

LUCK OF TWO GENERALS

FRENCH AND HAIG WERE NEARLY DROWNED.

Earlier Incidents in the Career of Two Men Who Are Succeeding in European Campaign.

A lucky escape from drowning by two English officers during the Boer War probably is responsible for such success as so far has been achieved by the British expeditionary force now fighting against the Kaiser's legions in France.

During the fighting in South Africa, on the day of General Cronje's memorable surrender, a British general started to ford a stream. The raging torrent frightened his horse, which reared, slipped and fell. The general was flung into the water. His assistant adjutant general rushed to the rescue. His charger, too, became frightened by the water and fell.

For a moment the lives of both the general and his right-hand man were in imminent jeopardy, for the two men were entangled in the trappings of their horses. But by great good luck they wriggled themselves free, swam desperately for shore, and reached it exhausted.

One Was General French.

The first of these two men who came near to losing their lives on that eventful day was General French, the second was Colonel Haig. If these two had been drowned, the position of affairs in the western theatre of war to-day would be very different from what it is. For it was French who managed that astounding retreat from Mons, and who kept the Germans out of Calais; and it is Haig who, after French, has gained more personal glory in the European war than any other British general.

Haig's rise to fame has been a brilliant dash. He holds the record for promotion among cavalry officers, having risen in eight years from captain to major-general. So rapid has been his ascent that he has been called the "luckiest man in the British Army," and the phrase "Haig's luck" has become almost a proverb among soldiers. But "luck" is an unfair word in the present case. Shakespeare says that "there is a tide in the affairs of men, which, taken at the flood, leads on to fortune." Haig has always known how to take the tide of his affairs at the flood, and that is one of the reasons why he is a great leader of soldiers.

Was Declared Color-Blind.

It is not a little startling to reflect to-day that, thanks to the red-tape of the authorities, we nearly lost Haig as an officer altogether. As a young man he applied for entry to the staff college. The examiners, however, declared that, though he was physically as fit as a fiddle, he was also color-blind; and they rejected him forthwith. Haig's way, however, is not the sit-down-and-take-it-smiling way. It is, rather, as a writer has put it, the up-guards-and-at-'em way, and Haig set about getting the verdict of the examiners reversed. He went to London and to Paris, and to every likely centre, for advice, and eventually he went to the commander-in-chief himself—a bold thing for a young man to do—and laid his case before him. The result was that he was given a special order without delay, and, despite his terrible infirmity of color-blindness—which was in reality very slight—was admitted to the college.

In 1885 Haig joined the 7th Hussars. He first smelt powder in the Sudan campaign of 1898, when Kitchener, avenged General Gordon and took Khartoum. Kitchener very quickly formed a high opinion of the young man's capabilities, and entrusted him with the final cavalry reconnaissances before the battles of Atbara and Khartoum. He was mentioned in despatches for his efficiency, and the phrase "Haig's luck" began to gain currency.

Boer War Brings Promotion.

Then came the Boer War. Haig was quickly appointed to Natal as assistant adjutant-general of cavalry, and at Elandslaagte it was largely due to his able assistance that General French handled his men so beautifully, and timed and kept the whole operation so well in hand.

So valuable a helper did Haig prove himself on this occasion that when French was recalled to Cape Town he took Sir Douglas with him to act as his chief staff officer. In this capacity Haig distinguished himself during the operations at Colberg, where he acted by turns, as he himself has stated, as "commander-in-chief and office boy." Haig won two medals and nine clasps, altogether, in South Africa, and among the many honors given him on his return was that of extra side-de-camp to King Edward. His medals are so numerous that only what is called a "swanker" in popular parlance would wear them all simultaneously.

A woman's work is never finished if she is trying to reform some man.

SPRING IMPURITIES IN THE BLOOD

A Tonic Medicine is a Necessity at this Season

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People are an all year round tonic, blood-builder and nerve-restorer. But they are especially valuable in the spring when the system is loaded with impurities as a result of the indoor life of the winter months. There is no other season when the blood is so much in need of purifying and enriching, and every dose of these Pills helps to make new, rich, red blood. In the spring one feels weak and tired—Dr. Williams' Pink Pills develop the appetite, tone the stomach and aid weak digestion. It is in the spring that poisons in the blood find an outlet in disfiguring pimples, eruptions and boils—Dr. Williams' Pink Pills speedily clear the skin because they go to the root of the trouble in the blood. In the spring anemia, rheumatism, indigestion, neuralgia, erysipelas and many other troubles are most persistent because of poor, weak blood, and it is at this time when all nature takes on new life that the blood must seriously needs attention. Some people dose themselves with purgatives at this season, but these only further weaken themselves. A purgative merely gallops through the system, emptying the bowels, but it does not cure anything. On the other hand Dr. Williams' Pink Pills actually make new blood, which reaches every nerve and organ in the body, bringing new strength, new health and vigor to weak, easily tired men, women and children. Try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills this spring—they will not disappoint you.

You can get these health-renewing Pills through any medicine dealer or by mail post paid at 50 cents a box or six boxes for \$2.50 from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

KITCHENER'S WAY.

Secretary of War Will Not Stand for Unreasonable Acts.

A certain well-known English firm recently obtained a large contract from the War Office. To ensure it being carried out on time, it was necessary for the workpeople to work overtime. This they were perfectly willing to do, being paid at union rates.

After a few days the secretary of the trade union called upon the head of the firm concerned, and advised him that unless the overtime was stopped all the "hands" would be called out. As there seemed no way out of it the employer concerned went to the War Office and succeeded in seeing Lord Kitchener, and placed all the particulars before him.

Lord Kitchener asked for the name and address of the trade union man, and said: "Be here tomorrow at 11 o'clock." At that time the next day Mr. — was admitted into Lord Kitchener's presence, the trade union man being also there.

The following conversation then took place:

Lord Kitchener: "Now, Mr. —, kindly repeat what you told me yesterday as briefly as you can."

Mr. — did so.

Turning to the trade union man Lord K. said: "Mr. —, are these facts as stated?"

"Yes, my lord; but it is strictly against our rules to—"

Lord Kitchener: "Are the facts right?"

"Yes, my lord; but—"

Lord Kitchener: "If you call those people out on strike I will get you seven years under the Treason Act for preventing the supplying of His Majesty's forces. Good morning, gentlemen."

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Startling Answers.

Mr. Brown has just had a telephone put in connecting his office and house, and was very much pleased with it.

"I tell you the telephone is a wonderful thing. I want you to dine with me this evening, and I will notify Mrs. Brown to expect you." Speaking through the telephone "My friend, Smith, will dine with us this evening." Then listen and hear how plain her reply comes back with startling distinctness:

"Ask your friend, Smith, if he thinks we keep a hotel."

PARIS OF EASTERN EUROPE.

Warsaw Has Many Interesting and Some Beautiful Buildings.

Warsaw, the chief city of Russian Poland, which the Germans have made no less than three brave but unsuccessful attempts to capture, was originally not a Polish city at all. When we first hear of it in the ninth century, it was the residence of the Dukes of Mazovia, and Mazovia did not belong to Poland until 1596, although the inhabitants of both regions were probably of the same stock. Not long after 1596, however, Lithuania, which is the region that lies to the eastward of Prussia, was also united to Poland; and Warsaw, because it was more centrally situated than Cracow, the capital of old Poland, or Vilno, the chief city of Lithuania, became the capital of the enlarged kingdom. Such it remained through the century when Poland was at the height of its power, and through the years of its humiliation that led to its downfall.

When Poland was divided among the nations, Russia got possession of Warsaw; but singularly enough, in 1795, the city was handed over to Prussia, which is now fighting so hard to get hold of it again. Napoleon delivered Warsaw from the hands of the Germans, and made it the capital city of an independent duchy. But the duchy did not last long. After the failure of Napoleon's Moscow campaign, Russia again overran the country, and reasserted a sovereignty that has never been successfully challenged—although the Poles have never acquiesced in it.

The riots and uprisings that have disturbed the city during the last century have been many. The most tragic was that of 1863, which not only failed to restore the independence of Poland, but which brought down on the unhappy Poles the most terrible punishment and the loss of whatever shreds of nationality had been left to them. Only ten years ago, too, there were fresh disorders and a good deal of bloodshed, the only result of which was the further repression of Polish spirit by Russian authority.

Warsaw, in spite of its vicissitudes and misfortunes, has always been prosperous. It is the natural centre of a large and productive region. It stands on a great navigable river—the Vistula—and business has inevitably flowed in upon it. It has increased its population during the last century from 125,000 to 900,000. One-third of that number are Jews. It is a great centre for manufactures in iron and steel, leather clothing, tobacco, sugar, and objects of art. As the chief city of a numerous, cultivated, and enterprising people, it is well built, with many handsome public squares and gardens; and the animation and charm of its social life have led its admirers to speak of it as "The Paris of Eastern Europe." No other Russian city has the attractiveness and "modishness" of Warsaw. Petersburg is gloomy; Moscow is cold and half Oriental; Warsaw is a busy beautiful modern city.

It has a university, but the natural growth of that institution has been much interfered with by the Russians. They suppressed it entirely from 1832 to 1863, and then refused to permit its professors to teach in Polish. By insisting on making it wholly a Russian university, they have alienated the support of the Poles without gaining for it the attendance of many desirable Russians. It is, however, much resorted to by the Jews.

Among the interesting and beautiful buildings are the old royal palace, begun several centuries ago by the Mazovian dukes; the Church of the Holy Ghost, in which lies buried the heart of Chopin, the musician; the Church of the Transfiguration, which John Sobieski built in commemoration of his victory over the Turks in 1683, and in which his heart lies buried; the ancient Cathedral of Saint John; the town hall, and the national Polish Theatre. In the old part of the town, the narrow, crooked streets and quaint old buildings, not unlike those in some of the more interesting German towns, are fascinating. The most interesting thing about the city, however, is the Lazienki Gardens, which were laid out by King Stanislas Poniatowski in an old river bed of the Vistula. The gardens stand at the end of a tree-lined avenue—the chief promenade and "show street" of the city. They contain numerous villas, an open-air theatre, and an elegant little palace, which is the summer residence of the governor-general of Poland.

His Occupation.

"My friend," said the solemn man, "have you ever done aught to make the community in which you live the better for your living in it?"

"I have done much, sir," replied the other humbly, "to purify the homes of my fellow-beings."

"Ah," continued the solemn man, with a heaved air, "you distribute tracts!"

"No; I clean carpets."

When a man comes to count his riches he usually discovers that most of those he prizes best are not convertible into cash.

They're Popular In Nova Scotia

WHY DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS ARE A HOUSEHOLD REMEDY.

People Have Learned From Long Experience that by Curing the Kidney Ills They Benefit the Entire Body.

Spry Harbor, Halifax Co., N.S., March 22 (Special).—"I have taken a couple of boxes of Dodd's Kidney Pills and have received great benefit from them. They are certainly a fine pill for anyone suffering from kidney trouble." So says Mrs. Alex. E. Nichey, and she speaks the sentiments of a large number of the women of Nova Scotia.

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THE HEALTHFUL ORANGE.

"An apple a day keeps the doctor away," is an old adage, and the same may be said of the orange, as it has an equally fine effect on the entire system.

If one is inclined to acidity of the stomach, the juice of an orange is a counter irritant. If the stomach is weak the juice of an orange before breakfast is an excellent tonic for the entire day. If one is declining to reduce, one or two oranges eaten at noon will nourish, fill the aching void in the stomach, and reduce rather than add to the weight.

An orange always quenches the thirst, and in travelling it is much safer to eat an orange than to drink stale water. A hot orange-ade before going to bed on a cold night warms the entire body and soothes the nervous system. The peel of an orange thrown into a hot tub softens the water to the extent that the whole body benefits by it. For cleansing the face soak a bit of orange peel in a basin of warm water, then go carefully over the face with the peel; afterwards rinse in the water in which the peel was soaked. It is far more cleansing than cold cream, and never promotes the growth of hair. Orange peel if soaked over night tinges the water with yellow, making it excellent for washing chambray or doeking gloves, as in uncolored water they soon become too white. By the way, doeking gloves are a great economy, as they wear wonderfully well and wash better than the soiled pairs, rubbing until the dirt disappears, but do not rinse in fresh water, as the soap keeps doeking soft.

FOOD QUESTION

Settled with Perfect Satisfaction. It's not an easy matter to satisfy all the members of the family at meal time, as every housewife knows.

And when the husband can't eat ordinary food without causing trouble, the food question becomes doubly annoying.

My husband's health was poor. He had no appetite for anything I could get for him, it seemed.

He suffered severely with stomach trouble, was hardly able to work, was taking medicine continually, and as soon as he would feel better would go to work again, only to give up in a few weeks.

One day, seeing an advertisement about Grape-Nuts, I got wise and he tried it for breakfast the next morning.

"We all thought it was pretty good although we had no idea of using it regularly. But when my husband came home at night he asked for Grape-Nuts."

"It was the same next day and I had to get it right along, because when we would get to the table the question, 'Have you any Grape-Nuts?' was a regular thing. So I began to buy it by the dozen pkgs."

"My husband's health began to improve right along. I sometimes felt offended when I'd make something I thought he would like for a change, and still hear the same old question, 'Have you any Grape-Nuts?'"

"He got so well that for the last two years he has hardly lost a day from his work, and we are still using Grape-Nuts."

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Choosing Her Husband.

A well-known London magistrate, who has just retired from the bench, has a great repertoire of good stories. His favorite one relates to a case in which he appears as counsel. In the course of this case he had to cross-examine the wife of a notorious burglar. "You are the wife of this man?" he asked. "I am," she replied. "You knew he was a burglar when you married him?" he proceeded. "I did," she admitted. "How could you possibly marry such a man?" the magistrate demanded. "Well," she was like this, the witness explained confidentially. "I was getting old, and two claps wanted to marry me. It wasn't easy to choose between 'm, but in the end I married that man there. The other chap was a lawyer, same as you, sir."

Clever.

"Darling," whispered the ardent suitor, "I lay my fortune at your feet."

"Your fortune?" she replied in surprise. "I didn't know you had one."

"Well, it isn't much of a fortune, but it will look large beside those tiny feet."

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British Needs.

Great Britain in 1913 imported 2,395,363 bushels of wheat and flour from Germany, Austria and Turkey; 6,663,300 bushels of barley from the same countries, and 11,273,459 bushels of oats from Germany alone. Great Britain's total import of wheat in the past decade has been 216,843,300 bushels, of which Canada supplied less than a fourth. Of barley in 1913 Canada supplied about one-ninth of 52,325,245 bushels, and of oats an eighth of 59,829,950 bushels. Will she do better this year?

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Hard on Them.

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Minard's Liniment Relieves Neuralgia.

A Bit Mixed.

Bobby—My uncle Sam keeps squabs. Do you know what squabs are? Tommy—Yes, I do. It's what the Innjuns call their wives.

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WATCH BRITISH SUBMARINES

Give Them a Chance and They'll Show What They Can Do.

The British submarines, if they get the chance, will give as good an account of themselves as have the Germans, says a writer in *Everybody's Magazine*. They are in the hands of the "young ones," who are full of gimp and enthusiasm, a brotherhood of daredevils, cousins of those in the destroyers.

The British submarine B-11, passed under five rows of mines in the Dardanelles and sinking the old bucket Messoudiyeh, did only a part of a day's work.

Looking for game, the British "subs" have pushed their snouts way up in the Baltic, even to the Russian coast. And one from the Harwich flotilla came plumb up to the chain-slung gates of the Kiel Canal.

The naval game of secrecy is played to its limit regarding the action of submarines. At the beginning of the war, when the first British submarine came into its base at Harwich flying the skull and crossbones flag, indicating that an enemy's ship had been sunk, the crew and some of the officers described in detail how their torpedoes had gone home. The admiralty discouraged that kind of conversation by threatening no shore liberty if any member of the crew dared to open his face. Now officers don't even declare that a ship is hollow.

Death Nearly Claimed New Brunswick Lady

Was Restored to Her Anxious Family When Hope Had Gone.

St. John, N.B., Dec. 15th.—At one time it was feared that Mrs. J. Grant, of 3 White St. would succumb to the deadly ravages of advanced kidney trouble. "My first attacks of backache and kidney trouble began years ago. For six years that dull gnawing pain has been present. When I exerted myself it was terribly intensified. If I caught cold the pain was unendurable. I used most everything, but nothing gave that certain grateful relief that came from Dr. Hamilton's Pills of Mandrake and Butternut. Instead of being bowed down with pain, to-day I am strong, enjoy splendid appetite, sleep soundly. Lost properties have been instilled into my blood, cheeks are rosy with color, and I thank that day that I heard of so grand a medicine as Dr. Hamilton's Pills." Every woman should use these pills regularly because good health pays, and it's good, vigorous health that comes to all who use Dr. Hamilton's Mandrake and Butternut Pills.

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