THE PITTSBURG DISPATCH.

THE ISLE OF CRUSOE

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More Than an Abundance of Fish in th

Surrounding Waters.

EXPLORED BY CHILEAN NAVAL CADETS

CORRESPONDENCE OF THE DISPATOR.

VALPARAISO, CHILE, Nov. 8 .- The

Chilean corvette Abtao, commanded by

Captain Ricardo Beaugencey, sailed last

Naval Academy. Her voyage was of two

months' duration, and as it was known that the vessel would call at the celebrated

Island of Juan Fernandez, Captain Beaugencey offered a prize to the graduate who

would write the best description of the

island. The competition was among ten

members of the graduating glass, but after

examining the merits of the examinations

the Captain awarded the prize to Cadet

Victor Vergara, a son of Senor Juan de

The island of Juan Fernandes, the scene

where the imaginary story of Crusce is laid, is known by the name of Mas-a-Tierra

Dios Vergara, a prominent lawyer of Val-

July with a number of graduates from the

tary group.

The Most Interesting Spots.

in partial preservation, the smooth and regularly laid masonry testifying to the

careful work of a past age. There were two cities or settlements, one on the level plateau where the cemetery now exists, the other in the valley leading to the Cordon Sal-se-Puedes. Visitors can still decipher many of the epitaphs that remain legible

on the tombstones erected to the memory of those who died on the island during the

last portion of this century.

Upon the ruins of the fort at the base of

(nearest to the land) from its proximity to | Goat Hill the present sub-Intendente of

DISPATCH SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27.

FOUR DAYS OF FRAUD.

HE MAKES A RECORD IN CHICAGO

A Man Who Was Once a Railroad

Officer Now a Fugitive.

Among Big Hotels and Jewelry, Which Was Brief but Brilliant.

island. How Selkirk lived and the manner in which he employed his time on the solitary island are events graphically described by Defoe. Four years and four months passed, until, in 1709, Davis, who was commander of the Duke privateer, one of Lord Anson's squadron, came to Cumberland Bay, and once again Selkirk found himself in company with people who spoke his own tongue and treated him kindly. Until he became sure of the nationality of the strangers, who he imagined were Spaniards, he refused to visit them at their encampment, but hearing them speak English he joined the party and left in their vessel his island home. Thus in brief is the narrative that distinguishes this solitary group. TRAVELING WITH A PRETTY WOMAN.

Without doubt that part of the island most interesting to visitors is the site of the old forts and buildings erected by the Spaniards, situated at Portezuelo and Puerto Ingles, where Selkirk lived. The city lounded by the Spanish commander was called La Ciudad de San Juan Bautista. CHICAGO, Nov. 26 .- Confiding friends of K. Waterman, late general freight agen of the Colorado Midland Railway, also a "high roller" at the Richelieu and other ultrafashionable hotels throughout the country, believe to-day that he should be The foundations of the fort are still visible, while a number of ancient cannon lie buried amid a dense growth of gigantic ferns and semi-tropical vegetation. Two small forts, one at Codfish Point (Punta Baediso), the other, under Goat Hill, are still remaining in partial preservation, the smooth and placed behind the bars of some especially

secure jail. Mr. Waterman was visibly present in Chicago only from Thursday of last week until last Monday morning, but in that short time he managed to obtain \$100 from the Richelieu and \$75 from the Victoria upon checks which have since been disnonored, to leave these hotels with unpaid board bills of good size; to obtain \$190 from Hugo Zieman, of the American Cafe, and to walk away with \$400 worth of jewelry from Spaulding & Co., who as yet have received no equivalent therefor. Up to the present his standing in Chicago has been of the highest, his triends legion and his ability to command almost any amount of money

He Brings a Woman With Him. Mr. Waterman arrived at the Richelieu a Mr. Waterman arrived at the Richelieu a week ago Thursday, accompanied by a preposessing little woman whom he registered as Miss Lillie Boone, of Denver. Being well known at the hotel on previous visits, his money had been spent freely, and even the bootblacks and bell boys had lived on champagne at his expense. On the present occasion, however, his first remark after registering was a request for a loan of \$50.

Unfortunately a little unpleasant information regarding his recent doings had preceded hims. It was known he had lost formation regarding his recent doings had preceded him. It was known he had lost his position with the Colorado Midhaud Company, and that his wise had left him because of his dissapations. More than this, on a previous visit Mr. Bemis had cashed his check for \$700 and had considerable difficulty in getting Mr. Waterman to make it good when the bank refused payant.

Therefore, Manager Rathbone deemed it prudent to refer all requests for money to the Cardinal himself. The latter had a confidential chat with Waterman, and upon his assurance that he had money in the bank, cashed his check for \$50 on the Colo-rado National Bank of Denver. Later in the day he cashed a second for the same

Mr. Waterman Finds Other Resources. A telegraphic query to the bank brought the response that Mr. Waterman had no money there. With this answer Mr. Bemis sought his guest, who was comortably reclining in his bath. Mr. Waterman acknowledged the absence of money in the bank but stated that there would be \$1000 bank, but stated that there would be \$1,000 to his credit the day the checks arrived in Denver. Nevertheless, it was thought best to notify him that he must pay cash for his

future orders in the hotel.

This pained Mr. Waterman to such an extent that he went down the street to the extent that he went down the street to the Victoria, where, after registering with Miss Boone, his check for \$75 was quickly cashed. With this he returned to the Righelieu, settled his bill and removed his baggage without, however, making any arrangement to take up his unpaid checks.

The Miss Boone who was with Waterman is convening of a mystery. She has discontinuously and in the convening of a mystery.

they were assigned separate rooms in oppo-site parts of the houses. He was at one time a trusted employe of Oscar G. Mur-ray, Second Vice President of the Big Four, and it is stated that there is an unexplained transaction between them amounting to Shafer against Henry Shafer it appears that the proper publication of the notice as required by the act of Assembly was not made. The bill of the libellant in the case of Catherine Meyer against Jacob Meyer, sets forth "that the said Jacob Meyer has offered such indignities to the person of your petitioner as to render her condition intolera-bie and her life burdensome," but fails to add "and thereby forced her to withdraw from his house and family," which the The Zappes, Convicted of Murder, and Frank Garvin, Who shot His Wife, to Be Court considers the important element of this ground for divore, and holds that it Sentenced To-Morrow-Large Amount of Work Done at the Last Court Term. To-morrow, in the Criminal Court, the argunent list concluding the September term

DUCK-SHOOTING.

Mr. Cleveland-If I Could Only Dispose of the Office-Seekers as Easily.

SENTENCE DAY.

will be taken up. All cases awaiting sen-

tence will be disposed of and everything cleaned up. Among those to be sentenced

are the two Zappes, convicted of murder in

the first degree, and Frank Garvin, con-

victed of manslaughter. On Monday week

The September term, which has just closed, was the biggest, in point of the amount of work disposed of, there has ever been. There was also not only a large num-

these the grand jury ignored 194, leaving 928 cases to be disposed of. Of these 830 were disposed of, also 69 cases from previous terms, making 899 cases. Of the September

indictments 98 go over. Of this number bonds were torfeited in 17 cases, 36 de-

lendants were never arrested and 45 cases were continued by order of Court. The last number includes the Homestead cases. The

whole number disposed of, 899, is an in-

THREE DIVOLCES REFUSED.

Judge Slagle Objects to the Manner in

appeared with Waterman. At the hotels | crees in divorce. In the case of Elizabeth

Which They Are Presented. e Slagle yesterday refus

the December term opens.

was an essential part of the offense and must be alleged and proven. In the case of Andrew Johnson against Sarah Johnson, the Court says there was no allegation in the petition or proof in the tes-timony to show that the plaintiff was a resi-dent of this county and the commissioner had no right to go outside of the county to take testimony without authority from the Court. The facts upon which the divorce is asked are capable or satisfactory proof and such should be furnished.

Divorces were granted in the cases of
Jennie Wandless against James H. Wand-

less, for desertion; Jane E. Cunliffe against
Peter Cunliffe, for desertion; Sarah A.
Dearden against Alfred Dearden, cruelty;
Walter Cridge against Mary Cridge, infibeen. There was also not only a large number of cases acted upon, but many important cases, consuming much time; were disposed of, and District Attorney Burleigh was complimented by many on his efficient work. A statement of the work of the term was completed yesterday. It showed that the number of bills for Quarter Sessions and Over and Terminer Courts was 1,122. Of these the grand jury ignored 194, leaving 928

Three new suits were entered yesterday.
They were: Eva Dickel vs. Charles Dickel, desertion; George L. Francis vs. Mary Francis, infidelity, and Oras D. Delo vs. Charles H. Delo, cruelty and desertion.

Monday's Trial Lists. Common Pleas No. 1-Dindinger vs Kaufman et al, Roth vs Clark, Wolf vs Porter, Redder vs. Porter, Beckwith vs Flinn, Barton vs Smith, et al., Luffy vs Simpson et al., Brown vs borough of Homestead, Hill for use vs Wilbert et al, Doran vs Zolier, Burgess vs Columbia Iron and Steel Company, Lightner vs Beyer et al. Denniston vs Home Lite Insurance and Investment Company.

Lommon Pleas No. 2- Woods vs Beyner, Conroy vs the Pittsburg Times, Nevins vs the P. R. R. Co., Stewart vs the Pittsburg Traction Company, Sorg vs Chees, Falmetock vs Loos, Coleman vs Clark, McGinness vs Sharp. Redder vs. Porter, Beckwith vs Flinn, Barorease of 264 cases over the September term of 1891. There were 1134 weeks of court, making an average of 78 cases a week and 13 cases a day. This record is unprecedented.

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SISTERS BUT RIVALS.

One Had a Reau, the Other Took Him

Away, and Now the Lost Prize LIES IN A PREMATURE GRAVE.

The First of the Girls Presumably a kuicide and a Murderess.

MINNESOTA CORONER'S SAD TASK

LE SOEUR, MINN., Nov. 26 -St. Henry, country neighborhood 12 miles from this city, is in the throes of a tremendous sensation, in which love, jealousy, revenge and death figure. Two people, in the full enjoyment of health but three days ago, are low cold in death.

Tuesday morning word reached here that Joseph Hounder, a prosperous farmer, had suddenly died of heart disease. On Wednesday the information also reached here that Miss Agues Bhear, a sister of Hounder's wife, had died in the same manner. Hounder was baried Thursday, but pending the burial of Miss Bhear, a letter written by her was found which throws some light on the tragedy, and the funeral was postponed until the Coroner could be summoned and an inquest held.

While the letter does not own that the writer was the cause of Hounder's death, it gives directions that she should be buried by his side and shows clearly that she contemplated suicide. At the some of the double tragedy to-day hundreds of people gathered and the excitement was intense.

Hounder had but just arisen on the morning of his death and had taken noth-

ing but a chew of tobacco, when he com-plained of feeling strangely and almost immediately fell over, dying within an hour. The girl was at the house while he hour. The girl was at the house while he was being put into his coffin, and declared that she soon would go. Leaving the premises at 9 A. M. following the day of his death, she was a corpse within an hour alter reaching home.

Miss Bhear was 25 years of age and had "kept company," It is said, with Hounder some time; but last August, while at Minappella he married a conveys sites. He

meapolis, he married a younger sister. He was a popular young man in prosperous circumstances, without an enemy in the world, and his sudden death in so mysterious a manner, followed so soon by that of his former sweetheart, leads to the belief that her unrequited love prompted her to take his life as well as her own. It is probable that the remains of Hounder will be exhumed and that the inquest now in session will also examine into the cause of his

Bogus College Degrees Advertised.

LONDON, Nov. 26 .- For some time past certain English newspapers have contained imposing advertisements, stating that de-grees of the National University of the State of Illinois could be had at prices ranging from 10 to 20 guineas. These advertise-ments are singed "Prof. Van Augelback, Secretary," and give the name of Broughton Rouse, of Christ College, Cambridge Uni-versity, as the English agent.

Anarchy Unpopular in London.

(BY CABLE TO THE DISPATCH.) LONDON, Nov. 26.-The Anarchists engaged Tratalgar Square for to-morrow afternoon, to hold a meeting to protest against the extradition of Dynamiter François, of Paria. The projectors of the meeting noti-fied the police this evening that they had decided to abandon the demonstration. Anarchy is not popular in London just no

A SILVER STRUGGLE,

Majority Recommendations to the Powers All That Is Hoped for by

OUR DELEGATES ABROAD.

Most of the Heavy Work Being Done Outside the Conference.

A POPULAR FORM OF GAMBLING.

Missing Word Contests That Keep Postal Clerks Very Dusy.

PEACEPUL IS GLADSTONE'S CABINET

(BT CARLE TO THE DISPATCH.) LONDON, Nov. 26 .- [Copyright]-The Brussels Monetary Conference has wasted Its first week, so far as its actual sessions go. In reality, however, the genuine work must be done outside the convention hall in the private consultation of the delegates. The American delegates are ready to put in any amount of missionary effort of this sort, and they have not been idle these first few days. They already realize, however, that it will be practically impossible to secure the endorsement of any monetary plan what-

The reason for this is that the delegates from hait a dozen or more countries, including Russia, Italy, Greece, Roumania and Switzerland, are forbidden even to express an opinion at the conference. Their instructions are simply, "go to Brussels, listen, say nothing and report to us what you hear." The German and Austrian delegates have a little more discretion. They are at liberty to discuss the subject without reserve, but they are forbidden to agree to any modification of existing monetary legislation in those countries.

Europe Not Willing for a Change. Practically all the delegates are forbidden in any way to pledge their governpart of Great Britain the attitude is unexpectedly conciliatory. Her delegates say unreservedly that representation at the conference under the form of invitation issued by the United States implied the acceptance of the principle that some measure is necessary for increasing the use of silver as currency by the nations. The conference is, undoubtedly, disposed

to deal with the question in the form in wich it was presented by Senator Allison. Most delegates recognized the wisdom of postponing its consideration in this form until all the specific remedies which will be presented have been discussed and disposed

The individual theories will most of them be dealt with in committee, and by the time all have been threshed out the conference will be ready to seek an agreement, if possible, point by point on the lines submitted by the American delegation yester-

The most that can be hoped is a majority recommendation to the nations, and the American delegates still have strong expectations that such a result will be reached. They are thoroughly satisfied with the temper of the conference, as indicated in its reception of the programme offered yester-

No meeting of the conference was beld to-day, the adjournment yesterday being until Monday. General expectation centers on the plan that will be put forward by Altred de Rothschild. The bi-metallists are sanguine that it will form the basis for a solution of the questions before the conference. On the other hand, monometallists declare that in view of the position taken by the German and Austrian delegates, and the probable attitude of the British representative, the conference is certain to tail, and it will only be a waste of time to prolong the discussion.

It was said yesterday that Mr. de Rothschild's proposals would be made public today, but the text of the proposals bave not yet been completed. Mr. de Rothschild said to-day that they will not be seen in their final shape until Monday.

A Proposition for the Purchase of Silver. Among the various rumors in circulation to which the delegates attach importance, is one that the various European powers will yearly buy silver to the minimum amount of £5,000,000 sterling at a price to be fixed by general agreement, on condition that the United States continues silver purchases to the extent of 54,000,000 ounces. Notwithstanding the fact that Mr. de Rothschild refuses to make out proposals until Monday the report is generally credited that they contain a statement that an international syndicate should be formed to buy silver until the normal value of the metal is re-established.

IMPUDENCE OF A LONDON THIEF.

[BY CABLE TO THE DISPATCH.]

LONDON, Nov. 26 .- The most impudent rascal at large in England visited a charity fair at London Thursday and committed by sleight-of-hand series of robberies such as are usually accomplished only by the gentle violence of sweet words and beseeching

violence of sweet words and peaceching glances at such places.

After stealing a dozen purses the thief deitly slipped one of the rifled "leathers" into the pocket of the Most Reverend Bishop of Lincoln, where it was found by the astonished prelate and restered empty to its owner, the wife of a town Councillor

SOCIALISM GROWING POPULAR.

In London It Has Now Reached a Very Far-Advanced Stage.

(BY CABLE TO THE DISPATCE.) LONDON, Nov. 26. - The London County Council bas now fully committed itself to the policy of abolishing the contractor or middleman whenever possible. Sir Will- ter he says:

been exiled from Chitral. He gathered a large following and returned to the country, and, after murdering the Mehtar, or ruler, and his brother, seized the throne. It is also reported that the Ameer of Afghanis-tan is supporting the usurper.

POPULAR PETTY GAMBLING.

A Scheme That Has Become Far-Reaching -Thousands of Dollars Placed in Pools on a Guessing Match-Great Increase in

[BY CABLE TO THE DISPATCE.] LONDON, Nov. 26 .- A new mental conta gion that is sure to spread transatlanticwards is keeping England awake o' nights. It is what is known as the "missing word" competitions of the penny weeklies. The word, usually an adjective, missing. He invites his readers to guess the word at a shilling a try. Then he divides the pool among the winners.

among the winners.

The scheme is by no means as petty as it appears. In one of the competitions, closed this week, the pool contained more than \$17,000, and each of the 40 odd winners received almost \$400. There are nearly a dozen such competitions weekly, and the craze is apreading at an enormous rate. Booksellers cannot keep pace with the demand for dictionaries and books of synonyms.

Boarding house and restaurant life has a new terror a ided, for the beseedlings of young women and others for "suggestions" or to "join my syndicate" are becoming unbearable.

The virtuous journal takes the curse off the works has becoming that one terthing

the camble by announcing that one farthing will be deducted from each shilling in its pool for the benefit of a destitute children's society, and making a clergyman the agent

of the speculation.

It has already been found necessary to employ additional clerks in the money order department of the postoffice. Only postal money orders are accepted by managers of the scheme, and the regular force is unable to handle the recent increase of more than \$250,000 per week of small orders drawn.

A WRESTLE FOR ROYALTY.

How Two Rival Ratiroads Tussled for th Grand Duke Sergius. [BY CABLE TO THE DISPATCE.]

LONDON, Nov. 26 .- The visit of the Grand Duke Sergius of Russia to the royal tamily this week has been the occasion of some few testivities. The only incident of interest to the public was the attempt of two rival railroads to capture His Highness at Boulogne when en route to England. ments, but in the case of Germany and | The London, Chatham and Dover managers Austria the instructions almost imply an sent special boats to meet the unwillingness fo make any change. On the royal party and convey them to Dover. Representatives of the Southeast ern road succeeded in boarding the train first, and conducted the Duke aboard their boat which was about to leave for Folkestone. The agent of the Chatham road succeeded in getting aboard, and informed His Imperial Highness that she other boat had been sent expressly by Her Majesty, the Queen, to take him to Dover. The royal disembarked, and started for the

The Southeastern agents were not to be robbed of the royal passenger so easily. They stopped the now thoroughly bewildered Duke and informed him impressively that the Queen's equerry, with a special train, was awaiting his arrival in Folke-stone. Then they took possession of His Highness and triumphantly escorted him back to their boat. They cast off and started across the channel before the enemy could make a fresh attack,

SUING A PRINCE IN HIDING.

Malcolm Khan Having Little Peace of Mind

LONDON, Nov. 26.-An interesting cas before the London courts this week has been the suit of the Persian Investment Company against Prince Malcolm Khan to recover \$100,000 paid on account for a lottery franchise in Persia. The Prince was the Persian envoy to Great Britain until he was recalled, about 18 months ago, on account of various transactions. The Shah, when removing him, sweetly suggested that he should come to Teheran and talk over the subject of their difficulties.

Now Prince Khan, as THE DISPATCH explained at the time, was quite too shrewd to accept the Shah's invitation. He had good reasons for believing that if he put toot in the Shah's dominions his earthly career would reach a sudden period. He has been careful not to leave the protection of the English flag, in spite of suits and other annoyances. The lottery concession, which he soid for \$600,000, was granted by which he sold for cool, ow, was granted by the Shah in a moment of generosity, while visiting this country in 1889. On reaching home the fickle monarch cancelled the privilege, and it is alleged that Prince Khan knew of the cancelation when he received the payment on account. The case

A BUNGLING BURGLAR'S OVERSIGHT

\$10,000 and Diamonds Worth Much to a New Yorken

[BY CABLE TO THE DISPATCH.] LONDON, Nov. 26.-A gentleman just arrived from Rio Janeiro tells a story about William M. Ivins as the victim of burglars at the Brazilian capital. The ex-City Chamberlain of New York had been for some time in Brazil seeking certain trade concessions from the Government. Shortly before the last steamer left Rio, Mr. Ivins' apartments were entered one night by burglars. His valuables were contained in the pockets of two coats. In one garment was \$10,000 in cash and a package of diamonds worth \$15,000 which Mr. Ivins had purchased for his wife. In the other coat was \$3,000. The first garment Mr. Ivins threw into a bureau He Places a Stolen Purse in the Pocket of a drawer, which he left partly open when he

retired.

The enterprising burglar came and carried off all the clothing which he could find, but he overlooked the coat in the drawer. In the morning Mr. Ivins was obliged to borrow a pair of trousers and other garments before he could appear in public. He saved his diamonds and the bigger wad of bills, but the loss of \$3,000 dollars must have made it a little inconvenient. have made it a little inconvenient to pay the heavy duty on the jewels before land-

A PROTEST FROM A VICAR

Who Can No Longer Countenance a Leaning Toward High Churchism. (BY CABLE TO THE DISPATCH.)

LONDON, Nov. 26 .- The tendency toward high churchism in the Established Church is attracting more and more attention Such protests as that of Rev. Charles Stirling, vicar of New Malden, who resigned this week, are not uncommon. In his letter of resignation to the Bishop of Roches-

middleman whenever possible. Sir William Harcourt says that we are all more or less Socialists in these days, and certainly the London County Council is a body very far advanced on socialistic lines.

Its experiments will not be without value in the line of street railroad management, tunnel-boring, schoolhouse building and the construction of all manner of public works by direct employment of labor.

An Indian Usurper of a Throne.

CALCUTTA, Nov. 26.—Afraul Ul Mulk, the reigning sovereigh of Chitral, and his younger brother have been murdered by Sher Afrul Khan, a brother of the late ruler of Chitral. Sher Afrul Khan had

the coast of Chile. This name is given to

the island to distinguish it from another

small island known as Mas-a-Fuera (or

further), situated nearly 100 miles in a mesterly direction. To the Spanish navigator Juan Fernandes the two islands owe their nomenclature. Mas-a-Tierra is the only island inhabited at the present time. Situated at a distance of 350 miles west from Valparaiso, Mas-a-Ti-rra rises from the ocean in the guise of an advanced sentry of the continent. The discovery of these islands was due to one of those terrestrial phenomena that aids the navigator in his voyages across the oceans—the trade winds. Juan Fernandes in discovering these lands became aware of the utility of these winds that up to the period of his voyage along the coast of the southern continent had been ignored.

Discovered by Fernandes.

Among the companions of Pizarro there Fernandez Born in Andalusia, Fernandez possessed the clear and penetrating charac-ter and lively disposition that distinguishes the people of the old Spanish province, but withal, his historian states, his career was withal, his historian states, his career was marked by exhibitions of a cruel and malicious temper. George, John and Anthony de Ulloa were companious of Fernandez in his sea voyages, and the quartet had agreed to stand by each other in such good or bad luck as might fall to their lot in the new lands. Fernandez was among the first who navigated the coasts of Chile and Peru, and with the observing powers of a sailor he soon discovered by the heavy westerly swells that their origin could only be accounted for by the presence of winds in the same quarter.

in the same quarter.

Taking advantage of these observations, leaving the port of Talcahuano for Caliao on his first return voyage, he made the passage in 14 days from port to port. Incredulous and unbelieying mariners doubted the statements of Fernandez and he was openly denounced as a sorcerer in league with the devil, but many followed his advice relative to the route to be sailed and made passages in rapid time. Fernandez, on his second voyage from Caliao discovered in 1553 the islands that now bear his name, and His Most Catholio Majesty of Spain granted by royal decree the new found lands to the mariner and his heirs forever.

A Nest of Pirates. in the same quarter.

A Nest of Pirates. In 1616 Le Maire and Schenten, two com-manders of piratical crafts, sailed from the Texel for the South Seas. In the La Vinta Horne, Le Maire discovered the straits

the islands has erected a flagstaff, upon which the Chilean colors are hoisted when-ever a vessel is seen in the offing, while at ever a vessel is seen in the offing, while at night a lantern is hoisted as soon as the vessel rounds the point, both day and night signals indicating the position of the best harbor—Cumberland Bay—on the island.

To the settlement at Cumberland Bay the name of the old city has been given. At the present time there are only 28 inhabitants on the island—four men, eight women and 16 children of both sexes. These people are vigorous and hardy physically, strong and well built.

strong and well built. Wealth in the Waters.

In the small rivule s on the island there In the small rivine's on the island there no fish, while the waters of the surrounding seas, on the contrary, teem with the finny tribe. The color of the water is a deep electric blue, clear and translucent. At a depth of six lathoms the stony bottom is distinguishable—lobsters plainly visible crawling around and into the crevices of the rocks.

The supply of fish is practically inexhaustible and must at some future time be-come a source of profit for some enterpris-ing concern that will procure the necessary outfits for catching them in large numbers and shipping them to Valparaiso. The lob-ster, codfish, cels of the conger type, tur-bot, flounders, haddock, sea mullet, sar-dines, rock cod and many other varieties of dines, rock cod and many other varieties of fish are all to be caught in shallow waters. Oysters, too, with white shells, are found in abundance clinging to the rocky shores, and are of delicious flavor. The lobsters are of the largest size known to exist in the Pacific Ocean, their flesh tender and juicy, and there is no doubt if brought in a fresh state to Valparaiso they would meet with a ready sale.

Not a Place Frequently Visited. It is very rare that vessels call at the island; ships go past, sailing over the ocean within the gaze of all the residents, but unless it be a Government vessel on its annual visit from Valparaiso no sound of cable rat-tling through the hawsepipes greets the ears of the few residents. Clothing of all kinds, the simple luxuries of life, such as tea, cof-

the simple luxuries of life, such as tea, colfee, sugar, salt beef and tobacco, are eagerly
sought for by these people in exchange for
fish, sealskins, pieces of sandal wood and
other products of the island.

After descending the Portexuelo, a visit
was made to the prison grotto, a series of
artificial caves constructed by the Spaniards
at the base of the "Hill of the Goata."
These caves were supposed to have been the manders of piratical crafts, sailed from the
Texel for the South Seas. In the La Vinta
Horne, Le Maire discovered the straits
now bearing his name, and Cape Horn, so ing the excitement under the regime of



called from the vessel's name, was also discovered.

covered.

Westerly winds brought the vessels to the Juan Fernander Islands, and there the piratical rovers rested to recruit their bodies and repair their craft. After these Duch marauders sailed away, Sharp, the English buccaneer, appeared on the scene, and from the islands as a post his vessel laid waste the town of La Serena and other settlements on the Chilean coast. In succeeding years other piratical rovers visited Juan Fernandez, utilizing the island as their depot for the storage and distribution of plunder obtained along the Peruvian and Chilean coasts. It is said that Sharp's vessel, being pursued by a caravel sent by the Governor of Valparaiso to seize her, left on shore when sailing from her pursuer the black man who afterward became Selkirk's esuspanion, and who is known to the world through Defoe's work as Crusce's man

companion, and who is known to the world through Defoe's work as Crusoc's man Fridsy. During the seventeenth century it is known that six Dutch sailors, deserters from the caravel L'Hermite, lived on the Islands, but for nearly a century they were deserted.

The English vessel, the Cinque Ports, arrived at Massa-Tierra in 1704. Her mate was Alexander Selkirk, and, whether from his own inclination or in consequence of altercations with the captain, he decided to abandon his vessel and remain on the

ment. In one of the ship's boats a party visited Selkirk's Cave, in English Bay, where the exile kept his tame goats and dogs. The beach is composed of small stones and pebbles, while the pathway to the cave, distant one-quarter of a mile from the beach, is painful and trying to traverse. Here we found several sandalwood trees, with a yest seented mint perfuming the air. with ayect scented mint perfuming the air.

The cave is a natural one on the side of a
hillock three metres in height by two and a
half metres in length. Former visitors
had built an enclosure of planks around the
cave. On the walls of the cave are many
inscriptions and names of officers of war
ships of various nationalities. A small
bench outside of the enclosure serves as a
resting place for weary silerims.

bench outside of the enclosure serves as a resting place for weary pligrims.
On July 10 the Abtao left the island. The captain had donated quite a number of articles to the residents, receiving unbounded thanks for the presents. Passing to the southeast of the island a strong current was noticeable running between the little islet of Santa Clara and Masa-Tierra Santa Clara is occupied by herds of wild goats that are at intervals shot by the residents of Cumberland Bay for the sake of both flesh and hides.

If so (and with sensible, economical people it always is), this will be the banner week for bargain seekers, as between now and December 1 we must yet close out many parlor. suits and bedroom suits to permit sufficient room for our grand holiday display. To do this we are prepared to quote prices hitherto unheard of. As a mere illustration

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