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Huntingion county's priamaries will be hel May 31. A programme similar to that in Blai county is being carried out. The Republicia forces are solidly aligned for Elkin and the inde pendents are keeping hands off in the hope that
the Indiana couutain will be the nominee. Elkin will stump the county the week before the elec tion, as he did in Blair. It is thought Watre will also be on the ground.

## Miles on Spheres of Duty.

For some mysterious reason a letter written by Gen. Nelson A. Miles last January to Mr.
George F. Washburn of Boston has been given to the publie - given out for publication not Boston but at Washington. In this letter Gen Miles says

##  thiswill bemy sole purpose hat have dictated;

 January or in February, or thate was either any especial vecation for a public definition by Gen. Miles of his views on duty ambition. Nor has the apprehension that Gen
Miles may desile to run for Preit general is to call foran y specific statement from him.
Indeed, if Gen. Miles should see fit to declar himself an active candidate for nomination b that anylody would arise to object, or that a pro announcement.
In view of these undoubted facts, the apparent
acre which the Lieutenant-General commanding
the Army has taken to avoid the formuln which
Gen. Sherman established for a declination that was meant to be positive, will strike most of Ger, Miles' fellow citizens as moderately humorous -New York Sun.

## LITERARY NOTES.

Cosmopolitan.
"What Women Like in Men," "What Men Like in Women," and "Husband and Wives," are the titles of a series of very interesting papers by Rafford Pike, the third of which appears in The Cosmopolitan for April. The same numHenry's visit, with a series of beautifully printed photographs, under the title of "A Clever Emperor and a Confederation of Nations." F. Hopkinson Smith, Iseral Zangwill, Bret Harte and Mabten Mastens are among the other contributors to this nueber, wich unusually good in fiction.

Our Work in Cuba.
The time approaches for United States withrawal from Cuba and for the surrender of the sular government to Cuban hands, in accord nce with the declaration of the United State Congress at the time intervention was undertaken. Naturally the mind inclines to review the work which has been done in that island by our govroment during its temporary stewardship, and future prospects of Cuba as they are affected by our doings there. Such a review is on the whol most gratifying. The work done in war, in ridding the island forever of Peninsular misgovernment, was highly important, and was, o
course, direetly in line with the long cherished desires of the majority of the Cuban people Still more important has been the work done in peace, in abolishing the abuses which had made the Spanish Government intolerable and in intro ducing the improved administrative system which the island needed and desired even beyond its own consciousness. The reformation of the general school system, the sanitary regeneratiou of the cities, are concrete memorials of the American ect sation in which the United States may well express their gratitude
It is an immeasurably better island which w hall hand over to the Cubans than that which we took from Spain. But it is to be remenbered that our responsibility for it does nut end with our act of intervention four years ago, as well a other even more explicit acts since that time, impose upon the United States in practical per
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land. Having once intervened to put an end to


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