THIS MAN BULLET-PROOF.

Scotch Soldier's Experience in the Battle of Atbara.

A letter written by Corporal Laurie of the Seaforth Highlanders to his sister, describing the battle of Atbara, says: "I suppose you have seen me reported as slightly wounded and pictured me as an interesting invalid. Well, I was struck, but the effect was so small that I have often been worse hurt in a foot-ball match. But during the rest of the day and for some days afterward I have been an object of interest, and have been questioned by almost every officer and man in the battalion, referred to as the 'bullet-proof man,' and asked if I would mind letting a section fire a few rounds at me to see if they could do me any harm. The fact is that I got most of the corners of my clothing shot off, while personally I was uninjured.

"Before I entered the zeraba I was not struck, but shortly afterward a bullet took off the toe of my left shoe without hitting my foot, the shoe being a size too big, for easy marching and sleeping at night. Then my bayonet was struck and bent over at a right angle. Then a shot went through my sleeve, near my left wrist, tearing two holes, but not hurting myself. Then my rifle was struck while I was loading, the bullet splintering the butt and being stopped by an iron bolt which it met. This bullet would certainly have gone right into my body but for my rifle being there. Then a nigger in a trench let drive at me with a spear, missed my ribs by an inch and slit up my haversack. A bullet then grazed the back of my hand just enough to make it bleed.

"When I reached the river bank, which was nearly perpendicular, a shot came from the bottom, about twenty feet below and a little to the left, which caused the wound I am supposed to have got, and was so curious that I was paraded before the General. It entered through the lid of my right ammunition pouch, which was open; went into my right coat pocket, smashing a penknife and two pencils, tore four holes in my shirt, made a surface wound two or three inches long on my left breast, and came out near my left shoulder through my coat and ammunition pouch braces.

"In the afternoon I strolled over to the field hospital and got a piece of dressing on and it has never troubled me at all; in fact, it was a farce to put it in as a wound, and was done without my knowledge by the color sergeant. So you see I've really been, as I'm told by everybody, wonderfully lucky in getting off as I have done, while other poor chaps were given no chances."—Scotsman.

CAT MADE A NIGHT OF IT.

How a Black Feline Learned to Respect Fly-Paper.

When a young man who lives near Druid Hill Park appeared at his office the other morning his face in its perturbed expression showed that he had passed a sleepless night. In fact, he had spent a considerable portion of the hours which are supposed to be passed in pleasant dreams trying to remove a sticky fly-paper mixture from the caudal appendage of his particular pet—a large and handsome black cat.

The possibilities are that neither the young man nor the cat will ever forget the experience. The drama opened about 9 o'clock at night. While prowling about the house the cat's evil genius led him to jump upon the sideboard. The flay paper was there. Just how it happened the sole witness of the disasted did not know, relates the Baltimore News. There was a whisk of the cat's tail, a loud growl as it touched and clung to the fly paper. Then there was pandemonium for fifteen minutes. The paper terrified the cat. He tried to rid himself of it by rolling, and made it stick tighter. The cat hissed, spit and uttered blood-curdling shrieks. He fled under the sofa and then upstairs. The youngest of the family was asleep. She awakened in terror as the cat rushed across her bed leaving a section of the paper on her face.

Into the next room rushed the cat. He rolled on the bureau, and about twenty-five pins, two pieces of ribbon, a lot of cigarette papers, a scarf and a necktie stuck to his tail. Downstairs he went, carrying the collection with him, and took refuge under the refrigerator, when his owner, who had vainly been trying to seize him, managed to get hands on him. The frightened animal had been terrified into docility. Warm water, olive oil, alcohol and benzine were applied to his once smooth black tail after the articles he had gathered up on it had been picked off one by one to an accompaniment of mews and spits. It was past midnight when this was accomplished. In the morning the cat made a hostile demonstration before another piece of fly paper, but left it alone.

A Ton of Soot.

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Art and Nature.

A bulletin of the New York Zoological Society reports that the experiment of decorating the walls of the bird-house with paintings of landscapes has had at least one interesting result—the cranes have several times tried to walk through the walls.

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A Slight Correction.

Miss Lakeside—Goodness! How tanned you are! You've been in the sun, haven't you?

Miss Presyse (of Boston)—Most assuredly not. There are no means as yet of transporting oneself to that sphere. I have been merely basking in the beams which percolated through the circumambient atmosphere of Atlantic City.

An attempt is being made to reform the Mexican army, teaching the officers to stay by their men in an engagement instead of seeking a secure place when danger is encountered, and the men to fire from the shoulder instead of from the hip. President Diaz also intends to have his army provided with the best modern arms.

It is probable that in the future more root crops, such as beets, turnips and carrots, will be grown for stock. The difficulty has been in the labor of slicing the roots, which is necessary when feeding them to cattle, but within the past few years root cutters have been introduced, which cut all kinds of roots into thin slices, bran and cornmeal being sprinkled on the food so prepared, which makes a meal that is not only highly relished but one that is cheap and promotive of the thrift of the animals.

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To clean bottles cut a raw potato into small pieces and put them into the bottle with a tablespoonful of salt, to two tablespoonfuls of water, and shake well together until all the marks are removed.

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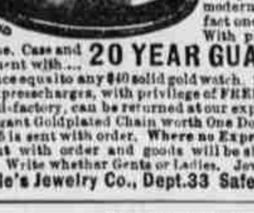

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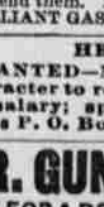

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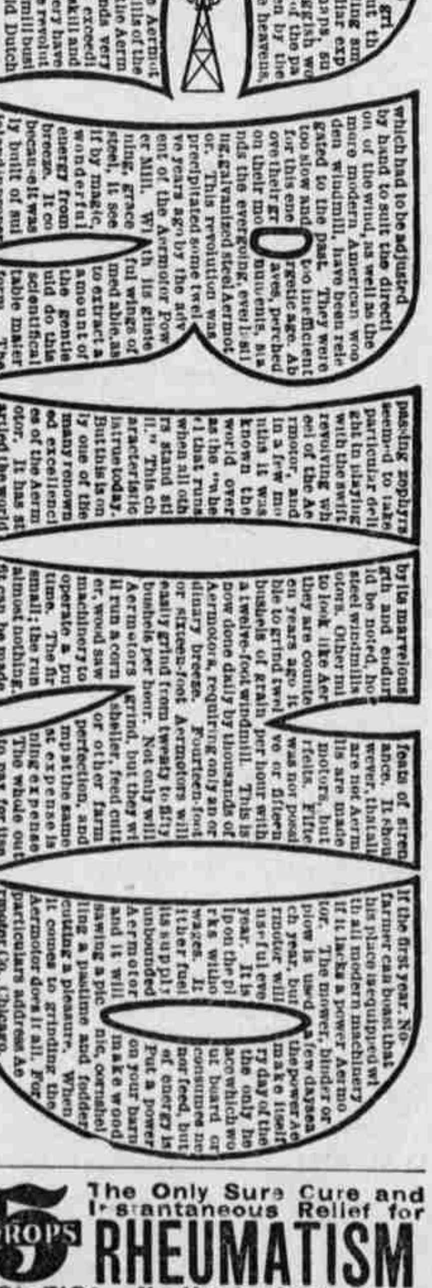

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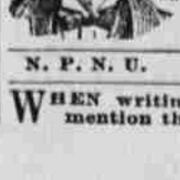

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