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THE FASHODA INCIDENT.

At first sight, one was disposed to think that England was rather bullying France over the Fashoda matter, but on a more careful investigation into the matter, this view is likely to be dispelled. Kitchener, by an admirably planned and executed campaign, annihilated the Khalifa and his dervishes. It has taken years to reach a point from which this could be done. After building a railway from the Mediterranean to the gates of Khartoum, and after having annihilated the denizens of the desert, Kitchener discovers a small body of French soldiers led by a Major Marchand, who had taken up a position up the Nile, the headquarters being Fashoda. It would seem that the French people got to Fashoda, by the good offices of the ruler of Abyssinia. By coming from the Red Sea through Abyssinia, the journey is not long. Any school child can judge for himself by reference to the map in his geography. A recent issue of the Boston Herald contains a map of Africa. A circle is made with Fashoda as the centre. As England claims all of Africa through which the Nile runs, it is plain that the French contention cannot be conceded, for it covers a good portion of the Nile, its banks and boundaries. The fact seems to be that France is seeking to control a strip of territory reaching from the Atlantic to the Indian ocean. By a thorough study of the question, one soon sees that England cannot admit France's claim to Fashoda, without stultifying her course of action along the Nile.

THE EMPIRE.

Every citizen of this Empire should keep posted on geography. What an opportunity we have to instruct our young, on the customs and habits of the people of the world? The British Empire has subjects of almost every race, and possessions in every corner of the globe.

Take up a copy of the Times or any other leading English journal. You will get news from every quarter, sent by British subjects, dealing with British matters. At the present time if we want to keep up with the times, we must study China and the Chinese people, we should know of India and the interesting peoples who inhabit that land. It is our duty and our privilege to read of Africa, that land for so many years known as the dark continent, but which may be as famous in future, as in more distant ages of the past. The revival of Egypt—what a fascinating study for those who as young children were taught of the part Egypt played in the history of the chosen people, and in the history and earthly life of the Messiah, himself. Follow the British flag, and you learn of all nations and all tongues, and all religions.

Men and women have no reason for remaining uneducated, while they have an interest in the mighty empire of which they were, as citizens, free born.

Grand Trunk Engineer Swears by Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills.

Mr. Geo. Cummings, for over 20 years engineer Grand Trunk running between Toronto and Allandale, says,—"The constant duty with my work gave me excessive pains in my back, racking my kidneys. I tried several remedies until I was recommended by my friend, Mr. Dave Conroy, to try Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills. Two boxes have completely cured me and I feel today a better man than ever. I recommend them to all my friends."

The Chatterer.

President Faure wasn't very nice to Gen. Bates, our military attache in Paris, the other day was he? It is believed that M. Faure is much afflicted with the maiady know, as big head, for he is putting on airs to a degree that is wearying to many other human beings. Ever since the French President visited Russia there has been no living with him. Therefore the other day at the manoeuvres of the army as he was chatting with some Russian and English military attaches Gen. Bates found himself beside him and courteously asked, "Do you speak English, sir?" Faure turned on the speaker with the greatest rudeness and made answer in French, "Here in France one speaks French, sir, and one waits until one is spoken to." Is this a casus belli, or was it merely the bad breeding of the former tanner coming to the surface and to be excused as that?

And now a man who wanted to hang himself and failed in the attempt comes forward to recommend that means of departure as the easiest and most absolutely painless. He hasn't tried all other methods of slipping off this mortal coil, it is true, but we will take his word for it that hanging is the royal road to eternity.—Boston Herald.

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Betrayed by the Camera.

It would not do to give his name, says the St. Paul Globe, for there is a limit to newspaper enterprise, but he is as well known about town as any man in the place. He is a lawyer and has an office on Jackson street. He has been working a great deal of late; working so hard that he cannot even remain away from the office evenings, and his wife has been quite solicitous. She is too hot to be solicitous or anything else that is so suggestive of a well ordered mind. Last week he went home very tired one night and said to his wife:

"My dear, I must have a rest of some sort. I think I'll take a day off—though I can't afford it—and run down to the old folks. I'll take the kodak along and the trip may do me good." His folks live on the old farm over in Wisconsin.

"Do, dear," she said, "you need a change" He did. He loaded up the kodak in the morning and went to the depot.

He got home that night very late, on the last train. He let himself in and called out to her that he felt well, but was tired and hot, and would lie down on the sofa in the parlor. He had got some lovely pictures.

The next morning she found that the camera was loaded with pictures he had taken and she thought she would plan a little surprise for him. She took the infernal machine down to the photographer's and told him to develop all the pictures and send them home to her. They were sent home Saturday and the relations between the husband and wife are rather strained. The kodak contained twelve different views of the same brewery. He had taken four side views of the brewery; three of the pictures were taken in the vat room and the rest were exposures in the manner in which a dozen gentlemen act when they are drinking beer in the ice house of a brewery when there is nothing to drink out of but copper measures that hold a gallon.

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Now, just a word of warning if you are a novice in the work of dyeing. Beware of adulterated package and soap grease dyes that bring on y trouble, disappointment and vexation of spirits, as well as well as complete ruin to your materials.

Kept Him Out.

An honest countryman, anxious to explore the wonders of the British Museum, obtained a special holiday a short time since. Accordingly, taking with him a couple of friends, he presented himself at the door for admittance.

"No admision to-day, sir," said the keeper.

"But I must come in. I've a holiday on purpose."

"No matter. This is a close day, and the museum is shut."

"What!" said John. "Ain't this public property?"

"Yes; but one of the mummies died a few days ago, and we are going to bury him."

"Oh, in that case we won't intrude," said John, in a hushed voice. So he retired.—Tit Bits.

Rheumatic Sufferers.

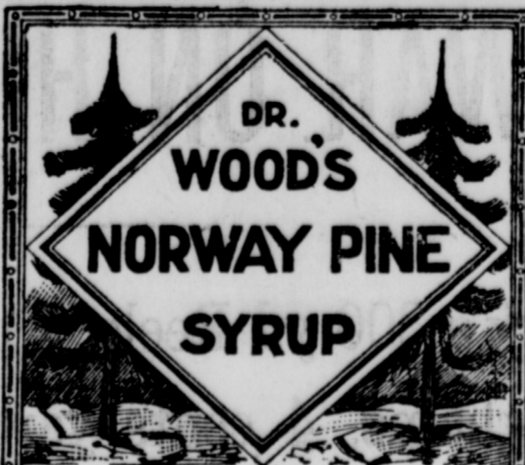
"I have tried Milburn's Rheumatic Pills and find they do all that is claimed for them. I can say too much in their favor." A. Swift, 199 Simcoe Street, Toronto, Ont.

Logic differs from reason, not only as the fist from the palm—the one close, the other at large—but much more in this; that logic handles reason exact and in truth, and rhetoric handles it as it is planted in popular opinions and manners.

The ancient poets attributed to Apollo the gift of medicine as well as that of music; and the conjunction seems a happy one, since it is the function of medicine to tune the curious harp of man's body, and to reduce it to health and harmony.

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Mr. THOS. J. SMITH, Caledonia, Ont., writes: "A year ago I had a very severe cold which settled in my lungs and in my throat, so that I could scarcely speak louder than a whisper. I tried several medicines, but got no relief until I used one and a half bottles of Norway Pine Syrup, which completely cured me." 25c. a bottle or five for \$1.00.

It is fabled of the basilisk that, if he see you first, you die for him, but if you see him first he dies for it; and so it is with deceits and evil arts; if they be first espied they lose their life, but if they be not prevented in the beginning they endanger.

A nation is not worthy to be saved if, in the hour of its fate, it will not gather up all its jewels of manhood and life, and go down into the conflict, however bloody and doubtful, resolved on measureless ruin or complete success.—James A. Garfield.

Mrs. David Labor, Waterford, Ont., says: "I can recommend Hayward's Yellow Oil for pains of any kind. It cured me of a distressing pain that the doctor could not cure."

Men's weaknesses and faults are best known from their enemies; their virtues and abilities from their friends; their customs and times from their servants; and their conceits and opinions from their familiar friends.

The lineaments of the body disclose the disposition and inclination of the mind in general; but the motions of the countenance and parts not only do this, but do further disclose the present humour and state of mind and will.

Kidney-Bladder Trouble.

There is no more serious menace to good health in the present age than Kidney disorders, and it's an appalling fact, but a true one, that four-fifths of the country's people have the taint of this insidious disease with them. Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills cure all Kidney disease.

A poor crop—"Is marriage a failure?" "I don't know; but the low birth rate in Ontario would indicate that the crop is."

Strange facts.—She—A toad can't live with its mouth open. The man—How strange. And a woman can't live with hers shut.

Stuck to Low's.

"We have tried many worm medicines but during the past five years have stuck to Dr. Low's, as it proved to be the best." Samuel T Sargent, Brockville, Ont.

He—Are you sure I am the only man you ever really and truly loved? She—Perfectly sure. I went over the whole list only yesterday.

Lily—Tom says he doesn't believe a word you say. Bessie—So it would seem. He has proposed five times.

BOILS BANISHED

Mr. O. J. Murray, Charlottetown, P. E. I., writes: "About six months ago I was troubled with painful boils and got one bottle of B. B. B. which completely cured me."

"Do you think it's unlucky to walk under a ladder? It's apt to be—if there's a man with a paint pail on it."

Pleasant prospects.—The man—I never expect to marry. The maid—Then you'll never be disappointed.

"Come to stay" asked the fish. "Oh, no," said the worm on the hook. "Just dropped in for a bite; that's all."

The cause of it.—"What makes Alec Graham so fond of whiskey, Bill? It is hereditary?" Naw. Just thirst.

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