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### STILL UPON THE BRINK.

Another week closes with the question of war or peace still in sus-pense, but with the chances more in of coal 70 feet in thickness. This coal,

preparations, at the same time send-ing forth rumors through the capi-there are literally hundreds, perhaps

the entire frontier of the United States bristles with the shining muzzles of guns.

House and Senate, and until the not chough that he should possess the final declaration of war and actual tail. 'My whoel,' when uttered two or

ment of the people of the country a man discourse for hours upon 'my inremains unchanged, and the war will be entered upon, if necessary, with the full sense of its seriousness he meant. From the viewpoint of him A story of Lincoln told me by the man to whom it happened (since dead) is as follows:

A story of Lincoln told me by the man to whom it happened (since dead) yer urged that the shirt was of a new kind which buttoned in the back, but At the breaking out of the civil war with the full sense of its seriousness and yet with the determination that the honor and rights of this country shall be fully maintained and up—

shall be

### INFLUENCE OF PARCEDENTS.

The most ingenious and plausible argument advanced by the leice-atany price party in this country, is that of precedent.

Great columns of facts and figures showing the expenses of former wars are brought up; additional fignres are shown proving the loss of life; and the figures displayed in regard to the property destruction, and loss to business and trade, are appalling in their immensity.

For a nation to rush into a war without counting or giving thought to the cost of it, or its probable results, would be the height of mad-

But to seriously employ the exof property as arguments against going into a war, is hardly worthy of rational disputants.

To urge such precedents, the question might be asked, what is the United States going to war for? Is it for conquest and annexation, or for the purpose of pecuniary gain? Has it for its main and sole

object, revenge?

If any of these quantions can be replied to in the affirmative, then let us count the cost of every life fangered, of every dollar up

of every cent of property which buy be endangered by a conflict.
But none of these issues are in-

olved in the present orisis with said to have got the

favor of war.

During the past week, each day has seemed the last one before a definite decision would be rendered.

Spain continues her war like preparations, at the same time sending forth roughly and the tals of foreign nations belittling the United States, and at the same time trying to make the Powers utter some protest against the impending conflict which shall prevent it.

War preparations in this country have been pushed during the week to the greatest possible extent, and the entire frontier of the United the state of the same time lately and Ermelo districts lying between Pretoria and Delagoa Bay. In the midst of these coal beds is the outcrop of irou cre, and running through them is the lately constructed railway to Delagoa Fay. With these was coalfields close to a first rate port on the Indian ocean the prospects of the coal mining industry seem brilliant.—
"South Africa Today," Younghusband.

The Dicycle Flend.

"One most obtrusive unplea-President McKinley has been severely criticised during the discussions of the resolutions in the particle of his maghine. It is apparently hostilities commence, the President three times to every sentence, is bad is likely to be held responsible for the delay and uncertainty. three times to every sentence, is bad enough, but when it comes to 'my saddle,' 'my tires,' 'my valves,' 'my handle bar' and so forth, the effect is both With the passing days, the senti- irritating and irrational. I once heard

Given canning factories for New Berne, and the trucking interests of this section will be established upon a certain and safely paying basis.

I was reading an advertisement of Chamberlain's Colle, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy in the Worcester Enterprise recently, which leads me to write

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Rheamation Cores in a Roy. Mysero Count for chaugatian an religia redically cures in 1 to 3 days. eviden upon the system is remarkable migaterious. It removes at once the se and the discuss immediately disap-

The United States has had her citizens ruthlessly murdered, her property destroyed, her President and government officials grossly insulted by the Spanish government of considerable local interest, and his pride as a litigant was at sake. He told Webster the particulars and asked when

and her officials.

And further the question of humanity is involved, in the barbar one atrocities perpretated by Spain upon the Cabans.

The war with Spain has for its only objects, the maintenance of American rights and honor, and the suppression of uch barbarities as Spain has engaged in on the Leland.

suppression of uch barbariti.s as Spain has engaged in on the Island of Cuba.

Loss of life, money and property are as nothing, when the upholding of American honor and righ s, and the appression of wrongs are involved, and unworthy is the mind urging proceedent as good cause for peace at any price.

Soot in the Transval.

would take my time for the entire week is anyway."

"All right, Mr. Webster," quickly responded the Nantucketer. "Here's your \$1,000. You come down, and I'll fix it so yon can try every case."

Webster was so amused over this proposition that he kept his word. He can unworthy is the mind urging proceedent as good cause for peace at any price.

Cast in the Transval.

ern states where the narrator lived in 1 wo his earlier days. A case was being tried before a jury in the justice's court, there being a large number of witnesses on both sides. The lawyers contended cely and the trial dragged on until the taking of evidence and the arguments before the jury had been con-

"Well, gentlemen, are you through?"

Upon their reply in the affirmative it on. Here be then addressed himself to the jury. Plain Dealer.

mying:
"Gentlemen, it is now the daty of the court to say something to you. You have heard the evidence of many witnesses and have heard what the lawyers have said. I will say that I know all the have said. I will say that I know all the witnesses and know them to be such disreputable persons that it will not be necessary for you to pay any attention to what they have said even under oath. Not one of them is to be believed. As for the lawyers, they are such scoundrels you need pay no attention to what for the lawyers, they are such scoundrels you need pay no attention to what they have said, and as for the two liti-

TRUCKERS AND FACTORIES.

A good story of President Kruger is told in an article on "Mining and Politics In the Transvaal," in The National Review. Some of the president's young the crops South and North of us, will they be early or late, would not be so seriously considered, if the truckers here had local canneries

President Kruger on Office Secking.

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Extiguiste at Nice.

One feature of life on the Riviera the particularly strikes the sojourner from the captain was presented. Line

rot in the fields, could be bought, didn't drop you from our subscription list on that account."—Gordon (Neh.) Is truckers a profit, and establishing a good paying industry.

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I was reading an advertisement of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diaryhoea Remedy in the Worcester Enterprise recently, which leads me to write this. I can truthfully say I never used any remedy equal to it for colic and diarrhoea. I have never had to use more than one or two dones to cure the worst case with myself or children.—W. A Stroud, Popomoke City, Md. For sale by F. S. Duffy.

INFLUENCE OF PRECEDENTS.

the Was Actually Cleant

Colonel Ibbetson, who died recently in England, was a capital whist player and an iumitable reader. In the interval between games he invariably plunged into a book, never indulging in fattle discussions about the plays. He was the here of the last sensational slopement to Gretua Green. Forty-foor years ago he min off with the Lady Adela Villiers, daughter of the Earl of Jersey. They were never fully pardoned, as it was thought that abe had been guilty of a grave misalliance. Indeed the story is told that when they got back to town Lady Adela was reported to have guilting to her sister, "I had no town till I married that the lower orders were as clean in their habits."

heur, has just reached her of the year 1781, was the first tanking sty-month-birthday. She is still institution founded on the American

My wife has used Chamberlain's Pain laim for themnalism with great relief, mil I can recommend it as a splendid iniment for risemzation and other acceptable use for which we have found

out," said the bookkeeper as he glanced at the bill. "Here's one item of \$16

An Unbiased Charge.

A group of lawyers were telling stories in the corridors of the city hall the other day, when one related a tale of a justice of the peace in one of the south 

> "Kindly tell me," said the book-The aged customer's eyes flashed tri-

\$16. That's all right. And then right below you say that one wouldn't do, but instead of taking off the \$4 you add Here's your \$12."-Cleveland

A Curious Legal Decision. The following anecdote is sent by a Kenfucky correspondent, who says it is

gants, they are so mean it doesn't make any difference which one of them gets the worst of your decision. Retire and deliberate "—Washington Post.

property except his wearing apparel. The tailor's lawyer claimed that a discussion and stud was not an article of exempt apparel and asked for its surrender, but the index reliable to the finder r apparel and asked for its surrender, but the judge ruled that the diamond but-ton held the parts of the shirt together and its removal would lead to in the judge met this by enying: 'The pre-sumption of the law is that shirts but-ton in front, and the court does not juthe back. The court will not require the defendant to submit to an examina-

which would take their surplus raisings, and also when the Northern demand falls off, the fruits and vegetables which are either shipped North, involving a loss, or left to rot in the fields, could be bought, giving the truckers a profit, and establishing a good paying industry.

Given canning factories for New Berne, and the truckers are to stupid."

And local canneries which are to stupid."

Bediting by the Golden Rule.

Rediting by the Golden Rule.

A country editor puts the old question in new shape and says to his subscribing a good paying industry.

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Thirty-fee:

The state of the presented to the president, and at once rewith all the other officers. When the captain was presented, Lincoln said lood enough for all near by to his side of the Atlantio is the utter absence of the piazza life that is such an institution at American summer and winter resorts. A recent visitor at Nice.

When the captain, your bettery is certainly a very pretty battery—in fact, the prettiest bettery I have ever seen, "and then in so low a tone that no one that the captain heard him, "but I must be captain heard him, "but I m in front of his own dwelling, be it villa or hotel. The front of the premises must be clean and well kept, with as many plants and flowers as you like, but there must be no array of comfortable chairs and little tables, as we have them, or any other ontward sign, in fact, that some one lives within and some one who knows how to take life comfortably. To sit in front of a hotel here after breakfast, smoking the cigar of comtentment, would be a braven defiance of all social usages."

A Texas military company was out on the range practicing at rifle shoot-ing. The lieutenant in command and dealy became exasperated at the poor

ing. The lieutenant in command auddenly became exasperated at the poor shooting, and seiring a gun from one of the privates cried sharply:

"I'll show you fellows how to shoot."

Taking a long alm, and a strong aim, and an aim nitogether, he fired and missed. Coolly jurning to the private who owned the gan, he said:

"That's the way you shoot."

He again leaded the weapon and missed. Touring to the second man in the ranks, he remarked:

"That's the way you shoot."

In this way he missed about a dozen timer, illustrating to each soldler his

TO CURE & COLD IN COR PAY

while others, it was whispered, sold by the sentries for a few cent to enterprising young medical studin search of subjects for dissection

when I don't owe you but \$13," replied the stranger.

""Hut I don't see how you make that cont," said the bookkeeper as be glanced to the charmont, and the bookkeeper as be glanced with chaff or straw for fuel.

and another of \$4. That certainly aggregates \$20."

"Well," said the aged party, "I'm perfectly willing to stand by the bill. It's your own bill, you know, and I'll pay you just what it calls for."

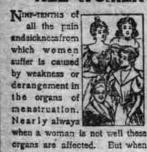
"Well, it calls for \$20."

"Yes, 'it does, added, but not subtracted."

The Vanilla Beas.

It is not generally known that the vanilla bean is the costliest bean on earth. It grows wild and is gathered by the natives in Papantla and Misantla, Mexico. When brought from the forests, these beans are sold at the rate of tracted." ests, these beans are sold at the rate of £2 5s. per 1,000, but when dried and oured they cost about £3 5s. per pound. They are mainly used by druggists.— London Globe.

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