

HAREM VANITY SAT UPON

The Mailed Fist of Abdul Smitas Transparent Veils.

EDICT OF A HORRID OLD TYRANT

Attempt of Turkish Women to Show Their Faces in Public Meets with a Royal Harem—Peminine Hope Squelched.

When I was in Constantinople a few months ago, I found an odd state of affairs existing in regard to the covering of their faces. I am referring now to Turkish women of the better class, those who belong to the more important harems, and are able to clothe themselves in the richest stuffs.

well disguised as if she were at a masquerade ball. A Virtue of Necessity. And it was exactly here that the sultan overreached himself. True, he made the women put away the alluring yasmak and hide their faces, but he could not make them (indeed, what sovereign could?) abandon the ways of coquetry.

At his earlier visits the chief amusement would remain in the room while he did his work, but afterwards he would be left free from surveillance and could chat with the women as he pleased. He assured me that they are like a lot of school girls, except that they have far less instruction than the average European school girl, and that they worry his life out with questions about the women of America.

FIGURING UP THE WAR LOSSES

The Total Much Less Than in a Single Battle of the Rebellion.

INCURRED CHIEFLY ABOUT SANTIAGO

The Army the Greatest Sufferer—Only One American Naval Officer Killed—Casualties of the Spanish.

It is now possible to reckon up with some degree of accuracy the loss of life and limb in the 114 days' war. The double total is probably less than that of single battles in our civil war, relates the New York Times.



of gauze veiling that covers everything of the face except the eyes. Thus clad, the women went about freely in the streets of Constantinople, driving sharp bargains at the bazars with men of their own race, or crossing the Galata bridge, made their way to Pera, the European quarter, and went shopping on the European plaza at the Bon Marche.

And all went merrily in the Turkish capital, with many smiles through the filmy folds and many looks that seemed to say, to some dashing Turkish officer or elegant European: "I am glad you think me beautiful." But one day the sultan, strolling about in his rose garden, passed near some Turkish women who had come to visit the women of his palace.



THE CHARCHAFF. were to decide whether the amiable Turk in the stern beside this woman or that woman was there by right of proprietorship or by no right at all save that which lovers take to themselves? For it must be borne in mind that no one in Turkey, neither soldier nor officer of the law, would think of laying hands upon a woman or hiding her show her face, since a woman's person is sacred throughout the sultan's realm, except to her husband.

A HAWAIIAN ROMANCE. Story of Ah Fong and His Beautiful Family of Daughters. There is a dash of romance in the brief announcement telegraphed from San Francisco of the engagement of Dr. J. C. Thompson, surgeon on the United States steamer Mohican, now in Hawaiian waters, to Miss Alice Ah Fong of Honolulu.

A TURKISH PICNIC PARTY. mak, which at least made it possible to tell who was who, and was now regarded as by far the lesser of two evils. What consultations and discussions went on in the big white Yildiz Kiosque no one knows, but at least, less than a year ago, a new proclamation was issued, which so queerly worded that it practically gave women the choice of dressing as they pleased, so long as they made some pretense of covering their face.

Only American Naval Officer Killed. The Vicksburg and the cutter Morrill engaged the Santa Clara batteries off Havana on May 7 without sustaining injury. Four days later came the fight in Cardenas, in which the only American naval officer to be killed in the war met his death. The cruiser Wilmington, torpedo boat Winslow and gunboat Hudson had entered the harbor to attack some Spanish gunboats.

Losses in the Marine Corps. Five American ships bombarded Caimanera, in the bay of Guantanamo, on June 7, and forty Marines went ashore there from the Oregon three days later. They were joined by 600 more marines from the troop ship Panther, under Lieutenant Colonel Huntington, and the Marblehead, Vixen and Dolphin ran up the bay to fire on the Spanish earthworks. The first battle of the war was fought on the morning of August 1, when the Spanish general, Jovell, was killed in a naval attack on Santiago. A gunner was killed at target practice on the Yankee by an exploding shell.

CHICAGO, Aug. 30.—Word was received here today by the North American Transportation company of the arrival at Seattle of their steamer Resolute from the Yukon with \$1,000,000 in gold dust from the Klondike. The Resolute also carries a full list of passengers.

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