

# SPORT IN ALBANIA

**T**HE announcement that Prince William of Wied occupies the throne of Albania will give birth to some hope of sufficient tranquillity being restored to allow of shooting there again; at any rate, in that part of the country which is opposite Corfu. For two years this

capital hunting ground has been closed to sportsmen while human warfare raged all around it, but no fighting has taken place over the 20 or 30 miles of seacoast which offer the best and most get-at-able shooting, so the game has had a good rest, and, what is more, has probably been driven down from the disturbed regions into this quieter haven. It is easy to pass two or even three months in shooting the coverts round the harbors which are opposite Corfu, and four of these are such snug little anchorages that even an open boat would be perfectly secure. Cutters, small but well found, can be hired at Corfu, and are in every way adequate for this trip. The sea journey from Corfu to the farthest harbor is not more than 18 miles, and to the nearest about eight, so, as the little cutters sail well and the water is smooth, great pleasure is added to the trip from a sailing point of view. The scenery rather resembles Scotland; deep water and good holding are found all along, and, in fact, the little inlets are so snug and well masked by the mountains that a 500-ton yacht can lay just inside and be quite hidden. About this time of the year the snow comes down on the mountain tops and drives the woodcock to the warmer coverts on the coast, and very numerous they are; in fact, I should think it would puzzle anyone to find better woodcock shooting, go where they would! The marshes also teem with snipe, and some thousand duck, teal and the like flight in from the sea before stormy weather. Even the best shots, however, get but small bags at this game, fascinating as it is, for the "flight" last only 30 to 40 minutes, and the surrounding land is so high and steep that it is impossible to see the birds against it at dusk, while by waiting till they are right overhead, the chances are they see the sportsman first and soar up out of shot. Flocks of pelicans pay occasional visits to Burrinto marsh, but I have never seen flamingo.

Besides bird-shooting, there is good sport for the rifle. The country teems with wild boar, and in a lesser degree deer come out of one covert. The local shepherds form up as beaters; from six to eight are enough to drive the coverts properly, but the more the merrier, and two francs a day is all they ask; the head beater, who places the guns and knows the run of the game, wants, of course, a little more. They are a wonderfully pleasant race to deal with, and in all the years I have known the country I have never heard of their giving any trouble to Englishmen. They fight freely among themselves, no doubt, and still more



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BEATER WITH TWO BIG DOGS

freely against the Turks, who ride rough shod over them and take their sheep and mules without so much as "by your leave." But the sylvan shepherd, as found in this particular region, is in every way a good fellow and entirely reliable if well treated. The only danger lies in getting mixed up in some local affray, as we did one day when the bullets flew freely over our heads, the Turks loosing off merrily, as is their little way! Obviously, alas! our sporting rifles must be a sore temptation to them. I have had one of these ragged individuals come and sit down close to me while waiting for the beaters, and beg to be allowed to handle my rifle. Needless to say, I have never been quite so confiding! Flint locks were used by the Turkish soldiers who patrolled this coast until three years ago; four-foot barrels richly caparisoned with brass, firing huge spherical bullets, implements better suited to adorn a museum than to protect life in an uncivilized country. The treatment these guns received, however, was not conducive to their shooting straight, as I once saw one of these Turks bang his gun down on the rock and jump on it, as a punishment for missing a hare! The "bashes" on the barrel bore witness to this being no unusual transaction. These represent-

atives of law and order have by now been requisitioned on active service, and a good job, too, as they merely extorted the wherewithal to support their useless lives out of the Albanian shepherds, until the latter got out of all patience, and within my personal experience three of these wretched Turks were murdered. The shepherds look to their dogs for protection as much as anything, and train them accordingly, so it is well to keep a good look-out for these brutes. Considering that they are as big as wolves—in fact, practically indistinguishable from them—it is no laughing matter when they set upon you three or four strong. But for sport such as there is in Albania, you must expect to take a few risks, and as it is obtainable from the fastness of your own yacht, with all the conveniences of civilization close at hand, this country must be reckoned as offering very exceptional facilities for sportsmen.—B. S. Hughes.

### Improved Method of Farming.

Great interest is taken in France just now in a new method by which the yield of crops per acre is enormously increased. In one test case the increase of wheat has been three times above that grown in similar soil in the same neighborhood.

The remarkable value of the method is indicated by the statement that it has made twenty grains of wheat produce 700,000 in one year.

The method consists in preparing seed beds in widely spaced lines on very mellow land; then at the end of two months dividing the tufts springing from each grain, replanting each of these rooted shoots thus detached, and finally in hoeing and earthing up these new plants many times in such manner as to provoke at all the points brought into intimate contact with the earth the growth of numerous adventitious shoots, each of which bear an ear.

### Dangerous Jewelry.

All bracelets and rings have been barred from West Virginia factories by the state labor commissioner, I. V. Barton. He declares that jewelry worn on the hands of working girls has caused more accidents in the factories of West Virginia than almost any other thing.

"Bracelets, especially of the chain variety, not tight fitting, invariably drag a hand or arm into some fast whirling machine, and rings are also apt to catch," he says.

Many industrial companies have cooperated with the state labor department, and some manufacturers have already taken the precaution to bar jewelry from their factories.

### Relative Values.

Dunbar—Did the woman who sued Pollard Doubleday get anything? Sprague—No; but she got more than Mrs. Doubleday did.—Judge.

## WITH PEANUT FLAVOR

DISHES THAT WILL APPEAL TO THOSE WHO LIKE THE TASTE.

Excellent as an Addition to Whole Wheat Bread—For Biscuits and Sandwiches—Method of Serving with Tomatoes.

Whole Wheat Nut Loaf—Two cupfuls whole wheat flour, one cupful white flour, two heaping teaspoonfuls baking powder, one-half teaspoonful salt, two tablespoonfuls sugar, one-half cupful chopped peanuts, three tablespoonfuls melted butter, one and one-half cupfuls sweet milk. Mix all the dry ingredients together, including the peanuts, add the milk and mix thoroughly, lastly the melted butter, and beat well. Bake in two shallow tins, or in gem pans, for one-half hour in a moderate oven.

For an ordinary nut loaf, mix into the sponge for two loaves of bread one cupful of finely ground peanuts just before adding the sponge to the flour, and work as other bread.

Peanut Biscuit—One quart flour, three heaping teaspoonfuls baking powder, one-half teaspoonful salt, one-quarter cupful sugar, one-half cupful ground peanuts, one-half cupful sweet milk, one-quarter pound butter, three eggs. Sift together the dry ingredients and rub in the butter. Then mix in the peanuts thoroughly, also with the hands. Beat the eggs, add to them the milk and mix into the flour, adding more milk if needed to make a soft dough. Roll out, cut and bake like ordinary biscuit.

Sweet Peanut Sandwiches—One-half cupful grated maple sugar (or very light brown sugar will answer), one-quarter cupful finely chopped peanuts, one tablespoonful rich sweet milk. Mix well and spread between thin slices of graham bread or between crackers.

Scalloped Tomatoes With Peanuts—Two cupfuls canned tomatoes, two cupfuls breadcrumbs, two tablespoonfuls butter, one-half cupful finely chopped peanuts, one teaspoonful salt, a little pepper. Mix nuts, crumbs and seasoning with the melted butter. Put a layer in bottom of pudding pan, then half the tomatoes, another layer of crumbs, the rest of the tomatoes, and over the top the balance of the nut and crumb mixture. Bake in a quick oven until brown and serve hot.—Woman's World.

### Apricot Sponge.

An apricot sponge is a nice dish. Open a can of apricots and drain the fruit. To the sirup add one cupful of sugar and boil for five minutes, add one-half a box of gelatin, which has been soaked in one-half cupful of cold water until soft, stir until it is melted. Rub the apricot through a sieve, add the strained juice of two lemons and add the other mixture. When cold and beginning to thicken add the stiffly beaten whites of four eggs and beat until very stiff. Turn into a wetted mold and set aside until firm. Serve with a custard made from the yolks of the eggs, one pint of milk, one-third of a cupful of sugar and one teaspoonful of vanilla.

### Economical Soup.

Peel and cut into very small pieces, or, better still, put through mincing machine, three onions, three turnips, one carrot and four potatoes. Put them into a stew pan with a quarter of a pound of lard or drippings, the same of lean ham or bacon and a bunch of fresh parsley. Pass them ten minutes over a sharp fire; next add one tablespoonful of well-mixed flour. Mix well, then add two quarts of vegetable or meat stock and one pint of boiling milk. Boil up, keeping it stirred. Season with a little salt and sugar and run it through a fine sieve. Serve with toast or fried bread.

### Stand for Sick Bed.

Take three grocery boxes, about 30 inches long and 6 or 7 inches deep, stand on end, back to back, and tack them together, take third one and nail to the side of these two, put two little shelves in each one, and you will have a very handy little cabinet for the bedside or in any bedroom. Tack linoleum on top and put curtains around three sides. Can lay a pretty cover over linoleum. Will hold many things—books, medicines, small dishes, old cloth and things needed while sick, etc.

### Vestibule Curtains.

Cream scrim curtains with bands of cluny or torchon lace at top and bottom make most artistic vestibule—that is, front door—hangings. They are a relief from the panels of lace that distort the doors of so many city houses.

### Mock Baked Apple.

One pint of stoned and chopped prunes, beaten whites of three eggs, one-half cupful of flour. Bake in buttered pudding dish 25 minutes. Serve with sugar and cream.

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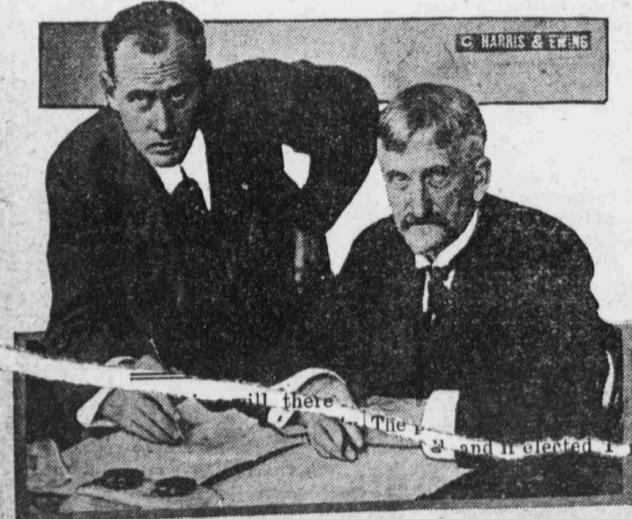
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