

ESCAPES OF HIS MAJESTY

ATTEMPTED ASSASSINATION BY AN IMBECILE.

Miraculous Escape While on Board H. M. S. Sultan—Near Death From Typhoid.

The King has had quite an alarming number of narrow escapes from death; so often has he been in dire peril that one begins to believe that our illustrious Sovereign bears a charmed existence!

Only one attempt of assassination has been made upon His Majesty, and that, luckily, proved unsuccessful. The dastardly assassin was a youth named Sipido, whose half imbecile mind had become imbued with the idea that he had been ordained to "set things right," as the times were "out of joint." The unfortunate young fellow had read much pernicious literature containing libels upon our Royal Family and upon the naval and military authorities. It was in the memorable year 1900, when England was at war with the Boers. The King, who was at that time Prince of Wales and heir to the throne, was passing through Brussels on his way to Denmark, and the fanatical Sipido contrived, through the carelessness of the station authorities, to gain access to the platform. As the Royal train began to move out from the station the young assassin leapt on to the footboard and, drawing a revolver, levelled it at the head of the Prince of Wales, firing two shots in rapid succession. Both bullets miraculously missed the Prince, embedding themselves in the woodwork of the saloon. The cowardly shots were fired at so short a range that the escape of the Prince can only be regarded as miraculous.

SAVED HIS LIFE BY A SECOND.

The King, while lunching aboard H. M. S. Sultan, was one day watching with much interest the proceedings of the sailors in connection with the trial of a new gun. After regarding the proceedings for some time the King casually stepped back a few paces. The very second that the King moved the windlass broke away, the handle revolving with tremendous rapidity in the exact spot where His Majesty had been standing. Sir Claude de Crespigny, who witnessed the affair, says, "Had the King not moved away a second earlier he would certainly have been struck and killed by that murderous handle!"

RECOVERY FROM TYPHOID.

No man ever had a narrower escape from death by typhoid than His Majesty, in the latter part of the year 1871. For days the Prince lay unconscious, stricken by the terrible disease, and Queen Victoria journeyed post-haste from Scotland to Sanringtonham to be present at what was feared would be her son's death-bed. The most skilful doctors could give no hope, and a cloud of awful uncertainty hung like a pall over the country. On the first day of December the Prince rallied, and the hopes of the nation brightened, only to be dashed to the ground by the news of a serious relapse, on which occasion hope was finally abandoned, the whole of the Royal Family being summoned to the bedside. To the astonishment of the eminent physicians the Prince still lingered on, and ultimately to the joy of the nation, he completely recovered.

ESCAPE FROM AN ELEPHANT.

The serious illness of the King previous to his coronation will be remembered by all, and no one will ever forget the deep sympathy and anxiety that pervaded the whole empire.

As is well known, King Edward is an ardent sportsman. While tiger and elephant-hunting in India His Majesty had many hairbreadth escapes. On one occasion the King was making his way through the thick undergrowth of a Ceylon jungle, when he was startled by a tremendous crashing of branches close at hand. Almost before he could cock his rifle an elephant burst through the dense trees and charged thunderously down upon the King. Instead of endeavoring to escape, our Sovereign coolly pointed his piece at the head of the monster and took deliberate aim. The shot struck the elephant, and, although it did not immediately kill the animal, it caused the great creature to swerve aside within a few feet of His Majesty. Had it not been for that cool shot the King must have been mangled beyond

recognition by those ponderous feet and deadly gleaming tusks!

ON SIR THOMAS LIPTON'S YACHT.

On another occasion a large tiger sprang suddenly from a thicket on to the back of the elephant which the King was riding, and made frantic efforts to get at His Majesty. The cloth on which the howdah rested was completely torn away, the tiger thus slipping to the ground with the tattered cloth. Had the ferocious animal succeeded in getting into that howdah there would have been very little left of our sporting King.

Perhaps the most recent escape of King Edward was on the occasion of his visit to Sir Thomas Lipton aboard one of the famous Shamrocks. The great steel mast suddenly snapped under the tremendous strain of the canvas, falling within a foot of His Majesty, who was strolling on deck at the time. It was perhaps the narrowest escape from instant death that our popular Monarch ever experienced.—London Tit-Bits.

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Growing boys as well as girls need such a tonic as Dr. Williams' Pink Pills to keep the blood rich, red and pure and give them health and strength. Mrs. Edward Koch, postmistress at Prince's Lodge, N. S., tells the great benefit her little son has derived from the use of this world famous medicine. Mrs. Koch says:—"My little son, Reginald, had been troubled with anaemia almost since birth. He was always a sickly looking child, with no energy and little or no appetite. His veins showed very plainly through his skin and he had several serious attacks of stomach and bowel trouble, and on one occasion his life was despaired of by two doctors who were attending him. His little body was slowly wasting away until he was nothing more than a skeleton. He was peevish and fretful and a misery to himself. Having read and heard so much of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills I determined to try them in his case, and after giving them to him for a couple of months they certainly worked wonders with him. To-day he is fat and healthy looking; he has a hearty appetite, is able to play like other children, and is bright and energetic, instead of dull and listless as he used to be. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills have changed my puny, sickly child, into a rugged, hearty boy."

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EXASPERATING.

From the dark kitchen there emanated a series of thumps and angry exclamations. Jones was looking for the cat.

"Pa!" called the son from the stairway.
"Go to bed and let me alone," blurted Jones. "I've just barked my shins."
"Pa!" insisted Tommy, after a moment's silence.
"Well, what is it? Didn't I tell you to keep quiet?"
"I—I didn't hear your shins bark."

And the next moment Tommy was being pursued by an angry sire with a hard hair brush.

"My dear, you grow prettier every day!" "And shabbier, John. Compliments are all very well, but I'd like to see a little ready cash occasionally."

Carrier pigeons are supplied to all cavalry regiments in the Italian Army, and are used for the transmission of information during all military manoeuvres.

ABOUT THE HOUSE

CLEANING HELPS.

To remove blood stains from white cloth saturate with kerosene and after standing a little wash in warm water.

To Clean a Sponge.—By rubbing a fresh lemon thoroughly into a soiled sponge and rinsing it several times in lukewarm water it will become as sweet as when new.

To Clean Silk.—Pour boiling water over gum arabic in the bottom of a pan; be sure it is boiling. Let it thoroughly dissolve, and sponge the silk lightly with it. Press with hot iron.

To Clean Light Carpets.—Try block magnesia, rubbing it thoroughly in the carpet and then sweeping. This is a good way to clean bath rugs that are not washable, as they do not have to be wet.

When Pressing Clothes.—When pressing clothes if you wish a fine crease put seam to seam and dampen with a sponge. Lay a newspaper over and press with hot iron. The result is a fine crease with no lint or ruined towels.

To Clean Tan Shoes.—Two pieces of flannel and a small bottle of turpentine all that is required. Apply turpentine and rub well with other flannel. This removes all spots and stains, making shoes look nearly new, and is a tried and satisfactory recipe.

For the Busy Woman.—A bottle of alcohol on the dresser is a great saver of times as the spot on skirt or shirt waist that mars an otherwise neat appearance can be quickly removed by the use of alcohol without leaving a ring or a disagreeable odor. In the library it will remove spots from books and not harm the most delicate binding.

Care of Furs.—Before putting furs away for the summer sun and comb them at least twice, then go over them three times with a stiff, thick brush, parting the hair at all creases or folds and brushing the pelt underneath. Wrap in clean newspaper—the ink is a moth preventive. Then put them inside a large paper bag, paste up the opening, and lay in a box or trunk.

To Scrub a Carpet.—Shave and dissolve one bar of soap in a gallon of water. Two brushes are necessary, one about as soft as an ordinary clothes brush and the other quite stiff. When ready to scrub, dip soft brush in hot soapy solution and shake out all the liquid possible and scrub the spot briskly, after which take dry stiff brush and go over the spot to dry it. Do not take a larger spot or space than for scrubbing the floor. This amount will clean about eighty-eight yards of carpet and must be used as hot as possible. As soon as it cools and jellies it must be heated. Carpet must not be made wet.

An Easy Way to Wash Blankets.—Select a sunny day and only wash one pair a day. Cut one pound or nearly a bar of good laundry soap in small pieces and boil in two quarts of water until dissolved; add one-half pound of powdered borax. Fill a tub half full of water the same temperature as the outside air. Press blankets in the water and avoid rubbing. Soak two hours; rinse well in several waters until the water looks clear, then without wringing hang on the line. Do not stretch, but hang evenly, and although dripping wet will dry in three or four hours. Use stationary wash tubs or bath tub, it will save lifting them out when the water is changed. Blankets washed in this way will be as soft and clean as when new.

STRAWBERRY DAINTIES.

Strawberry Omelet.—Four or five eggs, white and yolks beaten separately. About a half a cup of milk and a little salt to yolks, then mix all together. Put a little butter in a frying pan and pour in half of eggs; bake till a nice-brown; put in a warm platter and put strawberries on. Will take about a pint of berries. Cook remainder of omelet and place over berries.

Strawberry Shortcake.—Put a liberal half cup of milk or water in mixing bowl. Melt piece of butter size of a walnut, and add to the milk. Then add one cup of flour in which put a pinch of salt and two teaspoons of baking powder. Stir thoroughly and spread into shape in baking pan with a spoon. Split cake when done and put crushed berries, well sugared, between layers and on top. This recipe will make fine biscuit.

Strawberries Canned Without Cooking.—Have your jars perfectly

dry and take equal parts fresh berries and sugar, mix, and mash thoroughly. Take only a small quantity in a dish at a time that you may be sure every strawberry is mashed. Put into the jars and seal immediately, inverting the jars a short time before putting away. The work is easily done and there is no heating. Berries canned in this way keep perfectly and retain their delicious flavor unimpaired.

Strawberry Preserves.—Select large, dark red berries. To one pint of berries take one scant pint of sugar and enough water to make a good, rich sirup. Make sirup in the evening and pour over the raw berries. Let stand till morning, then dip up two pints of the mixture at a time and boil until almost like jam, then lift out the berries one by one, place on plates and let stand in hot sun all day. In the evening put back in sirup and boil just a few minutes. Set aside to cool and can cold in the morning.

Strawberry Pudding.—Cream together one cupful of sugar and one tablespoonful of butter. Add the beaten yolks of four eggs, two cupfuls of fine, dry bread crumbs, and four cups of milk. Pour in a buttered pudding dish and bake, covered, until firm. Draw to the mouth of the oven, spread two cups of cleaned strawberries on top of the pudding; sprinkle over one cup of sugar, and cover with the whites of four eggs beaten light with a half cupful of powdered sugar. Set back in the oven and brown lightly. Eat perfectly cold with sugar and cream.

TO DESTROY MOTHS.

Turpentine is best preventive for moths, saturate pieces of brown paper and place in boxes.

Persons troubled with carpet moths may get rid of them by scrubbing the floor with strong hot salt water before laying the carpet and sprinkling the carpet with salt when one sweeps it.

POTATO RECIPES.

Hint for Baking.—When taking

baked potatoes from the oven wrap them in a towel and burst each one, as it makes them more mealy when the steam is out. They need not then be covered.

How to Have Dry Potatoes.—After draining the potatoes remove the cover and sprinkle well with salt; replace cover and shake briskly. Then remove cover and you will find the potatoes dry and mealy.

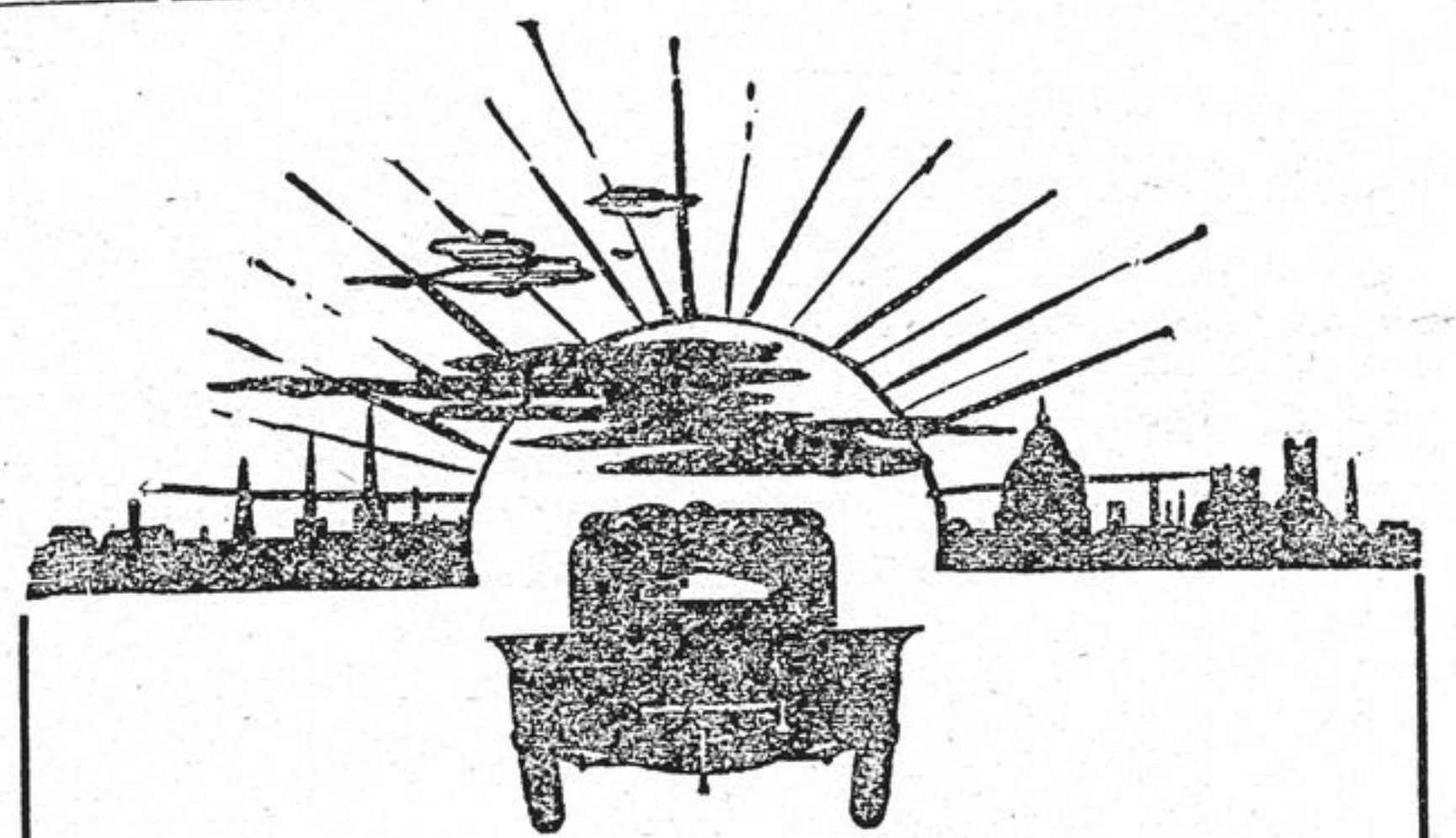
Cooking Old Potatoes.—If old potatoes turn black when cooked add a little vinegar to the water when you put them on to boil, and they will be nice and white when cooked.

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