BUILT THE OREGON.

Irving M. Scott, of San Francisco, Claims the Distinction.

First Great Battleship Ever Constructed on the Pacific Coast-History of the Man Who Managed the Great Enterprise.

Irving M. Scott, of San Francisco, is "the man who built the Oregon." He to the front and backbone of the Union

fron works of that city. "Build her," said he of the Oregon to his master mechanics, "as no battleship ever was built before. Our succoss means a new industry for the Paeific coast and a man-of-war that can

And his master mechanics built a ship, a muss of steel, whose performances since she left the stays have dumfounded the naval experts of other

It is not generally known, but it is Storally true, that the personality of Mr. Scott was worked into every rivet and bolt of the Oregon. He has been an ambitious man in the business world, and when by almost a mere chance the government gave him the first contract for a battleship ever swarded to a Pacific coast firm he determined that he would silence scoffers. as to his ability to accomplish the task by turning out a ship second to none that ever came from Cramps' or New

He watched the growth of the Oregon as a father would study the devel-opment of a child. His personal attention was given to every detail, and when she steamed away from Mare faland in 1898 for her wonderful journev around South America to Key West, thence to the buttle of Santiago and thence to far-away Manila, he

"There is none your equal." His success gave the Pacific coast new prestige, and made it certain that



IRVING M. SCOTT. (Popularly Known as "The Man Who Built the Oregon.")

from thence on man-of-war building was as much a legitimate industry there as at Philadelphia or Newport. Mr. Scott has also built the cruisers Charleston and San Francisco, the powerful Monterey and Dewey's Olympia.

His father was a Quaker an grew up on Maryland soil. He was a machinist first and an expert draughtsman afterward. In Baltimore he supervised the construction of steam engines for years. In 1860 he was employed as a draughtsman in the iron works be now owns in San Francisco. Five years later he was general manager of the firm, and later sole master of its affairs.

The friendship of James G. Fair served to advance his interests until his works covered 15 acres of the water Scott of San Francisco, and match in completeness those of Collis P. Huntington at Newport. Nicholas, crar of Russia, has invited him to meet the naval experts of Russia at St. Petersburg to enlighten them on ironelad

He has been president of the Art association of San Francisco, also of the Mechanics' institute, regent of the University of California, trustee of the Leland Stanford, Jr., university and of the free library. He was president of "Well," said her dressmaker, "you the California commission to the might try the sign 'Fresh Paint."world's fair. In literary circles he is Harlem Life. known as a strong contributor to the magazines, a wide reader and an acute thinker. From one end of the coast to the other he is spoken of as "an honest man." Mr. Scott is 68 years old.

To Protect Wild Animals.

In London the international conference for the protection of wild animals in Africa recently began and was opened by delegates from many countries. Concerted action is necessary in order to obtain an international agreement to restrain the extermination of many of the mammals, birds give her mother first chance."-Chicago and fishes in Africa.

Snow Floods in Colorado.

Each year, with the melting of the amow in Colorado, there is a flood in the Rio Grande. Sometimes the river becomes a wide, raging torrent of large volume. The water dashes by for a brief period and then the river becomes dry again.

A Wise California Law.

The supervisors of Butte county, Cal. provide by statute that anyone riding a wheel on a sidewalk in any unincorporated town in Butte, on meeting a pedestrian, must "dismount and remain at rest while such pedestrian passes."

They Lie Side by Side.

Lying side by side in specially prepared graves on the farm of the late Robert Bonner, in New York, are the remains of Dexter and Mand S., two of the greatest horses the world ever

Proof of the Pudding.

Husband-Our neighbor across the way has been trying for the last hour to convince me that the woman of today is losing her sweetness and simplicity, turning household duties over to her husband, and becoming masculine and self-assertive.

Wife-Here! Just hold the baby while I go across the way and convince the old fool in about are minutes that he doesn't know what he's talking about .- Brooklyn Life.

Doing the Impossible.

"There's no use trying to do the impossible," said the discouraged relig-

"Oh, I don't know," replied the soelety reporter. "It has been done. I was at the meeting of a literary club yesterday, and one lady there who read an original poem made 'bon mot' rhyme with have got, "-Chicago Times-Herald.

A Figure of Speech.

"There's no use in talking." the orator said; And his audience cheered with delight; But too previous they,

For he went on to say For a very large part of the night. —Chicago Record.



He-When a man's a bachelor-She (interrupting)-Then he's a

He-Exactly! When I was a bachefor I felt that nothing would do but I must get married!-Unsere Gesells-

old Institutions.

This world, they say, is growing wise.

A century-behold its dawn! Yet green-goods people advertise And still the bunco-game goes on! -Washington Star.

One on the Joker.

"San you give me a definition of ogotist' with a single letter?" asked the man who considered conundrums always interesting and humorous. "No. What is the one-letter definition of 'egotist?"

"You! Well, you're frank about it, but I guess you're right."-Chicago

A Lucky Woman.

Mrs. Brainle-After ten years of married life, my husband still says m an angel.

Friend-Does he mean is? Mrs. Brainie-Of course not; but I husband who pretends to mean it .-N. Y. Weekly.

Bit the Nail.

"What did the poor man say when he was accused of taking the cattle?" inquired the tourist. "The right thing, stranger," respond-

ed Amber Pete.

What was it?" "I'll be hanged!"-N. Y. World.

Had Tried One.

Mrs. Wayback (at a dime museum)-Land sakes! And was that man really skinned alive? Dear me! How did the

savages do it? Mr. Wayback-I s'pose they covered him with porous plasters, Manda, an' then pulled 'em off.-N. Y. Weekly.

It Would Attract Attention.

"What would you advice me to wear to attract attention?" asked an elderly spinster whose cheeks carried an extra quantity of rouge.

It Didn't Make Any Difference. Ella-Fred and I wished with a wishbone last night.

May-Who won? Ella-I don't know, and we didn't care particularly; he was wishing for me and I was wishing for him .- Judge.

Why She Felt Aggrieved. "I understand she objects to her

daughter's marriage." "Yes. You see, she is a widow, and she holds that a dutiful daughter would

Domestic Finance. "It's no fun being married. My

wife is coming to me all the time and asking for money." "You're lucky. I have to ask my wife always for money when I want any!"- Heitere Welt.

A Pertinent Inquiry. Tom Goode-I dropped a ten-dollar gold piece on the contribution plate

last Sunday. Jack Potts-What was the matter with it?-N. Y. World.

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Gen. John H. Ketcham Has Been Nomunated for Congress 16 Times by Accimmation.

Notable among the few members of the house of representatives who have been unanimously renominated is Representative John H. Ketcham, of New York. Sixteen nominations by acclamation is his record, and that is the top score for the house.

When Mr. Ketcham came out of the union army in 1865 a brigadier general he entered congress as a representative from New York, and was re-elected to the Thirty-ninth, Fortieth, Fortyfirst and Forty-second congresses.

He was a candidate for reelection in



GEN JOHN H. KETCHAM. (Nominated for Congress 15 Times by

time met, through his loyalty to Gen. Some in France Reach a Speed Great-Grant, his first political defeat. During the Grant-Greeley campaign his district-known as the Hudson river district-contained many republicans who sympathized with Greeley, and Mr. Ketcham was notified that if he would not push the canvass for Grant he would be reelected. This proposition was firmly refused by Mr. Ketcham, who said that he would win or lose with Grant. The result was the election of the democratic candidate.

Gen. Grant knew of the fight and the motives underlying, and in 1974 he appointed Gen. Ketcham commissioner the District of Columbia, and he served in that office until 1977, when he resigned to reenter congress. Mr. Ketcham's eareer in the district commissionership was highly creditable to him. During his incumbency in office the district bonds, which had been at a discount, rose to par value.

Mr. Ketcham was reelected to the Forty-sixth, Forty-seventh, Fortyeighth, Forty-pinth, Fiftieth, Fifty-first and Fifty-second congresses, when he retired to recuperate his health. He came back in the Fifty-fifth and Fiftysixth congresses, and, as stated, has been renominated as the republican candidate in the Eighteenth New York district for the next congress.

Mr. Ketcham never makes a speech in congress or on the stump. He is an indefatigable worker for his constituents, however, and is beloved throughout his district. He is a man of strong charitable impulses, which he gratifies, and numbers his friends among the poorer people of his dis-Mrs. Brainie—Of course not; but I trict as well as among the rich. Mr. think I'm mighty lucky to have a Ketcham is regarded as a man of superior political judgment and is consulted in the party councils at the capitol. He is a constant attendant upon the sessions of the house and is a familiar figure about the departments. where he looks after the interests of his constituents.

ANCHOR MARKS GRAVE.

The Appropriate Monument to the Maine's Crew in Arlington Cemetery, Near Washington.

Arlington cemetery, the city of the Topics. nation's soldier dead, has always been a place of more than ordinary interest to people who visit Washington, but it has become more so since the memorial for the Maine's men has been added



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ANCHOR MONUMENT. (Marks Grave of the Maine Victims in Arlington Cemetery.)

to the great collection of monuments. The memorial is unlike any other in the grounds and attracts attention because of its simplicity and appropriateness. It is a rude, old-fashioned anchor, which was not made for the purpose of marking the last resting place of the 163 men whose bodies were recovered from the foul water in front of Havana. It was made about 100 years ago, did-service and was recovered from the waters of Boston harbor. The crossbar is of wood and stands ten feet in the air. The bronze tablet in the center of the cross bears this in-

"U. S. S. Maine, blown up February 15, 1898. Here lie the remains of 160 men of the Maine's crew, brought from Havans, Cuba. Reinterred at Arlington, December 18, 1899."

Newspapers in Japan.

Japan has now 150 dailies and about \$00 other periodicals. Twenty years ago there, was not a single paper which could be called a daily in Japan.

COWBOY BLACKSMITHING.

The Holes for Bolts Were Made by Firing Bullers Through the Tires.

"Up at my camp near the Four Peaks," said Jim Bark, reports the Arizona Graphic, the well-known cattle-"the boys are all handy with a We've a lot of guns up there. riffe. The old-fashioned black-powder Winchester has been discraded and nothing but the best goes. Most of the new guns were bought during the Spanish war, when we would experiment all day with tree trunks and rough trenches. learning the art of war at home. We found that a bullet from one of the new Winchesters, driven by smokeless powder, was good for four foot and more of pine timber and for more than an inch of iron. I thought the boys had done about everything in the shooting line that could be done long ago, but I was mistaken. I sent them up a wagon. In hauling down some firewood they broke the bolsters all to flinders. The bolsters hold up the wagon bed, you know. Well the boys figured out all right the rebuilding of the wood parts, but came near being stumped on the iron fixings. They got some old iron wagon tires and cut them in proper lengths, but hadn't a way that they could see to punch the necessary bols holes. Finally the onestion was solved. One of the boys carefully marked the places for the bolts, stood the pieces of tire against a tree and put a bullet. 30 caliber, through the tire at each place marked. It was a novel sort of blacksmithing, but it

FAST EXPRESS TRAINS.

er Then Is Attnined in

Improvements in the speed of certain trains on the Northern railway of France are attracting attention in Europe just now, says the New York Tribune. The distance between Calais pier and the Nord station in Paris is 185.5 miles. Some trains make the trip in less than four hours, or at the rate of 50 or more miles an hour. One, which runs only four days a week. the Mediterranean train de luxe, covers the distance in three hours and a quarter, which is equal to 57 miles an hour. This run is made without a stop. The fastest time made on a daily train on the Northern railway of France is three hours and a half, or 53 miles an hour. One of the London newspapers, referring to the topic, says that the nearest approach to this speed in England are these The trip is made from Paddington to Exeter, 194 miles, in 3 hours and 43 minutes, or at the rate of 52.2 miles an hour, and from Euston to Liverpool, 1931, miles, in three hours and three-quarters, or at the rate of \$1.6 miles an bour. It is interesting to compare with these figures the running time of the Empire State express. This train covers 444 miles in eight hours and a quarter. which represents an average speed of

53.8 miles an hour.

Similar. Teacher-I just gave you the proverb. "The burned child drends the fire." Now, can any one of you tell me a simflar proverb?

I-I can teacher. "The washed child dreads the water "-N. Y. World.

Feminine Intuition. Hattie-I'm positive George loves me

and wants me to be his wife. Ella-Has he told you so?

Hattie-No; but he has taken such a strong dislike to mamma.-Chicago

A Legal Technicality.

Counsel-Surely, your honor, I may be allowed to call a spade a spade? Judge-But that does not justify you in call ing the defendant a rake .- Town

Bought at a Bargain Sale. Charles-Miss Spindle has pretty teeth hasn't she?

Maude (spitefully)-Yes, and quite inexpensive ones, too.-Tit-Dits.



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