#### THE CENTRE REPORTER.

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### SUPPLEMENT.

#### What It Costs to Fire Guns.

The cost of a first-class modern war vessel is \$4,000,000 in round numbers, but the cost of equipping and using such a vessel in warfare surpasses all general calculations. A single twelveinch gun costs about \$50,000 when placed on the ship ready for action. The maximum capacity of this immense war engine is eighty shots ; the minimum thirty. It is not safe to count on these guns firing more than fifty rounds. The intense heat and strain are likely to make the gun useless any time after thirty to eighty rounds are fired from it, after which it is valuable only as old steel. The cost in wear and tear in firing these guns may be safely estimated at \$1,000 for every discharge.

In addition to the cost of \$1000 for every round fired from these guns in wear and tear, the powder and steelpointed missile with which the gun is loaded, cost the government \$1,200 every time the gun is fired. It is a safe estimate to say that every time a 12inch gun is used in war, the cost is about \$2,500.

Our war vessels and cruisers are each supplied with torpedoes and pneumatic tubes from which to discharge them against an enemy. They are effective at about 800 yards, and the torpedo with which the air gun is charged is one of the most delicate and complicated machines of modern times. It is constructed with a revolving attachment at the rear, not only to guide it on its deadly mission through the water but to accelerate its movement, and it is exploded by concussion. One of these torpedoes striking the biggest ship in any navy would entirely destroy the vessel. These torpedoes cost \$2,500 each.

Cartridges for small arms are now worth about ten cents each.

Famine in Porto Rico.

Dispatches from St. Thomas, West Indies, say: Famine and smallpox are killing men, women and children in Porto Rico. The conditions in the interior are horrible. Children are perishing of starvation, and the villages are petitioning the Government for succor. Smallpox is epidemic.

Draught animals are dying, and the desperate, starving peasants are killing beeves in the highways, cutting them up and distributing the portions among the hungering.

### HEROIC LIFE SAVERS.

An Entire Crew, With One Exception, Lost In an Attempted Rescue.

In the series of "Heroes of Peace" there is an article in The Century on "Heroes of the Life Saving Service," by Gustav Kobbe. Mr. Kobbe says: District Superintendent Jerome G. Kiah, with headquarters at Sand Beach, Mich., is one of the heroes of the life saving service. He holds the gold medal, the highest award the United States government can bestow for heroism in saving life. His name is associated with what was both one of the most daring attempts at rescue and one of the greatest tragedies of the service-a tragedy which wiped out an entire crew with the exception of this sole survivor.

Mr. Kiah was at the time keeper of the Point aux Barques life saving station on Lake Huron. A vessel struck too far out to be reached with the shot and line. The peril of attempting a rescue with the surfboat was only too apparent, but Keeper Kiah mustered his men and made the launch. For awhile their strength and skill enabled them to surmount or push through the tumultuous seas, but, once in the open lake beyond the shoals, where the storm

was free to riot at will, the real danger began. It was a test beyond human powers. The keeper remembers that twice the boat capsized and was righted. After that he has a vague recollection of the boat capsizing and righting herself several times, and of the crew clinging to it until, one by one, the surfmen, perishing of cold, let go their hold and vanished beneath the waves. He has a dim remembrance of the boat, with himself clinging to it, grating over the shoal, and then being flung up

on shore. He was found by two men, standing, with one hand on the root of a fallen tree, steadying himself with a lath in the other and swaying as if walking, but not stirring his feet-a dazed, tot-tering wreck of his former self, murmuring in an incoherent way:

"Poor boys! Poor boys! They are all gone-all gone!" Temporarily shattered in mind and body, he was obliged to resign from the service. He was long in recovering, but finally it was possible practically to reward his bravery with the appointment to his present position.

#### THE AMERICAN STATURE.

#### The Loss of an Inch In Height Might Bring Serious Consequences.

In a paper read by Major Henry S. Kilbourne, surgeon United States army, before the Association of Military Surgeons of the United States, he advocated the theory that the physical power of a race or people-and consequently their capacity for work-is measured by their average stature. For every inch of height between five and six feet the extreme breathing capacity is increased eight cubic inches, the vital capacity being at its maximum at 35 years. A table of measurements of 190, 621 native white Americans, accepted for the mili-The mad rush of frightened Porto tary service of the United States, shows that the number of men below 63 inches in height is but little greater than that of the class above 73 inches. The most numerous class is included between 67 and 69 inches, and this standard class would have a greater chest girth than the average. The mean height of 125 United States naval cadets above the age of 23 years was 67.80 inches. As these men are drawn from all parts and classes of the United States they represent very nearly the typical physical development of the American people of 25 years of age. Major Kilbourne concludes that the commingling strains of Celtic, Danish, Norwegian and German blood among our people have thus far worked no deterioration of physical quality. "Not so with the swarthy, low browed and stunted people now swarming to our shores. Absorbed into the body of the people, these multitudes must irretrievably evolve an inferiority of type. To realize the result of such a contingency let it be considered that the loss of an inch in stature might bring in its train the loss of national ascendency. Let us take care, then, that the state shall suffer no injury."-Boston Transcript.



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## Spring Mills, Pa.

# We Are On Deck!

With the largest and most complete stock of goods for the Spring and Summer that we ever received before. Every department in our large store has been filled up with all that is the latest, and we are positive that the new stock will please even more than ever. In our

## Dry Goods and Clothing.

All the latest and most stylish fell to our lot in buying. New patterns and shades appeared this spring and our lines are made up entirely of such. The ladies will be pleased to find something up-to-date and stylish. Our Prints, Ginghams are exceptionally fine and we would ask that an inspection be made of them. Curtain Goods of every description. Our Dress Hats are the latest shapes, suitable for the seasons.

## Window Shades.

We have received a full line of Window Shades, which are being offered at tempting figures. We have them from 10c. up on roll fixtures.

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THE best way to reach the public is by advertising. We are here with our Spring advertisement to tell you that we are in business deeper than ever; that our stock is larger than ever; that our goods are better than ever, and that our prices are as low and lower than ever, notwithstanding the fact that manu-factured leather goods are higher than ever and leather has advanced more than ever.

We are not advertising any catch goods. What we have in stock is good goods, and will be sold for just what they are in reality. It is customary to say in advertisements that "our prices are the lowest," and anything else that looks well on paper. We don't believe the public should be imposed upon even in advertisements. We have gained a reputation since we are in business that we are jealous of and propose sustaining that reputation so long as our sign announces our business. That reputation is fair and honorable dealing and prices that give us but a living profit -no more can be asked by any one. Our present stock consists of a complete line of all kinds of harness, both factory and handmade. Also, riding bridles and saddles. Collars, sweat pads, and flynets are the most sought after now. We have a full stock and can suit all in styles and quality. Trace chains, hames, halters, tie ropes and whips are always needed and a full line is always on hand. Besides a full supply of general saddlery hardware you will find horse brushes, curry combs, harness oil, axle grease, shoe soles, and anything else in our line.

Dr. Hess' Poultry Food, Dr. Hess' Panacea, and Dr. Hess' Instant Louse Killer are recommended from experience, as are also Dr. Scott's Hoof Paste and Family Remedies.

We are always ready to exchange our goods for any kinds of grain. We can sell you any kind of buggy and carriage you may want. The price depends only upon the quality. A good livery is attached to our business, which is conducted to the advantage of those who happen to need its services.

D. A. BOOZER,



Ricans from the coast to the interior upon learning of the declaration of war has raised to exorbitance the rents of houses. Temporary palm huts have been thrown up, and freight cars have been converted into human habitations. The asylum near the castle was vacated by its inmates, who fled into the interior. Laborers throughout the island have struck for higher wages because of the advance of the prices of food.

### England Will Not Tolerate Interference by Europe.

Sir Julian Pauncefote, the British Ambassador, had a long and important interview with Assistant Secretary of State Day, a short time ago, with reference to the possibility of France and Austria combining for the purpose of interfering with the United States on the part of Cuba.

It is said on good authority that the British Ambassador informed the Assistant Secretary that Great Britain would not tolerate any foreign in terference.

The representative of Great Britain has visited the State Department twice a day for the past two weeks, and it is known that he has given positive assurances that the United States will be upheld by England in any stand it might take.

"I would not be without Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for its weight in gold," writes D. J. Jones, of Holland, Va. "My wife was troubled with a cough for nearly two years. I tried various patent remedies, besides numerous prescriptions from physicians, all of which did no good. I was at last persuaded to try a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, which promptly relieved the cough. The second bottle effected a complete cure." The 25 and 50 cent bottles are for sale by S. M. Swartz, Tusseyville; F. A. Carson, Potters Mills; J. H. Ross, Linden Hall, and H. F. Rossman, Spring mills.

Counterfelt Treasury Note.

The treasury secret service division announces the appearance of a new two dollar counterfeit treasury note, series of 1891, portrait of McPherson. The note is on heavy bond paper and red pen scratches are substituted for the silk fibre of the genuine. The portrait lathe work and parallel ruling are all path whereon rails are set crosswise. poor, and the words "bearer" and "bureau" misspelled.

It is a great leap from the old fash-ioned doses of blue-mass and nauseous physics to the pleasant little pills known as DeWitt's Little Early Ris-ers. They cure constipation, sick headache and biliousness; for sale by Smith & Crawford.

#### The Popular Side Comb.

The side comb still rides the top wave of popular favor notwithstanding its general adoption and consequent degeneracy into the cheapest of materials. The prevailing broad method of wearing the hair makes milady of fashion as dependent upon its good offices as her less favored sister of the shops, the only distinction between them being the difference in material. The latest combs are small, of amber or shell and decorated with finely cut steel. Sometimes the steel is but a narrow band of beads, while again it broadens out into arabesques, points or curves, or even clover leaves or flower-de-luces. Many of the combs are also set with gems, real or imitation, while others for evening wear are studded with colored stones to harmonize with the costume worn.

#### Making a Distinction.

Miss Cayenne had caused her partner a great deal of annoyance by forgetting what her long suit was and remaining oblivious to trump signals. He mopped the perspiration from his brow and ven-tured the observation, "I was under the impression that you said you were accustomed to playing whist." "Yes," she answered sweetly, "I play it. I don't work at it as some people do."— Washington Star.

A great deal of trouble is expended in educating the showy, high stepping horse. He is trained to step high and act showily by being driven along a He steps high to avoid stumbling, and in time always steps high.

Bergen, Norway, boasts a paper church large enough to seat 1,000 persons. The building is rendered waterproof by a solution of quicklime, cur-lled milk and white of eggs. 

#### Good News.

No other medicine was ever given such a test as Otto's Cure. Thousands of bottles of this great German remedy are being distributed Free of Charge to those afflicted with Consumption, Asthma, Croup, severe Coughs, Pneumonis and all throat and Lung diseases, giving the people proof that Otto's Cure will cure them. For sale by G. H. Long, Spring Mills. Samples free. Large bottles 50c. and 25c.

#### A Big Order for Footwear.

The Watsontown Boot and Shoe company have received from the secretary of war an invitation to bid on 125,000 pairs of boots and shoes for the army and navy. The company are preparing to give the matter prompt attention, and will no doubt secure from one-quarter to one-third of the entire contract.

The farmer, the mechanic and the bicycle rider are liable to unexpected cuts and bruises. DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve is the best thing to keep on hand. It heals quickly, and is a well known cure for piles; for sale by Smith & Crawford Smith & Crawford.

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If so, come here. See today's display. We have just received a large assortment of Ladies', Misses' and

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# FANCY HATS.

Also a large stock of beautiful Flowers, Silk Illusions, Malines, Monselines, and Ribbons in Moire, Taffeta, Gauze, Satin, etc.

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When they come with smiling faces, knowing that just what is needed can be found at our store.

# TWO LARGE ROOMS FULL OF FURNITURE.....

....Astonishing how low in price, and always gives satisfaction. Also a large stock of Wall Paper and Window Shades -- a fine line and cheap. Repairing of all kinds done promptly. Call and see us.

# J. S. Dauberman.

# COMMISSIONERS' SALE OF UNSEATED LANDS. In pursuance of the several Acts of Assembly, 1881 and 1887, the Com-nissioners of Centre county will sell at public sale at the Court House, in the Borough of Belletonte, on SATURDAY, MAY 21, 1898. at 10 o'clock, a. m., the following tracts of unseated land purchased by the County of Centre at Treasurer's sales, and which have remained unre-deemed for a space of five years and upwards:

Warrantee. Coon, Andrew... Harris, J D..... Unknown Shugert, J D..... Unknown Unknown aknowa ob Le nknown Unknown Godfrey, Martha. Lane. Sarah...... J A Beaver, tru 163 Roland 131 31 31 Bodirey. Mar My M Frank Hepburn, Unknown Unknown ..... Unknown ..... aknown Half Moon. Harris 104 Marths

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# PAUL MURRAY.

Agent for Centre Hall.

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18	Shugert, J D	W H Blair	8	
	Toper, ThomasMiles	Unknown	21	
	Unknown	C Long	20	
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84	Phillips, Hardman	P Pemberton Ellis	207	10
153	Toner, James	WC Heinle	41	1
	UnknownSpring	Emeline Whitney	83	1
	Kurtz, Jno L	CU Hoffer	6	1
	Toole, Henry	CU Hoffer	27	
	Beck, JacobTaylor	E J Pruner	453	Ĩ
	Bell, J C	JC Bell	240	
	Unknown		183	
	Beckwith, Clement "	CT Fryberger	74	8
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	Fox, James	John T Fowler	65	
	McEwen, Thomas "	J F Clark	69	1
	Lowden, Chas		16	-
	Merryman, Thos		8	3
	Thomas, Jno W	A A Dale	34	-
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	Deal, AnnUnion		296	
	Blake, Jane		280	8
	Unknown		661	ž
	Phipps, Samuel	W H Blair	25	-
	Phipps, Samuel	P B Crider & Son	84	
	Boyce, Davis	Frank McCoy		4
140	Maun, Harvey	P B Crider & Son	64	
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