

SOLDIERS IN TRADE.

Retired British Army Officers Who Act as Tea Drummers.

Military-Looking Callers at High-Toned Residences Are Regarded with Suspicion—Business and Pleasure are Combined.

Half-pay colonels in the British army are adding to their incomes in a way that has given life a new terror. They are acting as agents for tea companies. This isn't reprehensible in itself, but the way in which they sell the tea is the woman of the house who selects always a rich and fashionable abode—receives a card bearing the name "Col. Indoo Jaundess," for instance. She has never heard of Col. Jaundess, but she supposes it all right and flutters down to the reception-room to meet him.

The gallant half-pay officer, with white mustache and whiskers, in a well-fell, carmine face, is faultlessly attired, says a London exchange. He bows kindly to the unwary hostess enters. Then, after a few preliminary remarks about the weather, he tells her that with money at two per cent and Jabez Balfour in Argentina times are somewhat hard. This she assents to, but looks a little puzzled as if she didn't quite see how the fact should have led to the honor of a visit from Col. Jaundess.

At this she smiles in a superior way, and, beaming all over with happiness at the interesting news he has to disclose, she tells her that this is just the point and that the low price of stocks has led him into a little piece of enterprise on his own account. Then, before anything is said, she presents to him, he produces from a hind pocket a half-pound sample of hyson and smilingly asks her to buy it and to become a regular customer.

She notices also that he needed a protector. She rang for the footman, who was six feet three.

It is not surprising, therefore, that at West-end mansions particular attention is paid to military officers by the servants. They say that when Gen. Roberts called upon a lady once the butler said to her: "I asked him if he was selling tea, mum, so as to make sure."

At an "at home" a young man was ushered in as "Mr. Teenum." The hostess was civil to him, thinking she had met him somewhere, and introduced him to every body. He showed no inclination to go, and, in fact, out-sat all comers. They were alone.

"I know you'll forgive me," she said, sweetly, but I've actually forgotten. Mr. Teenum, may I have the pleasure of meeting you?"

"Oh! You never met me before," replied the youth, coolly. "The fact is, I am selling tea of a new brand, which I'm sure you'll like. I came on your 'at home' day so as to be sure of finding you in."

"I didn't expect to have to wait so long to get you by yourself," he continued, "but my friends and I have had at least a dozen cups, and I think we can beat it hollow at tuppence a pound cheaper. You see, our firm, being in the district, is very popular."

But soldiers aren't the only ones in England who go in for tea. Artists have taken up the subject. It is simply trying to see at the academy this year how many painters have set their caps to mere tea and biscuits. Some subjects as "Pouring Out Another Cup" and "The Old Tea Caddy That Grandmother Used to Own," or "Teapot Talk." The most artistic of the artists of them are painted in the hope that some firm that advertises will buy them for the chrome market. Ever since a soaphouse purchased a painting by Millet at a high price, artists have worked with an eye to this particular chance. Such titles as "Sopsens in June" and "Psyche at the Washbasin" permeate the catalogue. Overtures may even be composed to celebrate the men and Nubbins' hair restorer. If this isn't art, what is it?

Senator Harris' Plain Living. Senator Harris, of Tennessee, is not one of the bon vivants of the higher body of national legislation. He is very democratic in his gustatory tastes; a pair of hard-boiled eggs and a bottle of beer of the ice is his favorite lunch in summer, and during the R months he eats raw oysters covered with red pepper, never forgetting the cold bottle of beer.



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FATE OF GOLD HUNTERS.

Driven Insane by Thirst While Seeking Fortunes on the Colorado Desert. Misfortunes that have overtaken so many wretched desert gold hunters seem to have no effect on other seekers after fortune, says the Palm Springs correspondent of the New York Herald. He says that the unknown prospector who was carried into Yuma recently insane for the want of water and food. The unhappy man put in an appearance at his home in the comfortable village of Durmiel on the Southern Pacific track. Durmiel is in the heart of the desert, and a few miles from Salt Lake. This and Volcano are the only habitable places in the region. For many miles in the vicinity of Volcano Springs nothing grows. The ground is treacherous, for under its seemingly firm exterior are boiling mud wells. There is shelter in their hunt for gold deposits. Here the prospector first brought himself to notice by asking for a shovel.

"I've got a dead burro out yonder," he remarked, gazing to the west, "and I want to get it." The shovel was given him and away he started. He came back some time after and said he had buried the carcass some distance from the ground. It was considered strange at the time, as no one here ever thinks of burying an animal. The dry air desiccates the body as completely as if it had been subjected to the heat of an oven. He buried the dead animal for several hours and then left Durmiel, where he mentioned his loss. There he stayed, refusing all offers of food, but picking up his shovel and going on his way. He could find about the place where he buried the dead animal, which even a coyote would have searched, he ate greedily. Then he asked for a shovel and announced his intention of going to his burro, as he had found a sweeter remedy against death. The shovel was given him, and though the beast had been interred three or four days, the crazy man did not discover the remains. He came back, saying that the long journey had done him no good and that he was going to live. The section men sent word that they had an insane man sent to their camp and feared he would die, as he had no food. The conductor of a freight train ordered the insane man to be taken to Los Angeles and placed in a hospital. The man was taken to Los Angeles and placed in a hospital. The man was taken to Los Angeles and placed in a hospital.

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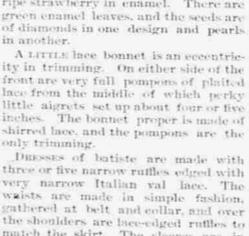
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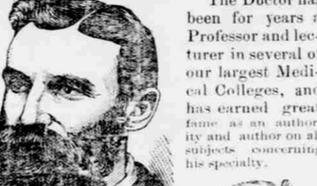


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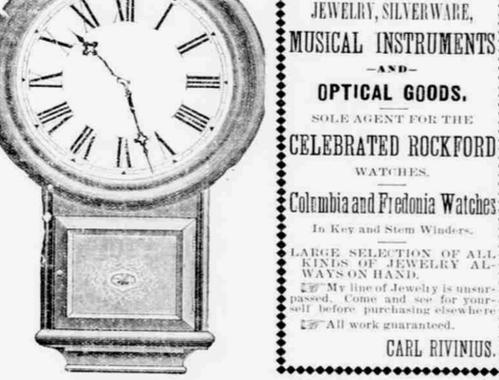
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AMERICAN TEA.

Grown in Gardens in South Carolina—A State Agriculturist's Opinion. Some fine specimens of American tea have been sent from Fayette, N. C., to the New York Herald. The results of the sales seem to indicate that the culture of this crop in parts of the south may yet lead to large fortunes. It is not generally known that attempts have been made to establish tea gardens here before the war, and that since the end of that outbreak systematic efforts have been made to revive the old gardens.

Dr. Shepard says that the leaf grown in the south is better for black than for green tea. The leaf of picking is about twenty-five cents a pound of cured tea. On a large scale, and with the best apparatus for gathering and curing, this cost might be largely reduced. The tea plant is a hardy bush that cheap culture could never be made profitable here on account of the lower wages that rule in Japan and India and China, but the higher price for tea in the south is a good thing.

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A NEW GAME NEEDED.

Why What Has Ceased to Be Recreation for Most of Us. The old-fashioned whist, enjoyed the game and cheerful pleasant recollections of the evenings which away by this pastime, says the Indianapolis Journal. These people do not play whist any more. They have gathered together the needed fourth is sure to be a disciple of the new system; he plays "scientific" whist and seems his haphazard methods. He may be a good player, but he speaks his contempt, but he makes it visible in his air of patient endurance and the sad droop of his eyelids.

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