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How the War Has



Princess Cantacuzene, Grand-daughter of General U. S. Grant, Whose Husband, a Colonel of Russian Cavalry and Aide-de-Camp to the Czar, Was Seriously Wounded

T IS a common remark that the horrors of war press hardest of all upon the laboring classes.

Is this true? In view of the news that has come from the battlefields of Europe, it may be doubted. Actually, of course, more common soldiers must be killed than officers, but it appears that in proportion to their numbers, the titled and upper classes, who supply the officers, lose more.

It is astonishing how many Queens, princesses, duchesses and other women of the nobility have beeen thrown into mourning by the death of husbands, children, brothers and near relatives, while many more of them are nursing wounded men of

Conspicuous among the women affected are the many American heiresses who have married into the European aristocracy.

So great has been the loss among the British nobility that some of the leading women of the aristocracy, including the Duchess of Devonshire and the Marchioness of Lansdowne, issued an appeal to English women not to wear regular mourning, on account of the depression it would cause, but just to wear a white ribbon.

Queen Victoria of Spain has lost her favorite younger brother, Prince Maurice of Battenberg, a captain in the British army, who was killed while leading his

Barefoot Dancer, Whose Husband, Sir Edward Stewart Richardson, Is Wounded.

company. The poor Queen received the sad news within six days of the birth of

Probably there is not one family in the British peerage that has not lost some relation. The Duke of Wellington, who is a grandson of the victor of Waterloo, has lost his second son, Lord Richard Wellesley, captain in the Grenadier Guards.

The Duke of Devonshire, one of the most influential noblemen in England, has received news of the death of his brother, Lord John Cavendish, a major in the First Life Guards. Captain John Jacob Astor, of the same regiment, a son of the former New Yorker, William Waldorf Astor, has returned to London wounded.

The Duke of Roxburghe, a captain in the Scots Guards, has returned to London, seriously wounded. The Duke married Miss May Goelet, daughter of the enormously rich New York real estate owner, Ogden Goelet. The Duchess has been noted as the most magnificently dressed woman in England.

The Duke had two other brothers in the war. One of them, Lord Robert Innes-Ker, has beeen wounded. The other is Lord Alastair Innes-Ker, who married Miss Anne Breese, a strikingly handsome New York

Viscount Acheson, of the Coldstream Guards, son and heir of the Earl of Gosford, has been wounded. His wife was

Each covered nearly 1,400 square feet.

In one, twenty mallard ducks were per-

mitted to feed, while the other was en-

tirely protected from water fowl, but

for several months entirely free from

mosquitoes, while the pond protected

from ducks and stocked with fish was

swarming with young insects in different

"In the infested pond-the one that had

been stocked with gold fish-ten well-fed

maliard ducks were then admitted, and

as they entered the pond they were first attracted by the tadpoles. They, how-

ever, soon recognized the presence of the

young of the mosquito, both in the wrig-

gler and larvae stage, and immediatacly

turned their attention to these, raven-

ously devouring them in preference to

any other foodstuff present. At the end

of twenty-four hours no pupae survived.

The motion of the water, made by the

ducks, of course drowned some of the

insects-what proportion cannot be es-

ducks to keep down mosquitoes in swamps that would have been very ex-pensive to drain, but I never fully ap-

preciated the high degree of efficiency of

the duck as a destroyer of mosquito life

artist who made a hobby of raising

aquatic fowl, also expresses an opinion

that the spoon-billed duck is particularly adapted to the destruction of mosquito

"Mr. William Lockwood, of Boston, an

until the foregoing test was made.

larvae resting on the surface.

"For some years I have been using

"The pool in which the ducks fed was

well stocked with gold fish.

cycles of life.

timated.

Robbed Queens, **Duchesses and Princesses** of Husbands, Brothers and Children, While Others Are Nursing Wounded and Crippled Men of Their Families

Lady Constance is noted for the courage with which she has bared her feet and limbs to the public. She believes that it is a crime for a woman to distort her body with corsets, tight shoes and other un healthy clothes. Her interpretative Greek and other dances, which she performs with bare feet, have given much pleasure. Her feet are as per-

Lady Constance is a grand-daughter of a former Duke of Sutherland. This haportant noble family has lost several members. Lieutenant David Bingham, of the Cold-stream Guards, a grandson of the Earl of Lycan, was killed in action. He was married just before the war to a niece of the Duchess of Sutherland. This young offi-cer was a stepson of Mrs. Cecil Bingham, formerly Mrs. S. S. Chauncey, the noted

A strikingly tragic death was that of the disturbances in Mexico. Young Pearson

Captain Allan Cameron, brother of Cameron of Lochiel, whose position means as much to Scotchmen as a dukedom, is

Among the many British noblemen killed have been Captain Lord Guernsey, of the Irish Guards, the Earl of Leven and Melville, of the Scots Greys, the Earl of Nairne and Captain Lord Arthur Hay, son of the

The picturesque Duke of Westminster, patron of sport and connoisseur of beauty, has been in the thick of the fighting. His half-brother, Lieutenant Percy Wyndham, who was serving with him in the same

American women are concerned in this war. Winston Churchill, head of the British Admiralty, is the son of an American woman, the former Jennie Jerome, of New Admiral Beatty, who commands one of the British squadrons in the North Sea, is married to an American woman daughter of the late Marshall Field, of

women are now fighting at the front. Lord Decles, who married Miss Vivien Gould had a distinguished career in the army before his marriage, and has gone on active service again. The Earl of Granard, sonin-law of Ogden Mills, has become colonel of an Irish regiment.

Lord Ashburton, who married the American Galety girl, Frances Donnelly, has gone as a captain in the Hampshire Cara-

> American General Grant. The French aristocracy have lost even more than the English, because so many more of their countrymen are concerned, but we cannot say that their court has been plunged into mourning, for they have none. Many of the French noblemen killed were well known at the other courts, and related to the foreign nobility.

The American Duchess of Marlborough The young Comte de Breteuil, who was chosen as a companion of the Prince of Wales during his stay in Paris, was one of the earliest victims of the war.

Mrs. Lewis Harcourt, who is a niece of could carry a gun has gone into the army, without troubling whether he could become an officer or was legally required to go.

The Duc de la Rochefoucauld, who is fifty-three years old, and head of one of the most historic families in France, is serving as a common soldier. He married an ican women in English society, they are American wife.

The Duc de Talleyrand, Anna Gould's second husband, has been working as an ordinary chauffeur, running between Parls and the front with dispatches. That was the only military employment he could obtain. He is well advanced

in middle life. He was known in his youth as a "scorcher." is perhaps a cheering thought that as a result of the many deaths in the European aristocracy, there will within a few years be an unusually large crop of young noble men looking for American brides Many of the titles of those killed will pass to boys too young at present to take part in the war.

The Duchess of Roxburghe, Formerly Miss Goelet, of New York, Whose Husband Has Been Wounded front seriously wounded. He married Miss Julia Dent Grant, a granddaughter of our Queen Victoria of Spain, Whose Favorite Brother, Practically every French nobleman who Prince Maurice of Battenberg, Has Been Killed with the British Army

Viscountess Acheson

ind, Who is Nurs

the charming Miss Mildred Carter, daughter of J. Ridgely Carter, of Maryland.

Lady Constance Stewart Richardson, whose graceful figure and dances have been widely admired in the United States. is a sufferer by the war. Her husband, Sir Edward Stewart Richardson, a captain in the Black Watch Regiment of Highlanders,

fect as the famous Trilby's.

American beauty.

Hon. F. G. Pearson, youngest son of Lord Cowdray, one of the richest men in England, and a central figure in the recent was only twenty years old, and leaves a bride of nineteen years.

among the killed.

The Scotch Duke of Atholl has two sons wounded, Major Lord George Murray and Captain Lord James Murray.

Marquis of Tweeddale.

regiment, was killed, It is remarkable to find how deeply

General Sir John Maxwell, who com-mands the British troops in Egypt, which have just been attacked by the Turks, has an American wife, formerly Miss Virginia A host of titled husbands of American

Lord Cheyleamore, who married Miss Elizabeth French, of New York, Lord Craven, son-in-law of Bradley Martin, the Earl of Suffolk, Daisy Leiter's husband, the Earl of Ancaster, who married Miss Eloise Brevese, of New York, and the Hon. John Ward, brother of the Earl of Dudley, and husband of Whitelaw Reid's daughter, are all serving in the army.

is directing in London the Committee of Mercy, the most efficient organization for the relief of sufferers from the war. Her husband is serving at the front.

the late Pierpont Morgan, and wife of a British Cabinet Minister, is a prominent member of Queen Mary's Needlework Guild, which is turning out socks and bandages for the soldlers. Owing to the great prominence of Amer-

suffering from the war almost as much as English women. g'or a long time there will be none of the brilliant entertainments which American girls love so much, but they will do their work in helping the sufferers with as much energy as they formerly put into

amusing themselves. The Russian court and aristocracy have suffered at least as much as the English. Prince Oleg, the young nephew of the Grand Duke Nicholas, the Russian com-mander-in-chief, was killed early in the The Prince was, of course, a cousin

Prince Cantacusene, a Russian cavalry officer, who is a great favorite at the Czar's Court, has come back from the Copyright, 1914, by the Star Commany. Great Britain Rights Decades

"Ducks can be used in ponds, swamps, both open and in jungles, and can be driven from place to place. Not only can they be generally used to keep down mosquito life, but they also furnish a delicious and valuable foodstuff."

Keeping Down Fever by Keeping Ducks

ALARIA and yellow fever are both spread by mosquitoes. The only problem before humanity in getting rid of the two fevers is to get rid of the insects that carry the fever germs. Dr. Samuel G. Dixon, State Health Commissioner of Pennsylvania, writing for the Journal of the American Medical Association, advocates keeping ducks to keep down the two diseases.

It used to be thought, and it is still a common delusion, that malaria especially was "caught" by inhaling bad air. It has been proven beyond doubt that the only way the germ either of it or yellow fever can be communicated is through the bite of the mosquito. When the mosquito takes up the fever germs in marshes and low-lying places, the germ itself has no effect upon the insect, but when it inserts its cutting and sucking apparatus into man, the bacilli make their way into the human blood in practically the same way as though injected by a hypodermic needle.

Dr. Dixon points out that the duck has ithe widest geographical range of any bird. It is an omnivorous eater of the mosquito's young. Besides its appetite its movement through the water creates water motions which drown the mosquito young which, just before they hatch into the full fledged pests, turn from wrigglers into pupae, which are air breathers. These pupae float upon the surface of the water during the brief period of metamorphosis into the winged insect. They need to breatne. Any medium which submerges them, drowns them.

Describing his experiments on ducks as mosquito destroyers, Dr. Dixon says: "After trying the ability of fish to de-vour larvae and pupae of mosquitoes, with varied success, I built two dams near together on the same stream, so that each would have the same environment for the breeding of mosquitoes.