 rom the SeientificAmerican.
A visitor to the Atlant Brooklyn Navy Yard is immediate ly struck by the appearance of the
ship, even before going on board ship, even before going on board
she is so totally different in appearto been accustomed ta. We find
nothing of the graceful, sweeping nothing of the graceful, sweeping of rigging so inseparably associated war. Everything here is hard, se
vere, straight, nothing of the jnunty vere, straight, nothing of the jaunty
or graceful-a practical utility visior graceful-a
ble everywhere.
The broad op ate of '61, with its rows of big black guns glistening in the sunnight, give
place to a few of the modern place to a few of the modern highpower, small-bored naval rifles.-
Their breeches set low to the deck, and to the old artillerist have a most cogs, and scientific inventions, al covered in by a heavy bullet-proo
shield, looking much like a huge in verted coal scoop, from o
extends the gun barrel, extends the gun
der and tapering. The great perfection and finish to
which these guns have been is better realited
breech of one is rior shines like burnished silver, and the grooves, threads, and rifing are chanism of a watch. Not the.least curious part of these
rifles is the new system of firing. rifes is the new system of firing.-
The old fashioned style of-ramming
priming wire into the vent hole to pierce the cartridge case before firing,
which neessita which necessitated appreciable time
and care, especially in battle, has given place to a new in
which a curious a veritable breech loading firinglock, is screwed on to the breech
closer, in which a bullet-loaded cartridge is fired into the main charge
The bullet from this discharge tra verses
through piercing the main cartridge and in stantly opening up.a passage for the
flame to follow and ignite the charge The marines of the Atlanta are while the crew have the Lee modi-
fied magaine gun, which can also
be used asa single shot. These new be used as a single shot. These new
arms require the mento carry much
more ammunition than formerly, and the old fashioned cartridg
boxes are replaced by broad belts
carrying 80 rounds, the whole sup carrying 80 rounds, the whole sup
ported by suspenders over the shoul-
ders. A Gif ror Ru.
In order to give all a chance to
test it, and thus be convinced of its
wonderful curative powers, Doctor wonderful curative powers, Doctor
King's New Discovery for Consump.
tion, Coughs and Colds, will be, for a limited time, given away. This
offer is not olly liberal, but shows
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this great remedy. All who suffer
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Asthma, Bronchitis, or any affection
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a trial bottle free, large bottles $\$ 1$.

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| The Weather Lar Abroad in the Land. <br> From the New Berne Journal. <br> At Wilmington steam was raised and an engine started on its own hook from the heat of the sun:" At Weldon the mercury in the signalservice thermometer climbed to the top and the machine "busted," but as to Raleigh you can read the following, taken from the News anid Obseryer, and see for yourself: <br> "Speaking about being hot," said the reporter, "the street railway expanded three inches out of line a day or two ago." <br> "Yes," said the correspondent, "it was hot; I saw a man take hold of the latch of a cellar door upon which the sun had been shining, and it burnt the skin off his hands." <br> The crowd began to show some |
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## nervousness. "It was quite warm," remarked the secretary. "I saw some water exposed to the sun get hot enougb

to smoke."
Prof., remarked that he had $t$
ken a "soft boiled egg from a basi ken a "soft boiled egg from a basin
of water on which the sun played."
The crowd commenced to expecThe crowd coly
orate vigorously
 crate sent to a merchant bere on
consignment, did you? When the chicks was heard. One layer of eggs in a fers minutes fifteen well-deve warm, you see, it hathed the eggs."
The correspondent clutched wildIy at the air. The reporter's low
jaw hung limp. (Calls for beer
ice.) Quiet was restored. The corr
spondent took a long breath. H said: "Speaking about the hot weath-
er and its effects, a man told me yes-
terday morning that a carp pond near the city broke the day before
and the owner of the pond simply had to step out there and pick up a
mess of nice biled fish."
Prof. F. groaned, but he came to the front. Yes, he said, "Thea
about that. Right across the ro
from that place a mana lives who
cows gave boiled milk custard cows gave, boiled milk custard for
break fast.",
Prof. $W$, fell over backwards and grimly.
"The weather was mighty hot that
day," said the secretary. "We tried

| to wash off our windows with muddy water thrown through rubber hose, but the heat evaporated the | events fall upon their should |
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struck the windows." (Yells for
water.)
"The weather did have quite a
powerful effect on water," said the
powerful effect "I water, said he
correspondent. "I saw a couple of
porters throw a hundred-pound
block of ice towards the door of an
express car and the agent like to
have been drowned with water."
The reporter fainted. He recovered. He said weakly, "Did yo
hear of Mr. 's scheme? He had
a steam grist mill. He took the sh a steam grist mill. He took the she
from over the engine and dumpe
into the water-box a couple of ton
of ice. He had no fire, but got u steam in five minutes and ground
corn and wheat at the rate of -"
"Kill him! shoot him ! lynch
him! go to Weldon! zip-whackhim! go to Weldon! zip-whack-
swish-kwopf! We can, stand the
truth, but well be going to hare any dod-gasted report-
ers around here giving out their gas." The reporter picked himself up
f:om the street and soliloquized on the incredulity and ignorance
the masses concerning solid facts. The above stories may be tr
but The Rocker takes no stock
statements which so the statements whas hot in Rockin
dulity. It was
as the following will show: "S bought a large watermelon he and a friend entered the roon lest the quality of the melon.
inagine their consternation on opening the door, they sait the melen rushing around and aeross
the room like a "wild" engine! As

Rockingham, Richmond County, N. C., August 11, 1887.
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 I wase caught!
Sparkling eyes and soft brown hair
Her's was just the beauty rare
I bad sought. So I wood the eharming maid,
First enchanted, as I said,
By her boot. By her boot.
Noow, alas 1 I'm well aware
Boots and tempers esldon' are
Built to suit

## Wo year was passed, Now both woots and other things Recklessiy sto ftings At my head



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## PLAIN AND FANCY

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The latest definition of a paradox
Some one says the play whist.".
paty may be told by its rings.
When a man buys a porous plagIf the sun is conling, as the astronhis summer.

## "The Wasp" is just published. It

A ministe: may not be a brake
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A wedding ceremony shouldn't
pass off too smoothly. For instance,
here should be a hitch of some kind.
hich reads: "Quart mensures of all
There has been a drop of $\$ 500$ in
much as ever to see the animal.
Benjamin Franklín was only 21
ben he married. He very soon

A Burlington policeman declares
at he has to handle about as many

A Maryland lady defends herself
r the size of her bustle by saying
at she isn't responsible for what goes on behind her back. to increase the happiness of the woThinking is useful and sleep is
necessary; but the literary man makes but little progress when he
A woman has been arrested in ury must
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The weather out West is some
ing terrible. The other day thing terrible. The other day ar
Illinois man went around to look at some pop corn he had planted
and found it all popped.
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of them. That is to use Boschee's
Germaun Syrup, whieh any druggist
will sell you at 75 cents a bottle.
Even if everything else has failed Even if everything else has failed
you, you may depend upon this for

## A company with $\$ 30,000$ capital

will operate the extensive brown-
stone quarries at Wadesboro. The
stone will be handled in the rough
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