the demolition or perpetuation of the institution are now being discussed at the Mansion House.

Those in favor of preserving the building say that it should be turned into a national institution for arts and science and that its "side shows" should be abolished and that the land as well as the Imperial government might be asked to aid in maintaining it. On the other hand it is urged that it has never been a financial success; that the means of access are unsatisfactory; that it is a private venture; that neither the city nor the National government would aid it, and that if its site became residential property it would be much more remunerative.

The new manager of the Crystal Palace, George O. Starr, who for thirty years was connected with P. T. Barnum, believes in retaining the palace in the interests of the arts and sciences. He believes it can be made into a great Imperial institution. "In the Roman court, for instance," he says, "you have replicas of all the most famous statues in the Vatican and the Vatican is then Pope. Art students who otherwise would have to go to Italy can study there. Again our School of Music is too widely known to need any praise from me. For these, among other reasons, I think it is the duty of the nation to subsidize what is after all a national institution and preserve it for other generations besides the two it has served."

NORSE STYLE IS THE LATEST FAD IN FURNITURE

We haven't any totem poles or accompanying highly-colored fringed decorations in front of our houses, as yet. We will come to it, in time. Our taste is not sufficiently developed in the matter of Alaskan works of art, but we may yet attend opera in Haida headgear and adopt new fetiches to worship.

There are times when everything in a house looks the hue of indigo. We are about to learn that this illusion is not due to indigo or slumps in the money market, and that our eyes do not deceive us when our furniture appears blue.

We will also be able to prove, by the dry state of the country in general, that the snake which rears its head to meet the home-comer in the small hours of morning are not the ones to be met with "comin' thro' the rye," but merely favorite decorations upon furniture which we have adopted as wholly fashionable, and, therefore, satisfactory—serpents and all.

MYTHS OF VIKINGS.

The latest fad in furniture is conducted in a quiet and unobtrusive way. It is not a matter of pride to be seen in lodge members and ciner-out. Its effect would be fearful to contemplative persons in a frivolous spirit. We have gone back a trifle over a thousand years for our latest fancy in furniture and interior decoration.

The myths of the Vikings are wrought upon our chairs and tables. We will soon learn the difference between a wooden settee and a "high seat," and feel like a king, or at the least, a mighty jarl, while stretched at ease (such as may be achieved upon the soft side of a piano) upon one.

We will learn the story of heroic King Gunnar in the snake pit, for our "high seat" post and arms will fairly bristle with it, and serpent heads at the corners will proclaim it. We will be inspired to deeds of valor by gazing upon warriors, on horseback and on foot, slaying the dragon, and will realize that the Gods had the dragon slaughtered centuries before England came to put a whack at him, and had wrought dragon heads over their furniture in commemoration of the same feat to establish their claim to the deed.

When our pianolas and graphophones are put to rest, the same old, same old of the Nibelung Ring we can draw up our blue Norwegian chairs and peer round at the back upon Erythrid (which is Norse for Brunhilde) holding the enchanted ring and make wild guesses which of the struggling warriors she will bestow it upon.

SAGAS IN CHAIR RUNES.

Rune inscriptions are wrought upon the backs and sides of our Norwegian chairs. We can't read them, but we know they are taken from the "Volunga Saga" and the other Sagas, upon which the courts of the Vikings depended for news, amusement and enlightenment, and when we gaze upon the sleek and staid and then handed in quenching the thirst of Norsemen we do not marvel that so many snakes were wrought into their narratives.

We who can afford it will hang an ancient Bayeux tapestry back of the richly wrought high seats and note that the furniture worn by warriors on the field is similar to those worn in the tapestry. Did weavers and carvers in the year 800 or 900 A. D. commemorate the same battles, or did the warriors of the lowlands whip their enemies and keep the captured helmets for centuries afterward and then copy them as their own. Who can tell?

Apparently Norwegians and Swedes somewhere back in the year 800 or so had little to occupy them. When not busy carving up their enemies they carved wood. Some of the latter carving is two inches deep. The format that inches deep. The format that inches deep. The format that inches deep.

BEAUTIFUL BRIDAL CHAIRS.

Considering the fact that this people wrought their history, mythology, literature, religion and all their interior carvings upon these articles, no wonder the carving is so intricate as to be impossible to the wood-carver nowadays, even among their descendants. A carved foot shelf in front of a great deal more stenciled work than carving in relief upon furniture of the same character, and even the stenciled work is very old.

There are bridal chairs made so long ago as to be dateless, yet they illustrate that the bride of a forgotten age had the same ambitions and the bridegroom the same pretensions to meet that contrast brides and bridegrooms of today.

Upon the posts, back and arms of a bridal chair are carved types of hat worn at that date. "Merry Widows" were not among them, and that fact indicates that we are original in some respects. A carved foot shelf in front of the chair is as decorative as it is comfortable and inviting. Many a maid might have willingly joined her fate to a fringed gold Goh for the sake of a chair of such beauty and ease.

SACRED EMBLEMS.

Norwegian chairs of a period from 800 to 900 A. D. have sides supporting arms that curve beautifully up into the back of the chair, which itself is curved. Runic slats across the back are to be the favorite number, and they are beautifully formed and are set upright at intervals between the hands of beautiful carving and stencil work. The ends of the back and arm posts are usually finished differently.

A carved globe—which has a mystic significance—is a favorite finish to arm posts, while snake and dragon heads are popular adornments to back posts, as well as to arms. Sometimes these terminated in birds, bats or monsters, as well as an odd-shaped dog.

Friday and Saturday Specials.

Our week-end sales are proving a big success for the simple reason that what we offer are bargains. This week we have something for men and boys.

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"Why?" he responded, with some warmth. "Because I was tired of being the doorbell every time he passed to ask if the colonel was in!"—London Telegraph.