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Wilhelm and his boys—Left to right, Kaiser, Crown Prince Eitel Frederick, Prince Albert, August, Oscar and Joachim; below, Kaiser conferring with staff officers.

Kaiser Wilhelm and his boys are on their toes for the fray. The emperor held a long secret conference with his sons at his Potsdam castle last week. The Kaiser also has held several conferences with the officers of his army at the rendezvous of the German army near Potsdam.

Judgment.
When the dread day comes, with dissolving heat, and we all line up at the judgment seat, to hear what the Judge decrees—the quick from their gift of their drawing rooms, the dead from the dust of their ancient tombs, and those washed up by the sea—I think that many a military professor, who think their titles are written clear, will find that there was a flaw, and some who wander in sink or swim, will enter into kingdom come that hypocrite never saw. For the Judge, he readeth the hearts of men, and the things write there by life's iron pen, are strongest of evidence, and of no avail are the made lies of those who would sneak into paradise through a hole in the southeast fence. — Emporia (Kan.) Gazette.

A Lot of Influence.
The following anecdote well illustrates the exalted position Sir Wilfrid Laurier occupies in the minds of the less educated French-Canadians. Some years ago an illiterate old Canadian came into Quebec from the country, where he met a friend who he had not seen for years. In the course of conversation the name of Queen Victoria, and was much astonished to learn that she was dead. "Dead!" he echoed, "and who has taken her place?" When he was told that the Prince of Wales was now the ruler of the British Empire he exclaimed, "Gee! The Prince must be a lot of influence with Sir Wilfrid to get a big job like that." — The Bils.

Remarkable Bat Cave.
In a mountain near Mostabab, Luzon, there is a large cavern, with many branching chambers and a certain two hundred feet in height, perforating the mountain top, from which, in December, 1907, Hugh M. Smith saw issue a solid column of bats, which flew rapidly in a straight line for fifteen minutes, disappearing over a mountain range in the direction of Manila, without a single bat having left the column. American engineers stationed there testified that the flight of bats had occurred at practically the same time each day during two years. From other sources it was learned that the phenomenon had been observed for at least thirty years.—Youth's Companion.

The Compliments of the Class.
The country schoolmistress sent word to the school that owing to an attack of illness, she would be compelled to discontinue the sessions for the day. Towards evening she was pleased to receive a large bouquet of wildflowers from the class; and was giving vent to grateful speech for this thoughtful manifestation of sympathy, while she undid the wrapper, when this gift fell from it: "Teacher, stay sick to-morrow, too, and we'll send you another bunch!"

Providential Bowlegs.
"Providencia," said the deacon, "sho' do look after de cullud race."
"How come?" demanded Brother Dickey.
"Well, hit's disaway: De nigger baby, de day any, walk too soon."
"Sho' do!" asserted Brother Dickey. "Dat makes him bowlegged."
"Now you talkin'!"
"An' bowlegs is de most convenient legs in de worl' fer alumbin' a tree w'en a possum's on de top limb!"

At the Desert Interval.
Parson Prater (at dinner)—At this season there is no teaching of the Scriptures to be more timely than the sentiment: "The Lord loveth a cheerful giver." The Parson's Prodigal—Please pass me another piece of pie, pop.—Boston Courier.

IS LEPROSY CONTAGIOUS?
Specialists Still Doubtful Whether One Person Can Give It to Another.

There is possibly no disease the presence of which inspires greater fear in the public mind than does leprosy. This is perhaps in a measure due to the loathsomeness of the disease in its later stages, but it is in most cases simply fear of a name.

The disease or diseases spoken of as leprosy in the Bible are popularly supposed to be the same as the leprosy of today, and the evident fear of the leper inspired in the people of old is held to justify the dread with which he is still regarded. The Biblical descriptions do not, however, fit modern leprosy, so that whether the fear of the "leper" of olden times was or was not justified it should not be allowed to color the view with which the leper of to-day is regarded.

Leprosy is indeed an infectious disease, that is to say, it is due to the presence in the tissues of a bacillus, after the Norwegian physician who discovered it; but whether it is contagious under the ordinary conditions of modern life in temperate climates, at least, is held by specialists to be a question of the skin to be very doubtful.

Of the few lepers known to the physicians in all the larger cities some are cared for in hospitals, others live at home and visit the clinics or the doctor's office from time to time; yet an instance in which another person has acquired the disease from any of these lepers is unknown.

There are many diseases more to be dreaded than leprosy because more readily fatal, more painful or more contagious; yet none of them except perhaps smallpox is more feared.

The illogical terror of leprosy may be the cause of great cruelty to those afflicted. There are thousands of people who show culpable indifference to the enforcement of the laws against spitting in public places, although they know from time to time that the flight of bats had occurred at practically the same time each day during two years. From other sources it was learned that the phenomenon had been observed for at least thirty years.—Youth's Companion.

Arbitrated.
Conversation among travellers is frequently absurdly trivial. After several days together, as on shipboard, the most unimportant matters with the deepest interest. R. H. Milligan, in a book entitled "The Jungle Folk of Africa," recounts with what success of the crusade against tuberculosis hinges largely upon care in this regard. Yet these same persons would fly in horror from any place that had harbored a leper.

Plains and Striped.
The all-white shirt is always of feature. In this one stripes of sponge weave make the contrast between the two kinds of crepe even. The lower third of the skirt is of the triple and a crosswise band of the same trim the tunic.

The vest is of plain white net with pearl buttons and a tiny bow of lawn embroidery, like that used for the trimming.

GOLF A SERIOUS STRAFT.
Demand For Almost Inhuman Perfection on the Links.

Immediately after playing a game of golf and making a fairly good score, a prominent man committed suicide. Though there is no reason to suppose that there is any causal relation between golf and suicide, yet the incident calls to mind certain characteristics of the game, at least as they appear to a beginner. The serious intensity required far outdoes that demanded by baseball or tennis. Good-natured indifference is regarded on the links as an aesthetic crime. A man who contemplates the landscape, or enjoys the atmosphere of a golf course, is regarded as a person who indulges in conversation overheard by the serious ones, he is looked upon as a common pest. That gloriously free thing, the baseball "froter," does not affect the nerves of the calm and automatic player; but a laugh, a careless motion, or an irrelevant gesture on the golf links is a sign of moral and aesthetic turpitude. It is because the golf player begins the sport later in life, when he has fully developed nerves and moral sensibilities, that the game has the half-trigger character.

In golf, there is a certain demand for almost inhuman perfection, not only in skill, but in form, etiquette, and the minor moralities; and such demand for excellence is a strain on the imperfect human being.

Not Instinct, but Habit.
If anything in the entire animal kingdom would seem to be a matter of pure instinct, that thing is the traditional antipathy of cat and mouse. Yet a recent study by C. S. Berry, made in Professor Munsterberg's laboratory at Harvard, shows pretty clearly that a cat has no instinctive impulse to kill and eat mice—or the mouse has no instinctive fear of cats. Berry finds that a mouse may smell the nose of an inexperienced cat, or even perch on its back, and be quite safe, so long as it does not run away. For the instant of the kitten is to chase any small mouse—effect—ball, spool, tail, mouse—indifferently. It is not the mouse that interests it, but the mouse in motion. Some day, often by accident, the kitten plays too roughly with its captive, and discards that there is meat inside. It is well known that cats specialize their hunting, some catching mice, some squirrels, some birds. It seems, in each case, to depend on accidents of discovery. A good mouse, then, is not a cat with a strong instinct for catching mice, but one with a strong habit of doing so.

Advice From the Bench.
Some years ago many farmers along the line of the Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railway brought suit against Brown. Judge Gantt, who was presiding, was compelled to throw many of the cases out of court because they were improperly brought. Brown made all over. Swelling with indignation, he arose and said: "Your Honor, will you please tell me how it is possible in this court to get justice against a railroad company?" Judge Gantt quietly ignored the contempt of court shown by the lawyer and asked: "Do you wish an answer to that question, Mr. Brown?" "Yes, sir," said the indignant lawyer; "yes, sir, and I want to know how a farmer can get his case into this court so that it will be heard."

Judge Gantt smiled and said: "Well, Sir, Mr. Brown, I'd advise the farmer to bring a lawyer."

Brown smiled.—Cleveland Leader.

Woman Champion Cotton Picker.
The world's record for cotton picking is held by Miss Margaret Montgomery, of Stillwater, Okla. In a four-hour contest she picked 350 pounds, or eighty-seven and a half pounds an hour. She defeated crack cotton pickers from all parts of the cotton-growing belt, averaging about five pounds an hour more than her nearest competitor. Miss Montgomery is the daughter of a wealthy cotton grower and she picks only for her own amusement. There were men and women in the field against her. For three hours she easily led everybody then she began to lag. She lacked the training of the others but showed her pluck by holding on and retaining her lead until the time limit expired.

Cultivate Friendliness.
It is the self-centered hero who lays bold of us—it is because of the comradely of heroes. Dumas' "Three Musketeers" (and the Gascon who made the greater fourth, with their oath, "Each for all, and all for each") inherit that "kingdom of romance." How seldom one pauses to think of the infinite meaning of friendliness, how little it costs and how ever-widening is its circumference.

Had Sensitive Ear for Music.
A Munich servant girl has given no reason because she says her mistress persists in playing classical music for a couple of hours every morning, although she has not the slightest notion how it should be interpreted.

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