WORKSHOP IN PALACE

Italy's Queen Establishes One to Benefit Earthquake Sufferers.

BUSY HIVE OF INDUSTRY

Aristocratic Ladies and Working Giris Sew Side by Side-Little Princesses Make Dolls' Clothes For Poor Calabrian Children-Stories of the Dis-

It is impossible to enumerate the relief committees of all kinds, each with a practical object, which have been formed in Rome for the benefit of the earthquake sufferers in southern Italy and Sicily. Queen Helena, who is perhaps the most useful of all the agencles of relief, has had the heavy furniture removed from three big rooms of the royal palace, putting in tables, sewing machines, forty or fifty workbas-kets, chairs and nothing else. Here iadies of the oldest aristocracy and work girls are gathered together in friendly intimacy, cutting out and sewing as though their lives depended upon finishing.

The queen is as busy as the rest advising and directing, even giving lessons and taking a hand herself. This goes on practically all day until 5 o'clock, when tea is served for an hour. At these divertisements the great lady and the modest sewing girl associate as equals, says a special cable dispatch from Rome to the New York Times. Indeed, they almost change places in giving instruction.

Other humble pupils are the royal children, the Princesses Yolanda and Mafalda, respectively seven and six years old, who are permitted to be present. They are established in a cor-ner, delighted, busy and important. cutting out and making dolls' clothes for the poor little Calabrian children. They have been promised that if they do these well they shall soon be promoted to making baby clothes. Then their cup of pride will be full.

The way in which the queen came to establish this hive of industry was quaint. She called a little dressmaker that her mald patronizes to order some children's clothes and saw her personally. In the midst of the conversation the dressmaker remarked that it was difficult to carry out so large an order. as she had joined a society of sewing girls, established to devote a certain number of hours every day to making clothes for the refugees, buying the material out of their own pockets.

The queen was impressed and invited them to the Quirinal, promising the material if they would give the idea, which was enlarged into the present organization. The queen is right in her element and was heard to observe, "If the cause were not so awful these would be very happy days

No wonder she was at Messina "our lady of mercy."

During the sewing in the royal workroom many stories are told about the earthquake. The little princesses were particularly interested in following that of an old woman, appearing about 100 years old, who refused to leave the ruins without her little treasare and was so obstinate that she had to be left to her fate. Another case was that of some sailor: who heard a queer noise under the rules. evidently coming from something buman. So they dug on and found a woman and child in a little shed which had resisted the shock and the fall of the debris, together with a cow, which yielded enough milk to heep them both alive. At last Il be came so weak that they could of lift their heads, but they were an alive when rescued, having given warmth to one another.

Several children taken from the rules on the first day, when hunger was not so pressing, cried and kicked until their favorite dolls or toys were found. One youngster was found still clasping n Teddy bear in her arms.

Oueen Helena in describing some of the pathetic incidents of her visit to Reggio said:

"In one sunny street not a single building remained intact, though the facades of the buildings remained standing. In these houses the living and the dead were mingled. In them were hundreds of corpses, besides many injured persons who were penned in small spaces under the debris or held down by timbers or stones that rested upon legs or arms. Yet upon the standing walls in many places were cages containing canaries entirely uninjured, which sang and warbled joyouzly. The contrast pre-

sented was terrible. "The very day that I saw these canaries and heard the cries of imprisoned persons under the ruins I visited Messina, where a young woman bereft of her reason stood upon a heap of ruins singing and bowing to an audience composed of corpses. The woman proved to be the singer Gemma Perugia, who had gone mad from grief and who imagined herself at a cafe chantant."

Send Them Home at 1. A new club recently opened on Euclid avenue, in Cleveland, O., has a house rule that all members must be out of the building not later than 1 o'clock and the place closed up at that hour, excepting, of course, special oc-

"And what's the reason for a 1 o'clock closing ordinance?" somebody asked.

"Reason enough," replied a member of the house committee. "No man has any license to be away from his fam-By any later than 1 o'clock."

CHINA'S GREAT REFORMER.

Deposed Grand Councilor Has Beer

Called Empire's Strongest Man. Yuan Shi Kai, the great viceroy of Chili province, who was recently dis-missed from the office of grand coun-cilor and commander in chief of the Chinese forces, was one of the most influential and powerful statesmen in the Chinese empire.

The reason given for his dismissal is that he has rheumatism of the leg. The edict ordered Yuan Shi Kai to vacate all his offices and to return to his home, adding, "Thus our clemency toward him is manifested."

Yuan Shi Kai has been called the strongest man in China and was regarded as much more powerful that Li Hung Chang was. He is a thoroughly practical man and brought business methods to the administration of the empire. He worked assiduously for the advancement of the Middle Kingdom, and his watchword was that China was capable of accomplishing just as much as had Japan. He inspired a national patriotism which is today doing much to sweep away middle age superstition and rebuild the empire. He has been a member of the grand council since 1907, and in that year he relinquished the post of viceroy of Chill, but it was in this office that he gained the greatest renown.

Yuan Shi Kai organized an army in China that astonished foreign military critics. He succeeded in obliterating all the popular and caste objections to military service, so that the sons of the nobility today are proud to appear in uniform. He substituted modern text books for ancient classics, he compelled the abolition of torture and transformed Pekin from the filthlest city in the world into a metropolis well paved and cleanly kept, that compares favorably with many cities of Europe and America.

It is an uncontested fact that Yuan Shi Kni encouraged and represented the most progressive ideas in the central government. He was director general of trade and international relations in Korea and judicial commissioner of Chili in 1897. In 1898 he was appointed to the vice presidency of a board with control of an army corps and in 1899 to the vice presidency of the board of works. In the same year he was made acting governor general of Chili. In December of 1901 he was appointed junior guardian of the heir apparent, in 1902 consulting minister to the council of government and in 1903 president of the army reorganization coun-

Chinese Incense.

Elm bark, cloves, olibaum, putchuck, sandalwood dust, garoo, laka, aniseed, musk, orange peel, galango, dried ginger, sapanwood, rheubarb, myrrh, cassia and camphor enter into the composition of Chinese incense.

Twelve Inch Gun Shells. A shell from a twelve inch gun makes its flight of nine miles in fortytwo seconds.

Dresden China. The secret in making the finest porcelain, known as Dresden china, was discovered 200 years ago by an apothecary's apprentice who was try

ing to change silver into gold. Long Lived Pike.

In 1407 a pike captured near Manhelm, Germany, carried a small tablet on which in Greek appeared, "I am the first fish put into this pond by Emperor Frederick II., Oct. 3, 1262.

The carcass weighed 350 pounds

Saloon Rents In New York. Of all the high rents paid in New York city the highest are paid by saloons, which are taxed about double what could be got from any other business for the same premises

· Dried Horseflesh.

Some hospital physicians are urging that horseflesh be more freely used as being not only cheaper than beef, but more tender and digestible. If dried and reduced to a powder it becomes almost tasteless,

Concrete Watering Places.

It is the opinion of a correspondent of the Country Gentleman that there is an excellent chance to combine utility and beauty in the erection of attractive and permanent watering places in village streets and along country roads. The old moss covered tub, half buried in a bank of ferns and wild flowers, presents a pic-



turesque appearance no doubt, but in

UTILITY AND BRAUTY COMBINED. give way, the staves fall in, and a long interval may elapse before the watering place is in commission,

The first requisite is, of course, a supply of running water. Then a substantial stone foundation should be laid below the frost line-an iron supply pipe as well as a waste pipe being brought up through this foundation. On this foundation can be erected as simple or as elaborate a design as one may desire. A mold of rough boards can easily be set up for any rectangular shape, the boards being held in place by crosswise strips railed to the upper edges. The boards tan be raised as the work goes on.

The Briefest Will.

Probably the briefest testament was that of a man who had often declared that he would make his will on a half sheet of note paper. He did as he had said and wrote "All for mother" on a bit of paper. The will was signed "C. T." and witnessed by the testator's two sons. The document was admitted to probate in due course.

Charmed Fishing Rods.

Filipinos are very superstitious. Often a whole piece of bamboo is found in the Islands in which black ants have made their nest, there being, however, no visible entry. Fishermen always hunt for this peculiar bamboo to assure themselves of good fishing.

Copenhagen's Deer Park. Copenhagen has the largest inclosed deer park of any city in the world. Its area is about 4,200 acres.

Flag Colors.

The colors of a flag are read from the pole outward. A red, white and blue flag has therefore the red next to the pole. The reverse of this is the case with the blue, white and red flag of France, and so on.

In the Revue de Mecanique, M.

Haouy points out that while one inch equals 2.5399541 centimeters the ratio 160-63 (equals 2.53968) can be used for all practice calculation, it being less than the hundredth part of 1 per cent below the true value.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE

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Sec. 7.—That, except wherein otherwise in this ordinance provided for, the said Lackaswaxen Valley Railroad Company shall be subject to such reasonable conditions, requisitions, stipulations and restrictions as the said Borough of Honesdale shall hereafter and from time to time make and impose by ordinance duly enacted and ordained, provided, however, that for a period of ten (10) years from the date of the acceptance of this ordinance by said company, no borough tax shall be placed upon any of its cars, poles or other apparatus of said company, or other apparatus of said company, and company without becoming trespassers, provided, however, they do not retard or in any way interfere with the operation of said railway.

Sec. 8.—That the said Lackawaxen Valley Railroad Company shall begin the exercise of the franchises and privileges hereby granted within six months from the passage of this ordinance as aforesaid; except that the said company shall not have more than two (2) blocks of the above named streets for my at one time.

Sec. 10.—That each and every one of the several respective provisions of this ordinance shall be executed by and at the proper cost and expense of the said Lackawaxen Valley Railroad Company, and in the event the said company shall onlit, refuse, fail or neglect to faithfully and fully comply with and to execute the said provisions and every one of them, then, and in that event it shall be the duty of the said Borough of Honesdale, after reasonable notice to the said Railroad Company.

Sec. 11.—That the said Lackawaxen Valley Railroad Company may operate its cars upon its said railroad by electricity in any form, or by any kind of machinery, appliances or motor, or by any power or energy or storage battery or by compensed air; or liquid air; or by other power that may be or become suitable for use on interurhan railways, compatible with its necessities in transporting its traffic, and ether in comnection or without the use of electric wires, Provided, the said company or its successors sh

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