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The public will doubtless agree with General Miles that experiments with embalmed beef should be made upon someone other than the soldiers.

Col. Boies on Army Reorganization. We gladly surrender space this morning to a most interesting and timely contribution by an eminent fellowtownsman to the general fund of suggestions concerning the inevitable reorganization of the nation's military forces and methods in the light of the experiences of our latest war. The author of this paper does not argue over what might have been; he recognizes plain conditions and proposes to prepare for them.

First, he wants a regular army that If organized with a minimum of pri- anxious to be kissed. vates but with a maximum of trained officers, an army 75,000 strong could, he thinks, in an emergency speedily be exlege of choosing their own staff officers. mony of an expert, This arrangement would do away to a The business built up by the firm large extent with the political pressure with which Mr. Campbell is connected tary organization; the "boss."

serve. His arguments for the Hitchread them as he gives them. Here, disregarded.

depends upon the hatching of a new

Next Week's Legislative Caucus.

With fair allowance for the unforeseen in politics, there is today every caucus of the Republican memberssentatives Hon. John R. Farr, of this city, will be nominated for speaker by a large majority if not by acclamation, and that his election will follow in due

Upon this result. Mr. Farr, the city of Scranton, Northeastern Pennsylvanin and the commonwealth at large will be open to congratulation. Personally it will be no small triumph for the vigitant and industrious member from the First district, who by accession to the speaker's chair will crown a legislative career of notable activity and usefulness. From the standpoint of locality such an outcome of the speakership canvass would be gratifying, since it would be the first recognition of the kind that Scranton and Lackawanna county have won, and since it would undoubtedly assure for the peculiar and often complleated interests of the anthracite mining industry intelligent consideration in legislative circles.

But more especially would such a choice be fortunate in its notification to the whole state that the power of the speakership is to be used during the ensuing session for the harmonizing of factional differences and for the expedition of necessary public business without extravagance or scandal. Mr. Farr is pledged and the party leaders behind him are pledged to this programme, and by means of his election they will be in position to enforce it. Their aim is to have a short session, a clean session and one characterized by industry and prudence. The people will not fail to accord to such a programme unmistakable evidences of appreciation and support.

The man who celebrated Christmas properly will have no tired feeling in his head today.

The Need of Economy.

A current interview represents the governor-elect. Colonel Stone, as as serting in emphatic terms the need of rigid economy in the appropriation and disbursement of commonwealth funds. He intends in his inaugural address to speak plainly on this subject. There must either be decrease in expenses or increase of revenue, and the colonel's

preference is for the former. In the interview just alluded to ha is made to say: "The entire revenue of the commonwealth is approximately \$11,000,000, and of this sum approximately \$7,000,000 is appropriated for public and normal schools, institutions for the feeble-minded, etc. School and the obligations of the state on this score are rapidly increasing. Now do not misunderstand me. I heartily favor consistent with an honest and equitable administration of public affairs. Pennsylvania is now appropriating for the conduct of her school system double the amount devoted by any other state for the same purpose. Personally, I sumed he intends to remain concealed wish we could double or quadruple the in a position of safety in the underschool allowances if such a course brush.

would result in corresponding benefits. but the bare, blunt fact stares us in the face that to do so or to maintain the present scale the state must do

injustice to other important charges." that no community could get from the state for educational purposes more for school purposes a spirit of self-reliance would be engendered and the But it is doubtful if a proposition to cut the school appropriation would in not taking on coal enough at Nanmuster a majority in the legislature even though there were urgent need wood enough to steam to Sconset. One nomy is impregnable in theory; but in practice the danger to be feared is elly introduced has been the entire abolianother hoist of state taxation.

The heroes of the late war have the advantage over the patriots of '76 and '61. There are nowadays more newsshall be Al in every respect save size. papers, magazines and women who are

Advertising.

The remarks of Mr. William H. panded to 150,000 without serious loss of Campbell, advertising manager for efficiency pending the "whipping in" of Jonas Long's Sons, last evening at the new recruits. The very sensible Wilkes-Barre, before the Shoe Dealers' suggestion is added that the command- association of Northeastern Pennsyling general of this permanent force vania, upon the subject of "Advertisshould be authorized to nominate his ing," reprinted in full in another colchief of staff corps and his army and umn, merit perusal by every reader of corps generals; these in turn to name The Tribune engaged in trade. They their next responsible subordinates and embody in short compass the best philso on down to colonels of regiments, all osophy of a difficult but necessary scicommanding officers having the privi- ence. They are the advice and texti-

for military honors or preferment which in one years in a new territory which is one of the standing scandals of the already was experiencing sharp comtimes. It would also enable the presi- petition is a practical demonstration of dent, congress and people to know ex- the value of intelligently directed adactly where at any time to locate re- vertising. Of course advertising was sponsibility for results. The general not the only factor in this quick succommanding would be more than a cess; but it was the indispensable figurehead; he would be, as he should foundation. Goods on shelves will not be, the working manager of the mili- sell themselves. The people must be informed concerning them. Special Secondly, Colonel Boies' plan contem- bargains must be exploited. Consumplates the organization of a national ers must be encouraged to look about guard which shall be national in fact; them; to draw comparisons. Here is which shall be a genuine national re- where advertising, intelligent advertising, the establishment of a fair accock bill would suffer by abridgement; quaintance between buyer and seller, comes in. As the speaker well said: again, the controlling idea is to get as "The man who does not take advantage near as possible to practical military of the product of the printing pressconditions; to discourage any thought take advantage of all that thought and of play soldiering, but to make the or- science and invention have evolvedganized militia an essential and effic- cannot hope to meet the competition of ient part of the nation's defensive him who acquires for his own use these equipment. This is the only possible business treasures. It is as necessary view of the subject if the teaching of for the man who is manufacturing for recent experience is not to be culpably the people and merchandising for the people, to put himself in touch with them, to make them know him and Colonel Bryan's future undoubtedly have confidence in him, as it is to feeted by it, and, according to some opin

twilight comes." Advertising, to be successful, must be they are not. Just before Christmas reason to expect that at next week's everybody shops. After Christmaz, the man who advertises the best inducements draws to his establishment what can Baptist Home Mission society, after buyers there are, and persuades folks to buy who otherwise would stay at home. The best testimony to the efficacy of advertising is supplied by the fact that the leaders in the business first service I held in San Juan I got a fact that the leaders in the business world continually spend millions of dollars in advertising and employ in deliars in advertising and employ in the Scriptures. In other places I had to take time to advertise myself. After the vertising the best skill that high salvertising the best skill that high salaries can command. They don't put out these immense gums of money with the idea that it doesn't pay.

> Various press opinions indicate that Hobson's rocket sticks are coming down near the printing offices.

The Remedy.

In the Engineering Magazine Arthur Warren charges that the American warships off Santiago, in the morning before Cervera's ineffectual attempt to escape, and for days previous, were unprepared for a fast run because many of their boilers were uncoupled and the officers on the bridge would not grant the request of the chief engineers to keep all machinery in readiness for forced draught. Mr. Warren excepts the Oregon and Gloucester, which neglected no precautions, and which, in consequence of this thoughtfulness, were enabled when the emergency came to outdistance all the others in quickness of attack and pursuit.

An assertion of this nature requires confirmation, but even if true it would not argue inefficiency. The Spanish fleet was destroyed with the loss of fleet was destroyed with the loss of repairing of naval vessels and to secure only one American sailor. That shows perfect protection from outward attack that the precautions taken were ade-quate. No doubt there was friction ways kept in stock at that great station. The improvements are to cost \$15,990,000. between the line and the engineers. There generally is. This is not the fault of individual officers, but of an anomalous system, which creates two dynasties aboard ship, each of which is bound to conflict in some that six months ago, near Parkersburg, W. Va., a farm known as the Drake property was rented for \$250. The man who presents. Among them is bound to conflict in some manner with the other. Other navies have remedied this anomaly. The American nation will as soon as congress reaches nation will as soon as congress reaches.

Series was rented for \$250. The man who leased the place lost confidence in the territory before any development was made and offered it to an oil land speculator for \$140. His offer was refused by this speculator, but was taken by another. A few days are the lease was sold for \$100.

Harness.......\$0 to \$250. the subject and enacts the legislation few days ago the lease was sold for \$100,-

thorities without exception recommend. \$50,000. The naval personnel bill, now before congress, offers the solution. This bill amaigamates the two departments, requiring all engineers to be navigators and naval fighters and all navigators for the Public Ledger charged Congressand naval fighters to be engineers, man Connell with opposing the Farr When the captain on the bridge is a speakership been the Record man picpractical engineer, understanding fully Mr. Farr's selection. the principles and use of the machinery which moves the ship, and when houses are being erected everywhere, the chief engineer in command of that machinery is a also a trained sailor, appreciating the fine points in naval manoeuvers and tactics, this friction the broadest possible educational scope will disappear and the American navy, ship for ship, will be the best affoat.

> It is again announced that Don Carlos refuses to abdicate. By this it is pre-

country is the Nantucket Central, which makes round trips during the summer Whether these words are an accurate representation of the governor-elect's views will appear after the publication of the inaugural address. It makes found trips during the summer season between Nantucket and Siascon between Nantucket and distance of sixteen miles. The conductor is also general manager of the road, train dispatcher and distance of the road. is a fact that the present method of master mechanic, chief of transportation apportioning the school fund is open and overseer of the roadbed. The fireto severe criticism; it probably is true man drives the express wagon between that if the method were revised so trips, keeps the books and distributes ice A round-trip ticket for the sixteen miles costs 80 cents for the passenger and anstate for educational purposes more other so for his trunk. A second trunk is than a sum equal to its own collection carried for 30 cents and a third for 20 cents. but as the schedule allows for only three trunks, the conduc-tor ruled last season that at the state would receive a better return fourth trunk he must begin over again at from a smaller distribution of money. So cents. Twice during the year, owing to the absent-mindedness of the enginee of such reduction. The plea for ecotion of the steam whistle, partly because of its waste of steam and partly because it frightens the blue-fish off shore.

The inventive genius of the Yankee i but decilning. Says the present commis-sioner of patents, Hon. Charles H. Duell: "Our total number of patents now excceds 600,606. In 1897 it was 574,369, to 286,-081 for France, 252,000 for Great Britain. 113,254 for Germany and 129,742 for Beiglum. Connecticut continues to be the home of inventors, and last year got one patent for every 786 of her inhabitants. Next in order are Massachusetts, one to every 1.189; District of Columbia, one to every 1,316; New Jersey, one to every 1,377 Rhode Island, one to every 1,421; New York, one to every 1,885. The fewest pat-ents were granted in proportion to the number of inhabitants in the following states: Scuth Carolina, one to every 17, 297; Mississippi, one to every 16,120; Ala bama, one to every 15,598, and Georgia, one to every 14,133. The fear that these labor-saving inventions, which have revolutionized industry, would deprive peo-pe of employment has not been realized On the contrary they have opened new fields and created a demand for labor that is unprecedented. In manufacturing industries the capital invested increased over 120 per cent. from 1880 to 1890, or from \$2,750,766,895 to \$6,139,397,785. The number of employes increased from 2.700,732 to 4,-476,884. The average yearly wages of em-476,884. The average yearly wages of employes, which in 1839 was but \$257, increased to \$429 in 1850. I believe that the life the leaves me I'll have to go back to next census will show over a review of the leaves me I'll have to go back to next census will show even a greater in-crease during the present decade."

raising hogs, and the bottom has fallen out of the price of pork."—New York World.

France, the source of novel vices, has levised a new kind of dissipation, petro leum drinking. Says a Sun correspondent: "The Frenchman has gone one bet ter, or worse, than the Irish drinker of methylated spirits and seeks delight in petroleum. The habit has made considerable progress in Paris already; doctors have already christened it 'Petrolism' and its victims 'petroliques.' The neighbor-hood of the Bastille is the chief urban center of the new vice, and there are many of its votaries on the outskirts of the capital. The medical men have not yet had time thoroughly to study the effects of petroleum drinking, but their ex-perience has been wide enough to allow of a good many features being deter As usual with all such vices, the taste grows upon the victim until it develops into an irresistible passion. The intoxication produced by petroleum is of melancholy nature. The drinker is sad, discontented and despairing, rarely quarrelsome or pugnacious. His sleep at night would not seem to be very injuriously af- Wherever she would stray." light the lamps within his store when jons, the general health is not so rapidly undermined as by alcoholic drinks usually taken to excess. On this point, however, opinions differ. Some doctors hold that wisely used. It is less necessary when the gravest organic changes are caused people are buying freely than when by the use of petroleum, and that the germs of mortal diseases are called into

a canvass of the situation in Porto Rico, says: "I think there will not be the slightest trouble about Protestants get-ting a firm footheld in the island within congregation by going into the park, mounting a seat and beginning to read found myself known everywhere, and the people flocked in great numbers to hear me. I do not attribute the great out-pouring of people to hear me to any ardent religious tendencies, but rather to their curiosity and their desire to honor an American. The people are very grateful to Americans. Their loyalty to us is quite remarkable."

Governor-elect Stone is quoted as saying: "There is not the slightest doub in my mind of the acquittal and re-election of United States Senator M. S. Quay The obstacles to such a result, based upon nothing more substantial than the desire of political enemies to wreak personal revenge, will be swept aside and the people of this commonwealth will be permitted to understand that Mr. Quay is the object of political persecution un-paralleled." "Do you believe that the apreme court will sustain the demurrers filed on which the stay was granted? the colonel was asked. "I do. As a law yer I am unable to anticipate any other action, and believe that, assuming all of the charges to be true, they do not con-stitute an indictable offense."

England never stops to count the cost in a matter affecting her control of the seas. Four thousand men are engaged today in making Gibraltar one of the greatest coaling stations and depots for the refitting of warships in the world. It will take two or three years yet to carry out the plans for extending the docks and other accommodations required for the

As showing how a strike of oil affects with reference to it which naval au- 000 and the owner of the land has an income from his royalties and rentals of

> The accuracy of some of the political reporting done on the Philadelphia papers tured him as being heartily in favor of

> So many of the Western Union Tele graph company's operators in New York are ill with grip that a large number of the day force had to be kept on duty last night. It is said that a hundred or more operators are ill in that city alone.

Jiminex Castellanes, the last Spanish captain general of Cuba, is the 124th Span ard to held that position.

FOLK LORE.

The research into popular beliefs is at absorbing and not a profitiess study. Scarcely a day passes that we do not run across some piece of superstition that

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dates, in one form or another, from a far antiquity. Salt is spilled at table, and we jeat with our neighbor over the prospect of a quarrel, half believing in the country is the Nantucket Central, which some and the same. A dog howls at makes round tries during the summer. night, and we recall the widespread be-lief that the howling of a dog foretells death, but forget that our early Aryan ancestors assigned to the dog the office of messenger from the world of spirits. The every-day custom is as old as humanity; the nursery jingle may be traces back to an origin in the world's baby-hood; the familiar fairy tale which de-lights nineteenth century children is found in varying forms in all countries, point-ing to a common origin in a remote age, embodying old Aryan myths, and giving us interesting information of the concep-tions of our ancestors regarding nature and human life.—Lippincott's.

TOLD BY THE STARS.

Daily Horoscope Drawn by Ajacchus, The Tribune Astrologer. Astrolabe Cast: 4.08 a. m., for Tuesday December 27, 1898.

(3) A child born on this day will be of the

opinion that it is better to conceal ignor ance than to display wisdom. There is something wrong with the wo-

price of her Christmas present. A good many self-made men have been obliged to steal the pattern. Crawford county rules are supposed to give the amateur politician opportunity

for a star engagement. Ajacchus' Advice. It is better to give than to receive-es-pecially in a prize fight.

A TREASURE.

A clergyman who was interested in every meamer of his rural flock and who did all he could to promote the happiness of his charge called on a pious farmer who had caused a sensation by preventing the marriage of one of his daughters to a worthy young man. His object was not to secure a fee, but to make his young "Is not the young man worthy and well-

to-do?"

"Oh, yes," replied the old man, testily, "He's a good man." "And is not your daughter old enough

to be alowed to marry? "Yes, yes. She is 32 past. But you don't understant. She's the only one of

LOVE OF COUNTRY.

At evening on the platform stood A hero, reveling in the hour When he, a kisser stout and good, Might show the world his power. in dreams he saw his fine mustache Worn stubbly by the lasses rash Who rushed to his embrace; In dreams he heard the tramp of feet As girls arrived, all nice and neat, In myriads for salutes so sweet From his exalted face.

At evening men with muscles strong Paused to expostulate in vain, The hero bade them pass along His arder they could not restrain. Said he, "You must not interfere With patriotism so sincere As this they now display. Why thus they do we cannot know, 'Twould be as hard as 'tis to show

Public opinion failed to teach, Its voice he would not hear.
And still the echoing shout he hurls: "To arms! They're here! The girls!

The girls!" They couldn't stop him. Still he'd reach Across the rail, mid spinster screech And giddy giggling far and near. And when they'd falter in their zeal shout the patriot's appeal With that alluring smile; "Smack! for the glory of the free! Smack! for our country and for me

Smack! where the wondering world may For this just suits my style!"



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