IT WILL OUT___

A GREAT MYSTERY.

"Do you mean that you are on the ring at the bell, and I learned that right track?" he asked. have the man under lock and key." for drink. He forced his way into the "And his name is?"

in her majesty's navy," cried Gregson, remark about having missed his train. pompously, rubbing his fat hands and He then turned to Alice, and, before ond floor, and there was a small corand relaxed into a smile.

"Take a seat and try one of these you. I have money enough and to something that made me feel sickish, cigars," he said. "We are anxious to spare. Never mind the old girl here, in spite of my twenty years' experi-

"The fun of it is," he cried, "that death." that fool Lestrade, who thinks himbabe unborn. I have no doubt that he has caught him by this time. The idea tickled Gregson so much that he laughed until he choked.

"And how did you get your clew?" "Ah, I'll tell you all about it. Of ed next?" course, Dr. Watson, this is strictly between ourselves. The first difficulty which we had to contend with was the finding of this American's antecedents. Some people would have waited until their advertisements were answered, or until parties came forward and volunteered information. That is not Tobias Gregson's way of "No; he has a latch-key, and let "The man was seen," continued Les- ers, Barrow; C, 14,100 tons, Clydebank hat beside the dead man?

"Yes," said Holmes; "by John Underwood & Sons, 129 Camberwell Road." Gregson looked quite crest-fallen. "I had no idea that you noticed

that," he said. "Have you been there?" "Ha!" cried Gregson, in a relieved voice; "you should never neglect a chance, however small it may seem." "To a great mind nothing is little," remarked Holmes sententiously.

"Well I went to Underwood, asked him if he had sold a hat of that

Sherlock Holmes. Her daughter was in the room—an un- a most suspicious aspect." commonly fine girl she is, too; she was "Very," said Holmes. looking red about the eyes, and her "He still carried the heavy stick or satisfaction upon his face. Mr. Sherlock Holmes, when you come "What is your theory, then?"

ing in her throat to keep down her wrong scent." agitation. 'His secretary, Mr. Sanger- "Well done!" said Holmes, in an encatch the first.'

have murdered your brother.'

know how much we know of it.' her mother; and then, turning to me, He is utterly innocent of it. My he said, at last—"a most incomprehendread is, however, that in your eyes sible affair." and in the eyes of others he may "Ah, you find it so, Mr. Lestrade!" appear to be compromised. That, how-appear to be compromised. That, how-cried Gregson, triumphantly. ever, is utterly impossible. His high thought you would come to that concharacter, his profession, his antece- clusion. Have you managed to find "'Your best way is to make a clean son?"

breast of the facts,' I answered. 'Decontinued, 'I had no intention of telling you all this, but since my poor ting any particular.'

nearly three weeks. He and his secreing on the Continent. I noticed a plot thickens." tary, Mr. Stangerson, had been traveltrunks, showing that that had been their last stopping-place. Stangerson was a quiet, reserved man, but his employer, I am sorry to say, was far otherwise. He was coarse in his habits of intelligence?" stammered Gregson. Cided relief, and in about two month's door steps and into the room, moving much the worst for drink, and, indeed, after twelve o'clock in the day he could hardly ever be said to be sober. His manners toward the maid-servants wiew of the matter," Holmes observed. pills to ward off any possible recursumbolo are so much larger than their when opened suddenly upon them. manners toward the maid-servants "Would you mind letting us know rence of the trouble. were disgustingly free and familiar. what you have seen and done?" Worst of all, he speedily assumed the "I have -no objections," Lestrade and kindred troubles, will sors, who are most effectively armed with the chargest and hottest of ninesame attitude towards my daughter, swered, seating himself. "I freely con- avoid much suffering and save money with the sharpest and hottest of pinc-Alice, and spoke to her more than fess that I was of the opinion that by taking Dr. Williams' Pink Pills at cers. So the attacked insects made once in a way which, fortunately, she Stangerson was concerned in the death the outset of the trouble. Sold by all scarcely any resistance, but gathered the outset of the trouble. Sold by all scarcely any resistance, but gathered as they is too innocent to understand. On one of Drebber. This fresh development has dealers or sent postpaid at 50c. a box up as much of their larvae as they could carry and fled at the top of occasion he actually seized her in his shown me that I was completely mistak- or six boxes for \$2.50, by addressing could carry and fled at the top of the expected to get any money in their speed. They fairly carpeted the marrying me. arms and embraced her—an outrage en. Full of the one idea, I set myself the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brock—their speed. They fairly carpeted the marrying me. "But why did you stand all this?" I asked. 'I suppose that you can get rid of your boarders when you wish.'

pertinent question. him notice on the very day he came,' ployed between 8.30 and the time of the crime, and what had become of the crime, and what had become of Londoners. But Londoners don't children applied wisps of burning him notice on the very day he came,' tion. They were paying a pound a day him afterward. I telegraphed to Liv-drink water only. The beer consumed straw to the cracks which the coneach—fourteen pounds a week, and erpool, giving a description of the man, amounts to 150,000,000 gallons every quering ants had entered and burned this is a slack season. I am a widow, and warning them to keep a watch year, equal to a distribution of almost them at the very place of their vicand my boy in the navy has cost me upon the American boats. I then set a pint to every man, woman and child tory. much. I grudged to lose the money. to work calling upon all the hotels in the world. Of neat spirits London I acted for the best. This last was too and lodging-houses in the vicinity of demands about 4,400,000 gallons a year. much, however, and I gave him notice Euston. You see, I argued that if Our tea drinkers are an army of mil-

just now, but I did not tell him anything of this, for his temper is violent,

"They would be likely to agree on fortably take in the whole of St. Paul's will cure you that e we will send you, and he is passionately fond of his sister. some meeting-place beforehand," re- Cathedral, for it contains over 928,- prepaid, a free sample of Catarrhozone

------Mr. Drebber had returned. He was "The right track! Why, sir, we much excited, and evidently the worse room where I was sitting with my "Arthur Charpentier, sub-lieutenant daughter, and made some incoherent

know how you managed it. Will you but come along with me now straight ence. From under the door there curl-"I don't mind if I do," the detec- Poor Alice was so frightened that she had meandered across the passage and tons, Chatham; Ocean, 12,900 tons, Devtive answered. "The tremendous ex- shrunk away from him, but he caught formed a little pool along the skirtertions which I have gone through her by the wrist and endeavored to ing at the other side. I gave a cry, onport; Albion, 12,900 tons, Thames during the last day or two have worn draw her toward the door. I screamed, which brought the Boots back. He Ironworks; Formidable, 14,700 tons, me out. Not so much bodily exertion, and at that moment my son Arthur nearly fainted when he saw it. The Portsmouth; Irresistible, 14,700 tons, you understand, as the strain upon came into the room. What happened door was locked on the inside, but we Chatham. the mind. You will appreciate that then I do not know. I heard oaths and put our shoulders to it and knocked Mr. Sherlock Holmes, for we are both the confused sounds of a scuffle. I was it in. The window of the room was "You do me too much honor," said I did look up, I saw Arthur standing dled up, lay the body of a man in his 12,900 tons, Vickers', Barrow; Implaca-Holmes, gravely. "Let us hear how in the doorway laughing, with a stick night-dress. He was quite dead, and you arrived at this most gratifying in his hand. "I don't think that fine had been for some time, for his limbs The dective seated himself in the "I will just go after him and see what ed him over, the Boots recognized him tons, Devonport; Venerable, 14,700 tons, arm-chair and putted complacently at he does with himself." With those at once as being the same gentleman Chatham; A. 14,000 tons, Thames Iron-

self so smart, has gone off upon the Charpentier's lips with many gasps and part of the affair. What do you supthe secretary, Sangerson, who had no I could hardly catch the words. I I felt a creeping of lessh, and a pre-

> Holmes, with a yawn. "What happen- ters of blood," he said. the detective continued, "I saw that ent for a while.

"'I do not know,' she answered. "'Not know?'

"'After you went to bed?' "'When did you go to bed?' "'About eleven.' "'So your son was gone at least two

"'Possibly four or five?"

"'What was he doing during that ing white to her very lips.

asked him if he had sold a hat of that size and description. He looked over thing more to be done. I found out to be at work. He has an impression tons, Earle's, Hull; Perseus, 2,135 tons, the year ending 31st December last, bed a reddish Earle's. Hull; Pyramus, 2,135 tons, the year ending 31st December last,

didn't escape my notice. I began to having with him when he followed which could furnish a clew to the asleep. It has known all the time just smell a rat. You know the feeling, Drebber. It was a stout oak cudgel." murderer?" he asked.

boarder, Mr. Enoch J. Drebber, of between them, in the course of which in it, but nothing had been taken. must come to the surface frequently to The mother nodded. She didn't stick, in the pit of the stomach, per- ordinary crimes, robbery is certainly where he is going, and that at best on the transactions of the year, and in seem able to get out a word. The haps which killed him without leaving not one of them. There were no pap- they have a speed of but eight knots daughter burst out into tears. I felt any mark. The night was so wet that ers or memoranda in the murdered an hour, and can operate within a very this branch this company has shared more than ever that these people no one was about, so Charpentier man's pocket, except a single telegram small radius. To cope with these hid- in the general unfavorable experience. dragged the body of his victim into the dated from Cleveland about a month den terrors, the English are building It is encouraging, however, in consider-"'At what o'clock did Mr. Drebber empty house, As to the candle, and the ago, and containing the words, 'J. H. torpedo boats to go 35 knots, or about ing the future prospects of this busileave your house for the train?' I blood, and the writting on the wall, is in Europe.' There was no name ap- 40 land miles per hour—as fast as an ness, to observe that the heavy losses and the ring, they may all be so many pended to this message." "'At eight o'clock,' she said, gulp- tricks to throw the police on to the

something of you yet."

woman's face as I asked the question. volunteered a statement, in which he a couple of pills." Her features turned perfectly livid. It said that after following Drebber for Sherlock Holmes sprang from his veiling vessel which was the sensation cause for congratulation in the fact was some seconds before she could get some time, the latter perceived him, chair with an exclamation of deout the single word 'Yes,' and when it and took a cab in order to get away light did come it was in a husky, unnatural from him. On his way home he met an old shipmate, and took a long walk ly. "My case is complete." "There was silence for a moment, with him. On being asked where his The two detectives stared at him in and then the daughter spoke in a calm, old shipmate lived, he was unable to amazement. give any satisfactory reply. I think "I have now in my hands," my com-"'No good can ever come of false- the whole case fits together uncom- panion said, confidently, "all the tion. hood, mother, she said. Let us be monly well. What amuses me is to threads which have formed such a

"You had best tell me all about it dress were, however, wanting. His pills?" now,' I said, 'Half confidences are face was disturbed and troubled, while "I have them," said Lestrade, pro-

the secretary, Mr. Joseph Stanger-

CHAPTER VII. daughter has disclosed it, I have no greeted us was so momentous and so he endured was something agonizing, and they have the excellent quality of alternative. Having once decided to speak, I will tell you all without omitunexpected that we were all three and he was not able to do any work fairly dumbfounded. Gregson sprang for some months. His hip was drawn letting human beings alone, little at-"'It is your wisest course,' said I.

secretary. They had been seen to-!gether at Euston Station about half past eight on the evening of the third. "Mrs. Charpentier blushed at my been found in the Brixton Road. The in the Home Magazine concerning what doned. At two in the morning Drebber had question which confronted me was to London drinks every year. No less A few minutes later, however, the "Would to God that I had given find out how Stangerson had been em-

Alas! in less than an hour there was a yesterday evening in making enquir- year.

o'clock I reached Halliday's Private Hotel, in Little George Street. On my son was living there, they at once answered me in the affirmative. "'No doubt you are the gentleman he was expecting,' they said. 'He has

been waiting for a gentleman for two 'Where is he now?" I asked. "'He is upstairs in bed. He wished to be called at nine.' "It seemed to me that my sudder appearance might shake his nerves don dispatch. open, and beside the window, all hud- No less than 16 battleships of the

too terrified to raise my head. When open, and beside the wisdow, all hud- tons, Laird's, Birkenhead; Vengeance, fellow will trouble us again," he said. were rigid and cold. When we turn- 700 tons, Portsmouth, Bulwark, 14,700 his cigar. Then suddently he slap- words he took his hat and started off who had engaged the room under the works; B, 14,000 tons, Thames Iron- general, both as to parchment and pen-

side, which must have penetrated the head; D, 14,000 tons, Palmer's Parrow. thy the last testament, now at Somer-"This statement came from Mrs. heart. And now comes the strangest Cruisers, first-class, 17, completing— set House, of the late Sir George Parkpauses. At times she spoke so low that pose was above the murdered man?" Andromeda, 11,000 tons, Pembroke; er, whose daughter has just died at made short hand notes of all that she I felt a creeping of flesh, and a pre- Argonaut, 11,000 tons, Fairfield, Glassaid, however, so that there should be sentiment of coming horror, even begow; Amphitrite, 11,000 tons, Vickers', had only a tiny scrap of paper on force Shouldely Walnut and when it "It's quite exciting," said Sherlock "The word 'Rache, written in let-

the whole case hung upon one point. There was something so methodical Fixing her with my eye in a way and so incomprehensible about the 000 tons, Vickers', Barrow; Sutlej, 12,- led on material prepared to defy the which I always found effective with deeds of this unknown assassin, that 000 tons, Clydebank Co.; Euryalus, 21,- decay of years. women, I asked her at what hour her it imparted a fresh ghastliness to his 000 tons, Vickers', Barrow; Bacchante, crimes. My nerves, which were steady enough on the field of battle, tingled

trade. "A milkboy, passing on his Co.; D, 14,100 tons, Fairfield, Glasgow; way to the dairy, happened to walk down the lane which leads from the E, design not completed; F, design not mews at the back of the hotel. He completed. moticed that a ladder, which usually lay there, was raised against one of the windows of the second floor, which was wide open. After passing, he looked back and saw a man descend the gow Co.; Hermes, 5,600, Fairfield, who was appointed to act as Secretary, ladder. He came down so quietly and Glasgow; Highflyer, 5,600 tons, Fair- read the following. openly that the boy imagined him to field, Glasgow. be some carpenter or joiner at work

his books, and came on it at once. He where Lieutenant Charpentier was, that the man was tall, had a reddish Earle's, Hull; Pyramus, 2,135 tons, had sent the hat to a Mr. Drebber, took two officers with me, and arrest- face, and was dressed in a long, brownresiding at Charpentier's boarding ed him. When I touched him on the ish coat. He must have stayed in the Building or projected —Pandora, 2,establishment, Torquay Terrace. Thus shoulder and warned him to come room some little time after the mur- 200 tons, Portsmouth; Pioneer, 2,200 quietly with us, he answered us as der, for we found blood-stained water tons, Chatham. "Smart-very smart!" murmured bold as brass: 'I suppose you are ar- in the basin, where he had washed his resting me for being concerned in the hands, and marks on the sheets where "I next called upon Madame Char-death of that scoundrel Drebber,' he he had deliberately wiped his knife." pentier," continued the detective. "I said. We had said nothing to him I glanced at Holmes on hearing the land's steadiness of policy in maintainfound her very pale and distressed, about it, so that his alluding to it had description of the murderer, which ing her naval supremacy lies in the tallied so exactly with his own. There move which she has made to meet the was, however, no trace of exultation French advance in the construction of

"Nothing. Stangerson had Dreb- making in submarine navigation.

Holmes asked. son, said that there were two trains— couraging voice. "Really, Gregson, man's novel, with which he had read of these fast boats have just been or- for materially advancing rates and 000. No sooner was the result known one at 9.15 and one at 11. He was to you are getting along. We shall make himself to sleep, was lying upon the dered bed, and his pipe was on a chair be-"'And was that the last which you "I flatter myself that I have man- side him. There was a glass of water aged it rather neatly," the detective on the table, and on the window-sill "A terrible change came over the answered, proudly. "The young man a small chip ointment-box containing

"'Arthur would rather that we ing, and who now entered the room, them with my own eyes. I will give speed anything affoat. spoke the truth, the girl answered generally marked his demeanor and you lay your hand upon those

worse than none. Besides, you do not his clothes were disarranged and unducing a small white box; "I took tidy. He had evidently come with the them and the purse and the telegram, One Army Invades a Schoolroom to Attack 'On your head be it, Alicel' cried intention of consulting with Sherlock intending to have them put in a place Holmes, for on perceiving his colleague of safety at the police station. It 'I will tell you all, sir. Do not imagine he appeared to be embarrassed and put was the merest chance my taking Catholic school at Mpala, on Lake Tan-Hon. S. C. Wood, S. F. McKinnon, Thos.

To be Continued. A FISHERMAN'S TRIALS.

Attack of Scintica Which Caused the Most Excructating Agony.

Mr. Geo. W. Shaw, of Sandford, N.S., seem to have dropped into a sort of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and finally tack. decided to do so. After using them Their squadrons moved forward in "I have just come from his room," time every trace of the trouble had very rapidly and began the fiercest of said Lestrade. "I was the first to dis- disappeared, and he has not since been an attack upon the enemy, whom they troubled with any illness. Mr. Shaw surprised at home engaged in their "We have been hearing Gregson's says he occasionally takes a box of peaceful occupations. Though the Ma-

Some curious particulars are given city that had been so suddenly abanto leave on account of it. That was Drebber and his companion had be- lions, and call for twenty-five million Catarrhozone is a liquid, fragrant and come separated, the natural course for pounds of tea, which, when reduced to cleansing, which rapidly volatilizes the latter would be to put up some- liquid consistency, means something when inhaled. What is it for? It is "My heart grew light when I saw where in the vicinity for the night, like 1,250,000,000 pints, or nearly a pint an absolute, never-failing cure for him drive away. My son is on leave and then to hang about the station for every inhabitant of the world. Our catarrh of the throat or nasal passages.

ies entirely without avail. This morning I began very early, and at eight BOUND TO RULE THE SEA. inquiry as to whether a Mr. Stanger- ADDITIONS BEING MADE TO GREAT BRITAIN'S NAVY.

Formtdable Battleships and Cruisers to Augment the Fleets-Submarine Craft Also to be Built.

It is interesting to note what unusual activity is displayed just now in the English shipyards, says a Lon-

guarded. The Boots volunteered to first class and 28 cruisers of various inflating his chest.

my very face, proposed to her that she
Sherlock Holmes gave a sigh of relief should fly with him. "You are of age,"
he said "and there is no law to stop ed out the door to me, and was about in tons of displacement and the yards he said, "and there is no law to stop to go downstairs again, when I saw in which they are building, is as fol-

Building or projected - Glory, 12,000

ble, 14,700 tons, Devonport; London, 14,we heard of Mr. Drebber's mysterious of death was a deep stab in the left works, C, 14,000 tons, Laird's, Birken-

12,000 tons, Clydebank Co.; A, 14,100 British American Assurance Co.

-Gladiator, 5,750 tons, Portsmouth; terday. Hyacinth, 5,600 tons, London and Glas-

"'I do not know,' she answered, turn- in the hotel. He took no particular Cruisers, third-crass, 7, completingnotice of him, beyond thinking in his Psyche, 2,135 tons, Devonport; Pemone,

SUBMARINE CRAFT.

lips trembled as I spoke to her. That which his mother described him as "Did you find nothing in the room The British Admirality has not been

what progress the Frenchman was upon the right scent—a kind of thrill "Well, my theory is that he followed ber's purse in his pocket, but it seems The English naval experts are slow, in your nerves. Have you heard of Drebber as far as the Brixton Road. that this was usual, as he did all the but exceedingly thorough. They have the mysterious death of your late When there, a fresh altercation arose paying. There was eighty-odd pounds considered that these submersive boats Drebber received a blow from the Whatever the motives of these extra- enable the navigating officer to see express train. They are to be well incurred during the past year, coupled "And there was nothing else?" armed, and able to play at will with the unprofitable results of some tion last summer which will remain any submarine craft-to destroy it like preceding years, have led to a general noteworthy through the receipts hav-

> ON THE TURBINE PLAN. turbine principle, as developed in past.

miralty of the value of the innova- reduction in its reserve fund The principle embodied in the Tur- Total cash income . . \$ 1,472,307.36 frank with this gentleman. We did think of Lestrade, who had started off tangle. There are, of course, details binia has been considerably modified, Total expenditure, inupon the wrong scent. I am afraid he to be filled in, but I am as certain so as to increase the manoeuvering "'God forgive you!' cried Madame won't make much of it. Why, by Charpentier, throwing up her hands Jove, here's the very man himself!" that Drebber parted from Stangerson vessel will have six turbines and four and sinking back in her chair. You It was indeed Lestrade, who had as- at the station, up to the discovery of propellor shafts, and steam will be adcended the stairs while we were talk- the body of the latter, as if I had seen itted into them. They will exceed in

BATTLE BETWEEN ANTS.

Another Lodged in the Walls. arises from any fear lest he should have had a hand in this dreadful affair. He is utterly innocent of it. My

To be Continued.

The should have had, and uncertain what to do.

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This is a most extraordinary case,"

To be Continued. when the invading foe appeared on the scene. The deserted room became the theatre of a hotly contested battle between the ants that had their homes in the cracks of the stone walls and who died recently at the age of 83 pend upon it, if your son is innocent he will be none the worse.'

"The secretary, Mr. Joseph Stanger-follows the occupation of a fisherman, and like all who pursue this arduous fight from the fields. The thousands of an officer lying calling is exposed frequently to inclesive of ants living in the walls are known six o'clock this morning." ment weather. Some years ago, as a result of exposure, Mr. Shaw was attacked by sciatica, and for months are very large and black, and as it is The intelligence with which Lestrade suffered intensely. He says the pain almost impossible to get rid of them, La Toscana, 10c. RELIANCE CIGAR almost impossible to get rid of them, out of his chair and upset the re- out of shape by the trouble, and the tention is paid to them. The invadmainder of his whisky and water. I doctor who attended him said that it ing ants were not more than a third stared in silence at Sherlock Holmes, had also affected the spine. After be- as large as the other species. They whose lips were compressed and his ing under the care of a doctor for are called Sialou and are nomads and brows drawn down over his eyes. several months without getting re-thieves by nature. When they dis-"Stangerson, too!" he muttered. "The lief, Mr. Shaw discontinued medical covered the home of the peaceful treatment, and resorted to the use of black insects they ielt certain that a "It was quite thick enough before," plasters and liniments, but with no rich booty of larvae awaited them and grumbled Lestrade, taking a chair. "I better results. He was advised to try lost no time in advancing to the at-

fierce little enemies, they could not when opened suddenly upon them. floor as they moved toward the doors, while their conquerors lost no time WHAT LONDON DRINKS YEARLY. In further attack upon the unresident than wages.

load seemed to be lifted from my mind. "So it proved. I spent the whole of London drinks 50,000,000 gallons every dress within one week. Write us. 000 cubic yards. Of aerated waters and an inhaler if you send your ad-N. C. Polson & Co., Kingston, Ont

But for insomnia or sleeplessness, and that unnatural weakness and weariness of mind, body, nerve and muscle, a reliable tonic is needed, like gives sweet, refreshing sleep and overcomes that tired feeling. It has the endorsement of millions as the best medicine money can buy. Take only Hood's.

A REMARKABLE WILL. manship, makes all the more noteworlife at Cawnpore during the Mutiny, Barrow; Spartiate, 11,000 tons, Pem- was made it was carried through the bad, and mother wants to know how "That was it," said Lestrade, in an Building or projected-Aboukir, 12,- his ear. Fragile as it is, it will doubt-"When Mrs. Charpentier paused," awe-struck voice; and we were all sil- 000 tons, Fairfield, Glasgow; Cressy, 12,- less outlast as a curiosity at Somerset 600 tons, Fairfield, Glasgow; Hogue, 12,- al history, many a bulky MS. enscrol-

ANNUAL MEETING.

shareholders of this company was held plus shows a balance of \$29,894.52 and Cruisers, second-class, 4, completing at its offices in this city at noon yes- a surplus to policy-holders of \$1,321,-The President, Hon. Geo. A. Cox, oc-

The directors beg to submit the pany embracing the transactions for and a statement of the assets and liabilities at the close of the year. In the fire branch, while there has

been a slight reduction in the premium income, the results as a whole have been fairly satisfactory, showing a moderate margin of profit, notwith- she had saved toward going abroad. standing the fact that there were some serious conflagrations during the year in which the company was involved for considerable amounts-notably, the almost total destruction of the City of New Westminster in September last. The closing months of the year were marked by a succession of exceptionally disastrous storms, both on the ocean and on the great lakes, which resulted in an unprecedented loss of life and property. As a consequence all companies engaged in the business of marine insurance show a heavy loss

the directors feel assured will place a tax bill, demanding 10 per cent of the business on a much more satisfac- the profits. They are to be built on the tory footing than for several years

the wonderful Turbinia, the swift-tra- The directors feel that there is of the Diamond Jubilee naval review that the company has passed through at Spithead. This vessel was not per- a year which, in many respects, has "The last link!" he cried, exultant- fect from a naval standpoint, but the been a trying one to those engaged in inventor, the Hon. Charles A. Parsons, fire and marine insurance business, has made such changes and improve-and paid its usual dividened to share-ments as to satisfy the British Ad ments as to satisfy the British Ad- holders without making any material Summary of financial statements-

cluding appropriation for losses under adjust-

ment . . . 1,442,412.84 Balance. \$ 29,894 52 Dividends declared. . . Total assets . . . \$1,519,164.18 Total liabilities

Surplus to policyholders . \$1,321,011.88 to serve as directors for the ensuing which the pupils and their teacher sequently, Hon. Geo. A. Cox was electwere compelled to abandon in haste ed President and Mr. J. J. Kenny Vice-President.

A SURGEON'S BRAVERY.

Surgeon General Sir James Mouat.

PECULIAR WILL. A millionaire who died in Boston a few days ago directed in his will that no one owing him less than \$3,000 be required to pay.

True blessedness consisteth in a good

Stammerer Every stammerer they will come and will talk if they will come and satisfy yourselves. No risk. W. K. BATE, Specialist, 392 College St., Toronto.

LIONS FEAR UMBRELLAS.

A German professor, in giving his

experience as an explorer in the wilds

of Africa, says that the best protec-

y cropantil peld. J. mulbell. BiquaCity, la.

Was Jack insulted? Insulted? He told papa that a good home was more of an object to him

Novel Way of Bringing People to the House of Worship. With respect to religious services it

has often been said that "Fools who came to scoff remained to pray," but a new and more polite version of the line, says the London Telegraph, has been furnished by Lincoln's Inn, under whose auspices "those who came

to pray remain to lunch." Interesting as is the chapel of the inn, good as is the music, excellent as is the sermon, hitherto the services have been but poorly attended. The Benchers seem anxious to remedy this state of things, so they have made a regulation which will doubtless be much appreciated, reminding men of their college days and college breakfasts. It is now open to every member of the inn, in inviting a friend to attend chapel, to accompany his invitation with an offer of hospitality, and after the service it will be permissible for him to entertain his guest at a cold luncheon, which will be served in the hall at one o'clock. It was rather unfortunate that the inauguration of this regulation, adds the Telegraph, should have taken place in such unpleasant weather, but it may easily be foretold that in the spring and summer the gardens after service will be resplendent with well dressed ladies who have honored aspir-

NEAT PROPOSITION. In these energetic go-ahead days, we are continually hearing of some new and curious way of making money, but the following method is, perhaps, as ingenious as any previously devised: A little boy entered a drug store, and marching up to the druggist said:

ants to the woolsack by accepting in-

vitations to "chapel and lunch."

BRITISH AMERICA ASSURANCE

over town?

much you'll give her to spread it all

COMPANY. Attention is directed to the report which appears elsewhere of the sixtyfifth annual meeting of the British America Assurance Company, which took place on the 16th inst. The fire branch shows a moderate margin of profit, despite serious fires entailing considerable amounts which occurred The sixty-fifth annual meeting of the during the year. The financial sur-011.88.

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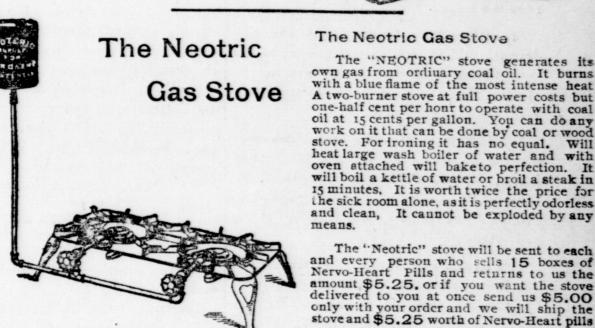


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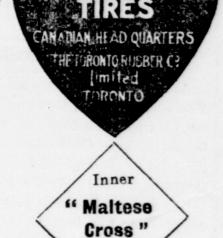
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