IN THE KING'S SERVICE

SOMETHING ABOUT HIS MAJESTY'S HOUSEHOLD.

Salaries and Expenses Alone Amount to Considerably Over $1,500,000 Per Annum.

King George's Household is divided, for purposes of convenience, into three principal departments, the provinces of which may be described as "below stairs," "above stairs," and "out of doors." The first of these is presided over by the Lord Steward, who receives a salary of $10,000 a year; the second by the Lord Chamberlain, also with $10,000; while the Master of the Horse, to whose care the third department is entrusted, draws an annual stipend of $12,500.

The Lord Steward is the first dignitary of the Court, and presides over the hall, kitchen, ewry, pantry, wine, beer, and coal cellars, and almonry. As emblem of his authority, he carries a white staff, and he is chairman of the Board of Green Cloth. The Board of Green Cloth is where all the Household accounts are examined and passed, and on this the Treasurer and Comptroller of the Household, who are the officers next in rank to the Lord Steward in his department, also sit.

It is not these three, however, who bear the real brunt of the work. The scapegoat, upon whom devolve the duties theoretically belonging to them, is the Master of the Household, who resides in the Palace itself, investigates all accounts, maintains discipline among the ordinary servants, and presides at the dinners of the suite in waiting on King George. He is also personably responsible for the accommodation of foreign monarchs who visit England.

"KING'S PAINTER."

The department of the Lord Chamberlain, who must be a member of the Government, a Peer, and a Privy Councillor, includes the bed-chamber, privy-chamber, presence-chamber, wardrobe, housekeeper's-room, guard-room, the metropolitan theatres, and the Chapels Royal. He has control over a vast number of appointments in the Royal Palaces, from those of the King's physicians down to that of the charwoman who sweeps out the servants' rooms. He it is who gives the various tradesmen the right of calling themselves "purveyors" to the King and Queen, arranges all the Courts and Levees, Coronations, Royal marriages, christenings, funerals, etc.

There are many curious offices in the Lord Chamberlain's department. The duties of the King's poet, or Poet Laureatte, are well known; but not many people realize that there exists a parallel office in Art. The King's Marine Painter is Mr. Edward de Martino, and, just as the Poet Laureatte is expected to commemorate great events in verse, so Mr. Martino is expected to commemorate great naval victories on canvas. The King's Bargemaster is Mr. W. G. East, who has control of his Majesty's "barge"—it more closely resembles a magnificent gondola—on the Thames; while a special officer is appointed to look after the King's swans—the Keeper of the Swans, he is called.

Another strange office in this department is that of his Majesty's Armorer. Kings, of course, no longer fare forth to wield their battleaxes in hostile lands, so that the duties of this gentleman have developed along very peaceful lines. His special care is the King's collection of armor, and the detection of "faked" articles offered for sale. When a piece of armor is offered to his Majesty, the would-be vendor first sends a photograph of it to the King's Armorer, Mr. Guy Francis Laking, who then shows it to the King. If it appears genuine, and is approved, Mr. Laking inspects it personally; but how rarely purchases are made may be gauged from the fact that in six years 1,080 pieces were offered to King Edward, of which only three were bought."

"OUT-DOOR" DEPARTMENT.

The "out-of-doors department of the Master of the Horse includes the stables and coach-houses, the stud, mews, and kennels. He is always a member of the Government of the day, as is also the Master of the Buckhounds, whose duty it is to attend the Royal Hunt, and lead the procession of Royal equipages at Ascot, where he may be seen on horseback in a gorgeous uniform of green and gold, wearing, as the insignia of his office, the couples or noose which holds two dogs, of a hound. The real management of the Royal stables and studs, however, again falls on the shoulders of a lesser official—the Crown Equerry. He has plenty to do—quite unlike the ancient, hereditary office of Grand Falconer, held by the Dukes of St. Albans.

Quite outside of these great departments are his Majesty's purely personal attendants, such as his private secretary (Sir Arthur Bigge), the Keeper of his Privy Purse, the Superintendent of his Wardrobe, etc. Each of these deserves a special article; but it is interesting to note that King George will never draw or sign a cheque himself, this duty being always performed for him by the Keeper of his Privy Purse.

KING'S REMEMBRANCER.

One quaint legal office in connection with his Majesty is that of King's Remembrancer. The nomination of sheriffs, the swearing-in of the Lord Mayor of London, the acknowledgments of homage for Crown lands, the recovery of legacy and succession duties, and the Trial by Pyx, all fall to his lot. The Trial by Pyx, which takes place annually in June or July at the Goldsmith's Hall, is to determine the fineness of the materials of the coinage bearing the King's head in relation to the standard specified by law. The King's Remembrancer presides at the swearing-in of the jury, and receives and records their verdict. Gold coins must be eleven-twelfths of fine gold and one-twelfth of alloy; while silver coins must contain thirty-seven-fortieths of fine silver, and three-fortieths of alloy.—London Answers.

CAUTION NEEDED.

It was in the wild and woolly West, and Slimy Sam, the crafty cowboy, suddenly bethought himself of a plan for obtaining a suit of clothes from Ikey Mosenthal's store.

"Say, Ikey, there don't seem to be much color in this yer one," as he tried on a fourth coat and vest.

"Aw, my boy, that'h a thplendid color that ith," said the tradesman anxiously; "git out in the sunlight and thee."

No sooner had the artful one got outside the door than he started doing a ten-mile-an-hour sprint for home and beauty.

"Hi, hi, stop thief!" yelled the Hebrew, and gave chase.

But suddenly, to Sam's dismay, a policeman hove in sight, and, taking in the situation at a glance, drew his "shooter," after the gentle fashion "out West."

"Boss, boss," yelled the clo' man, with the frenzy of despair, "for the love of goodneth, shoot 'im in the pants. He's got my coat and vest on!"

To make English bread sauce for turkey, chicken or duck, take one-half a pint of bread crumbs, one pint of milk, butter size of an egg, salt, pepper and a little mace, one onion; simmer for two hours. Remove onion when serving.

Shiloh's Cure quickly stops coughs, cures colds, heals the throat and lungs. . . . 25 cents.

Lace handkerchiefs should be washed in warm water and a little ammonia with Castile soap. Of course, they should not be ironed, but placed on a smooth surface, pulled out, and when nearly dry folded and placed under a heavy-weight.

A Corrector of Pulmonary Troubles.—Many testimonials could be presented showing the great efficacy of Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil in curing disorders of the respiratory processes, but the best testimonial is experience and the Oil is recommended to all who suffer from these disorders with the certainty that they will find relief. It will allay inflammation in the bronchial tubes as no other preparation can.

JUST AS GOOD.

"Did you discover the North Pole?"

"Not exactly," replied the explorer. "But I found a place that was sufficiently cold and lonely to be its practical equivalent."

Minard's Liniment Cures Distemper.

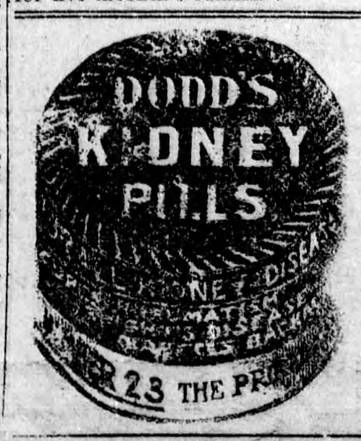
LOADED DICE.

"That horse of yours looks poor, Patsy," said a stranger as he slowly mounted a jaunting car in dear, dirty Dublin.

"Arrah yer honor, not poor, but onlucky he is."

"Unlucky! How's that?"

"'Tis like this, yer honor. Ev'ry mornin' I toss whether he has a feed o' corn or I have a glass o' whisky. An', begob, 'tis he has lost for five mornin's runnin'!"



THE POSTMASTER JOINS THE ARMY

WHO ARE SHOUTING THE PRAISES OF DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS IN THE WEST.

A Neighbor advised him to take them for his Rheumatism and Gravel. They cured him.

West Gravelbourg, Sask., Jan. 2 (Special). — Alexander McCarter, the postmaster here, has joined the great western army that has for its watchword, "When ailing, use Dodd's Kidney Pills." And like all others he has good and sufficient reasons.

"I was laid up with Rheumatism and Gravel," Mr. McCarter states, "and was also troubled with my bladder. I was so bad I could not do much work. A neighbor came along who had been troubled the same way, and advised me to try Dodd's Kidney Pills. I did it. I bought two boxes, and, using them according to directions, was soon able to go to work."

Notice one thing: It was a neighbor who had been troubled the same way who advised the postmaster to use Dodd's Kidney Pills. He also had been cured by them. That's why he recommended them.

If you're troubled with Kidney Disease in any form—Backache, Rheumatism, Lumbago, Gravel, Dropsy, Diabetes, or Bright's Disease—ask your neighbors. You'll soon find one who has been cured by Dodd's Kidney Pills.

ABSENT-MINDED BELINDA.

Little Happening Makes Her Liken Herself to Grandfather.

"You know the old, old story," said Belinda, "about grandfather and his spectacles, how one day when he wanted them he couldn't find them, and how they looked and looked and looked for them, on the floor and under the table, and around everywhere, and how they finally found them on grandfather's forehead, where he had pushed them back from his nose?

"Well, this morning when I came to put on my slippers I got one on and I couldn't find the other, and I looked and looked and looked and looked just everywhere for that other slipper, and where do you think I finally found it? Why it was on my other foot, where I had put it and forgotten it.

"Really, I think I must be as queer as grandfather."

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You may have noticed that a good many men who attend church are not troubled with insomnia.

Warts are disfigurements that disappear when treated with Holloway's Corn Cure.

No man is so great that he can afford to ignore even the smallest man.

Children Will Go Sleighing. They come home covered with snow. Half a teaspoonful of Painkiller in hot sweetened water will prevent any ill effects. Avoid substitutes, there is but one "Painkiller"—Perry Davis'—25c. and 50c.

PURCHASED.

Dyspepsia Specialist (irritably)—"But, madam, you must chew your food. What were your teeth given you for?"

Patient (calmly)—"They weren't given to me; I bought 'em."

The greater the irritation in the throat the more distressing the cough becomes. Coughing is the effort of Nature to expel this irritating substance from the air passages. Bickle's Anti-Consumptive Syrup will heal the inflamed parts, which exude mucous, and restore them to a healthy state, the cough disappearing under the curative effects of the medicine. It is pleasant to the taste, and the price, 25 cents, is within the reach of all.

FRIEND AND PROTECTOR.

In spite of his well-known poor marksmanship, a certain Englishman was invited to the country for a day's shooting. The attendant, in great disgust, witnessed miss after miss.

"Dear me," at last exclaimed the sportsman, "but the birds seem exceptionally strong on the wing this year!"

"Not all of 'em, sir," came the remark. "You've shot at the same bird this last dozen times. 'E's follering you about, sir."

"Following me about! Nonsense! Why should a bird do that?"

"I dunno, sir, I'm sure," replied the man, "unless 'e's 'anging round for safety!"

Minard's Liniment Cures Diphtheria.

FROM ERIN'S GREEN ISLE

NEWS BY MAIL FROM IRELAND'S SHORES.

Happenings in the Emerald Isle of Interest to Irishmen.

The old saw mills in Cavan, the property of the Cavan Stores Co., were entirely destroyed by fire, with a loss of $2,500.

An old-age pensioner and small farmer, William Curtis, was found drowned in a well at Shauraugh, Carrickmacross.

James Casselly, a carter, was awarded $3,700 by a County Down jury for injuries received from the Great Northern R. R. Company.

The new hospital in Tullow in point of comfort and equipment compares favorably with any institution of its kind in the three kingdoms.

The anniversary of the murder of Allen, Larkin and O'Brien in Manchester was commemorated by a torchlight procession in Monaghan.

Michael Davitt's eldest son, who is a medical student, delivered an interesting address in Dublin, displaying all his father's power of eloquence.

The external trade of Ireland has increased from $325,000,000 in 1904 to upwards of $625,000,000 in 1909, the bulk being in exports to Great Britain.

Negotiations for the purchase by the tenants of their holdings on the estate of Lord Castletown, situated in the parish of Clough and Ballacolla, are now almost completed.

The death has taken place at Rosenallis, Queen's County, of Mrs. Elizabeth Conroy, aged 108 years. She leaves three sons, all of whom are in receipt of old-age pensions.

An Englishman connected with the woollen manufacturing business has acquired Kent's mill, on the South Quay Wicklow, for the purpose of having it fitted up as a woollen factory.

The tenants on the Darcy estate in the parish of Turlough have refused to pay rent, and are seeking by every means to compel the landlord, Mr. Darcy, of New Forest, Co. Galway, to sell the land.

There were 3,029 cases of infectious disease reported in Glasgow in one day recently.

Shiloh's Cure quickly stops coughs, cures colds, heals the throat and lungs . . . 25 cents.

Too much patience is awfully hard on a certain portion of a man's trousers.

A Hacking Cough drives sleep and comfort away. You can conquer it with Allen's Lung Balsam, which relieves hard breathing, pain in the chest and irritation of the throat. Give it freely to the children.

Anyway, a woman can sharpen a pencil just as gracefully as a man can thread a needle.

Rheumatism, Neuralgia and Sore Throat will not live under the same roof with Hamlins Wizard Oil, the best of all remedies for the relief of all pain.

THE EXACT FIGURES.

"Did you know that the hairs of our heads were numbered, Willie?"

"Sure! I was with sis when she bought hers, and they were numbered nineteen-fifty, was twenty-two-seventy-five!"

A cure for Fever and Ague.—Disturbance of the stomach and liver always precede attacks of fever and ague, showing derangement of the digestive organs and deterioration in the quality of the blood. In these ailments Parmelee's Vegetable Pills have been found most effective, abating the fever and subduing the ague in a few days. There are many who are subject to these distressing disturbances and to these there is no better preparation procurable as a means of relief.

Frequently a thief steals such a small sum that he is sent to jail.

Minard's Liniment Cures Colds, etc.

QUITE SIMILAR.

"What did you buy this piece of music for?"

"A song."

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POOR PA.

A little boy was sent to a shop by his mother, and, being desirous to get away to play, he made all the haste he could. The shop was full of customers when he arrived, but he pushed himself to the front and cried out:

"I say, grocer, will you serve me quick? It's for my father's dinner."

"Well, what do you want, my little man?" said the grocer, leaving the customer he was serving.

"Two pounds of soft soap and a packet of washing-powder," was the quick response.

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"I lost weight and had no appetite. I tried everything I ever heard of for piles, as I was willing to take anything to get relief. It was useless, however, and I almost gave up in despair.

"One day a friend gave me a sample of Zam-Buk, and told me of a friend of his who had been cured. I decided to try Zam-Buk, and the relief I got was encouraging. I used three boxes, and at the end of that time I was completely cured."

Zam-Buk will also be found a sure cure for cold sores, chapped hands, frost bites, ulcers, blood poison, varicose sores, scalp sores, ringworm, inflamed patches, babies' eruptions and chapped places, cuts, burns, bruises, and skin injuries generally. All druggists and stores sell at 50c. box, or post free from Zam-Buk Co., Toronto, upon receipt of price. You are warned against harmful imitations and substitutes.

A man is sure to have enemies—unless he marries a woman who has no relatives.

Thousands of mothers can testify to the virtue of Mother Graves' Worm Exterminator, because they know from experience how useful it it.

Wife—"Here's another invitation to dine at the Flatleys. What a bore those occasions are!" Hubby—"Yes; even their dinner-knives are dull."

There is No Such Thing as a harmless cough. The trouble goes from bad to worse unless checked. Allen's Lung Balsam cures the worst of colds. It allays inflammation and clears the air passages.

A mother or four daughters, one of whom had recently married, cornered an eligible young man in the drawing-room. "And which of my girls do you most admire, might I ask?" "The married one," was the reply.

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It is a Liver Pill.—Many of the ailments that men has to contend with have their origin in a disordered liver, which is a delicate organ, peculiarly susceptible to the disturbances that come from irregular habits or lack of care in eating and drinking. This accounts for the great many liver regulators now pressed on the attention of sufferers. Of these there is none superior to Parmelee's Vegetable Pills. Their operation though gentle is effective, and the most delicate can use them.

THE TUNE OF THE ENGINE.

Engineers, both locomotive and stationary, judge of the condition of their engines largely by their "tunes" when running. Every engine has a tone of its own, and an experienced engineer, with bandaged eyes, could unhesitatingly pick out an engine to which he was accustomed. As a locomotive roars along the rails, the engineer is always listening, though subconsciously, to its familiar tune, and if there comes the slightest discord, or if the tone changes, he knows instantly that something is wrong, and makes an investigation at the earliest opportunity. He may have no ear for music, but the engine's the tone of his great machine [illegible] be attuned to.

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