



THE RED MIRAGE

I. A. R. WYLIE THE MAKER OF THE DIVIDING WATERS.

Synopsis: Sylvia Ormby, her lover, Richard Farquhar, finds her in love with Captain Arnaud of the Foreign Legion...

"We can't help our relatives, but thank heaven we can choose our friends..."

CHAPTER XVII—Continued.

"I stole these," he said. I thought they would be my last. I was mistaken apparently. Am I to thank you? "Give me a cigarette instead..."

CHAPTER XVIII.

The Return. In the softly-lighted courtyard of the Hotel de France a newly-imported Zigeuner Kapelle was playing the waltz from Hoffman's "Erzählungen..."

In the courtyard of the hotel two more or less intoxicated pierrots danced a cancan to the delirious plaudits of an audience themselves overcome by the heat and passion that hung heavy in the night air...

were figures of carnival—but different. They marched four deep—a hundred of them. Their heads were bowed. Beneath the flare of lights each man seemed to shrink, to cower closer to his neighbor...

TASTE OF "HOME COOKING"

Woman Who Lives in Apartment Can Have It If She Will Do a Little Planning.

Many a woman living in a two-room-and-bath apartment and taking her meals in an adjoining public dining room years at times for something "homemade" and delicious...

CARE IN TABLE DECORATION

People as a Rule Don't Like to Play Peek-a-Boo at Dinner, Says Miss Holman.

A few flowers are in good taste and add charm to the dining table but the whole greenhouse or garden should not be used...

Furnishing Small Rooms.

In furnishing a small room two necessary points must be considered: First, that space is gained by making things as flat as possible against the wall...

Lemon Custard.

Beat four eggs until light and then add the juice and grated rind of a lemon, two cupfuls of milk, half a cupful of granulated sugar...

"Frenched" Strawberries.

Wash and hull large strawberries, allowing six or eight to a person; cut fresh ripe pineapple in strips about one-quarter inch thick...

Toasted Corn.

An improvement over boiled corn is toasted corn, which has a much more delicious flavor. After boiling the ears six minutes, so as to cook them partially, remove to a breadtoaster...

New Tomato Recipe.

When broiling or frying tomatoes sprinkle them generously with grated cheese just before serving and top each portion with a little whipped cream.

WORK OF SURGEONS IN WAR

Prevention of Disease and the Cure of Wounds Has Been Something Marvelous.

No phase of human activity and progress has been further developed, perhaps, than the work of medicine and surgery during this great war. Doctor Beaumont of the White Star line, tells the New York Times that after a three months' tour of base hospitals in Great Britain he finds that surgery has become more conservative through the use of the X-ray...

Army Physical Test.

The recommendations of the general staff officers that have been considering the proposal to abolish the 90-mile annual test ride now are before the chief of staff awaiting his action. It is recommended that the annual ride be discontinued...

The Noble Guards of Italy.

The noble guards, who have lost their commander, Prince Camillo Rospigliosi, were drawn exclusively from the Roman aristocracy until about two years ago, when Pius X sanctioned the acceptance of recruits from any country, provided they were Catholics and could show the necessary number of quarters...

Suspicious.

Detective "Billy" Burns returned the other day from a tour through the country in the interest of the Bankers' association. He was profoundly impressed with the merits of western Pennsylvania as a place of residence. "Nothing like it for a man that's inclined to be a bit low-spirited," said Mr. Burns...

Asphalt in Philippines.

Deposits of asphalt discovered in the Philippines more than a year ago have been studied by government scientists, who recently reported the presence of thousands of tons of high-grade material.

FOOD FOR STRANGER

SOUTH AFRICAN NATIVES HAVE A HUMANE CUSTOM.

Field Is Set Aside on Which Supplies Are Grown and Stored in Readiness to Appease Hunger of Chance Visitor.

In South Africa, among the natives, there is a custom which has never been mentioned by any traveler in his tales. In the Transkei, Basutoland and Bechuanaland, nearly every fair-sized village has a field set aside for strangers. In a village where the king resides, usually his chief wife is told off to cultivate this field and store away all the product in the upper part of her hut...

Saved Victoria's Life.

Lieut. Col. Gordon Wilson, who was killed at the front near Ypres recently, was, when he was a boy at Eton, instrumental in saving the life of Queen Victoria in March, 1852. When a young man named Roderick Maclean attempted to fire a pistol at the queen on the platform of Windsor station, Wilson, with his umbrella, struck up the assailant's arm, for which act he was summoned to Windsor castle and personally thanked by the queen...

Activities of Women.

New Mexico is the only state in the Union which has no suffrage organization. Less than 10 per cent of the young women in a large city have normal bodies. Approximately 6,200 women are employed in the garment factories of Indiana. Fifteen women to every 100 men in Minneapolis earn their living by labor...

Crocodiles Live Long.

Crocodiles are very interesting because they are survivors of an ancient and vanished epoch. They resemble closely some of the saurians that walked on the earth and swam in the ocean during that age of reptiles which, according to the geologists, came to an end many millions of years ago. It is probable that these creatures live longer than any other animal in the world...

Domestic Paradise.

Mother—Does that young lady you intend to marry know anything about housekeeping? Son—Not a thing. I'll be the happiest man alive. I don't believe she'll clean house once in ten years.—New York Weekly.

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