THURSDAY MORNING, Nov. 12

NEWS OF THE NAVY.

Admiral Bunce's fq sadeon Will Go to

Veneguela in a Few Weeke. By Telegraph to the Morning Star. WASHINGTON, November 11,-Admiral Bunce's squadron will go to Venezuela in a few weeks unless a radical departure is made in the plans perfected at the Navy Department to-day, when the admiral came down from New York noder summens from his superiors and divoted an entire day to a discussion o

stood to be inseparable from the cruise. The object of Admiral Bunce's new orders is declared to be without any significance in the loreign affairs of the United States, but relates altogether to the necessities of effective naval administration. The great fleet, which has been concentrated in home waters since last Spring. estensibly for the advantages of evolution and drill in squadron formation, but confessedly as a precautionary measure against unforeseen continger c es of possible development out of the Cuban and other complications in which the administration was more or less involved, cannot be dispersed unless those conditions have ceased to exist, nor it is possible to maintain the ships idle in navy yards, with the attendant expense for repairs always numerous during long stays in home ports. Admiral Bunce, as well as all naval officers, has continually urged the necessity of keeping up the drills at sea, but these require a base of operations free from ice and easy of access, in which the whole fieet can anchor without crowding, and where coal is cheap and good food abundant. The Gulf of Mexico offers the most admirable theatre for such Winter operations, but the authorities have agreed that on account of its nearness to Cuba the presence of so large a force in the gulf would certainly be misinterpreted at Madrid. When it was finally conceded that the fleet must be held together and that evolutions must be had, the only waters where the ships could be always in ready call for hyrried return to this coast, if needed, was found in that part of the Atlantic near the mouth of the Origoco and at the entrance of the Caribbean sea, well away from Havana. According to present understanding the

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

December and will start South before

December Wheat Closed Lower on a Decline in Liverpool-Corn and Oats Declined-January Ribs Unchanged.

Christmas.

CHICAGO November 11.-The tone of the wheat market to-day was a varied one. The tendency of prices was to decline, and at the end of the session almost two cents loss from the final and as the course of affairs at that place was unsatisfactory to holders, selling became very popular. The first cables were somewhat mixed, but it was gleaned from their general tenor that there was hesitation in the advance on the other side of the water. Second advices were even more emphatic, a decline of 11/d being reported. The "puts" offered the only formidable opposition to the decline here, and it was solely to the buying against these privileges that to day's break stopped where it did. December wheat opened from 8014@ Closing at 79c-1%c under yesterday.

Cash wheat was easy and 2c lower. Corn-Prices slipped away with much determination, although there was some selling by the hears. Commission houses had orders on that side and the only buyers were shorts. May corn opened from 39%c to 29%c, declined to 29c, closing at the inside-%@%c under vesterday. Cash corn was weak and 14 m 14c per bushel lower.

Oats received their share of weakness from the toppy condition of wheat. The feeling in the market was not in the least independent and trading was moderate. May oats closed 16%c under vesterday. Cash oats were steady owing to the scantiness of the supply.

Provisions reflected the tone of the hog and grain markets. Only a slow listless trade was noted and price changes were narrow. At the close lanuary pork and lard were each 236 @5c lower and January ribs unchanged

NORTH CAROLINA BAPTISTS State Convention at Morganton with Good Attendance.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WINSTON, N. C. November 11.-The sixty-fourth annual session of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention opened at Morganton to day with a good attendance of preachers and delegates. Dr. R. H. Marsh, of Oxford, is moderator. The opening sermon was preached by Rev. Robert Van Devin, who recently accepted a call to Georgia. The con vention represents 140,900 white Baptists in the State. It will close next Sunday Daring the week addresses will be deliv ered by eminent Baptist divines.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star. NEW YORK, November 11.-Rosin steady: strained common to good \$1 93%. Spirits turpentine steady at 28 1 @ 28 1 c CHARLESTON, November 11.-Spirits turpentine firm at 25%c; sales - casks. Rosin firm: sales — barrels; prices: B, C \$1 40, D, E \$1 45, F, G \$1 50 H \$1 55, I. K \$1 60, M \$1 80, N \$2 00, W G \$2 20, W

SAVANNAH, November 11 .--- Spirits turpentine opened firm at 25%c, with sales of 650 casks; closed at \$5%c bid; no further sales; receipts 988 casks. Rosin firm and unchanged; sales of 4,415 barrels; receipts 4 944 barrels.



Absolutely Pure. A Cream of tartar baking powder.

UNITED STATES ARMY.

GENERAL MILES' REPORT AND RECOM-**MENDATIONS** That the Number of Enlisted Men be Inreased-Importance of Coast Defences

Urged and Specific Appropriations

Therefor Recommended. By Telegraph to the Morning Star. WASHINGTON, November 11.-In transmitting to the Secretary of War the annual reports of the department commanders in connection with his own reports upon the military operations of the past year, Gen. Nelson A. Miles,

commanding the army, says: "Fortunately during the year the army was called on only to a limited extent to act either against hostile Indians or against bodies of men who were engaged the complex conditions that are underin violating the United States laws or international obligations. The troops of the Mexican Republic, as well as our own, have been engaged in suppressing such acts of lawlessness as have in a small degree interfered with the peace of the communities on both sides of the border, and arrangements have been made through the Government of Mex-

ico to secure the co-operation of the forces of that Republic and our own to this end." He commends the discipline and personnel of the army. During the past year the country has fortunately been free from any serious outbreak of Iadians. The various tribes have shown themselves well disposed and are making some progress towards civilization. A review of the various changes in the strength of the army shows that a third of a century ago, when the population of the country was only half of what it is to day, and the value of property much less, the army numbered twice as many men as it does to-day and has remained stagnant and crystalized for twenty years. Gen, Miles recommends that the enlisted strength of the army be fixed at one soldier to every two thousand of population as a minimum, the maximum not to exceed one soldier to every thousand of population, "the strength to be determined by the President of the United States according to the necessities and requirements of

the nation. He renews his previous recommendation that at least two stations west of the Rocky Mountains and one east be substituted for the accommodation of one regiment of cavalry each; also, the recommendations concerning the use of bicycles and motor wagons, and the promotion of enlisted men who shall be found competent after thorough examination to the grade of second ficet will be at Hampton Roads most of

lieutenant after five years of service. A consideration of the importance of coast defences comprises the greater part of General Miles' report, and is the subject of his most important suggestions. He renews the recommendations made in his report for last year, and

"Liberal appropriations should be made for the manufacture of high-power guns and mortars, the construction of emplacements, platforms and fortifications for the same, and the construction of barracks and quarters for the accommodation of the artillery garrisons that are to command them; and I urge that a sufficient appropriation be made availquotations of yesterday was noted. able for the work of ordnance, engineer and quartermaster departments, during the coming year, as tollows:

"At Portland, Me., \$1,134,850; Portsmouth, N. H., \$893 925; Boston, \$1,078,-850; Narragansett Pier. R. I., \$642 825; Jong Island Sound, Eastern entrance, \$896.925; New York, Eastern entrance, \$918 600; New York, Southern entrance, \$1,299 600; Philadelphia, \$625,025; Baltimore, \$671,450; Washington, D. C., \$577,925, Hampton Roads, Va., \$619,825; Wilmington. N. C., \$125,525; Charleston. S. C., \$850,925; Savannah, Ga., \$893,925 Key West, Fia., \$32,400; Pensacola, Fla. \$150.400; Mobile, Ala., \$150.400; New Orleans, \$489,400. Galveston, Tex., \$157,-920; San Diego, Cal., \$60,925; San Francisco, \$902,850; mouth of the Columbia river, Oregon, \$566,325; Paget Sound,

\$764 050.

"The above sums," Gen. Miles says 'are imperatively required for the present year. The amounts for the coastruction of barracks and quarters included in them will be all that will be required for these localities for many veers and probably complete the work needed for that department. An unwise argument," continues the General, "has been made against the construction of modern high power guns, mortars and a danger and menace to the laboring classes and in some instances protests have been made against such a National policy. The argument seems scarcely worthy of consideration; yet it is deemed proper to call attention fact that the National sateguards are in no sense a menace to any class of citizens, not even to the numblest individual; but on the other hand they are a protection to life, property and welfare of all classes from the highest to the lowest. They protect not only the commercial ports with their accumulation of public buildings and private dwellings, the commerce, the ship yard, the factory, the foundry, the work-shop, but also the savings bank and the cottage. In fact, the destruc tion of our great commercial and manufacturing cities would be a national disaster far more serious and appalling to

of our people.' SPOTS AND FUTURES. New York Sun's Review of the Cotton

the great masses of the laboring popula-

tion than it would be to any other class

Market.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star. NEW YORK, November 11.-The Sun savs: Cotton here declined 1-16c. Liverpool was quiet on the spot, with sales of 12,000 bales. Futures there declined four and a half to six points, closing barely steady. Port receipts were 41,494 bales. The exports 1,928 bales. Futures here declined eight to nine points, closing quiet and steady with sales of 212,700 baies.

The trading to-day was less active. and was composed in the main of selling by weak longs. Prices declined under the pressure of liquidation for local, Liverpool and Southern account, closing at about the lowest figures of the day. There was a trifling rally at one time on predictions of freezing weather in Eastern Texas, Arkansas, Alabama, Tennessee, Mississippi and Louisiana, but prices soon weakened again on renewed selling. Liverpool was lower and heavy selling orders were received from that market, the L'verpool sales here being estimated at 50,000 bales. It was reported that Neill Bros. will issue a bearish circular tomorrow increasing their estimate to 9 -250,000 bales. The sentiment here is still bullish, but the weight of cotton at the ports and interior towns is too much for the present volume of speculation. The semi-weekly receipts at the thirteen principal interior towns were 78 883 bales against 90,000 a week ago, 80,000 last year and 187,000 in 1894. The suspension of Clapp & Co. had no effect on

closed out vesterday. The Treasury gold reserve at the close of business yesterday had increased to \$122,626,482. The net gain at New York for the day was \$575,000. The with-

the market, their contracts having been

drawals at New York were \$7,100. "I had severe pains in my head and discharges from my ears; my general Highest of all in leavening strength.

—Latest United States Government

Food Report.

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health was also very poor. The druggis s advised to try Hood's Sarsaparrilla,
which I did. The bad feeling in my
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bring comfort home to their hearts as a
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CUBAN WAR NEWS.

The Capture of Gualmaro of More Importance Than at First Reported-Apristy Regarding the Fate of the Town of

Puerto Principa. By Telegraph to the Morning Star. KEY WEST, FLA., November 11 .-Passengers who arrived from Havana to night bring intelligence that the capture of Guaimaro was of more importance than at first reported. When the news reached Havana it caused great excitement. It was on y partially printed, but was wired to Madrid and made a sensation. It is said it so stirred the people that they forced the Government to oblige Weyler to take the field.

The steamer Julia, which arrived at Havana Sunday from Nuevitas, reports no communication with the city of Paerto Principe since the 97th of October. Many bridges have been blown up. culverts being burned and about seven ilometres of railway track torn up. Great anxiety prevails in Nuevitas reparding the fate of Puerto Principe. The steamer brought letters detailing the attack on Guaimaro. It appears Gen. Calixto Garcia, with a large rebel force and two pieces of artillery, attacked the place on October 17, The next day he captured the trenches and destroyed ten forts surrounding the town. The garrison, 150 soldiers and twenty armed citizens, surrendered, but were ordered released except Quartermaster Miguel Mola, who, being a Cuban, attended the wounded. They were sent to Puerto Principe under an escort. The officers were paroled Major Martinez, in command of the detachment, was wounded in the arm and died at the hospital as a result of amputation. The citizens of the town were orced to aid the rebels and destroy the renches, houses, etc. The church tower was blown up with dynamite. Three bundred stands of arms were captured and a large quantity of war material, the place being the base of supplies of the provinces of Santiago and Principe. All stores were sacked, the owners made prisoners and a ransom asked. Two paid 800 and \$1 400 and were released and escorted to Baga. Gan. Castelianos, with a strong column of infantry and cavalry and artillery, started to meet

him since. The so called fusion of local political parties is a humbug. It was all done by coercion. Civil Governor Porrau, acting under instructions of Gen. Weyler, forced the leaders of the parties to accept. He hinted that if they refused, he would send them to Chafarinas or have them shot. Their resignation was taken the same day Weyler left for the field, who feared to leave behind the troublesome element. There is a great undercurrent of ill feeling agains: Weyler in Spanish circles. It is known he has been pushed to the field. It is expected he will fail in his campaign against Maceo. The latter is reported strongly fortified in the mountains. Last night Weyler encamped in the Gobernadora hills, and news has arrived that he had an engagement with the rebel parties under Perioco Delgade and Perio Diaz. It is reported that Weyler was forced to fall back. News also has been received that General Munez made another attack on the Rubi hills, where Maceo is supposed to be strongly enoccurred, but no details are known.

Garcia, but nothing has been heard of

trenched. A fierce fight is said to have Great excitement prevails in Havana not only on account of the above, but also because of news received from the United States regarding Cleveland's future attitude on the Cuban question.

CONVENTION CALLED

of the Governors of the Southern States to Provide Measures of Protection from the Possible Peril of Foreign Invasion.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star, TALLAHASSEE, FLA., November 11 .-The following is a copy of a call issued by the Governor of Florida to-day for a Southern State harbor defence convention to assemble at Tampa, Fla, on January 20th. This call is sent to the Governors of all Southern States and all States tributary to the Mississippi river. An intense feeling of patriotism prevails throughout the Southern States as is evinced by the formation of naval eserve corps at various Southern ports: STATE OF FLORIDA.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, TALLAHASSEE, FLA., Nov. 11, 1896 SIR:-In view of the dangers which breaten the defenceless Gulf and South Atlantic seaports of the United States. we have deemed it proper to issue a call or a convention in the interest of the Gulf and South Atlantic harbors and their defences. The object of this convention, which will assemble at Tampa, Fla., on the 20th day of January, 1897, is to discuss methods for the proper defence of Southern harbors. As loval citizens of this republic, it behooves us to heed the admonitions of wisdom and endeavor to speedily place our defenceless Southern ports in a condition to protect us from the possible peril of oreign invasion. In the interest, therefore, of this important subject, we repectfully request your Excellency to honor this convention with your presence, and also to appoint delegates from your commonwealth to attend the same. Kindly forward the names of such delegates, when appointed by your Excelency. to Mr. H J. Cooper, secretary of the Board of Trade. Tampa. Fla. Respectfully, H. L. MITCHELL, Governor of Florida.

VENEZUELA QUESTION.

King Oscar of Sweden and Norway to b a Member of the Arbitration Board. By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, November 11 .- Considerable surprise was manifested in diplomatic and official circles that the United States and not Venezuela is the party of the first part to the arbitration arrangement with Great Britain. It had been supposed that the sole function of this country was that of mediator. The attitude in which the United States is now placed, it is claimed, partakes largely o the position of protector of the weaker sister Republics of the coatinent. This, in the opinion of many skillful diplomats, imposes grave responsibility on this country. With regard to arbitration, it is ancipated some time must elapse beore its consummation or in any event before its decision. It is thought Justice Brewer, president of the Venezuelan Commission, will be one of the American members of the tribunal and one of his colleagues in that body will be associated with him; either Justice Alvey. President Gilman, Dr. White or Mr

Coudert. LONDON, November 11 .- The Southern Associated Press has been informed by the Foreign Office that King Oscar If of Sweden and Norway will be asked to act as the fifth member of the Board of Arbitration to which the Venezuelan boundary dispute will be referred for

Thos. E. Watson's letter accepting Populist party has at last been given to the public. It was written on October 14th last to Senator Marion Butler. An Important Difference,

To make it apparent to thousands, who think themselves ill, that they are not afflicted with any disease, but that the

BATTLESHIP TEXAS.

Court of Inquiry as to the Cause of the Ace dent-The Damage Estimated at \$10,000.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star. New York, November 11.-The court of inquiry into the responsibility for the John Lind, fusion candidate for Govaccident to the battleship Texas con- ernor, will demand a recount. Clough's vened at 11 o'clock this morning, in building No. 7, in the navy yard. It was of the demand is alleged trauds in the presided over by Commodore John A. Howell, the commandant of the League Island navy yard.

Commodore Miller was to have pre-sided over the court of inquiry, but illness prevented his being present. All the officers who were detailed to take part in the inquiry were present.

After assembling the court went into secret session, and announced that all future hearings of the court would be behind closed doors. An investigation of the injuries to the Texas, which caused her sinking on Monday morning last, was made by the court this afternoon. Nothing will be known in regard to the findings of the court until Secretary Herbert has passed upon

The Texas was not placed in the dry dock to-day as stated in a previous item. She will be floated into the timber dry dock three days hence. She must b lightened by the removal of 300 tons of coal. The work of repairing the valves of the main injector which was in progress when the yoke broke and caused the sinking of the ship is generally done when the ship is in dock, and it is ex-pected that the officer who ordered the repairs undertaken while the ship was given. affoat will be called upon for an explantion by the Navy Department.

The injury to the ship from the influx of water is considerable, but is mainly confined to the machinery. Six weeks at least is the estimate now made for the time it will take to efface all traces of the battleship's trip to the bottom of the channel. The probable cost of the accident is placed in the neighborhood of \$10,000

BLOWN TO ATOMS.

Acoident to a Nitra-Glyceriae Baleaman. By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

MOUNDSVILLE, W. VA., November 11 Louis Conn, a nitro-glycerine salesman in the employ of H. B. Luntz, of New Cumberland, was this afternoon blown to atoms by an explosion of the stuff he was selling. About 4 o'clock Conn drove to the outskirts of the town to get a gallon of glycerine he had buried there. He used a pick to dig it from the ground and it is supposed the instrument came in contact with the can. The explosion was heard all over the town and caused great excitement. Conn's remains were scattered for one hundred yards around and one foot was the largest piece found. In the buggy Conn had occupied were four gallons of nitro-glycerine and at the report of the explosion the horses ran away but, strange to say, the jolting did not explode it. Conn was a young man and sold glycerine to the oil men.

NEW YORK'S HORSE SHOW.

Mild Sensation That Was a Little Too Strong for the Management. By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, November 11.—Th aristocratic horse show provided a mild sensation to those in attendance tonight. A music hall artiste now performing in this city had entered a white stallion, and the entry list being open to all, it was received. To-night the lady appeared ready to mount and ride in the ring, when it was discovered that the horse was equipped with a man's saddle. Further investigation showed that the lady was picturesquely attired in a long drab paddock coat which only partially disguised a pair of top-boots surmounted by pink fleshlings. This proved a little too strong for the management and she was notified that she could not appear in the ring in that attire. She expostulated, but the officers were obdurate and a fine advertising scheme was nipped in the bud.

GEORGIA'S SENATORSHIP.

Tae Rec: Nerrowed Down to Governor Atkinson, Captain Howell and A. B. Clay. By Telegraph to the Morning Star

ATLANTA, GA, November 11.-The General Assembly took another dummy ballot for United States Senator to-day, each Democratic delegation voting for a different name. To-night Hal Lewis withdrew from the race, which now practically narrows down to Governor Atkinson, Captain Howell and A. S. Clay. The latter was in the lead on the last ballot in caucus. Lewis had twenty votes on the first ballot and fourteen on the last. His support will be divided be tween the three who remain. Clay will make a supreme effort to win in tothat any nomination will be made then.

BEER BREWERS

Propose to Raise the Price of Beer to Six Dollars Per Barrel.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star. CHICAGO, November 11.-There is a movement on foot among the brewers in every city and town in the West and Northwest where beer is selling at \$5 per barrel to raise the price to \$6 00 and place the brewing interests of Chicago, Milwaukee and other large beer producing places upon a paying footing. The brewers have perfec ed an agreement that when the price is advanced to \$6 00 outside, breweries will not interfere, for nearly all of them have already entered into a tacit compact to stand by each other for mutual protection.

COMMITTED SUICIDE.

Prank Hamilton, . Prominent Banker Austin, Texas.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star. AUSTIN, TEXAS. November 11 .-Frank Hamilton, for years a prominent banker here, took morphine this afternoon with suicidal intent and died this evening. Up to a few months ago he was a member of Raymond & Com pany's Banking House, and is well known to New York bankers. He took an active part in the construction of the Austin Dam, in which he lost much money. He was married Monday night to a Miss Carrie Gray, of this city, his first wife having died two years ago. Despondency over losses is supposed to have led to the act.

MASKED ROBBERS Plunder the Safe of a Brewery at Cleveland

Ohio. By Telegraph to the Morning Star CLEVELAND. November 11,-Five masked robbers early this morning robbed the safe of the Star Brewing Company of \$5,000 in cash and \$1,500 worth of rare coins. They overpowered Night Watchman Louis Christiansen, and after binding and gagging him, blew up the safe with dynamite.

CASTORIA For Infants and Children.

MINNESOTA'S ELECTION.

The Fusion Candidate for Governor Wil Demand a Recount.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star, MINNEAPOLIS, November 11.-It was announced to-day that the friends of majority is now about 8,000. The basis northwestern part of the State and the fact that a large number of ballots were erroneously marked for both the Bryan and Palmer electors and were thrown out when they should have been counted as to the rest of the ticket.

FOOT BALL.

University of Virginia Won the Game Played with the Military Institute. By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

LYNCHBURG, VA., November 11 .the game of foot ball in this city this afternoon between the University of Virginia and the Virginia Military Icstitute was not nearly so interesting as had een anticipated. Score: 'University of Virginia, 45; Virginia Military Icsti-

WARM WIRELETS.

Treasury balances: Coin, \$119,977,917; urrency, \$54,958,942. Clapp & Co., dealers in stocks and rain, New York city, have failed and made an assignment to Wm. T. Davis, Ir. No particulars of the failure are

The General Assembly of the Knights Labor, in session at Rochester, N. Y. will last at least a week longer. Mr Sovereign will undoubtedly be re-elected Master Workman. The Transvaal Government have de-

ided to claim 1,000,000 pounds sterling

indemnity from the British South Africa

Company to cover the damage sustained by the Jameson raid. The Farmum cotton mills, Larcaster. Pa., employing 1,500 hands, which has been running on half time since May last, have posted a notice that hereafter

hey will run on full time. The annual meeting of the stockolders of the South Carolina & Georgia Railroad was held in Charleston, S. C. yesterday. All of the old members of the board of directors were re-elected.

Well known silver advocates met in secret conference in Chicago vesterday The object was to discuss the advisability of forming a national educational or ganization to promote the silver cause. Milton H. Smith, President of the Louisville & Nashville Railroad Company, says that his company has not ought the South Carolina & Georgia Railroad. The matter was considered four years ago and dropped.

All the newly-elected Republican members of the Kentucky Legislature have been served with notices of contests by their late silver Democratic opconents. It is said the Governor will call the extra session for December 1s It a fund can be raised by popular ubscription the silver Democrats of Kentucky will contest the election of McKinley electors. An appeal to the

Democracy of the country asking for funds has been issued by Secretary Richardson. An expedition in old of the incu gents in Cuba, conveying dispatches of vital importance from New York and stores of medicine and clothing, sailed from Kingston, Ja., last week and were party and the supplies upon the Cuban

HIS FATHER'S ADVICE. A Gentleman of the Old School Tells His

Son What Is Due to Woman. "In the hour of trouble any woman has right to claim the assistance of any said the gentleman of the old man," said the gentleman of the old school to his son. "She should not be backward in doing so. She is really conferring a favor upon him when she seeks

his aid. It is a piece of delicate flattery to

the man for a woman to ask his assist ance in any matter in which she is inter-"It is an acknowledgment of his superi ority and of her dependence, and the man who does not like to be depended on by a woman died a great many years ago. Prob-

"Precedence is another right that legitimately belongs to woman. Man may come second if he chooses, but with man woman should always be first. Therefore, my son, if at any time and anywhere you be in the society of a woman, in the expression of fulfillment of wish she is to have the prec-

"This may cost you some self sacrifice, but in the end you will be amply repaid by the approval of your conscience. It will not, however, do to take this proposition too literally. In time of danger or trouble of any kind man should take precedence. To woman belongs the joy and peace and safety of life.

"Woman is also entitled to the widest charity. Never take a woman too literal-ly. Of a rather hysterical nature, she is to have a sinister meaning, while they are really as innocent as they can be imagined "Therefore, allow woman the widest latitude, much wider than what you claim yourself, and when in doubt always give the woman the benefit of the doubt. She may be led into some extravagance of statement, but she is entitled to have it overed by the widest mantle that charity

"Never condemn her for anything too hastily. Remember that charity is her birthright."—Philadelphia Press.

Stars and Distances In all the heavens, with the exception of passing meteors or meteorites, not one body occupies a position closer to earth than the moon, which is some 240,000 miles away—very far, of course, side by side with any earthly distances, but a mere fraction side by side with other astronomical distances. Next to the moon our nearest occasional neighbor is Venus, and then Mars. Both Venus and Mars, however, are often farther away from us than the sun, which remains always at some where about the same distance, roughly a from 90,000,000 to 93,000,000 miles. This dividing space between sun and earth is of great importance in thinking

about the stars, and it should be clearly impressed upon the mind. Next to the sun in point of nearness come the more distant lanets-Jupiter, which is about five times as far from the sun as our earth is: Saturn. nearly twice as far as Jupiter; Uranus, nearly twice as far as Saturn, and Neptune, nearly three time as far as Saturn. All these planets belong to our sun; all are members of his family; all are part of the solar system. The size of the solar system as a whole, consisting thus of the sun and his planets, including our earth, may be fairly well grasped by any one taking the trouble to master two simple facts. They are these, that our earth is roughly about 92,000,000 miles away from the sun and that Neptune, the outermost planet c the solar system, is nearly 30 times as far Chambers' Journal.

His Oath. Excited Individual (entering with fingers and thumbs wrapped in bandages)—
is this where they swear people? Notary-Yes, sir. What can I do for

Excited Individual-Give me the book.

I want to take an oath never to put down Hay-Timothy Hay, mixed Clover Hay, Prairie another carpet —London Tit-Bits. Hay, St aw, Grain and all kinds of mixed feed for The Covetons Man. Go not to a covetous old man with any request too soon in the morning, before he bath taken in that day's prey, for his cov-

humor, but stay till the afternoon, till be be satisfed upon some borrower.-Fuller. Affectation naturally counterfeits those excellences which are placed at the great-est distance from possibility of attain-

etousness is up before him, and he is in ill

An Arabian coffee sorter realizes about 95 cents for a day's labor.

BOTHERED BY A TITLE.

One of the Confederate Privates Who Among the countless number of men who have served in the civil war and now revel in military titles of all descriptions it is refreshing to meet with a man who will plainly tell you that his name is "Mr." and that he served from beginning to end of the bloody campaign as a full blown private. Of that description is John J. Scrivner, the San Francis-

co attorney. When the war broke out, Mr. Scrivner enlisted in the Confederate service and went through the entire war, laying down his arms at its close with the humble rank of private that was assigned to him on enlisting. He now enjoys the reputation among his fellows of being the only man that has yet been discovered in the state of California who served throughout the war and yet possesses no gorgeous prefix to his name. It used to be customary in the south when veteran met veteran for some title to pass between the two.

Well, Scrivner was opposed to this principle and fortunate enough to escape involuntary dignity until one memorable occasion, not long ago, when he was conducting a case up in Butte county. The legal luminaries of the district showed him some hospitality, "And," as he afterward expressed it in relating the circumstance to Judge Hunt, "one day I was introduced to a southerner by an idiot who said, 'Mr. So-and-so, this is Major Scrivner.'

"I felt mad, but I had not time to reprimand my introducer nor to explain matters. In an instant I found myself shaking hands with the southerner, who eyed me narrowly. "'You served in the Confederate army, major?' he asked. "'I did.' I replied.

"'I was in the Confederate army myself, sir,' returned the southerner, 'and I'm pretty well up in the army list. What branch of the service were you attached to?' "'The artillery,' I replied, longing

that he would give me a chance to explain. But he kept right on. "'Under what general, sir, may I ask?

"'Under General Gordon.' By this time I was feeling mighty uncomfortable, as my southern friend was bent on drawing me out. "'Major,' he said, 'I'm pretty fa-

miliar with the names of all the leading artillery officers in the Confederate service during the war. May I ask you, sir, how many guns were under your command?' "I assure you, judge, I never felt so mad in my life. Here was I, a

man who always avoided notoriety, who served his time in the war and did his duty without ostentation, who never sought a military title, but always scared off my friends from addressing me by one, and yet, owing to my bungling, d-d good natured friend, being catechised by successful in landing the members of the an entire stranger upon a title I never assumed. However, I bridled up, and, looking my catechiser full in the eye, I said:

"'Guns be d-d, sir! I served through the entire war, sir, in command of one gun, and that I carried over my shoulder.' "-San Francisco Bulletin.

A Diagnosis Completed.

An earnest dissertation on the destiny of nations in general and on that of this country in particular was interrupted by the advent of the orator's wife. "Beriah," she said, "would ye

mind my takin a hand in the argyment? "'Tain't no argyment," he answered. "All of 'em agrees with what I sav. "Well, mebbe I could he'p ex-

plain." "I dunno's I see how ye kin." "Just ez I got here I heard ye say thet what we suffer from is havin too many men lookin for work an not findin it ter do."

"Thet there's the condition of things.' "Well, thet ain't whut causes the hull trouble. It's bad enough, but it

"What's the rest of it?" "The rest of the trouble is thet men ez has work ter do'll look the other way an set around, talkin politics an finance, leavin their wives ter run the farm an tend ter the live stock, not countin the children, the best way they kin. Thet's the rest of the trouble, Beriah." - Detroit Free Press.

"I say, captain," said a young Englishman on board an American clipper, "that flag of yours has not floated in every breeze and over every sea for 1,000 years, has it?" "No, it hain't," replied the captain, "but it has licked one that has. "-Youth's Companion.

A Narrow Escape. Mrs. Snobbs-How many girls do the Newlies keep? Mrs. Nobbs-Only one. Mrs. Snobbs-Only one? -Good

gracious, and I came pretty near

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