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MARKED RESPECT FOR THE AF-GHANS AS WARRIORS.

The Sikhs And Goorabas-Details of the Many Races That War Under the Red Fing of Albion-Pubjab And Other Regiments Described - The Strange Languages the English Must Learn to Speak And Write.

E. L. Weeks in Harper's Round Table. It is noticeable that the men who have met and conquered the Afghans in former days, as well as in recent campaigns, speak with marked respect of their military prowess. Such average specimens of these surly hir sute sons of Anak as one meets in the bazaars of Delhi or Lahore enable one to realize that they are excellent fight ing material and they look as if they might have descended directly from the primitive men of the stone age. Like the Persians, the Alghans and Pathans are lighter in color than any race of India, but ruddy, deeply sun burnt or tanned, and begrimed with

Many Afghans, Pathans and Be'cochees now take service under the English colors. Those fellows need a lot of training before they can get into proper shape, but it is precisely this element which gives to the Indian army its peculiar stamp, its appear ance of disciplined, businesslike fero city. The Afghans and Pathans have a reputation for dash and pluck akinto that of the Irish, although they qualities of the Sikhs. While it is usual to undervalue the elements of physique and initiative in these days of machine guns and smokeless powder, these qualities must ever play a prominent part in border war fare among the rugged defiles and winding passes of the northern from

The Sikhs, up to the time of the unnexation, were the ruling class, Many of them have become cultivators, since the opportunities for active ser vice are few at present, but a large number of them form the "corps d'elite" of the Punjab army. A Sikh regiment on parade, when first seen in the distance, presents the appear ance of a long searlet band of unitorm thickness, supported by slender Idack lines; as they approach they are seen to be unusually tall, black bearded fellows uniformed in red tunics, and with great red turbans which in crease their apparent height, while close fitting black gaiters accentuate

the thinness of their legs, Whoever has watched the drill of he Grenadier Guards in London may form an idea of the precision, which seems to be the standard of the Sikhs. They may be, perhaps, a shade more rigid in their "good form," with an appearance of greater effort, due to the fact that European discipline as yet to them like a strange garment to the weater, These men, tall, sinewy and athletic, supple and feline in their movements, are evidefitly endowed with a peculiar fitness for their vocation, and look as if little were needed to arouse their traditional instincts. In the average re giments, of the Punjab no men are taken under five feet six inches round the chest; in some regiments none un der five icet seven; but judging from

the strapping fellows in the Sikh-

reg ment, their standard most be still higher. Although the Pathans and Sikhs are usually given the first rank for soldierly qualities and bearing, the "Goorkhas," of Mongolian race, from the hills of Nepal and Assam, are nearly if not quite as efficient. Being of small and wiry physique, they do not make such an imposing appear ance on parade, but they are fine mountaineers, full or fire and plack in action, and at such times, when their innate ferocity comes to the surface, their officers often have difficulty in restraining them. What known as the "Pengal army,", including the old Punjab frontier force, comprises sixty five battalions of infantry, of which the greater part are Goorkhas, Sikhs and the other Punjabis, two mountain batteries kept for small expedition, with mules, and twentyithree regiments of cavalry, or which nine are "lancers," Each of these regiments is commanded by Eng. lish officers - the commandant, two wing commanders," four wing officets, of whom two act as quartermater and adjutant, and one medical of ficer. Next comes the native officer--eight "subadors" (ranking as cap tains), eight "jemadars," sixteen bu glers, and eighty others (havildars and naiks), and then the rank and file, 800 Sepoys. In the Punjabi from tier force nearly all regiments are dressed in mud-colored kharki drill blue turbaes, blue or kharki knicker

bockers, and white gaiters, while five regiments of Sikhs wear red coats. The British officers seem to live for he most part on excellent terffre with the native officers, addressing them al ways (in the Hindustani equivalent) as sir, although the subadars actually All these men are volunteers or en listed men. The period of the first engagement is three years, after College office or at J. B. McKay's re- which the Sepov may claim his discharge if there is no prospect of hos tilities, and even within that time it is often granted for adequate reasons. Each Sepoy gets seven rupees month, with a gradual increase after CLASSES WILL RE-OPEN (AFTER THE Out of this he has to pay for his own food, which costs him three and one half rupees a month; but he receives thirty rupees on enlistment to help

him purchase his uniform, and five rupees annually to keep it up. has also two suits a year provided by the government, besides blankets and other articles, and he has also a chance to make a little money by mus ketry prizes, and in other small ways. although he does not usually manage to save much of his pay. The tetal annual cost of a native regiment, including the pay of the British officers, and all other ex penses, is well under two lahks of ru

pees, and it may be considered the cheapest infantry in the world. The "sowar," or native trooper in the cavalry, is rather more of a swell than the infantry Senoy, since he must be a capitalist before he can serve the "British Raj." He has first to deposit 200 rupees towards the purchase of his horse, and his pay is thirty-one rupers a month, out of which he has to find everything. Thus the regiment mounts itself, and none of the horses belong to the government. The position of an ambitious officer, especially if he be desirous of passing into the staff corns entall steady work, for in any case, no has to become an accomplished linguist. As Hindostani only is spoken in the regiment, he must pass the "higher stan dard" in that language, with written exercises in a character resembling the "Sanscrit: I'rdn," which is writ

ten in Persian characters, and if there are Pathans in his regiment he is expected to pass an examination in their dialect, as well as to learn something Wade's drug store. of the Punjaabi dialect, which, however, is a "voluntary. An authority on military matters is

said recently to have favorably coning way to the gentle action and mild ef-

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#### THE HORSE SHOW.

Bourbon Bonnell, 2:1614, is a new 9:15 trotter for the same sire.

It cost nearly \$600 to send Directina, 2.16%, from Dublin, Cal., to New York, Two hundred additional box stalls were built during the past summer at Selma,

Richard Curtis recently drove the 3 yeareld pacing filly The Maid, 2:16%, by Hal-Index, a mile in 2:12.

The Iowa pacing mare Jeska, 2:141, won five out of eight races the past season and was never unplaced. The pacing stallion Happy Coaster, 2:161, by Happy Wanderer, has been add-

ed to the list of geldings. The Maine pacer A. E. S., 2:2117, by Pickering, started in 15 races the past season, won ten, was twice second and three times third.

Lucy Gilbert, 2:25%, record taken last year as a 2-year-old, goes into winter quarters with that record untouched. She started but twice this season.

The Jersey Wilkes pacing mare Colleen, 2:151, has won nine out of 15 races the past season and been unplaced but once. Her operations were mostly confined to New England half mile tracks,

J. B. Haggin has purchased the farm of Thomas Muir, near the Elmendorf studfarm, now owned by Mr. Haggin, near Lexington, ky. The Mulr farm contains 600 acres, and the price paid was \$60,000. Captain S. S. Brown has decided to retire from breeding and will sell his entire stud, with the exception of the stallion Troubadour. He has a choice lot of mares, among them Mona, Schorita, Matinee and Performance.

Another winner of the English Derhy is coming to America, J. B. Haggin having purchased St. Gatien, who ran a dead heat with Harvester for the Derby of 1884. He is the sire of imp. Meddler, to whom Nancy Hanks was bred last spring.

## PERT PERSONALS.

It may even become necessary to hold annual elections in order to satsify the appetito for voting for Pingree, - Detroit

As soon as Ted Stoane realized that he

had to take second place to General Kitchener as a popular hero he sailed for America. - New York Times. Weyler says he will now treat the United States with silent contempt. That

will be a refreshing change from his usual noisy arrogance - Denver Post, Commissioner Peck may not speak French, but he has made the Paris exposi-

tion managers understand clearly the magnitude of the interests that the United States will represent in 1900 A. D.-Bos. ton Journal. By the time Ann Odelia Diss de Bar

gets through with her latest aggregation of followers they'll certainly be in appropriate financial condition to carry out her system of open air living on fruits and nuts. -St. Louis Republic.

Admiral Dewey stands today confessed by his own and other countries as the first naval officer of the world, and his ability as a commander and a diplomat is exquisitely blended with the modesty that ever gives the chief adornment to

heroism. - Philadelphia Times. Athletics eaght to flourish up in Canada as never before under the new governor general, who has won renown as a gentle man jockey, as a varsity oarsman and as a good man to hounds. As to his qualifications for the governor generalshipwell, those are yet to be demonstrated .-Boston Herald.

## THE CYNIC.

When people become good to you, look A woman's favorite criticism of a man

is that he is "coarse." A woman seldem discovers the good points of her he band until after he is Don't call a man's attention to the fact

that he has gray hairs in his head; he knows about them. The average man makes it a point to hear every new minister once, in order to be in-position to state his opinion of the

A traveling man's honeymoon lasts four times as long as that of the average man, for the reason that he is not at home

We have noticed that when it is an nounced that a singer's voice is failing the neighbors are not as sorry as they

After a woman gets literary notions she has her picture taken with her head resting on one hand, to give the impression that her brain is heavy and needs support. -Atchison Globe

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#### THE LISTENER.

Senator Vest does not confine himself to any peculiarity of dress, but whenever the violet is obtainable he is said never to be without one in his buttonhole.

Governor Pingree, who for the third time has just been elected in Michigan, was during the civil war a prisoner in the south and spent five months behind the Andersonville stockade.

The Rev. Samuel Scoville, a son-inlaw of Henry Ward Beecher, has resigned the pastorate of the First Congregational church of Stamford, Conn., which he has held for nearly 20 years.

Dr. Maurice Davis, who has died in London at the age of 70, was one of the chief benefactors of the Jews is that metropolis, devoting much of his work and a third of his income to the alleviation of their necessities. Professor Ramsay, the English chemist,

discoverer of the gases kryton and neon. has been invited by the German Chemical society to deliver an address before it in Berlin. It will take place on Dec. 19 and will describe his new discoveries.

Senator Lodge was visiting a former instructor of his at Harvard recently, and when the latter said, "Of course you've forgotten all your Greek?" the former promptly recited half of the Alph of the "Hiad" with only a few mistakes.

Ex President Pretorius of the Transvaal

is a new instance of the ingratitude of republies. He recently petitioned the town council of Pretoria to hire his cart and team of mules to cart gravel on the ground that he is growing old and needs money, Colonel Waring was always popular with the men in his employ in the street cleaning department of New York. He had a good memory both for faces and facts, and always bailed his subordinates by name and inquiries after wife and

Captain Henri Gouraud, the conqueror of the African Chief Samory, is not yet 31 years old. In \$891 he was sent to the Sudan, where he distinguished himself at the fight at Kebara, for which he was promoted to the rank of captain. He was wounded three times.

Hishop Dardey of Kentucky, who seeonds Bishop Doane in his attack upon diverce in the Episcopal church, has himself For Stock-Taking This Week. I'm thrico married, his first two wives having died. At his ordination one clergyman refused to assist because "it was written in the law that 'a bishop should have but one wife."" Fancy Panel Back Couches in All strades of

Lerd Rosebery has always been said to affect Peel's little peculiarities of speech and manner. Perhaps this is explained by the evident admiration of the former for the latter. In an address delivered the other day Rosebery said, "Peel, if he was not the greatest, was one of the three greatest prime ministers of the century."

Admiral Thomas O. Selfridge, who was almost the only man to escape from the Camberland after her battle with the Merrin ac, and who has just passed by reason of age over to the navy's retired list, will live in Wachington with his fame Fily. "I have been in nearly every port in the world," he said recently, "and now I'm tired of traveling."

### GLEANINGS.

A Chinese athlete says that the brains of the duck are the most strengthening feed it is possible to cat. The lower grade of molasses, which is unsalable, is used as fuel. Over 100,000

tons were used last year. It takes the tusks of 75,000 elephants a year to supply the world's piano keys, bil-Hard balls and knife handles.

The manager of a London music hall announces that any one who purchases a ticket for the performance may have his or her teeth extracted for ang. The total of admissions to the Omaha fair was 2,613,074, of which 828,633 were on passes. The largest attendance on any one day was 95 Ma-the peace jubilee

day, when the president was present, A spider that had weaved a web around the pendulum, after infinite trouble and many failures that would have discouraged one less persevering, succeeded at last in stopping an old and reliable clock at Nantucket.

The great city of London began on the lank of the Thames, surrounded on all sides except the river by a bulwark of forest, inter-persod with swamps. Paris rese on an island of the Seire, with a protecting wall of water all around.

## MUMAN NATURE.

When a man has troubles, he increases them by being cross.

Seme mea, when they become prosperous, Lecoma 'mpudent.

In addition to being fickle the average man is a ligr and done att.

An "masati fiel longing" is usually nothing more than a desire to get some thing for nothing. There is a certain kind of a boy who al-

ways looks for a rath when he gets mad, but he in ver throws it. Druggists by the it is never difficult

to sell a tens dy for heart, dis ase. Every one in agines that his heart is affected, After a man prays, "Lead us not into temptation." he goes out I aking for one to see if he kestrong enough to resist it. Always remember that if a man knows where you can make a dollar he will not tell you about it. He will go after it him

are a good deal like the relay horse used in the I my express days. They don't actually earry a piece of gossip to its final destination, but they carry it to some one who does .- Atchison Globe.

## THE DONS.

The Spanish peace commission is still struggling to send I ame son a news that will be allow a toget past the press censor. -Washington . t.r.

As the situation now looks at Paris, Spanish Lener is a far less important factor than Spanish poverty. Spain is poorer than she is proud. - Indianapolis Journal. Spain has more blind men than any other nation in Europe. The proportion is nearly 15 in every 10,000. Some of them appear to have secured jobs on the peace commission.

## OMAHA.

Next time Omnha feels like getting up an exposition it should have no trouble in raising the money. - Philadelphia Ledger. Omaha wants' a military academy and is in a fit lest St. Paul get it first. Omaha's exposition has evidently gone to her head .- St. Paul Ploneer Press.

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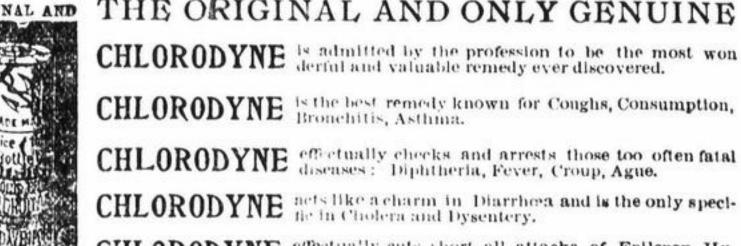
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