

The Weekly Star.

HOW HULL SPLIT HIS TIGHTS.

An Old Story of the Fight Between the Constitution and the Guerriere. From the New York World.

The late Ogden Hoffman, who was a midshipman with him, used to tell an odd story of the engagement between "Old Ironsides" and the Guerriere. He said that as the ships drew near to each other an officer came in haste to Hull to ask for orders to fire. "Not yet," was the quiet response. As they came still nearer and the British vessel poured in her fire, the First Lieutenant of the Constitution came on the poop and begged permission to return the broadside, saying that the men could not be restrained much longer. "Not yet," was the reply. Still nearer the British ship came, and the American prisoners who were in the cockpit of the Guerriere afterwards said that they began to believe that their own countrymen were afraid to measure their strength with the enemy, and this thought gave them more pain than the wounds which some of them were suffering from. In a moment the Guerriere gallantly came forward, showing her burnished sides, and as the swell carried her close to the very muzzles of "Old Ironsides," Captain Hull, who was then quite fat and dressed in full tights, bent himself twice to the deck, and with every muscle and vein throbbing with excitement, shouted out: "Now, boys, pour it in!" That broadside settled their opponents, and when the smoke cleared away the commander's tight was to be seen split from waistband to heel. Hull, nothing daunted, gave orders with perfect coolness, and only changed his tights when the British commander's sword was given up.

Wild Horses in Australia. From the Colonies and India.

Horses which escaping now and then from the paddocks of colonists on the edge of the settled districts of Australia, have made themselves at home in the freedom and abundant pastures of the interior, have multiplied to such an extent that notwithstanding the numbers captured or shot every year, it is estimated that there are something like 100,000 of them in the two most populous colonies—Victoria and New South Wales—or roaming the plains immediately contiguous to their borders. To Europeans the proposal to have a day's horse-shooting sounds inexpressibly barbarous; but the Australian farmers near the interior regard the troops of wild horses which may often be seen trespassing on their inclosed lands as vermin. They do not possess any of the qualities which often make the wild horses of the South American plains valuable, and besides destroying vegetation which might be made to support more valuable life, they not infrequently tempt the settler's horses to join them and lead a vagabond life. Worse than this, they are suspected of communicating disease to settled districts. To meet the difficulty of dealing with the increasing herds of wild horses, the Chief Inspector of Stock in New South Wales proposes that they should be classed as noxious animals, under the Pastures and Stock Protection act.

A Little Girl's Christmas Letter. Cleveland Herald.

A letter was received at the post-office yesterday addressed to "Mr. Santa Claus, Cleveland, O." The direction was in printing, and bore the ear marks of a child's inexperienced hand. The letter itself was in printing also, and covered, in a very irregular manner, half a sheet of note paper. It read as follows: "Dear Darling old Santa Claus, Please send me a nice little bed and a Dolly and a tree. Like the dolly to have blood hair and blue eyes Wax But you know Best what I like I am a sick little Girl I cant walk. Mama told Me how to spell some of the Words. I made my Letters Big and small. I will love you. I is eight Years old. MAUD." The address was affixed and one of the carriers in that part of the city quietly investigated and found MAUD to be a reality and the little daughter of a poor widow living on Woodland avenue. A little fund was immediately raised and an elegant large doll purchased. The wife of one of the clerks has dressed it in handsome attire, and on Christmas morning little MAUD will wake up to find that old Santa Claus got her letter and granted her request.

A Virginia Prodigy in Arithmetic. Page County (Va.) Courier.

A man by the name of Price, near Alma, who is almost blind and who is wholly uneducated and not at all sprightly in other respects, is said to be able to solve almost any problem in mathematics that can be given him. He uses no figures, but makes his calculations on his fingers. Mr. Hampton, who is teaching in that neighborhood, gave him last week the following problem, which he solved quicker than a good scholar present could do; by algebra: A man bought a horse, buggy and harness. The horse cost forty-eight dollars more than the buggy and the buggy two and three fourths times as much as the harness and the harness one-seventh of the whole sum paid. What was the whole sum paid? What did each cost? He has no difficulty in working fractions, however complicated and intricate. Mr. James P. Graves informed us that he once asked him what was the third and the half of one-third of three and one-third and he was ready with the answer almost as soon as he had finished the question. He is about 28 years old.

From a Cotton Spinner.

Editor of the Star: I have been very much interested lately in reading your various articles on cotton spinning and manufacturing in the Southern States, and fully endorse all your remarks. It is a good and safe investment for capitalists and other parties of smaller means to invest their money in cotton mills, if they are "well arranged" and "efficiently managed," but the great mistake of many mills in the South is in having superintendents who have no "practical knowledge" of the business, hence the reason why so many pay such very small dividends and some of them none at all. A cotton mill to be successful should be "managed"—not merely superintended—by a "thorough practical man" who is thoroughly acquainted with all the details in each department, or how can he know when anything is going wrong, which sometimes happens? Of the relative advantages of water or steam as a motive power much may be said for both. Water power is an advantage if there is an "abundant and constant" supply of water, and if the mill is located near a railway depot; the disadvantage of it is the want of uniform speed. From steam power one regular and uniform speed can be obtained if the engine is properly constructed, and any practical man knows the advantage of regular speed. If steam power is used the engine should be worked on the "compound principle," and it and the boiler should have all the appliances that are to be had for reducing the consumption of fuel to a minimum. Nothing so surprises me than to see high pressure engines used, because the consumption of fuel is so much greater than with one working high and low pressure. In all the mills I have seen in the South there is a great waste of "floor space" for the quantity of machinery in the mill, thereby causing a greater outlay than is necessary in building the mill. There is also a great want of proper management of the machinery, which prevents "economizing labor" to the fullest extent. I would not advise any one to build a mill that will hold less than 5,000 spindles and 160 looms; and a mill of that capacity could be erected and filled with machinery with all the latest improvements for about \$120,000, and if properly "managed" should pay handsome dividends. Small mills, with 500 to 1,500 spindles, are very undesirable; they cannot be worked as advantageously as a moderate size mill. If agreeable to you, I shall be glad to refer to this matter again in another letter.

Yours, respectfully,

SPINNER.

FATAL EXPLOSION.

(By Telegraph to the Morning Star.) RICHMOND, VA., Dec. 27.—An explosion occurred yesterday at West Point, on board the steamer West Point, plying between that place and Baltimore. More than two colored men were in the forward hold at the time, all of whom were either killed by the explosion or burned to death. Five other men were after stowing cotton, which was scattered all over the hold, and several hundred barrels of oil, sixty of which were gasoline oil, and becoming ignited the flames spread with such rapidity that there were no chances of saving the vessel nor any of the persons on board, even if it were not killed by the explosion. The forward portion of the deck and a great part of the starboard side were blown out, and there is no doubt but that all those inside held or near the forward hatch were instantly killed. The four men who were drowned were stowing cotton in the starboard hold. After they jumped overboard a large hatch fell upon them, disabling them so that they could not be rescued. The cause of the explosion is as yet a mystery. The only fire on board was under the boiler which runs the hoisting engine, and the engineer running it remained at his post and was unhurt.

The steamer West Point was built at Baltimore at a cost of \$70,000, and this was her second trip. She was owned by the Baltimore Chesapeake and Richmond Steamboat Company, and was doubtless well insured.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

(By Telegraph to the Morning Star.) AUGUSTA, GA., Dec. 27.—Between five and six hundred negroes, from Edgefield county, S. C., passed through Augusta today on their way to Kansas. They are under the leadership of a colored preacher named Hammond, who has promised to give a chartered train waiting for them at Augusta but failed to do so and the party had to pay full rates to Atlanta. They say they found it too hard work to make a living in South Carolina and determined to go elsewhere. Hammond went to Arkansas some time ago and examined the country and on his return advised the negroes to go on there. It is expected a thousand altogether will go.

A Smile of Satisfaction.

This, from the Cleveland (Ohio) Penny Press, carries its own suggestion: Recently meeting Mr. H. G. Keller, treasurer of the Cleveland Herald, our representative inquired of that gentleman, after stating his mission, if he personally knew anything about the Great German-Benedict, St. Joseph, S. P. Collier, agent for Russell & Potter. Mr. Keller's expressive face and his eyes twinkled merrily as he replied in the affirmative. "I will not refuse to state my experience with you, and you may use it as you think best, by algebra: A man bought a horse, buggy and harness. The horse cost forty-eight dollars more than the buggy and the buggy two and three fourths times as much as the harness and the harness one-seventh of the whole sum paid. What was the whole sum paid? What did each cost? He has no difficulty in working fractions, however complicated and intricate. Mr. James P. Graves informed us that he once asked him what was the third and the half of one-third of three and one-third and he was ready with the answer almost as soon as he had finished the question. He is about 28 years old.

THE TRENTON (N. J.) GAZETTE MENTIONS THE CASE OF MR. JOHN WOOD.

The Trenton (N. J.) Gazette mentions the case of Mr. John Wood, who was cured by St. Jacob's Oil of an attack of rheumatism, which had confined him to his bed for seventeen weeks. He praises it unreservedly.

CHARLESTON RICE MARKET, December 24, Charleston News and Courier.

There was a quiet movement at unchanged rates. Sales 80 tierces clean Carolina. We quote: Common 50 1/2; Fair 54 1/2; Good 60 1/2; Carolina rough, rice was quoted at 80c @ \$1 per bushel for common, \$1 00 @ 1 25 for fair to good, and \$1 40 @ 1 60 per bushel for prime to choice qualities.

ON THIRTY DAYS' TRIAL.—We will send Dr. Ross' Electro-Voltaic Belt and other Electric Appliances on trial for thirty days to young men and older persons who are afflicted with Nervous Debility, Lost Vigor, etc., guaranteeing speedy relief and complete restoration of vigor and manhood. Also for Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Paralysis, Liver and Kidney Troubles, and many other diseases. Illustrated pamphlet sent free. Address Volts & Bell Co., Marshall, Mich.

MANY RICHER; NONE POORER.—The 13th day of December, 1881, was the regular one, and on that day took place the 100th Anniversary of the Louisiana State Lottery, under the able management of Gen. J. T. Beauregard, and J. J. A. Eddy, of New Orleans, who have secured the services of a million of dollars in prizes. Over half of the lucky investors in tickets. Some are much richer, and no one can see the immense drain on the clear fund made by the sending of a dollar or two to M. A. Dauphin, New Orleans, La., and others will follow suit by January 10th, the next distribution day.

MOTHERS! MOTHERS! MOTHERS!—Are you distressed at night and broken of your rest by a sick child suffering and crying with the excruciating pain of cutting teeth? If so, go at once and get a bottle of Dr. Williams' INFANT SYRUP. It will relieve the poor little sufferer immediately. Depend upon it; there is no other medicine so safe and so sure. It is the prescription of one of the oldest and best female physicians and nurses in the United States. Sold everywhere. 25 cents a bottle.

BRIDGER—At Little Rock, S. C., on the 13th instant, of cholera infantum, little ZILLAH, infant child of E. J. and R. L. Bridger, aged nine months and four days.

COTTON AND NAVAL STORES.—WEEKLY STATEMENT.

For the week ending December 26, 1881. Cotton, Spirits, Rosin, Tar, Crude. 5,843 1,484 8,140 2,433 1,480

From Dec. 20th to Dec. 27th, 1880. Cotton, Spirits, Rosin, Tar, Crude. 2,150 1,421 8,197 1,853 200

For the week ending December 26, 1881. Cotton, Spirits, Rosin, Tar, Crude. Domestic 3,114 1,088 275 905 25 Foreign. 8,129 1,270 4,449 900 20

Total. 11,243 2,364 4,724 905 25

From Dec. 20th to Dec. 27th, 1880. Cotton, Spirits, Rosin, Tar, Crude. Domestic 1,745 129 544 888 37 Foreign. 2,951 4,970 6,321 900 00

Total. 4,696 5,099 6,865 988 27

STOCKS.

Ashore and Afloat, December 26, 1881. Cotton, Spirits, Rosin, Tar, Crude. 14,889 8,067 193,908 5,377 1,807

QUOTATIONS.

Dec. 27, 1880. Dec. 24, 1881. Cotton. 11 1/2 @ 11 1/2

Spirits. 42 1/2 @ 42 1/2

Rosin. \$1 45 @ 1 50

Tar. 45 @ 45

Crude. 1 30 @ 2 30

ARRIVED.

Nor brig Regnbuen, Olsen, Tugmouth, O. P. Mebane.

Schr Eagle, 103 tons, Nunan, Boston, guano to C C R; vessel to E G Barker & Co.

Swed barque Eulala, 547 tons, Bergotone, Barcelona, Spain, Alex Sprunt & Son.

Brig Eugene Hall, 445 tons, Hillman, Navassa, 514 tons phosphate to Navassa Guano Company; vessel to E G Barker & Co.

Ger barque Charles, Langhoff, Rio de Janeiro, E Peschau & Westermann.

Nor barque Jason, 500 tons, Christian, Stettin, C. P. Mebane.

Steamship Santo Domingo, Pennington, New York, T E Bond.

Ger barque Albatross, 318 tons, Seibe, Bordeaux, E Peschau & Westermann.

Schr E H Drummond, 296 tons, Higgins, Baltimore, kalm to C C R; vessel to E G Barker & Co.

Schr Irene E Misservy, 245 tons, Hart, Baltimore, guano to C C R; vessel to E G Barker & Co.

Schr David Faust, 216 tons, Smith, Baltimore, guano to C C R; vessel to E G Barker & Co.

Schr Lorenzo, Bloodgood, New River, naval stores to Hall & Pearsall.

Schr Stonehall, Hill, New River, naval stores and cotton to Hall & Pearsall.

Schr Sarah, Reynolds, Lockwood's Folly, naval stores to A. Martin.

Schr Maggie, Bloodgood, New River, cotton and naval stores to Hall & Pearsall.

Schr Eva Leonard, 115 tons, Macumber, Boston, guano to C C R; vessel to E G Barker & Co.

Schr John A. Griffin, 405 tons, Fisher, Philadelphia, G. Bonds.

Steamship Regulator, Mills, New York, T E Bond.

Schr Mabel Darling, 111 tons, Ranger, Nassau, N. P., to master with fruit.

Schr Arthur B. Coombs, 445 tons, Coombs, Baltimore, guano to C C R; vessel to E G Barker & Co.

CLEARED. Steamship Gulf Stream, Ingram, New York, T E Bond.

Schr Harry C Whorf, Rich, Baltimore, H B Short; vessel by Geo Harris & Co.

Schr Sallie Mair, Houck, Philadelphia, Parsley & Wiggins; vessel by Geo Harris & Co.

Schr William Deming, Hadgins, Bassa Terre, Gaudaloupe, Northrop & Cumming; vessel by E G Barker & Co.

Nor barque Adger, Johannesen, Liverpool, Williams & Murchison.

Nor barque, Sall De Gloria, Meyer, Hamburg, Paterson, Downing & Co.

Dan barquentine, Margaretta, Hansen, St John's, P. B., E Kidder & Son.

Ger barque, R. H. Collier, agent, Liverpool, S P Collier, agent for Russell & Potter.

Nor barque Pallas, Pedersen, Liverpool, Williams & Murchison.

Nor barque, Erichson, Weber, Liverpool, Williams & Murchison.

Ger brig Graf Bismarck, Kleist, Queens-town for orders, Chess, Carley & Co.

Steamship Santo Domingo, Pennington, New York, T E Bond.

Stmr Clinton, Gray, Bannerman's Bridge, Henry VonCampen.

Schr Lorenzo, Bloodgood, New River, Hall & Pearsall.

Schr Stonehall, Hill, New River, Hall & Pearsall.

Nor barque, Nina, Olsen, Antwerp, Williams & Murchison.

Br barque Northern Queen, Tucker, Granton, Scotland, Alex Sprunt & Son.

Ger barque Lucy & Paul, Andrews, Bristol, England, Paterson, Downing & Co.

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE, Dec. 23, 6 P. M. SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Nothing doing; the market being dull and nominal. ROSIN—The market was firm at \$1 95 for Strained, and \$2 00 for Good Strained, with sales as offered.

TAR—Market dull at \$1 90 per bbl of 280 lbs, with sales at quotations. CRUDE TURPENTINE—Steady at \$3 25 for Hard, \$3 50 for Yellow Dip and \$3 80 per bbl for Virgin, a reduction of one-fifth on Virgin. Sales at quotations.

COTTON—The market opened steady, with sales reported of 300 bales on a basis of 11 1/2c per lb for Middling, closing dull. The following were the official quotations of the day:

Ordinary..... 8-16 cents per lb
Good Ordinary..... 10-16 " "
Low Middling..... 11-16 " "
Middling..... 11 " "
Good Middling..... 11 " "

PEANUTS—Market quiet at 65c for Ordinary, 75c for Prime, 85c for Extra Prime, and 90c, 1 00 @ 1 10 per bushel for Fancy. Shelled peanuts 44c per lb.

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COTTON—The market was steady with sales reported of 350 bales on a basis of 11 1/2c per lb for Middling. The following were the official quotations of the day:

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Good Ordinary..... 10-16 " "
Low Middling..... 11-16 " "
Middling..... 11 " "
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PEANUTS—Market quiet at 65c for Ordinary, 75c for Prime, 85c for Extra Prime, and 90c, 1 00 @ 1 10 per bushel for Fancy. Shelled peanuts 44c per lb.

STAR OFFICE, Dec. 24, 6 P. M. SPIRITS TURPENTINE—The market was quiet quiet; the last sales, which were not reported, being at 50 cts. ROSIN—The market was firm at \$1 95 for Strained, and \$2 00 for Good Strained, with sales as offered.

TAR—Market dull at \$1 90 per bbl of 280 lbs, with sales at quotations. CRUDE TURPENTINE—Steady at \$3 25 for Hard, \$3 50 for Yellow Dip and \$3 80 per bbl for Virgin, with sales at quotations.

COTTON—The market was steady with sales of 40 bales reported on a basis of 11 1/2c per lb for Middling. The following were the official quotations of the day:

Ordinary..... 8-16 cents per lb
Good Ordinary..... 10-16 " "
Low Middling..... 11-16 " "
Middling..... 11 " "
Good Middling..... 11 " "

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STAR OFFICE, Dec. 27, 6 P. M. SPIRITS TURPENTINE—The market opened firm at 50 cts, with sales reported later of 50 casks of 50 cents, 50 to 50; cents and 300 to do at 51 cents per gallon, closing strong at 51 cents, with 50 cts freely bid.

ROSIN—The market was strong at \$1 95 for Strained and \$2 00 for Good Strained, with sales as offered.

TAR—Market steady at \$1 90 per bbl of 280 lbs, with sales at quotations. CRUDE TURPENTINE—Steady at \$3 25 for Hard, \$3 50 for Yellow Dip and \$3 80 per bbl for Virgin, with sales at quotations.

COTTON—The market was quiet, with sales of 100 bales reported on a basis of 11 1/2c per lb for Middling, closing dull. The following were the quotations of the day:

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STAR OFFICE, Dec. 27, 6 P. M. SPIRITS TURPENTINE—The market opened firm at 50 cts, with sales reported later of 50 casks of 50 cents, 50 to 50; cents and 300 to do at 51 cents per gallon, closing strong at 51 cents, with 50 cts freely bid.

ROSIN—The market was strong at \$1 95 for Strained and \$2 00 for Good Strained, with sales as offered.

TAR—Market steady at \$1 90 per bbl of 280 lbs, with sales at quotations. CRUDE TURPENTINE—Steady at \$3 25 for Hard, \$3 50 for Yellow Dip and \$3 80 per bbl for Virgin, with sales at quotations.

COTTON—The market was quiet, with sales of 100 bales reported on a basis of 11 1/2c per lb for Middling, closing dull. The following were the quotations of the day:

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STAR OFFICE, Dec. 28, 6 P. M. SPIRITS TURPENTINE—The market opened firm at 50 cts, with sales reported later of 100 casks of 51c, and 100 to do at 51c per gallon, closing firm.

ROSIN—The market was firm at \$1 95 for Strained, and \$2 00 for Good Strained, with sales as offered.

TAR—Quoted steady at \$1 90 per bbl of 280 lbs, with sales at quotations. CRUDE TURPENTINE—Steady at \$3 25 for Hard, \$3 50 for Yellow Dip and \$3 80 per bbl for Virgin, a reduction of one-fifth on Virgin, with sales at quotations.

COTTON—The market was quiet, with sales reported of 300 bales on a basis of 11 1/2c per lb for Middling, closing dull. The following were the quotations of the day:

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New York Naval Stores Market, December 26.

Spirits turpentine—The market is wholly of a jobbing character, and is limited. No radical change occurs in prices; merchantable order quoted at 55 1/2 @ 56 1/2. Rosins—There is very little good strained on offer, and \$3 90 is bid; medium qualities move out moderately; some 400 bbls E F G have been sold at quotations. Pine grades are quiet and firm. The last reported quotations are as follows: Strained and good strained, \$3 90 @ 3 85 per 280 lb; E 42 @ 3 40; F 43 @ 3 50; G 44 @ 3 60; H 45 @ 3 70; I 46 @ 3 80; J 47 @ 3 90; K 48 @ 4 00; L 49 @ 4 10; M 50 @ 4 20; N 51 @ 4 30; O 52 @ 4 40; P 53 @ 4 50; Q 54 @ 4 60; R 55 @ 4 70; S 56 @ 4 80; T 57 @ 4 90; U 58 @ 5 00; V 59 @ 5 10; W 60 @ 5 20; X 61 @ 5 30; Y 62 @ 5 40; Z 63 @ 5 50.

Charleston Rice Market, December 24. Charleston News and Courier.

The receipts were 223 casks spirits turpentine and 3,475 bbls rosin. There were no transactions reported. Previous rates: \$1 95 per bbl for C and D and \$3 00 for F, \$3 50 for G, \$3 80 for H, \$3 90 for I, \$4 00 for J, \$4 10 for K, \$4 20 for L, \$4 30 for M, \$4 40 for N, \$4 50 for O, \$4 60 for P, \$4 70 for Q, \$4 80 for R, \$4 90 for S, \$5 00 for T, \$5 10 for U, \$5 20 for V, \$5 30 for W, \$5 40 for X, \$5 50 for Y, \$5 60 for Z.

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WHOLESALE PRICES.

Our quotations, it should be understood, represent the wholesale prices generally. In making up small orders higher prices have to be charged.

RAGGING—Common..... 10 1/2 @ 11 1/2
Standard..... 10 1/2 @ 11 1/2
BACON—Nerds Carolina..... 00 @ 10 1/2
Shoulders..... 00 @ 10 1/2
Hides, sheep..... 00 @ 10 1/2
Woolen Smoked Ham, 5 lb..... 15 @ 16
Sides, 5 lb..... 00 @ 10 1/2
Rum, 5 lb..... 00 @ 10 1/2
Dry Salted Sides, 5 lb..... 00 @ 9 1/2
Shoulders..... 00 @ 9 1/2
BARKER'S—Spirits Turpentine..... 1 75 @ 1 80
Second Hand, each..... 1 75 @ 1 80
New York, each..... 1 75 @ 1