If Napoleon Had Had Wireless at Waterloo

W. A. Phelon in the New York Telegraph.

As long as histories are penned, and as long as men delight in tales of war and battle, there will be eager readers of Waterloo's grim story, and the sublime tragedy of Mont St. Jean will hold myriads absorbed in fascinated awe. Waterloo was an epochal struggle, the crowning cataclysm of a tremendous age. As a battle it was not nearly equal in bloodshed to others of Napoleon's contests, but in magnitude of results and finality of action it surpassed them all. Aspern, Borodino, Leipsic, probably Wagram, saw greater slaughter than Waterloo, but none of these Titanic combats even approached Waterloo in the making of history.

The story of Waterloo has been told ten thousand times—how the great Napoleon, victor at Ligny, divided his army, sent Marshal Grouchy in pursuit of the retreating Prussians, and himself attacked the English force of Wellington. The slow-thinking Grouchy was deceived by Blucher; an enormous Prussian army was hurled upon Napoleon's flank, and, unable to withstand the united pressure, his army was beaten back, routed, and finally disintegrated.

That is the skeleton of the battle, as the school books tell it, but the accounts handed down by those who fought on either side are so bewildering, so conflicting, that it seems impossible to gain a clear, unbiased vision of the great fight as it occurred. The British, for instance, talk proudly as to their glory in standing off a superior army till the coming of night and Blucher, while the plain facts of figures show that Napoleon, in the morning, had 71,947 men with which to attack a defensive army of 67,661. It has always been an axiom of tactics that an attacking force, charging up hill as Napoleon's men were forced to do, must be at least 33 per cent stronger than the defending force, yet Napoleon made the attack with only 4,306 as his numerical superiority. And—even the English cannot deny this—before he had time to bring even this small superiority into play, the advance half of the Prussian army came on his flank, forcing him to detach 12,000 men to stave off their charge. Napoleon, therefore, with 68,000 men, attacked 68,000 strongly posted on and behind a hill, and certainly managed to entertain them admirably until Blucher's swarming troops arrived. So much for the great fight and the way it was waged, a Homeric struggle full of glory for everybody.

Oh, yes, and incidentally, the English histories say that the Belgian and Holland troops, forming part of Wellington's forces, behaved in a most cowardly fashion, leaving the brunt of the work to be done by the British only—thus magnifying greatly the glory of England's sons. All of which may be true, but the death-roll of the day shows that great numbers of the Belgians and Hollanders were hit by French bullets or pierced by French lances. Were all of these poor fellows killed while running away? But this is a digression. It is also a digression to comment on the German histories, all of which say that Napoleon, having swept over most of the advanced posts of the British, was proceeding, in a leisurely but effective fashion, to annihilate the English line when the Germans came on the scene and prevented a wholesale widowing and orphaning in Britain. Let all these stories go—let us consider something else, which, perchance, has never been discussed before in connection with Waterloo.

What would have been the result of Waterloo if modern appliances and inventions had been known in 1815?

Give the question a little study and the answer will almost inevitably be this: Napoleon would have won.

Pass we over the question of modern rifles, modern cannon. It would be fair to suppose that each of the three armies would be equally equipped in regard to weapons. Neither would the range of modern guns have kept Napoleon and the allied hosts from engaging in close grapple. They said, before the Manchurian battles, that the question of personal courage no longer cut any figure in war, and that men would slay from miles away, without even seeing those they slew or those who slew them. But the Jap and Russian managed to seek each other out, and cross the zones of fire, and sink the bayonet to the gun-muzzle in each other's bodies, just as they did at Waterloo, just as they will do through all the aeons of fighting yet to come. If the latest rifles had been used at Waterloo they would have met and fought at handgrips just the same.

Had field telephones, quick-flung wireless messages, modern ideas of signaling and communication, been in use at Waterloo, the whole face of the battle would have been changed. Grouchy would never have got out of touch with his master. The distance that separated Grouchy from Napoleon was not to be bridged in 1815. Today it would be the matter of a few brief moments—the marshal and his emperor would be in close touch, and the master mind would never lose its firm control of the subordinate.

With modern methods of communication we can well map out the altered plans of Napoleon. He would have turned Grouchy upon the flank of the advancing Germans, or have recalled him to headquarters and formed a new battle line. The combined force would still have been inferior, numerically, to that of the Allies, but would have had material advantages which would have more than compensated for a slight difference in numbers.

Napoleon had 71,947 men, Grouchy's wing totaled 32,771. The British numbered 67,661, and Blucher had 51,000 Prussians. With all the forces massed Napoleon could have opposed 105,718 men to 118,661. The French were the better seasoned troops, flushed by the victory of Ligny, and splendidly provided with artillery and cavalry. Half of the British army was made up of shaky regiments from Holland, Belgium and the smaller German states, while the Prussians had just felt the weight of the emperor's hand, and could hardly cope, on equal terms, with the men who had just beaten them.

Napoleon under these circumstances would easily have held his ground and repulsed any attack, and might well have taken the offensive after beating off the allied onslaught. It is hard to see how he could not have won. Victory at Waterloo would have changed the history of Europe—Napoleon's dynasty would rule France today, and France would be first among the nations.

Electric connections would have done wonders for Napoleon that mighty day in June. If the spirits of the heroic dead wander today above the scenes of their former deeds, is it not possible to imagine the shade of Napoleon stalking sadly through the vale of Waterloo, visiting again the hillsides where the armies lay, and inveighing at the fate that denied him the wisdom every modern leader knows?

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37½c Bleached Bed Sheeting
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MONDAY
10c Bleached Muslin
Full yard wide—special for one day. Limit 10 yards to a customer at per yard **6c**

MONDAY
15c Daisy Flannel
In pink, light blue, cream and white. Special for one day, limit 12 yards to a customer at a yard **9c**

MONDAY
$9.00 All Wool Blankets
12-4 size, measure 70 by 80 in. weight, 6 pounds, either white or grey, special for one day, one to a customer at at a pair **$5.60**

Under-Priced Items from our
Silk Department

These quotations make it self evident that savings are greatest here.

Plain and Fancy Silks
This week we will place on sale in one lot on our silk counter about 2,500 yards of new silks, including many styles both plain and fancy. Among them are two tone stripes, wash Taffeta, plaid, fancy Messalines and others. Usual values up to $1.00 a yard. On sale at per yard **69c**

Fancy Silks
1,500 yards of fancy silks, high grade qualities, comprising Messalines, in hair line stripes, fancy taffetas, Moire silk, Bengaline and many other styles. Values up to $1.50. On sale at per yard **89c**

Black Tafetta Silk Special
90c quality black taffeta, 27 inches wide. Sale price per yard **69c**
$1.00 quality black taffeta 27 inches wide. Sale price per yard **79c**
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Beautiful, rich fur set of Jap mink, prettily striped, muff is of the large pillow type, accompanied with a long throw to match, the entire set lined with guaranteed satin. Worth fully $12.50, specially priced next week at **$8.00**

MONDAY
Manufacturers' Samples of White Linen Waists

Waists that you'll recognize at a glance, to be worth $2.50 to $12.00. On sale here Monday at.
$1.95 to $6.75
Sample Waists only—of some, one of a kind, others 2 or 3—but only in 2 sizes, 36 and 38. If you can wear either size come early Monday Morning, and choose at from—
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Under-Priced Items from our
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Advantageous purchases direct from the Mills enable us to offer these remarkable values this week:

$1.87 New Broadcloth $1.87
A very fine quality of Broadcloth 54 inches wide, rich and lovely, soft as fur with high finish, an excellent fabric. We have it in all the new shades and staple colorings. Our regular $2.50 quality, a money saver for you, next week they will be on sale at per yard **$1.87**

Rainier Cloth
A beautiful fabric 54 inches wide in self covered stripes, and in all the new shades, a few among them are Betunia, cedar, raisin, catawba, Rose and others, this material is very desirable for soft clingy Gowns or waists. And the regular Value is $1.50. On sale next week at per yard **$1.05**

Cloaking and Skirting
Just received several pieces of 52 inch. Materials suitable for Children's Cloakings and Ladies' skirtings. Mostly Grays—some in mixture, some in small plaids or checks, also plain. These usually sell at from $2.50 to $3.50 a yard. On sale next week at per yard ..... **$1.65 and $2.50**

MONDAY
Ladies' Gowns
$1.25 Values at 79c
Ladies' heavy outing flannel gowns in pink or blue stripes, neatly trimmed and cut full length and width, all sizes, on sale at **79c**

MONDAY
Children Gowns
Up to 75c Values at 35c
Children's Outing Flannel night gowns in an extra good quality. Regular prices according to sizes, up to 75c on Sale Monday, all sizes **35c**

MONDAY
Ladies' Skirts
Best 75c Values at 49c
Ladies' white or neat striped outing flannel skirts with button hole stitched deep, ruffle, a variety of 75c styles to choose from Monday at **49c**

MONDAY
Infants' Bibs
3 for 10c
Regular 10c qualities in Infants' fleeced pique or Honey comb bibs, on sale Monday only at **3 1-3c**

MONDAY
Children Stocking Caps
Best 40c Grades at 25c
Children's fine zephyr Wool Knitted stockings caps in white or colors the best 40c styles on Sale Monday **25c**

MONDAY
Venetians Lace Collars
50c Values at 25c
White Venetian lace collars, several patterns to choose from, the prettiest 50c styles on sale Monday only at **25c**

MONDAY
50c Boys' Overalls
In blue denim with double knees and seat, also red trimmed and tan collar. Special at only **35c**
Limit 3 to a customer.

Under-Priced Items in our
SHOE Department

Are you in doubt where to buy your Winter Shoes, then let us remind you that our shoe department offers a matchless Stock to choose from—that every shoe you buy here must give satisfaction—and cost even so, prices are considerably lower than elsewhere.

LITTLE BOYS' CALF SHOES, sizes 8 to 13½. Worth $1.35. Goes at **98c**

CHILDREN'S KID OR BOX CALF HIGH CUT STORM BOOTS. Sizes 8½ to 11. Value $2.25 at per pair **$1.70**

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LADIES' BLACK KID WALKING SHOES, with broad round toe and Military heels. Value $3.00 at per pair **$2.35**

LADIES' BLACK KID SHOES with dull kid tops, patent tip and blucher cut. Value $2.75 at per pair **$2.15**

MEN'S KID OR VELVET HOUSE SLIPPERS. All sizes goes per pair **85c**

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$3.50 Comforteres covered with English satine on both sides—filled with the finest white cotton, Scroll Stitched. Size 72 by 80. Special next week at each **$2.28**

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