

IN MERRY OLD ENGLAND

NEWS BY MAIL ABOUT JOHN BULL AND HIS PEOPLE.

Occurrences in the Land That Reigns Supreme in the Commercial World.

It is proposed to form a motor scouts' corps to assist the Territorial Force in Essex.

The Norwich Town Council has decided to open a public gymnasium and supply an instructor.

Members of the Ilford Farmers' Association have killed 11,284 sparrows and 2,844 rats during the past year.

Shoreditch Borough Council has decided to spend \$40 on the necessary accoutrements for an official mace-bearer.

During the next few weeks a large number of men will be sent to the colonies by the Woolwich Distress Committee.

Motor-car fees totalling \$8,635 were received by the Middlesex County Council last year, and 4,802 drivers' licenses were issued or renewed.

Wood pigeons have caused so much damage in Suffolk that landowners have lent their gamekeepers to farmers in order to keep down the pests.

Preaching at the annual service of the Queen Victoria Clergy Fund, at St. Paul's Cathedral, the Bishop of Chichester said there were about 14,000 livings in the Church of England, of which 5,000 were less than \$1,000 a year and 1,100 less than \$500.

The London, Tilbury and Southend Railway has decided to build a new station between Southend and Shoeburyness, adjacent to Thrope Hall and the golf links.

In the Holbeach district of Lincolnshire, which is one of the largest potato-growing areas in England, heavy consignments of potatoes are being loaded for despatch to America.

Oxford University has established an honor school of engineering, and has thus become entitled to the reversion of a legacy of \$5,000 left by the late Mr. L. F. Harcourt, of Weybridge.

The quarterly return of births, marriages and deaths in England and Wales, which was issued recently records a higher birth-rate, a lower death-rate, and lower emigration and immigration figures for the year 1903.

Inventor of a secret process of enamelling which gave Wolverhampton enamel a world-wide reputation, and resulted in his accumulating a fortune, Mr. Horatio G. Powell, an extensive traveller, died recently at Wolverhampton.

In the largest parish in England—that of Whittlesea—there was not a single case of drunkenness last

"My youngest boy, 3 years old, was sick with fever last June, and when he got better the doctor prescribed Scott's Emulsion, and he liked it so well that he drank it out of the bottle, and is now just as plump and strong as any child of his age anywhere . . . two bottles fixed him O.K."—MR. JOHN F. TEDDER, Box 263, Teague-Freestone Co., Texas.

SCOTT'S EMULSION

is the greatest help for babies and young children there is. It just fits their need; it just suits their delicate, sensitive natures; they thrive on it. Just a little does them so much good and saves you so much worry. You owe it to them and yourself to make them as strong and healthy as possible. SCOTT'S EMULSION will help you better than anything else; but be sure to get SCOTT'S. It's the best, and there are so many worthless imitations.

ALL DRUGGISTS

Mr. Tedder has just written us another letter about his brother-in-law's children. Let us send you his letters and other information on the subject. A Post Card, mentioning this paper, is sufficient.

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year. This is a record for the parish, which comprises 26,000 acres. The population is 8,000, and there are 53 licensed houses.

The seal of Oliver Cromwell, now in the possession of a prominent family in Wales, is a plain gold mounted corundum stone five-eighths of an inch in diameter. It dates from 1653 and was used on several of his deeds. The whole of the Lord's Prayer is engraved upon it.

USING PURGATIVES INJURES THE HEALTH

In the Spring a Tonic is Needed—But Not Harsh, Drastic Medicines.

A spring medicine is an actual necessity to most people. Nature demands it as an aid in getting off the impurities that have accumulated in the blood during the indoor life of winter months. But unfortunately thousands of people who recognize the necessity for a spring medicine do not know what is best to take and dose themselves with harsh, gripping purgatives. This is a serious mistake. Ask any doctor and he will tell you that the use of purgative medicine weakens the system but does not cure disease.

In the spring the system needs building up—purgatives cannot do this; they weaken you still more. The blood should be made rich, red and pure—no purgative can do this. What is needed in the spring is a tonic, and the best tonic medical science has yet discovered is Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. Every dose of this medicine actually makes new, rich blood. This new blood strengthens every organ, every nerve, and every part of the body. This is why they cure headaches and backaches, rheumatism and neuralgia, and a host of other troubles that come from poor water blood. That is why men and women who take Dr. Williams' Pink Pills eat well, sleep well, and feel bright, active and strong. If you need a medicine this spring try this great reviving tonic, and see the new life, new health and new strength it will put into you. Sold by all medicine dealers or by mail at 50 cents a box or six boxes for \$2.50, from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

4,000 MILES IN THIBET

DR. HEDIN, WORLD'S GREATEST EXPLORER.

Chinese Closing Doors Against all Europeans—Territory Mapped.

In order to fill certain lecturing engagements, Dr. Sven Hedin, the world's most intrepid and successful explorer, has arrived in England, after wonderful discoveries in the unknown land north of the Himalayas.

In an interview Dr. Sven Hedin said that the Thibetan was by far the hardest and most perilous expedition in which he had ever been engaged. At the same time it was the most fruitful in results, and from a geographical point of view the best work he had ever done. He reached Thibet by way of Constantinople, Asia Minor, Persia, and India, and managed to spend no less than twenty-five months in the mysterious and forbidden land.

Previous to his expedition the whole country north of the Brahmaputra River was marked on the maps as a great white unexplored patch. This vast hitherto unmapped region of 65,000 square miles Dr. Sven Hedin crossed and recrossed in several directions, with the result that its principal geographical lines are now known.

SOURCE OF BRAHMAPUTRA.

One result of great importance is the discovery of the real source of the Brahmaputra. This mighty river was supposed to have its source in a body of water known as the Marium Lake, near a spot where the mountains of Thibet connect with the Himalayas. Dr. Sven Hedin, has, however, proved the Marium to be a tributary of the Brahmaputra, and has visited the true source of the latter. He has also found the hitherto unknown source of the Indus.

In the course of his wanderings in this uncharted region he discovered the Provinces of Mongba and Choktehu, of which even the names were not before known. At one point in Mongba, crossed by important roads, he found a population of 5,000 tent-dwellers, and the location near there of the

watershed of the Indian rivers makes it one of the most important places on the face of the earth. CHINESE INFLUENCE STRONG.

In Thibet alone Dr. Sven Hedin, travelled over 4,000 miles. He found the Thibetans full of wonder at the retirement of the British from the country after reaching Lhasa, and they put it down to fear. In consequence Chinese influence has increased to an enormous extent, and was as strong now as British influence in India. The result is that China has closed all the roads to strangers, and he thinks that in future the entrance of an European to Thibet will be rendered impossible.

For two months and a half he was disguised as a Ladaki, keeping his face and hands dark with Indian ink and wearing Thibetan dress. At length he was discovered, but not till his chief work was finished. His maps, covering 1,100 sheets, he hid in his bags of rice.

During the whole of his exploration, in spite of the awful cold and the hardships endured, he only lost one man. Personally he never experienced a day's illness, and, with the exception of a little champagne, which he drank at Shigatze, never tasted alcohol and took no medicine. He smoked, however, whenever he had the opportunity.

He lost about 170 ponies and mules owing to the terrible climatic conditions, and with the exception of eight survivors, all the animals of two caravans perished.

FIRST ELECTRIC LIGHT.

Six Arc Lamps at Old Gaiety Theatre Startled Strand.

John Hollingshead was the first man to use electric light in London. It 1878 he installed six arc lamps at the old Gaiety Theatre and startled the Strand. The price of gas shares fell immediately. The cost of the lamps was \$200 a week, and he ran them for nine months. An attempt to plant one inside the theatre at the foot of the grand staircase was a failure. The women objected to the fierceness of the light. One of them for instance, "pretended to be very anxious that the secret of her soft complexion should not be discovered." Prof. Erasmus Wilson said of electric light at the time: "With regard to the electric light, much has been said for and against it; but I think I may say, without fear of contradiction, that when the Paris Exhibition closes the electric light will close with it and very little more will be heard about it." Mr. Hollingshead, by the way, had fitted up the Gaiety as early as 1869 with an electric searchlight, which dashed the length of the Strand. But he soon withdrew that for fear of scaring horses.

NEGLECTED SCALD CAUSED MONTHS OF AGONY.

Spent Dollars in Vain, but Zam-Buk Cured Her.

Following we give the testimony of a lady who if she had known of Zam-Buk earlier would have been saved nine weeks of agony:

Mrs. Frederick Bryant, of 169 Railway Avenue, Stratford, Ont., says: "I scalded my foot while preparing supper. Next day the skin came off and my foot was in a serious condition. I could not wear my shoe and had to lay up for nine weeks. During this time I used dozens of salves, but none did any good, in fact the wound developed into a nursing sore. I got no rest day or night from the pain. At this point a supply of Zam-Buk was obtained and a few applications had immediate effect in soothing the pain and irritation. A small supply proved sufficient to heal the scald, although I had spent dollars in other remedies. New skin has now formed nicely over the open sore.

"Zam-Buk is the most wonderful and effective remedy I have used, and I advise others to use it."

There is nothing to equal Zam-Buk as a family balm. Its uses are so wide. It has been proved a sure cure for eczema, ring-worm, ulcers, abscesses, piles, bad leg, suppurating wounds, cuts, bruises, chapped hands, cold cracks, and all skin injuries and diseases. Rubbed well into the part affected it cures rheumatism, sciatica, neuralgia, etc. All druggists and stores sell at 50c. per box, or post free from Zam-Buk Co., Toronto, on receipt of price.

CAN YOU SPELL?

Here is Something Which Will Test Your Ability.

It is some time ago since spell-books were popular forms of entertainment in this country, but still one occasionally comes across the very superior person who tells you he can easily spell any word ever printed in this type of man, just ask

somebody to dictate the following jumble to him, and see how many mistakes he will make:—

"Antinous, a disappointed, de-siccated physicist, was peeling potatoes in an embarrassing and harassing way. His idiosyncrasy and privilege was to eat mayonnaise and mussels while staring at the Pleiades and seizing people's tricycles and velocipedes. He was an erring teetotaler, and had been on a picayune jamboree. He rode a palfrey stallion and carried a saleable papier mache bouquet of asters, phlox, rhododendron, chrysanthemums, rhododendrons, fuchsias, and nasturtiums.

"He wore a sibyl's resplendent turquoise paraphernalia, an ornolu yashmak, and astrakhan chaparejos. He drank crystalizable and disagreeable curocao juleps through a sieve. He stole some money and hid them under a pedlar's mahogany bedstead and mattress.

"Like a fiend in an ecstasy of gaiety I rushed after him into the maelstrom, or melee, and held him as in a vice. I could not feaze him, however, and he addressed me, with autocracy, in the following imbecile words, which sounded like a soliloquy or a superseding paeon on an oboe: 'You are a rateable luna-moth; a salaaming vazier; an equinoctial coryphee and an isosceles daguerreotype.'"

WHY HE LEFT.

"I can't keep the visitors from coming up," said the office boy dejectedly. "When I say you're out they don't believe me."

"Well," said the editor, "just tell them that's what they all say. I don't care if you check them, but I must have quietness."

That afternoon there called at the office a lady with hard features and an acid expression. She wanted to see the editor, and the boy assured her that it was impossible.

"But I must see him," she protested. "I'm his wife."

"That's what they all say," replied the boy.

A new boy is wanted there.

SLEEPLESS LITTLE BABIES ARE SICKLY BABIES

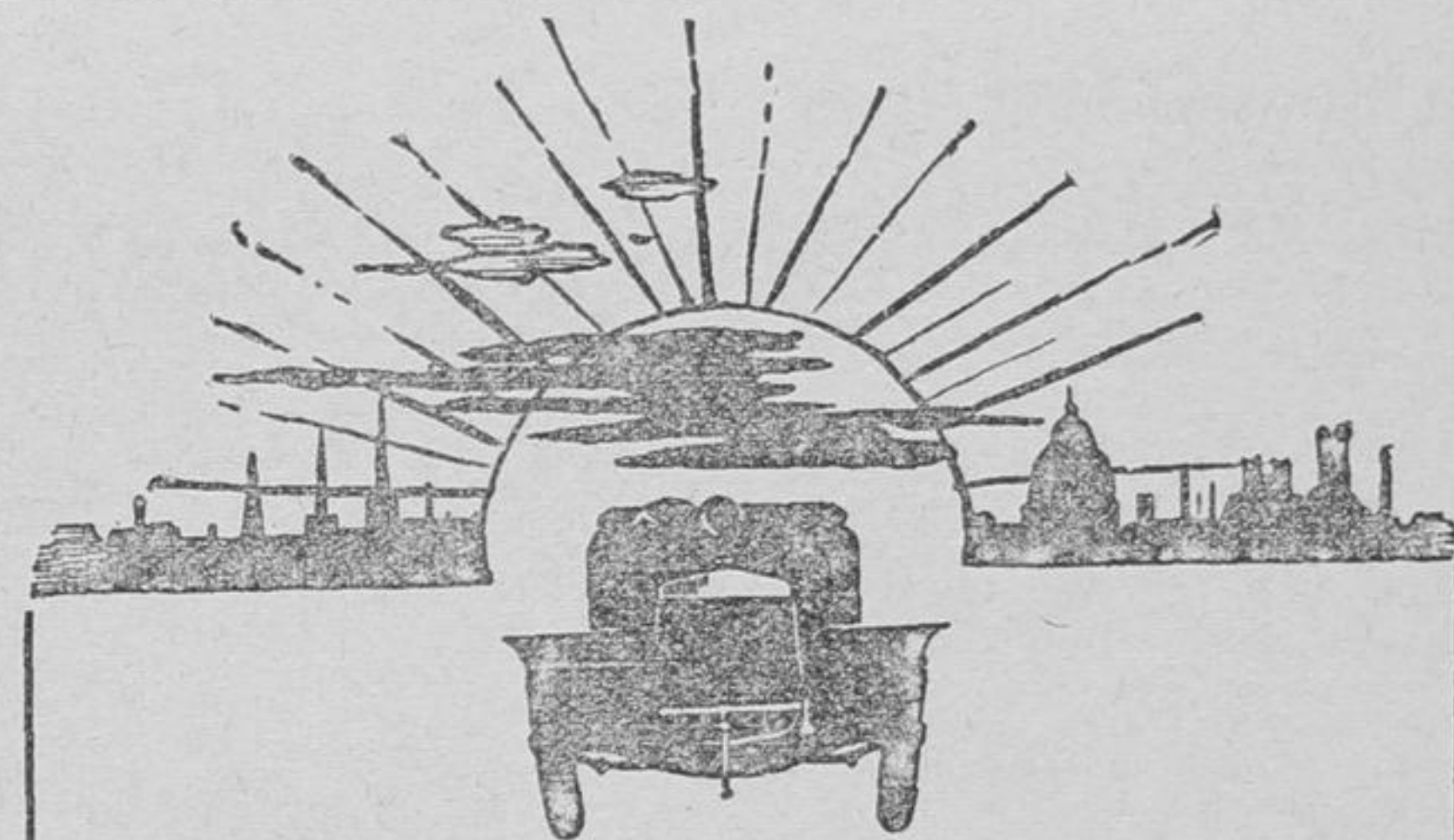
When babies are restless, sleepless and cross it is the surest possible sign that they are not well. Well babies sleep soundly and wake up brightly. Sleeplessness is generally due to some ailment of the stomach or bowels, or cutting teeth. A few doses of Baby's Own Tablets will put the little one right and give it sound, natural sleep. Mrs. Jos. Goneil, St. Evariste, Que., says: "I have found Baby's Own Tablets a splendid medicine for constipation and stomach troubles. I give them to my little girl and they keep her lively and well." Sold by medicine dealers or by mail at 25 cents a box from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

WEDDING SUPERSTITION.

Bride Believes Waxing Moon Will Bring Happiness.

In spite of all her sound good sense, a German girl cherishes certain superstitions which she likes to observe on her wedding day. For instance, the moon must be increasing, neither at the full nor on the wane, for a waning moon foretells that marriage, love and luck will dwindle, while a full moon denotes but stationary luck at the best, but a waxing marriage moon will bring an increase of nuptial happiness, health and prosperity, says Woman's Life.

Neither will any German bride do of whatev rank, wear pearls, for she firmly believes in the forbidden old adage, "The more pearls a woman wears upon her wedding day, the more tears she sheds in after life." In the Fatherland, too, if it rains upon the bridal day, the bride will miserly look upon the best side of the matter, and regard the glistening raindrops—not as her English sister does—as prophetic of tears, but "showers of blessing;" while if she weeps at her marriage, she laughs after, saying she has spent her tears beforehand, so that she will have none to shed in her new home.



The New DAIMLER

Extracts from a few of the letters received by the Daimler Co. bearing out the claims made for the 1903 engine.

CHAS. E. MARTIN, ESQ. 12, 12, '03

"I have never experienced such a delightful feeling as when gliding along silently and smoothly on the New Daimler."

THE RT. HON. LORD BURTON. 20, 12, '03

"She runs very quietly and smoothly, even on very bad roads, and she pulls beautifully up hill. It is a real pleasure to ride in her."

MONSIEUR GIRARDOT. 8, 1, '09

"I have noted that its chief qualities are its extraordinary flexibility, its absolute silence, and its marvellous efficiency, in comparison with tappet valve engines."

CHAS. HAY WALKER, ESQ. 28, 12, '03

"The way she crept along on her top speed at about 3 miles an hour was marvellous."

The Daimler Motor Co., (1904) Ltd.
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