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A Belgian paper is publishing articles on the decay of the English Navy.

The Gorman Reichstag has decreed that telegrams are inviolable secrets, except in criminal cases.

There has seldom been a time in the history of American enterprise, asserts Public Opinion, when capital was more reluctant to invest its idle money than it is at present.

Carlisle, Penn., the oldest of Indian training schools, was opened in 1879 and has graduated only three small classes. None of them, admits the New York Independent, have had time to show what they can do.

Judging from the number of charters taken out in the different States for the construction of railroads, it is estimated that upward of 7500 miles of new track will be added to the total mileage of the country this year.

The Journal of the College of Science, published at Tokio, contains articles on paleontology, seismography and natural physics, which would seem to indicate that, in the course of time, Japan will have its distinguished savants and scientific investigators.

Some of the wisest scholars delight in the collection of pamphlets, learns the Chicago Herald. Indeed, there are pamphlets which attracted little notice at the time of their publication a century ago that are now worth a hundred times the price then asked for them. Dr. Edward Everet Anle is one of these pamphle: collectors. He keeps his in a series of baskets suspended by rope and pulley from the beams in the ceiling of hiş study.

A hundred thousand children of Denmark, with penny contributions, procured a crown of gold, to be presented to the King and Queen on their golden wedding day. The gift is wrought to represent corn cars and clover leaves. and interlaced with a ribbon bearing the inscription . "The children of Denmark have woven this crown for the occasion of the golden wedding of King Christian IX. and Queen Louise on May 22. 1892."

One new creature in the next European war will be the Bosna-Herzegovinian troops, who are now exciting the admiration of Vienna by their superior physique, martial bearing, firm, elastic step and steadiness, as well as by their prac-

LOVE STRONG AS DEATH. Nay, say not, Sweet, that Love has turned away Because one day He gathered alien flowers while it was May, For Love is Love, and cannot go that way. The little loves there be that dance and sing. And kiss and cling, And praise the light and laughter of the Spring. But on dark days, like birds, forbear to Sing.

Shall Love that bore the blast and did not fail Now cower and quail-

Strong Love that blanched not then, to-day turn pale? Nay, Love is Love, my own, and can fail.

Oh, could Love cease, or change, or pas

away, Then the son?s day Would turn to night, unlit by any ray; But Love, Sweetheart, can never pass away, -Philip Bourke Marston, in Independent.

A BUFFALO HUNT.

BUFFALO is more timid than him:

vill bring him down."

The speaker was a raw-boned frontiers. nan, who for more than thirty years had lived in the West. He had taken Greeley's advice and grown up with the country. He had swung through a wide ange, and had lived among the mountains, but now owned a large ranch on when he was as well nigh as largely engaged in the buffalo business.

"Yes," he resumed, "you can send them flying as easily as you can a brood of chickens, but it will not require the wind of a thoroughbred horse to catch up with them. And when a buffalo runs he is the most ungainly, lumbering creature going. "Just about twenty years ago I was

along here when down from the northeast rollea a big herd of them, containing fully 30,000 buffaloes. It had been a dry season. I was among the hills gained on them gradually. and I yonder when I heard the thunder of their came close to the straglers, but, as I was heavy gallop. The earth fairly shook after some tempting steak, I had no dis-beneath their tremendous movement. position to shoot down anything that I Great clouds of dust rose above them, as though a cyclone was tearing up the fine cows ahead, and reaching them I earth and filling the air. That small stream we crossed a short distance back three in the others, which brought them was not near so full of water as it is now. down. Then a couple of rods or so But the buffaloes had scented it, and further in advance I saw a magnificent had come from miles away for it with a bull. He was the biggest fellow I had mad rush. yet seen, with trainendovs shoulders and It seemed as they approached that a mane which was immense. I urged of their speed quickened. The herd was my pony as the enormous fellow, then led by a number of great, powerful bulls. on the edge of the herd, a stalwart pro-Their eyes rolled, while their tongues tector, lumbered swiftly along, As I hung from their open mouths. I had drew nearer his great proportions excited watched herds approach and pass me be- keenest admiration, and I at once re fore. But, hidden behind a rock, so as solved that if I got nothing clas I must not to disturbe sem, I watched with an certainly secure him. His magnificent entirely new interest the sweep of this head and his huge hide would be tro herd, impelled by the fiery torments of a phies that any hunter might well be consuming thirst. I quickly perceived proud of.

sport. To an old hunter, though, it is lying there, with that tossing and dashsually a simple affair. For a long pe- ing head above me, it see ned to be three riod during my life the commonness of times as large and ugly and terrible in the hunt rubbed off about all the novelty the extreme. I expected every instant there was in it, and it came to be re- to feel the awful thrust of his horns. His garded as quite an ordinary event. "I want to say, too, that the wholesale way in which these huge animals. The froth from his mouth spattered me.

were slaughtered by speculators is some- His tremendous breathing paffed like a thing which always riles the blood of Westerner when it is referred to. And I cannot recall these grand old beasts catch on readily. I knew that my only without being reminded of the brutality and unpardonable bloody work of many a white man from the East. "I remember a chase which took place down near the Arkusaas River

along in the early spring of the year still more. He made a deeper scoop for 1860, I think. Our camp was beginning me and caught my buckskin coat in the to suffer for provisions. One afternoon shoulder, jerked me up from the ground, I mounted my pony, intending to wing and threw me to the right. I fell side some duck in a distant bend of the river, where there were sedgy marshes, and on a run in a direction opposite to where where they found a favorite resort. But his head pointed.

I was unable to discover the faintest sign of their presence, and, after ex- in a trice. Of course I could not hope hausting both myself and my pony in a to outrun him. He gained on me. I long search beyond, I concluded to stopped, facing him, and had by this stop where I was for the night. The time drawa my revolver. On he came next morning my hunt for ducks was like a hurricane. His grizzly and awful made to appear a small and insignificant iront, his fiery eyes, his mighty, headpursuit, unworthy of a strong man; for there in the distance was a great herd of buffaloes feeding. It was to the wind-

those calves ward and consequently I ran no risk of graphed on my brain, though the process browsing there, being scented. Hastily cating what little lunch I had ful than a lion. A triffe will scare started. Luck favored me. I discovthe wits out of cred the serpentine line of a narrow but unless hollow formed by the waters when great

you hit him in a rains fell, moving to the river. This vital part you can line wound around in a long and circuitalmost put a ous fashion until it came near the herd. shole cartridge box into him before you I was soon into this hollow, and my pony picked his way down it on a fast

walk As I came near I could hear distinetly the ripping sound which innumerable mouths made as they fore the green grass from the sod.

"I had not reached quite the point in the last struggle. where I determined to mount the bank and make a charge upon the herd when tep across my threshold there in the the plains. Though engaged extensively in the cattle business, there was a time where the banks lowered away, exposing where the banks lowered away, exposing enormous head, as lifelike as the art of me to the full view of the cows that taxidermy can present. Look at that happened to be browsing in that direcgrand head and you will be compelled tion. They instantly tossed their heads to give credence to a part of my story, and storted. The attention of others at least, and your regrets will join mine was drawn and then some bulls gave a that no more of the noblest American sharp snort, which was a signal for a game is to be found on these great general stampede. Away the whole plains."-Chicago Tribune.

general stampede. Away the whole herd plunged. It was then or never, So spurring my pony up the grade I tore after them. They were in good condition for leading me a long race, and swept away like the wind. But my pony possessed unusual qualities of speed

put a couple of balls in the first and

SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL.

Wooden pavements founded on steel re a novelty.

The normal temperature of a man is 84 degrees Fahr. ; that of a tish, seventy-seven degrees.

Fifty-one metals are now known to exist. Four hundred years ago only steam engine again and again into my even were known.

face. But his horns were too short to The latest discovery in industrial science is that glass can be cast into safety was to lie low and say nothing. large blocks for building purposes. Just as I was about to congratulate myself that the fellow could not get at me

A new mineral species called "bolerite" has been discovered in Lower California. It is a copper and silver ore, which is found in cubic crystals of an indigo-blue color. Ten dams with a horse power of 100,

000 units will be crected in the St. Louis River, near Fond du Lac, Wis. This power will be utilized for the benefit of Duluth, Minn.

A puddle-ball weighing 606 pounds is that will surprise you. being made at the National rolling mill, Pittsburg, Penn., and will form a por-tion of the World's Fair exhibit at Chidence it stretches out its tube or 'neck' cago. The ball will break the record to a length of several inches, perhaps for size.

A brilliant serolite, burning with green color, was observed recently at Madrid, Spain. It remained for five minutes near the constellation of the Great Bear, and afterward took a northwesterly course and vanished.

When he was within about four or five Recent experiments on the action of feet of me I leaped to one side, and his metals on india rubber show that copper impetuous rush swung him straight along is the most deleterious. Platinum, pal But as he tore by me, the very ground ladium, aluminum and lead act only shaking with his jumps, for he weighed over a ton, I sent a bullet into his side. slightly, while magnesium, zinc, cad mium, cobalt, nickel, iron, chromium, It penetrated his lungs. The others had tin, arsenic, antimony, bismuth, silver, and gold have no action whatever on "He stopped, turned, was about to this material. make another charge, staggered, sank on

A correspondent of the Geneva (Switz erland) Tribune relates that his family were disturbed one evening by a mysterious ringing of the electric bells all over the house. Investigating the cause the writer found that a large spider had established itself at a point where the bell and the electric light wires ran close to one another, with one leg on cither wire, thus establishing a connection.

Most yellow or orange colored flowers are phosphorescent, if watched in the twilight during July and August, when the atmosphere is highly electric and not a particle of moisture is in the air. The common potato, when decompos-ing, gives light enough to read by-a light so vivid that once a cellar at Stras-Professor Wilder, of Cornell Uniburg was thought to be on fire when versity, gives the following short rules shining with the phosphorescence of defor action in case of accident, which will composing potatoes.

be found useful to preserve or remem A specimen of prehistoric hatchets of eculiar form was exibited by M. Vil For dust in the eyes, avoid rubbing: wona, of Piera, at the meeting of the French Association. About two hun-dred of them had been found at Elcho. dash water into them; remove cinders, etc., with the round point of a lead pen-They were simple emblems or images of Remove matter from the ear with a hatchet, made of a thin blade of metal, tepid water; never put a hard instrument ernamented on both sides from one end to the other, and without edges. At the If an artery is cut compress above the top is a kind of cup suggesting a socket wound; if a vein is cut compress below. that does not exist, and representing, If choked get upon all fours and

which fact may perhaps account for the probably, the jet of the casting. The reason for the red sunset indicating a fine day to come is because the amount of vapor floating in the air reflects the beams of the sun and more freely transmits the red rays of light than the colored rays. It is the degree of moisture in the atmosphere which af fects the refraction of the light, and when red rays of evening are freely transmitted the amount of moisture doe not approach the rain point, and, therefore, promises the following day to be fine.

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THE GENEROUS LAUGH.

ANNUM.

SOME POINTS ON CLAMS.

NOT POPULARLY KNOWN

N a talk on clams an ichthyologist

said to a Washington Star man: "The clam in point of merit seems

always to have been over-shadowed

sometimes called

by the oyster. Yet the more humble

mollusk, which finds a domicile in sand

or mud, is a very useful as well as ad-mirable creature. You know the 'squirt'

clam, which is so justly popular in New

the 'sand gaper' or 'old maid.' It is an

animal unattrative enough in appearance

when newly dug up. But put it into a

pan of shallow sea water and you will

presently observe some things about i

"As soon as the clam, thus restored to

its natural element, has regained confi

nearly a foot. Then it is seen that th

important organ has two openings at the

end, fringed with appendages like little

tend to give you an anatomical lecture.

tic Ocean, where the scals, walrus, polar

bears and foxes feed upon them greedily.

Their habitat extends as far south as

Cape Hatteras, below which they are

scarce. They thrive also along the north-

ern coasts of Europe and on the shores

of Japan, Alaska and northeastern

Asia. The young clam, as soon as he is

old enough to establish a dwelling for

himself, protrudes his foot, which is at

the opposite end from the neck, and proceeds to dig with it. This foot is really a very remarkable instrument,

inasmuch as the animal can alter its

shape at will so that it becomes a spade,

a hook, a sharp wedge or a pointed grav-

ing tool. With it the clam digs down

for six or eight inches into the sand.

leaving extended behind him his siphon-

"It is by no means of this siphon that

the clam maintains communication with

the surface. Having neither the means

nor the inclination for roaming, it de-

pends for food upon microscopic articles

which are sucked in with the current of

water through the tube, the water bring-

ing oxygen also to the gills. Its burden

unloaded, the water flows out through

the discharging tubes, carrying with it

all excrementitious matter.

like neck.

England, where it is

Oh, the generous laugh, unreserved and

FACTS ABOUT THEM WHICH ARE Is the music of the hearts Tis the anthem grand of a good big soul And of heavenly choirs a part.

I'll grasp the hand of the man or maid Put One in a Pan of Sca Water and Observe What a Wonderful Crea-Who with laughter fills my ears; ture It is-Poroine Clam Bunters.

Tis the only sound that can never fada In the valley of vanished years.

Oh, the thrilling shout As the laugh rings out

From a stout heart, tirm and true: 'Tis the robust sound The wide world round.

As it thrills you, through and through -P. S. Cassily

HUMOR OF THE DAY. -

Food for reflection-The good dinner hat you missed .- Siftings,

Remains to be seen-The girl before the mirror .- St. Paul Globe, The leap-year girl might try him deli-

cately with a little pop-corn .- Louisville Courier-Journal.

The spring poet has few writes that sublishers are bound to respect .--Rochester Post-Express.

There was a tire in a lawyer's office here the other day that was caused by a oot in the chimney.-Lowell Courier.

feelers. Two tubes pass through the neck to the body of the clam, and, if you watch, you will see a current of water At the Fifth Hour: Zenobia-"I like flowing into one tube and out the other. utumn." Augusta-"How so !" This current is produced by the motion Zenobia-"Autumn leaves."-New York Herof small hairlike 'cilia' lining the interior of the animal. The clam has viscera, a

It is a daugerous time for a man's heart, a stomach into which the mouth greatness when his wife's imagination opens almost directly-but I did not in egins to wear thin. -Indianapolis Jour-"These 'squirt' or 'long' clams are found plentifully as far north as the Arc-

A New Jersey minister married fifteen ouples within sixty minutes the other day. Fifteen knots an hour isn't bad, -Lowel Courier

In England they stand for office, in this country they run, and in both countries they lie more or less .- Oil City Blizzard.

A magazine article asks: "Do titles pay?" Well, generally, no, until they are sued, and then sometimes tacy get out of it .- Rochester Post.

A barking dog or a crying haby may not be appreciated by one's neighbors, but either certainly gives tone to one's establishment.-Boston Transcript.

Yes, my son, colleges have their faculties, but it is not the faculties of the students that receive the highest compensation.-Boston Transcript.

Wool-"Who was it advocated thrawing physic to the dogs?" Van Pelt_"Don't remember the name; some fellow whose wife had one, likely."-Brooklyn Life.

"Ah," mused Mr. Hungry Higgins, as the "charitable officer," steered him-toward the city wood-yard, "Thaye once more struck the popular cord."-Indianapolis Jaurnal.

This cur-A housemaid says her mistress is inrent is continuous, so that it is never consistent. She charges her not to long between drinks with this bivalve, break a dish, and if she does break one, she charges her for it just the same .ston Transcript. "I think this thing of overwork being fatal is all rot," remarked the paste-pot. 'Why, of course it is," replied the Leat-umbrella joke. "Just look at us!" -Indianapolis Journal. Colonel Siye, of St. Louis, has been sent to prison for twenty years for robbing an express car. The Colonel made a mistake by not taking the whole railroad .--- Washington Post. Bertha-"Grandma, is our teel good !" Grandma -"No, darling; I've got cone now, unfortunately." Bertha-"Tuen I'll give oo my nuts to mind till. I come back."-Pacific Methodist. Conductor-"Madam, I am obliged to ask fare for that boy; he looks older than four years." Mother -- "He isn't, at all; he has his father's head but his mother's ways."---Cloak Journal Mrs. Dix-"These clubs must be very inhealthy places." Mrs. Hicks-"Waat askes you think so ?" Mrs. Dix-"My husband says they wouldn't let a man in ucless he had the grip,"-New York Herald. There are too many people who will not cust their bread upon the waters unless they are assured beforshand that it. will come back agatu in a few days a full grown sandwich, all trimmed with ham, butter and mustard, rolled up in a warranty deed for one-half of the earth and a mortgage on the other. -- Orrin (Wash ington) Enterprise. The girls are busy just now making accktics for their best young man. They first carefully study his complexion, and then buy the silk which will be becoming to his peculiar style of heauty. The silk is crouched into a "four-in-hand tie," It takes time and patience, but the maid and man are happy. The youth who has not been presented with one of the new

and more power-

tical dress and equipment. Following the British example with native Indian troops, the Austrian Government decided to mingle indiscriminately in these new levies Christiaus and Mahometang, Greeks and Roman Catholics, instead of keeping the sectaries apart. The plan is said to work admirably.

According to the New York Truth, the outcome of the experiment now being tried by M. Gilbert Tompkins at his Southern farm, near Sau Leandro, Cal., will, in all probability, be a complete revolution in the accepted method of training horses for speed. The systemthe idea is not absolutely new, but has never before been applied on a large scale-consists in training horses in the water, making them swim in tanks of tepid salt water instead of the constant track work that has lamed so many promising animals. The swimming reduces flesh rapidly and strengthens the muscles and improves the wind as much as ten times the same time spent on the track, and a very little supplementary track work puts the horse in condition to make a record. Should this system prove all that it now scems to be, Mr. Tompkins will have done much to further the improvement of horse flesh.

The New York Sun says: Some of the members of the Foreign Legations at Washington who are well known in the New York clubs are sufferers by the unfortunate names which they have inherited. Mr. Grip, the Swedish Minister, for example, has had to listen to so much play upon his name since his namesake became a fashionable malady, that it is a wonder he survives it. Mr. Ho, of the Chinese Legation, furnishes much mild amusement in social circles because it can be said with safety that he is not a rake -a comment which the Celestial mind absorbs blaudly and blinkingly without comprehending fully its meaning. The late Persian Minister, Hadji Hassein Ghouli Khan (I am not quite sure of the spelling of all of it myself), found his name so twisted in the mouths of menials as well as of the people he met socially that he probably looks upon Americans to this day as very ignorant people. There is an Italiau in Washington who is not at all of the Legation set, who has gained some local prominence as Secretary of the Italian Society, whose unfortunate name is fannarone-a name which the vulgar have corrupted into Annie Rooney, to the Itellas guntlemen's great disgust

its object, and, as the channel of the "It was a nip-and-tuck race. The big stream is a trifle deep, I judged that there would be a sudden increase of for he stretche i himself out and tore up speed for a brief moment when the banks the earth as his gait increased, making a were reached. spurt of speed which lengthened the dis-"I had witnessed a comparatively dry tance between us.

river bed quickly covered by a foaming "But my pony caught the full excitetorrent, whose rising tides soon swirled ment of the race and bent himself with and boiled up to the very top of the new energy to his work, and it was shores-a result of heavy storms nearer but a few minutes when we came their source. I concluded from the imup to the big fellow's side, I petuous rush of this turbulent stream of took careful aim, and blazed away. buffaloes that the channels of this river Instinctively my horse swerved away would soon be covered and quite filled. just in time to escape the outward. But a moment later my conclusions were more than realized. For when the leadluage of the beast, who tossed his head and came charging after. ers reached the very brink they plunged

But he made only several leaps, when down the steep bank, and they would he resumed his pace and went tearing have suffered no particular injury from the sudden and swiit descent, because a ahead with still greater speed, Evidently my bullet had only grazed him, buffalo, though awkward and weighing stimulating him rather than damaging a ton, when he goes down almost a prehim. My horse was at his best and cipitous decline will so combine a tumrapidly came up, so that we soon were ble with a slide and roll and leap that, tearing along neck and neck again. "We were a little further off this time

much like a cat, he will soon be right side up at the bottom. It was what came from the animal, when, on a line with after them that prevented the leaders him, I shot again. He turned quick as from getting the best of the bargain in a flash toward me. My pony, attempting reaching the water first. to leap aside, struck a number of prairie

"For this great herd was almost a dog holes and lost his footing. Before solid, compact mass, and it had acquired he could extricate himself the earaged such a momentum in its headlong career bull was upon us. His head was down that considerations for the fate of the and he caught the horse beneath. His leaders were not of sufficient force, if rush was so great that his head was preeven they had been entertained soon vented from being thrown up as highly enough, to perceptibly check its moveas it might have been. As it was, ments. So down the banks they tumbled pony was lifted from his fest, gored, and on top of the leaders, rank after rank, thrown to one side in a heap. I was jurked from my seat, and went sprawluntil the channel for a quarter of a mile was full and overflowing with them. ing over the beast. In the intense ex

"Yes, the momentum was so great citement of a chase like that, one does and the stop so sudden that from my not stop to calculate the risks he runs. point of observation it seemed like an "In my condition any one of a dozen ormous blak wave, whose edge had incidents would seem to be the occasion suddenly swollen higher than the sucof instant death. Behind me came ceeding body, and it was rolling over score of these large fellows right on a line and over because of the undertow. of my fall. It seemed that I would be Pushed on by the great mars behind, the trampled to pieces. But I landed on all buffaloes which reached the bank had to fours and was at once on my feet shoutleap upon the backs of those ahead for ing and brandishing my ar.ns. The mass their lives, and so that great mass rolled parted, and I ran to a distance. But the over and over, throwing many on the wounded buil, catching sight of me, opposite bank. You would have supcame charging upon me with a furious ed that fatal consequences would have bellow. My bad luck was bound to conresulted to great numbers. tinue, for I stumbled and fell.

"The rush was soon stopped. Then "Down in tremendous plunges at herd widened out, those in the rear hur- me mume the monster. I could not rise rying up and down the stream, and those tumbled into a heap into the bed of the quick enough, and falling at the side of an old buffalo trail-a uarrow pata wora stream rapidly extricating themselves, into the ground by the marching of until, in an almost incredibly short space | countless builders moving in single fileof time, every buffalo was comparatively I rolled into this. The brackfore up the free, I do not suppose there were more ground with his hoods in trying thy slope than half a dozen that were seriously and hooked ferradingly at me. injured. It is simply remarkable, the age eyes burned like evals of fire, and toughness of the buffaloes which used to proth, stained with blood, drip of troad roam in this great West, his mouth. When in the saldle I mai-

"Hunting the buildly is existing | noticed the great sint of his a sil; but]

into the ear.

ber:

For slight burns dip the part in cold water; if the skin is destroyed cover with varnish.

head bumped against me. His enormous

mane brushed me. His nose struck me.

has horn tore a rent in my trousers. The

ripping noise maddened him if possible

ways, but mostly on my feet, and started

"He swung around and was after me

was about as instantaneous as could be.

in effective. I could see him reel.

his knees, his florce eyes rolling in mad

fury at me. I moved around to his side

and put another ball into him, when he

went clean down and stretched himself

What to Do in Case of Accident.

"Come down and visit me, and as you

Smother fire with carpets, etc.; water will often spread burning oil and increase danger. Before passing through smoke take a full breath, and then stoop low ; but if earbonic acid gas is suspected walk erect.

Suck poisoned wounds, unless your mouth is sore; enlarge the wound, or, better, cut out the part without delay; hold the wounded part as long as can be borne to a hot coal or end of a ciwar.

In case of poisoning excite vomiting by tickling the throat or by warm water and mustard.

If in water, float on the back, with the nose and mouth projecting.

For apoplexy raise the head and body; for fainting lay the person flat. -New York Herald.

Have Variety in Your Food.

There is a source of ill health in many rural homes which certainly should not exist. The cause here referred to is lack of variety of food. It may sound strange to some to hear such a cause of ill health is existing on our American farms, but such is actually the case. It is true that really good vegetable and fruit gardens are lacking at a great part of our rural homes. There may be a few vegetables growing in the garden at the height of the season, but such a thing as an effort to have fresh vegetables in abundance nine months in the year is almost unknown on a Northern farm, and the same is true in reference to fruits. While it is possible to have fruit on the table every day in the year grown on a farm in the North, there is not one farm in ten thousand so supplied. Vegetables and fruits take the place of medicines in maintaining health and vigor of the body. Indeed, it is doubtful if people supplied with an abundance of fresh egetables and ripe fruit have much need of medicine or medical aid. More and more attention to this matter is needed. -New York Independant.

A Relic of the War.

The following, says Harper's Weekly, s a copy of a bill, written in lead pencil on source yellowish "war paper, for second-hand crockery-ware sold a auction in Raleigh, North Carolina, January 7, 1854. The war was still nearly a year and a half from its close, so some i ha may be gained of what prices rose to in the last days of the Con federarya

waiture, each #4 00 sto in crocks, each \$3 15..... . uacia \$6 25. including and cruss including card 54 50 of stands, each \$2 02,... His say. Mar. I genvy dish terachodi timter plates, ear a \$1 3 Sympet-Old Hallow, ganh 318 25

A Unique Portrait.

Many remarkable stories are told conceraing the wonders of penmanship, such as the work of John J. Taylor, of Streator, III., who once wrote 6000 words on the blank side of a postal card; and the Austrian who wrote 400 letters on a grain of wheat; but in the estimation of the writer, Gustave Dahlberg, a Swedish university student, has eclipe l them all.

This wizard of the pen has made a portrait of King Oscar, the whole in microscopic letters, forming short and long extracts from the Bible.

The right eye of this wonderful portrait is inade up of even verses from the Psalms of David; the left of verses from the Proverbs of Solomou, the Book of Chropicles, and the Song of Sold containing in all 317 words and 1709 letters. The King's uniform is com-posed of the whole of the first fifty Psalms,

The exact number of words and letter in the whole portrait is not stated, but judging from the fact that it took 1709 letters to ma c one aye, the whole num ber of letters in this triumph of the pen man's nrt cannot fall much short 50,000. In making the name of the King alone, Dalhberg used all of the Royal Greek prayer and the exxvi, and exavii. Psalms, says the Philadelphia Press.

The portrait, which is said to look life-like and natural, is on tinted paper of the kind known as "Havne's Stand ard," and is so small that a United States half-dollar laid upon it comparatively hides it from view. Taken all in all, it is accounted the most wonderful piece of penmanship ever executed.

An Orator's Bashful Beginning.

During the Indian war of '36, while olunteer companies were being formed in different counties of the State, a company was erganized in Hancock County. Captain G. W. Brown commanding. On their departure for the seat of war the citizens of Sparta decided to give them an ovation. Orators were scarce, and after searching the town over for a speaker it was suggested that there was a young lawyer there who had never made a speech, but who might be persuaded to try his luck on that occasion The young lawyer was quickly seen, and consented to say a few words by way of encouragement to the Hancock Blues on their departure on so patriotic a mission. The speech was the talk of the town for several days. The speaker was Alexan-der H. Stephens.-Atlanta Constitution.

origin of the phrase, 'happy as a clam.' Hogs on Long Island and elsewhere know how to dig for clams very well. They go out upon the flats at low water and root wherever the pressure of their weight causes a squirt to appear. This is a very cheap and profitable method of keeping swine. In winter the clams bury themselves deeply, but leicles are often found in their shells. These mollusks, which, as human food and for bait, constitute an important element of the marine wealth of the United States, have been recently transplanted to the Pacific coast, being carried across the continent with the ovster seed which is annually

transported in large quantities from the Eastern States. They have thriven greatly, succeeding where the oysters have failed, and have stocked San Francisco

Bay with a new food supply. "The Pilgrim Fathers and other early colonists in this country found the Indians 'treading' and diving for 'round' clams, otherwise known in the aboriginul tongue as 'quhaugs.' They adopted the former method, and to this day their descendants in New England can be seen all along the coast wading in the water and feeling with their toes for the mollusks, which lie buried usually in mud that is thickly overgrown with seaweed. The animal always lies with the edge of its shell out of the mud in order to breathe and the feeling of it

to the foot is unmistakeable. Diving and 'mending' for qualitugs among the Indians used to be performed by the squaws and older children, such labor being beneath the dignity of the nico. At present oyster tongs, rakes and dredges are employed for the purpose. The aborigines manufactured money out of the shells, as well as arrow points, scrapers, spoons, paint holders and other utenuin.

"The Indians in the old days were great enters of clams, as is proved by the enormous deposits of the shells which remain along the shores of bays and estu

aries. They dried clams as well as oysters in the sun on pieces of bark, thus preserving them for purposes of The coast tribes conquered by trade. the powerful Six Nations paid a large tribute of clams, which were regarded as a great luxury in the interior-not only the interior of the Indian, I mean, but of the country. In the summer and fall the suvages came to the seashore for the purpose of celebrating their great festival of the green corn, on which occasion clams, succulent cars of coru and seawceds were roasted together. It is from this custom that the modern clam.

Arabiae Horses.

bake was derived.

The true Arabian horses cannot be nurchased, as the exportation of them from the Turkish dominions is prohib ited. All of them that have been brought here have been given to prominent per ions by the Forkish or Egyptian Governments, and as only horses are given and no mares they are not bred pure in any part of this continent. Consequently the alilous are used only for crossing. New York Times.

Early Hours in Austrian Toxas.

There is a peculiarity which Vienna shares in common with all Austrian towns. At 10 o'clock the streets are doserted. Scarcely will you ment one solltary soul. A law authorizes the portiere or concierge to levy a tax of ten kreutzers, called the Spergold, on any person leaving or entering the house after that hour. Thus this Spergold obliges you, when you are invited to a party, to pay ten kreatzers on leaving your own apartmeat, ten more for yourself and your servant on entering your host's house, the same when you leave it, and the same on re-entering your own. Thus the theatre and opera begin early, and the performance is timed to end at a quarter before ten. If it lasts longer nearly the whole audience rises and insteasaway to be home in time to cave the Spergold. Cafes are emptied at that hour, the trains are crowded as the last moment of grace arrives, and even the rubbors of whist at the club- are interrupted. It grows into such a force of habit, and is such an accepted fact, that unless under exceptional circulastances, you do not think of meaning the deb: -New York Dispatch.