

DROPPING WITH A PARACHUTE.

A Circus Balloon Man Says It's Gentle and Not Extra Hazardous.

"Coming down from the clouds in parachute is like a dream," said a circus balloon artist. "Ever dream of falling from a high place? You come down alight quietly and awake, and you're not hurt. Well, that's parachute drop over again. No, there is no danger. A parachute can be used readily on the down trip, but you can't steer a balloon. To guide a parachute out of harm's way a practised hand will tilt it one way or the other, spill out air, and thus work it to where you want to land, or to avoid water, trees, chimney or other obstructions. Circus ascensions are generally made in the evening. When the sun goes down the wind goes down. The balloon then shoots into the air and the parachute drops back on the circus lot, or not far away. A balloon is made of four cent muslin and weighs about 500 pounds. A parachute is made of eight cent muslin.

"There is much more danger in coming down in a balloon. When it strikes the earth it's like a big ball, and hounds up again taking you with it. Not long ago in McKeesport, Pa., I went down in a balloon because the parachute would not let go. I nearly came down in a big stack of a blast furnace, but the hot air drove the balloon away. After that I never trusted the parachute arrangements to any one, but attended to it myself.

"The rope that secures the parachute is cut with a knife. The aeronaut drops fully 100 feet before that parachute begins to fill. It must fill, if you're up high enough. There are several hundred parachute men in the business and the accidents are less in ratio than railroad casualties. Our business is new at that. After a while the ratio will be less. A man can't shake out a parachute, if it don't open. A man in the air is simply powerless. Invariably the fall is head first. When the parachute begins to fill the descent is less rapid, and finally it bulges out with a pop. Then the aeronaut climbs on to his trapeze and guides the parachute to a safe landing. In seven cases out of ten, you can land back on the lot where you started from. The first performers must have had nerve to make the drop. Now, it is a regular business, not considered hazardous, at all. The hardest work is to bring back the balloon with a wagon. Sometimes it tears in the trees, or where ever it may land when not in open.

FOUR CHILDREN'S COLDS, CROUP OR WHOOPING COUGH.
You Will Find Griffiths' Menthol Liniment, Taken Internally, and Applied to the Chest and Back Between the Shoulders, Superior to Any Other Remedy.

Mrs. J. A. Sutton of McNab-street N., Hamilton, writes: Last winter our boy Edward had kept us awake several nights with a hacking cough. Cough mixtures did not relieve him. One night, when putting him to bed, we gave him several drops of Griffiths' Menthol Liniment, on sugar, and rubbed his chest. He did not cough that night, and in less than two days, with continued treatment, was completely cured. Griffiths' Menthol Liniment is a pure emulsion of Menthol and is the only non-toxic emulsion made. 25 and 75 cents.

Ocean Speed.

The news that the North German Lloyd line is to build a ship bigger than the biggest afloat, the White Star Oceanic, and faster not only than the fastest afloat, its own Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse, but faster than the fastest building, the Hamburg-American Deutschland, was a body blow to the theory of which the Oceanic is the most conspicuous illustration, namely that the competition in ocean speed is over and that the later vessels will retrograde toward a slower gait and the greater economy that comes with it. On the greatest ferry in the world, the Atlantic, the best is none too good for the ferried, and the best is the boat that will cross the sea in the shortest time.

The first steamers made in Germany for the Atlantic passenger trade, the Spree and Havel, were built ten years ago only; yet there is to-day to the credit of German yards the fastest sea-going steamer, already named above, another, which will go her from half a knot to a knot better, and will be in service before this year is out, and a new unnamed one which is to be built to beat them both. Shipbuilding has rapidly become one of the greatest and most successful industries of Germany.

As sails disappear from the sea, they take most of its romance with them. Speed is about all that is left. Yet the end is nowhere in sight, since the advance in speed is still being carried on by means of the old-fashioned system of propulsion, the ponderous reciprocating engine. The engine which drives the fastest boat in the world, the British torpedo-boat destroyer Viper, the steam turbine, with which Mr. Parsons, the inventor, is ready to construct sea steamers of thirty knots, has not yet appeared on the Atlantic, and no man can tell what electricity will do aboard ship some day. Great as this promised German ship will be, she will be an old-fashioned craft whose day of brilliancy is likely to be cut short by the new type of steamers already looming up for the consideration of the engineer.—N. Y. Sun.

Kumfort Headache Powders are all right. They quickly cure.

Manitoba Wheat.

Winnipeg, Man., May 5.—General Manager Thompson, of the W. W. Ogilvie Milling Company, when questioned Thursday regarding the seeding operations throughout the province, said: "Wheat seeding has been completed under very desirable circumstances. Wheat on heavy land is not really in need of immediate moisture, and altogether the situation is very satisfactory. The increase of acreage, taking the province throughout, will not be less than 15 per cent. The recent cold weather has not done the wheat any harm. The seeding of the coarser grains is progressing. There will be an increase of 25 per cent in the acreage of oats. The increase in barley and other grains cannot yet be estimated."



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Notice how the boys are chumping for our suits, they don't see them yet, but they do know our suits are always on top.

All very little men will like our brownies, they are made so nice, with coat and pants, and little vests to form the front, every one nicely trimmed with Military Braid, prices \$2.00, 2.50, 2.90, 3.25, 3.75 and 4.25.

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The Little Men's Friends.



The Secret Of Masonry.

The story is told of a Mason's wife, Who plagued him almost out of his life, To learn the secret—whatever that be—The mystic words of Masonry.

Said he, "Now Mary, if I should tell The awful words, I know very well When you get mad, my darling dear, You'll rip them out, that all may hear."

Said she, "Oh Edward, Never! Never! They'll rest in my heart's recess forever! Tell me, Edward, and never more, Shall I scold, or fret, or slam the door; And I'll try to be quiet with all my might, No matter what hour you come at night."

No man unless he was made of wood, Could resist an offer so fair and good.

So he said, "Now Mary, my woe or weal Depends on the words I am about to reveal."

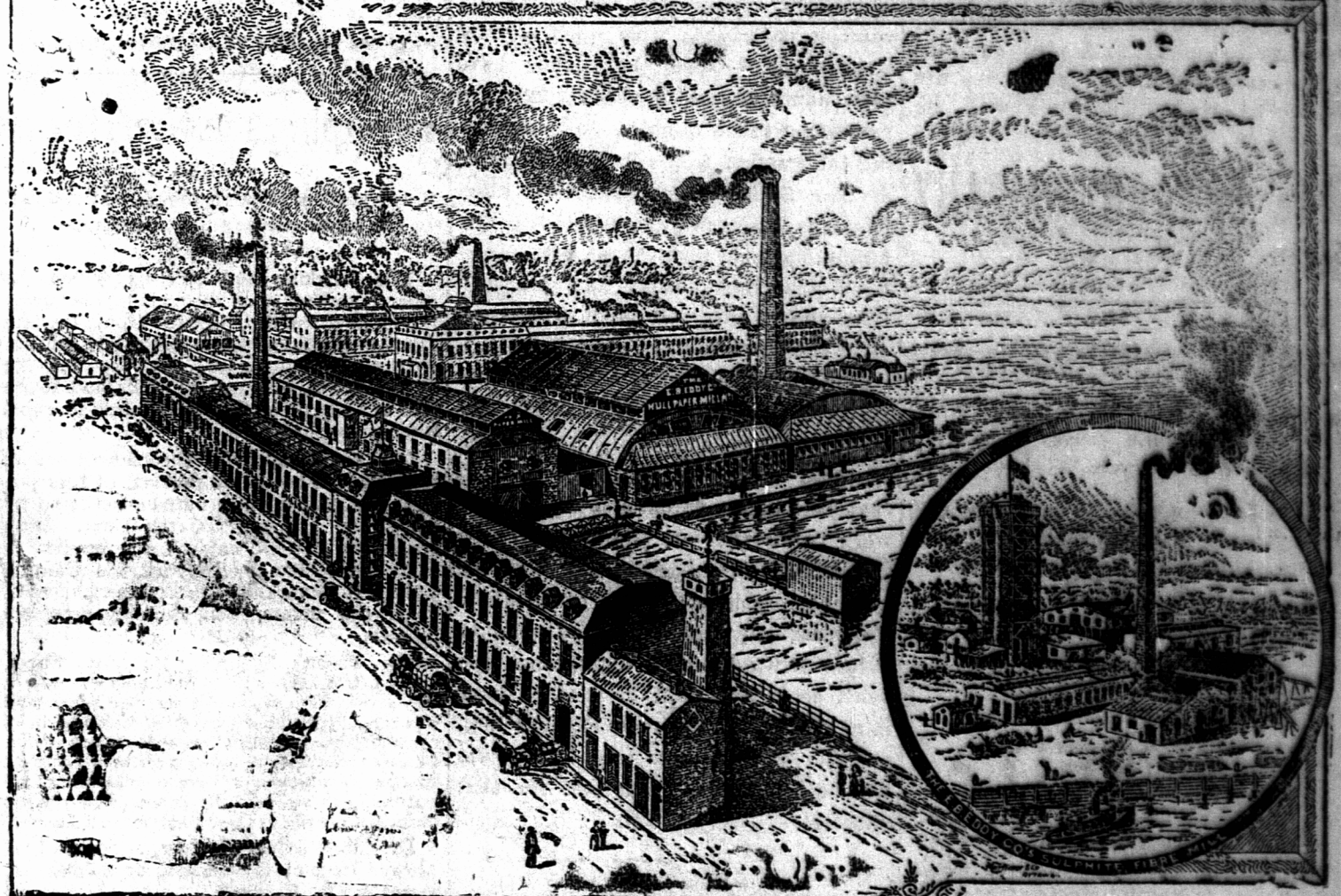
"Oh Ned," she answered, "You may depend, I'll keep the secret till life shall end."

Said he, "The secret that Masonry screens, The awful words are 'Pork and Beans!'"

Scarcely a week had passed away, When Mary got mad, and what did she say?

She shouted out that all might hear, "Pork and Beans! I've got you there."

—Clipped.



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CAPT. PELLETIER IN LONDON.

Says Several Canadians Were Killed by the Gordons.

MONTREAL, May 3.—The Star has the following cable to-day:—London, Eng., May 3.—Captain J. E. Pelletier of Montreal, belonging to the Quebec Company, R. C. R., and not Major Pelletier, is reported as the French-Canadian officer invalided home, and now residing as a private guest in a house in the West End, suffering from sunstroke and wounds. His left leg, neck and right leg, are temporarily paralyzed, yet he talks bravely of going back to the front. His doctor hopes he may be able to leave and recruit his health at Brighton in a week or so. Captain Pelletier confirms the statement that five or six Canadians were killed or wounded at Paardeberg by accidental bayonetting by the Gordons. As the Canadians fell back on the trenches the Gordons mistook them in the half-light for Boers. Capt. Pelletier adds that the Gordons were not for a moment to be held blameworthy. He expresses the heartiest appreciation of his kind treatment.

General Smith-Dorrien's command is highly praised by a Captain of the Leinsters, also invalided. He says he saw much of the Canadians and other colonials. The soldierly qualities of the Canadians excited universal admiration.

Gatacre as a General.

In the late Mr. G. W. Stevens' book, "With Kitchener at Khartoum," General Gatacre, who is returning home, is referred to as a model officer. "He set to work to make his men hard. Amazing stories floated down to Halfa, rebuking us with the stern simplicity of life at rail-head; no drink, perpetual marching, to sleep every night in your boots. The General, we heard, had even avowed that he meant to teach his men to march twenty miles with out water bottles." Mr. Stevens claims that, as a result of this training "after a month and a half of General Gatacre, five miles with rifle and ammunition and 9-pound kit is very much

the same thing to the British soldier as walking downstairs to breakfast is to you." A story is told of one of his famous long marches in the Sudan. The men were getting weary and falling out, while Father Brandle, the well-known Roman Catholic army chaplain, was endeavoring to cheer them up to renewed efforts:—"Come la s," he said, "It's only another mile to the next halt." "Yes father," replied a man, "but it's a blessed Gatacre mile." The General is cool to frigidly under fire. At the Atbara he charged in the first rank, and was himself busy pulling down the thorn hedge of the zereba, when a Dervish rifle was aimed at him at very close quarters. He went on tagging away at the mass of thorns, saying to the man next to him, "Just shoot that fellow," and the Dervish was promptly dropped before he could make up his mind to fire. It was during the Chitral campaign that General Gatacre earned his nickname of "Back-acher."

There is nothing so trying as a hard day's work once a week. If you work every day, you get used to it.

After all, nearly everything is knocked down to the highest bidder.

TENDERS

DEPARTMENT PUBLIC WORKS, Charlottetown, May 7. SEALED TENDERS will be received at this department until noon on **Thursday, 17th May.**

From any person or persons willing to contract for the Repairing of Seal River Bridge, Lot 54, according to plan and specification to be seen at the residence of Mr. John McAnis, Seal River or at this office.

This department does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender. The names of two persons willing to become bound for the faithful performance of the work must accompany each tender.

Tenders to be marked "Tender for Seal River Bridge." RICHARD SMITH, Sec'y Public Works.

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