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The News & Observer's board of strategy still continues to deplore the way the war is being conducted.

Now that Admiral Sampson's report has been made public it is to be hoped that Commodore Schley's fool friends will be satisfied and accept the Commodore's statement that "the victory seems big enough for us all," and keep quiet.

SMACKS OF RUSSELLISM.

The letter of J. M. Mewberne, Superintendant of the State prison at Raleigh, replying to letters of inquiry relative to information concerning the State prison, written by Mr. F. M. Simmons is an insulting and audacious production, and yet one quite worthy and in perfect keeping with the character of the present State administration, headed by D. L. Russell.

This letter, signed by J. M. Mew borne, but which the Post very wisely attributes to Governor Russell, as its contents very clearly show Russelism in every paragraph, in no way seeks to answer the inquiries made concerning the State prison, a public institution whose record and accounts should be open to every citizen in the State.

The report of this institution, in violation of the law, is kept from the public, and a request for a showing of its management calls forth a torrent of abuse from its Superintendent (?).

It is not surprising that Governor Russell orders a suppression of the facts of the State prison's inside workings, for the scandals which have already leaked forth would confound and damn any character except a Daniel L. Russell.

The same old thing is repeated in the case of this in quiry, as has been food it is distinctly unsatisfactory and far, far too satisfying. The impression seen in all parts of the State where trouble threatened, the Governor fearful of the weakness of his appointees, and fearing some exposure has taken up the defence, and by denial, contempt of personal nights or bulldozing, or altogether, has tried to throw off saspicion and ward off public investigation.

This Mewborne signed letter of low down scurrility is a Russell subterfuge to escape investigation of the State prison, which fairly reeks with scandals and mismanagement,

But let no Russell misdeed escape! The public should demand a report of State institutions as required by law, and no Russell dictatorship should prevent such reports.

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Strange to Him

First Naval Reserve-It seems strange to see that vessel laboring so. Second Naval Reserve-Why strange "Because it's a tramp steamer."

Robbed the Grave.

A Starting incident of which Mr. John Oliver of Philadelphia, was the subject, is narrated by him as follows: "I was in a most dreadful condition. My skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back and sides, no appetite-gradually growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Fortunately, a friend advised trying 'Electric Bitters,' and to my great joy and surprise, the first botnow a well man. I know they saved my victim." No one should fail to try them.

brank hael, dear love—drink hael! The cup,
I think
Though all too poor, holds something else

FOREIGN MUSICIANS.

The English Style of Propouncing Their

The pronunciation of the names of for The pronunciation of the names of for-eign musicians is a subject with regard to which the average Briton is disposed to claim and exercise the most unrestricted freedom. The result is not usually such as would lead to self identification by the as would read to self the names thomselves.
Several organs of the musical press have begun discussing the matter with the view of protecting the foreign musician from nominal mutilation at the hands of his admires and of bringing something like harmony out of the prepart state of chaos. One writer states that at a recent conference of musicians he heard the name of a foreign musical celebrity pronounced of a foreign musical central pronounced in four different ways by as many speak-ers. Tschaikowsky was alluded to by one speaker as "Shy-cow-sky" instead of "Chy-koff-skl," as the composer's name ought approximately to be pronounced. Although sufficiently serious, this is loss

disconcerting than the American reproach against English name orthography in general that we write a word "Beau-champ" and pronounce it "Beecham." Still, a more rational method of translating proper names from languages which, like Russian, have an alphabet entirely different from our own is much to be de-There is really no reason why we should retain the German 'w" in such names as Tschaikowsky, Paderewski and Turgeniev. The Russian letter is "v," although it has the power of "f" before hard consenants and at the end of most words. The general substitution of "v" would at least give the death blow to such raispronunciations as "Paderoosky." The adoption of the suggestion that Sir George Grove or some other authority should complete a pronouncing vocabulary of foreign musicians' names might prove useful to the student, but the infrequent concert goer would probably remain un-influenced. The too deferential Baboo, when asked how his somewhat formidable name was to be pronounced, politely answered, "As you d—n please." This, it is to be feared, will continue to be the rule with the majority of foreign musicians.-

A Japanese Dinner. He found the great room up stairs half full of people, who were scated in a semi-circle at one end, writes Mrs. Mimoll C. Fraser in The Pall Mall Magnzine, Charteris was a little late, and the rest had be gun the indescribable meal which is called Japanese dinner. All the strangest prod-nets of earth, regardless of precedence, hustle each other on the small square ta-ble before the guest and little by little overflow its bounds and are placed on the floor around him-a growing nebula of tiny plates, many of which he will not

touch if he be wise.

What strikes him first perhaps is the uncamy familiarity of some of them. If this is really his first visit to little Japan, where could he possibly have seen three pink shells lying on golden straw in a carrlet object of a large white fish with he searlet plate or a large white fish, with besearch plate or a large water man, with ob-seeching countenance, comfortably put to bed among sprouting rushes, all apparent-ly growing out of the meshes of that fairy basket work? Where, in the name of sanity, has he had sugar peonles and effrysan-themums done to the life double their nat-ural size or octopi and red crabs artistically chasing each other on plates of corrugated glass? Is this the stuff that dreams

Then he remembers. Of course they have all come out of the embroideries and off the lacquered tables of his childhood. The dinner is an object lesson in exquisite arrangements of form and color and should be regarded as such. Viewed as on rising stiff and dizzy from the floor is that of having watched a kaleidoscope and swallowed Mont Blane.

Ancient Hindoo Guilds.

Till the time of Vishnu's lawbook, third century A. D., no one of these guilds appears as pre-eminent, but in this work "metal workers and smiths of silver and gold" are mentioned particularly, though this pre-eminence may be due to accident. But the circumstance is interesting, because exactly these guilds became the chief guilds of ordinary towns and be-cause they were very likely the first to band together in self defense all the guilds originating in this way, but the goldsmiths perhaps first of all, since the old law in regard to sniths was so extremely severe as to call for some union on their

The old law in regard to a goldsmith found guilty of defrauding was based on the principle that a goldsmith can most easily deceive, and that when he does so he is "the vilest of sinners." The king is therefore directed to see to it that a gold-suith found guilty of cheating shall be chopped up into very small pieces with sharp knives, whereas ordinary thieves or cheats are merely beheaded. By uniting together and estracizing a guilty member the guild could inflict a punishment which, if it was not so severe, probably had a still more deterrent effect .- Yale

Husband—My dear, these trousers are rayed at the bottom. Wife—They are the best you've got,

ohn, except your dress trousers.

Husband—Well, give those to me. I have an important interview today in which I expect to be at different times proud, haughty, indifferent, dignified and perhaps a triffe distainful. A man can't be all that successfully with fringe on the bottoms of his trousers.—London An-

Vandervyver, a Belgian, states that the length of exposure for radiographs through limbs of different dinsensions varies as the cubes of their thickness, M. Bondeard states that Roentgen rays can diagnos pleurisy and similar complaints.

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GRAVE OF PATRICK HENRY. Richmond, but In Charlotte, Where He Lived.

Every now and then we see in some newspaper the query, "Where is Patrick Henry buried?" and tourists in Richmond constantly ask to be shown his grave, with the mistaken idea that it is in that city, where much of his public career was passed. Few people comparatively know that the man who acquired the title of "The Tongue of the Revolution" lies in a quiet grave on the estate in Charlotte county where he formerly lived. Over it is a marble slab inscribed with one line, "His fame his best epitaph."

The estate lies on Staunton river, 38 miles from the town of Lynchburg, near the border line which separates Char-lotte and Campbell counties. It derived its name of Red Hill from the peculiar color of the soil in that vicinity. When Patrick Henry bought the place, it comprised about 3,500 acres. The land is rich—there was a saying in the neigh-borhood that poor land and Henry could never be mentioned together-corn grows there as high as a man on borseback; there is a general air of smiling fields and abundant prosperity. Its sitnation in early times was very remote. Neighbors were few, one of the nearest being the celebrated John Randolph of Roanoke, who lived in his chosen soli-tude 15 miles away.

Red Hill is now owned by Henry's grandson, William Wirt Henry, a clever, cultivated gentleman of the "old school." He has in his possession some most interesting relics of his cele-brated grandfather, including the desk he always used, which still contains his letters from Lafayette, Washington, Madison and other great men of early days; the large, round backed chair in which Patrick Henry died and a portrait of him by the elder Sully, under which hangs a yellowed slip of paper, signed by Chief Justice John Marshall and several others of his friends, testifying to the faithfulness of the likeness.-Philadelphia Press.

READING SEALED LETTERS.

A German Scientist Shows How This May It is not generally known that scaled letters may in many cases be read with

out opening the envelopes or doing them the least injury. It was discovered by a German physiologist by the use of an embryoscope, or egg glass, that the shells of eggs were of very unequal thickness. It occurred to him to make experi-

ments in order to ascertain how many leaves of ordinary letter or official paper must be laid above and below a written leaf in order to make it illegible to a highly sensitive eye in the direct He found that after be had rested his eye in a dark room for 10 or 15 minutes he cold read a piece of writing over the mirror of the embryoscope that had been covered with eight layers

He called in other observers to confirm this. The letters, however, that could thus be deciphered were written in dark ink on one side of the paper only. If four written sides were folded together, and especially if there had been crossing, it was hard to make out the drift of the writing, and there are some kinds of writing which, when folded twice or thrice, admit too little

light for the purpose of decipherment. In this way possibly many of the performances of "clairvoyants" may be ex-plained. By means of the egg glass it is, as a rule, easier to make out the contents of letter or telegram without the slightest tampering with the envelope than it is to detect the movements of

the embryo in the egg. Suppose the writer of a billet, the contents of which are known only to himself, lets it out of his hand and loses sight of it for five minutes. It may be rendily carried either into the direct sunlight or into electric or magnesium light and be read by the aid of the egg glass. The placing of a piece of cartridge paper in the envelope or the coloring of it black is a means of defeuse

A Barmese School.

The uproar was like that of a runaway engine tearing through a tunnel. The floor was littered with youngsters lying on their stomachs, and all bawiing with an energy indicative that somebody was hurting them. Long, slim, scratched upon slips of palm leaf, the equivalent of books in Burns, were spread before the scholars. Making the lads short is the approved method of elementary instruction. When the master discovers any lagging in long exercise, a long switch begins to sing through the air. Quiet, serious study is exploded. The Burmese educationist argue that so long as a boy is shouting his mind is occupied. When he is silent he is certain to be scheming mischief Therefore the best shouters are the best muils.—Travel.

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