

NOTES AND COMMENTS

The peace strength of the German army will be very little short of 800,000 men when the latest legislation has been put into full effect.

Besides, Germany's more than 600,000 men with the colors, she has in the reserves 4,370,000 trained men, and when the full results of the law of 1913 have been completed, that is, in 1917, she will have a fully trained reserve of 5,400,000.

The increases in the military establishment of Germany since 1890 have been won by taking advantage of every crisis in European affairs.

A RIVAL TO THE SUN.

Dr. Herbert E. Ives, a prominent scientist of Philadelphia, claims to have invented a substitute for daylight.

Paw Knows Everything. Willie—Paw, do you know everything? Paw—Yes, my son. Why?

Fashion Hints

What Is and Will Be Popular.

Metallic laces are to be more fashionable than ever this winter, so unspack your trunks full of heirlooms and unearth any pieces, big or little, that you may possess of gold or silver lace.

The majority of skirts will be short, in fact, very short. Costumes for dressy occasions will have skirts as short as those for the street.

Lace is used to trim handbags, just as leather is now used to trim hats. A dainty handbag of tan suede is edged about the top with a narrow frilling of deep cream Valenciennes lace.

The kimono form will be retained in dressy effects, but usually the forearm will be loosely fitted, this is a combination with the kimono cut, necessitating the retention of a very large armhole.

Costume, suit and wrap fashions for the coming season will be characterized not so much by novelty of form as by novelty and beauty of materials and colorings.

In telling of his discovery, Dr. Ives said: "My recent invention has a field of usefulness in certain industries, such as textile manufacturing, dyeing, color printing and similar arts.

WHAT YUAN SHI SAYS.

A Remarkable Document Issued by The Chinese Napoleon.

Here is a remarkable personal document in which the Chinese Napoleon, Yuan Shi Kai, calls on the world. "To believe that he had been a convert to republican ideas long before the revolution broke out, and took high heaven to witness that he would never be false to the charge the nation had confided to him."

"From my student days I, Yuan Shi Kai, have admired the example of the Emperors Yao and Shun, who treated the empire as a public trust and considered that the record of a dynasty in history for good or ill is inseparably bound up with the public spirit or self-seeking by which it has been animated.



Yuan Shi Kai.

ated wild rumors to delude men's minds, and have adduced the career of the First Napoleon on his fate to back their erroneous speculations.

"My thoughts are manifest in the sight of high heaven. But in this season of construction and dire crisis how shall these mutual suspicions find a place. Once more I suspend this announcement; if you, my fellow countrymen, do indeed place the safety of China before all other considerations it behooves you to be large-minded. Beware of lightly heeding the plausible voice of calumny, and of thus furnishing a medium for fostering anarchy.

A Good Trait.

"I'm such a poor conversationalist," she said. "What would you advise me to do?"

Security.

Milligan—If I be after leaving security again ter what I take away, will yez thrust me till next wake!

Young Folks

A Story About a Willful Pussy.

"Now come to bed," said Cinder, Blue Persian Tabby, to her baby Mac, who was busily chasing spiders across the stable floor.

"Just wait till I get a chance!" he thought, squinting her with his left eye. "I'll run away and do what I like then."

"But his mother knew nothing of these rebellious thoughts. She was fast purring herself to sleep.

"I'm going hunting, I heard the old mistress saying there were some fine bunnies on the moor."

Then Mac began to get a little frightened and though he would go back to the barn, but alas! he had not gone many steps when something snapped his foot, and he yelled, and yelled, and pulled and pulled, but he couldn't get away.

Cadger, hearing the yells, came across, but despite all his efforts he couldn't relieve Mac from his terrible pain.

"Poor pussy! poor pussy!" came faintly through his dreams, and he awoke to find the moon gone and a great tall man bending over him.

"Run away home now," the man said kindly, but Mac was only able to hop on three legs.

Domestic Amenities.

He was mumbleing tough steak and cold coffee and making himself generally disagreeable.

Impertinent Things.

The wagon sticks its tongue out. The pitcher has lots of lip. The dictionary gives us impudence.

Probable.

Ras—Somebody took six hens and a rooster from Pete Possum's coop yesterday!

The Latter Kind.

The Man—What kind of a bungalow can you give me for \$3,000?

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL STUDY

INTERNATIONAL LESSON, SEPTEMBER 23.

Lesson XIII. Deliverance and Obedience—Review. Golden Text, Neh. 9:17.

(Questions for Pupils.)

Lesson I.—The Child Moses Saved from Death.—What happened to the Israelites after Joseph's death? How did Pharaoh seek to prevent them from increasing too rapidly?

Lesson II.—Moses Prepared for His Work.—Where did Moses receive his early training? Where did he go when he was about forty years old?

Lesson III.—Moses Called to Deliver Israel.—Where was Moses feeding his flock when he saw a remarkable sign? What was the name of this sign?

Lesson IV.—Moses Received the Law.—How was Moses received by the Israelites on his return to Egypt? For what did he tell them God had sent him?

Lesson V.—The Plagues of Egypt.—How did God punish Pharaoh for his disobedience? What was done to the waters of the Nile? With what animals and birds were Egypt infested?

Lesson VI.—The Passover.—What was the final plague with which Egypt was visited? In what way did the Israelites have to prepare for their flight? What feast did they observe on the night of their departure?

Lesson VII.—Crossing the Red Sea.—Where did the Israelites tarry in camp for a few days? How did Pharaoh do when he heard they were on their way?

Lesson VIII.—The Bread from Heaven.—Where is the wilderness of Sin? What kind of a region is it? What did the people fear when they reached there?

Lesson IX.—Israel at Mount Sinai.—For what did the people prepare when they reached Mount Sinai? When did God descend upon the mountain?

STILL MAKING EXCUSES

We Are Going On Exactly the Same Way as Our Fathers of Old.

And they all with one consent begun to make excuse.—Luke xiv, 18.

Here is a human nature in there is any such collective reality in the world! We are all of us good at making excuses, even though we are good at nothing else.

We All Begin "To Make Excuse," as to why these things cannot be done. From the very beginning of human society men have had no difficulty in finding innumerable excuses for not making the world better than it is.

FOREST FREE FROM FIRES.

First Year For Long Time That British Columbia Has Escaped.

Every year for several years the total amount of timber destroyed by fire in British Columbia is said to have exceeded the amount cut by the lumbermen.

Organization tells, and organization pays," says George D. McKay, superintendent of the fire fighters, in discussing the work they have done.

The great value of the telephone system installed by the Government was instanced in each of the three forest fires which started this year.

Each previous year the province had been obliged to pay a heavy bill for extra labor to fight forest fires in emergency.

Health.

People who suffer from this complaint generally wake in the morning with a stuffy feeling existing between the nose and the back of the mouth.

Rest.

Employer—It takes half my time rectifying your mistakes! Office Boy—Oh, well, I will take my vacation next week, and you can rest up!

HEALTH

Nasal Catarrh.

People who suffer from this complaint generally wake in the morning with a stuffy feeling existing between the nose and the back of the mouth.

Health Hints.

Eat wholesome food and drink pure water. Go to bed early and get up early.

Plain.

"There, I think I have made myself plain, have I not?" she finished her tirade.

No Time Now.

"I feel as if I were going to have appendicitis." "Well, I need a new gown, so you'll just have to wait."