

WAR WITH FRANCE.

OUR GREAT NAVAL ENCOUNTERS WITH THE FRENCH.

The United States Fitted Out Privateers and Authorized American Officers to Capture French Cruisers Wherever Found.

It was Lord Wolsley who said recently that the United States being unprepared for war might be congratulated upon not having tackled any first class European power.

The cause of the trouble with France arose out of the inability of the hot-head members of the French Directory to appreciate such a constitutional revolutionist as John Adams, who was not without some leanings in the direction of a monarchy.

French cruisers therefore attacked our merchant vessels. This country was then too weak for a naval war and Adams sent envoys to the irate members of the Directory to set matters right.

Congress thus aroused by the one sided report of the Adams envoys organized an army. Soon also a state of war existed on the sea, where Commodore Truxton defeated and captured two French frigates.

The white ants maintain a regular army of soldiers. "I guess," said Mr. Erastus Pinkley, "dat I warn't built for soldierin'."

Constellation started in hot pursuit and after a six hours chase gained a position off the enemy's port quarters. She now poured a full broadside into the Frenchman which promptly returned the fire which thus became rapid and constant upon both sides.

Both the Constellation and the L'Insurgente were rated as 36-gun frigates, though in estimating their equality the French pound was eight per cent heavier than the English pound.

After these brushes between the American and French fleets Napoleon replaced the feeble and incompetent members of the Directory, President Adams again sent his envoys to Paris and things were made so permanently satisfactory that Napoleon sold all the French possessions to this country.

Ice is employed in various ways in illness as a remedy. The ice-bag is applied to the head in cases where there is severe pain, and to various parts of the body to reduce inflammation.

Ice is given to stop sickness, or in cases of hemorrhage from the lungs, a small piece is placed on the tongue frequently. Ice should be kept in large lumps if possible, and these ought to be wrapped in a flannel or blanket.

Bees are geometicians. The cells are so constructed, as with the least quantity of material, to have the largest spaces and the least possible loss to interstice.

Whole tribes of birds are musicians. Caterpillars are silk-spinners. The squirrel is a ferryman; with a chip or piece of bark for a boat, and his tail for a sail, he crosses the stream.

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TYPICAL AMERICAN.

A SKETCH OF THE BRAVE LEADER OF THE COWBOY REGIMENT.

Roosevelt is a Man with a Future Who Learned Human Nature on the Prairies and Who Can Turn His Knowledge to Account Upon the Tented Fields.

Theodore Roosevelt has so much endeared himself to the American people by his cheerful optimism that the president of his alma mater once saw fit to make apology for it.

Whether as a rancher on the banks of Bitter Creek, or as chief of that department at Washington which aims to purify the spoils system, and to reform the public service, Colonel Roosevelt has invariably proved himself to be a man of fixed convictions and of rare courage.

His first step after leaving Harvard with the blessings of the faculty, was to mend New York politics. For two hundred and fifty years the name of Roosevelt has been connected with the business interests of the metropolis.

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Col. Roosevelt, however, was destined to be identified with New York politics later on. But meantime he was making the most of his opportunities to shape his own and the country's future.

That Colonel Roosevelt understands the west and its matters, and appreciates them, is proven by the hearty manner in which he has elucidated its phases in his many works. And in nothing is this broad and American view so well borne out as in considering the number of those works which treat of the noble examples of the west, and of the bounding nature of the backwoodsman that Roosevelt has given to the reading communities of the East.

Equal to the Occasion. Ex-Secretary William M. Everts was for a long time the most skillful of all public men in polite and pointed repartee, says the Ladies' Home Journal.

Speed of the Gulf Stream. Three miles an hour is about the average speed of the Gulf Stream. At certain places, however, it attains a speed of fifty-one miles an hour, the rapidity of the current giving the surface when the sun is shining, the appearance of a sheet of fire.

sorted of its large sympathies and of its buoyancy and dash, Roosevelt was no less successful at the National Capital. There the scenes were changed but not the man.

It is Frederic Harrison who says that "the man of culture in politics is one of the poorest mortals alive." But Col. Roosevelt has shown that the man of culture can wield great influence in political life; and that men of culture have as great opportunities before them in American as in European life.

When Colonel Roosevelt was asked one day what he would do with the city young men if he had the power, "I'd order them to work," said he as quick as the snap of a gunlock.

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New Use for the Sunflower. A new use has been found for the sunflower. The sticky substance which exudes from it has been made into a covering for bicycle tires.

The Doctor's Opinion. "My little boy broke out all over his body with painful sores and kept running down in health. The doctor said his blood was out of order and that the best blood purifier was Hood's Sarsaparilla.

You Don't Need to Believe This. A surgeon in a neighboring county was called to treat a cow that had swallowed an alarm clock. Several children had been playing on the hay mow, and had a small alarm clock with them, which they left there, and it got among the hay that was fed to the cow, and she managed to swallow the time piece.

His Money Kept Well. The Mansfield Advertiser says: Abner Jenkins, a year ago, lost a five-dollar bill from his watch pocket while haying on the Murdough farm at Lamb's Creek.

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