

CAPTURE OF A VETERAN.

The Commander in Chief of His Headquarters. "Say, mister, have you seen a mean looking little cuss with a blue suit and brass buttons on hangin' round here this week?"

"Don't know that I have. How mean does he look?" was the reply. "He pretends to be a vitran," continued the woman regarding the clerk over her glasses.

A party of veterans were telling tales of war. A familiar voice smote upon the air. The woman's lips closed tightly.

"I tell you, comrades, I jes' enjoyed that air fight at Chancellorsville more'n I did the hull durned muss from fus to lae." You see, Gin'ral Jackson was off on our lef' a-trampin' like the very devil to outflank the Union lines.

Just then a woman shoved through the crowd and linked her arm in his. "The color of the hide of a sour nuber."

"Come home, Jabez—the caws and the pigs need you." And the little old man in the blue coat looked up into the woman's face with a gray, misty, tearful look in his eyes.

Poor old fellow—after all—Lewiston (Me.) Journal.

BONAPARTE'S DAUGHTER.

The Princess Charlotte Spent Many Happy Months in America. "Queen Julie never joined her husband, Joseph Bonaparte, the fugitive king of Spain, in this country," writes William Perrine in The Ladies' Home Journal.

"The Princess Charlotte, the vivacious young Princess Charlotte, determined to console her father in his exile. She arrived at Philadelphia in the ship Ruth and Mary, commanded by Captain Mickle.

"Joseph was highly pleased with Charlotte, whom he had not seen since she was 13, and tried to give her as much compensation as he could for the pleasures of the continental life she had left behind.

"The most remarkable tree on the island of New Providence is without question a specimen of the silk cotton (Bombax ceiba) situated near the postoffice and prison. Growing from its trunk are half a dozen buttresslike extensions, as if to make a firm footing for its great spread of branches of 116 feet.

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"Where the Ticket Went. In an elevated station on a rainy day, just before reaching the ticket chopper's box, a woman dropped her ticket. It disappeared as completely as though she had never had it.

"Look in your umbrella," said the ticket chopper. She carried an umbrella, which was closed, but not rolled up. She turned it with the handle end down and the ticket dropped out on the floor.

"My flesh creeps!" he cried. "My complexion runs!" shrieked she. For it is the lot of women to suffer most.—Detroit Journal.

ORIGIN OF THE BICYCLE.

It May Be Traced as Far Back as the Seventeenth Century.

In St. Nicholas Frank H. Vizetelly has told "The Story of the Wheel," tracing the evolution of the bicycle. Mr. Vizetelly says:

It has been often said that "to trace the origin of the bicycle we must go back to the beginning of the century," and as this has not been denied it is probably true. I shall try to show that the bicycle grew from experiments in the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries, and that the celestifere, first invented in 1690, was the earliest form of the "safety" of today.

Little was done in the century following, yet in the "Memoirs of Henry Fetherstone" it is told that a Jesuit missionary named Ricinus, who was traveling down the Ganges, having missed a boat that plied at regular intervals between points he was to visit in his journey, made up for lost time by building a small carriage propelled by levers.

In one of England's older churches—St. Giles' at Stoke Pogis—is a window of stained glass on which may be seen a cherub astride of a hobby horse, or wooden "wheel." At the sides, in separate panels, as if to fix the date of the design, stand two young men attired in Puritan dress, one playing the violin, the other, with hands in his pockets, smoking a pipe.

Before the Royal Academy of Sciences, in 1693, Ozanam read a paper describing a vehicle driven by the pedaling of a footman, who stood in a box behind and rested his hands on a bar level with his chin attached to the back of an awning above the rider in the conveyance.

The complete novel in the May issue of Lippincott's is "The Uncalled," by the colored poet, Paul Laurence Dunbar. Though understood to be his first essay in extended fiction, it is an extremely strong and thoroughly readable story.

"No. 87,617 Colt," by George Brydges Rodney, recounts the experiences of a small party of Americans in Cuba during a former insurrection. Theodore Gallagher describes one phase of a very wild Western town in "The Election at Cayote." Both are stirring tales.

"Woman's Work and Wages" are discussed by Eleanor Whiting, who claims that matrimony is the most appropriate and profitable business for women in general, and that they had better not attempt direct wage-earning. This highly conservative position she defends by an array of facts and arguments.

Dr. Charles C. Abbott has a brief paper on "Blunders in Bird-Nesting," meaning those of the birds. James Weir, Jr., writes on "The Faculty of Computing in Animals," and William S. Waish inquires, "Do Animals Drink?" He replies that they do, on some occasions, and become intoxicated like their betters.

The ways of "The Indian Afoot," and his extraordinary abilities as a pedestrian, are set forth by William Trowbridge Larned. By "The Sacred Flower" Marvin Dana means the Rose. "People-in-Law" form the subject of a little essay by Alan Cameron.

Frank G. Carpenter deals with "The Book-Loves of Statesmen"—i.e., some of them. "The Literature of Japan" is briefly discussed by Joslyn Z. Smith.

The poetry of the number is by Florence Radcliffe, Grace F. Penny-packer, and Lee Fairchild.

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GERMAN KEEPS HIS PLACE.

Nanticoke Statesman Elected State Chairman Without Opposition.

The next State Democratic convention will be held in Altoona, June 29. This was settled at a meeting in Harrisburg of the State committee. John M. Garman of Nanticoke was re-elected chairman without opposition.

The meeting was held behind closed doors and lasted four hours. The Philadelphia contest was referred to a sub-committee after a lively skirmish. The committee reported unanimously in favor of the Gordon-Delahanty committee as against the friends of city chairman Thomas J. Ryan, and the report was adopted by a vote of 58 to 12.

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PRESIDENT CALLS FOR 125,000 TROOPS.

The President on Saturday issued the following proclamation calling for 125,000 troops to serve 2 years: By the President of the United States:

A PROCLAMATION. Whereas, by a joint resolution of Congress, approved on the 20th day of April, 1898, entitled "Joint resolution for the recognition of the independence of the people of Cuba, demanding that the Government of Spain relinquish its authority and government in the island of Cuba, to withdraw its land and naval forces from Cuba and Cuban waters, and directing the President of the United States to use the land and naval forces of the United States to carry these resolutions into effect," and

Whereas, by an act of Congress entitled "An act to provide for temporarily increasing the military establishment of the United States in time of war and for other purposes," approved April 22, 1898, the President is authorized, in order to raise a volunteer army, to issue his proclamation calling for volunteers to serve in the army of the United States.

Now, therefore, I, William McKinley, by virtue of the power vested in me by the Constitution and the laws, and deeming sufficient occasion to exist, have thought fit to call for and hereby do call for volunteers to the aggregate number of 125,000 in order to carry into effect the purpose of the said resolution; the same to be apportioned as far as practicable among the several States and Territories and the District of Columbia, according to population, and to serve for two years unless sooner discharged. The details for this object will be immediately communicated to the proper authorities through the War Department.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

Done at the city of Washington, this 23rd day of April, A. D. 1898, and of the Independence of the United States the 122nd.

(Seal) WILLIAM MCKINLEY, By the President. John Sherman, Sec. of State.

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FORTUNE FOR HIS LOST LOVE. Once They Were Parted By Duty and a Second Time by Death.

When Mrs. Lucille Morris, of Omaha, Neb., was a very beautiful girl in her teens she met young and handsome Chester E. Allison, of Sedalia, Mo. It was a case of mutual love at first sight, but, although Chester wooed and won Lucille's heart, she would not give her hand.

Elizabeth, N. J., Oct. 19, 1896. ELY BROS., Dear Sirs:—Please except my thanks for your favor in the gift of a bottle of Cream Balm. Let me say I have used it for years and can thoroughly recommend it for what it claims, if directions are followed.

The Russian Government has decided to adopt the metric system. The United States and the British Empire will thus soon be the only important countries which have not adopted the decimal system of weights and measures. An imperial commission has also been appointed at St. Petersburg to consider the best means of abandoning the Russian calendar in favor of that which prevails in other parts of the civilized world.

Under the trees he told her again the old, old story, and it was arranged that they should be married in the fall. Before the leaves fell he died. His last thoughts were of his sweetheart, and in his will he bequeathed her, unconditionally, \$150,000.

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Here's a New One, Again. The Choir. An Optional Course on the Word "Neither." The choir was singing a new arrangement of the beautiful anthem, "Consider the Lilies." The pure sweet voice of the soprano rose clearly and distinctly in the solo: They toi-oi-oil not, They toil not, Ny-y-y-ther do they spin. She paused and the tenor took up the strain: Nee-ee-ee-ther do they spin, They toi-oi-oil not, They toil not, Nee-ee-ee-ther do they spin. The tenor ceased, and the basso, a solemn, red-haired young man, with a somewhat worldly looking eye and a voice like a fog-horn, broke in: Nay-ay-ay-ther do they spin, They toi-oi-oil not, They toil not, Nay-ay-ay-ther do they spin! Then the voices of the three were lifted up in semi-chorus: Ny-y-y-ther Nee-ee-ther Nay-ay-ay-ther do they spin.

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