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## Women in Warfare.

Women have fought in countless wars and have died in hand to hand conflict. Only the other day a Japanese spy was captured by the Russians—a slender little chap, smaller than the average Japanese, who had plans and notes of the Russian army that showed he was most dangerous to the Czar's plans. He was taken red handed, tried by a drum-head court martial, condemned and promptly shot.

When the burial party prepared to place him in the shallow grave they found that the spy was a woman.

History is full of similar cases—Boadicea, the "British Warrior Queen;" Zenobia, the warlike queen of Palmyra; the Teutonic heroines of the old Roman historian; Joan of Arc, who freed France from the English yoke; these are some of them.

Then there was Louise Labe, "Captain Louise," who led a troop of cavalry at the siege of Perpignan, and retired from the army to marry a wealthy rope maker, and carried on his business after his death, to die a rich woman and to give her name to one of the streets of the French city of Lyons, where the "Street of the Beautiful Rope Maker" exists to this day.

Sergeant Frank Mayue, who deserted from the One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Pennsylvania Infantry, but atoned for the crime by a gallant death in the ranks of another regiment, was a woman, Frances Day by name. "Frank Thompson" of the Second Michigan Infantry, was a woman, and Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Blaylock fought side by side in the butternut uniform of the Twenty-sixth North Carolina Regiment.

But there is another side to war than fighting, the side that Florence Nightingale shows, that the Sisters of Mercy at Kaiserwerth show, and women are better fitted for that than for fighting in the ranks against men.

That is the side that shows in the hospitals, where the nurses do their work. It is not as exciting, perhaps, as slashing and shooting in the ranks, but it is better and more valuable to the fighting men.

But at last one of them is to have a statue in her honor, and the labors of Mary A. Bickerdyke, known to the armies of the Civil War as "Mother Bickerdyke," are to be commemorated lastingly by Theo Suggles Kitten, the Boston sculptor.

Mother Bickerdyke began her work at the beginning of the war and made her presence felt in the hospitals after the bloody capture of Fort Donelson. Then she turned her attention to providing comforts for the sick and started what became known as the "cow and hen mission."

Then, as now, eggs were not easily to be obtained in field hospitals, and they were no more easily carried then than now. Condensed milk was not common; besides, it does not replace fresh milk wholly.

So Mother Bickerdyke raised a fund to provide milk and eggs "off the bat." More than a hundred cows, and ten times as many hens, were sent to the hospitals by the aid of this fund; and though cows died, and hens ceased laying, they did their work as they could, and by their presence scores of men were helped to recovery.

After she had started this fund Mother Bickerdyke went back to actual nursing. She was sent to Memphis to take charge of the hospital, which she found full of smallpox cases, while nine men dead of the disease lay waiting burial. She saw to their interment, then cleansed the hospital herself, and prepared it for further use. When the war ended and the great review was held in Washington, Mother Bickerdyke rode with "her boys," cheered from end to end of the long march as heartily as were the battle-scarred soldiers.

## Hypnotism.

The whole world is now watching the developments in the great Chadwick case. The query in the matter is: "How could a woman fool a bank official when as a matter of fact men who hold such positions necessarily are on the alert for those whose aim is to deceive?" In answering query the American and European press are disposed to assign the cause to what is popularly known as hypnotism. It is alleged that Mrs. Chadwick possesses this power in a very great degree. It is supposed to have formed the basis of her peculiar financial policy. According to the latest developments it is destined to form the groundwork of one of the greatest cases of swindle of the age.

It is true that we are somewhat relieved when we think that we have found the cause or explanation of such a unique scandal, but when we come to examine the cause in the form as stated above, we find that it in itself needs exposition in order to fully understand and appreciate its real significance.

What do we mean by hypnotism? Some are wont to call it mesmerism, others personal magnetism. Whatever we call it, by that name or this, the fact remains that the laws of attraction hold good in a way for mind as well as for matter. According to good authority, based on much observation and study, it is held that every mind attracts in some degree every other mind when

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The memorial services for Ex-President J. E. Rankin will be held Sunday eve, Jan. 8th, at 8 o'clock, at the First Congregational Church, 10th and G., N. W. Gen. O. O. Howard, the founder of the University, will speak.

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"I believe in saying what I think," said the young man in the flappy trousers.

"I've often wondered why you don't talk very much," said the girl with the trick of saying what she thinks.—*Cleveland Leader.*

The present House is made up of 251 Republicans, John Sharp Williams and 134 innocent bystanders.

## Theological Notes.

"I can not resist the impulse of the moment to make an appeal to those who fill professors' chairs in universities, and the positions of teachers in schools. My fellowmen, you are thinkers. You are leaders. Our young men and young women look up to you with admiration. You have a mighty influence over them. Would it not be noble in you to use this influence in making God the mightiest thought in the souls of your students? In what way can you better glorify God and serve those whom you have been appointed to lead? You can make the science speak for God, and can make Nature teach his divine over-rule."—*Rev. David Gregg, D. D.*

The man who puts off resolutions for good until the new year is the man who deceives himself. The drunkard says "I'll sign the pledge and make a new start on New Years Day," but so far as the pledge and the reform are concerned, that new year has never come. There are all classes of people planning to reform tomorrow or New Year's. It is sad, nevertheless it is true, the opportunities that come today may never come again. How many are slowly winding their way down to ruin and perdition waiting for tomorrow! Now is the accepted time. Live your best today. Tomorrow will take care of itself.

At the last meeting of the Theological Literary Society, Dec. 21, 1904, a special program was rendered. Mr. C. C. Gill recited his original poem "A Gentile Offering," which received a hearty applause.

True happiness is promoted by the love of Christ.

The disputants for the Maynard Prize Debate will be elected soon. Much interest is centered in these annual debates.

### The Stupidest Nation.

The wanderer leaves Korea with a feeling of how the most stupid nation of created men can also be the happiest; or could, were conditions only a trifle more propitious. By the evil star of the Koreans it has been arranged that their land is to be the Switzerland of the Far East—a territory to be fought over forever, but one that no nation can either itself possess or allow any other nation to hold. Korea is the victim of her own geographical advantages. And the impressionist carries away with him the picture of a people indomitably patient, dumb with the callousness of despair, that yet has the secret of happiness in its power to extract joy from the most unsatisfactory material; a nation stunned by the oppression of the ages out of all moral and mental vigor—yet still stout and capable, perhaps of both—a nation of sturdy, apathetic sheep whose silence beneath the driving lash of the world may some day be found unexpectedly to have its limits or its possibilities.—*The Living Age.*

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**Hypnotism...**

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contact with it. It may be in the form of the power of the teacher over the pupil, the speaker over his audience, the salesman over his customers, or the statesman over his party. It may exist in various forms, sometimes negative, sometimes positive. It is a well-known fact that there are individuals who by look, gesture, tone of voice or touch can sway a multitude. How can they do it? Clearly, it must be the attraction of mind working through the physical organs of sight, touch or sound.

We have, then, the fact that hypnotism is mind attraction—the power of the strong mind over the weak. The question now arises as to whether the hypnotist is born or made. Doubtless those who have not made a study of the matter will answer that it is an innate power; that the individual who possesses it is in a class to himself. On the other hand, to those who make the matter a study it seems that the time is fast approaching when the method of acquiring this seemingly subtle power will be in the hands of not a few. To say the least, the question is an open one and those who will labor a little in investigation may arrive at some startling conclusions.

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I always was conservative,  
And in this Eastern fuss, scrap,  
I'd have you know my sympathies  
Are firmly with the Russ, Jap.  
And when success shall crown his arms,  
Disgruntled folks may yap, cuss,  
But as for me, I always said:  
All hail the victor Jap! Russ!

—New York Sun.

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