

THE KING'S CLUBS.

Organizations of Which Edward VII. is a Member.

It is doubtful if many people are fully aware how pronounced have been the claims of his Majesty King Edward VII. to be considered as a clubman, says the London Mail.

It is, however, one of the most prominent of such in Great Britain, and has belonged to something like twenty clubs. The majority of the institutions whose membership lists are honored by the inclusion of his name therein are of a military description, but when he ascended the throne he was also a member of several established for purely social purposes. Among the best known clubs, once patronized, or still patronized, by the King may be mentioned the United Service, Junior United Service, Army and Navy, Marlborough and Royal Yacht; but his Majesty's connection with clubland now, of course, is almost purely honorary.

The United Service Club was established in "Waterloo year," and is "housed" at No. 116 Pall Mall. Its list of members is confined to sixteen hundred, all of whom must be naval or military officers, whose rank is at least equivalent to that of a major. Prominent among those belonging to that club are the Duke of Cambridge, Lord Roberts and Lord Wolseley. The entrance fee is a very high one—viz., £30—while the annual subscription is £10. The membership list of the Junior, or United Service Club, in Charles Street, S.W., contains two thousand names. Among them are those of the German Emperor and the King of the Belgians. Lord Kitchener has been a member since 1877.

The handsomest service club, however, of which his Majesty is patron, is the Army and Navy. This, which stands at the corner of St. James' square and Pall Mall, was erected in 1851 at a total cost of £116,000, of which £10,000 was expended on furniture. The foundation of the club, however, dates from 1838, when it occupied the premises at No. 10 King street. One of its first members at this time was the Duke of Wellington. In 1850 it was joined by the Duke of Cambridge, and eight years later by Lord Wolseley, than a very junior officer in the British army.

CROSS QUESTIONED.

M. B. CONNICK RELATES HIS EXPERIENCE WITH BRIGHT'S DISEASE AND DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS.

Suffered With That Dread Malady for Fifteen Years.—Treated by Five Different Doctors.—Literally Rescued from Death by Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Middleton, P.E.I., Dec. 23.—Mr. M. B. Connick, the well-known blacksmith of this place, known all over the Island as the man whom Dodd's Kidney Pills saved from death as by a miracle, has often been interviewed regarding his case and is ever ready to supply the facts.

"I had been a victim to kidney trouble for fifteen years before I took Dodd's Kidney Pills," said Mr. Connick in a recent conversation.

"Did you know it was Bright's Disease, Mr. Connick?"

"Not at first I didn't, but when I found it out I was startled, I can tell you. In those days, you know, Bright's Disease was incurable. I went to five different doctors. They could do no good. Finally my wife and I went to one who told us right out there was no use taking my money. I could not be cured. I felt that it was all over."

"How did you come to take Dodd's Kidney Pills?"

"Well, one day a customer and I were talking of the death of a neighbor, and my customer said he was quite sure if he had taken Dodd's Kidney Pills he would have been cured. That set me thinking. For the last six years I had been forced to hire a man to do my work. Well, I began to take Dodd's Kidney Pills and before I had finished the third box I was at work again. I can shoe a horse as well to-day as ever I could in my life."

"Do you mean to say that three boxes of Dodd's Kidney Pills cured you of Bright's Disease of fifteen years' standing?"

"Yes, sir, that's exactly what I mean. I was so stiff and sore I could not stoop to pick up anything—couldn't put on my shoes. If my wife was here she would tell more about Dodd's Kidney Pills than I can."

Mr. Connick is now fifty-eight years old and the picture of health and strength.

POVERTY-STRICKEN M.P.'S.

A large number of the newly elected members of the Hungarian Parliament are so impecunious that shortly before their election, warrants were obtained by their creditors for impounding the allowance due to them as members of parliament in order to pay their debts. In Hungary, members of Parliament are allowed about \$5 a day for the period of the Parliamentary session.

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CITY OF TOOTHLESS PEOPLE.

St. Petersburg Offers Splendid Chances for Dentists.

St. Petersburg is slowly becoming a city of toothless people. The Russian capital should be, and eventually will be, removed to Moscow, mainly on that account. This, at least, is the opinion of a prominent merchant of the city on the banks of the Neva, who says he has heard much talk along that line in the last few years.

Vladimir Zorokoff, a tea importer of St. Petersburg, exhibits a mouth devoid of teeth to show the effects of the climate of his city. He says the sight of a person similarly afflicted is a common one there. St. Petersburg citizens are readily identified in any part of the empire, he says, by the absence of many or all of their teeth.

There are two reasons for this condition. The first M. Zorokoff gives is the atmosphere of the capital city. The vapors that arise from the marshes of the Neva have the effect of producing decay of the teeth. Whether there is some deleterious chemical property in the vapors has not been discovered, but the result is declared to be due to the effluvia from the swamps. The second reason is the scarcity of good dentists. The science of dentistry is practically unknown in the city or the nation.

"St. Petersburg offers an unsurpassed field for good dentists," said M. Zorokoff. "Perhaps by excellent treatment and the use of preservatives the teeth of my fellow citizens could be saved. The city was largely built on land that had been filled in, and the climate was never very healthful. While St. Petersburg is the capital, the center of culture, wealth and refinement of the country still remains at Moscow."

"Czar Nicholas is himself said to be fearful of losing all his teeth, having had much trouble to keep them in good order. From this fact, I think, the sentiment that is being formed in favor of re-establishing the capital in the city where it was in olden times will, in time, result in the abandonment of St. Petersburg as the imperial city."

"In no other center of population in Russia is the decay of teeth so noticeable as in the capital. It is only during the past ten years that the subject has attracted general attention, and recently the feeling that the seat of government should be changed has been growing among the upper class. I hope to see the removal take place."

VALUE OF VEGETABLES.

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Tomatoes rouse torpid liver and do the work, ordinarily, of a doctor's prescription.

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Celery is an acknowledged nerve tonic, and is more and more used in medical prescription.

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Dandelions purify the blood and generally are declared to tone up the system.

Potatoes should be eschewed by those who "have a horror of getting fat," as that is one penalty of eating them.

Watercress is a good all-round brace-up for the system.

Spinach has medicinal properties and qualities equal to the most indigo of all blue pills ever made.

Parsnips, it is now contended by scientists, possess almost the same virtues that are claimed for sarsaparilla.

Beets are fattening, even a moderately learned man will explain because of the sugar they contain.

Ordinary lima beans, some one has said, are good to allay thirst, but the same can be said, with equal truth, of a pitcher of water.

Asparagus is efficacious in kidney ailments to an extent that is not yet perhaps thoroughly appreciated.

Cucumbers, aside from sunbeam emitting properties known to readers of facetious paragraphs, contain an acid that is helpful in cases of dyspepsia.

Cabbage, in Holland, is regarded as something of a blood purifier, but the authority is vague. In Germany its efficacy is purely sauerkraut.

Parsley will assist good digestion, like cheese and nuts, but a quantity in excess of ordinary capacity has to be consumed. Therein lies the joke.

Pumpkins are an ingredient in a patent medicine that is guaranteed to cure a variety of ailments flesh is heir to, but the world is increasing in inhabitants who do not believe all they hear.

OFFICIALLY DEAD.

The Remarkable Experience of Trooper Dougal.

Strange as have been the experiences of many British soldiers during the South African war, those which have befallen a New Zealand trooper, Quartermaster-Sergeant Dougal, are decidedly out of the common. Enlisting in the New Zealand contingent, he gained his present rank after having been four times wounded. While one of Lord Roberts' bodyguard, he was sent into the hospital at Pretoria. On recovering sufficiently to be discharged he found that while in the hospital he had been robbed of the Commander-in-Chief's silver bodyguard badge, and all the money he possessed—£15 in gold. From Pretoria he was invalided to England and having been granted furlough proceeded to his fa-

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ther's home in Stirlingshire, Scotland. Here, while he was recuperating, his father received New Zealand papers containing notification, cabled from the official lists in London, of his son's death. Q.-M.-S. Dougal at once informed the authorities that he was by no means defunct, and in proof of his statement put in an appearance in London before sailing to rejoin his comrades in the colonies. He was granted furlough because he was alive; he has not received his war medal, presumably because he was "dead."

THE LARGEST PRISON.

In France, at the new prison, which is about eight miles from Paris, the authorities show their belief in fresh air and sunshine, and the prison is a model sanatorium. The prison is the largest in the world, and takes the place of three old ones. It is built in a very simple style, but covers, with its floral gardens and residences of officials, more than half a square mile. There are so many as 1,824 cells, but as there is accommodation on the association system for about 400 more prisoners, the total it will contain is considerably over 2,000.

A Toronto Druggist Tried All the Catarrh Remedies Known.

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