Private to Field-Marshal. LIAM ROBERTSON TELLS

DODD'S

PILLS

say that every mistake we had made

hundred years before had been repeat-

Dardanelles alone had already cost

us considerably over 100,000 casual-

continued to hold on during that first

.

Lord Kitchener.

who wished to injure his good name

that he many times stood up against

terrible winter in Flanders.

HIS STORY. most wonderful careers ne is that of General Sir Wilertson, who rose from a prithe British Army to the posichief of the Imperial General ided by social or educational or by opportunities on the hattle. His book, "From Pri-Weld-Marshal" has just been w Messrs. Constable, Lons a modest account of his he end of the war, in which laved such a conspicuous

fortune in the army, I took expeditions, on a vast scale and in reshilling" from a re- mote theatres, which were stratein the city of Wor- gically unsound, had never been the 13th of November, 1877. properly thought out, and in the

burkha, the only soldier of the and a good type of his sturdy ties. The false direction thus given and a good type of this given to our strategy imperilled the chances was a well-educated man, and of ultimate success, and at the best so our long marches converse with was found to hang like a millstone men my custom to congue. round our necks for the remainder of s way I acquired a sufficient edge of it to enable me, before Abbottabad, to pass the preexamination, and so bring up mber of Oriental languages in had qualified to a total of six. this day it is a marvel to me how he

Good

Fing-

lack

Reforming the War Office. eforms commenced with the

ssigned for my own use in the the first and only day being quite the most exasof my life. The telewhich I have always detested, tly and a constant ple of both sexes and all prompt action was required; while as nists wives of officers. Boy Scout ral officers-entered another, unanand by nine o'clock next mornhed taken possession of anme apparatus was expelled.

Staff Officers. uld like to correct the idea. was very strenuous, and stance of this, his last words to me t, or have shown high abilty undeserved. . . . tration, may still fail, and

employed at G.H.Q. . .

The Old Mistakes. egards our own share in bringout this state of affairs (at the often on the dance floor.

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With the wide world keeping tryst,
Goes the merchant service man.

Frozen lines and brawling crews Dark holds, musty, cold and damp-What a life for men to choose! Ramming ice that starts the plates; Bucking trades that try the soul; Drifting till the storm abates, With that hellish, sickening roll;

Lurching down the typhoon trails; Shipping seas that quench the fires Working till his reason fails, And his strained nerves cross their

in our wars with France more than a when, having decided to ed. We had committed ourselves to Up the world and down again; Once ashore and twice at sea

> Stabbed by pleasure to the hilt, Tracks the glitter and the gilt; In the underworlds of nations; On the waterfronts of earth; He has learned what life is worth

Every storm that rides the sea Brings him some new pain or pleas-

The British Soldier.

I claim to have as good a knowledge as anyone of the British soldier, but to Every port has seen him clear—set. Not a port has seen him rest. BURT FRANKLIN JENNESS.

The Make Up of a Newspaper

Like some other great men, Lord Kitchener was exacting, and had no (From The Boston Sunday Herald. use whatever for those who raised The greatest enemy of the editor petty difficulties at a time when is the man who started the story that "perhaps you would like to have to his alleged habit of over-centralthis to put in the paper some day when ization all I can say is that it was you are having a job to fill." He is never displayed during the six months the Alexander, the coppersmith, of the I had the privilege of working with newspaper industry. There are no him, and that he was as ready to lissuch possibility. The amount of maten to the advice of his departmental terial available for any newspaper, in heads as were any of the other seven each of its departments, exceeds many fold the procurable space—that is, have worked. Nor did he disclose any the amount of space that a newspaper sign of that ruthless and domineering can afford to give to its readers, at disposition attributed to him by those the price. But the proponent may rejoin that

from for me, from which all On the contrary, he was a kind and if this is the case he cannot underdelightful chief to serve, once his stand why certain things are printways were understoid; and I know ed which look to him as if their sole purpose was to fill space. He may opposition in high quarters so as to be right. Many narratives surely at at one time if not now, that protect officers who were threatened have such an appearance. with unfair treatment. As an in- A newspaper is often compared

with the menu at a hotel, but the were, when I said good-bye to him on analogy does not hold. You are perork, either in their offices or the eve of his departure to Russin: fectly pleased that there should be "Remember what I have told you 90 items on the menu about which about—and mind you look after you care nothing so long as you are and \$15.00. or later at night. It should about and mind you look after you care nothing, so long as you are red. too, that they carried him." The officer in question was fully supplied with the viand that ings at most reasonable rates. one splendidly with troops at which Lord Kitchener thought to be to believe that your portion of beefsteak had become unduly small be-To what extent Lord Kitchener cause somebody else's chops and wan known to fail, to bear the might have been able to stave off the bacon and ham were so abundant, ourdens resting upon them revolution and keep the Russian you might feel differently, and wish armies in the field, had he not been that the hotel would give small heed in the war I had known staff drowned when going to Russia, it to anything except beefsteak. There be so run down by constant would be futile for anyone to attempt is an outside limit to a newspaper's ad worry as to faint away at to say, but there can be no question quantity, which controls the size of the tables, and this at a time that he was far more likely to succeed the units that make it up. That high spirits, confidence, and than was the mission which went in renders the task of editorial selechis place.-John o' London's Weekly. tion wholly like that of the con-

struction of a menu. We should right here, speak of the The quaint frock with full skirt mechanical side, or of the effect of the and long, fitted bodice is seen quite machinery of production on the newspaper's contents. 'If anyone could ake a completed journal on Monday norning, and with all the available material, used and unused, reassemble it from the beginning, he could exhibit vastly better judgment as to its contents than appears in an actual newspaper. But this is not the way it is done. It is the running judgment, through the hours of the evening, that must control. The compositors must have a steady stream of copy. If news runs light, a tolerant standard of estimate prevails on the desk. If news, later in the evening, runs heavy, the material once edited and in type, must ordinarily stand. Was this story worth a column? It seemed so at quarter past one when we realized that every new inch would compel the

killing of the matter already in the Not only is the composition a continuous stream which compels a current judgment as the news pours in, but the making up of the pages and their locking proceeds apace. On pages nearly covered with advertising; t is the aim to fill the spaces as early to lock the page for the night. The dered Miss Wilkins. standards of judgment as to brevity Many murderers have expended made at these early hours have to good deal of time and ingenuity in

stand. It accordingly happens that thinking out a scheme of death. Then one page in a newspaper will often with singular obtuseness they have seem edited on a basis of abundant | put their handwriting upon a telespace and another with great penurousness. No commodity is more ir- pointment with the intended victim. egular in its flow than news. There By a Post Office rule, all originals are is no crop in the world which has big | filed away for a certain length of time. harvests and total failures in more So that it is generally possible to proradical and quickly succeeding con- cure the original as mute evidence

Telegram Traps. IOW MURDERERS HAVE BEEN

(By Frank E. Farncombe) Telegrams are likely to play an important part in the Bournemouth murder mystery. Quite likely they will prove one of the chief causes of the

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in British criminology. READ'S FATAL SHIP.

James Canham Read appeared to his fellows as a rather attractive and highly respectble man. He was a collector of the Metropolitan Water Board, married, with a family. In reality he was a "serpent" man, having a remarkable influence over women. He lived a triple life-as Mr. Read, "Mr. Masters," and as "Mr. Smith" courted trusting Florrie Dennis. He grew weary of her as she grew importunate for marriage, and he designed to destroy her.

But he determined that his crime should never be detected. For months he laid his plans. Then he lured his victim by a telegram to Southend, took her for a walk to a lonely spot. and shot her down. Then he returned to London and went cheerfully about his business.

But his telegram was a fatal blunder, and quickly the hounds of the law were on his trail. He decamped with £200 of his employers' money and was found living with another of his victims. He was profuse in his assertions that he never met Dennis a Southend or made an appointment with her-but the telegram convicted him. He was hanged.

"Come to Blackpool." Another Christmastide tragedy in which a telegram played its part was

the lonely Blackpool sand-hills-shot in a storm of rain, while barely a mile away, the streets of Blackpool were thronged with Christmas shoppers. It was the contention of the Crown that Holt deliberately engaged in a scheme of death, and to this end invited the murdered woman to Blackpool. He denied this. But a telegram was produced in his handwriting directed to Bradford, where she lived, specifying the train she should travel by and the day. "Come to Blackpool" destroyed his story that the encounter was a chance one.

In a similar way, Bennet, the Yarmouth murderer, prepared for himself a trap which led to his death as a convicted murderer. This pallid young adventurer, who, after leaving the Royal Marines, made a profession of preying upon women, did at length fall in love. He passionately desired to get married. But his wife blocked the path die. By tortuous means, he laid his plans. Eventually, her body was found in the early hours upon the sands at Yarmouth. She had been strangled by

a mohair lace tied in a reef-knot. Although the wife of Bennet, he had persuaded her to adopt another name. And in this name he had sent her a wire making the appointment of knot. The former gave away his handwriting; the latter was evidence that

HELD IN THE DEAD HAND. The first recorded case in this coun- fashion.—Glasgow Weekly Herald.

ry where a telegram has been connected with murder was that of Elizabeth Smithson, a country lass who died swiftly as the end of a hectic love affair with a married man. His name was Dawson or "Tyson"-in the latter name he courted the village maiden. near Dorchester, and then struck her from South America, says: pled ball was found in her palm, and of the world. He was convicted and hanged.

christ ni Glasgow (December, 1908), with enormous platforms and pyra- were depopulated and the land left and Central.—jan4,tf fled to America, and it was import- backs of men from quarry to edifice. as Costa Rica. ant for him to prove that he had ar- These human beasts of burden Later, primitive people of South of sand, brown, blue and fuchsia

as big a one as the tying of the reef- ed from Glasgow in a false name the empire of the Mayas there were

against him at the trial. It is difficult to find a parallel to of people in regions where now there with the Navy. He died brokenly contry. But, in France some years ago, a one of the most densely populated man living in Toulon decoyed a young parts of the world between 200 and pended on water kept in cisteres and nurse to death in precisely similar 600 A. D.

they want.

Lost Civilization of the Mayas.

Herbert J. Spenden, writing of the

a hail of blows on the head with a These Indians (the Mayas of the small axe. When she met him, she Yucatan peninsula and adjacent ter- first dates fall about the time of story of disordered migrations in must have been holding the telegram ritory) tamed the wet tropics and de- Christ, but by far the greatest num- hunger-stricken Russia. in her hand, for, after death, a crum- veloped one of the great civilizations

proved to be the telegram making. They had no draught animals, us- ed rapidly toward this latter date. the appointment and signed "Tyson." ing instead the human beast of burden. With maize and beans as staple Oscar Slater, "the man with the foods, one man engaged in agriculture wisted nose," still serving his "life" | could release ten for other kinds of paratively few signs of a decadence sentence for the murder of Miss Gil- labor. So we get stone built cities in art, the end came. All the cities destroyed the most vital part of his mids. The stone were cut without uninhabited. It is possible that this defence by an incautious telegram. He metal tools and were carried on the depopulation extended as far south were more effective than draught American origin pushed north along colorings.

mission of the crime. Buy a telegram animals would have been; they con- the Mosquito coast and crossed he sent to the Cunard Line at Liver- sumed less food and water for the through the regions where the proud pool chartering a berth was despatch work done. In the area of the first Maya cities had flourished. day after the murder. It told heavily greater cities than any in Central so well as a great epidemic which

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Sudden Disappearance.

Then without warning, with com-

America to-day—there were millions would break down the delicately adjusted social organization of a highly

Imagine a people whose lives de-Then a calamity came which swept demands of a tremendously centrallizthese cities clean. Was it yellow ed population. An invisible death like yellow fever would strike them with

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In 600 A. D. the Maya empire may have witnessed this thing in still more

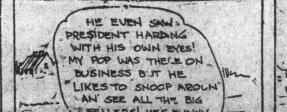
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