The Mule of Sumter.

I writer in the Hartford Times has the following reminiscence of the war : When Dablgren's iron-clads began operations in Charleston harbor, the tenth army corps made a sudden dash and drove in the thin lines of pickets which the Confederates had posted on the eastern and of Morris Island. When daylight came every gun which Beauregard could bring to bear upon the new work began to rain shot and shell, and from daylight till noon there were lively times in and about Charleston Bay, Shortly after noon Fort Sumter opened furiously, and | it was feared that an attempt was about to be made by the Confederates to adammunition. The only road was the hind which was the Federal camp.

I am describing this incident as it appeared from the shipping in the bay, and what called attention to it was the sudden waking-up of every gun on the southeast angle of Sumter. Looking to see the cause of the furious cannonading, team tearing up the beach in the direcears laid straight back and was making | left the room. its legs go. Occasionally a shell would touch the beach, bound up, and explode. and the mule would then hesitate and try to turn back. But the driver would lay the cowhide on with renewed vigor ; then the mule put on another spurt, until at last it became entirely demoralized by the explosion of a ten-inch shell almost between its legs. Every glass in the squadron was levelled at the spectacle. The driver got off his seat, took the animal by the head, whirled it around once or twice and started it up the beach once more. Fort Sumter flashed and flamed, Battery Wagner belched and thundered, and still the daring driver urged his mule along, though the way was swept by at least thirty guns.

At last he reached his destination, but he could not stay there, and in a moment he was turned around and exhorting that has done it very artistically. animal to do its level best. The mule did not need to be told to step out, for Promotes the growth of and beautifies the in its rear there was a roar and racket, and about its ears were flying sand and scrap-iron, which seemed to stimulate its portion of decoorized Coconut Oil, prepared fleetness. Down that hard beach flew expressly for this purpose. No other comthe mule, the light cart bobbing and swaying, and the driver's arm rising and " falling as he dealt out lash after lash.

At last they near the friendly shelter of the sand hills. In another minute they will be safe, but just as they near the place to turn aside a shell came scream-ing from Sunton Events and a scream-

Parliament, into England in 1752, the 2d day of September (O. S.) of that year being reckoned as the 14th (N. S.)

The Scranton (Penn.) Republican says: The members of the Twelfth ward election board relate a remarkable incivance. There were enough men there, dent which occurred on election day at it was thought, to hold it, but there was the house where the voting was going a deficiency of ammunition, and so a on. At precisely twelve o'clock, as they mule-driver volunteered to deliver the were actively engaged in their duties, a young rooster flew through the window smooth and sandy beach along the bay, of the room, carrying sash and glass, and the distance between the two points and startling the occupants. He perched about a mile and a half. Half that dis- himself squarely upon the ballot-box tance was within easy range of Fort Sumter, and Battery Wagner's guns As soon as the officers had recovered As soon as the officers had recovered covered all the way to the sand hills, be- from their surprise, the bold intruder had made his way out, after scattering

the papers and other articles upon the table in a lively fashion. The officers are at a loss to account for this strange gallinaccous feat. As the incident was related to our reporter, an old man with a gray beard and wearing spectacles, ineverybody was surprised to see a mule dulged in convulsive laughter, as he il-Instrated how, at the same time, a large tion of the new work. The driver was cat darted under the table, and remained laying the lash on, and that mule had its | there until the youthful chanticleer had

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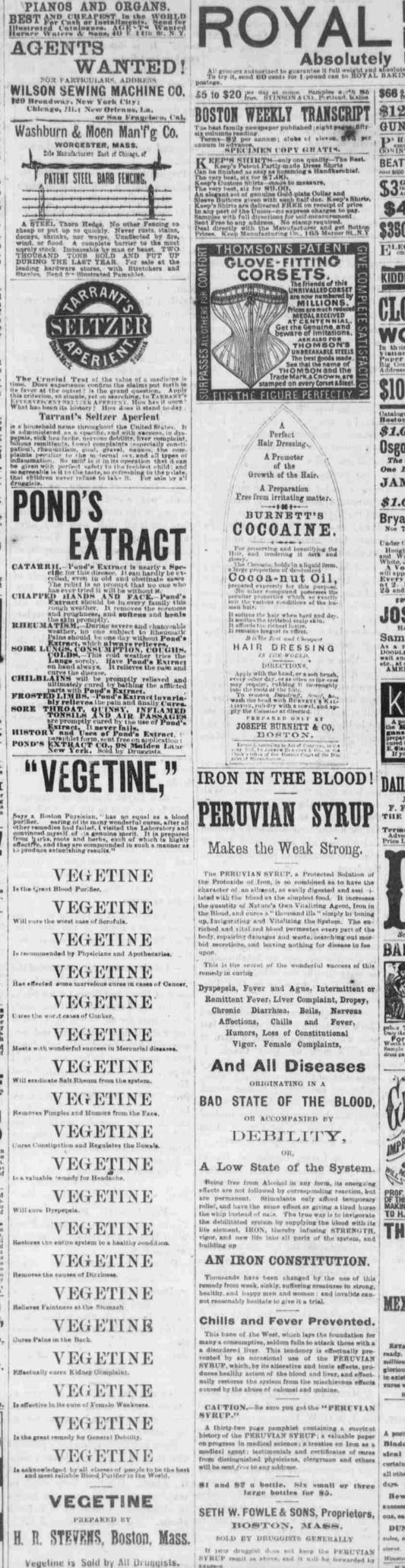
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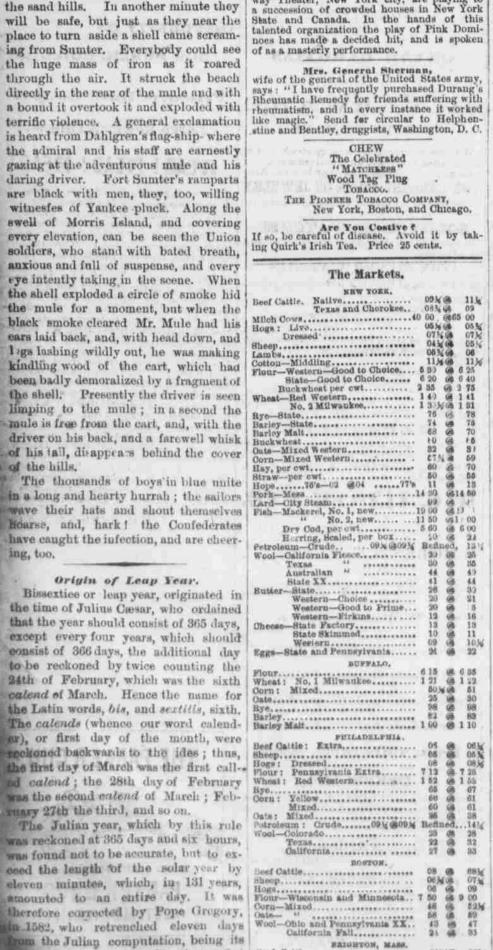
ing from Sumter. Everybody could see of as a masterly performance. the huge mass of iron as it roared terrific violence. A general exclamation is heard from Dahlgren's flag-ship- where the admiral and his staff are earnestly gazing at the adventurous mule and his daring driver. Fort Sumter's ramparts are black with men, they, too, willing witnesfes of Yankee pluck. Along the swell of Morris Island, and covering anxious and full of suspense, and every eye intently taking in the scene. When eye intently taking in the scene. When the shell exploded a circle of smoke hid the mule for a moment, but when the black smoke cleared Mr. Mule had his ears laid back, and, with head down, and the black are black and, with head down, and the black smoke cleared Mr. Mule had his ears laid back, and, with head down, and the black smoke cleared Mr. He was making kindling wood of the cart, which had been badly demoralized by a fragment of the shell; Presently the driver is seen limping to the mule ; in a second the mule is free from the cart, and, with the driver on his back, and a farowell whisk of his tail, disappears behind the cover of the hills.

The thousands of boys'in blue unite in a long and hearty hurrah ; the sailors wave their hats and shout themselves Hoarse, and, hark ! the Confederates have caught the infection, and are cheering, too.

Origin of Leap Year.

Bissextice or leap year, originated in the time of Julius Cæsar, who ordained that the year should consist of 365 days, except every four years, which should consist of 366 days, the additional day to be reckoned by twice counting the 24th of February, which was the sixth calend of March. Hence the name for the Liatin words, bis, and sextilis, sixth. The calends (whence our word calender), or first day of the month, were reckoned backwards to the ides ; thus, the first day of March was the first call-ad calend ; the 28th day of February was the second calend of March ; Febsuary 27th the third, and so on.

The Julian year, which by this rule was reckoned at 365 days and six hours, was found not to be accurate, but to exceed the length of the solar year by eleven minutes, which, in 131 years, emounted to an entire day. It was therefore corrected by Pope Gregory, in 1582, who retrenched cloven days rum the Julian computation, being its m the Julian computation, being in mear Catue. " the new and old style. The



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