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#### THE WORLD AT PEACE.

In the Austrian army the average rate of suicide each year is 131 to every 100,000 men; in the French army 92, German 68, and English 23.

THE latest explanation of the rain which usually follows a great battle is that it is caused, not by the smoke, but by the perspiration of the soldiers.

THE Camperdown, the vessel which rammed the Victoria, is again cruising in the Mediterranean in company with the ships of the British squadron. Rear Admiral Markham is in command.

Or the recruits in the British army 33,094 were last year raised in England, 3,567 in Scotland, and 3,860 in Ire land. One thousand three hundred and five of these young soldiers were under 17 years of age.

BELLE Boyn, the rebel spy, famous during the war, has gone on the lecture platform. She is now past fifty, and her reddish blonde hair has become almost white. She has three children, and is divorced from her third husband.

ADMIRAL AVELAN has received over a thousand letters from emotional French women, each of whom wants a lock of his hair. He will probably have the first barber shingle a dozen sailors so that none of the fair writers will be disappointed.

GEN. BROUSART VON SCHELLENDORFF, the new minister of war of Germany, is a martial-looking man, of medium He wears a mustache and imperial. He is said to be almost as eloquent a speaker as his late brother, who was one of his predecessors in

#### MEDICAL MATTERS.

THE Austrian authorities have issued a rescript in which they call attention to the law that physicians' prescrip-tions shall be written in a legible

SIR HENRY THOMPSON, of England, says that out of every ten patients who came under his knife nine would never have done so had it not been for errors of eating and drinking.

Four members of the Imperial College of Physicians at Pekin who failed to give a proper diagnosis of his majesty's indisposition recently were punished by having a year's salary taken away from them.

ALBERT ABBINK is in a St. Louis hospital suffering from a disease called anchylostomum dodenale, the effect of which is to render him as white as marble. Even his tongue, gums and finger nails are devoid of all color.

DR. CHARLES FERE, a well-known authority on nervous and mental diseases, says that these disorders are increasing at a terrible rate in France, and attributes the fact to the increase of beer drinking, absinthe drinking and bars. There was scarcely such a thing as a bar twenty-three years ago, he says, but now they are all over the town and always crowded .- N. Y. Ex-

## ELECTRICAL FLASHES.

In 1600 Gilbert recorded that other bodies besides amber had electric properties.

TESLA, the electrician, thinks he has solved the problem of transmitting electricity to a distance with little loss of power.

THE destructiveness of a new Gatling gun may be imagined when it is stated that it fires 3,129 shots a minute. When operated by an electric motor, it fires 5,000 shots in a minute.

SAMUEL LEFFERS, an aged resident of Moraine, N. D., who has been a great sufferer from rheumatism for over twenty years, has been entirely and, it is thought, permanently cured by a slight stroke of lightning.

Mr. Edison is now engaged in the construction of a magnetic ore concentrator which he expects will work a revolution in the iron business so that northern furnaces can once more successfully compete with the south.

TELEPHONEMETER is the new word naming an instrument to register the time of each conversation at the telephone from the time of ringing up the exchange to the ringing-off signal. Such a system would reduce rentals of telephones to a scale according to the service, instead of a fixed charge to a business firm or occasional user alike. -Scientific American.

About a year ago I took a violent attack of la grippe. I coughed day and night for about six weeks; my wife then suggested that I try Chamberlain's of box; in the Robinson scorer there Cough Remedy. At first I could see no difference, but still kept trying it, and soon found that it was what I needed. If I got no relief from one dose I took another, and it was only a few days until I was free from the cough. I think people in general ought to know the value of this remedy, and I take pleasure in acknowledging the benefit I have received from it. Madison Mustand, Otway, Ohio. Fifty-cent bottles for sale by Blakeley & Houghton, druggists.

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### BOXES FOR EVERYTHING.

The Great Number of Uses to Which Cardboard Is Put.

Some Interesting Information Regarding the Beginning and Growth of an Important Industry.

In the multiplicity of modern conveniences the paper box holds a front place. Half a century ago the dry goods dealer would present an empty box to the little daughter of his regular customer as a mark of special favor. Boxes were then used only by the wholesale houses to send out their goods in, and the retailer kept them to show his wares in. Now the customer insists upon his purchase being placed in a neat box. Not only is this so in the dry goods business, but in every other business. The oyster fry in a box as a peacemaker was a popular joke half a dozen years ago; now they put ice-cream in boxes, and all sorts of things. Candy used to be sold in paper bags; the smallest purchase has to be put in a box. The saucy confectioner might hand a paper bag to a woman who had made a small purchase, but never to a man. The man is probably more particular about his parcel than a woman. He hates to be seen carrying parcels, anyway, and those he does carry must be thoroughly well disguised. If he buys a bottle of whisky he must have it in a box, so that his friends may mistake it for a pair of

It is not surprising, therefore, says the New York Advertiser, that paper box making should have grown into an important industry. In this city alone no less than five thousand girls are employed in it. It is a comparatively clean, healthy business, is regular and is well paid, the wages averaging between seven and ten dollars a week. There are in this city seventy-five firms engaged in the business, but threefourths of it is done by ten large firms, whose individual output will run from one hundred thousand to one hundred and fifty thousand dollars a year. As the average cost of a paper box is five cents, you can form some idea from this of the enormous number that are used. One candy maker alone during the month of December last used ten thousand dollars' worth of boxes.

Philadelphia, Boston and Chicago are also prominent in this industry, and the workmen and girls employed by the firms of those cities cannot be

much less than twenty thousand. The first paper box maker was George W. Plumly, who started in the business at Philadelphia in 1846. He and his partner cut out the boxes, their only tools being a straight edge, compasses, shoe knife and scissors. They employed five girls to paste, and for six or seven years had a monopoly of the business. Then Charles W. Jeneks started in the business in Providence, and introduced a rough scoring machine to cut partly through the card-board where it is folded to make the box. At that time it was a struggle to obtain proper materials. There were few paper mills in the country and the straw board used was very poor stuff, not two sheets coming out of the mill of the same size. It was made by hand of straw, meadow hay, refuse straw from stables, dried in the open air on the ground, and consequently was often filled with sand, which made it interesting for the cutters. The best quality of mill board was all im-

In those early days the young womboxes as their mothers made pies, "one at a time and that one well." A girl who could make pies quickly and well could make boxes in a similar style. The operations were somewhat similar. There was the same manner of cutting out material, the same caress ing way of patting down and smoothing out the box coverings as the pie crust and the same way of trimming off surplus material. Now everything is done by machinery in paper box making, and the girls have nothing to do but feed the material to the ma-

George A. Dickerman, of Boston, started in the business in 1863 in Boston, and about 1870 a Frenchman named Rouyon introduced the business in this city. The old-fashioned way of scoring the pasteboard with a rule and a cobbler's knife continued until 1871, when the first machine was introduced. This was the invention of Mr. Bigelow, of New Haven. This scoring machine was such a success that a number of firms sprang up. Six years after a man named Marshall, of Boston, made a lighter and easier running machine, and in 1881 John T. Robinson & Co. invented the present scoring ma-chine. The trouble with the former machines was in the time it took to adare two sets of knives, so that one can be adjusted while the other is being used.

Nowadays the whole of the material is made in this country, and it is a satisfaction to know that the scoring machines and the box making machines are all the result of Yankee ingenuity. Paper boxes are used all over the world now, and all the world has to get its machines from this country. In France paper boxes are still made by hand by many force but the hand by many firms, but the machines have been introduced there and it will not be long before Yankee inventions will be at work in all their factories.

The box maker now receives two dol he makes a larger profit and is able to pay higher wages. The machines are complicated and not expensive. The business gives steady employment, as there is practically no particular sea-son, and when not working on orders the machines are running on stock, of which a large supply has always to be kept on hand.

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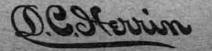
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