

**KINGS AND QUEENS**  
SUBJECTS QUITE TO RULERS.

Recipient of Many Prizes—\$1,250 Queen Victoria.

of Europe, not to mention of most of the world, have been given to the recipients of the Victoria Cross.

Edward received the Victoria Cross for his gallant and heroic actions during the Boer War.

He was the first of the royal family to be honored with this highest military decoration.

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**MINING BATTLE-FIELDS OF FRANCE**

GREAT-WAR AREA BEING MINED FOR STEEL.

German Prisoners of War Do a Large Amount of Salvage Work and Allied Troops Have a Good Share.

Since the armistice, salvaging of metal on a large scale has been going on in all of the war-areas of the West Front. Thousands of tons of scrap steel have been salvaged from all the battle-fields. A good share of this salvage work has been done by the troops of the Allied armies, but also a large amount of it has been done by the German prisoners of war.

At practically all the railroad stations in the neighborhood of Etain and Barle-Due train-loads can be seen of the crooked, rusted barbed-wire entanglement rods, stacked up like cord-wood, waiting for shipment. There are small mountains of miscellaneous scrap-iron, and piles of heavy corrugated steel sheets are a characteristic sight in salvage dumps and railroad yards throughout the battle regions.

In the center and toward the eastern end of the line this work has been carried nearer to completion than at the northwestern end. In the northwest, along the British front, the salvage work has proceeded a bit more slowly, perhaps, but certainly not less thoroughly.

**Prisoners at Work.**  
In the past winter and spring German prisoners of war were going over the shell-shot battle-fields which had been a part of the British front, tearing down the corrugated iron shelters, picking up 'duds' or unexploded shells, clearing the thickets of barbed wire and chevaux-de-frise, storing and piling up all the salvaged metal in the dumps and loading it on the freight cars and Canal or river barges.

In the salvage dumps you can see wrecks of canteens, tanks of all descriptions, great piles of metal helmets, rifles, bayonets, machine guns, and in fact, all the metal debris of warfare.

But the one lasting impression made on most observers is that of acres of corrugated steel sheets and barbed wire and the twisted rods around which the barbed-wire entanglements had been made.

In a good many areas, the artillery fire had been so intense that the soil has been ruined for agricultural purposes. In such cases the salvaging is simply to remove the dangerous explosive agents and recover the metal junk. In the agricultural districts, however, in cases where the shelling was comparatively light and the land had been dug up to make trenches, the salvage work is closely tied up with that of agricultural reconstruction.

**CRUSOE'S ISLAND.**  
Tobago, Near the Mouth of the Orinoco, Probable Scene of Great Adventure.

The name of Robinson Crusoe is forever linked in our memories with a desert island. No particular island comes to my mind as we think of this castaway hero, yet Crusoe himself, or rather Defoe, tells us exactly where his island is, and all but names it, writes Nilsah.

For many years Juan Fernandez, a Chilean island off the eastern coast of South America, was known as Crusoe's Island because another adventurer had spent five years there in solitude, and it was thought for some time that Defoe had recorded this hermit's experience.

But following Crusoe's directions that he landed on an island in a latitude of eleven degrees, near the mouth of the Orinoco river, and in sight of the island of Trinidad, we come upon the island of Tobago, the only one answering the description.

An interesting discovery which gave prominence to Tobago as the real Crusoe's Island occurred some years ago, when the skeleton of a goat was unearthed in a cave on the island.

This coincided remarkably with Crusoe's statement that he found a dying goat in a hillside cave and later buried it there. "Crusoe's goat" became for a time an object of great popular interest and figured as a prominent exhibit at the Chicago World's Fair.

Tobago's failure to obtain greater recognition of its importance as the "only authentic Robinson Crusoe Island" is doubtless due to the fact that it is a retiring little island, concerned chiefly with its plantations and trade. Leaving Crusoe out altogether, Tobago has had an eventful history, from the time it was discovered by Christopher Columbus, on his third voyage, until England took it from France in 1803, and started to turn it into a profitable colony. Its present estate after a century of English rule is less that of a desert island than of a partly wooded, partly cultivated and built-up isle of the tropics.

**To Mark Poison Bottles.**  
A good way to mark bottles containing poison is to push pins into the side of the cork. Two pins would be sufficient, and they should be placed at right angles to each other.

Of all the kindly things God made One of the kindest is shade. His glorious company of trees Throw out their mantles, and in these The dust-stained traveler finds ease.

**THE MAN WHO WINS**

Is Always Full of Life and Energy—Failures Are Weak and Bloodless.

Some men seem to have all the luck. If there are any good things going these men seem to get them. They make other people do their will—they are leaders. If they are business men they are successful; if they are workmen they get the foreman's job. They have the power of influencing people.

The same thing is true of women. Some have the charm that makes men seek them out; others are always neglected. But this is not luck. It is due to a personal gift—vitality. Men and women of this sort are never weak, they are inviolable. They may not be big, but they are full of life and energy. The whole thing is a matter of good blood, good nerves and good health. Everyone would wish to be like this and the qualities that make for vitality and energy are purely a matter of health. By building up the blood and nerves sleeplessness, want of energy, weakness of the back, stooping shoulders, headaches and the ineffectual sort of presence which really comes from weakness can all be got rid of. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills have made many weak, tired men, vigorous and healthy, and many pale, dejected girls and women plump, rosy and attractive, by improving their blood and toning up their nerves. If you are weak, ailing, lowspirited or unhealthy, begin to cure yourself today by the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.

You can get these Pills through any medicine dealer or by mail at 50 cents a box or six boxes for \$2.50 from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

**Brainy Bees.**  
What a bee does not know is supposed to be not worth knowing. That may or may not be true, but two following incidents—one of which was witnessed by the writer—testify to the remarkably sagacity and efficiency of bees.

On one occasion a hive was being "spied upon" by a wasp. When a wasp ascertains that a hive is worth attacking, he carries the news to his friends, and sometimes succeeds in the cunning or severely worrying the bees. While the wasp-cout was nosing around, the bees stayed in the hive, but every time the wasp approached the small entrance hole a bee came out and walked round in a circle, doing sentry work till the wasp departed.

An hour later a wasp—presumably the scout—was found dead on its back on the top of the hive, and the bees were busy again.

A French inventor has modeled a monoplane from a winged maple seed.

**FIGHTING THE HAILSTORM.**

How European Countries Endeavor to Prevent Storms.

Hailstorms are just dreaded by the Canadian farmer, though he suffers from them only occasionally. In Europe, however, they seem, for some mysterious reason, to be far more frequent, and the damage they do is enormous, especially in the grape-growing regions. France alone suffers from this cause an annual loss reckoned at \$29,000,000.

For centuries, over there, efforts have been made to prevent hailstorms by various ingenious means, the latest of which is what is called the "electric Niagara."

This contrivance is in effect a much elaborated lightning rod—an enormously tall and extremely slender tower of light steel rods, which is expected to carry off from the clouds harmlessly a veritable cataract of electricity. Robbed of their lightning, the clouds are supposed to be rendered incapable of forming hailstones.

Tall poles of steel, or wooden poles carrying lightning rods, have long been in use for the same purpose in France and other European countries. They have been set up literally by the hundreds of thousands, whole landscapes being sprinkled with them.

Another idea persistently tried has been the bombardment of clouds with explosive missiles or sometimes with rockets. Yet another, more recent, consists in discharging smoke-rings from mortars. The smoke is supposed to mingle with the cloud vapor and interfere with the formation of hail.

Scientific bodies here and abroad, including our own weather bureau, have made elaborate experimental studies of these methods and have declared them worthless. But the European agriculturist believes in their effectiveness with a faith that is almost religious.

**GUARD BABY'S HEALTH IN THE SUMMER**

The summer months are the most dangerous to children. The complaints of that season, which are cholera infantum, colic, diarrhoea and dysentery, come on so quickly that often a little one is beyond aid before the mother realizes he is ill. The mother must be on her guard to prevent these troubles, or if they do come on suddenly to cure them. No other medicine is of such aid to mothers during hot weather as is Baby's Own Tablets. They regulate the stomach and bowels and are absolutely safe. Sold by medicine dealers or by mail at 25 cents a box from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

are wearing four chevrons—one red for the first year, and three blue for the subsequent years of service.

**Fast Transcontinental Train**

Now that the era of reconstruction is here, the business man, who has been taxed to the limit, bought bonds to his capacity and given until it hurts is to be considered again. He is to be permitted to get from place to place quickly, his freight is to be handled promptly and he is to be given every assistance to revitalize the business of America. The railways are the veins and arteries upon which a healthy business body must depend, therefore normally much of his help must come from them.

The Canadian Pacific, a privately run road, is the first of the railroads to help the business man.

On June 1st, the first "Trans-Canada"—the new transcontinental express of the C.P.R.—pulled out of the Windsor St. Station in Montreal filled to capacity on its three thousand mile run to Vancouver.

This is the fastest transcontinental train in the world, making the trip from Montreal to Vancouver in less than four days, to be exact, 93 hours and 30 minutes, and from Vancouver to Montreal in 92 hours 15 minutes, the run being made without change of cars.

A whole business day is thus saved for the Business-Man-in-a-Hurry. An interesting point in connection with this train is the fact that more than half of the passengers are generally registered from New York, Philadelphia, Boston and other American cities, a considerable number being booked for Banff, Lake Louise and other points west.

One thinks of a transcontinental train as a single unit, but in reality it is made up of a number of complete units. A daily service, the trip being four days, requires four trains running each way simultaneously. The equipment of the new de luxe train has an estimated value of \$6,000,000, using for the daily run eastbound and westbound, 59 sleeping cars, 5 compartment cars, 15 diners and 24 locomotives.

**A Famous Fountain.**  
There is a picturesque little spot in the Temple Gardens, London, which, although only a few hundred yards from the roar and bustle of City traffic, is really wonderful for the peaceful solitude of its surroundings.

The famous old fountain there, which dates back as far as 1651, is once again under repair.

It was dear to the heart of Charles Lamb, who used to relate that many a time he has made its jet of water rise and fall, "to the astonishment of the young urchins, my contemporaries, who, not being able to guess at its recondite machinery, were almost tempted to hail the wonderful work as magic."

Charles Dickens, too, loved the fountain, making it, in "Martin Chuzzlewit," the rendezvous of John Wattlelock and Ruth Pinch.

Lachute, Que., 25th Sept., 1908. Minard's Lintment Co., Limited. Gentlemen—Ever since coming home from the Boer war I have been bothered with running fever sores on my legs. I tried many salves and liniments; also doctored continuously for the blood, but got no permanent relief, till last winter when my former got me to try MINARD'S LINTMENT. The effect of which was almost magical. Two bottles completely cured me and I have worked every working day since. Yours gratefully, JOHN WALSH.

**CUTTING CHEESE TO WEIGHT.**  
An Art Attained Only By Long Practice.  
"One pound of old English, please." Thus a customer at the cheese counter. The salesman put a one pound weight on one plate of a counter scale, while upon the other he laid a tidy strip of white paper upon which to lay the cheese. Then he removed the wire screen from over an English cheese that stood near on the counter and picked up a large, sharp knife. Without a moment's hesitation or deliberation he set the edge of the knife down on the cheese and then crowded the knife down through it, cutting off a wedge shaped piece which now he laid on that paper on the scale, and the piece of cheese that he had thus cut off weighed exactly a pound, not close to a pound, or anything of that sort, but exactly a pound; the weight and the cheese just balanced.

His customer had once before seen this salesman do precisely the same thing, and now the customer ventured to ask: "Do you do that very often?" "Almost always," the salesman said. It seems that experienced cheese cutters come to "know" cheese. Of course cheeses vary in size, in their thickness and in their diameter, and cheeses of like dimensions vary in weight, but by long experience the expert cheese cutter comes to know the cheeses so well that he can cut from any cheese just the right sized slab to make the required weight. He cuts with astonishing accuracy.

The only cheese that baffles him at all is the Swiss, this on account of the holes in it, or rather on account of the peculiarity of Swiss cheese holes.

No hurry about laying by the potatoes. It is well to keep up shallow cultivation as long as the vines will permit. To prevent blight the foliage should be kept covered with Bordeaux until the crop is matured.

**Books.**

A book is an enchanted gate. That leads to fairy lands. But cross the threshold and your fate is shaped by witching hands.

For on strange journeys you are led, Beyond the study walls. Where Fancy ever strides ahead And onward sweetly calls.

Until you leave the world behind, Lost in a verdant maze, And wander where the far roads wind In haunting woodland ways.

Or set adrift on castled streams, Where mellow moonbeams dance, You sail, a voyager of dreams, To regions of Romance.

So when I weary of the town, Its ceaseless fret and din, I seek my books that never frown When solace I would win.

For thy, good friends' in tale and rhyme, Have never failed to bring In troubled hours of autumn time, The lilac days of spring.

**"What's In A Name?"**  
Naming a plant or flower after a celebrity is a delicate complication, and one that no doubt adds something to the market value, says a writer in the London Daily Chronicle. But there are exceptions. The beautiful variety of the lobelia, for instance, known as "Emperor William," would perhaps hold up its imperial head a little more proudly just now if it had had a more fortunate christening. Stray thoughts on these lines may have been flickering in the mind of a vendor in a London market-place the other day as a likely looking buyer, while examining a box of the old variety, asked what variety it was. Without derogating the muscle of an eyelid, the coster (and she was a "tily," too) replied—"Douglas 'Aig' Four-and-a-tanner a box."

**Central Ypres As War Memorial.**  
The Anglo-Belgian commission, appointed to consider the question of the reconstruction of Ypres, has recommended that the central portion of the town be not rebuilt, but remain as a historic monument, says an Ypres despatch. That area includes the ruins of the Cloth Hall, the cathedral, the Church of St. Martin, the Palais Justice and the adjoining cloisters. It is bounded on the north by the Marche de Bois, on the east by the Rue de Dixmude, and on the south by the Grand Place, with, however, including any ruins on the opposite side of the square, and on the west by the Rue des Halles.

Nearly 1,000 civilians already have returned to dwell amid the ruins. Fifty-four albergoes and restaurants are open, nearly all temporary wooden structures, which do a thriving business with British soldiers.

**Cathedral as War Memorial.**  
The Anglican Church Authorities in the diocese of Wellington, New Zealand, propose to build a cathedral as a memorial to the New Zealanders fallen in the war. It is proposed to erect, in connection with the cathedral, a military chapel, dedicated to St. George, which will contain the colors of the Allies and regimental flags. Its great windows will symbolize all the Allied nations who have fought in the war.

The walls of the chapel will be paneled in white marble tablets, on which will be inscribed the names of all New Zealand soldiers, sailors, doctors and nurses who have fallen in the war (irrespective of creed or denomination) will be inscribed in letters of gold.

There are some 17,000 from New Zealand who have lost their lives in the war.

**Minard's Lintment Cures Disasters.**  
An Orkney Surprise.  
A large number of mines which have become detached from the minefields in the North Sea around the Orkney Islands have been seen floating quite inland. One went ashore at Doornest, and a youth who had journeyed several miles to see it amused himself by throwing stones at it from, as he thought, a safe distance on the cliff above.

A stone struck one of the horns, and the mine exploded with terrific force, scattering high bombards and fragments of rock from the cliff face. The youth was flung skyward and was seriously injured.

The clothes in which Lord Nelson died on board the Victory are still preserved at Greenwich Naval Hospital.

The County of London, measuring 116 square miles, is split up among over 38,000 individual owners of land, nineteen square miles belonging to the Crown.

This is a good season to use manure water freely throughout the garden. It can be conveniently made by soaking prepared sheep manure in an old pail or barrel. Apply about the color of weak tea. Once a week will not be too often for most plants.

The late Sir John P. Mahaffy, provost of Trinity College, Dublin, was brilliantly witty, and many of his good sayings are in general circulation. But he occasionally met his match. One of his encounters was with the late Dr. Salmon, provost of Trinity before Dr. Traill. Mahaffy was one day inveighing against corporal punishment for boys, which, he declared, never did any good. "Take my own case," he exclaimed. "I was never caned but once in my life, and that was for speaking the truth." "Well," Salmon retorted caustically, "it cured you."

**BITS OF HUMOR FROM HERE & THERE**

In Her Maiden Campaign.

"Did you say the ring's a war relic, Mabel?"  
"Yes, I won it in my first engagement."

**Speaking Terms.**  
Mrs. Riley: "Are you on call?"  
Mrs. Murphy: "Oh, no. She called me a thafe, an 'O' called her another."

**Lucky.**  
Restaurant Proprietor: "Yes, I was through it; two years, officers' cook; wounded twice."  
Tommy (tasting the soup): "Y were lucky, mate. They might a killed you."

**Why He Hurried.**  
An Irishman was painting his barn and was hurrying his work with all his strength and speed. "What are you in such a hurry for, Murphy?" asked a spectator.  
"Shure, I want to get through before me paint runs out," replied Murphy.

**Sure.**  
"I like the place," said Mr. Newlived, "but the railroad fare is too high."  
"But surely," said the bride, "the railroad will fix that for you when they know."  
"When they know what?"  
"That you're the man who bought five shares of their stock."

**More Shame.**  
A boy was presented with some young guinea pigs by his father's friend. Meeting the boy soon after, the friend inquired about the pets.  
"Well, Robbie, how are the guinea-pigs getting on; are they in good shape?"  
"They are just the same shape, only bigger."

**The Welsh Emblem.**  
It is hinted that a scheme is afoot to secure, if at all possible, the representation of Wales on Britain's Royal Arms and coat of arms.

Leading Welshmen are holding a national conference in Cardiff to discuss the matter, and to choose the armorial bearing.

The question is naturally asked: will it be a leek, the daffodil, or the Red Dragon? As Premier Lloyd George appears to have personally adopted the daffodil as the emblem of Wales, this leads a cynic to suggest that it might be called the "daffodil."

**A Tale of a Tail.**  
A little girl who loved animals came home accompanied by a stray dog.  
"Why, Cissy," said her mother, "that dog isn't yours. You have no right to bring him home."  
"Well, mamma," pleaded Cissy, "he didn't belong to anybody any more than the flowers. I can pick flowers—wild ones—and keep 'em, and the doggy was just like the flowers, so I came along and picked him."  
At this point the dog turned round and displayed a noticeable lack of tail, whereupon Cissy's small brother broke in with, "Why didn't you pick a longer stem?"

Dahlia coming into flower require plenty of water. They have been watered naturally lately, but now be careful that they do not dry out.

**LEMON JUICE IS FRECKLE REMOVER.**  
Girls! Make this cheap beauty lotion to clear and whiten your skin.

Squeeze the juice of two lemons into a bottle containing three ounces of orchard white, shake well, and you have a quarter pint of the best freckle and tan lotion, and complexion beautifier, at very, very small cost.

Your grocer has the lemons and any drug store or toilet counter will supply three ounces of orchard white for a few cents. Massage this sweetly fragrant lotion into the face, neck, arms and hands each day and see how freckles and blemishes disappear and how clear, soft and white the skin becomes. Yes! It is harmless.

**Laugh When People Step On Your Feet**  
Try this yourself then pass it along to others. It works!

Ouch ! ! ! ! This kind of rough talk will be heard less here in town if people troubled with corns will follow the simple advice of this Cincinnati authority, who claims that a few drops of a drug called freezone when applied to a tender, aching corn stops soreness at once, and soon the corn dries up and lifts right out without pain.

He says freezone is an ether compound which dries immediately and never inflames or even irritates the surrounding tissue or skin. A quarter of an ounce of freezone will cost very little at any drug store, but is sufficient to remove every hard or soft corn or callus from one's feet. Millions of American women will welcome this announcement since the inauguration of the high heels.

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**To Cut Glass With Scissors.**  
Often an odd-shaped piece of glass will get broken, as, for instance, in an electrical instrument, and it is very difficult to cut an odd-shaped piece of glass without special guides. Ordinary window glass, says a writer in Popular Science Monthly, may be cut to almost any desired shape by holding it beneath the surface of a pan of water and cutting with house shears.

Of course, it cannot be cut accurately straight across the piece, but it may be "cheviced out" very much the same as can be done with cardboard.

**MONEY ORDERS.**  
It is always nice to send a Dominion Express Money Order. Five Dollars costs three cents.

**Drink Tea From Goblets.**  
The natives of Paraguay, in drinking tea, do not pour it from a teapot into a cup, but fill a goblet with the beverage and then suck it up through a long ornamental tube.

**Minard's Lintment Cures Colds, Etc.**  
Nobody is ever glad to see the man who comes round when you have just made a mistake about something, and tells you what he would have done in your place.

When drying seeds put them on blotters. The seeds will dry more quickly and are less likely to mold, because the blotter soaks up the moisture.

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Itched and Burned, Scarcely Slept. Cuticura Heals.

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