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**SPYING IN THE FRENCH ARMY.**

**Disgraceful Stories of Intrigue.**

For twenty-five years officers of the French army have been victims of secret, irresponsible talebearing. Startling evidence concerning the private detective system by which information was supplied to the Ministry of War, and upon which depended the promotion of officers to important positions in the army, was disclosed by the numerous courts-martial and investigations connected with the Dreyfus case, and in the last week by the letters in the archives of the Grand Orient of France, brought to light by M. Calmette, editor of the Figaro, and which caused profound indignation throughout the country.

To appreciate the crisis which the French army is now undergoing, it should be borne in mind that after the downfall of the Empire, the only careers left open to the sons of the old nobility and of the reactionary imperialists were the army, the navy, the church, and the judiciary. In the conservative regime of the Presidency of Marshal MacMahon, two-thirds of the officers of the army were Royalists, Bonapartists, or merely fair weather republicans. As pointed out by M. Bertaux in a debate in the Chamber of Deputies, officers of plebeian birth or those whose family ties were out-and-out republican were ostracized and treated as pariahs. Instances are cited of a captain who was refused promotion solely because he attended the civil burial of the daughter of one of his friends; of a major whose advancement was delayed ten years simply because he was a Jew, and of dozens of officers persecuted because they did not attend service in the Roman Catholic church. In the administration of the War Office by General Mercier, the chief of staff of the army, General de Mirabel, openly proclaimed that it would "be criminal not to favor officers who shared my own religious and political convictions." Abundant evidence was adduced, establishing the fact that the Jesuit priest, Pere du Lac, supplied private notes concerning army officers which were consulted by the Minister of War before submitting the annual lists of promotions to the President of the Republic. One of the Ministers of M. Meligne's Cabinet called the general staff the "Jesuitiere." Officers of every branch of the army who were known to be republicans or non-Catholics were left out in the cold and boycotted by their brother officers, with the tacit approval of their superiors.

With the advent of General de Boisdeffre to the post of chief of staff, the mysterious influence of Pere du Lac became greater than ever. Officers were denounced as "subject to suspicion" because, according to secret reports, they were in the habit of reading the republican newspaper, the Temps. A young officer, reporting to join his regiment, was asked by his superiors if he had any family friends or acquaintances in the town. "The perfect and the procureur-general," was the reply. "Oh, you have, then, very undesirable social relations," was the rejoinder. A Orleans captain saluted one of his

comrades of the same grade, who did not return the salutation. "The latter, when asked for an explanation, said: 'I never salute Jews!'" When the former sent his seconds to demand an apology or reparation, the reply was: "I never fight duels with Jews!"

The spirit of caste and reaction was fostered in the cavalry regiments to such an extent that in these aristocratic corps republican officers were cruelly boycotted. A regiment of dragoons paraded one day with a pennon bearing the fleurs de lys—the emblem of royalty. The colonel's explanation was that the tri-colored pennon "was being repaired." A general actually refused to salute President Loubet, alleging as an excuse that he "did not know him!" Colonel Sever, a retired engineer officer, states that from 1870 to 1894 the reactionaries were complete masters of the army.

The late M. Waldeck-Rousseau, when he selected General Andre to succeed General de Galliffet, as Minister of War, impressed upon him the necessity of weeding out caste and privilege from the promotion lists, and of "thoroughly republicizing the army." General Andre threw himself heart and soul into the task. Reform began on two main lines—the recruitment of the officers and the modification on a democratic basis of the curriculum and discipline of the military schools. It was perhaps unfortunate that General Andre was a member of the Masonic fraternity. He appointed his nephew, Captain Mollin, also a Free Mason, member of his military Cabinet. Captain Mollin was entrusted with the duty of obtaining information concerning the political and religious opinions of officers previous to their selection for promotion. Captain Mollin did not hesitate to apply for information to M. Vadecard, Secretary of the Grand Orient Masonic Lodge of France, calling for details of the most confidential nature concerning the private lives and surroundings of army officers. Captain Mollin organized with M. Vadecard an effective counter-check to the alleged spying system of the military clericals and their ecclesiastical friends, the provincial curates and monks. The private detective system of the military Jesuits were replaced by a private detective system of the military Free Masons of the Grand Orient. Instead of the Jesuit priest, Pere du Lac, it was the Masonic acolyte, Le Frere Vadecard, Secretary General of the Grand Orient of France, who became the leading Pinkerton of the French War Office. The espionage of the domestic lives of officers continued as in the old days, but the boot was now on the other leg. Instead of an instrument of clerical reaction, the detective system became an effective weapon of radical republicanism.

The Paris Figaro caused a tremendous sensation by obtaining from M. Bidegain, a Free Mason of the Grand Orient of France and secretary of M. Vadecard, copies of hundreds of letters exchanged between Captain Mollin of the Cabinet of the Ministers of War and the Grand Orient. The publication of these secret and compromising documents came like a thunderbolt. M. Bidegain, who is alleged to have been bribed, and who delivered the correspondence to the Figaro, has disappeared, and is the object of Masonic vengeance. The nature of the letters may be judged from the following example. Captain Mollin on July 13, 1901, wrote an official letter to the Grand Orient, stating that the Minister of War was about to select a new commander for the Military School of St. Cyr, the French West Point. Captain Mollin stated that the Minister had in view three officers for the post, General Laplace, commanding the fourth brigade of Dragoons at Sedan; General Lacoste, commanding the Eighth Infantry Brigade at Saint Quentin, and General Herson, commanding the Sixty-fourth Infantry Brigade at Albi. The letter from the War Office stated that it was of urgent necessity that the post should be intrusted to an "anticlerical republican," and called for detailed information concerning the private life and an opinion of the three general officers named above. In less than a week detailed documentary replies from the Masonic lodges of the Grand Orient of France at the garrison town where the three generals resided—Saint Mihie, Saint Quentin, and Albi—were forwarded to Captain Mollin by M. Vadecard. The reports in respect to two of the generals were most unfavorable, stating that one general actually sent his daughter to a Catholic seminary, and that in a speech, when he made the distribution of prizes to the students, the name of "God" recurred with "objectionable frequency."

General Andre, Minister of War, when questioned in the Chamber of Deputies, stated that Captain Mollin, his nephew and secretary, had been authorized to ask for and to receive information concerning the political opinions of officers but not in the nature of those published by the Figaro. General



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Andre disavowed these letters, blamed such proceeding, and announced that Captain Mollin, who had resigned his commission, which resignation had not been accepted, had been sent to rejoin his regiment.

It is only fair to place upon record that this system of spying into the private lives of officers is vigorously denounced, not only by the clerical reaction, but also by the leaders of three important groups of the republican party—M. Georges Leygues, representing the united democrats; M. Ribot, chief of the progressive republicans; and M. Millerand, head collectivist. Moreover, American Free Masons will rejoice to learn that all the Masonic lodges working in France under the Scottish Rite have come forward and publicly proclaimed their severance of all connection with the Masonic fraternity of the Grand Orient of France, which, in a flaming electioneering manifesto has avowed its determination to act as a political organization, and "to save the republic in future, as it has already done on several occasions in the past." The taking of an active part in politics and the canon of atheism of the Grand Orient of France are in absolute contradiction with the established principles of Free Masonry as practised in the United States and Great Britain.—Paris Correspondent New York Tribune.

**Not His Element.**

Half a dozen summers spent on the New England coast and an acquaintance with many retired sea-captains have combined to prove to at least one young woman that "a life on the ocean wave" does not lead to a life of salt-water bathing.

One summer—her first at the seashore—she selected in her mind an old captain who had been round the world many times as the best possible person to teach her how to swim.

"You will give me swimming lessons, won't you, Captain Rand?" she said, with her most winning smile.

"Me? Well, I guess not, young lady," said the captain, glancing benevolently at her for a moment, and then returning to his whittling. "I haven't swum a stroke for more'n twenty years, and I never was what you could call a swimmer, anyway."

"Why, I thought sailors always swam splendidly," said the girl, with reproach in her voice.

"When they do they're apt to be foolhardy, and make no end o' trouble on board," said the captain, shaking his head. "There's enough uses for their legs and arms climbing aloft and stepping around lively at their work without flopping into the water every chance they get."

"Well, at any rate, you believe in salt-water bathing, don't you?" demanded the disappointed one, summoning fresh hope.

"Believe in it," echoed the captain, meditatively. "I've got to believe in it because I see it going on summer after summer; and it's all right enough for landlubbers, maybe. But as for me, I followed the sea thirty five years, and during that time enough salt water washed up onto my my gill work to last me the rest of my days. You get the clerk down to the grocery-store to teach you swimming. It's more in his line than mine."

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**News In The Wilderness.**

The telephone is now extensively used in the lumbering business. The result of this bringing science into the wilderness will probably be that soon, from certain points of views, there will be no wilderness at all. The Electrical Review says that throughout the forests from St. Johns to Vancouver lumber-camps are now connected by telephone which also unites the saw-mills or wood-pulp works of frontier towns and large cities.

Years ago it was the custom of the lumber interests to maintain a force of couriers, hardy men, who would travel twenty five miles a day through the wilderness by rough forest paths. Now, at stated hours, the mill calls each camp in turn, to receive reports and give instructions to the foreman. Letters are read to lumberman snowed in the forest fifty or a hundred miles away. Then answers are dictated to the stenographer at the office, who writes out his notes and mails them.

One of the difficulties in logging is the formation of the "jam" a collection of logs at some narrow place in a turbulent stream. Other logs floating down the river pile themselves up at the obstructed point, and it requires great labor, attended by actual peril to remove the logs from their position. Sometimes dynamite has to be used to blow up the "pack," and of course much lumber is destroyed in the explosion. Now whenever a jam begins to form one of the men who patrol the river bank gives notice by telephone to the men up the river to stop the further flow of logs at calm places, called "trips," and it is an easy matter to break a small jam by summoning men from from points farther down the stream.

The human side of life is also made warmer and more vivid by this means of communication in the wilderness. A lumberman at Hoquiam, Washington, was crippled for three years by an accident in the forest, and during his recovery he directed a logging business of half a million dollars a year from his sick-room by the use of the telephone.

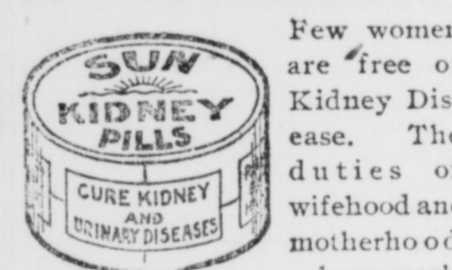
One day, when a party was coming down the west branch of the Penobscot, in the wilds of Maine, they were surprised at seeing the guides turn their canoes to the bank. "What's the matter?" asked one of the travellers.

"We're going to order your supper," was the answer.

One of the men opened a small box of a lumberman's telephone at the side of a tree and spoke to a camp miles away, saying that the party would arrive at night, and giving directions for supper. Ten hours later the weary tourists arrived at the spot where their welcome and their supper were ready.

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8.15 A Aroostook Junction, and intermediate M points.

11.33 A All points North including Presque M Isle and Edmundston.

1.25 P For Fredericton, via Gibson Branch.

3.10 P For Perth Junction, Plaster Rock and M intermediate points.

6.00 P For Houlton, St. Stephen, Fredericton, M St. John and East; Montreal and West; Portland and Boston. Palace Sleeper McAdam to Montreal. Pullman Sleeper McAdam to Boston. Parlor car McAdam to St. John.

**ARRIVALS.**

11.33 A. M.—From St. John and East; Houlton, St. Stephen, Boston, Montreal and West.

12.10 P. M.—From Fredericton via Gibson Branch.

1.17 P. M.—From Plaster Rock and intermediate points.

6.00 P. M.—From Fort Fairfield, Caribou, Presque Isle, Edmundston, and intermediate points.

6.30 P. M.—From Aroostook Junction and intermediate points.

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