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Plan to attend the course, if you have not already received a circular write to Professor Coas. Wm. Burkett, West Raleigh, N. C., for full information. A bill has been introduced in the

State Senate of Virginia to prohibit the kissing of the Bible in courts of the Commonwealth.

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Latest Developments Give Hope of Peace

A special cablegram to the Sun from Caraoas last night summarizes the situation as follows: Venezuela now realizes that she must yield to superior force; she looks for settlement to the arbitration proposal of President Castro, transmitted to Great Britain and Germany through the United States; A Washington dispatch goes further than this and states that President Cas

tro has given Minister Bowen full powers to iffect a settlement with Great nominated in the bond.

Britain, Germany and Italy. It is be If the society of back lieved in Washington that the three some kind of a guarantee of payment by Venezuela can be given. A sug gested plan is to appoint a mixed commission to receive all Venezuelan ably as old the Siberian exiles. customs taxes and take from these the amounts due the different nations.

the change being largely brought about Commodore Scheder, the German edness. commander in Venezuelan waters, bas course toward Venezuela is continued.

In the final settlement Germany not oply seeks a money payment, but de mands an apology for the attack on other ontrages.

The British Cabinet met in London, but, it is believed, failed to take final action on arbitration. Britain is mak ing strenuous efforts to secure a guar entee of payment from the United States.

France served notice that any pro vision for settlement of claims must recognize the French claims, previously

The House of Representatives at Washington passed the McCall resolu tion calling upon the Secretary of State for information touching any agreement or understanding between Great Britain and Germany on one hand and the United States on the o her, as to the nature, extent and purpose of the joint demonstrations against Venezuela, and particularly with reference to the occupation of Venezulan Admiral Dewey's plan for the distri

bution of his fleet during the Coristmas holidays, which has been approved by the Navy Department, includes send ing the battleships Alabama, Kear sarge, Massachusetts and Iowa to Trinidad, off the Venezuelan coast, and the Chicago, Newark and Eagle to

situation.

A Nice State of Affairs.

The Washington staff correspondent of the Atlanta Journal reports a system of "blackmail levy" by the Republican machine in Georgia, which is thus described:

secret service man in Georgia, for the past few weeks obtaining evidence of received sufficient evidence to send a half degen or more men to the peni tentiary for the crime.

Representative Fleming, in whose district the detective secured the evi dence, called at the postoffice depart ment today to inquire what steps had been taken toward the prosecution of the alleged oriminals, and he was informed that the secret service man's sport had not been filed. As soon as t is filed, and it is expected daily, the postmaster general will order criminal pro-seedings to begin in Georgia.

I seems that it has been the practice in the past for all applications for fourth class postmasters in Georgia to be sent to Walter Johnson, at Atlanta. He would in turn refer the application to the county committeemen, who are, in most instances, negroes.
Certain of these committeemen would

thereupon levy a blackmail upon the applicant and hold him up for money, it is said, before they would give him beir endorsement, which was necessary to secure the appointment.

In many cases, it is alleged, the committeemen would continue the scheme after the appointment was made and thus enjoy perpetual graft. When a postmaster made a kick, it is said they promptly preferred charges against im and had him fired, so that a more tractable victim might be provided. It is, of course, clear that Marshal ohnson knew nothing of these practiess and he will no doubt lead in the proceedings which will land the grafters in the pantentiary. in the penitentiary.

One of the victims on whom the extortion had been tried appealed to Representativa Fleming, who laid the case before the postmaster general and saved the postmaster. The postmaster general is actively interested in the movement to break up the blackmail-

Challenged by a Prince.

By cable to the Observer. Madrid, Dec'r 18 -General Bonrnon Yede Castellvi, a consin of King Al phonso, has challenged the Prefect

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YOU KNOW WHAT YOU ARE TAKING When you take Grove's Tusteless Chill Tonie because the formula is plainly printed on every bottle showing that it is simply Iron and cur-uine in a tasteless form. No Cure, No Pay. 50c. As Bachelors See It. BY SHAWEN.

Birds of a feather flock by themselve when holidays are at hand, for the soffi ient mason that they can't help it.

There are degrees in bachelordom as exclusive as those of the most fastidi Admission into this order under the ban is variously accomplished, each unabashed vanity must needs have it so

If the society of bachelors were in tended as an order of distinction which governments will not consent to make men deliberately and as a matter of arrangement with Mr. Bowen unless choice sought to join, it would be an compel its own banishment, as inexor

Marriage is the only proper state of Latest advices from Berlin indicate one out of a hundred, however, who that Germany is in a yielding mood, accomplishes it is worthy of that bless edness. Indeed, the mejority of them by public opinion in the United States. do not even conceive of its true bless-

I believe that the one redeeming been instructed to use extreme caution view to be taken of bachelors is that, and to avoid acts of force until he after doing penance in single wretch receives further orders. Dispatches edness for a sufficient time, and their received in Berlin from the United disabilities, whether of unliness, poy States represent that public feeling er'y, prior responsibilities, slighted here is hostile to Germany, and that effections, or what not, removed, they to the advancement of organized so there is danger of a rupture if a severe | would set precious store by connubial ciety. bliss not dreamt of in the philosophy

would be if assembled in stock for ac the German Legation at Caracas and ceptance. Once labeled "rejected," chiefly laid on courage, which can main venturesome poker player would stay self-restraint which will submit to the

risk! Thus, out of the misfitness of excepnature's purpose of eternal fitness in her general plan.

But of the degrees in bachelordom! Singleness of existence is on inclined plane extending from the summit of first stage to the second, but has not felicity to the slough of deepond. With yet attained the third. In the develop some the descent is accomplished with the celerity of shooting the chutes. country, and in bringing the vast areas These land in the mire of saieide, or of territory under organized authority, the cesspool of misanthropy where they all of the sterner qualities of the indi contract brain fever and imagine them selves women-haters and martyrs. Others unconsciously serve as wall flowers until they fade beyond enduflowers until they fade beyond endu-rance and are bundled into a basket has been developed. The third stage— and dumped into the river of disap the development of an enlightened, un and dumped into the river of disap pointment, after the treatment of Jack selfish public spirit-has not yet been Falsteff.

They alight before the plunge, walk decorously to their apartments, array such a wide difference appears in the themselves in immaculate linen and standards of personal and political fashionable coats, visit tonsorial parlors often, promenade the popula Higher prices in Wall street reflected streets at proper hours, greeting and s more hopeful view of the Venezuelan greeted, attend the plays and operas, dine sumptuously at the cafes, drive fast roadsters, imagine themselves the observed of all observers, inscribe on their armorlal bearing "Dolge Far world goes by.

But there is something in the atmos The postoffice department has had a ticular being; they have had enough of coret service man in Georgia, for the that—but lovers of the whole human family; lovers of birds and beasts, o a blackmail levy, which it is said, has flower and shrub, of bare and sullen been systematically made for years on fields swept by the north wind's breath, country postmasters by members of the of denuded groves whose stordy ten county Republican committee, and it is ants defy the storm and out stretch understood here that the detective has their limbs like fixed, eternal oracles of

spring. Personal concern, whether of glad ness or gloom, fises from the present of their memories, and, as beautiful visions of the past troop by, they would hang a garland of roses on every door-bell and place clusters of rose mary over every grave. Greensboro, N. C., Dec. 17, 1902

Child Labor in Factories.

Commissioner of Labor and Printing H. B. Varner has filed his recommenda tions to the General Assembly with Gov. Ayeoek. The recommendations n full are as follows:

1. That a law be enacted providing that no child under twelve years of age oe permitted to work in any factory, unless a widowed mother or totall disabled father is dependent upon the labor of such child and has no other means of support; that no child under the age of ten years be employed under any circumstances; that no child not so employed be permitted to remain in any factory, idle or at work in any capacity; that no child between the ages of twelve and fourteen years be permitted to work in any factory unless be or she can read and write. provision of the latter clause should be made effective at a stated time, in order that children between the ages of twelve and fourteen might have an

opportunity to meet its requirements.) 2 That no child under fourteen m and 6 a. m.

3 That a law be enacted permitting school districts, townships or counties to adopt compulsory school laws by a ma jority vote of the qualified voters of such district, township or county.

4. That eleven hours shall constitute the maximum day's work in the State for all manufacturing establishments. 5 One great need of this depart-

ment is more room. I would therefore now in contemplation be constructed with the view of providing suitable offices for this department. We are bere to a duel, because of the latter's now occupying a section of the Su attempt to suppress gambling. use of the State Library and of which it is now sadly in need.

6. I would also recommend that chapter 251, laws of 1897, making the Commissioner of Labor and Printing inspector of mines, etc., be repealed, o sufficient appropriation made to carry

out its provisions.

If possible, a law should be enacted providing a severe penalty upon the father who puts his children in the factory and idles away his time in dricking and creating dissensions among workers, and providing only the bare necessities of life out of the hard-earned wages of his children that he may have the more with which to gratify his depraved appetites and

> Stope the Cough and works off the Cold.

Political Morality

New York Commercial.

An unusually brilliant foreign critic expressed the opinion some years ago that the standard of personal morality in America is decidedly higher than in England, that of commercial morality probably a little lower, and that of political morality decidedly lower. Whether or not all observers will agree no answer to this has yet been received; member conducting the value of the wide if arbitration is accepted President Some are fond of expatiating on their there can be no question of the wide Castro will seek to have United States reasons for choosing a state of single difference to the standard of personal bleasedness, when neither they nor any. blessedness, when neither they nor any-blessedness, when neither they nor any-body else believe that it was a matter body else believe that it was a matter is this difference recognized that when is this difference recognized that when the remark was made some years ago that a "public office is a public trust it was seized upon and generally re peated as being an idea decidedly novel. Yet such a statement is one of the

commonplaces of personal morality. aggregation of renegades which no The wide difference in the standards community would tolerate. It would of personal morality and political mo rality in this country is worthy of the most serious consideration. The failure to earry into the political life of our man, and every man knows it. Not nation the standard of personal morality of the individuals composing it im plies something radically wrong either in the organization or in the aims of society. It implies either that there are two standards of morality, and that the personal conscience of the individual science of organized society, or that the elements essential to the advancement of a race of individuals are more clearly recognized than the elements essential

"In the earliest developments of of connubialities.

But what a parlor of misfits they some years ago in discussing our stand civilization," said an eminent economist ards of political morality, "stress is precious few of those labels would be tain authority; in a later stage, greater emoved by feminine hands. The most importance is attached to the nabit of out of the game rather than run such authority of a general code of law; while, in a still later development, as least (qual prominence must be given tional individuals, is made manifest to public spirit, which will use for a collective or unselfish end the measures of authority bestowed on each individual."

This country has passed from the ing of the natural resources of this vidual were required. This is now a part of the history of the sountry. law-abiding spirit that will submit to attained. It is because this stage has O here, still, descend gradually and not yet been reached, and the elements in order, like passengers in a grip car. essential to the advancement of organized society not clearly recognized, that morality of the country.

> HOPE MILLS ITEMS A NARBOW ESCAPE.

A few days ago the water wheel of the Hope Mills Mi'g Company got out Niente," and laugh at the world as the of repair, and while Meerrs. C. A. Jack son, Graham Hill, John Gales and H C. Worlds were in the water box rephere of Christmas that brings a change pairing the wheel some one, by mistake, over the spirit of their dreams and turned on the water, and but for the unifies the whole bachelor fraternity presence of mind of these gentlemen

SUNDAY ECHOOL ASSOCIATION. The Rockfish Township Sanday School Association will meet in the Presbyterian Church at Hope Mills the 4th Sunday in December at 2:30 P. M.

COTTON ITEMS

The officers and teachers of the Methodist church at this place are ma king arrangements to give all the schol ars some pice Christmas presents. One hundred dollars in each has been raised to be expended in the purchase of pres ents. Mr. W. H. Gurley, Mrs. Alice Fowler and Miss Fodie Powell were appointed a committee to visit your city and purchase the presents. The cholars are preparing to give us some recitations. The following programme has been arranged:

Opening song, "Joy! Joy! to the World" Devotional Exercise by C. A. Jackson Superintendent.

Recitation by Lillie Mc Millan. Song, "I'd be Gad." ecitation by Barkimer Fowler-"Lo He Has Come !" Recitation by Ross Sanford, Mattie Garner, Midje Hill, Mazie Sauls, Minnie Bair.

Song, "Welcome, Beautiful Day!" Recitation by Jerome Jackson. Recitation, "When Christmas Comes, -Rosa Sanford, Margie Cain, Sa'lie Grimes.
'The Air Was Still," - recitation-

Stephen Lassiter, Carl Black, Willie Grimes, Oscar Song, Ring! Ring the Bells!
'A Merry Christmas to All,"-recita tion-Ellen Stogner, Bertha Fowler,

James Vanghn, James Grimer,

Olie Hill 'The Early Christmas Class,"-recita tion-Clarence Frazier, Clara Vaughu, Margaret Cotton, Mira Cotton, Alice Sanford, Mand Elkins, Minnie Lassiter, Emma Lewis, Mittie Hill, Clyde Mussel-

Sauls, Sarah Hair, Grace Dunn, Ada Garner, Hair, Mary Jackson. What Saw the Shepherds ?" Glad Christmas Belle,"-recitation Thomas Starling, Albert Starling, Luter Jackson, Willie Grimes. 'The Silent Skies Are Full of Speech -recitation-Mamie Berckman. 'The Prince and King is Come,"-rec

itation-Mary Patterson. Closing Song, "Christmas Farewell."
Distribution of the presents.

A Frightened Horse, Running like mad down the stree dumping the occupants, or a hundred other accidents, are every day occurrences. It behooves everybody to have a reliable Salve handy and there's none as good as Bucklen's Arnica Salve, Burns, Cuts, Sores, Rezema and Piles disappear quickly under its soothing effect. 25c at B. E. Sedberry & Sons drug store.

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Baltimore Sun, December 17 Some of our esteemed London con

temporaries are expressing the fear that many, for her own purposes, may lead England on to an embroilment with the United States in the Venezue lau affair. Some of them deplore the concert between England and Germany and are of opinion that England should have pressed her own claim independ ently of that country. It is likely that it is to be sincerely hoped that they are. England is perfectly well aware of the attitude of the United States. The Mon row doctrine was enounced originally by President Monroe at the suggestion of the British Government, and we have the assurance now of Lord Cran borne, Under Secretary of Foreign Affairs, speaking in the House of Com mous on Monday, "that no country has been more anxious than Great Britain to assist the American Gov ernment to maintain the Monroe doctrine" When President Cleve land insisted, at the time of the

one foot of territory unless she had proved her title, Lord Salisbury, the British Prime Minister, admitted that Mr. Cleveland's position was a sound one. There has never been a time, we believe, that England refused to recog nize the Monroe doctrice and submit to its limitation. It will be remembered, and England is doubtless aware of the fact, that the Monroe doctrine goes farther than a mere prohibition of the acquision of territory. "We could not view," said President Monroe in his famous message to Congress in 1823, "any interposition for the purpose of oppressing them [the American government.] or courrolling in any other manner tuerr destiny by any European power in any other light than as the

manifestation of an untriendly dispost

Britain and Veuezuela, that the matter

tion toward the United States." This does not mean that the United States will protect any South American republic from the logical consequences of a refusal to keep its international obligations. But it does mean that the United States will watch with a jeal ons eye the method pursued by Eu ropean powers in the collection of debts or the enforcement of obligations. If this method should involve any perma nent acquisition of territory or become anduly oppressive, then it might be its policies will do nothing to precipi tate a collision. War between the two earth would be such a calamity to civi I zation that it is impossible to contem farmers would be deprived of an inporwhich employ a great part of her popu | land in winter.

with England is our trade with Ger many. The United States is bound to there are more than 60 000 refrigerator that country by the strongest ties of cars engaged in carrying "out of sea friendship and blood, and a very large son" garden truck in the United States proportion of our best and most patriotic and Canada, of which the South doubt cit zins look back to Germany as their less can claim the largest share of bu fatherland and the home of their kins siness. While the first all rail ship-answer to Venezuela's proposition is folk. War is the devil's work, and wat | ment resched New York from Norfolk | ready. It will be sent to the United between the United States and either to May, 1885, trucking around Norfolk States Government in a day or two. England or G-rmany would not only and Portsmouth began in the fifties, be wicked, but would be inconceivable and 200 barrel-bads of truck were folly as well. None but madmen would shipped to New York. Gradually the provoke it, and fortunately the control trade increased until it reached its By telegraph to the Observer of noue of the great powers concerned present day magnificent proportions. is in the hands of madmen. War is a One Richard Cox, who came down stacle in the way of a peac-ful settlebad way at best of settling interna from New Jersey to 1844, was the first ment of the Venczuelan difficulty was tional disputes. The pen of arbitra tion is mightier than the sword of force. to him has been given the appellation received a supplemental assurance There is no sound reason for fearing of the "Father of Truckers." that we shall be unable to maintain the integrity of the Monroe doctrine with

Ibid. December 17, news columns ! NEW EFFORTS AT PEACE BUT WITH

OUT SUCCESS. Secretary Hay is surprised that Great Britain and Germany have not answer ed the arbitration proposal of President

of Venezuela's pledges. A negative which runs within 50 miles of the shore. answer was given. guarantee Great Britain is not disposed ous little pavigable waterways that

the same attitude. in pressing their claims against Vene zuela, but that she asks no permanent occupation of territory. He asked that United States Minister Bowen repre sent the interests of Italy at Caracas. This will be granted, if agreeable to

Venezuela. nela. It was generally agreed that thus far the Monroe doctrine has not been violated, but it was deemed advisable to maintain an attitude of watchful

In view of the situation the Navy Department decided to issue definite

British and German ships have ap peared off the Venezuelan island of Margarita, which is said to have been desired last year by Germany as a coal ing statiod.

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PLOW GENTLY, SWEET AFTON.

Flow gently, sweet Afton, among thy green brace! Flow gently, I'll sing thee a song in thy praise :

Flow gently, sweet Afton, disturb not all such fears are groundless; at least Thou stock-dove, whose echo resounds

> Thou greet-prested lapwing, thy screaming forbear. charge you, distarb not my slamber-

How lofty, sweet Afton, thy neighboring hills, Far mark'd with the courses of clear winding rille;

high, My flocks and my Mary's sweet cot in contention over territory between Great шу еуе.

> roses blow; There oft as mild Evening weeps over the les

The sweet-scented birk shades my Mary and me. Thy crystal stream, Afton, how lovely

it glides, and winds by the cot where my Mary resides: How wanton thy waters her snowy feet

flow gently, sweet Afton, among thy green brassflow gently, sweet river, the theme of

stream, Flow gently, sweet Afton, disturb not her dream!

source of raw material for the factories ever seen by New Yorkers in their own

This was in 1847. For 40 years now And next in importance to our trade truck farming to the South has been an important industry. It is said that to make a success of the industry, and removed today when Secretary Hay

ALONG THE TIDEWATER.

lomacy and friendly suggistion.

tion that has reached far beyond the Tower, in Berlin, directing them to mouth are the greatest garden truck bring the question anew to the atten to be successful.

centers; Charleston coming second, against Castro will be successful. followed by Wilmington, famous for its lettuce fields. The soil of this district

Want Roosevelt to Arbitrate for a speedy reply.

The British Foreign Office inquired is unsurpassed, being for the most part of Secretary Hay if the United States a light sandy loam with a subsoil of clay. The closeness of the Gulf Stream,

to accept arbitration. Germany is in | indent the land formish excellent transportation facilities. It is said that no The Italian Ambassador, Senor des farm in tidewater is more than three the arbitration be by the Hague Tribu Planches, called on Mr Hay and gave miles from a navigable bit of water, notice that Italy had joined the allies and most of them are immediately on

The United States Senate discussed in secret session the situation in Venez ness. Senator Wm. M. Stewart, of Nevada, advised a strengthening of const fortifications.

orders to Admiral Dawey for the move ments of each of his vessels during the Christmas holidays, instead of giving the Admiral, as had been planned, a free hand in this arrangement. The fleet will be kept within easy range of the Venezuelan coast.

Venezuela apologized for the arrest of the acting Consul of Belgium at Caraoas. The spare at President Castro's capital is subsiding and British and German residents are resuming business.

Are little surprisers,
Take one --they do the rest.
W. H. Howell, Houston, Tex., writes--I have used Little Early Riser Phils in my
family for constipation, sick headache, etc. To their use I am indebted for the health of my family. King Bros.

BY ROBERT BURNS

My Mary's asleep by the murmuring stream,

through the glen, Ye wild whistling blackbirds in you thorny den.

There daily I wander as noon rises

in die ate should be submitted to arbi How pleasant thy backs and green tration and that England most not take valleys below. Where wild in the woodland the prim-

As gathering sweet flow'rets she stems thy clear wave.

my lava: My Mary's asleep by thy murmuring

SOUTHERN TRUCK PARMS

Trucking in the South, strange to say, had its inception in a mint julep, writes Helen Gray, in the Sunny South. Possibly this famous beverage will expected that our Government would never again be responsible for so much remonstrate. The British Government good. The story goes that a clerk on understands this perfectly, and we may a steamboat running to Charleston feel assured that the men in charge of remarked to one of his boon companions as they sipped their mountain dew that there was no comparison between great English-speaking nations of the it and the mist juleps of the South-in proof of his statement he would bring mint on the next voyage and give them plate it as possible. Each is the other's the opportunity of testing his words best customer. Without the English When the next trip was concluded to market for our wheat and cotton our his delighted companions he displayed, in an old champagne basket, not only tant source of revenue. Without our mint, but radishes, lettuce and straw-trade England would be cut off from berries. The berries found their way her chief supply of bread and the chief to a shop window and were the first

out other agencies than those of dip The truck farms of tidewater Vir- submit the case to the Hague tribunal ginia, more especially those in the section contiguous to the cities of Norfolk and Portsmouth, have a reputa-

> gates of their own State. The greatest trucking country in the world, probably, says a bulletin recently issued by the Department of Agriculture at Without such a tempers the climate, while the numer

> > waterways. The busiest season in tidewater is from the middle of May up to August. Then the "morquito fleet," as the upward of 2000 small craft which transport garden truck to the larger steamers to be conveyed to Northern markets are picturerquely called, makes its appearance in tall force, and

busier scene could hardly be imagined. Proclaimed President.

By cable to the Observer. Port-au-Prince, December 18th. General Nord baving been proclaimed President of Hayti by the army, took possession of the national palace this

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By cab'e to the Observer Caracas, Dec'r 18 -All prospects of a war are now considered ended, and President Castro's submission to the emands of England and Germany are taken here to mark the first step in his elimination as a political ruler. A great change has come over the people anger and bitterness they have realized the futility of Castro's patriotic appeals

for armed resistence to the foreign powers. Castro recognizes the prevailing spirit of disfavor and has kept out of sight today. The revolutionists are arising and Valencia is threatened by a strong force, while the angry citizens are likely to demand his resignation. The conditions of the ultimatums of England and Germany have been as cepted and Minister Bowen named as arbitrator for the Republic.

CASTRO LEAVES ALL TO BOWEN. Wahn, Das'r 18 .- President Castro has clothed Minister Bowen with full powers to effect a settlement with Great Britain, Germany and Italy. Bowen simply awaits the consent of the State Department to assume this task, assuning that the nations mentioned are willing that he should undertake the work. It is believed that the oritical phase in the Venezuela difficulty has passed.

By telegraph to the Observer.

Washington, December 19 —Three things have transpired to put a hopeful Washington of the Vercensian of the from phase on the Vecczuelan affair from an American standpoint. Dewey holds every naval base in the West Indian waters; Bowen has transmitted to the State Department the text of Castro's instrument giving him full power to act as arbitrator. Great Britain has the range of pudent banking. formally not:find the State Department of her willingness to arbitrate. Ger many now remains the only stumbling block, by demanding apologies, besides indemnity. Seligman's offer to float a bond issue large enough to settle all the claims and bring about peace, is under consideration today by the Presdent.

offers inducements to not large small small depositors. Interest paid at the rate of four per cent. per annum, compounded quarterly. Money may be deposited at any time, and, if left three full calendar months, will draw interest from the first

REPLY OF ENGLAND AND GERMANY. Secretary Hay has received a partial esponse from England, Germany and Italy respecting the proposal to arbi tratrate the Venezuelan difficulties England favors arbitration with prope safeguards. Germany accepts arbitra tion in principle, but finds that a multitude of small adjustments must be made before entering into an agree ment. Itsly will be bound probably by the action of England and Germany The State department does not regard the powers's replies as satisfactory owing to the conditions laid down.

By cable to the Observer.

THE BASIS OF ARBITRATION London, December 19 -A person Genuine BRIAR ROOT PIPES. ligh in authority says today that the basis of Venezuelan arbitration will be guaranteed by J. and W. Seligman the New York Bankers, on the English German claims to the extent of five million four hundred thousand pounds It is expected that the matter will be arranged within a few days. The Washington government which has refused to be a party to financial trans ections, has agreed to use its good offices in support of Seligman's arrangement.

ANSWER READY.

Berlin, December 19 -Germany's

Peace is Now Assured. Washington, Dec'r 20 -The last ob from Germany that that government. in the interest of peace, was willing to forego the apologies demanded and

for arbitration.

The Venezuelan Revolution. By cable to the Cheerver. Panama, Dec'r 20 .- The news from the Vecezuelan frontier says that the revolutionary movement against Castro Washington, extends from Norfolk is now more powerful than ever. Gau-He believes the present movemen

Want Roosevelt to Arbitrate.

By telegraph to the Observer. Washington, Dec'r 20 .- The follow ing statement was made by the State Department today: "The allies desire that President Roosevelt shall arbitrate be differences between themselves and Venezgela. The President desires that

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Port of Spain, Trinidad, Dee'r 20

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ions and vessels of any nation caugh attempting to run the blockade may expect the treatment usually accorded

By cable to the Observer.

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lamation of the blockade of Venezuelan ports was gazetted this morning and ecomes effective today.

London, Dee'r 20 -The official proc

The Humberts Arrest. By cable to the Observer. Madrid, December 20:h .- Madame Humbert and other members of the Humbert family, M. and Madame Aurignac, brother and sister-in-law of Madame Humbert, who became no torious in connection with the safe frauds in Paris, were arrested at a hotel here today. They have been in Madrid since May ninth.

Funeral of Mrs. Grant.

By telegraph to the Observer. Wushington, Dec'r 20 -The funeral ervices of Mrs. Grant were beld here this morning, conducted by Bishops Andrews and Mackay Smith. The President and many distinguished per sons were present. The carket was laced on a train at 11 o'clock and left for New York, where it will rest beside that of her husband in the Riverside Drive mausoleum.

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