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I. DR. SAMUEL PITCHER, of Hyannis, Massachusetts,

Housekeeping in a German City Explained in Netail.

SOME INTERESTING COMPARISONS

Some Figures as to Rent, Food, Servants, Washing, Etc., in the Bavarpared with the Dollar.

Philip G. Hubert, Jr., in the New York

Evening Post. The first thing that a man with a family has to do upon arriving in the German city where he has decided to live, is to find an apartment. Hotels are out of the question upon the score of expense, and even if money is no preferred to a hotel if one wishes to earn anything of the language. An the risk of sickness, American might live in a Dresden of Berlin hotel for ten years without learning enough German to get along with in the shops; in a boarding-house he will be sure to hear German at every meal, and will begin almost uns consciously to absorb it. But for persons of moderate means and a family even boarding-houses are expensive in good Berlin pensions are nearly qual to New York prices for similiar accommodations. In Dresden prices are lower, and in Munich fair board may be had in pleasant quarters for about a dollar a day per person, or perhaps a little less. For comfort and economy however, an apartment in which a family may keep house is necessary, and the day after I got to Munich I started out to find what I felt sure must be waiting for me-an apartment or five six rooms, comfortably furnished, and at a moderate rental.

#### HOUSE HUNTING.

no means so sure of it. To begin with. able Americans like ourselves, he told ed. me, always lived at respectable hotels like the one we were in, and where my bill, by the way, for four adults, one dellars a day. I sallied forth, nevertheless, and notwithstanding my limin what the man said: that is to say, and I put a demand for what I wanted into the Neueste Nachrichten, Munich's best and practically only newsfurnished flats were to be had, but and have it furnished with everything requisite for housekeeping, paying so niture. There are two large firms in Munich, one in Dresden, and several in Berlin that rent furniture in this way, and supply even silverware, china

and linen. The next day, armed with a number of permits from the house-agent-there is but one so far as I know in Munich and found nothing to suit. But we learned a great deal about house-hunta year in Europe as a good thing for ing money. With us in New York a tenant gives his landlord three month's many the time is six months, and no unfurnished apartment is rented for many houses had bills on them, these referred to apartments that would be a year later. It is not worth while to try to find a decent apartment for less than six months. the price of an apartment for three months I found that the sum named was very little, if any, below what would be asked for six months. Germans cannot understand people who want to move every three months.

ADVERTISING. After experience in apartment-hunt ing in both Munich and Dresden, I found that advertising is the quickest and virtually only way of finding what one wants, for as no one makes a regular business of furnishing apartments for rental, and the real-estate agent is almost unknown, there is no regular market or exchange for apartments. But in every large city there are people who for one reason or another want to get away and have apartments on their hands. A short advertisement setting forth exactly what you need the number of rooms, quarter of the city, and length of time required, is pretty sure to bring scores of answers. price demanded, sent to the newspaper office. It any strange turn or expres-sion betrays the foreigner, the price ty-four cents, will go here almost as It any strange turn or expres-

some answers which promises well, get out the price before making your appearance on the scene. Finally, when you have found an apartment that suits you as to position, character, and er of the performance. A seat in the suits you as to position, character, and er of the performance. A seat in the price, consult some resident of the city gallery costs from twenty-five to fifty 82,000 pounds. This is covered by a avoid settling in an inconvenient part of the city, or in some quarter exposed to nuisances of which no strangwould suspect the existence. There are parts of Munich and Dresden so inaccessible from the shopping quarters, the opera, and the picture galian Capital -- The Mark as Com- leries, and so poorly served by the cars as to make them out of the question for Americans; and yet they are among the prettiest quarters of both cities, A resident of the city will give you advice on these points. He will also tell you that new buildings are to be avoided in Munich, for they are so solidly built, and so thickly covered with tons of mortar put on to imitate stone, that they require, in so damp and cold a elimate more than a year to dry, New object, a good boarding-house is to be houses are rented at a discount for the first year or two, the tenants taking

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### LOCATED AT LAST.

My house-hunting ended in taking a small apartment, three flights up, consisting of parlor, dining-room, kitchen, two good-sized bedrooms, and one small one. All the rooms were bright and sunny. The building was of good class in a quiet street. The I should say that the prices of board furniture was of an excellent characincluding linen, was supplied. For this apartment I paid eighty marks a month for six months, a trifle less than twenty dollars a month. It must be said, however, that I was particularly The owner or tenant, fortunate. lady, who answered my advertisement, had to leave Munich for the summer on account of sickness in her family. and sublet the apartment rather than leave it empty. Other apartments I saw of about the same character were nearly twice the rent, and I should say that the average rent of such an apartment in Munich would be about 150 After a day's hard work I was by marks a month. The regular rent of the apartment I had, furnished, was the porter of the excellent hotel at \$200 a year. I have paid \$600 a year which we put up informed me that in New York for an unfurnished flat there were no such things as good fur- in no way superior to this one, for nished apartments in Munich: respect- which I paid here \$20 a month furnish-

Domestic servants ask in Munich bill, by the way, for four adults, one about half the wages the same girls small child and a maid, was twelve would receive in New York, once they are able to speak a few words of Eng-A very good cook is well paid ited knowledge of German, managed with eight dollars a month, and exto find out that there was some truth pects to have only two evenings a month to herself for outing purposes no one seemed to make a business of A good chambermaid or waitress selfurnishing apartments for renting. I dom receives more than six dollars a walked for miles through the best month. If one will consent to take quarters of the town, inspecting the girls fresh from the country, wages placards on the doors. Not one fur- are lower, but foreigners have to emnished apartment did I find. Every ploy maids familiar with city ways, house seemed to have single rooms, and a cook competent to do the marnicely furnished, to rent, and there keting and wrangle with the janitor, were plenty of unfurnished apartments, who, in Munich as in New York, is a who, in Munich as in New York, is a Finally, after a day's hard and wasted great personage, who counts for much work, I did what all Americans in in the welfare of a tenant. \*Personal quest of anything ought to begin by service of every kind costs in about doing. I called on our consul for help. the same proportion. Many families Our excellent consul, since then dis- in Munich, perhaps I may say most of placed under the pernicions system the well-to-do people, have their washthat turns a consul our as soon as he ing done outside of their apartments, knows enough of a country and city and it is therefore cheap. The weekly to be of use to strangers, was Mr. J. cost of our wash for four persons was L Corning, who took me to the office never more than one dollar, including of a house agent and explained what ten pfennigs, or two cents and a half, I wanted. He also suggested that a gratuity to the pretty peasant girl short advertisement in the leading who came for it weekly, and with the newspaper might save time and help of a little hand-cart and a big trouble. The agent gave me the ad- dog carried it no one knows how many furnished flats, miles into the suburbs. Personal service of any kind is rewarded with a few pfennigs. The man who brings the coal and wood, the boy or girl who paper. I also discovered not only that brings a parcel from a shop, the grocery boy, etc., all expect a small tip, that I could rent an unfurnished flat but it is so small as not to be worth considering in making up the cost of housekeeping. Ten pfennigs seem to much a month for the use of the fur- go as far as twenty-five cents in New York for similar purposes.

Meat seems to be dear all over Ge many and not so good as at home. To its high cost, and the absence of refrigerators and ice, is due probably to the habit of relying largely upon the delicatessen shops, where the German housewife buys daily just enough we tramped the streets until dark roast meat, sausage, or ham to suffice and found nothing to suit. But we for dinner. Vegetables are remarkably The ordinary price of soupcheap. ing in Germany, which may be of ingreens for a family—onions, carrots terest and value to those who think of celery root, and parsley—is only five pfennigs (one cent and a quarter). children, and a good way of sav- Excellent lettuce costs from three to five pfennigs a head; spinach is about one-quarter the price it is in New York. notice of his intention to leave; in Ger- potatoes are four pfennigs a pounr apples are ten pfennigs a pound. Bread and milk cost about the same in Muless than a year; so that, although nich as in New York, but both are always excellent, the authorities keeping a sharp eye upon the dairies and vacant five or six months later, or even milk-dealers. Tea, coffee, and sugar cost about the same as at home, but fancy groceries, such as crockers, or Whenever I asked biscuits, as the English call them, jellies and marmalade, not being in com-Scotch orange marmalade that we buy for seventeen cents in New York, costs just double in Munich and Dresden. Coal and wood for the porcelain stoves to be found in every German room, cost trifle less than at home. The usual car-fare in Munich and Dresden for distances under two miles is ten pfennigs, the charge increasing with the distance, and if you are a frequent patron of the horse-cars, it is customary to give the conductor an occasion al tip of ten pfennigs. Street-cars in Germany stop only at certain places along the route. But, if you have made friends with the conductor, this rule may be violated to your advan-

CHEAPNESS. The American coming to Germany or the first time will be particulary ed with the cheapness of wol Have the advertisement written by a len clothing, furs, gloves, jewelry and German, and the answers, with the eigars. In every one of these items, I am inclined to think, after careful

will rise; if no price is mentioned in far as a dollar in New York. The density and flexibility. As much care same proportion holds good with rea German acquaintance to call and find gard to lessons, schools, and theatres, out the price before making your apconcerning it; in this way you may cents, while any one who wants to jacket which slips off and on, accordstand up can get it for twenty cents. In Berlin the opera costs nearly double these prices. From our own experence in living in Munich and Dresden, and from that of the scores of each. The breech-lock is a piece of Americans whom we have found over say that before one has been here a delicate processes known to science. year, the mark looks quite as big a the dollar used to do at a home, and that with ordinary care it can be made to accomplish about as much except n the item of food.

#### A GREAT WORK.

#### The Major's Fine Work Paralyzed the Highwaymen.

From the San Francisco Call "I notice," said Major Blazem, th ther day, "that the police officers of this city do some remarkably fine work with the revolver occasionally."

The remark was made in a tone of voice loud enough to cause the loafers in the Occidental botel lobby to look up and manifest some slight interest

"Yes, sir," he continued, looking all around the lobby, "they do very fair with some surprise. work. But I am somewhat of an adept myself at that business, as you will own after having heard my story. "Several years ago-about fifteen, I

think-I was riding from San Jose to San Francisco on my safety---"But, my dear major," I said, wishing to call his attention to the fact that safeties were unknown at that

time, "unless I err-"You do, sir; you do," he thundered. You are so young, sir, that you do not even know that it is unmannerly to interrupt an older gentleman when he s talking.

The major grew very red in the face of a sudden. Then he cleared his throat violently and began again: "As I was saying, I was riding from San Jose to San Francisco on my safe-

ty"-here he glowered at me-"when a footpad, or a wheelpad, I should say, held me up at the point of his pistol. threw up my hands, just to show him how small they were. "He relieved me of \$200, a watch that

had been in our family since 1327-"Before Christ, sir?" inquired a mildaced gentleman on an opposite chair. "No. sir, after," retorted the major. "The watch is the identical one by which, in later years, the captain of the Mayflower regulated his cabin timepiece, borrowing it from my ancestor for that purpose

"After going through my pockets the robber made me exchange wheels with him and then rode off, "In those days I always carried a

long-barreled 38-caliber revolver with me, and it came in handy on this occa-"I waited until the robber was about fifty yards ahead of me and then I

fired, not at him, but at the tire of his wheel. "Of course, I hit it. As the air be gan to coze out the rider fell to the ground. Of a sudden I realized that I had damaged my own wheel, so I immediately fired another shot, aiming directly at the old mark. My aim was

so sure that I hit it and complet ly soldered up the puncture. "I then captured the robber, who was stunned more by my prowess than by his fall, and delivered him over to the authorities

But, major," I asked, "how was it the robber overlooked your gun when he went through your pockets?" "Sir," he shouted. "I carried it in my hat. Good-day, sir."

## ARE YOU WAKEFUL?

#### If You Are Here Are Severa! Ways to Bring Sleep.

It is not proposed to discuss here those serious cases of obstinate inomnia that often tax the ingenuity and weary the patience of the most skillful specialist, but merely to mention some simple measures by means of which ordinary wakefulness may be evercome without the use of drugs. Sleep is produced by a shrinking of the brain-cells so that they are no longin communication with each other and wakefulness consequently results when these cells are in a state of ex-

citement, and refuse to draw away from each other. This excited condition may result from disease, such as fever, or it may come from worry grief, or hard mental work.

The main thing to do, therefore, it order to induce sleep, is to quiet these nerve-cells, and the prevention of wakefulness is best secured by avoiding mental work in the evening.

Often, however, a person must work at night. In that case, he should stop ome time before going to bed, and if he must work late, it is better to stay up a short time in order to secure an interval of rest before trying to sleep. This time may be passed in any way that will force, or rather entice, the aind away from its previous occupation. A brisk walk or a short spin on the wheel, exercise with the dumbells or Indian clubs, a cool baththings like these will often suffice for the desired purpose. Sometimes a litle snack, such as a bit of cheese and biscuit, or a glass of milk, taken while undressing, will induce steep quickly

If the mind is dwelling persistently on one subject, do not struggle to force it to let go its thoughts, for you will probably thereby make it take more tenacious hold. Try to lead it away by picturing yourself some monoton ous, constantly recurring scene, like the water combing over the edge of Niagara's cliff, a swarm of flies chasing each other in the sunlight, or a flock of sheep jumping one after the

other over a log. Pon't try to count, unless you would be like the man who was advised by his doctor to count until he fell asleep and who did count up to twenty-five thousand six hundred and fifty-two when he found it was time to get up. Deep and regular breathing is an important element in the general calming process so necessary to induce sleep .- Youth's Companion.

## ZALINSKI'S BIG GUN.

## How It Is Being Made and What It Is

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is taken with the various parts of the monster in construction and the selection of material as with the microscope or the finest watch. The gun is made in nine pieces. The tub, which ing to the necessities of the case, and weighs 90,000 pounds. The jacket is supported and strengthened by severmetal abount as big as a flour barrel, there, it is not an exagggeration to tempered and annealed by the most

### HIS AUTHORITY WORN OUT.

In former years, before the administration of Andrew Johnson, who made the veto power infamous, a message from a president expressing his disapproval of lt was customary for both houses to ad-journ immediately after such documents were read, in order to signalize their im-portance. But now vetoes are so common that they are allowed to lie upon the table unopened until an opportune time offers for their presentation. Neither the speaker of the house nor the president of the senate will interrupt the regular order to hear them read, and they make so slight an impression that Representative Peach in the presentative Peach in the presentation. tive Beach is reminded of a story of a boy who heard his father call him to come into the house and go to bed, bu paid no attention to the paternal com-mand. Whereupon a bystander asked "Johnnie, is not that your father call

"Yes, sir," was the reply

"Then why don't you obey him?"
"Why, nobedy obeys him any more,"
was Johnnie's answer. "He keeps telling everybody to do things and nobody ever does them. He keeps telling everybody that they musn't do things, and they keep right on doing them all the same. Nobody don't pay any attention to him no more. Ma don't, the hired girl don't, and I don't, and the dog don't either."

### Private John Allen's Smart Kid.

"Down in the vicinity of Tupelo," said Private John Allen to a Washington Post man, "Some time during the summer of 1896 a traveler on horseback espled tow-headed, bare-legged country yout of about 14, driving a pair of billy-goats to a wagon of home architecture, on which rested a barrel of water. A conootpad, or a wheelpad, I should say, versation ensued, and the stranger ascertained that the lad hauled the fluid from a river hard by his home to the paternal cabin for use on washdays. He was further enlightened that the pay was sometimes as good as 15 cents a day.

"Would you sell your goats, hub?"
"I guess I would mister, if someloody
would give me \$2 for 'em,' replied the pay.
"Hold on there,' shouted a native who
had just come up in time to hear the
conversation. 'Don't take \$2 for them there goats. Ef Bryan is elected they'll be worth \$5.

"'Yes, said the owner of the goats, 'and if I had this barrel of water in — I could git a thousand deliars for it.'"

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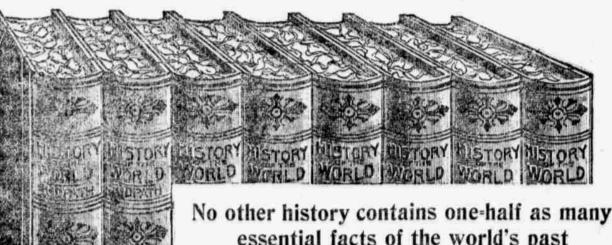
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