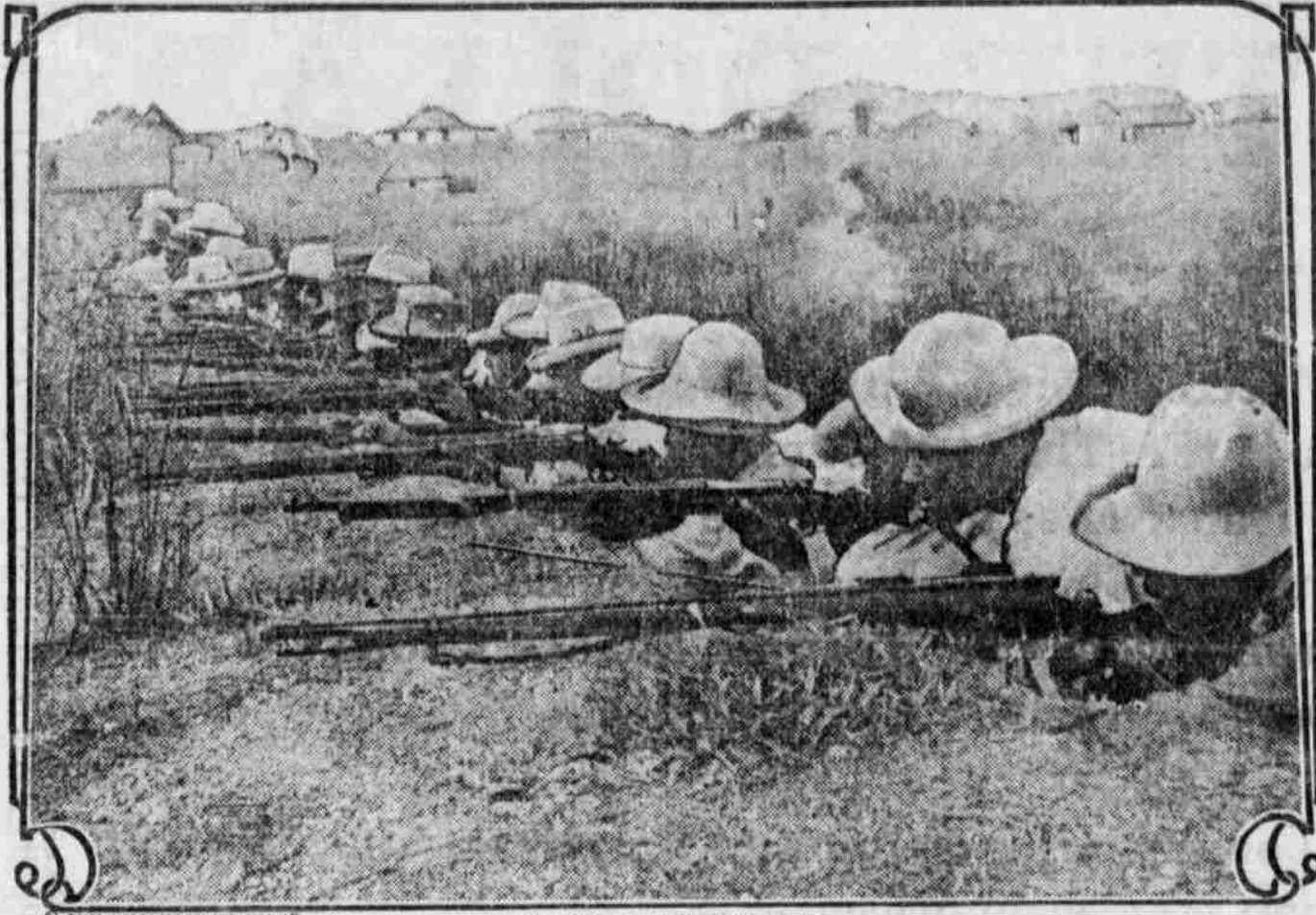


FIGHTING THE NEGRO REBELS IN CUBA.



IN THE TRENCHES

Our photograph shows a squad of Cuban regulars in the trenches, fighting the negro rebels in the province of Oriente.

ODD BRITISH RITES

Examination of Standards for Weights Is Completed.

Box Is Dug Out of Masonry and Once Every Twenty Years Treasured Relics Are Examined by Noted English Scientists.

London.—One of the queerest and most important of all the ceremonials that are gone through with in this country—one, too, that comes off only once in twenty years—has just taken place in the presence of some of the loftiest big-wigs of the state.

This ceremonial consists of unearthing and examining the contents of an extraordinary box buried in the masonry which forms the public staircase of the house of commons, and thereby checking the weights and measures used in Great Britain.

To get at the box, which is of oak, masons had to pull down part of the wall of the staircase. Then, after the casket had been exhumed and its unique contents examined with infinite care by a band of scientists, it was put back in the cavity of the wall, which then was built up and will not be disturbed again until May, 1932.

That box contains two pieces of metal. One is a cube of platinum measuring only one inch along each side; you could buy another like it for about \$200, but this particular cube has a value beyond all other pieces of metal.

The way in which it is guarded gives some idea of its worth. It is wrapped in a specially prepared paper uncommonly soft in texture, which is laid in another silver-gilt case. This case goes into another, made of stout bronze, which fits into a sturdy mahogany box, firmly screwed down, and in addition, sealed in a particular way.

The other thing in the box is a rod of bronze. It is carefully protected, too, and is placed on eight rollers in another mahogany case. This case is screwed together and sealed. Both these mahogany cases are put in a special casket made of lead, firmly soldered and perfectly air-tight.

There is still another covering, how-

ever, the leaden casket being fitted into the oaken one. This is of specially selected wood and is sealed in such a way that its contents are kept absolutely intact. It fits exactly into the cavity of the masonry of the staircase.

The two queer pieces of metal are the standards of the British weights and measures. They always remain of the same value. The standards which were first used came to grief in 1834 in the fire at the houses of parliament, and it took many men of science years to compute and manufacture the existing two pieces of metal.

The one-inch cube of platinum, though so small, weighs a pound. The bronze rod is 38 inches long and has two studs of solid gold to measure off the yard. Two lines cross these gold studs, and at a certain temperature and pressure of the air, the distance between these fine lines is the standard of British measures.

When the ceremony of examining the standards comes off they are not touched by hands, but are held in special tongs. One of the most delicate balances known was used in weighing the cube. The yard was measured with the utmost exactness, a powerful microscope being used, and other delicate measurements were made, including that of the temperature and of the height of the barometer.

BEES AT A LONDON STATION

Thousands Escape From a Box and Cause a Small Panic—Farmer Puts Handful in Pocket.

London.—When a Hammersmith train drew up at the Baker street "Tube" station just after six o'clock recently several hundred infuriated bees got out of the train, as well as several passengers.

Brought from King's Cross in a box addressed to Hampstead, the insects, on being landed at Baker street, managed to escape from the box. With an angry hum the bees buzzed in and out among the passengers on the platform, who darted away in all directions. "Live bees!" somebody shrieked. "Oh, live one in my hair!" cried a woman. An official on duty at the gate saw

the air full of little black and yellow bodies, felt something crawling on his hand—and bolted! Amid this turmoil one man at least was cool and collected. He hailed from the country, and on alighting from the train, surveyed the scene with a quiet smile.

"This be lucky," he remarked, and stooping down toward a bunch of the insects swarming on the platform, he calmly picked up two handfuls of them, put them in his pocket, and walked off.

There were many thousands of bees in the box, but the majority of them were secured in time. Nobody in the stampede considered the bees themselves, which were vainly trying to reach daylight and the flowers. Dozens of them buzzed pitifully around an electric arc lamp, while others crawled upward to the sooty regions above.

Hundreds of the insects were stamped on and killed on the platform. The trouble was soon ended.

CHILD SHOWS RARE NERVE

Seven-Year-Old Girl Walks Mile With Mangled Hand and Sees Fingers Amputated.

Ellendale, Del.—With one hand nearly cut off as the result of an accident, Mary Corkhill, a seven-year-old child, displayed remarkable bravery and fortitude when she walked more than a mile and then calmly held her hand while a physician amputated four of the fingers. The little girl and her younger brother were playing in the woods when the boy picked up an ax and cut the girl so that two fingers were severed, two mangled and the hand nearly severed at the wrist. The child bound a string around the arm to keep it from bleeding, walked to her home with the brother and then held her hand for amputation, stopping to forgive the brother with a kiss as the surgeon's knife did its work. It was only after the dressing of the wounded member was completed that the child's iron nerve gave way and she cried.

CROOKS ATTEND RECEPTION

New York.—One hundred and three burglars, pickpockets and other former criminals attended the semi-annual "reception" at the home of Judge Crane of the court of general sessions who paroled them.

GONE ARE DAYS OF CHIVALRY

Imagine This Situation in the Times When Knights Died for the "Love of a Lady!"

Miss Italia Garibaldi, granddaughter of the famous "Liberator," complained in Chicago about the way Italian women are treated there.

"When I see," she said, "the male employer, with all his vaunted chivalry to women, taking such an unfair advantage of his female employes, I don't wonder that woman is beginning to sneer at man's chivalry."

"It reminds me of an Italian washerwoman, very industrious and successful, to whom a young man offered himself in matrimony."

"You love me?" the washerwoman asked.

"Devotedly," the young man replied.

"Are you sure?"

"I swear it!"

"She gave him a searching look."

"Are you out of work?" she said.

ECZEMA DISFIGURED BABY

"Our little boy Gilbert was troubled with eczema when but a few weeks old. His little face was covered with sores even to back of his ears. The poor little fellow suffered very much. The sores began as pimples, his little face was disfigured very much. He hardly knew what he looked like. The face looked like raw meat. We tied little bags of cloth over his hands to prevent him from scratching. He was very restless at night, his little face itched."

"We consulted two doctors at Chicago, where we resided at that time. After trying all the medicine of the two doctors without any result, we read of the Cuticura Remedies, and at once bought Cuticura Soap and Ointment. Following the directions carefully and promptly we saw the result, and after four weeks, the dear child's face was as fine and clean as any little baby's face. Every one who saw Gilbert after using the Cuticura Remedies was surprised. He has a head of hair which is a pride for any boy of his age, three years. We can only recommend the Cuticura Remedies to everybody." (Signed) Mrs. H. Albrecht, Box 883, West Point, Neb., Oct. 26, 1916. Although Cuticura Soap and Ointment are sold by druggists and dealers everywhere, a sample of each, with 32-page book, will be mailed free on application to "Cuticura," Dept. L, Boston.

GOING FURTHER BACK

A man who had suddenly become very rich went to live in New York and began to spend money with a lavish hand. He decided that his name needed advertising, so he visited a genealogist.

"I suppose," he said, "if I pay you enough you can trace my family back to Adam."

"My dear sir," replied the genealogist, "if you're willing to put up the money we can prove by evolution that your family existed before Adam."—Lippincott's Magazine.

JUST TO ACCOMMODATE

Hungry Girl (one of a party of tourists who have arrived late at a country inn)—No fresh eggs? But you've got hens, haven't you?

Innkeeper's Wife—Yes, but they're all asleep.

Hungry Girl—Well, but can't you wake them?—Flegende Blaetter.

ITS PLACE

"Where shall I put this joke about the millionaire dropping his handkerchief?"

"In the pick-up column, you boob."

GARFIELD TEA

Garfield Tea the International Remedy for all irregularities of stomach, liver and kidneys is composed entirely of pure herbs.

It is hard for a man to mind his own business unless he has both a mind and a business.

When birds of a feather flock together it is a pretty safe bet they'll try to pluck each other.

Be thrifty on little things like bluing. Don't accept water for bluing. Ask for Red Cross Ball Blue, the extra good value blue.

Sunday is the day of rest; but did you ever know a man who felt rested on Monday morning?

LEWIS' Single Binder straight 5c cigar. You pay 10c for cigars not so good.

Trouble never attempts to dodge those who are looking for it.

DR. PRICE'S CREAM BAKING POWDER

Makes Home Baking Easy. Gives nicer, better food than baker's. There is no baking powder like it for hot biscuit, hot breads and cake. Made from Pure Grape Cream of Tartar.

THE CHIEF REQUISITE

David Belasco, in an interview in New York, condemned a certain ultra-modest type of society woman.

"This type, which luckily isn't numerous," he said, "lives on notoriety. To a woman of this type a lawyer said one day:

"Yes, madam, I can get you the divorce you desire. For \$500 I can get you a divorce—and get it without publicity, too."

"She wrinkled her smooth, white, well-powdered forehead in a frown; she bit her rouged and over-red lips in annoyance.

"But what would it cost," she asked, "with publicity?"

THE LAST WORD IN DEFENSE

The angry mother returns home from a shopping tour down town to find that Tommy has broken into the jam closet, teased his little sister till she cried, smashed a window pane with his top, tied a tin can on the tail of the dog next door, and then wound up further deprecations by tracking the parlor carpet with his muddy boots. "You young villain, I'm going to whip you till you can't sit down." (Grabs hold of him.) "Now what have you got to say for yourself?"

Tommy—Aw, say, ma, this looks like a frame-up.

ACCOUNTED FOR

"Why are there so many men in this jail?" asked the philanthropic reformer.

"I guess," answered the guide, "it's chiefly because they can't get out."

THE PROPER COURSE

"Is there a powder trust?"

"I don't know, but if there is, somebody should go gunning for it."

NO FROSTS THERE

Footie Lighte—it is said that the southern tip of Florida is the only portion of the United States which never has experienced frost.

Miss Sue Brette—Too bad it is so far away from our traveling theatrical companies.

IMPORTANT TO MOTHERS

Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it bears the Signature of *Dr. J. C. Fletcher* In Use For Over 30 Years. Children Cry for Fletcher's Castoria

HER FORESIGHT

"It is really by little things that one can tell a man's character."

"Yes; I think that was the reason Julia broke her engagement. Henry used to bring her such cheap chocolates."

Instead of liquid antiseptics, tablets and peroxide, for toilet and medicinal uses, many people prefer Paxtine, which is cheaper and better. At druggists, 25c a box or sent postpaid on receipt of price by The Paxton Toilet Co., Boston, Mass.

THE REMEDY

"I see beef is still going up."

"Then the best way to stop that is to keep it from going down."

BEFORE PROMISING TO FLY WITH A YOUNG MAN IT IS UP TO A GIRL TO INVESTIGATE HIS ABILITY AS AN AIRSHIP CHAUFFEUR.

FOR REGULATION OF THE STOMACH AND BOWELS YOU WILL FIND GARFIELD TEA VERY BENEFICIAL.

Woman conceals only what she does not know.—Proverb.

The Old Oaken Bucket

Filled to the brim with cold, clear purity—no such water nowadays.

Bring back the old days with a glass or bottle of

Coca-Cola

It makes one think of everything that's pure and wholesome and delightful. Bright, sparkling, teeming with palate joy—it's your soda fountain old oaken bucket.

Free Our new booklet, telling of Coca-Cola vindication at Chattanooga, for the asking.

Demand the Genuine as made by THE COCA-COLA CO. ATLANTA, GA.

Whenever you see an Arrow think of Coca-Cola.

W. L. DOUGLAS SHOES

W. L. Douglas makes and sells more \$2.50, \$3.00, \$3.50, \$4.00, \$4.50, and \$5.00 shoes than any other manufacturer in the world.

FOR MEN, WOMEN AND BOYS

W. L. Douglas \$3.00 & \$3.50 shoes are worn by millions of men, because they are the best in the world for the price. W. L. Douglas \$4.00, \$4.50 & \$5.00 shoes equal Custom Bench Work costing \$6.00 to \$8.00.

Why does W. L. Douglas make and sell more \$3.00, \$3.50 and \$4.00 shoes than any other manufacturer in the world? BECAUSE: he stamps his name and price on the bottom and guarantees the value, which protects the wearer against high prices and inferior shoes of other makes. BECAUSE: they are the most economical and satisfactory; you can save money by wearing W. L. Douglas shoes. BECAUSE: they have no equal for style, fit and wear. DON'T TAKE A SUBSTITUTE FOR W. L. DOUGLAS SHOES.

If your dealer cannot supply W. L. Douglas shoes, write W. L. Douglas, Brockton, Mass., for catalog. Shoes sent everywhere delivery charges prepaid. Fast Color Resists Wash.

PLANS TO TEACH FARMERS

Secretary Wilson Announces Agricultural Education Campaign in the North.

Washington.—Secretary of Agriculture Wilson has announced plans for farm management study and work in the north, for which both houses of congress have made provision in the agricultural appropriation bill. This plan, on which the secretary and Dr. P. T. Galloway, chief of the bureau of plant industry, have been working for several months, corresponds to the cooperative demonstration work in the south.

The federal government, through its agents, who will act in co-operation with state and local inspectors, proposes to make a comprehensive study of the farms of the country with a view especially of carrying to the farmer information which will show him why a certain branch of his industry is unprofitable and how he can make it pay or, if not, why he should drop that branch.

"We will carry the agricultural school to the farmer," said Secretary Wilson. "Ordinarily, only one man in a large number can go to school to study farming. We must take the school to him."

LIVED WITH BALL IN BRAIN

Missoula, Mont. — John Marcell, a railroad laborer, who lived for a month with a bullet in his brain, is dead. He was shot in April and the bullet was not removed until a week ago. Dominico Pagoslink, who is alleged to have done the shooting, is sought by the police.

Locked Horns Tell of Fight

Moose of Unequal Size Had Battled Long, Years Ago in Alaskan Woods.

Seattle, Wash.—A story of woodland tragedy not hard to read is told by a pair of weather beaten interlocked moose antlers that Billy Kramer of Fairbanks, Alaska, has just brought down and placed on view here, the story being that of one moose who died of a cut throat, while the other perished of starvation. The horns were discovered on Hoppe creek, a small tributary of Small Wood creek. Part of the prongs were deeply buried in the earth when found.

One remarkable thing about the horns is the peculiar structure of the larger pair, which resemble those of a European elk or of the ancient Irish elk far more than they do a set of moose horns. In fact there is almost no palmation, while the prongs are long and large. More singular still, under the main beams, where the palms should be, are a series of large prongs, giving the horns a sort of double deck appearance, and it was these superfluous prongs that proved the undoing of the larger moose, for they caught and held the horns of his antagonist in the struggle of years ago.

The horns of the larger moose had a spread of sixty-nine inches and each horn had seventeen prongs. The other set of antlers is forty-five inches in spread, the shovels being broad and fitting closely to the head. Each antler has ten prongs.

In the charge that locked the two

animals for death the smaller evidently struck with a swing to the right, for the long prongs of the big horns were sprung on the right side over the shovel, while the smaller one's own short, curved prongs were hooked in front, over and under the other's main front, on the left side. And this charge must have brought death to the larger moose, for one of the brow prongs of the small fellow must necessarily have slid under the opponent's horn and into the big moose's throat, where it was held by the locked horns.

SEEKS FREEDOM FROM TWO

Salem, Ore.—Discovering she was married to two men and that both were living, Mrs. Hazel Liddell instituted proceedings to obtain a divorce from one husband and to annul the marriage contract with the other.

Mrs. Liddell married B. D. Liddell at Oakland, Cal., in 1901, and deserted him after two children were born to them because of alleged cruel treatment. Alleging she believed Liddell dead, she married Earl Murahan in this city last November.