Why German Officers Are Unhappy. Correspondence of Weekly: Lieutenant Bilse, at the moment talked of in every officers casino in the empire, is the author of a romance picturing German army life so merciless-ly and truly that he is in arrest pending court-martial for disclosing military crets. The accusation rests upon indiscretions of statement that are not obvious to the civilian eye. Bilse's book is really an analytical study of the depressing effect of the profession of arms on men of heart and lively minds. In it may be found an explanation of the frequent

Duicides in the officers' corps.

The officer who fails to qualify for the reneral staff or to obtain an appointment in the household troops must endure the unending tedium of garrison duty. Bilse served in a small post an the French frontier. He describes the unchanging routine, the gossip of every day with the same persons, the limited social life be-cause of caste prejudices, the deadening of aspiration stimulated only by hollow loyalty to the crown-as alone representing the nation-and by decadent ideas of

The unutterable weariness of such a life after the man has reached 30, heightened by a marriage for money, reduces one of sensual temperament to a life of ease and indulgence or irritates the man of sensito mental reveit sometimes ending in suicide. This is also why the socialists receive secret aid from many officers. Bilse's work has been suppressed as tending to bring the military profession into

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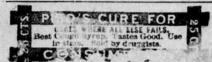
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PUNISHING ARMY BULLIES SEVERELY

Kaiser of Germany Earning Approval of the Socialists in New Way.

FRANCIS JOSEPH VISITS

Emperor of Austria Will Probably Make a State Call on His Brother of Germany-At 73, He Still Feels Young.

The kaiser is winning the approval even of the socialists for the way in which he is endeavoring to punish the real guilty persons in the many cases of maltreatment of private soldiers in the

The case of Sergeant Breitenbach who was recently sentenced to eight years in prison, having been found guilty on 1,207 counts of abusing private soldiers, has had an epilogue, and there is no doubt that this is the kaiser's heavy hand which is being felt. Emperor William is known to have said to the minister of war that when soldiers had been abused those who were really guilty were not the petty officials, but those in command of the companies and regiments.

The colonel of Sergeant Breitenbach's

regiment has, therefore, been removed from his command and sent to the post of Thionville, which means the same as absolute disgrace. The captain of the company in which all these abuses have taken place has been sentenced by the court-martial to one month in prison for having been found guilty of gravely neglecting his duties in tolerating the actions of Sergeant Breiten-The lieutenants of the company bach. have received similar sentences. All the non-commissioned officers of this company whose testimony taken unanimously placed the blame on the captain, accusing him of too great leniency toward the privates and de-fend Sergeant Breitenbach for trying to maintain by acts which, in their eyes, were perfectly justifiable the old-fashioned German military discipline. When seeing the testimony the kaiser is reported to have told the general in command of the First division of the infantry of the Guard that it was deplorable that non-commissioned officers in the army could be so perverted as to defend these cruelties, which have shocked Germany, also informing the general that his most important task at this was to see that the officers and non-commissioned officers of his di-vision were taught to take a different view of their rights and duties.

Emperor to Visit Kaiser. It is being stated here that Emperor Francis Joseph of Austria is seriously thinking of paying the kaiser a visit

and though no politics are connected with it, the wish of the aged head of the nation, whom Prussia fought and vanquished in 1866, to see the kaiser af ter his illness has caused a very favorable impression here. In spite of his 73 years, Francis Jo-

seph by no means regards himself as and very few young men do as much work as he does.

He was recently advised by his doc-tors to shorten his day somewhat he rises at 4 in the morning—but he replied, decidedly: "It is quite imposreplied, decidedly: "It is quite impossible. I can only do all I have to do in the day as it is.

The emperor, who is every inch a soldier, is never seen clothes except when on his hunting expeditions.

His recreations are few; one of his favorites being the stalking the chamois For this purpose he sometimes visits

one of his shooting boxes, generally in the Styrian Alps.

He has an extraordinary gift for languages, and not only can he speak flu-ently those in every part of his realm, but he has a perfect command of French and English.

Like the venerable king of Denmark, Emperor Francis Joseph is quite a fa-ther of his people, and he frequently walks alone through the narrow streets

of the poorer part of Vienna.

The risk he thus runs from anachists has been pointed out to him, but he refuses to change his habits, saying that no Hapsburg was ever a coward.

A few days ago he was driving in an open carriage through a side street, when a little ragged boy ran up to his

when a little ragged boy ran up to his carriage and threw a dirty, badly spelled letter into his lap, asking the "Dear Mr. Emperor" to help his poor mother, who was sick in bed.

Within two Kours the poor woman had food and wine, and now the boy is working in the imperial stables, earning enough to keep his mother in comfort. fort. Should the emperor visit this city

the people will not be barred from the streets through which he will pass on his way to the imperial palac Prince Louis Ferdinand of Bavaria, brother of the king and a nephew of the

prince regent, is probably the only person of royal blood who plays in an orchestra in a public theater. During the recent Wagner Cycle at the Royal theater at Munich the prince, who is an excellent musician, could be seen playing his violin'in the orchestra, subject to exactly the same discipline as the other members.

The prince is a believer in work, and he has not only qualified as a doctor of medicine, but, like his oculist cousin, Duke Carl Theodore, he practices and gives he services to the poor free of

charge. He is a clever surgeon and an expert gynecologist. He is 44 years of age and the father of three children, whom he has educated according to his

A son, aged 19, studies medicine; a daughter of 17 is an artist. When the Prince Regent recently ac-

cused him of being eccentric and low-ering himself by forgetting his dignity as a member of the royal house, he replied: "Must I then be a drone be-cause of my royal descent? My work as a doctor makes me a useful member of society."

French and German Army Service.

The people of Germany have never been able to understand how it was possible for the young men of France to look forward with pleasure to serving their terms in the army.

The number of young Germans who have emigrated, mutilated themselves or even committed suicide to escape putting on the dreadful uniform runs

or even committed suicide to escape putting on the dreadful uniform runs up into the hundreds every year.

When one has followed the disclosures brought to light by the commission named to look into the many complaints of privates against their officers one understands the young German's fear of the military service.

In the French army a recruit is treated as a human being, a prominent Berlin paper explains, and in proof publishes a general order just issued

member that the young recruit should be received as a son in the great mil-

family, the French army. Our army is a great fraternal brotherhood and the new members, who be long to all classes of society and wh join us with hearts glowing with patri otism, should be made to feel at home

from the very first day."

"These few words taken from the French general's order may possibly explain to the German people why a Frenchman is proud to be found capable of service in the army, while a German dreads it," writes a prominent possibly a proposition of these fast trains. These rules, of which the officials have devised for the operation of these fast trains. These rules, of which the officials have devised for the operation of these fast trains.

A dispatch from St. Petersburg say, that the czar has decided that there are too many princes in Russia and that most of the exotic creatures car-rying this proud title, and whom we so well in Paris and at Monte Carlo, have no right to any title what-

As a rule they come from Caucasus, where they are as numerous as colonels in Kentucky. Convinced that these half civilized

people disgrace Russian noblity in other countries, Czar Nicholas has appointed a commission to separate the tares from the wheat.

The poor members of the commission are having no sinecure, as many of these princes claim that the titles were conferred upon their ancestors to the time when Colchis Mingrelia and Imritia were independent kingdoms. The kings of these ancient states

evidently very liberal in bestowing titles.

One Caucasian prince claims that one on his forefathers was made a prince because of picking up a belt which his sovereign dropped and was very much hurt when the commissioners decided that he was to be called prince no more The origin of the kaiser's polypus, which has started the people of two hemispheres is no longer a mystery.

The Society of Anti-Tobacco Smokers have settled beyond a doubt-cr, to their own satisfaction-that had the kaiser never smoked his vocal cords would never have needed the sur-

A Great Smoker.

Like most Germans, the kaiser is an inveterate smoker, and delights in a pipe of good Havana, especially pared for him. He recently added a most gorgeous meerschaum pipe, with a turquoise mouthpiece decorated with the German eagle artistically carved, and a large "W" in gold, to his already

unique collection of pipes.

The society is said to have sent a petition to the kaiser asking him for the sake of the fatherland to give up smoking.

The kaiser, however, has no such in tention, and is looking forward with great pleasure to the day when his physicians will allow him the use of his fa-

vorite pipe.

American gourmets, who form a very large part of the clientele of the fashionable and high priced restaurants of this city, would be surprised if they knew the ingredients of many of the savory dishes which they eat here.

WAGNER AS A HUMORIST.

How He Complied With the Suggestion of a London Newspaper.

Collier's Weekly: Richard Wagner was not a man to whom one would naturally ascribe the faculty of ready joking. It is not from the creator of the serious, somber "Flying Dutchman" or the composer of the half-mystical, half-religious opera "Parsifal" that one would expect cheerful pranks at the expense of other people. Nevertheless, an instance is on record of how the great tone-painter of Baireuth played a very funny trick on a newspaper and probably a good many of the readers accustomed to relying on what it said. It was in the fifties. Wagner, then still climbing the ladder of fame, wa conducting the Philharmonic concerts in the British metropolis for a season. Being, as he remained to to the end, a very ardent admirer of Beethoven, and, in fact, knowing that master's nine symphonies by heart, he selected several of them for performance in the said series of concerts.

The first time, then, that Wagner conducted a Beethoven symphony in London the public received the rendition kindly enough, but the next morning a certain newspaper with a very large circulation, came out with a rather severe criticism. The author of "Lohengrin" was in cold print, but in unreserved terms, scolded for directing a symphony by the immortal Beethoven without a score in front of him. Such a proceeding, to which London was un-accustomed, was sheer presumption, so ran the criticism. And after further uncomplimentary remarks, the great and influential journal advised young Herr Wagner to use a score when he conducted a Beethoven symphony again. Well, soon Herr Wagner did, this time with a book of music open before him on his desk. He was seen to turn over the leaves with a certain amount of regularity, too. His reward came, the next day, in the form of a commendatory article in the aforesaid newspaper, which praised him for a very much better interpretation of Bacthagen than his lest due of course Beethoven than his last, due, of course, to the suggested use of the score. Whereupon Wagner (we think our pun is justified in this particular instance) announced the fact that the score in front of him the previous evening was that of Rossini's opera, "The Seville," turned upside down. "The Barber of



Half and Half.

Lady Customer (in book store)—Give me a copy of "Romeo and Juliet." Clerk—Yes, miss. A dollar and a half, Lady Customer-I find I've only got 75

cents Just give me "Romeo. by General Dalstein, chief of the French Sixth Army corps, which says:

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Has Some Seven Hundred Importan-Rules to Remember.

Harper's Weekly: Officials who operate the fast trains recently put on between New York city and the west are just now facing a problem in philosophy which, on

there are about 700 for each 125 miles be tween New York city and Chicago, were made for the safety of the public, but the public may look askance when it learns that one man must remember 700 of them and that a slip on any one rule may mean

a shocking loss of human life.

These 700 rules are the average for each division of the chief railroad lines runwest from New York. Each set cov ers the work of one engineer, who drives his train until another engineer, with fresh set of rules, and presumably a frememory, relieves him. In other words, eight men, the average number of motive engineers who drive a fast train between New York and Chicago, must keep constantly in mind nearly 6,000 different rules, in order that patrons of these trains may travel without risking their lives. What this means to the public, in twenty-four hours' ride on one of these trains, can be judged from the following list of what an engineer on a certain 100-mile run has to watch, while his locomotive is going at sixty miles an hour: Five hundred "cross-over" switch lights

to learn whether they are red or white Fifteen "interlocking" switch lights, to learn whether they are red, white or green. Seven "non-interlocking" switch lights, to know whether they are red or white. Three "non-interlocking" switch lights, to know whether they are red or green. Semaphore arms at twenty-five way stations, for possible red lights. Four hundred highway crossings, to know whether they are "clear." Locomotives of a dozen trains approaching on parallel tracks, for red or green lights. Telegraph operators at twenty-five way stations, who nay be waiting near the track with or For a red flag at any conceivable point in the 100 miles, displayed as a dan ger signal. Whether one or two torpedoes are exploded at any point in the 10 miles, signifying "caution" or "stop." Whether his clearance card is good for each of twenty-five way stations. Whether there is enough water in the engine boiler Whether there is enough water in the engine tender. Whether there is enough coal in the engine tender. Whether the steam pressure is being kept up. Whether the fireman is obeying another long set of rules. Whether the engine bell rings at

400 highway crossings.

By day the switch and signal lights are replaced by signal boards and "blocks," read as literally as the lamps. The engi neer who notes 699 of these signs from his cab window, and misses the 700th, has

rules.

taken, in race track language, a "700 t shot" with a trainload of human lives. The public has good reason to whether the safety limit has not been reached with both speed and rules. There must be a point where the locomotive is so large, and its speed so great, that one human mind connot safely control it, no matter how few the levers are. A ninetyton passenger locomotive going at seventy miles an hour, and operated by one man "inside" it, is as much a psychological freak as a 250-pound human athlete would e, if turned loose with the brain of a year-old boy.

WOMAN AN ENGINEER. Candidate Successful in Business and Has Studied Law and Medicine. Chicago Record-Herald: Miss Annie Ball has just been licensed by the city board of examining engineers to run a stationary engine, and thus becomes the only woman in that class in Chicago, and perhaps in the United States. sago, and perhaps in the officer states.

She was refused a license upon her first application. Then she offered to give the examiners \$1,000 each if she ould not take an engine apart and put it together again in their presence, but was told that that was not the way to obtain the permit. She submitted to an oral examination, but failed because, she says, of the "rapid-fire" method of propounding wordy questions. Later she took the written examination and came off triumphant with an average

She took the test, not because she desires to follow the vocation of an en-gineer, but for the reason that, as she gineer, but for the reason that, as she expressed it, "I was told that I couldn't do it." She manufactures playing cards and composition goods at 85 Market screet, under the firm name of "A. Ball & Brother," although she is the sole proprietor of the place. Recently she found her engineer intoxicated and discharged him and started to operate the engine herself. The ento operate the engine herself. The en-gineer complained to the authorities, who ordered her to cease operating the

machinery or be fined \$25.
"After I had finished the written examination one of the examiners told me that I was competent to run the city me that I was competent to full the City pumping works or any other stationary plant," said Miss Ball last evening at her home, 304 West Monroe street. "My knowledge of engineering was acquired from actual experience at my plant before the present rigid laws were passed and from the study of technical boks. technical boks.

The oral examination, which I took three months ago, consisted of such three months ago, consisted of such verbose questions, propounded so rapidly that I think only a small per cent. of even the most competent applicants could have answered. The written questions, also, are too involved and wordy, and I have no doubt that many a deserving applicant fails on this account rather than from lack of practical knowledge. If the examining board cal knowledge. If the examining board would have an engine in the examining rooms and ask applicants for licenses to demonstrate their ability, not a few of those who now fail would be able to get licenses."

Miss Ball has been remargably successful as a business woman. She was brought to Chicago from Holland by her parents when very young, and has been in business here since the fire. She has large interests in phosphate and real estate near Bay City, Fla, where she operates mining machinery or directs its operation the greater part of every year. She speaks Dutch, German and English fluority can account man and English fluently, can converse in French and has taken courses in law and medicine.

His Idea of It.

Judge: At the theater the ladies are discussing the attire of those about them, as usual. By and by their attention is attracted to a lady who is the central figure of a box party.

"Isn't she stunning?" murmurs one of the fair ones. "She is dressed in mauve satin, is she not?"

"Now," laughs another of them, "let

mauve satin, is she not?"

"Now," laughs another of them, "let us leave it to the professor, here. What has he to say of it? What is she dressed in, professor?"

Here the professor, who had been studying the sights and scenes with ail the interest of a sayant, stakes a casual glance at the object of the discussion and ventures: "As nearly as I can judge from here, she is dressed in

can judge from here, she is dressed in puris naturalibus." Whereat they laugh, thinking he re-fers to peau de sole, or some such fab-ric, and has merely made one of the numerous blunders which are common the untutored man.

THE HEN PHEASANT AND MATE

A Fable for the Spouse Who Envies Masculine Prerogatives.

London Truth: Once, at the Fag end of the Shooting Season, a Hen Pheasant said to Her Mate: "It strikes me, Sir, that I have been subservient to your Majesty long enough. After all, I am as good as you. I can Strut as proudly." (Here she suited the Action to the Word.) "I can get up in the Coverts with as loud a 'Wh-r-r-r. and, in short, there's Nothing you can do that I can't do as well-or better. I decline, therefore, to be a crushed Worm of a Hen any longer. From henceforth I live the free, independent Life of a

Next Day, when they were out together in the Woods, they were disturbed by the sound of a Man's Footstep. Up flew the Cock with a loud Wh-r-r-r, and the Hen, not to be outdone, faithfully imi-tated his Uoise and Flight as she rose, Deceived by this, the Sportsman (who was out for Cocks) let fly at her with both Barrels and wounded her, not, however, so badly but that she managed

to get away, and presently to rejoin her Mate in a Place of Safety. "Did you ever hear the Like?" she clucked, in furious Indignation. "When it is the Immemerial Privilige of us Hens to be exempt from Powder and Shot at

Her Mate replied: "This is unreasonable, my dear Part-t. You cannot expect, while claiming the Status of the Cock Bird, to retain also the Immemorial Privilege of the Hen." Moral: Women cannot be both Feminine and Masculine

Every Walk in Life. A. A. Boyce, a farmer, living three and a half miles from Tren-Mo., ton. says: "A se-vere cold settled in my kidneys and developed so quickly that to lay off work on account of the

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