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Thus is excellent spring weather, and the walking from Washington was never | Spain from building six new war ships, | the charge and said it was a "Democratic

It is stated on reliable authority that camping in the streets.

HAVING attempted to reform everything else under the sun. Kansas now proposes to reform the ten commandments. She is evidently taking on a new Lease of Life.

being revived. The negotiations between laud Leader. Mexico and Gautemala, which were interrupted two years ago by the strained relations of the two countries have been resumed - New York Tribune.

THE State of Arkansas claims to be first in the South in the poduction of in the quantity of uncut timber, second in the Union in coal, and second in the number of acres required to produce a R Thaver, of Lancaster, Mass, wislow of standard bale of cotton, Louisiana being first, but only slightly in the lead.

THE friends of the late Chief Magis trate complain that the present Adminis tration is making a studious effort to discredit the policy of its predecessor. The action of Secretary Sherman in demanding prompt consideration of the Ruiz case and decent consideration of the rights of American citizens in Cuba constitutes very strong evidence on this point.

THE marriage laws of the different States in this country are in general, so liberal that to most persons it will be a surprise to learn that in quite a number of States the marriage of first cousins is farbidden. This is the case in Atizona Arknusus, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Missouri, Montana, Nevada, New Hampshine, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahema Oregon, South Dakota, Washington and Wyoming -Boston Cultivator.

A university professor has restified in a damage suit that the popular impression that a rushing express train creates a suction calculated to draw, under the wheels a careless by scamfor is erroneou and that the air currents have a repelling rather than attractive effect. In spite of this scientific evidence, very few persons will be inclined to test the matter, as lightning express train in motion is an object to be viewed at a respectful distance, rather than close at hand

GOVERNOR RUSSELL has appointed a Carolina railroad as follows:

Dr. R. M. Norment, of Robeson. Virgil S. Lusk, of Buncombe, Wm. Gilebrist, of New Hanover, Charles A. Cook, of Warren, J. S. Armstrong, of New Hanover.

A. W. Graham, of Granville, H. U. Butters, of Columbus. John Graham, of Warren.

Some of the above named gentlemen are Democrats and all are strong anti-leas-

THE plea for increase of duties or corton goods is that the rates collected nuder the Wilson bill are rainous to the manufacturers. This belongs to the class of facts so often spoken of as "inportant, if true; but the statement does not seem to be true.

Statistics show that instead of being rained by the existing tariff catton monufacturors have grown much more rapidly under it than they did under the Mo-Kinley tariff. According to Dackham's "Pextile Handbook" - cree-guized authurity-the number of spindles in the in 1892, to 18,733, 035 in 1836. Moreover, it appears from the government like wine." statisties of foreign trade that experts of gotton goods are increasing and impordeclining. The increase in exports for 1896 was more than \$6,000,000 over the last presiding year. Another face which indicates that the cotton manufacturing business is not entirely ruined -or that if it is the manufacturers are not aware of it -is that the mills at Fail River go on declaring dividends quite in the usual fashion, some of them as high at 16 per cent.

Edenton, N. C., Feb. 25, 1897,-1 was in very poor health and tried many fighter. Comment is unnecessary, different kinds of medicine, but I never found anything to help me until I began tariff have come to market, and, natu taking Hood's Sarsaparilia which built rally, in the from of a curtailment of me up and cured a cough with which I American trade and a damage to Amerihad been troubled for two years. I recom- can interests. Its enactment threatens mend Hood's Sarsaparilla to everyone. to cut off \$10,000,000, of our export Mrs. E. Hines.

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EDITORIAL NOTES.

apanuese Parliament, is a graduate of

Only one delinquent postmaster in Maine is reported. He owes Uncle Sam

land a most cordial hatred of Germany

and its Emperors It is said that the strict observance of the civil service tule is thinning out the mer, who was elected by the Republicans

eroud at Washington. is to face of ingressing the revenue by

Obio has moved to Washington and is ships and has 40,000 Turkish pounds was not a "Democratic has but the sin

One thing which makes it rather Titalong-talked of project of a railroad hard to sympathize with the Cretars is travagant expenditure over a handre connecting North and South America is that they wear bloomers, says the Cleve-

The Washington Star says that, "the mail of Senator Mark Hanna is said to have payers if this is the sait of "istrone average over 200 letters a day and about | ment" they wish? Was a for this that \$,000 a month.

hour's lesson every morning in the Engsmall fruits and apples, first in the Union lish language, says an exchange. Mand is drafting .- Pittshop, Record a good young woman.

> The will of the late Mrs. Cornella V Nathaniel Thaver, of Boston, bequeaths \$167,000 to various charities. The Atlanta Constitution says that a

> patriotic New Yorker bought Lincoln's birthplace for \$3,000, and he offers to sell it to the government for \$50,000

The Baltimore American says they have been trying to kill a bad elephant in Connecticut, who refuses to die, and we wonder if it was a white elephant. A newspaper correspondent at Athens

has discovered that Russia is still after Waldorf Constantinople, which she ratends to seize as soon as the Greeks and Turks begin was one of the evilers here Tuesday. London has already raised more than town Tuesday.

\$2,000,000 for the victims of the famine

Chief Justice Hunnen, of Shaughal, as 50 cents the arbitrator in the Cheek claims case, the cause of contravery, between the

If the schools for the appearation of Hawaii w renot already. deal, the put- ofton the address are train price. The litation of the recent consus of the is- agent, believing that the price of cotton land would be enough to kill it thinks would go beyond the figure maned by the Philadelphia Times. There is a bill before the Kansus Leg-

a part of the law of the State, and if it he had sheyed his orders from London. passes they will have to baild a thousand. more talls than they now have.

new heard of directors for the North ler factory, says the Cincinnati Tribune, received reply saying in substance. "The

General Horace Porter, of New York, graph succeeds Mr. Eustis as ambassador to France, and Col. John Hay has been an pointed as Mr. Bayard's successor Powell Clayton, of Arkansas, will be minister to Mexico.

At a called meeting of the State Board of Agriculture in Richmond Friday last the question of culture of the sugar beet was discussed at length. The board ap and corner of the propriated \$150 for the purpose of experimenting in beet culture.

A Boston young woman whose marriage in Jersey City is causing a mildsensation, very forcibly remarks that "my father didn't consult me when he got Sarsaparilla. This medicine purifies, vimarried; I don't know any reason why I talizes, and enriches the blood, and sends should have consulted him

The hint that the McKinleys may follow the example of the Hayes family and cures that tired feeling. Remember, in banishing wine from the White House recalls Mr. Evarts' dry description of a country has sucressed from 16.286,996 state dinner under the Hayes regime. "Why," said he gravely, "water flowed

> Ada Ward, a young and protty actress | Isthebe of London, who has been taking the leading toles in plays like "Kot Lynne" and "A Forger's Wife," has joined the Salvarion Army, giving away her stage jewels and costumes, and begun preaching in the slume.

The Alexandria Gazette rises to remark that the Yale students, who insulted Mr. Bryan last year and prevented him from speaking at New Haven, recently sent the flag of that college and their best wishes to Corbett, the prize

The first fruits of Mr. Dingly's new trade in a singe product, says the New Hood's pills are prompt and efficient, York Times, and the Times is a Republican journal.

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Katzuo Hatoyama, the Speaker of the But the People Must Have it tast or No

printe basen at the Togus (Mc) soldiers' that To annex. Worth felt it his duty It is commuted that there are 22 that body, explaining the condition a surve of land to every inhabitant of the the State's finances and begging our legbeen \$265,412.94 over a quarter of a million dollars) in excess of the receipts, and that the bills adopted and under Harold Frederick says there is in Eng | consideration by this | Lagislature appropriated \$123,000 a year additional.

Now this is no "Democratic be." the official statement of the State Treas and Populists. It really seems incredible The New York Journal of Commerce When the Record and other Democratic Logislature of 1895 for its terragramme

the last legislature of Oregon was its make past two years over a quarter of a little for taxes. And not only that, he also thousand dollars a year!

Such is the retrouchment practi Princess Mand gives her husband an party? How here, old how long before

> HALDEAN TRAIS - Monday aftern two colts belonging to Halo Brothers came near being run over and killed by the Sectiond Neck freight main

A series of meetings began at the Baptist church Monday night. Rev W. J. Smith filled his regular appointment at Saint Mark's Episcopal

Miss Lona Brinkley, of Scotland Neck. is visiting the Miss - Sater. Ray J. A. McKaughan, who form eccupied the residence of Mrs. L.

Mr. W. H. Hudson, of your row Mr. L. Vinson of Ringwood, was in

and plague in India, and it is believed tomes when Grave's Tast-less Chal Tonic that the sum will ultimately reach \$3. is as plus and us. Lemon Syrup. You

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