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FIFTY-SIXTH YEAR

The Saturday "News" Special Foreign Service. The result of these disclosure ends. The result of these disclosures was that one day an officer of police, with six uniformed men under his com-mand, drove up to the Convent of St. Maximilian, and, demanding admit-tance in the name of the law, arrested Baroness von Heusler on a charge of TITLED ABBESS'

Baroness von Heusler on a charge of murder. The public prosecutor took up the case with great vigor. When the trial took place the conspiracy against Bar-oness von Heusler was carried out withese for the crown gave her evi-dence under oath and her testimony could not be shaken in any one ustall by the cross-examining lawyers. The evidence given by the malcontent nuns deprived the baroness of the support of the strong presumption of inno-cence in her favor which would have had great weight with the jury had her character not been thus assailed. She was found -ulity and sentenced to penal servitude for life. FAINTED IN DESPAIR.

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AWFUL EXPERIENCE.

SOLITARY CONFINEMENT.

At the expiration of one year of soli-

Looking back on this period of soli-

FAINTED IN DESPAIR. When the verdict was made known and sentence passed Baroness von Heusler, with a shriek of despair, fell fainting in the dock of the court of justice and was carried out insensible to doff her nun's attire and to don the coarse uniform of a convict. She did not regain consciousness until she was in the prison in which she had to serve her sentence, and then she came hack to life to find herself in a small bare cell, with stone walls and a stone floor and a rough blank bed in the corner and nothing but straw to soften its hardness. According to the custom in Ger-many in the case of prisoners convict-ed for extremely serious crimes, Barwhich is Wanted for False Imprisonment and Charge of Murder by Women of Convent.

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STRANGE STORY

Baroness Von Heusler Suing Ba-

varian Government for

Great Fortune.

SUM

DERLIN, Feb. 13.-As the whole world was laughing at the time over the Koepenick comedy, scant D attention was paid to another drama in real life-a tragedy-which revealed the Lady Superior of a Ger-

man convent, a woman of title, as the victim of one of the most extraordinary miscarrages of justice in criminal anhals. Notice has just been directed to the case afresh by the announcement that Baroness von Heusler has brought suit for \$100,000 as compensation for the terrible suffering she endured while serving three years and six months of a life sentence for a murder of which she was absolutely innocent.

ed for extremely serious crimes, Bar-oness von Heusler spent the first year of her term in solitary confinement. Her cell was 20 feet in length by 12 feet in width, and contained nothing but the blank bed, a small wooden table and one wooden chair. The window, heavily barred, was so high up that the unfortunate prisoner could scarcely look through it even when standing on her single chair. And then all that met her gaze was a bare wall. She saw human beings twice a day only—when she was taken out for her She saw human beings twice a day only-when she was taken out for her exercise, lasting one hour, and when her cell was inspected to make sure everything was in order. Apart from this, Baroness von Heusler spent all the long, weary hours of day and night in awful solitude. The merely physical sufferings of a woman of her class, gently nurtured and brought up in refinement, were terrible enough, yet they were insignificant compared with the mental sufferings caused by the unmerited disgrace which had fall-en upon her name. When convicted on her first trial she was a handsome, vigorous young woman, When acquitted on her second trial she was a gray-haired, wrinkled, prematurely aged woman, broken in health and spirit. She regained her freedom, the judge said, with her character cleared of all stains, but nothing can ever efface the record which her martyrdom has stamped on her own person. One of the strangest features of the case is that her conviction in the first instance was due largely to a con-Looking back on this period of soli-tary confinement, it seems surprising that the unfortunate woman was not driven mad by her experiences. Days and weeks and months passed, and still she was suffering indescribable agonies in the appailing solitude of her miserable cell. At times she broke out into wild fits of impotent fury and threw herself against the stone walls of her prison with the idea of terminating her unhappiness by suicide. When these temporary fren-zies had passed, leaving her humble and penitent and ashamed of her in-clination to destroy herself, she used to fall into the uttermost depths of despair and spend days and sometimes weeks in a kind of mental stupor-the result of entire lack of hope. SOLITARY CONFINEMENT, spiracy against her among the nuns in the convent over which she presided. Despite their vows and devotions, the devil had got among them somehow and filled their hearts with envy, malice and all uncharitableness, which found vent in false and perjured testimony.

HIGHLY RESPECTED.

Baroness von Heusler belongs to one of the most prominent and at the same time most respected houses of the south German nobility. The family possesses a proud record, its members, having made it a rule of life to live uprightly and to hand on the family name of their successors unblemished by the follies and iniquities perpetrated

At the expiration of one year of soli-tary confinement the baroness was re-moved from her lonely cell and set to work. This was an improvement in her lot, for she was employed occa-sionally in the company of other pris-oners for six or seven hours in the day, and consequently was relieved of the torthe fam-

Minna Wagner, Servant at The St. Maximilian Convent on Whose lest Imony the Daroness was Convicted & Minder The Baroness Van Heusler in installed them there the other da TUNNEL SCHEME

ENGLISH MAIDS ARE VERY ANGRY

And All Because Two American **Girls Got First Invitation to**

Swedish Court.

INVITED BY THE KING'S NIECE.

The Field Boys, Multi-Millionaires, to Enter British Army and Navy When Old Enough,

Special Correspondence. ONDON, Feb. 13 .--- English soci-

ety maidens of high and low degree are just furious with rage and jealousy over the visit of the two American girls, Nellie Post and Claire Frewen, to Princess Gustavus of Sweden. The former is Lady Barrymore's girl, and the other the daugh-ter of Mrs. Moreton Frewen, To

installed them there the other day with a lady housekeeper whom she has known for years, and two trained nurses to look after them. As a mat-ter of fact, Consuelo is much too ill herself to have such a responsibility on her shoulders, but she is devoted to the children, and did not like to spoil their parents' holiday by declin-ing to look after them. If she has not already gone to Biarritz, she is leaving directly and according to pres-ent arrangements, will not be back in England until May, and then for only a flying visit. Her doctors will not hear of her doing much social-ly and the hint has been gent-ly given her to avoid his majesty and his set as much as possible. All that lot, headed by our Edward, go the pace to such an extent that exigence hear them is enough to kill any ordinary mortal, not to go to Elarritz, but she has not the pourage and probably not the desire to abadon the galeties and the eclat which are ever present in the entourage of King Edward. The other day she said to a friend who was ad-vising her on this point, "Give me a short life and a merry one. I shall die game." A NEW LEASE. game. A NEW LEASE.

Mrs. Potter Palmer has signed a new lease of the Duke and Duchess of Ab-ercorn's house in Green street, and will take up her abode there shortly. She has now discarded her mourning for her mother, and I am told by her friend, she means to do great things in London in the way of entertaining this season. I must say hitherto she has been a dis-appointment-quite as great a one as the Duckess of Roxburghe-but nerhans Channel Tunnel scheme has been revived. A bill authorizing the way between Dover and Calais is to be introduced in parliament at an the Duchess of Roxburghe-but perhaps She will make up for it this year. One hears no more now of the Bertie Stopford affair. I wonder if she knows. were she to marry the general her materially it would take from her iton and from her dignity here, were she to marry the gentleman, how tion and from her dignity here, inas-much as there is such a violent prejudice against a woman marrying a mar who is considerably her junior. The king, as everyone knows, gets down right angry with a woman, who, as h terms it, "buys a young husband" an control, taking the "the" some the who, as he and soclety-taking the "tip" from him also resents the attitude of the lady whom-soever she may be. The gay Bertle is one of the most sought after men in bogey of foreign invasion refuses to be laid by on such assurances. London because of his matchless art of leading a cotilion. He has his enemies, however, but that goes without saying. and tales galore are recorded of his adventures. who did most to frighten John Bull

hoodwink poor gullible John Buil, and get possession of his tunnel. "For a month previous to the at-tack," he says, "a large circus troupé would rest in camp in the neighbor-hood of Dover. This circus, controlled by the trusty agent of the raiding commander, would serve as a depot for ammunition and stores. A bailoon or a man-kite would ascend from the circus camp at an appointed hour on the night of the raid, and by signal, orders would be given for operations to begin. Every detail of the post-office and telephone wires would be known to the invaders, and each like of communication would be severed by men told off for the purpose. The telegraph office would be overpowered at the same hour." Then follows a lurid picture of the conquest of England through the ene-my's po%session of the tunnel which would render the British navy use-less. The ghost of Von Molke, the great

tess. The ghost of Von Molke, the great German strategist, has been added to the list of tunnel goblins. He is quot-ed as having once said. 'If the Eng-lish people ever allowed this tunnel to be made, they would one day bit-terly regret it, as its effect would be to convert England from an island into a peninsula, and facilitate any at-tempt at invasion."

ALWAYS CONSERVATIVE.

Conservative in all things, William Conservative in all things. William Waldorf Astor's paper, the Pail Mail Gazette, is, of course, dead against the tunnel. It has a nightmare in which it perceives, as a result of the tunnel, a second Gibraltar at Dover and England at the mercy of the pow-er which garrisons it. 'We refuse to belleve.'' it exclaims on awaking from this horrid dream, "that heaven seeks to destroy England by making Eng-lishmen mad." lishmen mad.

"The real danger of the turnel," says the Westminster Gazette, "is that it might be a fruitful source of panies, and that it would be used as an ar-ment for insisting upon conscription on a continental scale," while in-spires Punch to drop into satirical veln in this fashion:

"Our sires were Vikings? Full of virile grog They laughted," you say, "to ride the channel's swell?" That may be so; but as for this sea-

It makes him most unwell.

That's why I want a tube arranged below, To let my stomach, comfortably packed,

Achieve the channel half an hour of

Sooner and still intact.

Romance of nature's bulwarks?" Rot

I say! If I can spare myself one billous pang. I'll give you Drake & Co.; they've had their day; Let the whole crowd go hang! SCAREMONGERS ORGANIZED.

But if this placif transit should imply

A manhood-army as the only sure Means to avert invasion entering by The tunnel's aperture.

scas, so no power, or powers, have any right to claim ownership of any land

HELPS ITALIANS During Her Stay in Florence She

HELEN GOULD

Distributed Numerous Large Checks.

LIKED MEDICAL MISSIONS.

Was Much Pleased With Charities in Which Anglo-Saxons Were Associated-Baby Baths.

Special Correspondence

Florence, Feb. 13 .- Helen Gould, who is touring Italy with her cousin, Miss Campbell, and her secretaries and courler, has been making the sights of the country a second consideration to her interest in the charitles carried on by the Anglo-Saxon abroad. In Florence, her stuy at the Grand hotel was an occasion long to be remembered by the many who profitted by her generosity. Her first interest was, of course, the Young Women's Christian association and her letter of introduction was from the Hon. Emily Kinnaird to Mrs. Goldstream, wife of Florence's well known Scotch physician, who was a delegate to the last summer's Medical Convention in America.

Mrs. Goldstream, the prime mover in the Y. W. C. A. in Florence, conducted Miss Gould to the charities she visited. The Young Women's Christian association in Florence, having been ejected from its rented premises by an order of the government which appropriated the building for offices, is without a home, and possessed of none of the possibilities a good building gives. Miss Gould grasped the situation and pre-sented a check, which caused much rejoicing, though its amount is not to be told. Florence possesses, also, a most ex-

Florence possesses, also, a most ex-cellent medical mission, conducted by Roberts and a number of co-workers, among them one American. Miss Ban-croft-Davis. Miss Gould with Miss Campbell and one secretary, Miss Coult, paid this institution a long and atten-tive visit, inspecting the laboratory, the operatingroom and various appoint-ments, and remaining to the afternoon service conducted by the Baptist minis-ter, Rev. Robert Walker.

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES.

Then I'm against the project, teeth and claws; For, though the channel turns me vilely III. To have to help at need my country's cause Would turn me sicker still. It is gravely suggested that Ger-many might oppose the construction of the tunnel, on the ground that, as under international law, no power can appropriate any position of the high seas, so no power, or powers, have any right to claim ownership of any land under the high seas. The kaisen might which Miss Roberts designates as "very generous and handsome." The third charity to interest her is one of the most appealing in Florence. On the Borgognissanti is an old thea-ter now used as a Baptist church. In its rear still stands the stage and green norms and here certain philanthropic members of the Y. W. C. A. have es-tablished a small bathing establish-ment where on every Saturday they bathe the little children of very poor women who, being at work, have no time for such a duty. The little oness are plunged into warm baths, rubbad down and then arrayed in clean dothes washed by the mission while the dis-carded garments are kept for Monday's wash and the following Saturday's dressing.

to exploration, while women of the fam-ily either have been good wives to their busbands or have devoted themselves to the church mb as church. The Heuslers have been erout Roman Catholics through all the centuries, and it has been customary for a least one daughter of every suc-cestve baron to enter a convent and devote her life to the cause of religion. Baroness Elizabeth von Heusier took he vell at the age of 22, and thereafter # income was devoted to the relief of oor and to all sorts and varieties d charitable undertakings. Dressed in the habit of her order, she could be seen in the poorest and dreariest quarters of carrying succor to the needy piring cheerfulness in the arted wrecks of a great city and im-arting the consolations of religion to a outcast and the fallen. Her gentle Bringing and her aristocratic in-facts did not for one moment prevent is from plunging into the depths of mery and despair in order to bring aid to those who stood urgently in

GREW IN ESTEEM.

As the years went by she grew in the steen of her ecclesiastical superiors unit at an unusual early age she wat appointed lady superior in the Convent of St. Martinillaw in the vicinity of of St. Maximilian in the vicinity Munch. Under her supervision and sudance it became more than ever a center of charitable works and true re-ligous zeal. It is difficult to conceive of a life more frees from blame and approaching more closely the Chris-tian ideal than that of this good worm-man. Nevertheless, a terrible misfor-tue overtook her and plunged her in-to the depths of misery and humiliation. There were two domestic servants at the Convent of Si. Maximilian who were support in order that the inmates of Under her supervision sployed in order that the inmates of the institution should be as free as pos-The provide the second states of the second stat

A reputation and santecedents should ine been guilty of such an act seemed that incredible to those who conduct-the preliminary investigation. But the relation to the various stories was several of the nuns voluntarily appeared so outrageously inconsist with the relative superior it no long-appeared so outrageously inconsist with the character. For these nuns exists and hyde, who appeared to the and as a species of femiline as world as a saint, but revealed mathematical woman who sould strupte at nothing to attain her

and consequently was relieved of the torture of solitude. But in the tasks assigned to her no regard was shown for her former position. She was treated just like the rest of the convicts. Sometimes she worked at bas-ket making, sometimes at making sacks of coarse material, at other times at the humblest kind of menial

Meanwhile some of her friends who had never lost faith in her innocence worked diligently in her behalf. By dint of strenuous efforts they collect-ed a mass of evidence in Baroness von Heusler's favor. Unfortunately, Min-na Wagner, the witness who, more than any other, had brought about her conviction, died at a critical mo-ment of these investigations, thereby placing fresh obstacles in the way of Baroness von Heusler's supporters. But they ascertained that the Wagner woman always had been hysterical Meanwhile some of her friends who

But they ascertained that the Wagner woman always had been hysterical and mentally deficient, and that her evidence ought never to have been ac-cepted in a court of law. After con-sidering the new evidence the court of appeal ordered a new trial. The case was tried before a judge and jury at Munich and resulted in the triumphant acquittal of the baroness, who gained her liberty after three and a half years of imprisonment. Perhaps the most amazing feature of the new trial was the complete re-traction of their former statements by the various members of the Sisterhood of St. Maximilian whose testimony to the discredit of the baroness had ap-

of St. Maximilian whose testimony to the discredit of the baroness had ap-peared so damning when given at the first hearing of the case. One and all of them declared that they had been "mistaken" in giving their former evi-dence, and thus at the close of the trial not one of the imputations origin-ally made against the former abbeas ally made against the former abbess remained undemolished. The judge, in discharging her, said it was incom-prehensible how she could have been convicted in 1903. Baroness von Heusler is thus once mote an honored member of

Baroness von Heusler is thus once more an honored member of society. This fact has been officially recog-nized by her presentation at the Ba-varian court. At the time she was convicted of murder she was formally expelled from the holy order to which she belonged, and since her release she has not resumed the veil. She is now living quietly not far from is now living quietly not far from

RUDOLPH VON ELPHBERG.

Vignettes.

Women, as a rule, outlive men. Rich Russians are often buried in glass coffins. Not quite one person in a million is killed by lightning. Tennyson made \$60,000 a year the last four years of his life. Turkish ladles redden their finger-neils and sild their svebrows.

Turkish ladies redden their finger-nails and gild their eyebrows. The best winter temperature for a house is said to be 58 degrees. Mutton and fish in Australia rarely cost more than a cent a pound. The ladies of Algeria tattoo a small blue cross in the middle of the fore-head.

Switzerland in proportion to its size has more hotels than any other coun-

try. Instantaneous photography shows that a horse at full trot often has all four feet on the ground at once. The word honeymoon, originally "honey month." is due to the old An-glo-Saxon custom of drinking honey and water regularly for a month after matriage.

think that two Americans should be the first chosen out of her immense circle of girl friends to visit the princess, has driven all English society, so to speak, off its head. "Forward pushing minxes," the favored ones are called.

But save for the honor conveyed in the invitation itself, the poor dear American girls will have little to boast of. A preciously slow time is assured them; for of all the frumpish uninteresting courts, that of Sweden takes the biscuit. Few opportunities are being afforded them of showing off the really gorgeous wardrobes with which their respective mothers provided them, the gaieties in Stockholm being few and far between and then dull beyond words

It is a fact that when Princess Gustavus was over here a few months ago, half her lovely trousseau frocks were still hanging up in their linen bags, never having seen the light of day or indeed of night. During the first six months of her married life, the poor young princess found the dullness insupportable and threatened time and again to "come home" and throw it all up; but her uncle, the king, who is always called upon when any of his female relations become refractory, threw oil on the troubled waters, and

with that wonderful way of his, coax. ed his niece into not "spoiling her life." LOST TO AMERICA.

Two prospective young millionaires are lost for ever to the United States,

the Marshall Field boys now at school at Rugby having decided respectively to go into the British navy and army. As soon as their education is complete at Rugby, one goes to the training col-lege at Osborne where he will have for companions the two elder sons of the Prince of Wales, who are also gothe Prince of Wales, who are also go-ing into the navy. Mrs. Marshall Field's second boy will probably go to Woolwich, but for the moment the place at which he will receive his training for the service has not been dactded. These boys' sister was for a long time very delicate and was a source of the keenest anxiety to her mother, who is absolutely deviat to

source of the keenest anxiety to her mother, who is absolutely devoted to her three children, but she is now very much better. She is staying with her aunt, Mrs. Beatty, during the ab-sence of her mother in America, whither she has gone on purely bust-ness matters, and is expected back here almost directly. Society is hop-ing that she may drop into the ranks of great American hostesses of the season, but those who know her best say she will not emerge from her mourning for another year.

STAYING WITH GRANDMOTHER.

All the small Manchesters have been staying for some time with their grandmother, the Duchess Consuelo, at Grosvenor Square in the absence of their parents, who are still abroad. But they have now all been bundled off to a most lovely old house on Hampstead Heath, which their devot-ed grandmother took for them, as London air did not suit the baby, She

PRISONER AT HIGHBURY.

Parliament. Now it is Field-Marshal Sir Evelyn Wood, who is throwing the Poor Mrs. Joe Chan,berlain continues Shr Evelyn Wood, who is throwing the biggest scare into him. "From a military point of view," he ways, "the project is unthinkable. We are told that such precautions could be devised that at the whisper of danger, the tunnel might be destroyed by the pressure of a button. I am satisfied that no means could be devised, how-ever elaborate, that might not come. to nothing through trickery, or weak-ness, or the use of money. The laying to be a prisoner at Highbury. Out of her husband's sight she never is-has not been for over eight months. One of her old friends, who recently went of her old friends, who recently went to Birmingham to sue her, assures me she looks aged and weary, and that her unselfishness is as wonderful as it is charming. From time to time state-ments are made in the newspapers to the effect that the invalid is gaining strength and will soon be in the politic-al arena again. There is no truth what-ever in this. Joe Chamberlain will-never again return to his old fighting ground. With care and quiet, he may live for years, but for the remainder of ness, or the use of money. The laying of mines would not be a sufficient safe-guard. Every soldier knows that mines have an odd way of not going off when expected." live for years, but for the remainds his days he will be an "invalid" memory in some things at least, a com-plete blank. Chamberlain is not by Sir Evelyn mistrusts the button. "Who is going to press the button that shall destroy the tunnel?" he asks. "Suppose runnor comes of a suiden at-tack, one man will have to decide in a pleteany means a very rich man, but there i no doubt everything he possesses will come to his American wife for her life at least.

very brief space of time whether the tunnel is to be blown up. He knows SAVOY RESTAURANT INCIDENT.

tunnel is to be blown Up. He knows that the pressure of his floger will hurl a train-load of his fellow-countrymen who are traveling through the tunnel, believing all is well, to certain death. Then, if the rumer of war proves false, after the button is pressed and the tun-nei blown to atoms! Who is to be held responsible for that needless slaughter of toweent newly the loss of 216 00. I cannot refrain from telling you an incident which occurred the other night at the Savoy restaurant, though wild horses will not drag from me the name of the lady who is the heroine of the who is the herome of our who is the herome of the were well known American. occasion, a very well known American, by the way. As the fish course was be ing finished, out dropped the lady's top row of false teeth slap bang into her plate. Ye gods and little fishes, of innocent people, the loss of £16,000, 000 worth of property and the desiruc-tion of one of the world's greatest en-gineering feats?" how the rest of us wished the ground would open and swallow us up! The only unembarrassed individual was the one on whom all concern was cenobject of an enomy in attacking us will be to secure control of the tunnel, if there be a tunnel. If will be the one vulnerable point, a constant incentive to others, and a constant menace to ourselves. Our foes will scheme and plan in every way to secure possession of it. the one on which all concern was cen-fered. Picking up singerly the pearly teeth, she wiped them with her servicito and exclaimed: "There is English den-tistry for you! I'll go right away and prosecute the man who made them. And

Fact and Comment. If 32,000,000 should clasp hands they would girdle the globe, but for some reason they prefer to stay at home and look after the housekeeping. A hair is but one thousandth of an inch thick, but down a man's neck after a hair-cut it feels like a cable. A flea can jump 320 times its own length. Such a leap con only be equaled by a bank clerk \$10,000 short on the unexpected appearance of the auditor. A fleton woman makes one Sunday dress do all her life. This is the kind of item husbands like to read out joud to their wires.

early date. And all the old goblins and ome new ones have been trotted out in opposition to it. In consequence the old gentleman no longer sleeps soundly in his insular bed, despite the soothing medicine with which he is being liberally dosed by the backers of the scheme. In vain do they point out that in the event of a war the tunnel could be easily flooded, filled with poisonous gases, or blown to smithereens by the mere pressing of a button. The

DIGGING UP THE GOBLINS.

It was Field-Marshal Lord Wolseley

when the scheme was last defeated in

AFRAID OF BUTTON.

A MODEST DIPLOMAT.

"Naturally,

yet.

FRIGHTENS HIM

John Bull Scared Over proposition

That Has Been Dormant for

Twenty-five Years.

Trot Out All the Old Goblins and Dig

Up New Ones in Opposition

To the Project.

Special Correspondence. ONDON, Feb. 14 .- John Bull is

construction of a submarine rail-

once more suffering from an acute

attack of "Tunnelitis." After ly-

ing dormant for 25 years, the

right to claim ownership of any land under the high seas. The kaiser might say to England and France, "I have as much right to land lying under the channel as either of you have, and I'm not going to let you infringe my property rights by boring a tunnel there unless you square me first."

THE GERMAN BOGEY.

One opponent of the scheme brings forth the German bogey in another form The seizure

of Calals and French end of the tunnel in the event of war between Germany and France," he says, "Is a contingency that must always be feared; and if we were co-operating with France, the cessation of all traffic by means of the tunnel would an traine by means of the tunnel would neturally ensue. The greater the tran-sit trade by the submarine railway, the more numerous the tunnels, the great-er the loss to us. Germany, at Calais, would place her hand upon the throat of the whole of our through railway communications and throttle them at will."

this connection, Bismarck is credited with saying that a German con-queror of France would certainly do-mand the strip of territory surround-ing the French end of the tunnel as an ndemnity, and so give England a new neighbor "in a position to be danger-

OPINION IN FANCE

Opinion in France is strongly in favor of the tunnel, nearly all the cham-bers of commerce there having passed resolutions in its favor. But that, say the "Tunnelphoblasts," is because the "Tunnelphoblasts," is because France, being a nation in arms, has nothing to fear from the comparative-ly small army that England might suc-ceed in landing in France by means of the tunnel. On the other hand, if France got control of the tunnel when the two nations were at war, she could pour in troops in such huge numbers that England would receive a far worse licking than she cut from a far worse licking than she got from William the Conqueror. Sir Hiram Maxim, the Anglo-Ameri-

can knight, is a whole-hearted supports er of the channel tunnel. He makes a novel suggestion to allay the fears of those who mistrust all the safe-guards thus far proposed for prevent-ing an enemy acquiring possession of the tunnel. the tunnel. he continues, "the first

A HOLLOW TOWER.

"Suppose," he says. "that a hollow tower, something like an enarmously large chimney, should be built directly over the tunnet a few hundred feet from the British end, and communicating with the tunnel through aperture, say, ton feet square. S pose that this chimney should be strong masonry, so as to resist the sea, and should extend above the sur sea, and should extend above the sur-face of the water about forty feet, If well made, it would be perfectly safe and would not allow any water to enter, and being of great strength, it would not be injured by the sea. It might serve the double purpose of a ventilator to the tunned and a light-house. In the event of every one on the English side neglecting his duy and allowing the French to quietly take possesion of the English end of the tunnel with sufficient force to prevent any one from closing or floeding the tunnel from the land, a single shot fired from a British man-of-war from mid-channel would demolish the stone tower at once, and thus the newy would still control the channel both above and below the water. The tower should glican Hishop of Northern and Central Europe, has plously blessed Sir Evelyn for giving his countrymen cold chills. "He deserves the thanks of the nation." says the bishop. "for his timely and ad-mirable protest against this criminal folly of cancelling heaven's strongest buiwark of defense for England." But nation has not thanked Sir Evelyn A "diplomat" who modestly con-ceals his identity, indulges in a pro-phetic vision, of how a wily foe would

MEAL OF WARM SOUP.

A meal of warm soup follows the dip into Bethesda, as the ladies have hum-orously called their mission. The little ones improve wonderfully in health and complexion and so touched was Miss Gould by this pretty charity that she made happy also its originator, Mile. Juliette Fontaineu, one of the teachars in the well known Deconess' school in Fiorence.

lorence. A fourth philanthropy made its demand upon the sympathy and gener-osity of Miss Gould, "Les Amies des Pauvres," a society founded in 1999 for the purpose of giving work to poor for the purpose of giving work to poor women. The women in question receive work on certain days, take it home and make it up, returning for payment. If they like they can buy the garments for the cost of the material, which plan necessarily entails a deficit of the cost of the work. Again Miss Gould made things easier for the ladles of this charity, who, with all the others with whom she came in contact, were much delighted with her quiet under-standing of their work and hor broad spirit of sympathy with all that is being done for the unfortunate.

What Women Read.

Wint Women Read, "Women in the last 15 years have taken to reading a much better class of books," said a veteran dealer. "I think I may safely assert that the average women has today a finer lit-erary tasts than the average man. "It used to be different. Women used to read nothing but The Duchess." Mrs. Southworth Bertha M. Clay, and writers of that class. Now they read Howells, Joseph Conrad, Khiling, Wells, Mrs. Wharton, Hardy, W. W. Jacobs, George Meredith and so on "So much for my average woman patron. My average man patron peads Conan Doyle, Hall Caine, Rider Hag-gard, Winston Churchill-writers of the popular class.

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also be very easily destroyed from the fort which already exists." A channel tunnel bill was defeated in the house of commons in 1884 by 222 votes to 84. Four years later another similar bill was given its quietus by 307 votes to 165. The government is not backing the present measure and the prospects for its passage, despite the "entente cordiale" do not seem particularly rowy. Probably the mat-ter will be referred to a royal com-mission, which might alt upon it for a long time before hatching out a ro-port. But meanwhile the cardonism are gettigs a lot of fan out of John Buil's blue funk. Bull's blue funk.

prosecute the man who made them. And it isn't as if 1 stinted the cost, for he charged me \$200 for them." We are all watching daily the news-papers for this interesting case, as un-doubtedly our friend is a woman of her word. LADY MARY. in every way to secure possession of it. "The men-in control-the military guardians of the tunnel-will be known and watched. If one of them shows any weakness, he will be approached. What does a bribe of £20,000 or so, mats ter to a country that is going to save millions by it?" Fact and Comment. The Right Rev. T. E. Wilkinson, An