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$\mathbb{W}$7E do not know of any incident more appropriate for our initial illustration in these
days of high tension throughout the Empire, alike in court and cottage, than the one we have selected and which portrits Her aged Majesty receiving a despatch from the front. Anxiety eagernessand intensity of feeling are strikingly depicted in the face and figure of the venerableSovereign as she listens to the measuted tones of the secretary of state, whose duty it is to transmit to her the latest news and despatches arnviag from the front. The illustration is taken from an engraving published by the Illustrated London Nevesas a mar souvenir. That enterprising English journal has issued a select edition of photogravures signed by the artist and measuning with mount $37 \times 27$ mehes. The
edition is limited, a small number being resened for colomal readers. Those of our readers who can appreciate a

THE BMTIRK'S AGED WVNKRIGN RBCEIVING A DEAFATCII FRONT THE PRONT.
 est and gayest of throngs ever brought together even in the neighborhood of the Horse Guards. The greetugs that Iondon crowds have

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given the soldier lately, says an English contemporary, could not, one mught suppose, be surpassed. But the saitor exists to show forth that mpossible thing-a still moreastonshang enthustasm Nor is the historic preference for the sea forees over those of the land confined to the man in the street. It
the Admiralty, where refreshm:ents were serverl Shortly after the men returned and fell in. the Proncess of Wales and prmeess Victoria arrived, ther carriage haltug near the saluting base, where the Prince of Wales and the I.ords of the Admuralty took up their position. The men then marched past, the band

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 raincess op waies un tir itorse gicards' pakade
has its roots in the heart of the nation; and at the Academy Banquet recently held in London, whese both Captain Lambton and Sir George White were guests, to the naval hero rather tlan to the military the Duke of Cambridge addressed his personal praises The Naval Brigade arrived at Victoria Station at 10.30, and at 13.15 they reacied
playing nautical airs. The advance in reviev order, the royal salute, and "God Save the Queen!" followed, whercupon Mr. Goschen addressed Captain Lambton and his men. The Prince then made a speech, and the officers. midshipmen and gunners were presented to II is Royal Highness and shook hands with him and with Mr. Goschen.

The First I.ord of the Admiralty cutertained the Prince and Princess of Wales and the rest of the rogil party, as well as Captun Lambton and has officers, to lumeheon, the men beng also provided with a substantial meal. After hunclicon the march to the City began, the route

being by way of the Fmbankment. On arrival at the Royal Exchange, the Brigade was entertained by liloyd's. The entertainment took place in the reading room. which was decorated with naval trophics, the names of I,adysmith. Belmont, Graspan, Blocmfontein and Modder River being inseribed round the valls. More speeclmaking and congratulations followed, and after the National Antliem had been chanted with tremendous energy, the Brigade marched off to London Bridge Station amid crowds as dense and enthusiastic as those who had accorded the welcome. Thus a great day came to an end.

The story of the siege and relicf of Mafeking will loom large in the annals of warfare for centuries to come. Col. onel, now Major-General, Baden-Powell stands at the present tume next to Lord Roberts as the nation's hero. His
resourcefulness in successfully resistinu a siege for 220 days against an over whelmug force, on whom the also in flacted severe pumaliment from that to time, is unparallefled. In adhetion to a portrait of this remarkable malitari leader and his venemble chicf, we pre. sent illustrations of different incident, relating to the siege as well as a spectmen of siege money, a fac simile of a shilling order.

Field Marshal L.ord Roberts, V.C. G.C.B., G.C.S.I., etc., was born at Cawnpore on September 3oth, $\mathrm{IS}_{3} 2$. He was educated at I:ton and Sandhurst, and became Second Lieutenant in the Bengal artillery in 1851. IIe first saw active service during the Indian Mutiny, and was anarderl his V.C. for bravery at Khudagtum. He went through the small Afgh,un war of 1863, and the Abyssiman war of $18{ }_{47}$. The I, ushai experition


MAJOR-\&RNERAL TADEN- COWELL.
of 1871 found him more work, anl when the $\Lambda$ finanistan telations becanic strained in $1 \mathrm{~S}_{7} 8$ he led the Karum Field Force. After this war he was made K.C.B., and in 1879 he commandel in the scond Afghan nar, perfurmang the celebrated march to handahar. In 1 Sio
he wasmadeciovernor of Natal, andCommander of the forces in South $A$ frici, but before he could take upoflice, the Transwal was once more handed over to the

Professor Baden-Powell. IIe was elucated at Charterhouse, and joinerl the 13 th Hussars at the age of ninetem, serving as Adjutant in India, Afghan-


Brers He was raised to the peerage as Lard Roberts of Kandahar in 1893.
rolonel, or rather Major-Gencral, R. S.S. Baden-Powell is the son of the late
istan and South Africa. He has been Mititary Secretan; to the Gover or of Malta, and acted as Chief Staff Oificer to General Sir Frederick Carrington
during the isgo Matabele war. Ite was promoterl irom the i3th Hussars to the $5^{\text {th }}$ Dragoon Guards in 1897, which position he retamed metul he was or dered ont to . Ifrien.
The finish of Clmas is in sight. That empre with ats alleged civaization
the fanaticism of Chinese millions roused to hellish lieat by chinese oflicials, who think they are playing the European diplomat at his own game when they pomt to the force of "public opmon, " as they cuphenistically term the fury of the bloud-recking Boxers.

of 4000 years stands to day on the threshold of destruction at the hands of an united world sturred to action by a common danger, that of seeing all foreigners within the boundaries of China brutally murdered and the work of civilization thrown back a century by

How rude will be the awakening for the heathen "Chinee " of high degree can readily be foreseen, and in spite of jealousies and intrigue among themselves it is certain that at last the powers of Europe will act together to remove "China" from the map of the world.



The sentinent of Christendom is voiced int the speech of the limperor of Germamy to a detachment of marines on the eve of their departure to Pekin, where the German minister has been murdered. The Emperor spoke as follows:
"The firebrand of war has been hurled in the midst of the most profound peace. Uuhappily this was not unexpecterl. A crime of unspeakable insolence. horn fying in its barbarity, has leen committed against the persom of my tristy representative and has taken him from us. The Ministers of other powers hover between life and death and with
the walls of l'ekin to dietate peace to the Chirese. You will have to maintain good comradeship with all the othex troop, whom you will come in contact with over youder. Russians, Bntesh and French, all alike, are fighting for one common cause-for civilization. We must bear in mind, too, something higher-namely, our religion and the defence and protection of our brothers out there, some of whom stake ther lives for the Saviour.

Think also of the honot of our arms. Think of those who have fought before you. Go forth with the old Brandenburg motto: 'Trust in God. Stand

them comrades sent for their protection. It may be that while I speak they have already fought their last fight.
"This very day the commander of the cruiser squadron has asked me to consider the despateh of a division. You will have to face an enemy who are no less courageous than yourselves, and trained by Europeath officers. The Chinese have learned the use of European weapons.
"I now send you out to revenge the wrong and ill. Do not rest until the German flag, joined to those of the other powers, floatstriumphantlyoverChina's flag, and until it has been planted on
bravely. This is the whole of my hon orable duty.

> "For wha, helped by cod, deres batte heartify is never driven from the world.
"The flags which here float above you go under fire for the first time. See that you bring them back to me cleas and stainless and without a spot. My thanks, my prayers and my solicitude go with you."
In our next issue we intend reprodue ing a series of illustrations depicting or relating to various incedents that have transpired in the fearful struggle which has now commenced in China.

# The Angler's Passion. 

G. A. Winnteron.

$\mathbb{T}$HE true angler can not think calmly of his favorite sport. He feels an uncontrollable passion for it. It is this yearning, impelling force which separates him from ordinary pleasure seckers. They are fond of one or another form of recreation, sometimes taking it up with enthusiasm, but always mastering the thing they undertake. They know self-restmint and moderation. The angler is swept besond the point of accountability and becomes drunk wath the nectar of his pleasure. Unless a man has felt this delightiful slavery let him not thank to sat with the true Knights of the Angle! Hie would be as much out of place as a costermonger it the Chapel of the Kimghts of the Bath at Westminster. The royal touch alone can give him place with dear old Isaac Waiton or chistopher North, and the others of therr ilk, of whom tite world was not worthy. A man may catch spmats for the Bristol markets or salmon from thr Restigouche without in either case deserving to be admitted to the select circle Cliristopher North could write two essays on Wordsworth, so contradetory as to prove a dual authorship bv all known primetples of enticisur; let in everything he did or said be shoued that his master passion was for catching tront in some mountan burn or tarm. And how we have all loved the quant old Scotchman as we have seen him at the edge of the Dochart under the full power of the angler's passion, reaclung out for the rising fish and at last wetting his breeks and his legs together in the cold water, with never a thought of the rheumatic possibilities of his conduct I can not read that incident and keep my lashes ary!

1 wonder why the fishing passion is so strong and why it strikes men at such strange times? Your trie angler may be sitting by his library-fire, with the thermometer at zero, conning Whitter's "Snow Bound," or Wamer's "Backlog Studies," when suddenly the gluwing of an ember or the crackling of a bit of bark on the hickory $\log$ re
minds him of a fittle cabin in a Maite forest,

* A bitte lowly Ilsmitage it was Dowenc in a dale, hard ins a forca's pide. 2iar from revort of prople that dud pas In traveill to and froc: * * Therelyn in chriciall areame dial trently whay Which from a stered fountane welled forth alway "
and the reader sees another volume. the open book of nature. The passion has him. Stowly the noise of the chiltren's play in another soom gives place to the morning sumg of birds an fir and balsam trees. Their olor cuters his trostrits with soothing, healitg influctuce. It is just daybreak and down to the brooksde he walks in solitary expectation. His rod is put together with trembling fingers, 10 he he has just seen the lazy roll of a bug fish over at the edge of the limpid stream. A cast. a strike, a rush, a victory for the art of man. Here on the moss lies the vision of beanty plump and red spotted. The savage nature cries out to the woodland echocs.
"I've got him!"
"Papa, what's the matter? Are you dicaning?"
No, my child, it is not that. Your sire lias the angler's passion; that is all.
Not every one who says, 'I go a-fishang "gets into the real spirit of it To own a fine fly hook and the best rod ever made is by no means a passport to the angler's kingdom of heaven In some the inner light has falled be cause it hats not been cultivated. They have grown callous and hard. Whatever those unfortunates may be fit for who have no music in their souls, they will never become trae anglers. I once went out with a man who lay down to sleep on a haycock within signt of the glorious foothills of the White Monntains, close to an amber-colored strean where the tront were numerous and hungry. That act spoke his limitations. Ife might at least have revelled in the poctry of the landscape and the sight and sound of the thrashes and vireos which God had sent for our delectation.

It is generally supposed that the angler feels the first thrill of insatiable
desire when the ice is melting and the loosened drops begin their seaward flow. Then, to be sure, the greatest dullard must know it is time to get his tackle ready. But unless a man has the fever when the frosts are strongest he is only at the beginning of his course as an angler of passion. The tying of one's own flies is a splendid whet to the appetite, and that is done when the nights are long and the fireside comfortable. How much keen pleasure comes from the handling of material! In those saered moments when the vice is fixed and the various implements are brought. with silks and feathers, hooks and snell all at hand and in sight, we live again the days that are dead and make demands, that are always met, upon the joys of the days to be. This crow's wing and that brown hackle or bit of feather from a mallard's breast, each has its own story.
Those who are dominated by any passion brook no interference with their plans and count no task hard. Once let the spark of suggestion touch the stubble of desire and up it blazes like the corn fields of the Philistines when Samson's foxes tore through them with their firebrands. The very impediments furnish fuel for the flames.
Every angler has his favorite stream, at the thought of which his pulses quicken and at whose sight and sound he is possessed by the most passionate frenzy of delight. It may be some narrow mountain brook that begins its modest course among the high, bare rocks and makes up in turbulence what it lacks in size. Such streams are the home of kardy trout, unsurpassed in loveliness and toothsome flavor. Or perchance my angler's heart may be buried in the placid waters of some slow-going meadow hiok, where grasses grow above it and wild flowers nod to sec their beauty mirroted in its face. If not to such scenes, I know the spot that holds him with the strong grip of enthusiastic love. It is where
"The murn'ring pines and the bemlocks"
stand as faithful sentinels by night and day on the shores of a deep, sweetwatered pond. The browsing dese at the edges and the solitary loon on the surface are his only companions; and the way back to civilization is over the trail first followed by the Indians in their journeyings to and fro. But in
any case the quality of his love is the same and it grows must by being concentrated. The angler may have a tender feeling toward all inhabited waters, as Burns nad for all Scotch lassies; but it was concentrated passion that caused him to sing to Mary in heaven.

Every true man respects all true women, but he loves the wife of his bosom. Flowing waters especially need to le wood and won. How shy the running brook is as she hides under the bending willow or hurries out of sight beneath the shelter of the alder boughs. Like the modest violet that seems to dread a comparison of its tiny bit of blue with the immensity of the great sky, the brook is always trying to get out of sight. To be sure, the brook is sometumes playful and merrs. singing and dancing with a winning motion aind a smiling face. To see her then one would think she never had a sorrow or a dark day. Yet what truc lover does not know there are thick clouds that stop the sunbeans from shining on her face and great boulders in every brook path that must be met and passed. John Burroughs reminds us that obstructions in both brooks and lives seem to make the current deeper. The angler respects the brook's pursts and never steps into it, when walking on the moss at the side will do just as well. No stream looks attractive when it is roily, and the angler's success lies along the pathway of consideration and respect. He learns to know the whims and caprices of his favorite brooks and his "Remernbered Little Rivers"; and when far away from then, like Wordsworth's dafiodils,

> "They flash upon that inurard eye Which is the biss of solitude."

Happy indeed is he who begins the cultivation of the angler's passion as a hoy, before the cry of other allurements is lieard. The lad may not know what is happening in his life, the buttressing of his soul with pure and noble thoughts. Life is getting its direction and impulse. Naturalism is being solidified in him so that artificiality may find no welcome. The boy thinks he is angling for trout and that his creal will contain his catel at nightfall, but those who have angled longer than he. and not always on smooth waters know well that physical and moral fibre are the best crown and fruitage of an angler's love-Recreation.

An Epitome of Expert Opinton and Interesting Facts Gathered from Authoritative Sources.

## General Notes.

Whitewash the Stables once or twice each year.
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Exercise should be given young thoress at all tmes, but overdoing it is worse than no exercis. .

Pick Beans Ciosely and they will bear longer Never hoe or cultivate them when they are wet, as this causes rust.

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Clover Cured on racks has a higher feeding valuc than clover from the same field cured in the swath When practheable the use of racks is recommended dunng wet weather.

India's Chief Industry is agriculture, asd leading crops include rice, wheat, cotton and sugar cane. About 17,000000 acres are under wheat, coupared with $45,00,000$ acres in the United States.
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Careful Grooming should be looked after when horses are shedding their wats in spring. The friction of the curry comb stimulates the growth of sew harr and aids in thequick shedding of the old.

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How to get Fall Lambs-Much diffitalty has been experienced in breeding tres during June and July for late fall udearly winter lambs. The natural beeding season is in the fall, when the reather is cooler. Better suceess will be attanted by breeding earlier, say from the middle of Marcli to the middle d May. The ewes should be as nearly apossible in the same condition as in the fall and the rams also Use young, ngorous rants, saving the more matured oees fur use on ewes whose progeny is meaded to be lept in the flock.

The injury by Drouth to apple trees is unde worse by neglect. Don't set trees in sod or poorly prepared latd. The farmer is apt to thegleet the orchard first when work presses Degin to cultivate early and keep it up until August or later af there is a drouth.

When Inoculating Soll with nitrogen it is suggested that the bacteria cultures be mixed with finely cut leguminous hay and sown over the field after the first plants begin to appear. Where tests of this methed have been made. the results were quite marked.

Spraying Maple Trees.-It is practicable to spray maple and other shade trees for tent caterpillars and all other eating insects. Use Paris green at the rate of one lb. to 150 gals. of water, and apply as soon as you first notice any signs of the insect, and at intervals theteafter of about two weeks.

Girdling for Eariy Frult. - The value of a vinesard set on low land is often im. paired by the danger of early frosts Such a plantation can often be mide profitable by girdling the vines, which process is simply to remove a narrow ring of bark near the root end of the vine to be treated. Such vines will ripen their fruit a week or two in advance of others and thus escape the frost.

When to Cut Winter Whest has received much attention at tlic Ontario Agricultural College for a number of years in stucession. It secms that the iargest yield of grain and the best quality of seed are produced from the crop that is allowed to fully mature before cutting. This is in lite with the experience of the best practical farmers and close observers in many parts of the winter wheat belt.

Controlling the Woolly Apple Aphis.
prof. je. pwight sandithson.

4IlROUGHOU'T the country the woolly aphis, Sitrzoncura lanigera, is one of the worst and most common pests of the apple. Yet its habits and the methods for its control seem to be but little understood, if one judges from the numerous inquiries made concernmg it. L'pon the lower part of the trunk and shoots the aphes.


THE HONLLY AFPLE APHES
a Agamic femate, slanal louse, © pupa duinged fematewith enlargerlantemanabov.- After Maxtatr.
will be found clustered in bluish-white, cottony masses, which look much like patches of mold. These are especially noticeable in young orchards and on nursery stock, and it is upon young trees that this insect does its worst injury.

Were this the only form of the insect with which we have to contend, it could be readily held in control, but it also attacks the roots of the tree, causing gall-like enlargements upon them, in the crevices of which the aphides accumulate in mold-like masses. Thus the tree is injured both above and below ground by the lice sucking out its vital juices and by the poisoning of the roots attacked. When badly infested the roots become a mass of knots, causing the rootlets to die in a year or two. With their disappearance that of the lice also occurs, so that the cause of the injury is obscured. Such mjury can most readily be detected by the appearance of the aeral forn upon the trunk and branches. When badly attacked, the tree becomes sickly, the folinge turns yellow, and it falls an casy prey to borers and other insects, if not absolutely killed by the louse.

The woolly aphis has been spread throughout the country upon nursery
stock. I.oose, dry soils arc favomble to it, while wet, compact ones are un favorable. Like most plasic lice, its life history is a complicated one The aphtudes ordinarily seen on the roots and trunk are wingless, not over one-tenth meln long. of a reddish brown culut, and entirely couered wath a waxy secretion. this leing best developed on thuse above ground. These are the agam females which give birth to young without the intervention of makes. These young are also agamic aud thus this mode of reproduction goes on dur ing the summer. During the fall the winged forms appear which aid m distributing the insect. These gize birth


THE ATHIS ON TIIE ROOTS.
a Root of tree. illustrating deformation, $b$ sectos of tree wath aphidesclustered over 12, c fermale root louse.-[After Maxlazt.
to a small, wingless louse, the females of which lay a single "winter egg," from which an agamic female hatches in the spring and starts another culons The winged form is of a greenish-brown, almost black color, with more or les of the cottony secretion over the body

The aerial form is readily killed by any of the sprays used for other plani lice, such as kerosene emulsion, whak oil soap, or kerosene and water misture. 15 per cent. In the use of them, care
should be taken that they are applied with sufficient force to penetrate the cotton coverng, which will be the easier If the spray be applied while warm.

The most widely-used remedy for the soot form is to pour water heated to nearly the boiling point around the base of the trees, so that it will thoroughly wet the sonl to the depth of several mehes This ean be applied at a high semperature without injury to the roots, and will be more effectual if the surface soil over the roots be first removed.
Tobacco dust, which can be bought as waste from tobacco factories, has also been used to good advantage. In the nursery the trees may be protected from the louse by placing the dust in the trenches in which the seedlings or grafts are planted, and then placing a finc of dust in a small furrow on either side of the trees each spring, as close
to the trees as possible. For larger trees, the surface soil should be removed and from two to five lhs, of the dust scattered around the trunk outward for a distance of two feet or so.
Carbon bisulphide has also been used by anjecting it into the soit, but its use is attended with constderable difficulty, and does not prevent another attack, as the tobacco dust does to a considerable extent. Slightly infested nursery stock may befreed of the louse by dipping in water heated to 130 to 150 degrees for a few seconds, or by fumigathon with hydrocyanic acid gas, as is now being widely done to protect against scale insects. Proper cultivation and liberal fertilizing will do muth to keep the young orchard in vigorous growth so that it may effectually withstand the attacks of the aphis, which need not be greatly feared upon oid trees.

## Ralsing Baby Beef.

$[$$N$ producing first-class, young beef, the breed ol cattle selected is a very important point. The three leading breeds are: Shorthorns, PolledAngus and Herefords. There are a lew others that some recommend, but wherever they have been tested they have not proven equal to the breeds just mentioned. The beef qualities of some of our cattle have been greatly reduced by being mixed up and crossed so much with the dairy breeds. There is no use tring to raise beef from dairy cattle. If you want to ruh a dairy, get a dairy breed, but if you desire beef. procure a beef breed. Study the qualities of the reading beef breeds and select the one that nearest suits your fancy. If you choose a breed that you do not naturally have a liking for, you will not make a success with it. Because your neighbor breeds Shorthoms is no reason why you must.

After the breed has been selected, pay particular attention to the feed and care. When it is possible, I prefer to have the calves come in February or eariy March. If the couss are in good flesh when winter sets in, and are not giving a full fow of milk, they will not need so much ettra care to keep them in first-class order until calving time. Until they have calved. good clover hay and corn fodder can be their principal diet, but when they begin to give milk, they
should be given in addition to the hay and fodder, some oilmeal, bran, middlings, etc. This will produce a heavy flow of mitk and will keep the calf growing rapidly until it gets old enough to stand pushing. When grass cones the "cow will give a large quantity, thereby causing tive calf to make rapid strides.

As soon as the calf is old enough to eat, begitt feeding it a little oats, bran and shelled corn, and when it is about four monihs old, gradually increase the feed and decrease the amount of milk. By the time it is five months old, have it entirely weaned and on full feed of corn, oats and bran. Be very careful about making these changes too rapidly. They should be so gradual that the calf will not notice thent. Always have plenty of good clean water and salt in easy reach. If they cannot have all the water they want, their growth will be greatly retarded. When the grass begins to fail in the fall supply green corn fodder and clover hay, and as cold weather approaches, if possible. provide a shed where they can go in and out as they like. Never fail to let them have all the gran and hay they will cat.

By caring for them in this manner they will weigh from 900 to 1000 lbs . at one year old; if of good stock to begin with, I prefer to sell at that age. Some may prefer to keep them longer, but I believe it pays to sell younger and keep more cows.-M. C. Thomas.

## Keeping Bees for Pieagurc and Profit.

T"MERI: is scarcely a spot so barren that it will not support a few colvmes of bees. a frut farm is one of the most desirable places. especially if located in a valley where the bees can ascend in quest of stores and descend when heavily laden. It is well not to have the bees too far away from the house, so they can be easily seen at any time, especialiy during the swarming periorl

Nearly eversone can keep a few colonies of bees as a side issuc Many a honcy producer has commenced in this way. The keeping of a few colonies of
bees is a good avocation, especially if one is confined to indoor work. keep the grass short and everything clean, 50 that whatever is going on can be easily seen. Tanbark is an excellent thum to have in the apiary to keep down weeds and grass, if it can be bought cheaply A few colomes are enough to begin with, then morease with eaperience Auy colony wall pay for itself an one year, is it is possible to produce twenty to one hundred lbs. per colony, according to location and care. I know of an amateur who began keeping bees in 1894 with one colony. In 1898 he pro. duced a ton of honey.-F. G. Hersin:

## Clearing Fields of Stones.

IN the first piace, prek up all on top before plowing the field, and when breaking sod have a man with a pickave follow the plow and pack up all that are in sight. If a subsoll plow is used, it would be a good plan to pick after that, too Throw the stones in small piles end it will be easier to haul them off later.

Our method has been to never plow down any stones if we coald possibly find time to haul them off, and by taking one field at a time, cleaning that as much as pussible by picking before plowing and after harrowing, once or twice, the farm will soon be clear of all stones. The bontders we dispose of in various ways One is to dig out a hole at one side of them so deep that they
will sink out of the way for the plow, throwing the dirt back over them ahoun Another is to twitch them out of thesr hole with the team and haul them away burying them in the covered drans or using them in stone walls.

On our farm we have found that all boulders stand decpest on the southwest side and shallowest on the opproste side. We dig the soil away on the deepest side enough to get a cham on it and place the team facing the northeast, and out comes the rock when the tean starts, unless the chain slips. One day last November, with the and of one hone I took out and hauled away a bouldet that must have werghed half a ton or more, but I used my brains more than my hands and horse, for neither of as are unusually strong.-V.T. LUNDVMLL.

## Care of the Foal.

AS soon as the young colt is born the first thing to do is to see that it gets up and sucks its dam. When it is a day or two old, catch it by putting one arm around its neek and the other about the hips and hold it until it stops struggling. This teaches the colt that you are its master and that it has nothing to fear from yout. It will be much easier to handle in after $y$ ears The halter should be put on and it should be halter broken before it is a month old.

The next thing is to see that the bowels are kept open and regular and that it gets started in right. Teach the
colt to stay at home during the day while the dam is at work, and leepit in a box stall where it cannot get oxt or be injured. Be sure that there are no mangers or hay racks into whec at can chanb and not get out, or a dead colt may be the result. For the first few weeks it will be necessary to bnig the dam to the barn during the middle of the forencon and afternoon. As 5002 as the colt can eat, give it a separate box and feed crushed oats and bras with a little oil meal. Continue tbis grain food-regularly every day for the first two years and you will have the foundation laid for a good horse. - Ay. Agriculturist.

## Canadian Ruffed Grouse,

$\mathbb{T}^{1}$His is the form of nufied grouse found in Northern Camada wherever the comntry is heavily timbered or swampy. On sparsely wooded romentry and dried uplands the gray ruffed grouse, ambellondes, occurs.
the characteristies that differentiate the four races of ruffed grouse are so bight, however, that the species mught almost be treated as a soldd one In the country between the Selkirk and the Cascade mountans, in Southern
proportionately longer mid toe than Eastern birds.

Young of this species seem able to fly earlier than those of any other species of grouse. I have never come across a breed that could not ny some distance I should judge the figght feathers start to grow as soon as the chick is out of the shell, and power of flight is acquired within three days.
The ruffed grouse is a game burd that should have the most rigri protection, and sportsmen should be carcful how


British Columbia, examples of all four mees may be taken in a day's travel. The chameter of the breeding ground and enviromment of nest have more effece on the coloration of grouse than is caused by difference in climate In the locality above referred to ruffed grouse ininabit every variety of country from the heavily timbered bottoms to the dry, lightly wooded hills. In the former losalities the birds will average as togata, with an occasional sabiniz. whle in the latter the lightest colored birds represent the variety $u m b e l l o i d e s$ Ruffed grouse of the sabinit and logata ty pes found on the Pacific slope have a
they deplete their covers. for of all the grouse it is the species least given to wandering or migrating, and covers once exhausted seldom or never recover their birds. The number of ten a day allowed by the L.A.S. code is at least twice too many for Eastern States. A New England sportsman should quit at four birds Even on the Pacific slope, which presents an ideal retreat for this grouse, I have never been guilty of shooting more than seven in a day. although I should not hesitate to kill three times that number of almost any species of duck in the fall and winter. -Allan broons in Recrcalion.

## pERSONAL PARAGRAPHS PERTAINING TO PROMINENT PEOPLE.

APLEASANT story is told concerting Mr. Justice Bucknil at the South Wales Assizes. A local journalist brought his little boy into the court as a sort of "liberal education," and stood him near the reporters' table. Here the well-behaved lattle fellow quietly watehed the strange scene around him. The worthy judgequekly espied him, and presently a note was dropped from the Bench with the inscription, "For the little boy standing at the table." Inside appeared the following thessage. "I see a very nice quiet little boy watehing his father writing shorthand I send him sixpence for his money box. - T. T. Becknili. 3i-3.00."
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THE Queen's family. including the Prince born to the Duke and Duchess of York a short time since. and counting, in addition to Hicr Majesty, only children, grand-children and great-grand-chideren living now, numbers seventy-four, as follows. Sons and daughters living, seven; grandchildren, thirty-two, and great-grandchildren, thirty-four. The Prince of Wales' own family is a relatively small one-four children (one son and three daughters) and six grandehideren (three grandsons and threc granddaughters). The line of direct succession to the throne happily continues unbroken in the Queen, the Prince of Wales, the Duke of York, and the sons of the Duke of York.

AWRITER, in a personal sketch of the Duke of Westminster, who has just come of age, mentions an interesting incudent. The Duke was present at the historical meeting of Sir Alfred Milner and President Kruger at the Bloemfonten Conference. One day during the Conference a telegram was recerved announcing that Flying Fox had won the Derby, and President Kruger, on hearing of the result. im mediately congratulated L.ord Belgrave, as the Duke then was.

UEEN WIHHELMINA of Holland is presumably fond of the military element. From quite a small chitd she has been clever at painting, and latterly her chicf models " from life" have been the guards on sentry at her own palace. From one of the windows these are easily sketched, and being on duty they are. of course, convemently posed in readiness.

LORD METHUEN bas a partiality for President Kruger, and all because of the Paul they bear in common for their. Christian names. This partiality of the Methuens for the name of paul is a matter of heredity. I.ord Methuen's father bore the zame, so did his grandfather, so does his brother, and so do his own three sons, the eldest owning it as his first name, the two younger as their second names.

TWICE the Dowager Empress of Russia has saved her husband's life. One day, when in the Emperor's dressing-room, she observed that on his dressing table lay a curious-looking jewel-case. Something about its appearance aroused her curiosity, and, taking it up, she became aware that it was extremely beavy. Withont saying a word, she went into her room and placed it carefully in a basin of water, then, sending for the Prefect of Folice, whose duties keep him much about the palace, she begged him to have it examined, and it was discovered to be one of the most marvellous infernal machunes ever invented by the ingenuity of man. The second occasion on which the Enpress was directly instrumental in stopping murder occurrel in the Winter Palace, when she heard a shight noise which indicated the presence of some stranger in the Czar's study. Without betraying the slight est anxiety, she begged her husband to come and speak to one of the children He did so. She locked the door, and only gave up the keys to a party of soldiers, who found that someone had just escaped through the window.

QUEEN MARGUERITI: of Italy is particularly interested in folklore, and has published many charming sketches under an assumed name in the Italian journals. Queen Marguerte is far more gifted than 13 generally supposed. A leading Italian artist declared that in matters of art her judgment never errs. "She catches the artist's idea at onec, and is always correct." She is an accomplished contotssettse in music, and is always to be seen at the concerts of the St. Cecilia Academy, and at those of the Orchestral Society, of which Maestro Pinelli is the director. The Queen is never idie. She draws, paints, studies dead languages, reads, writes, and transhates living languages, keeps a voluminous diary, and tries her hand at every new kind of work she hears of, and nearly always with success.

Queen Marguerite is the possessor of the finest head of hair of any queen in Europe-finer than that of the late Empress of Austria. Her pearls are unrivalted. She has her old clothes sold for charity, an example which distinguished Italian and English jadies might follow with advantage.

INN Manchester Sir Henry Irving was once the butt for a certain actor's jokes. His figure, voice and gait were the subject of this gentleman's unsparing ridicule. In his old age Irving's mimic became sc impoverished that one of his friends wrote to his former victim. A handsome remittance was sent by return, and till the hour of his death he regularly received $\delta, 2$ a week.

cOLONEL BADEN-POWELL, the C bero of Mafeking, is ambidextrous. It matters not to him with which hand he picks up pen or pencil to write, draw, or paint; he does whatever he has the mind to do with either equally well-this being partly the result of Ruskin's advice to Mrs. Baden-Powell not to interfere with his habit, as a child, of draxing with his left hand It is even said that he can now make a sketch with his left hand and shade it in at the same time with his right.

TIIE appointment of the Duke of Connaught to be Commander-itChief in Ireland recalls an incident which decided the Queen to give him the name of lreland's patron saint. When the Queen and Prince Albert. visited Ireland in 1849, an old lady in the crowd which welcomed Her Majesty to Dublin exclaimed, as the carriage in which the Queen sat with her husband and elder children passed, "Oh, Queen, dear! make one of them dear children Prince Patrick, and all Ireland will dic for you."

The hint was not forgotten, and wher, a year later, the Queen's seventh child was born, he received the name of Arthur Patrick Albert. The soldier Prince was further connected with the Emerald Isle when he was made Duke of Connaught.

$0^{F}$F the late Mr. Dwight L. Moody, the famous evangelist, it is recalled that just previous to his death he addressed in Kansas City the largest crowds he had ever faced. His last sernion was preached in the Convention Hall, on the night of November 16th, and fully 15,000 people listened to an earnest appeal, which was regarded as one of his greatest efforts. He was taken ill on the following morning and at noon on the 2and he passed away. His last recorded words were, "I have always been an ambitious man; not to lay up wealth, but to find work to do."

$S^{12}$IR HENRY CAMPBELL-BANNERMAN, the prominent Liberal member in the Imperial House of Commons, has a-mania for watchmaking. The watch he carries he has made entirely himself. Most of his personal friends at some time or other have received a present from him of a "BannermanMade Watch " The time kept by Sir Henry's watches, however, is sometimes erratic. Lord Salisbury remarked laughingly to one of his brother peers. who had occasion to ask him the tume: "What time do you wart? 'Yondon time' or 'Bannerman's time'?"

## Items of Interest.

The oniy European country whech has a lower death-rate than Fingland is Norway.

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The cost of ruming a big ocean liner from Liverpool to New York and back is something over \$90,000.

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If ald, the money at the world were davided curally among the people each person would get about $\$ 20$.

Timber is salt enough in the sea to cover $7,000,000$ square miles of land with a layer one mile in thekness.

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Tine ounist bank note in the possession of the Bank of lingland is dated December $19^{\text {th }}, 1699$, and is for 6555 .
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The sound of thunder may be heard for twenty or twenty-five miles; with the ear to the ground much farther. lightning is reflected for 150 to 200 miles.

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The railways of the world are to-day worth from five to six thousand million pounds. This probably represents onetenth of the total wealth of civilized nations, and one-quarter, if not onethird, of their invested capital. The world's whole stock of money of every kind-gold, silver and paper-would purchase only a third of its railways.

Tue crimens of Berlin have a summary way of stopping the dangerous practice of carrying sticks.and umbrellas homzontally. As soon as a man tucks his umbrella under his arm he will promptly feel a quick blow on it from beltund. There is no use int his gettlag angry with the person who strikes the blow, because the public are determined to stop this dangerous practice.

Tin!: rigen's strength eveceds that of the lion Five men can easily hold down a lion, but nine are required to sublue a tiger.

One-quarter of the people on the earth die before the age of six, one hall before the age of sixteen, and only one out of each hundred born lives to the age of sixty-five.

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The sasaf, fest book in the world is in the possession of the Earl of Dufferin. It is an edition of the sacred book of the Siklis, and is said to be only half the size of a postage-stamp.

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If an express train, moving at the rate of forty-five miles an hour, were to stop saddenly it would give the pas sengers a shook equal to that of falling from the height of 54 ft .
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In Naples there exists a race of cats which live in the churches. They are kept and fed by the authorities on purpose to catch the moce which infest all old buildings there. The animals may often be seen walking about among thic congregation, or sitting gravely before the altar during time of mass.

There are more than twice as many blind persons in Russia as in the whole of the rest of Europe. They number 190,000, which is equivalent to two in every $1, \infty 0$ of the population. In France and England the proportion is not quite one per 1,000 . It is believed that blindness in Russia is so prevalent because of the length of time which snow hes on the ground, and also owing to the uncleanly habits of the people.

The biggest match factory in the world is the Vulcan match factory at Tidaholm, Sweden. It employs over 1,200 men, and manufactures daily 900,000 boxes of matches. The yearly output requires 600,000 cubic feet of wood, $250,000 \mathrm{lb}$. of paper, and $40,000 \mathrm{lb}$ of rye flour for pasting the boxes Three hundred of the most comnlete and ingenious pieces of machinery, all of Swedish invention, are used in this factory.

A tongers made of rubser and resting on a pivot set between the teeth betongs to a New York mam. He is abte to talk. distuctly and frecly, and eat with ease.

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TuE worst fanincs of modern times were the famine in Ireland in $3846-7$ in which $5.000,000$ people perished; the Indian famine of 8866 , which clamed $1,450,000$ vietims; the Indian fanme of 1877 , in which 500,000 people pershed ; and the great famine in China in 1379 , in which $9,500,000$ died.

AN IDEA of the great increase in the cost of diamonds imparted by the labor of poltshung and mounting, as well as by the profits of traders, may be obtained by comparing their price at the munes in South Africa with the prices in the jewellery shops. A diamond wughing one carat, mounted in a ring, may cost the buyer $\$ 100$ or more, but at Kimberly the average value of diamovds of that weight is only about $\$ 6$.

It is noteworthy that, like the young Belgian tinsmith, Sipido, the four uretehed men who have attempted the life of the Queen were all more or less youthful. Thus, Edward Oxford, the first miscreant, was only seventeen years old when he fired at the Queen on Constitution Hill in r8ar ; John Francis, who made a similar attempt two years after, was the beardless son of a uachinist at Drury Lane Theatre: and Roderick Maclean, themadman who fircl on the Queen at Windsor Station, bal not reached maturity. Then Bean. the deformed youth who levelled a pistol attheQueen when passing from Bucking. ham Gate to the Chapel Royal, St. James' -though, fortunately, the pistol did not gooff-was only a boy, and was able by this fact to temporarily elude capture.

Anong rim Simese the curious custom obtains of reversmg the ellowwjoint of the lelt amia as a sugn of superiority. The children of both sexes are trained to reverse their elbow in this painful position at an early age if their parent are persons of high grades

In bertin the firemen wear waterjackets with a double skin, which they are able to fill with water from the hose. If the space between the two layers becomes over-filled the water escapes through a value at the top of the helmet and flows down over the fireman like a cascade, protectung hum doubly. The smoke-helmets. largely used in Germany, Austria, Holland and Italy, enable the bearer to breathe and see at his ease in a smoke-laden atmosphere. In some instances the apparatus includes a means of telephonic communication with the street below.

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The ex-Empress Eugente had, and still cherishes, a true Spaniard's taste for strong scents, her favorite odors being sandalwood and lemon verbema. Queen Victoria seldom uses'any perfume except the homely and refteshing lavender water, of which large quantities are annually manufactured for her use. The Princess of Wales delights in that delicate scent known as woodviolet. The ex-Empress Frederick uses quantities of Cologne water, especially in the danly bath, which sbe, as a typical Briton, never fails to take unless she be hindered by illness, employing in this way a quart of Cologne water daily. The late Empress of Austria preferred for tonlet uses the delicate orange scent known as Portugal water. The Queer-Regent of Spain has a delicate penfume especially made for her use from the spice-scented blossoms of the carnation.




TIIF: movement having for its object the placing of farming on a sound, practical, commercial and scientific basis is making rapid progress in many directions. The latest phase of developuent deals a death blow in the vicinity of the capital of Ontario to the old haphazard, happy-golucky method of conducting the dairying department of the farm. It has always struck us as one of the strangest anomalies that while in live stock, grain and other produce of the soil the differentiations in quality are recog. nized to a nicety, and result in a corresponding decrease or increase in the price the farmer receives; in the matter of milk, which plays a most important part in the dietary alike of the hight and the humble, the only consideration appears to have been that the commodity should be-wet and white. Provided it possessed these properties it was " milk," and " milk" was so much a can.

Could any system be more destructive of a farmer's desire to bring up his stock to the lighest pitch of perfection in the matter of milk supply? A man would be more than human who in these days of keen competition deliberately spent a hundred dollars a year on feeding his cattle to provide a better quality of milk, when his neighbors are paid as much for the same quantily of an inferior article produced without the cost of that additional hundred dollars.

An incorporatel company las been fonmed, with headquarters in Toronto, which cannot fail to remedy this umatural state of affairs in the districts whence that city draws its milk supply. The injustice of eaisting conditions not only bears upon the progressive farner, who desires to obtain the best results from his enterprise and knowledge of hus calling, but it also affects very materinily the whole community of mulk consumers, who, except in a comparative y few instances, must take-and pay for-what is given them, and ie thankiul, whether their purchase 1 x really a pure article or one whose merits are limited to the two virtues alreads spoken of.

This sharelolders of the Company comprise a large number of farmers and dairymen who have not been slow to recognize the benefit they, as well as the consumers, will derive from a mose. ment which has for its maxim " Mik on its merits." The names of those identified with the promotion of the project are evidence that sound busmess principles will obtain in all the conpany's operations, and they are also1 guarantee of the successful carrying out of the policy laid down in the prospectus: to procure for Toronto milk of standard quality and hygienically perfect at the price now paid for all sorts and conditions of milk, and at the same time ensure the farmer more pro fitable returns than he now obtains.

The only sufferers by this latest $\pi$ ** cognition of the identity of the inturests
of farmer ard consumer will be those
who have gained an unfair advantage in the past-those stip-shod farmers whose sole aim has been to produce the maximum amonnt of "milk" at the minimum cost, withont any regard to the quality. Cow-owners of this class watl soon be to more, and they must cither drop ont of the business altogether or be prepared to meet the demand of the awakend intelligence of the popmace for putc milk procured from cows pro. videl with heathful surroundings.
We have had our attention drawn to a case which very aptly illustrates the force of our contention: Two neighboring farmers, not a thousand miles from Toronto, supply the city with milk, and both receive the same price; one endeavours to feed his cattle as well as possible and under the best sanitary conditions-the other uses the refuse from brewerics and other slons !
The movement, which in Canada has had its genesis in Toronto, is bound to spread throughout the country, and invariably will it be to the alvantage of the conscientions and progressive fanner that it is no more the rule that all milk looks, or sells, alike.

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$T \mathrm{~T}$ is customary now-a-days when a great exhibition is to be openel for some important personage to touch an electric button which immediate!'s sets in motion all the mechanical or manufacturing exhibits in the place. For jears China has been the world's great exhbition of diplomacy and political intugue, but the day of the formal opening, when the universe might witness the actual resuits of those long years of preparation, has been postponed
time and again, owing, apparently, to the fear among the exhibiturs that if the button were touched prematurely the machinery on which they have spent so much effort might not be able to stand the force of the current, and, bursting, tuight shed its fragatents with fatal effect among its constructors. The buton has been pressed at last, however, and we look with horror and disgust on the damuing evidence, written in blood, of how little the world's policy and diplomacy-mongers have accomplished towards curbing Chinese hatred of "forcign devils."

Th: unpleasant thought has suggested itself in many quarters that the efforts of the "civilized" powers to reconcile the Clinese to the peaceful invasion of foreigners in the pursuit of commercial and missionary enterprises have been marked by a lack of sincerity; that in the case of Russia that ambitious power has been insidiously strengthening its own position in China by fanning the prejudice of the Chinese against the other foreigners. Proceeding on such premises the further presumption is that when the itevitable outburst took place, Russia havinge ${ }^{2}$ force of several thousand soldiers at Port Arthur, intended to step in and quell it in its initial stages, thereby establishing herself as the dominant protecting power at Pekin. The little scare-fire kindled by Russian intrigue quickly assumed the proportions of a conflagration, and before the admirals in Chinese waters could protect them the European and American legations were attacked by thousands of Boxers, aided by the Chinese soldiery, who were
nominally sent to suppress them; missionarns and matne Christians were massacred, the latter to the number of $2,0 \infty$. The trouble has not been confined to Pekm, and there has lexen considerible boss of hife among the relief parties of the foresign powers, while over 4,000 Chumese have been killed in battle.

Such is the state of affain existitg in China in the last sear of the century, and statestannshap neter had a more dificult task than that which now confronts the govermments of the great powers: not only to bring order out of chaos in a country whose population ea. ceets $400,000,000$, and which has practically delared war against the rest of the world, but to settie the future of that conntry on a basis which shall be aceeptable to those powers whose inter ests so closely tread one upon another. that any settiment in which some nation wall not find a cause for jealousy -married to the point of hostilitiesseems absolutely impossible.


T II: l'residential contest across the border is evidently to be fought out on an issue now appearing for the first time in the arena of tinited States polities, that of Luperialism or the natural expunsion of the political infuence of the Republic in the affains of oller continents. Of this poliey the Republicans are the defenders, willynidy, for it is the incevitable corollary of the war with Spmin, resulting, as that did, in the establishment of the United States as a governing power in Asia. With an inconsstency that it will be hard to parallet, the Democrats who denounced MeKinley's government two years ago for their " tartiness " in taking up the cause of humanity against Spain, now make the leading plank of their platform unflinching antagonism to the very poliey they then contenderl for with such a display of virtuous indignation. It is tne the silverquestion
promises to have a place in the platform of the Democrats, but that, it is pretty generally understoon, is merely to meet the personal predilections of Mr. Bryan The real issue of the fight is to le natuml and ennobling expansion, or unnatural and degrading abstention from the assumption of responsibilities
"Noxis of us liveth tohimself alon " apphes to mations no less than to madinduals. The indwitual who, un violation of this preeept, disregards the duties he ones to society amb makes h; own immediate personal interests the sole object of his cfforts and life, is rightly regarded with contempt, as the embodiment of gross selfishness. The more exalted the position of the indivi--dual so offending, the greater would te the ecasure with whel lie would be visited. In fact, his very greatness an a material sense would but intensify has lack of recognation of moral oblagations.

Forrusarrise, public opinion is so pronounced on this question, and further, is such a formidable foc, that eten the most hardened egotists pay tribute to it. This makes hypocrites, of cource but hypocrisy is the homage vice pays to virtue. The inventions facilitating tmvel and the interchange of ideas lave widened the focus of public opinion. and while in the first half of the century the expression had merely a local or, at most, a national significance, hoth in its source and in its objective pmint. it now not infrequently represents the voices of the mations of Christendore speaking as one.

Individual nations are thus brought under the same species of corrective or restraining influence which, on a small scale and in a more restricted aren, oprentes on the individual cition And it will no more be pessible for a mation of the magnitude of the finited States, with its potentialities for civili.
zation, to keep those resourees solely for its own use within tts own boundaries, and maintain for itself the respect of the rest of the world, than it would be for a city tike New York to refuse liclp to the starving population of a town in the same State which had been wiped out by fire, or for a millionaire to give nothing of his treasure to relieve the distress oceasioned in his neighborhood by some such dire visitation, which had left hundreds destitute of fool.

It may be said that we are giving charity too pronounced a place in the polity of nations; that "self-interest" is the first consideration alike of the nation and the individual.

Apart from the moral consideration, however, every individual owes a duty to the community in which he lives and whence he draws his means of livelihood, and this is exacted by the community, be it nation or township, in the shape of taxes or personal service, in order to maintain administration of law and order and security for life and property.

There is a larger community than that of ti:c nation-the community of the world. The United States is a member, and a wealthy member, of that community, and its obligation to assist in maintaining order therein, and civilizing the outlying portions thereof, is not only a moral one but a legal one, an attempt to evade which would not only bring upon the United States the contempt of Christendom, but just retnbution would be inevitable by the action of other mations in practically closing many of the most valuable marSets to the Republic.

Wimes we should like to think that the moml consideration alone mould ditemine the people of the United States to shoulder the white man's burlen cheerfully, we may rest assured
that the added consideration of personal interest will elinch the matter and prevent them taking the retrograde step advocated by Mr. Bryan and his fellow lemocrats The fortheoming contest will be the most momentous politien event since the days of Washington. It will demonstrate whether the predominant element in the United States possesses that instinct for goverament in its widest and best sense, chameteristic of the Anglo.Snion race, or whether this has been supplanted, owing to the influx of a cosmopolitan population and other influences, by ideals which may be tenued proportionately perfeet enlargements of the l'aul Kruger pattern.

0NE of the lessons of the Sonth Arican war is the necessity of having a larger proportion of cavalry than has hitherto been the custom in European armies. This entails heavy purchases of suitable horses for some years to conc. There is no season why our farmers should not benefit largely by the stimulus thus given to horse mising. Major Dent, who came to Canada on behalf of the Imperial authorities on the outbreak of war, purchased 5,000 animals, and could have taken double or treble that number had they been available. While the introduction of the electric street cars hit the farmers and horse breeders a pretty hard blow, they can more than recover the ground they lost by catering for the demand for steels whose duties will be more exacting, but certainly not more concucive to carly death, than drawing ear loads of peaceful citizens along the streets of Canadian cities.





## Simple Things.



0 jou crer pause to listen.
In the hurry of the strife
Of the cares that crond aromed you,
To the simpte things of life?
Tothe vongs the tiris ate singing. rother hippy churpand tritt?
Tothe ntoh of wootiond tirectes sweeping pave , on o'er the hill?

Bo you ever bear the lasgliter of the leatev on summer das) Asthey whater josous nothugs "Neath the gtad wins golden ras," oh. 'twill eheer , on juct to liden lof a moment to their gice, 1,ihe a breath from xpacs wiands Blowng by sonfrom the sen

Just a flowez within a wsindow, Or a trec upon the street. Or the lispung of an Infant, Holds a blessing fult and aweet. Onty free your mind to seize it, Ath twall cheer you all diy long, Till you find your lige are mowng rothe cadence of a sonis.

## EASY NEEDLEWORK FOR THE HOME.

## Zambesl Embroidery.

$\mathbb{Z}$AMBESSI embroidery is Oriental as to coloring, the method of working is simple, and the materials very inexpensive.

Whity-brown linen is used for the work, and this should always be procured of a substantial quality; as the

Tea, tray, and stdeboard cloths, dressing table covers, couvrepieds, lextspreads, mats, table-centres, etc., cte. all look very well done in it.

The designs are gencrally very much the same, very little variety being notiecable in all that we have seen.

The example seen in our illustrations

FIG. 1,-7ith flaf op a nightiners case worked in zambet emiroiders:
cmbroidery sitows up much better if it is. This linen is very ine-wpensive, and washes and wears well.

The cottons used in Zaubesi work are colored embroidery cottons, and care should be taken in selecting them to get those alone which are ingrain.

The articles for which this embroidery is suitable are very numerous indeed.
gives a good idea of the designs, and their great simplicity is obvious.

Fig. 1 is the flap of a night-dress case. but the same pattern exactly can be used for the end of a table-centre, and various other purposes.

Yellow and blue are usel throughont All the stars and traplets of stitches that come from the line are done in blue,
cord,
minto a cyed c and $p$ stuff. sew th stutche 1.15 have fal ond at: dinte.
and the scalloping is in two shades of blue. In this border, three seallops are dark, and three light blue: the atternating shades having a very pretty cffect.
Hig 2 shows another part of the nightdress ease. The hexagon here is worked inal-tematepyramids of yeltowand blue.

## scalio"s.

The way in which scallops are worked is clearly seen if Fig 3
keep your thread always under vour needle: make your stitehes quite even, side by side. Do not draw four stitches ino tightlyso as to pucker them; and do not, on the other hand, let them lie so loosely that any trace of the material is seen between them.

## sTEM-STITCH.

This stitch, seen in Fig 4 , is very ensy to work, and obtains very generally in all kinds of work. Work upwards, laking up very little of the material on your needle, and making your stiteles all exactly opposite encs other.
covening.
This line of coarse red cotton cord is concheddown. This tenn is from "couch. e7." laying down To begin or end the cord, thead one end moto a very large and esed chenille needle and push through to the back of the stuff. Draw out the needle and then sew the cord down with small back stutches in another rolor. If yon wish to lav two lines of cord down, when you have finished one, then lay down the secmind and make your stitches intennediste.

## pyRAMIDS.

Pymmid-stitch is really only satinstitch worked upwards into pyramid form. Begin at the base and work up to the point, taking care to let your stitch be very even, so that the outline of the pyranid may not be broken.


PIO 2-ANOTIER PORTION OF TIIS NIOIT-DRESS,

EAN-SrITCH.
This is only a sct of long stitches all converging intoonc point. It makes a pretty variety sometimesto make alternate stiteltes mith two dhsferent colors.
When your work is finished, lay it face downwards on an troning cloth spread overa blanket, and, after damping the back, iron with an iron which is not too hot.
Torchon lace makes a nice edging where one is needed.

## Don'ts for the Nursery.

Don't forget that children's clothing should be wam, but light.

Don't hang emrtaiss around the cot. Children need plenty of air, especially when sleeping.

Don't place the cot in a position where the light will fall on the clitd's cyes, nor in a draught.

Don't forget to remove the child to a cot, with a hair mattress, when it is old enough to leave the cradle. (We might add that many people do not now use cradies at all.)

Don't forget to air the children's bed clothes every day, taking them in about noon.

Don't allow a child to sleep with an cider person. Its rest with be less disturbed and more beneficial alone.

## CHIT-CHAT.

## a woman talks to women-a mother speaks to mothers.

# The Blessings of To-Day. 

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we knew the woe and freattache W'ating for ut down the roat. If our lipe cond taste the wormwool, If oi:r bache could feel the load, Wouth we wavte to-day in wishing lor a time that ne'er cau be?Would we wait lin such impatience For our ships to come from sea ?

Strange we never prise the music
Till the sweet-voiced bird has flown. Strange that we should slight the violels Till the lonedy flowers are sone. Strange that summer skics and sumshite Neser seem one hatf so falr A< when winter's snowy pinions Shake their white down in the air ?

Let us gather up the sunbeame Ifying alt atong our path: let us heep the whent and roses Casting out the thoras numl clinft: I.et tis find ont surceten comfort In the blessings of to-day. Whth the paticut finnd remosing All the briers from our way.

IT$T$ is a mistake to fly to the medicine chest directly one feels a little out of sorts, although, of course, in serious iltness drugs are invaluable. If the nerves are out of order through worry or ovenvork, rest and quiet are the best doctors, with light, amusing literature and recreation. A warm bath may be taken at night and a cold sponge in the morning. Light, nourishing food and as much sleep as possible. Many are afflicted with weak circulation and suffer severely from the cold. Flannels shoukd always be worn next the skin, good nourishing food is indispensable. and a tepid (not cold) bath taken every morning, with a vigorous mbbing with a rough towel aftenvards. Outdoor exercise in the warmest part of the day, and a course of cod-liver oil is usually very beneficial. For those who suffer from derangement of the stomach or a sluggish liver a different treatment is necessary, but it is a mistake to be constantly taking salts or pills. Very often abstinence from any but the plainest food, plenty of outdoor exercise and an occasional Turkish bath are all that is needed.
" Wiar is an epistic? " asked a Sun-day-school teacher. There was a pause, and then a solitary hand went up.
"I know, teacher."
"Welt, my dear?"
"The wife of an apostle, teacher."

BLUF eyes are said to be the weakest.
Upturned eyes are typical of devotion. Wide open eyes are indieatue of rashness. Side glancing ejes are always to be distrusted. Brown eyes are said by the oculists to be the strongest. Small eyes are commonly supposed to indicate cunning. The downcast eye has in all ages been typical of modesty. The proper distance between the cyes is the width of one eye People of melancholy temperament rarely have clear bluc eyes. Eyes in rapid and constant motion betuken anxicty, fear, or care Eyes with long. sharp corners indicate great discern ment and penetration. The white of the eye showing bencath the iris is indicative of nobility of character. Grey eyes turning green in anger or excitement are indientive of choleric temperament. When the upper lid covers half or more of the pupil the indication is of cool deliberation. An eye, the upper lid of which passes hortzontally across the pupil, indicates mentalability. Unsteady eyes, mpidly jerking from side to side, are frequently indicative of an unsettled mind. It is said that the prevailing colors of eyes among patients of lunatic asylums are brown or black. Eyes of any color with weak brows and long, concate lashes are indicative of a weak constitution. Eyes that are wide apart are said by physiognomists to indicate
great intelligence and tenacious memory. liyes of which the whole of the irts is visible belong to erratic persons, often with a tendency towards insanity. Wide open, staring eyes in weak countemances indicate jealouss; bigotry: intolerance, and prertinacity without firmness. Eyes placed close together in the head are said to indicate pettiness of disposiiion, jealousy, and a turn for fault finding. When the under arch of the upper eyelid is a perfect semi-circle it is indicative of goodness, but also of timidity, sometimes approaching cowardice.
All men of genius are said to have cyes clear, slow-moving and bright This is the ege which mdicates mentat ability of some kind, it does not matter what. Bluc eyes are said to be effemimate, but this is a mistake, for blue eyes are found only among Caucasian races, and the white races rule the norld.
"Mamma!"
"Well? "
"You caned me last week for licking Jimmie Watts, and papa hocked me yesterday 'cause Johnny I'helps walloped me."
"Well?"
" I'm wondenng what'll happen some tire when it's a draw."

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I$T$ is a well-known fact among physicians, nurses, and those generally interested in the restomation of health, that the prescentage of woman among the middle and upper clases who retire
early is very small. There are many women so constituted that the wear and tear of daily life consumes to a great extent their vitality, which can only be restored by means of perfect repose.

Especially are long, unbroken hours of rest necessary for wives and mothers, all of whom are giving their strength unreserved!y, and getting little physically in return, save that which is derived from sleep. Those who earnestly desire to use the most effective means for the preservation of health and beauty should not fail to keep early hours.

One writer says the common dandelion is a perfect soporific. Two or three leaves chewed just before going to bed will induce sleep, no matter how nervous or worried a man may be. The leaves can be dried easily for winter use, and the best of them is that when used to woo sleep there is no morning headache or weariness such as invariably follows the use of opiates.

Mamma was serving jam-pudding.
"Johnuy, will you take a little pudding?"
Johnny: "Yes; will you give me the ends, please?"

Manma: " But why do you wish to have the ends, Johnny?"

Johmy. "Why, when I was in the kitchen 1 heard Ellen say to cook, - Put a good lot of jam in the ends, cook, because you know the ends are always left for us." "

## Things that Never Die.

IIf: puse, the bright, the bexutiful. That stirred our hearts in youth. The impulses to wordless prayer, The strcams of tove and truth: The longing $\rightarrow$ after something lost, The spirit's yearming erg; The virinang after better hopesThese things can never die.

The timid hand strctehed forth to and A brother fit his tueed:
A kindly word in srief s dark hour. That proves a friend indeed: The ples of metcy soitly breathed, When justrce threatens high, The forrow of a contrite heartThese things shall never die.

The cruel and the biter word That wounded as it fell : The chilling wint of sympathy Wefeel, but never tell: The hard repulse that chilts the beart Whose hopes are bounding high. In an unfading record heptThese things shall never die.

Let nothing pase, for every hatid Mfust find some nork to do:
Love not a charice to waken loveDe firm, and just, and true:
So shall a light that carnot fade besm on thee from on bigh. And angel voices ray to thee, These things shall never die.

## SIMPLE RECIPES FOR TASTY DISHES.

Pra Sour.-This can tre made with the liquor in which the beef was boiled, and either split peas or pea flour may be used.

Creas Fritters. - Method. Pound eight macaroons in a mortar with two ounces of sifted sugar, the grated rind of half a lemon, four yolks of cggs, and a gill and a half of cream. Stir in the stiffly-beaten whites of the eggs, and fry a nice brown. Serve hot, with sifted sugar.

Genoese Sauce. - Method. Make half a pint of brown satuce, add a teaspoonful of catsup, a dessert-spoonful of finely-chopped parsley, a few drops of anchovy essence, pepper, salt, and (if wished) half a glass of Burgundy, and while cooking add by degrees an ounce of butter. Pour over the fish and serve.
Cabinet Pedding.-Method. Butter a pudding-mould and decorate with cherries, angeltca, etc. Slice four small sponge cakes, and put them in the mould in alternate layers with two ounces of rapafias and five macatoons. Beat up three eggs, add them to half a pint of milk and half a pint of cteam. strain over the sponge cakes, etc., and steam for an hour and a quarter. I.et the pudding stand for a short time before turning it out. Serve with rich sauce.
Cream Sotip. - Method. Boil three ounces of rice in a quart of stock, and when soft rub half of it throug! a sieve and afterwards through a tanmy. Return the stock and the nice to a saucepan, adding both the whole rice and that which has been passed through the cieve, re heat Beat the solks of two eggs and max them with a gill of cream. Take the soup off the fire and pour it very graduatly over the egass. stirring all the time to prevent curdling; then heat up once more, but do not let the soup boil again.

Soup a in Reine - Method. Put the following in a saucepan $A$ pound and a half of lean real cut in preces, a shoc of bacon, a stick of celery, an union, a blade of mace, a clove, six white peppercorns, a bunch of herbs, and four ounces of butter. Fry till well browned, add two quarts of stock, and two or three large mushrooms broken into pieces. Boil up and skim off the fat. Soak the vermicelli for a few mimutes in cold water, and then simmer till tender in a little stock. Drain, put in the soup tuieen, and strain the soup over.

Ptounnti: Saucti.-Method: Melt 2 ounces of butter in a stewpan, stir in , in ounce of flour, add a tablespoonful of vinegar, half a pint of stock, salt, pul per, chopped shallots and chopm-1 pickled gherkins. Simmer for quarth of an hour, add the juse of half a lemun and serve with the pork cutlets, whilt should be neatly clit and fried.
Banana Tart - Method: Rub cight good, ripe bananas through a sieve. mix with them the jusce and grated pori of a lemon, and a glass of rum. lie.t two eggs, strant to a gill and a halt of milk and half a gill of cream, swerta to taste, and stir into the bananas. Lam a dish with puff paste, pour in the minture, and bake in a moderate oven.

Preserved Cherry Pudding. Method: Decorate a fancy mould wath preserved cherries cut in halves, haturg first rubbed it over wath butter. Jiact six ounces of butter to a cream, addst ounces of castor sugar and four egns, one by one, and beat for ten minutes, add four ounces of preserved cherric; cut in halves and half a pound of stfoul flour. Steam for an hour and a hall. Turn out and serve with wine or swet sauce.

Olive Sauce.--Method: Soak about twelve or more olives in hot water tor twenty minutes. Melt an ounce of butter in a saucepan, and add a tablespownful each of chopped carrot and onius. Brown them lightly, add an ounce of brown flour, pour in gradually threz quarters of a pint of brown stexh. a blade of mace, a clove, a bas-leaf, sait and pepper, and smmer fortwenty manutes Stune the olves, and boil them iur ten minutes, drain, and add them to the strained sauce. Re heat, and scrve.

Mock Pineapple Jam.-This is a de licious yet mexpensive jam, the recure for which was given in these columus in the summer. It is made with vegerable marruw, minel in the proportion of about one tinned pane to two largh, hard marrows. The marrows are cut in slices, placed in a large earthenware pan with preserning sugar-the punc fruit cut in pieces-and the juice, and left to soak over night. The martow will absorb the flavor of the Iruit complecely. It must then be boiled for nearly three hours with lemon peel and juice. It turns out more a compote than a jam, and it is a good addition to the breakfast or luncheon table.


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## A Very Small Hero.

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III: maval and military services have their heroes of industry as well as thear heroes of battle, as you will agree when you have been told of the devotion of duty of little Youchi, a tiny Jap, employed by a slip of the United States Navy.

The greatest care is taken of the botiers in warships, because on their eflictency depends the usefulness of the vessels in cruising and fighting.

Fresh water is used in them whenever it is possibte to do so, for if salt water is used a heavy deposit or scale is formed upon the heating, surfaces of the interior. 'This lowers the boilers' efficiency in marked degree, and often becomes an element of danger because it tends to cause the steel sheets to burn and blister, ani thus reduces therr strength. Sometimes, however, seawater must be used, and then, when port is reached. the deposit of scale is removed from the boilers.

The only efficacious method of scaling boilers is to send men into them. armed with small hammers, who knock the scales off the sheets bit by bit. This is a tedoous and unpleasint labor. for it is hard to lie all day long in a wilderness of tubes and rods in an atmosphere full of dampness and olly vapor, and hammer. hammer, hammer at the stubborn scaic.
The spaces are confined and awkward, and many that must be reached are so small that a man cannot squeeze within reach of the scale there.

So it happens that in Japan, small boys are employed for this dirty work -little fellows of almost infantile age. These urchins get less than fifteen cents for a day's work that begins at seven in the morning and ends at six at night. But smilingty they crawl into the gloomy caverns of steel where their duty lies; cheerily therr hammers rat-tat-tat all day long, and grimy, but smiling stin, they crawl out at night and seek their homes and their steaming bowls of rice.

One day; not long before the battle of Manila Bay, a great warship went into Yokohama after a long run at sea, under orders to proceed with all des. patch to Hong Kong, and found it necessary to "scale boilers." The useful little Japanese boiler boys were brought on board and set to work, all of them being in charge of a Japanese of larger growth, who mustered them morning and night, and gave them orders to work inside the boilers unth called out.

They could have little idea of the lapse of time while in the contmutus night of those grim interiors.

The ship was much hurried, andona certain day orders were given to close up the boilers when the work of the day was ended, and to prepare to go to sea at once. The boiler boys had hardly left the ship, when the various opemings of the boilers were closed by the man of-war's men, all except an upper manhole in each boiler, and the water started in from the pumps.

Work is done quietly and swifty under the discipline of a ship-of war, and every boiler but one was soon entirely closed. The last plate of this last boiler was about to be fastened in its place, and so change the empty caldron into a vast tank of water, when the rat-tat-tat of a scaling hammer was heard far back in its gloomy recesses.

The fireman at the opening paused and listened. There could be no mis take, Rat-tat-tat, rat-tat-tat came the sounds. The fireman called, "Oute!" in seaport Japanese, aud back came the checry. "Yoroshi," of the little boilet boy, who had been overlooked in the last muster, and had stuck to his post until the proper orders came to leaveit. Grimy and wet, but smiling, he crawled along the rods and stays until his shali shaved head stuck out from the mav hole, less than a foot above the surface of the rising water within.

There was nothing on board that ship good enough for hittle Youchi that nggt -"the lad as done his dooty." He
mas fed-in fact, stuffed and taden with clothes and presents of all kinds. And as he went over the side, the moon that hung over Fuji Yama smited down upon the happiest Jap in the Mikado's empire.

The foat that carried him ashore left the ship as the auchor came aweigh, and until the growing distance became 100 great, his piping, cileery little yoice coukd be heard caling out the kindly farewell word, "Sayonara! Sayonarn!"

$\mathrm{A}^{\mathrm{N}}$N IEnglish cergyman, rather pompous of mamer, according to Spare Moments, was fond of chatting with a witty chimney-sweep.
Once, when the minister returned from his summer holidays, he happened to meet his youthful acquaintance, who seemed to have been at work.
"Where lave you been " " asked the clergyman:
"Sweeping the chinneys at the vicarage, " was the boy's answer.
"How many chimneys are there, and
how much do you get for each ?" was the next question.

The sweep said there were twenty chimneys. and that he was paid a shiling apiece.

The elergyman, after thinking a moment. looked at the sweep in apparent astomshment "You have earned a great deal of money in a little time," he remarked, solemnly.
" Yes," said the sweep, throwing his bag over his shoulder as he started away, " we who wear black coats get our money very easily!"

## The Taming of a Bear Cub.

$0^{N}$ the return trip of the steamer Pomona from the Alaska gold fields a bref stop was made at Juncun, where a polar-bear cub was presented to the saptain of the ship. He at once named it after the village whence it had come, and chained it on the after deck for the anusement of the passengers.
Every one took great interest in the roly poly stranger, as sundry scratehed bands and legs soon bore testimony; but Juncau refused to be cultivated by the humaan family. She was a vicions httle savage, snarling and suapping at enery offer of peace and good-will, until finally the passengers were glad to give bet a wide berth.
We had a bright hittle Indian girl on board, however, who persisted in thrustlag her friendship on Juncau Her guardians, the missionaries, were prepared to see the cub give her a bad scratch, but it was soon evident that she was able to take care of herself
Each evening little Olga savet her dessert of frutt and cake, and fed it to the cub. Although Juncau ate the peaceofering greedily, she still threatenel her admurer with her claws But Olga had a plan.
One day she cut an apple into tiny bits, and deliberately seated herself on the deck withn the curcle allowed to the cub. The very presumption of the act caused Nliss Bruin to stand and stare
while Otga took the bits of apple and dropped them in a line, starting as near the cub as she could reach, and leading to ber feet. Then she continued the apple line to her knee, and spreading out her skirt, dotted it here and there with the preces. Several good-sized slices were saved for her arm and shoulder, and last, to top off, ste placed the core on top of her head.

All this was done slowly and deliberately, and when it was finished Olga sat as still as a statue. Blinking and sniffing, the wily Juneau stole softly towards the apple line. The apple was juicy, and the bear put aside all fear and malice, and nibbled contented!y up to the two blunt little feet which were set up so sturdaly before her. There she paused to study the sitent figure, but finding that it did not move or offer to be friendly, she continued her feast.
Siowly and carefully she searched over the dress, not missing a morsel, and finally snificd at the little girl's shoulder. Stepping gingerly into the soft lap, Janeau rose on her hind feet, rested her forepaws on Olga's chest, and hastaly gulped down the remaining bits of apple until none was left but the tempting core on the child's head.
Then, clinging with her sharp claws to the cloth jacket, she climbed upon Olga's shoulder, clasped her round the neck for a balance, and nibbled the core.
I wondered if any of the grown-up
white people on that ship conld have sat so still. Our little passenger's courage never failed her. There was not the quiver of an eyclash to show that she was alive, and the wary cub, with a grunt of satisfaction, went back to l.er box to sleep. Not untal then did the chald move from her cramped position. Jtumping up, slte ran away fuli of glee to tell her friends.

Next day there was a large audience which stood at a respectful distance to
watch the novel performanec. The experiment of thie day before was repeated with even greater success, for Jumeze ender it that time by cudding down:a the soft, warm lap and going to slecp.

Of course these two little natises of Alaska becante great frenels, and when we docked at San Francisco the captatn unchained the pretty cub, and put her into the anns of the only person who had had wit enough to tame her.
-Stella Wallhall Betcher.

## No Doctor.

DELIVER me from the unfavorable criticisn of a chold." sand an old actor. "It hits the hardest."
"A year or two ago," he continued, "we were playing in a Cincinnati theatre. I was cast for the part of a doctor. The 'business' of one of the scenes required that I should come on the stage deeply absorbed in thought and smoking a cigarette.
"I had noticed a family party in one of the boxes nearest the stage. The
youngest member of the party, a lutte boy, was completely wrapped up in the play. It was all real to him, As I came from the wing during the scene in question I passed within a few fett of the box in which he sat. He turned to a lady who sat behind hum, and I distinctly heard him say, with a gasp:
"' Mamma, he's no doctor! He smokes cigarettes!'
"I have never smoked a cigarette in that scene since."

## Johnny Went to the CIrcus.

6 PA, can I have some money to go
to the circus?"
This was the modest and reasonable request of little Johnny Whittaker, one evening last week, sent at what he considered an auspicious time in the direction of his sire.
"Hey ?" said Mr. Whittaker.
Johnny preferred his request for the second time with faltering voice and indications of rain on his part. Johmny and the circus were zones apart at that moment.
" Want to go to the circus, hey? And you going to Sunday-school every week! Don't you know that circuses are wicked? I never wanted to go to the circus when I was a boy."

White this was not adeliberate " fib " on Mr. Whittaker's part, it was certainly a perversion of the truth.
" And what do you want to see at the circus?"
" $\mathrm{I}-\mathrm{I}$-w -want to see the w -wild a-animals," said Johnny, beginning to blubber in earnest.
" Want to see the wild animais, hey? Don't you twist the cat's tail often enought? Where did you get your love for wild animals? I never cared for them."
"I-I-I inherited it."
"Inherited it! Well, I never. And who from?"
"F-from N-Noah," sobbed the despairing hopeful.

The promptness of Johnny's reply. combined with the evidence that his religious instruction had not been wasted on the desert air, was too much for the old gentleman, and be came down at once with the necessan coin.

## The Dog that Helped.

ANEW ORLEANS letter-carrier lias lost a faithful friend and assistant -a yellow dog. "His hide was the color of cheap soap," the carrier told a Times-Denocral reporter, " and he had
the trampish bearing that seems peculiar to ycllow dogs, but for all that be was a gentleman at heart.
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words he lived two extra long squares, from his nearest neighbor, and to deliver the mail he received almost every day involved a four square walk for eacil batch Four squares mean a good deal to a tired carrier; but soon after I took the route the yellow dog got to know my whistle, and would come rushing to the corner to get the matl.

- Ife kept that up steadily, man and shane, for over a year, and never missen a trip. What's nore, he showed a pride and interest in the task that were really half human. Sometimes, for anstance, he would be a little late, and find me on the way to the house when he got out of the yard.
"Then it was comical to see him come tearing up the street, every hair bristling, saying as plainly as he could:
'Stop! Hold on I I'm here! Don't budge another inch!' On sich oceashons he would always insist on goug back to the corner, which was the only place he recognized officially for the dehsery of mat-matter.
" Often he would be waiting for me. cocking his head to one side and fechng his importance from his yellow stump of a tait to his yellow stump of a nose. If I had nothing for him, he showed his dejection and disappointment as plainty as a man, but as soon as he saw me sort out a few letters he would give a sharp. joyous bark that sounded enough like a laugh to be the real thing.
" When his owner met me the other day and told me he was dead, I couldn't say a word to save my life. 1 turned and walked off, and before I knew it I was blubbering like a fool."


## ALL MINDS OF LITTLE PEOPLE.



Johnsw (to his sister's young man). "What cricket club did you play with this scason?"

Sister's Young Man: "I neverplay: ed a game of cricket in my life. Why do you ask?"
" 'Cause I heard na tell sis that you "ere a splendid catel."

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Teacher (to pupil): "How old are you?"

Pupil: "Six."
Teacher: "When were you six?"
Pupil: "On my bitthday."

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Iattle Boy - "What's all these women here for?"
little Girl: "They've been upstairs to see the baby."
I.ittle Boy: " Babies is plentiful 'nough.'

Little Girl: " Yes. but this is a rew one. an' I expect they want to ser the latest fashion."

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"I wast to ask one more question," said little Frank, as he was being put to bed.
"Well?" acquiesced the tired mamma.
"When holes come in stockings, what becomes of the prece of stocking that was there before the hole came? "

Examiner 'Now, children, whocan tell me what an epidemic is? What! None of you? I.et me prompt your memory. It is something that spreads. And now-ah, I see one of you know. What is it, my little friend?"
" Jam, sir."

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A litrise boy, writang a composition on the zebra, was requested to desctibe the animal and to mention what it is used for. After deep reflection he wrote: "The zebra is like a horse only striped. It is chielly used to illustrate the ietter $Z$."
"Jonnsy, you talk too much."
" Look here, dad, am I to blame for your marrying into a talkative family?"

Artie. "What's that new baby's name, nurse?"
Nurse: "The dear little mite hasn't a name yet.'

Artie. "Then I don't think he belongs liere at all. He's beenleft at the wrong housc."

lattlee Flanen Hair. " Mapa, it's mating."

Papa (annoyed by work in hand): "Well, let it rain."
Little Flaven Hair (timidly): "I was going to."




accompanying illustrations, and whose successes are so well known in niany parts of the Empire.

The dassey-Harris Solid Stecl Folding Spring Tooth Harrow has a solid steel frame ard is made in the following sizes:- 12 tooth (one-horse), 16 tooth (two-horse), 18 Tooth (two-horse).

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The Massey-Harris Liamond Steel Frame, Spike Tooth Harrow is especially suited for seeding and smoothing on medium land. Each section contains 20 teeth, and by coupling the sections together the machine can be made any size desired.



## The Tricks and Disguises of Spies.

HOW WAR SIECRFTS ARE STOLEN.

$T$HERE are humdreds of men in Europe, said a retired officer of long experience in intelligence work, who make an excellent, if questionable, living by prying into the secrets of the War Departments of other nations, and they are such experts in disguises, and such past-masters in artifices and caution, that it is one of the most difficult things in the world to detect them

Why, a very short time ago an invalid German made his appearance at Gibraltar, armed with the best of credentials and introductions He had come in search of health, and certainly his appearance lent plausibility to his story. He was a singularly charming man, and was entertained by some of the best people in the place.

After a time heapplied for permission to take the air on the top of the Rock, and although this is against the regulations, an exception was made in the favor of such a harmless and interesting invalid. After a time the genial German disappeared, and took with him (so the story goes) a budget of plans and photographs of our defences, which are now in the archives of a rival nation.

Who, again, would look for a dangerous spy in a charwoman? And yet no spy ever did more useful work for France than an asthmatic old lady whose duty it was to sweep the offices of the German Embassy at Paris. This enterprising old lady was always at her work at six o'clock in the moming, and her first duty was to empty all the wastepaperbaskets and coat-pockets, to ransack drawers and annex any used pieces of blotting-paper. The spoil was cunningly stowed away in a receptacle in her dress, and a few hours later was regularly handed over to a French spy, in whose pay she was.

One of the eleverest spies of reeent years was undoubtedly an ex-Prussian lieutenant, whom we will call Herr 1 - His duty was to discover as many of the secrets of the French War Office as possible, and for many years he spent most of his time in France, adopting a wide range of clever disguises to disam suspicion.

At one time he would be an American tourist, atanotheran Italian, an Alsattan. or a Russian, for, like all successful spies, he was an expert linguist and actor. Eight years ago Herr I $\_$was anxious to witness the mamourres of the French Army, and to compass this he assumed the uniform of an officer of an artillery regiment, at that time sta. tioned some hunirets of miles from the scene of the mancutres.

In this character he was admitted within the French lines, was entertamed by the French officers. and every facility was given him for witnessing the musements of the Anny.

It is needless to say that, under such favomble conditions, he collected mach usefinl information atd not a few secrets which were very welcome to his employers.

Another time Fierr 1 _—— secured an engagement as coachman to a French official whose duty it was to inspect mihtary roads and defences; and he accompanied his master on long tours of inspection, which furnished some very valuable additions to the secret service records of Germany.

A year earlier L_ was instructed to gain access to the arsenal of Toulon and inspect a new design of French torpedoes. Failing to secure admssion in any other way, he hired a boat and deliberately upset it within a few yards of the dockyard wall and within sight of one of the sentries. He swam to the dock wall with much apparent diffculty, and was rescued in a seemingly unconscious state by the sympathetic sentry, who took him within thearsenal and administered restoratives. The rest was easy; L - saw the torpedoes. and came away with the information Jie sought.

Many of the cleverest of spies are, as may perhaps be expected, women, some of whom are not only beautiful but of ligh social position. It was a clever and fascinating baroness who supplied the German Government with all the se crets of MacMahon's Cabinet. Among her slaves was the war minister, Geberal de Cissey, who invariably called on her on his way home from the Cabipet mettings. While he was entertained by the conversation of the baroness, his portfolio was being ransacked by her
accomplices, and all its secrets appropriated for daily transmission to Berlin.
During the Anterican Civil War no spy dal more useful work than Saralh F. C. İdmonds, who filled the three characters of soldier, spy, and nurse,
and was equally expert in all. Disguis. ing herself in a dozen different ways site boldly penetrated the enemy's lines, and never failed to bring away informazon, which was as much a tribute to her direernment as to her skill and daring.

## Recognize the Value of a Holtday.

THi: season of fairs, exfibitions and the annual "day off" will be in full swing lefore our next issue appears. We recommend our friends, particularly those of the older generation - the jounger ones dun't need urging-to make the " day " a week or a fortnight; to give themselves up wholly and solely to the enjoyment of all that comes before them. There has been too little of genuine holiday making iat the lives of those sturdy makers of Camada's prosperity. A single day three or four times a year, mino which is crammed enough bustle and hurry to carry a man along ordinarily for a month, is not a hohday at all. Yet such is all the "holiday" a large number of farmers have taken in twenty or thirty years. No wonder the younger generation have learned to look upon the possibility of settling down on the tarm with something akin to dread. Let those farmers whose sons have shown, to their parents' bitter disappointment, an averston to following their father's vocation, gre their boys practical proof that
there is opportunity for legitimate holi-day-making and social enjoyment in the farmer's life, and the latter will cease to be regarded as the one thing to be avoided.

We realize that there are among the many teaders of these pages some who will not agree with us in this, but we suggest that they give our remedy a test. They cound not have a better opportunity than wall be afforded by the Industrial Exhibition at Toronto from August 27 th to September 8th. The fame of Toronto Fair has long been established far beyond our own country, but this year it is apparently to be a case of out-Hilling Hill, for the indefatigable manager has scoured England and Paris thoroughly in his search for attractions for the fortnight when Toronto's hospitality is taxed to its utmost. The educational value of the Exhibition is too well known to need comment her. Our best advice to o"fraends is :-Come to Toronto: stay a week at least: visit the fair as often as is necessary for you to take it all in leisurely, and you will go home wiser and happier men and women.

## A Dream.



AST might I dreamt, in one mad moment's bliss. That you were by my vide. Your glowing arm Wasintertvined with mine; your lips were warm Upon my lips And, o'er the dira abyss Of love-lom years, there burk a magic light That, ever widening, stretched into the night, And thrilled my spint like an angel's kiss.

[^0][^1]In reply to a soung whter who wivhel to hnow which magaxine would gue bun the highect pow. thon quichen, a friemt wrote "A powder maga zine if you contrbite a fiery atticte"
Marte: " Do jou really feel that son cond sup. port a wife?
Groxcs (ptoudly) Here ate my ncometax reeefpes"
MAxife (fluging hersclf into his atms). "Tale me, dearest."
"The nan I marry " xhe declured with a vamp of the foot. "mine le a hero"
"- Ite wath be," temarked the matious Lachelor.
JACx: "That man causes me no end of abnos. anceover a bill."
HILL: "Why don't you sue him and collect it "*
JACN: "Collect at? He's tryang to do that."
Horrifisd Mutiler I should like to know how, ,ou happened to let young smphans hax you,
DAcGitEr, "1-1 thought no one was looking "
Miss Silarp: "Did you ever look in the glas when you were angry"
Rival belle. "No. I am never angry when $t$ lock in the glass."
"And why," contanued the teacher, ' should we alway hold the aged in respeet?
"Cause it's generally the old men that has all the moncy," Dobby replied.
Vtsitor: "Dothey treat you well here""
phisoner: "Yes, indeed. Theonlything thave to complann of is their lacts of confidence it me They reluse to gre me a latch-key."
"Jank"" stid the mistreat just a trife mpas tienty. "you were a long time coming up hete. Didn' you hear me calling?
" "Na ma*am." replied Jane, "not till you called the thitd time, ma'am."
Gusste: "I say, polf is a kreat game, fsn't it "*
Chapris: "Don't know. Never plajedit."
GUSSIE: * Nether have I. But 1 iegot my golf. Ing suit, and it becomes me admarably.,

NOwED: "According to you, I never told you a single truth before we were marned."
Mas NUWED: "Oh. George. Jou weren't quite so bad asall that Don'tyouremember youalwas: used to say you were unworthy of me?
Mrs Ponstoxe. "I thunk you had better go for the doctor, George. Johnuy complams of pains in his head."
ronyors." "It's nothing serious. tie has had them before."
MRS, PODMORE: "Yes, but never on a half. holiday."
AGNEs: "Great mimic, the Count! Gires wonderful imitations:"
JACx: "Yes ; he gave one a year or so ago that cost him six monthsin jail,"
AGNES: ${ }^{\text {Imporsblet }}$ What waqit?"
JACK: " Gavehis landlord an imitation of a $\$ 10$ note."
Arflicast: "I see you advertise for a window
dresser."
Miniser: " Yes, kir. Have you had much ex. pericace?"
pericace? worked in tast and every woman who possed sopped and looked in:"
"That's something like. You're juet the man we want. By the way, what line was your 5 mat in?" "Mirrors!"
"Didyou ever meet a worman whose vets' voice thrilled you with unspeakable emotion?"
"Yes; that's the way my mother used to get me up in the mornlog."
"Have gou heard of the man who got chot" ached one fellow of another.
"Cot shot? Nol" exclamed the other "Isow did he set shot?"
"He bought 'cmi"
Mr Homply is not a benuty, nat he huow it When his first baby was bortu, he asked -
"apoes it look bike me?"
Of course they satd "Yes"
"Well," said he, "you thust break ft to ms wife sently."

Mr Youscaicisanad " why, dear, the eggsare not exactly feesh!"
Mus. Youschessann: "How can you talk the that, hutby) The coot (etchet thein froms the stocer's only a quatter of an hour ago."
Bov (in butcher's store) . "My mither sent me tack to let ye sec what a big banc there was nit the pund o beef she bocht last nught, and she wants anuther pund without banes"
nutcuish: "Tell ser mither the next time 1 hill a coo without bancs rill send her a teg for ase. thung."

Warrs. "You wort mind me teavang my like here in your office, will you? ihnowe oudont ade otte. but
Ports -"No, I don't rade one very well yel lut I begen taking lessons yesterday."
WATTS in Mr -come to thank of it, I don thank 1'll impose on your good nature, old man."
"How is that son of yours that you tud such hopes of getting along, Mr. Turmater?"
$\because$ "Iiddfin, mddatin'."
"You used to cay he wasgo.ng to set the Thames on fre."
"Ireechanged my mind The only thing the rier set afre iras my barn, and the thang wasn't matard ether."
As a man entered a picture gallery the attendant tapped him on the shoulder and, pointing to a smath cur that followed him, said :
"Dogs are not admitted"
"That's not my dog.". replied the visstor.
"But he follows 300."
"So do you I" replied the old gentleman sharply.
The attendant growled and removed the dog with entirely unnecessary violence.
Scgeve Riding school-Pupit - I thought wou and that after ewenty lessons of an hour each I would know how to ride?"
KIDING MASTRR: " So you woutd, ' $r$, if you hadn'tspent the best part oi thetimeon ueground instead of on the animal's back."

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## Never' go to Bed Hungry.

TH1: "ise doctors grow wiser with each year Time was when they were wise enough to tell us that the chief of sins against one's stomach was to give it work to do before putting it to bed This was declared to be the fruitfut soutce of dyspepsin and nightmare and other untioly ammetions.

They are wiser mow, and tell us that so far from being wrong to ourselves to eat before goumg to bex, it is a wise and destrable thuy to do, especratly in case of delicate persons and growing childrent, or when food of the previous meal has had tme thoroughty to digest before the sleepung hour.

Many a person has found this out for himself or herself by persomal experiment. There are a jew persons so unfortunate as to be unable to eat even lightly before sleeping wathout having a stupid headache the next day.

The majority of people are only the better for a intle fond at bedtime it should not be rich or of great vanets.

A few biscuits and cup of hot botillon is excellent, so is a glass of beer or of hot mulk, sipped slowly, and both induce sleep Cheese, meats, fruits and pastries are not good gudes through dreanland They know where the ogres dwell.

More women $\sin$ through undercat. ing than overecating. And all womed $\sin$ in not distributing rightly the amount of fool taken through the twenty four hours.
An cmpty stomach is as bad as ani empty head Digestion is the propet flmetion of the stomach, ant it can be made more nearly contimoous than people think.

The common practices of putting into the stomach three times in twents-four. hours just as much food as it can hold, and then of giving it nothing whatever for twelve hours more, is abont as illo-1 gical an arrangement as anyborly ever devised. To the credit of the human' race be it said that this is a habit that is not now universal.
The French eat four times a day, the Fnglish four and sometimes five, the Germans four also.

A woman who breakfasts at 8 shouldeat again between 11 and 12. Luncheon nt I again, and tea and a biscuit at 5 . when dinner is at 6.30 or 7 . Before going to bel at 11 she should eat alitte morn-a biscuit again and something hot. This will ansure quiet and resting. sleep, because it takes the blood front the head, where it doesn't belong, down . to the stomach, where it does belong.

## Queen Victorla's Guests.

HIER Majesty's "dine and slecp" guests and houschold assemble in the grand corridor about hall past eight o'clock, to await her arrival and the signal for nine o'clock dinner. This corridor, which takes up two sides of the quadrangle, is $4 \not 7^{\circ}$ feet in length and 15 fect in width The ceiling is decomted in cream and gold, the draperies are of the richest cramson silk damask, and the floor is of parquetry work partially covered with crimson carpet of the special pattern only made for Her Majesty. The walls, of a soft, grey color, contain many recesses fitted with oak and gold boxes, which during the Queen's stay at Windsor are filled
with the most beautiful plants and flowers from her own conservatories at Frogmore All the lighting at mught isdone by tall, gilt standard candelabra. Handsome as the corridor is in itself, its chicf claim to notice arises from tie beauty of its contents. Here stand many of the finest of that wonderful collection of cabinets for which Windsor is renowned. A large number of theseare filled with specimens of antaue china, which have no rivals. Here is to be seen the grandest of Sevres, including a set of three small vases in Rose du Barri, the value of which one can only guess from the fact that an inferior set was sold by auction some years since for $£ 10,000$.

## Pets of a Princess.

THE Princess of Wales has a dovehouse at Sandringham, in which are kept quite a number of beautiful white doves. Her Royal Highness is greatly attached to these birds, and is
in the habit when at Sandringham of daily visiting her pets and taking them small dainties. When the Princessenters the dove-house, the birds immedidiately hover round, some perching on her shoulder in a most winning manner.


[^0]:    This morn I woke and tifed heary eser. The dream had vanished, and I stood once more Asone forlory upon an arid shore.
    Around me-underneath the chill, grey skies-
    Therf tireless vigits $\operatorname{Sin}$ and Sorrow keps.
    And memory, like sn outcost spirit, wept
    besile the bolted gates of raradice.

[^1]:    It wras a fond and foollsh dream which geve
    A morment's rapture to a llfe's regret.Teaching me alt that might have been, and yet I could nol wish it otherwise, nor have The riemory of it absent from me. So I toil apace whilst-far away-ilknow Deatb jawns bencath us like an open grave.

