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THE PASSING OF AN ANCIENT NATION

Montenegro, Hitherto Unconquered, Now Subject State.

Montenegro, the famous little kingdom of the Black mountains, which never before has bowed its head to a conqueror, has passed practically under Austrian control. Its capital has fallen; its king is a fugitive. Nicholas is in Lyons, France, with his family and is occupying a residence on the Saone river which was built by Louis XV. for Mme de Pompadour.

In the first Balkan war Montenegro doubled its population by annexation

SIRENS AND SONS.

General Joffre wears on his little finger a ring that he has not removed for six years.

Charles Upson Clark, who has been elected director of the American School of Classical Studies at Rome, is assistant professor of Latin in Yale university.

Sir Douglas Haig, succeeding Sir John French as commander of the British forces in France, is a Scotsman, fifty-four years old, and has been in the army since 1885. He served in the Sudan and South African campaigns, winning distinguished honors and promotions.

Dr. Abraham Jacobi, who has accepted the presidency of the Germanistic Society of America, was identified with the revolutionary movement in Germany and in 1848 was held in detention in Berlin and Cologne for "high treason." In 1853 he settled in New York and devoted himself to the practice of medicine.

Major Robert R. Moton, successor to Charles E. Washington as president of Tuskegee Institute, has been commandant of cadets at Hampton Institute, Virginia, since 1896. He is a native of Virginia of pure negro parentage, and the work to which he has devoted himself has won him a wide recognition as an educator and able administrator.

Fashion Frills.

Chicago is to have a heart and the people have the hope that some of these thin-soled shoes entail Chicago News.

If the dresses of women are made much shorter there will be no necessity for buying bathing suits. Richmond Times Dispatch.

Seize the last of the season for the spring clothes to appear in the show windows. The Fall will be here before we know it.

The reason why we know high top boots are all appropriate in establishing the chain of social de

butts is that every pretty girl is wearing them.

The aim is to divide on

Short Stories.

Chico's waterfall "Yosemite" is 2,394 feet high.

The Pennsylvania and Ohio line make heats of straw.

Corrections made recently in maps of Greenland have shown it to be about 150,000 square miles larger than formerly believed.

In former days mountain climbing in Japan was almost exclusively limited to the daimyo or nobility, who ascended a peak for religious purposes.

It is officially estimated that the Crown jewels in British Columbia alone contain coal sufficient to supply 5,000,000 tons of fuel a year for 7,000 years.

Dress Hints.

After thoroughly drying a nightgown when wet, turn it inside out and place in a drawer. It will last twice as long as if left hanging in the dust.

Wash the thread thoroughly before attempting to "string" beads or to sew them on any material. This makes the work easier as well as stronger, and the thread or sewing silk will never knot.

Using a warm iron when cutting out a garment will do away with pins of tissue paper patterns. Lay the paper pattern on the material and press lightly with the warm iron. The pattern clinging to

BRIGHT BRIEFS.

After a rough lie has been polished it is called hypocrisy.

Can't is a longer word than can, but it seems easier to use.

The road to success is full of the ruins of other men's failures.

Speed the day when they will beat the war stocks into plowshares.

What has become of the old fashioned steel that grew the hairpins.

Remember that the money you intend to save doesn't draw any interest.

Every man was born at a very early age, but some of them never seem to get over it.

The man who is too poor to lend money to his friends will never have many enemies.

If the price keeps going up one may soon have to mortgage the car to buy gasoline for it.

A pint pot that knows its own measure is worth more than a quart that thinks it's a gallon.

After a man becomes about so old it seems to him that the country elects a new president every few minutes.

Pullman cars are not to be as elaborately decorated as formerly. Travel is now recognized as a necessity and not a luxury.

Without waiting for details it may be assumed the fine imposed on a Swiss editor for writing a poem was based on general principles.

Anyway, the young man who proposed to leap over a fence ought to demand to be supported in the style to which he has been accustomed.

AERIAL PATROL FOR COAST DEFENSE

Rear Admiral Robert E. Peary Father of the Project

THIS problem of national defense is the most important question that is confronting this country today. Numbers of societies have sprung into existence and enrolled hundreds of thousands of members to aid in carrying out the patriotic and energetic Americans all over the country are giving of both their time and money to place this country in a position to resist attacks from without. The question may be said to be in the very air, for the air as well as land and sea is included in modern warfare.

The project to establish an aerial coast patrol on the Atlantic and Pacific coasts and the great lakes is a new one but it is catching on, as the phrase goes, and has been quickly recognized as a very important factor in the problem of national defense. The father of the project is Rear Admiral Robert E. Peary, U. S. N., who is bringing to its solution the experience and practical energy that founded him of the pe

The Aero Club of America has taken the project under its wing and the executive board has gone to work with the war and navy departments and the United States coast and geodetic survey. The plan has been endorsed by President Wilson, Secretary of War, Secretary Daniels and by naval authorities. Rear Adm. Peary has been authorized to organize a committee of a high naval and military authorities and aeromarines and

Wife sees Xmas tree everywhere part of the

DAMES, AND DAUGHTERS.

General von Mackensen's mother, aged eighty-nine, lives in Giegenfeld, West Prussia.

Perhaps the finest pearls in the world are owned by the Duchess of Marlborough, to whom they were given by her father. They formerly belonged to the Empress Catherine of Russia.

Mrs. Maurice Hewlett, the wife of the famous novelist, is regarded as a matron where flying is concerned, for although she has made scores of airplane flights, both as passenger and pilot, she has never met with the slightest mishap.

Mrs. Timothy T. Lew, who has received the degree of master of arts from the Teacher's college of Columbia University, is a well known Chinese educator, who was sent to Columbia by the Chinese government. She possesses eight diplomas and degrees from American institutions of learning. She is shortly to return to China, where she will have supervision over the kindergartens of five provinces.

Flippant Flings.

Do all the advocates of preparedness heed their wives' advice and wear their rubber? Pittsburgh Dispatch.

A New York man was fined \$100 for hugging a dressmaker. They're an expensive set, those dressmakers! Detroit Free Press.

Gasoline is so high at present that a man whose clothes have recently been renovated is likely to be invited by a commission on suspicion of being a malefactor of great wealth. Chicago News.

Dr. Harvey W. Wiley asserts that 98 per cent of the men of fighting age in the United States are physically unfit for military service. Most of them, however, are capable of running for oil in New York.

Easy is the descent of an unsuccessful Mexican general into oblivion.

Always keep your temper; it's worth more to you than it is to anybody else.

If we could see ourselves as others see us a lot of mirrors would be smashed before sunset.

A man's home is where his wife is ruled in New York Justice. He must have money in a department store.

Golf is said to be popular in Japan. All that game needs to win popularity anywhere, it seems, is an introduction.

You never know what invincible (ignorance means) until you meet a man who also obstinately refuses to agree with you.

Imagine, too, the feelings of some United States consuls who went to Europe before the war looking for a nice soft job.

Some of the statesmen seem to be in doubt whether militarism conduces to pacifism or whether pacifism invites militarism.

It is not an unknown experience for a sturdy advocate of preparedness to have an empty coal bin rise up in righteous judgment against him.

Recent Inventions.

A milk bottle with a hole in one side through which cream can be drawn without disturbing the rest of the milk.

To protect small boxes from thieving vixens scratches have been invented that permit letters to be inserted in the usual way but prevent them being pulled out.

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