

A Memory of Bruges

that morning, ten years ago, as we went up the beifry, the boils of Bruges were snaking out their peal as it they would shake the whole belfry down into the square below. One felt that it there had been no windows for it to escape by, that gigantic song would have broken the tower in pieces.

From the top of the tower we looked down on the roofs of the town, on the quays, and on the broad ship canal between its poplars where the slow barges were moving. The canal ran straight as a Roman road, seven miles to the sea. But the mists lay above the sea and above Zeebrugge.

In the square below we could see a few people walking, a few sitting round the little tables on the pavement, and others going up and down the steps of the Town Hail. It was very guiet below when the bells were still again—a grey Flemish day in that very quiet old town.

But I was thinking of Bruges five hundred years and more ago, Bruges as it was when the wife of Philip the Fair of France came to the town and found three hundred women in it who had more the air of queens than she; as it was when that half-empty square below was Europe's great market, and the ministers of twenty European courts lived in the houses about, and the little painted ships came up the canals to those quays from half the

ports of the world. The ships of all the seas put in to that port, for Bruges was a Hansa port, and the German merchants ruled it. as they ruled all the ports of northern Furope in those days, with a heavy German hand, and all ships put in there, that the Hansa merchants might take toll of them and have the pick of their goods.

I was cured of Rheumatic Gout by MINARD'S LINIMENT. ANDREW KING. Halifax.

I was cured of Acute Bronchitis by MINARD'S LINIMENT. LT.-COL. C. CREWE READ.

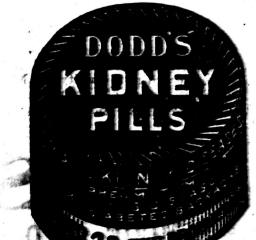
I was cured of Acute Rheumatism by MINARD'S LINIMENT. Markham, Ont., C. S. BILLING Lakefield, Que., Oct. 9, 1907.

I was thinking of those times as we climbed the beifry, for we had just come out of the Town Hall, where more people than usual were going up and down the steps. Inside was being held the exhibition of the famous Order of the Golden Fleece. A Duke of Burgundy had founded it in Bruges, and the Hapsburgs had taken it to Austria and Spain. The Town Hall was full of their pictures.

I had been looking at the portrait of Maximilian of Austria, who married Mary of Bungundy and so brought the Netherlands under the Austrian Crown, and at six portraits of the great Emperor Charles V., who through all his reign was fighting France that the Hapsburgs might make of Europe five hundred years ago what thes Hohenzolerns are trying to make of it to-day, and at Philip his son, who loved fat bacon and coarse women, and whose face was the face of his father horribly changed-Nebuchadnezzar, driven from men and eating grass, beside Nebuchadnezzar walking in the palace of Babylon.

And then I had climbed the belfry and looked down at the quietness of Bruges as it was that day, and heard the great bells, that sing to the Belgians of the freedom of free cities, shake out their song above the town.

I have often thought of that day in Bruges, since the Germans took the town. I think of them climbing the beifry stairs and looking out over the fields to dream in-their cruel, ambitious dreams. They must remember there the days when German merchants ruled in Bruges and all the wealth of Europe passed through German hands. They must think greedily of those rich days returning to them. Already they talk of taking up again the broken "Hansa thread." If that broken thread is ever mended it will be a chain binding the world. In Bruges history seems to be with them. From the beifrev they look down the broad canal to Zeebrugge, where their submarines and destroyers lie. History seems to be with them-but



not altogether. There are things that they forget.

Was any German standing on the beifrey of Bauges on the night of April 23rd? If so, he did not feel the bells round him ringing out the hours. The beils have gone to Essen. stood in an empty, silent tower. Then suddenly he heard, coming up the dark canal, where the Hansa ships put in to Bruges from half the ports of the world, a deeper note than the bells had ever rung. It would travet clear and strong up the water, the sound of the English guns, and the English sailors hammering at the dock gates of Bruges.

And at that he would remember why, though he stood in Bruges and Flanders was his, yet the broken Hansa thread was still unmended.

THE WORST THING.

Steward-We're held up by a submarine, sir. Seasick Passenger-Good! I hope the darn pirate relieves this ship of

THE ONLY MEDICINE THE BABY NEEDS

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Battlefield 'Phones.

In no war in the past have the electric signalling systems covered so many square miles or such a great diversity of requirements. The commanding general wants to know how a certain division is progressing; an artillery captain wants to ascertain just where his shells are dropping; these and a million other facts must be transmitted every hour of the day along the hundreds of miles of battlefront, says the Electrical Experiment-And it is really marveilous how

the army signal corps have perfected their frail-looking wires and instruments so that they will work under the most unfavorable conditions. Romance, adventure, action-all of

these come to the signal corps man in the pursuit of his duties more than ever before. To-day he may install a telephone switchboard in a cheerful little town near grand headquarters, situated a dozen miles back of the battlefront. To-morrow he may be stringing wires through a shell-swept forest.

One case will serve to lottery-like chance these men take. An English military lineman had been busy for several weeks in a district near the Aisne battlefront. He had completed straightening out a perfect jungle of wires and circuits. His captain came along and was pleased to learn that all of the circuits had been tested out without losing a man. The same captain was grieved to hear the next day that his brave lineman, his work done, had been picked out of a pole top by a stray shell.—Exchange.

Minard's Liniment Cures Distemper

Monorail Autos.

Two-wheeled automobiles and torpedoes with mechanical ears, to chase ships by sound waves, are brain products of Prof. Montraville M. Wood, who gave a demonstration of his inventions at the Union League Club recently.

By radioactive paints, he asserts, an expensive mural decoration may be manufactured which will furnish so much light a person may read by

"Within 10 years," he said. "there will be plenty of non-skidding automobiles running on two wheels, built on the principle of the monorail and retaining their equilibrim by means of

the gyroscope." The "listening torpedo," of which Professor Wood is the inventor, is fitted with delicate mechanical devices which record the sound waves made by a ship's screw and draws the torpedo in that direction.

RELIEF AT/LAST

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Road Bends at Tracks.

A great precentage of the automobile ents are caused by the driver find accidents are caused by the driver find-ing himself rushing onto the tracks of a railroad aiready occupied by a train roaring toward the ill-fated vihicle. Such a meeting is almost always disastrious. The railroad authorities are most an-xious to avoid these unfortunate incid-ents, and many schemes have been tried to prepart them. Patent papers have ents, and many schemes have been tried to prevent them. Patent papers have been recently gfranted on one which has some unique fatures, and would probably arouse the ire of the automobilist, but it would probably make it impossible for these accidents to occur. The idea consists of making a sharp curve in the road at a point just before the tracks would be reached under ordinary circumstances, so the der ordinary circumstances, so the chauffeur is compelled to slow up and make two runs before getting on the track, and while performing this evolution it is thought that there will be ample opportunity for observing the approach of a train in either direction.

Genius is only entitled to respect when it promotes the peace and improves the happiness of mankind.

Fresh as a Flower, and just as fragrant!

is just the tiny buds and young leaves from hill-grown shrubs -- So economical because it yields so generously in the teapot.

there at the hotel. On one of them

put a thing that'll please the dad.

heart was in this job, and now my

There was a sudden whirring of

"What are those?" he asked inter-

The boyish light in his eyes grew

"I'll have to mail another card," he

they know I've seen grouse flying over

Loch Katrine toward Ben Ard.

There's one thing I hope, mister. I

German who'll be allowed to stand

where you and I are standing. He'd

Concerning Peanuts.

member of the pea, bean and closer

family. It is a legume and gathers

nitrogen from the air. Peanuts do

not grow from roots, but on shoots

which grow cut from the plant above

ground, bear a little starile yellow

blossoms, and then shoot directly into

the ground, where they "peg", that

is, where peanuts begin to grow on

vines or roots, and the roots are then

plowed back into the ground to allow

the nitrogen to feed the soil. The

peanuts are then taken to "peanut fac-

tories." In these buildings the peanuts

are cleaned and sorted. The largest

are saved and put through a "rumb-

ler," which polishes the shells. These

are sold in the shells. Other first

grades are shelled and sold for salt-

ng; and one big packing company

buys only first grades for peanut but-

ter. If the plants are pulled roots

and all, the peanuts are dried out by

stacking on poles, then pulled off and

and sold as oil cakes for feeding

stock and especially dairy cows.-"St.

HOW'S THIS?

TRADE BRIEFS

The manufacture of "engalith,"

which is the term used in England to

designate the composition known as

"galalith" in Germany, has been un-

dertaken by three concerns. Large

quantities of this substance are being

made for war purposes, as well as for

export to America, France. Spain

and Italy. It is produced in rods,

tubes and sheets, and in some sixty

different colors, and is worked up into

a great variety of articles, such as

buttons, combs, beads, hair and hat

pins, hair and clothes brushes, toilet

articles, carriage and motor fittings,

pencils, penholders, telephone acces-

sories, scientific and electrical instru-

ments and fittings. switchboards.

labels, pipe stems, cigar and cigarette

holders, umbrella handles, piano keys,

chessmen, dominoes, draughts, dice,

counters,, pocket and fruit knife har-

dles, paper knives, photo frames, fin-

ger plates and jewelry; but being

slightly hygroscopic is not adapted

for articles that have to come into

frequent contact with water or acid.

such as table knife handles, bath-room

tiles or basins, fountain pens, fishing

tackle, electric storage cells, and tooth

brushes. "Engalith" is an exceilent

substitute for celluloid, although it

cannot be used to replace the latter in

American manufacturers should

bear in mind that the farms of Europe

are smail, and that small tractors

(about 20 horse-power) are much more

and 50 horse-power machines in Al-

geria and Russia. A tractor for Euro-

pean sale must be an all purpose

tractor that can do heavy and light

team work; it must have a good speed

for road haulage and a pulley for

Dundee's (Scotland) customs and

excise revenue during July totalled

\$209.624, compared with \$129,427 in

increase of \$160.197. The customs re-

During the war the imports from

Brazil to the United States have

grown markedly. In 1917 the United

threshing and grinding.

excise to \$207,983.

the manufacture of very thin articles.

The peanuts are pulled from

pollute the place. I know that now

hope that there will never again be

whole soul's in it, too.'

"Grouse," I told him.

for, y'see. I'm a McRae."

soldier glanced up.

testedly.

brighter.

them.

Nicholas."

A Doctor's Ten-barreled Gun- | "I've been mailing picture cards back

Maxim's was by no means the first machine-gun. During the Civil war a Chicago physician brought out a very ingenious ten-barreled gun, the barrels being fired one after the other by the turning of a hand-crank. Al-though Dr. Gatling was a graduate of a medical school, he was far more fond of tinkering with machinery than doling out pills. He invented a number of clever mechanisms, but the one that made him really famous was that machine gun. At first our government did not take the invention seriously. It was tried out in the war. but whenever it went into battle it was fired not by soldiers, but by a representative of Dr. Gatling's company, who went into the army demonstrate the worth of the invention seriously. It was tried out in the war, but whenever it went into battle it was fired not by soldfers, but by a representative of Dr. Gatling's company, who went into the army to demonstrate the world of the invention. Not until long after was the Gatling gun officially adopted by our army. Then it was taken up by many of the European armies as well. Although many other machine guns were invented, the Gating was easily the best and most serviceable. until the Maxim invention made its appearance, and even then it held its own for many years; but eventually it had to succumb. The Maxim did not have to be cranked-it fired itself, which was a distinct advantage; and then, instead of being a bundle of guns all bound up in a single machine, Maxim's was a single-barreled gun and hence was much lighter and could be handled much more easily.-"St. Nicholas."

Minard's Liniment Cures Garget in

HIS NAME'S MCRAE

American Soldier Thrilled by Trossachs Beauty.

London Cable.—It was in the centre of that lamed beauty district, the Trossacas, that I found him, says W. Haroid Inomeon, in the Daily Mail.

To be precise, he was lounging contentedly on the shore of Loch Katrine, his very blue eyes caught by the witchery or Ellen's Isle; a little sprig of still green heatner heid tightly between his white teeth. The opening of conversation was,

found, easy enough. "Do you know," I said, "yours is

the first American uniform I've seen in the Trossachs?" "That so?" he returned pleasantly, as he rose. "Well, I reckon you'll see

plenty of the boys before they go back home. "I hope so," I said, quite sincerely. "And what do you think of it ail?" "Fine!" he exclaimed, with an en-

thusiasm good to hear. "Do you know this part well?" "Very," I was glad to answer. "

was born and bred hereabouts." He was silent for some moments.

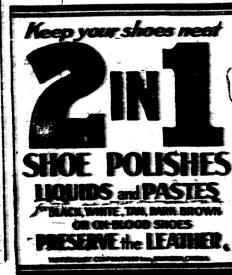
Then: "Some birthplace," he remarked. "Say, now, I've always wanted to see Scotland-this part most of all. They say that the boys from around here were all in the army in about a week after the war started. Is that true?" 'I believe so," I said.

"Well"-he nodded once or twice and smiled slowly-"I can understand Yes, sir, I certainly can. I was glad enough to have the chance to have a whack at Johnny Hun myself, but to fight for a place like this! Well, perhaps I shouldn't say it, for I'm a citizen of the U.S. A. and proud to he, but—thank God, my name's Mc-Rae."

WHOLE BUNCH OF MACS. My eyes must have shown sur-

"Oh, there's a whole bunch of Macs come over," he said. "My father was never nere himself, but his father was born and bred right close to the Brig o' Turk. Back home we've got a picture of him hanging on the parlor wali-a proud-looking, handsome old fellow, who died long before I was born. Dad said to me, 'Jim,' he said, when you get to the other side have a shot at visiting my father's place. It'll give you a thrill if all the old man used to tell me was true." "And you have had the thrill?" l

in demand than heavy tractors, alasked. though there is a demand for the 35 He grinned. "Bet your life," he said.



1913 the United States experted \$38, 901,203 to Brazil and Great Britain \$63,282,531. By 1917 British expert had failen to \$35,941.717, while the United States had increased to \$66, 207,970, an increase over the 1913 figures of about 40 per cent.

At the Chinese Play.

We ascend by way of naprow, rickety stairs and find ourselves in a three-sided balcony with boxes in tiers. The space near the wail is left for the passage way. Our box will seat about eighteen persons, and contains very comfortable chairs and a nice little shelf for the teacups and estables, with a gutter attached to receive the debris. We are no sconer seated when the ticket man approaches. After a polite inquiry as to the state of our health, and hoping we shall enjoy the performance and assuring us of honor we are bestowing upon the theatre by being present, he would appreciate very much our handing over the required amount wrote: 'Before I left Indiana my whole for the tickets. We ask him the sum total of this important transaction and he replies. 'Six dimes for the tickets and six cents for the ushers wings overhead, and the American and coclies, for each person. Ushers and coules are allowed one cent for every fen cents paid." After this generous thanks and, "Berging your pardon for disturbing you." he takes his departure. but is quickly followed by a coolie bringing teapots and cups. He places those on the little shelf and said. "They'll go dippy at home when leaves without a word. As soon as he has disappeared another coolie arrives, bringing a number of small dishes, each filled with the delicacies of the season, but always including the water meion seed. You notice the same performance going on all about you and wonder just how a Chinese gentleman would feel if he had to sit Minard's Liniment Cures Diphtheria. through some theatrical performance without his teapot and melon seed .-Frank S. Williams in "Asia." The peanut isn't a nut at all, but a

Minard's Liniment Cures Colds, etc.

Strategic Site of Bagdad. To appreciate Bagdad one must come to it as the Araos do, and as i the distance, a mass of vertical paint trees rising out of the trediess plain, and efficience about these rise words.

BRICK HOUSE—ALL TOWN CONVENEE FIGURE 1 of the veniences—one and half acres of garden. For full particulars apply Box 943. Barrie. have gone, out of the desert. How and gilttering about these the wonder ful gold domes of the mosque tombs in the sacred and fanatical suberb of Tigris at the point where that river and the Euphrates most nearly approach, opposite a natural caravan route up the Diyala River, which joins the Tigris at this point, through the Zagros or Pushti-Kly Mountains to Kermanshah, and Hamadan in Persia, and so the formula of the control of the Kazemain! Bagdad straddles the and so on to Central Asia. Commanding both the river route southward to the Persian Gulf, and the caravan reutes northward up the Tigris to Asia Minor and the Black Sea, and westward up the Euphrates is quite as rich and nutritious as olive is the natural site of a capital. Amarican Review of Reviews. oil. The refuse is pressed into cakes,

Worth Remembering.

Do not keep canned fruit in your pantry. Canned fruits should be kept in cold, dark place. To make shabby oilcloth look new. give it a thin coat of varnish; let it

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Medicine for a short time you will see a
great improvement in your general
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WORTH KNOWING.

Apples cut in irregular pieces will cook more quickly in a pie than if sliced, for they do not pack closely as sliced do and so the hot air comes more quickly in ecutact with the fruit and cooking is facilitated.

To cleance a frying pan which smells of onions or fish, till the pan with water, and when it boils drop in a red-hot cinder. Afterward rinse and wash in the usual way.

When the grate is cleaned and polished rub all over a piece of old the corresponding month last year, an velvet. Old velvet is also very useful as final polishing cloth for waxed ceipts amounted to \$91,691, and the and Lour cloths.

A little vinegar rubbed on a steak before it is fried or broiled will add to its tenderness. If the beef roast is States took half of the total exports tough, rub it over with vinegar before of Brazil. British imports from Brazil putting it in the oven, and baste with have remained about stationary. As water to which a tablespoon of vinegar regards exports to Brazil, the United has been added. If boiling meat is States and Great Britain appear to inclined to be tough, add a teaspoonhave changed places, so far as the ful of baking sods. Meat may also otal values of trade is concerned. In be kent fresh by immersing it in sour

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> milk or buttermilk and putting it in a cool place. Rinse well before using.

No matter how much dripping is used, fish when being fried is act to stick to the pan's bottom. If a tablespoonful or dry salt is put into the pan and rubbed over it will be found catisfactory.

To cut hard-boiled eggs in smooth slices, dip the knife in water.

The secret of flaky piecrust is the use of hot water (not boiling) rather than cold in mixing the dough. If this hint is followed the crust will always be flaky, tender and crisp.

After draining the water from boiled potatoes, put a clean dry cloth over them and tuck in closely around the edge of the kettle, says Good Housekeeping. When ready to serve they will be light and flaky, as the cloth absorbe the moisture. The cloth also serves to keep the potatoes hot. If dinner is delayed by some unforescen reason, this method of covering will keep the potatoes palatable for at serve "roggy potatoes."

Little Things of Fashion.

Ostrich is used on some of the smart late summer hats of straw, with especial effect on those of sailor shape. et trimmings are shown on some of the newest serge fracks-buttons and long, flat beads worked along in straight or curved, but very simple designs. White jersey collars are worn a good

deal on dark jersey trocks. Black satin sashes, with long frnged ends—the fringe of heavy, knotted silk —are much used on new frocks of navy blue serge.

If you travel by motor this year, and many persons do, because of the congestion on the railways, then you may find a motor hamper convenient. There are all sorts of Lampers, made of wicker or of leather, big enough to hold a large lunch for six or a small lunch for two.

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SPECIALISTS

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Please Mention This Paper.

SCORE Prisoner

CFA

Paris cable says: Mar ivered a new attack th minst the Germans in on a front of 40 m wippe River, east of R Biver Meuse, just north The offensive was launch tog after six hours' arti The Americans a verage depth of seven trating the defences to a iles at the maximum entured 5,000 prisoners The French made a gain both of four miles and

have already reach

The enemy, anticipatin

had voluntarily abandon

ward positions. The inches on the right win rench made their assau Taken in conjunction finsive which has m teck the German front artois and Picardy and Aisne, the new drive of in the south will bear i if it meets with succ northward the entire v tront would be shaken a be compelled to readjus al railway lines of gre to the German positions and Verdun lie directly advancing Fr Vouziers, an i junction on the ma Laon to Metz, is but 12 Servon, which already i

of the French. The Americans throu of Gercourt, north-west are in the Meuse Valle northward to Sedan, and er west at Varennes. Avre Valley, which win westerly direction to successful advance alor valleys for any appreci would be disastrous to lines from the North Se

North-west of Verdu • German strong point ing power, is said to b hands, as likewise are villages between the

"The 4th Army," sa "has held this sector battle of the Marne, Th pected the attack. It that in view of the eff his troops in that sec given special nourishm gle, therefore, will be character to those desc official communications

the allies almost gallop PRISONERS FILL With the French Arm egne Front cable: French, operating in co the Americans in a ne the Champagne front, h quered positions that have been fortifying positions that they ha thousands of men to he losses have been remain spite of the fact that eistance stiffened this Gen. Gouraud's sold

ago, and have been fac since, are now enjoying satisfaction in being it In the battle of Chan the taking of these I have demanded a sacr strategic advantage to did not warrant. The changed now. Succes ministered to the Ger ent parts of the front meaning to the attack

vanced to those position

The number of pris the French is increa They are fling back by groups of from a score dred. Among them th proportion or very much than heretofore taken. captives are recruits of tingent.

They are leaving beh of burning villages. observed in flames up Even this additional a devastation can scarce desolation that has be over this sharply dispu The ridges are cover

shell-holes that touch erywhere; all vestige iong ago disappeared. the ground giving the it must have been red of mud violently churn to dry. The ground criss-crossed in ever trenches that have been shape. A feature of to-day's

the activity of the which furnished seve encounters with Fren balloons and anti-air White puffs from the were seen everywhere THE FRENCH A

With the French Ar The attack of the egainst German posit pagne this morning about five o'clock and Amberive to the Main attacking troops carrie justives without much the left, where

By 9 o'clock Gen