

KILLING AS A PASTIME

Major Scott was born in Kentucky and appointed to the Military Academy from New Jersey in 1871, entering the cavalry upon his graduation in 1876. During the war with Spain he served with General Wood in Cuba. He is a sturdily built soldierier who confines to few words his observations on things in general and persons in particular. No other man in this country probably knows the Moro country better; certainly no man here has been more recently in



The Spaniards, when they left, threw a great quantity of Remington ammunition into the sea. The Moros saw this done and immediately sent divers down and brought it up. They perform marvellous feats of diving. I know of one instance in which they brought up a safe which had been sunk in ninety feet of water. A native trained in pearl diving carried a rope down, tied it around this heavy safe, and it was hauled to the surface.

Stories of Famous Men, Whose Locks Were in Demand.

India's Tiger Bird.

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Facts Regarding Storms With Electric Discharges.

Under no circumstances when exposed to a violent storm, should one hold up an umbrella or lead a bicycle. It is not that the lightning is directly attracted by such objects; but a flash on its way to earth gives out innumerable smaller discharges, so that to be near any object containing metal, which may be selected as offering the best path, is, to say the least, unwise. One must also remember that a shock which might only cause minor injuries if one's clothes were dry may prove fatal to a person who has been for some time out in the rain. In conclusion it may be observed that the report of the Lightning Research Committee represents not only the results of its own investigations, but also includes the independent opinion of various experts and high authorities on the Continent, including that of the members of the famous Electrotechnische Verein of Berlin.

**Harrowing Spectacle That Meets One's
Gaze on all Sides.**

The "little men" in the wine shops look out as we pass, "La Boule" and I. They are drinking absinthe, playing cards, eating snails. Most of them are young; they are sallow and lean and wicked. It is in their horoscope to die in a jail or under the guillotine or in a wild brawl of knives. We shall meet them yonder in the "Angel Gabriel," in the "Cave of the Innocents" and many another den tonight and they are worth studying, these bands of Paris. From without the "Angel Gabriel" is as banal as any other of the dirty wine shops of the town. And, indeed, unless one is an old Parisian, given to slumming there is no way of telling the peaceful tavern from the den of murder, and spoil.—Everybody's Magazine.

Odd Sights On the Belgian Coast Near Ostend

A little further along the coast the desert begins—a vast extent of unbroken dunes stretching in some places far inland and utterly worthless for cultivation even by the poorest of the poor.

It is here among the rabbit haunted dunes that the queer Isherams live. They and their wives and little ones appear to have chosen the most dreary and forlorn part of the coast for their abode. They live the lives of their forefathers over again, earning their daily bread in exactly the same way that their ancestors did.

Sanctuary

Palatine BAKING is one of the most
and known to learn how these
is also one of the best
method.

After the feathers have been washed and sterilized in this way, they are placed in the blowing machine to be sorted and to be blown into the cold blast. As the different kind of feathers are put in separately. The blowing machine pumps and uses the powerful machine that is used for their feathers. The machine is fitted with a large rubber wheel, which is driven by a motor. The feathers are blown into a large room.

The feathers are placed in the net, through which they fall into the basket of the machine. The cold air blowing from the machine is then used to dry the feathers.

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If people of other countries were asked the name of the Englishman whom they hold in greatest respect, that of Lord Lister would rise spontaneously from their lips. This, at least, is literally true, that no man alive has by a single discovery conferred upon the whole of mankind a greater boon than did the surgeon who discovered the antiseptic treatment of wounds.—Yondon Telegraph.

Nothing reveals a man's character more fully than the spirit in which he bears his limitations.

As any one who is acquainted with them will know, Kaffir children lead an extremely happy life. Their appearance in the world being desired and brought about under the most sane and sanitary conditions, they seem to suffer but little from ill health. Their cheerfulness is amazing.

The education of our young in science at school is another hope of the future of our race, for the seed is more readily sown, and has a better chance of bringing forth much goodly intellectual fruit when it falls on the fertile mental field of youth than when it finds before it an older soil, already much occupied with worldly affairs.—Illustrated London News.

Persia buys Cheney color yarns, thread and tissues, sugar, tea, woolen tissues, fancy goods, petroleum, clothing, iron and manufacturers of furniture and glassware. Were it not that the new National Bank of Persia is obliged, or forced by charter, immediately to loan the Persian Government \$3,225,000 at 9 per cent, the bank concession would be a perfect snap. It has priority over all offers on the same terms in regard to the mines, the pearl fishery in the Persian Gulf, the construction of roads and railways, and will have the right to issue banknotes when the Imperial Bank of Persia ceases to do so. The London Times, however, says: "The Imperial Bank of Persia possesses the sole privilege of issuing banknotes in Persia for 50 years to come." Foreigners are excluded from participating in the new bank.

of net they are dragging, and which is the right moment to turn toward the shore. Certain it is the horse rather than the men give the signal to turn home, and it would be hard as well as tactless to endeavor to go further than their instinct directs.