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On November 29 Edinburgh honored down (cheers), and I think it would in-the Marquis of Dufferin and Lord terest you if I take you a step further on what remains, in consequence of that event, for us to do in the Soudan. 1 Kitchener by conferring on them the freedom of the city, while an additional 'think all agree that our first task will honor was bestowed on Lord Kitchener by the university. In the evening they were entertained by the Lord Provost to which it has fallen to our lot to be rewere entertained by the Lord Provost to a banquet, attended by about 400 noblesponsible for administering.

Lord Rosebery, in proposing the toast of "The Youngest Burgesses," said: "To-night we have to drink the health of two representatives of the servents of the representatives of the servants of the Queen, who, I think, as specimens of very large civilizing element. (Hear, hear.) At the same time we wish to what I may call the armed and unarmed servants of the Queen, could not be surprevent, as far as we can, the introduc passed in Great Britain. (Cheers.) As tion with trade of those pernicious adjuncts, the liquor traffic and dishonest dealings with natives, which too freto Lord Dufferin, we have known all about him for a good number of years. quently in new countries accompany it. (Cheers.) We shall have to introduce There is no civil servant of the Queen who has for so considerable a number of Cheers.) or establish government administration to those districts. We shall have to give years-because he began very young (a laugh)-filled so large a part of the atiustice to the people. We shall have to (Cheers.) No tention of the country. (Cheers.) No man has had, owing to his readiness to serve the public wherever he might be called on to do 30-no man has had so cosmonolitan an experience. From the tention of the country. cosmopolitan an experience. From the Lebanon to Iceland and from Canada to to be safeguarded, and we shall have Burmah he has served his country, he to teach the inhabitants that they must develop their industrial habits in order to help to pay for the administration. has gone in the public service or in pursuit of knowledge. I have had the great pleasure of being his guest at two vice-regal courts—in Canada and in India tary regulations (hear, hear.) and they and I have had, further, the great plea-sure of being associated with him when lowed to rob of do acts of violence amongst each other (hear, hear); and he was an ambassador and I was at the if they follow our guidance in this matforeign office, and we together had to fight some tough fights. (Cheers.)

ter they may rest assured the govern-ment will leave them alone in undisturb The Future of the Soudan. possession of their properties and After speaking in high terms of Gen. their ancient rights. Kitchener, Lord Rosebery continued: The Gordon The Gordon College. But I believe that this great general It is here that I should wish to see understands his achievement better than the English race step in and give what the government cannot afford to provide all of us do. He understands that what he has done is not the end, but the be--namely, education to the children of hese poor people, who have suffered (Cheers.) Great as that feat ginning. of arms is, it is only a part of what the during 13 years an almost indescribable nquest of the Sirdar represents. We oppression. They are an intelligent race, have to remember that where his arms entirely uneducated. The Mahdi, like every Oriental despot, put his face firmhave been victorious there was formerly a civilization, not as perfect as our civilly against any form of instruction that ization, but, relatively to the savagery would enlighten his people, and I of those tribes, a remarkable civilization. assure you they would take advantage. There was the telegraph wire, there means were placed at their disif the the means of civilized communicawere posal, and highly appreciate education tion, there was government, not perfect, it were given to their children. 1 do but still, as compared with savage gov-ernment, perfect. All that was swept not mean to be understood to advocate that education should always be free in the Soudan. I think that as the country a flood of barbarism. He has away by he has put an end to that stemmed prospers, and I feel sure it will prosper, the people will be able to pay for the education of their children, and I merely food. His main service, perhaps, in the past will be considered to be that he has put an end to the greatest centre of the propose that by the formation of a Gorslave trade in Africa and an end to the lon Memorial college at Khartoum cheers), conducted on English lines by most fell tyranny that possibly ever ex-isted on the face of the earth. (Cheers.) English masters, we should give to these people the nucleus of education round But on the ratio of the entrie. (checks.) But on the ruins of the anarchy we must, or he must for us, build a nobler structure. (Cheers.) We are not once again going to relinquish that country which future developments will grow. By this gift we should in some way pay a debt that we owe. barbarism. (Loud cheers.) Our task -and I admit to those who cavil at our Much might be said of how Gordon task that there is no material advantage to be gained from it, or, at any rate, not for a long time to come—our task is the would have rejoiced had he known that by his death the blessing of education would be given to the people that he task of our Empire all over the world, not merely to erect a standard of civit loved and among whom he died. (Cheers.) Much might be said of what this gift will do to abolish fanaticism and slavery, but here, speaking to a hard-headed government for those who have not hitherto had that standard, but to enable the people gradually, at a long distance, perhaps, but in time, at any rate, to Scotch audience, I can only say I would like to remark that if you had left you take some part in their own administra-tion and to have a distinctive share in years uncultivated you would have to the moulding of their own future. spend something on tilling the ground Jeint ennit: R. G. Grenell, who was lying spend something on tilling the ground before you could reap the harvest (hear, hear), and to all those who spend lare sums in advertising their goods surely it must occur that it would be a benefit to them if they spent money in teaching the inhabitants of this new market which had been opened to read their ad-vertisements. (Laughter.) And you must remember that if you do not ether c.te those people somebody else will (hear, hear), and will implant upon their greatest difficulties that we may have to overcome in the country. To form a cot-think it could be well done for less, and if it would be necessary. I don think it could be well done for less, and if it would be necessary. I donot think if eolloge were not started on some such permanent foundation as that, I feel sure it could not successfully do the work salaries of the English masters that if would have to be a school for almost elementary education, but as the coun-try progressed the college wou'd derivates. To these three Yltoria Cross men of the that is before it, and also, I do not think that the college should come years dementary education, but as the coun-try progressed the collesey wou'd derivales, erely wounded, attacked a fourth, gai-ant downers, at the beginning the college would have to be a school for almost selementary education, but as the coun-try progressed the college wou'd derivale the far big signal to onduct as order a monted in order to permanent, and pros-to tions in the telegraphs, as land surve have selementary education, but as the coun-try progressed the college wou'd derive and the section of the as prea-tion and pernaps, last of all, of medicin-so tions of povernment, and I hope the would develop into technical schools of and thus form a worthy memorial of . Gordon and before you could reap the harvest (hear, (Cheers.) I am given to understand that the Sirdar had no sooner gained his his- hear), and to all those who spend large toric victory than he turned his mind to sums in advertising their goods surely a project which should be the beginning it must occur that it would be a benefit of this great task. But he saw that if to them if they spent money in teaching our civilization was to prevail against the inhabitants of this new market other contending European civilizations, which had been opened to read their ad-which would be only too happy to take vertisements. (Laughter.) And you our place (cheers), or if our civilization were not once more to be overcome by dark-clouded barbarism, a beginning must be made in the way of a centre of education, simple, I daresay, at first, greatest difficulties that we may have to technical in the main, but giving these overcome in the country. To form a colpeople what they want—rude but intel-ligent people—the weapons by which they might attain a higher grade of existance. (Cheers.) Of course for that purpose I suppose the Sirdar will take that the hat round. (Laughter.) "Date obolum Belisario" is the old proverb. He is not Belisarius, and Great Britain does not reward her great generals with an ebol. I do not want to be profane (laughter), but The Devil Is In It if this nation cannot give the Sirdar the funds he wants. What a disgrace and a reflection it would be on our enthu-siasm for him, from the palace to the prison, if a great and wealthy country, grateful for the undying past, glorifying him for what he has done for the pre-sent, is not able to give him his obol, and more than an obol. I will leave him to speak for himself. I am proud to be asked to propose the toast of these two heroes to-night. (Cheers.) You can heroes without swords-Lord Dufferin is a hero without a sword. You a sword. We base our empire on the and thus form a worthy memorial of services of those who give her their time, Gordon and and their strength, both armed and un-A Centre of English Education armed, and it is to the two, perhaps, on in the heart of Africa. (Cheers.) Rethe whole, the most eminent reresentatives of both these classes, that I ask garding the prosperity of the country, 1 feel sure that you would like to know the very successful results we have obtained you to drink their health. (Cheers.) In replying Lord Dufferin referred to the time when he had served under Lord lately in the Dongola province. That province this year was rated at half its Rosebery, when the latter directed the taxes, and without the least complaint affairs of England with such foreign general acceptance at the hands of every class and section of his country-(Cheers.) Referring to the poliin France, he said that tical situation unfortunately the people of France were not in the habit of taking the same interest in public affairs as we did. To a great extent, Paris led public opinion, was I received from Lord Rosebery (cheers), and that was divided into groups. and that was divided into groups. Among these groups what was I received from Lord Rosebery (cneers), known is the Liberal party was the most influential, and, in consequence of the dislocated condition of French poli-tics, was able to exercise a considerable influence on the French minister for forinfluence on the French minister for for-eign affairs. He had no doubt a good leal of the trouble which had arisen tween Britain and France had been initiated and occasioned under the inspiration of that particular party. He was convinced, on the other hand, that the French nation, as a whole, for whom he had the greatest admiration and respect (cheers) had no part in any of those circumstances, of which, perhaps, there was reason to complain.

and Major-General Sir W. F. Gatacre and Major-General Wauchope respond-MISTAKES OF THE BARDS.

Earl of Aberdeen, in proposing The the health of the Lord Provost as chair-nan, spoke of Lord Dufferin's services state and the loyalty of Canada to the the Mother Country. He said that Canada followed with the same interest and devotion as the rest of the Empire the splendid campaign with which the name of Lord Kitchener would ever be associated.

WINNING THE VICTORIA CROSS.

WINNING THE VICTORIA CROSS. Feats of gallantry and acts of courage upon the field of battle have ever possessed power to stir the souls of men, and it is no wonder that the recital of the deeds of the men who won Khartoum, with Kitchen-er, have moved the staid and conservative Englishman to a pitch of enthusiasm which has probably surprised even himself. When the supposed more volatile United Stateser went wild over the showing of h's own gallant soldiery at San Juan Hill, it was customary to think that the British-er to whom such things were not so much of a novelty. But Khartoum has shown him capable of equally volferous enthu-siasm, and will anybody say that it was not well warranted? The mer. who followed the fortunes of the ill-fated Khalifa were foemen worthy the steel of their conquerors. No braver race of people inhabit the earth to-day than these self-same Soudanese, and their splendid physique is in keeping with their courage. As Rudyard Kipling says in his Barrack Room Ballad: "'E rushes at the smoke when we let We have

'E rushes at the smoke when we let dr've, before we know, 'e's 'acking at our An'

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dead.

'E's a Gaisy, 'e's a ducky, 'e's a lamb! 'E's a injia rabber idiot on the spree, 'E's the only thing that doesn't give a

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So, 'ere's to von Fuzzy-Wuzzy, at your 'ome in the Soudan: You're a poor benighted 'cathen, but a first-rate fightin' man." They will have also to attend to sant

Inst-rate lightly pan." And Grateful to the successful general, and to the officers and men who contributed to the great vietory which smashed the power of the Kinalifa, England has delight-ed to honor her returning heroes. Celebra-tions, banquets and festivities of many kinds have been organized as means to attest the popular gnthusiasm, while on those whose valor shone pre-eminent the Queen and her advisers have been gracious-iv pleased to confer many orders of dis-tinction. vill be also taught that they are not al

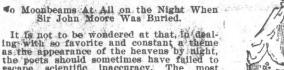
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Among all the forms which official recog-nition of bravery assumes none is more ambitiously looked forward to, nor more proudly displayed when won, than the "red badge of courage," the Victoria Cross. It is a distinction awarded only for the most conspicuous evidence of gallantry, and its conferring upon so many as four of the participants in the Khartoum campaign be-speaks the desperate courage of vanquish-ed as well as vanquishers. To the now famous 21st Lancers belongs

ed as well as vanguishers. To the now famous 21st Lancers belongs the honor of having won the largest num-ber of Victoria Crosses It was the maid-en campaign of the Lancers, and they en-tered upon it with the determination of doing something. What they did, and how they did it, is a household word now through the length and breadth of the Fingdom. It may have been a blunder, as the charge of the Light Brigade was a blunder at Balaclava, but it was just the sort of blunder that the British caval-like to know is possible with British cavalcan like to know is possible with British caval-

A writer in the London Graphic gives an account of how the coveted distinction of the Victoria Cross was won in the Sou-dan, and the following brief extracts are taken from that paper: At the battle of Khartown, on September 2, 1898, Capt. P. A. Kenua, 21st Lancers, assisted Major Crede Wwadham of the same regiment, by taking him on bis horse, beh'nd the saddle (Major Wyadham's horse having been killed in the charge), thus enabling him to reach a place of safety: and after the charge of the 21st Lancers Captain Kenna returned to assist Lieu-tenant & G. Grenfell. Captain Kenna joined the 21st Lancers in August, 1886, and became captain in 1895. and became captain in 1895.

leutenant de Montmorency drove the der-



as the appearance of the heavens by alight, the poets should sometimes have failed to escape scientific inaccuracy. The most famous instance, though not the greatest error, is that contained in the lines on the burial of Sir John Moore—

We buried him darkly at dead of night, The sods with our bayonets turning; By the struggling moonbeam's misty light, And the lantern dimly burning.

The reference to the moon prompted some energetic astronomer to inquire into the condition of that luminary on the night of the burial. He d'scovered that it was then within two or three days of the new, which means, in ordinary phraseology, that there was "no moon" on that par-ticular night. It is unfortunate for the ticular night. It is unfortunate for the author that the nature of the subject should have laid his statements open to scientific examination, for in putting the moon into the heavens at night-time he was only obeying one of the most univer-sally accepted tenets of his kind. The moon of poetry acts in the capacity of torch-bearer to the earth upon soundly or-ganized and well regulated principles, con-trasting somewhat invidiously with the trasting somewhat invidiously with the very imperfect manner in which in reality it performs that function. In verse it has In verse it has no phases; it is constantly at the full rises at the precise declines. Nor is the behavior of the orb the only matter upon which the ex-perience of astronomers and poets is at variance. The observations of the former are frequently interrupted by cloudy nights, but the latter suffer no similar incon-venience. Heralded by the "Evening Star," venience at surse at sunset with un rises at the precise moment that declines. Nor is the behavior of th

venence. Heralded by the "Evening Star," the constellations, as viewed by the poets, make their appearance at sunset with un-failing regularity. It has been a familiar failacy of versi-fiers from the earliest ages, that, the stars are so numerous as to be beyond computa-tion. "Innumerable as the stars of night," says Milton. "But who can count the stars of heaven?" asks Thomson in the Seasons. The answer is Professor Arge-lander, who has made a most exact and eareful catalogue of the stars to the thirdfeth degree of southern declination. More recently a similar undertaking has been completed by the British Assoc ation, According to Argelander, the number of stars visible on the horizon of Berlin dur-ing the course of the year is 3.256. Since the whole of these are never in view at the same time, the number which can be seen at any one moment is, of course, cons'derably less. It leaves a respectable margin to the flacy of the American poet-cess, Amelia B. Welby--

Ten thousand stars were in the sky, Ten thousand in the sea.

Milton's gorgeous estimate is even wide of the mark ("Paradise Lost," VII.)-

With thousand thousand stars, that then

fails are only such as were shared by the rest of the world at the date at which he wrote. Indeed, such elementary knowledge of astronomy as it was then possible to obtain he was especially liked to quainted with, for, in addition the most crudice of the poets, he friend of Galileo; whose primitive liked to was the

the moon, whose orb Through optic glass the Tuscan artist views At evening, from the top of Fesole.

There is evidence, moreover, a little later in the same poem, that he had accepted in some degree his friend's doctrine as to the true position of the earth in the universe, the doctrine which brought upon the Italian astronomer the unreasoning persethe Romish church-

And, fast by, hanging in a golden chain, This pendent World, in bigness as a star Of smallest magnitude close by the moon.

It is a curlous fact that Shakespeare, writing only a few years earlier, and near-ly a century after Copernicus had elabor-ated his celebrated system, was still as firmly imbedded in the old error as the most prejudiced inquisitor could desire ("Hamlet," Act II., Sc. 2)-

Doubt thou the stars are fire Doubt that the sun doth move; Doubt truth to be a liar; But never doubt I love.

A little scepticism upon the subject of the sun's motion would bardly be put for-ward nowadays as evidencing the extreme of incredulity. Shakespeare, however, it would appear, had small sympathy with astronomers ("Love's Labor Lost," Act I., Sc. 1)—

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MORAL: DRINK WATER. sulted from certain of the permanent stars aving their places in space and moving arthward at an incredible velocity, an oc-urrence which would be no less wonderful "My opinion is that people do not drink as much water during the fall and winter season as they should," observed a well-

known physician to a Star reporter, "or as much as is positively necessary for them having health in view. There are thousands of people who do not drink one glass of water during the entire day; people, too, who drink from three to six glasses daily during other seasons of the year. Water is as necessary during the cool as during the warm seasons, and those who keep up their usual quentity recording of the seasons. ndeed, meteoric matter occasionally even eaches the surface-whereas the fixed usual quantity regardless of seas benefited thereby in their general f do not believe in gulping dow inst because it is convenient to

reaches the surface-whereas the fixed stars are, beyond all comparison, the most distant. To come to some of the lesser poets, Alex-ander Smith anticipates science in the simile he uses in his "Life Drama," ""A poem round and perfect as a stat." "If the pretension of this poem to be "round and perfect" depends solely upon the pos-session of like qualities by the stars, it is not founded upon an exceptionally stable just because it is convenient to but I do believe that drinking a liberal quantity of water each di manded by the system, and that known as water-drinkers have, whole, much better health by s There are many people who hav and period upon an exceptionally stable basis. Judging from the analogy of the sun and planets, the strong probability is that the stars are round, and, in spite of the fact that some astronomers have ser-lously put forward the likelihood of other shapes, we should certainly be surprised to find them anything else. But they may be square, or oblong, or even pointed like an asterisk, after the most approved style of nursery illustration, for all science knows. Their extreme remoteness makes it impossible for us to see more than the'r light; the instrument has not been con-structed, nor is likely to be, which can show us the disc of aivy one of them. The following lines occur in second stanza of Whole, much better health by so doing. There are many people who have such a horror of growing stout that they never drink a drop of water except that which goes into their coffees, teas and soups, and many of them carry it so far as to give up these so as to avoid using water. I have yet to see the more provident many of them carry it so far as to give up these so as to avoid using water. I have yet to see the man or woman who has been made fat by drinking water, while I know many who have grown stout by avoid-ing it. The kidneys cannot properly work unless there are liquids consumed. Stimu-lating drinks, beers and the like, may furnish the liquids, but the stimulation they cause and which is unnecessary for perfect health more than counteracts the benefits derived from their use. Take any of the animals and it will be found they drink a regular supply of water every day in the year; that is, when they have any choice in the matter. It is a pretty safe rule to follow the habits of animals. I am sure none of them grow fat on water alone."—Washington Star. following lines occur in second stanza of Addison's well-known "Ode"— While all the stars that round her burn, And all the planets, in their turn, Confirm the t'dings as they roll, And spread the truth from Pole to Pole.

HOW FLAG STICKS ARE MADE.

The expression here "from pole to pole." being used in a figure of speech, is not to be judged strictly; but it is somewhat unfortunate that, for the purpose of this figure, the poet should have chosen the only points in the heavens which the stars, in their ceaseless movements, never ap-proach or recede from. Revolving round and parallel with the equator, they re-The little sticks to which flags are a The little sticks to which flags are at-tached are produced automatically by an ingenious machine recently invented for the purpose. By the old methods of man-ufacture it would hardly be possible to supply the demand, and certainly not at the remarkably low price at which this machine turns them out. Under the old method each stick was rounded separately, and the operation was very tedious and slow. By means of the new invention the whole board is fed into the machine. These boards are first sawed into the length of the finished stick. There are two sets of cutters, one cutting on the top and in this for the astronomer to criticise. If, on the other hand—and the absence of functuation rather helps the view—the term "Milky Way" is used in an alterna-tive for "Solar Walk," expressing the same thing, It is a startling error. The Ecliptic and the Milky Way are each bands com-pletely encircling the heavens, but in wide-ly different directions. The former is un-marked by any distinctive feature, but in sheeny brightness of the latter might very, well present it to a poet's mind as the path of the sun's annual journey. In an ode to Queen Ann the poet Fenton makes the astounding statement that "Stars re-ceive their lustre from the sun." Since the nearest star is some billions of miles from the sun, whence it appears only as a star length of the finished stick. There are sets of cutters, one cutting on the to the other on the bottom of the These cutters are especially shaped upper cutter cutting one-half the of the finished stick, the lower cutting the other half, and this is so micely that when the board has the cutters it is cut into finished sticks, each separate from the othe each so nicely rounded that the m point of the two sets of cutters be observed. After leaving the ma the finished sticks drop into a larg or hopper, and are then stacked up for the flags. The machine is made s it will cut any size of stick, from th board has passed other, and canno it will cut any size of stick, fr it will cut any size of stick, from the very smallest up to any diameter desired, by simply changing the cutters on the cutting mandrels. The machines are arranged so that these cutters can be removed from the mandrels very readily, and new cut-ters can be put in place in about a min-ute's time. The upper and lower cutters are placed in an almost vertical plane, so they will cut the stick at almost the same time, and after the sticks leave the cut-ters they are fed into circular grooves be-fore they leave the machine, so that each separate stick is held firmly in place and a smooth cut ensured.—Invention. a smooth cut ensured.—Invention. "The situation as to Antarctic explora-tion." says Appleton's Popular Science Monthly, "is described by the president of the Royal Geographical Society as includ-ing a German expedition in course of or-ranization on a liberal scale; the hope that the Norwegian government may send out an expedition, perhaps under the leader-slip of Dr. Nansen; the Belgian expedition under M. de Gerlache; and the expedition under Mr. Borchgrevink; which is in an advanced state of preparation, and will shortly leave for Australia and South Vic-toria Land. The ship of this expedition, the South Cross, has been designed by the smooth cut ensured.-Inven the South Cross, has been design builder of the Fram, and has te solid oak at her bows, while she solid oak at her bows, two inches in thickne point. Provision of s of sledges point. Provision of made for the inland Victorian continent, and the expediti make it an object to explore that la investigate the seas between the Australia. Mr. Borchgrevink will with him stores for three years supply of carrier-pigeons."

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currence which would be no less wonderful astronomically than if the sun were sud-denly to dart out of the system. Thus, in "A Midsummer-Night's Dream." "And cer-tain stars shot madly from the spheres." and again in "Hamlet." "Make thy two eyes like stars, start from their spheres." The mistake, although perhaps easy to un-derstand, is as great a one as it is possible to make; for no heavenly bodies approach the earth so nearly as the shooting-stars-indeed, meteoric matter occasionally even reaches the surface to be approach appeared Spangling the hemisphere. The errors, however, into which

illudes to in the familiar line book of "Paradise Lost"-

Lord Kitchener's Reply.

Lord Kitchener was received with imfor the ivilization of Africa as Scots-men, and if you help in this great work After a few words of acknowledgment, he continued: Not long ago, in the Man-sion House, I alluded to one of the results he continued: Not long ago, in the Man-sion House. I alluded to one of the results of the recent campaign as being that the British and Egyptian flags now fly in Khartoum, I hope never to be hauled

Soudanese and Egyptian and the second dervish attack. Such were the deeds of "conspicuous val-or" which have added four names to the long roll of gallant men who wear the Queen's Cross. The other honors bestowed on the Sirdar, the Sirdar's generals, on Slatin Pasha, of the Egyptian army, and upon three of the devoted nurses who tend-ed the sick and wounded, were appoint-ments in the orders of the Bath of St Michael and George and of the Royal Red Cross. Cross.

A Woman's Way. "I'll just rest a minute, and that pain will pass away." Many a self-sacrificing woman has said this, only to find the pain comes back again with greater force. Most of these pains and spells of illness come from the stomach, and are caused by indigestion or some of its kindred ills. Between these ills\*and the many worries and cares of a household a woman becomes old before her time. Take a teaspoonful of Abbecy's cifectvescent Salt province this year was rated at half its taxes, and without the least complaint coning to my ears they have paid in money into the treasury the entire cost of the administration of the province. If the administration of the province to the administration of the province to the administration of the province to the administration of the province. The administration of the province to the station before I determined to make this appeal for so large a sum as thus this appeal for so large a sum as thous the greatex doubt to be described. Is 'new,' for it seems to us that it offers some explanations of the wooden character of the coffee infusions of the wooden character of the coffee infusions of the sum that it make up my mind in this constituents. In the first instance was the great interest and the condiderable pecuniary support I received from Lord Rosebery (cheers), a swell as from Her Majesty's govern to the city to seek advice and help, and some said it would be easy to get the money; others, looking at the largeness i of the sum, that it might be difficult at any rate; but they all agreed that the money would not be forthcoming unless I asked for it (laughter and cheers), and not used for it. (Cheers.) I ask the people of the United Kingdom, I ask the pe The Adulteration of Coffee.-The Lancet

in half a tumbler of water every morning before breakfast, and you will be free from the illnesses that paint wrinkles on your face and streak your hair with gray. This standard English preparation, which is endorsed by medical jour-nals and prescribed by physicians, is for sale by all druggists at 60 cts. a large bottle. Trial size 25 cts. "Even if the people of Great Britain were to abolish their throne the Prince of Wales wouldn't have far to look for a top." nien, and if you help in this great work you will be only following in the foot-steps of those that have gone before. Tivingstone, remember Mof-

would appear, in the very state of the For all that, his own observation of the "shining nights" had been sufficiently care-ful to make him aware of the unique habit of the Pole Star, a habit which, incredible as it may appear, by no means everyone, at the present day, even among the edu-cated classes, is acquainted with ("Julius Caesar," Act III., Sc. 1)--

But I am constant as the northern star, Of whose true fixed and lasting quality There is no fellow in the firmament.

A remarkable error which Shakespeare appears to have harbored, is the assump-tion that the phenomenon of meteors re-

ceive their lustre from the sun." Since the nearest star is some billions of miles from the sun, whence it appears only as a star itaelf, while from others it is invisible, the amount of lustre which they might be ex-pected to derive from it, and then reflect upon us, is not difficult to calculate. Of course, there are some poets who have possessed a sound astronomical know-ledge, and give evidence of it in their writings, notably, Tennyson and Longfel-low. The references to the subject in the works of the former are frequent and con-sistently accurate. "Lamps which outburn-ed Canopus," put into the mouth of Cleo-patra, is an admirable expression, for the star is one of nursual brilliancy which, in visible in England and in all but the most southerly limits of Europe, comes clearly into view in Egypt, and has received its name from the Egyptian water-god. The poems of Longfellow are frequently be-sprinkled with small pieces, more or less technical, dealing with the celestial sphere. Such are "The Evening Star," "The 'Red Planet Mars," and "The Occultation of orion." The last is sufficiently techn'cal to be incomprehensible, even in its title, by one unacquainted with at least the radi-ments of astronomic\_science. It is, of course. impossible that an entire constella-tion can be occulted at once, and this the ments of astronomic science. It is, of course, impossible that an entire constella-tion can be occulted at once, and this the author recognizes in a footnote, pleading poetic licence as his excuse for the slight deviation from scientific accuracy.

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