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nals of the sea save in the eighteenth century exploits of the freebooters. In September, 1869, the Alabama captured her first prize, the Ocmulgee, a whaler. The sea then was dotted white with sailing vessels from New England. They proved easy prey for Semmes. He first plundered a vessel and then burned her. The Alabama went everywhere. She sailed and steamed up close to New York and there got newspapers from prizes. From these newspapers Semmes took the list of departing vessels and lay in wait for them. By means of these newspapers he also managed to elude the fleet of pur suurs. Semmes' career filled England with wonder. As report after report came in of captures and fights as the little sea hornet

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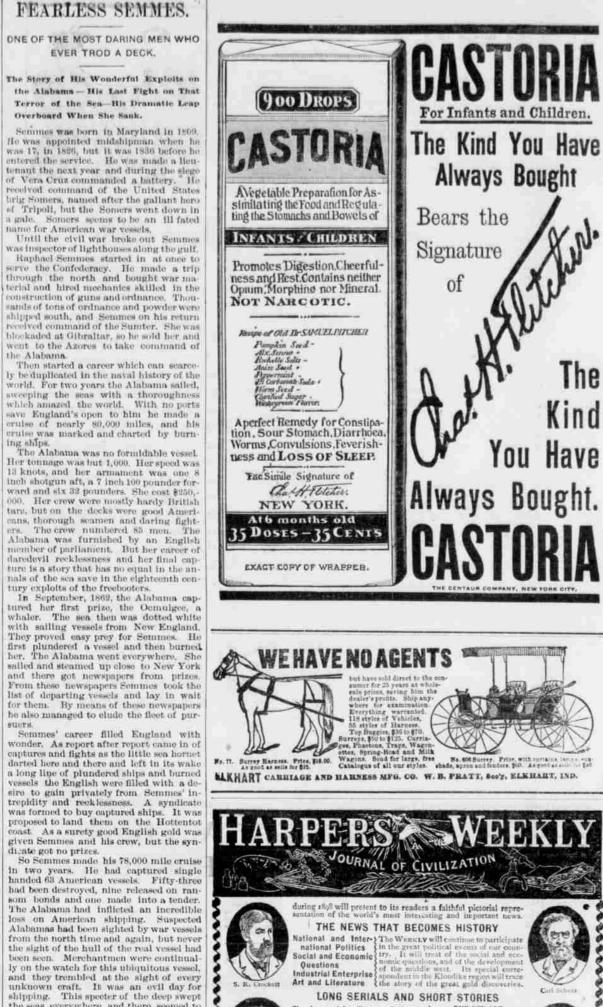
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darted here and there and left in its wake a long line of plundered ships and burned vessels the English were filled with a de-sire to gain privately from Semmes' intrepidity and recklessness. A syndicate was formed to buy captured ships. It was proposed to land them on the Hottentot coast As a surety good English gold was given Semmes and his crew, but the syndicate got no prizes. So Semmes made his 78,000 mile cruise

in two years. He had captured single handed 63 American vessels. Fifty-three had been destroyed, nine released on ransom bonds and one made into a tender. The Alabama had inflicted an incredible loss on American shipping. Suspected Alabamas had been sighted by war vessels from the north time and again, but never the sight of the hull of the real vessel had been seen. Merchantmen were continually on the watch for this ubiquitous vessel, and they trembled at the sight of every unknown craft. It was an evil day for shipping. This specter of the deep swept the seas everywhere, and there seemed to

be no safety whatever. But on June 11, 1864, the Alabama was sighted in the harbor of Cherbourg. France. The north thrilled with the news, and all manner of boats started in pursuit. The Kearsarge was at Flushing, England, and Captain Winslow steamed for battle. The Alabama was both steam and salling



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## INANIMATE THINGS.

## Sense of Humar.

the have read and talked about the total depravity of inanimate things, but the sense of humor in intimate things, has not been written of as it ought to be. There can be little doubt that inanimate things, especially if they are small and duster

among the papers, but took care not to get any of them upon the cleared space in the center. He searched over the whole lot, and it occurred to him that this was a good time to put his desk in order. He cleared up and sorted out all the things and put them in pigeonholes or within bands and made his desk spick and span, but as taxened by the search of the spice of th but no trace of the pad could be discov-

The was discouraged, and as it was near immehtine he locked up his desk and went out to lunch. When he came back, he opened the desk, and there, exactly in the inddle of the desk, and there, exactly in the inddle of the desk, on the very spot which his paper had occupied when he was writ-ing, was that pad, simply glaring at him. It seemed to wear an expression that was positively maincieus. The man was forced to conclude that the pad had a strong sense of humor, with a tondency to prac-tical joking, and that it had concealed it-self in some corner of the desk when he was searching and while he was gone had whipped itself out into the most comspicuwas searching and while he was gene had whipped itself out into the most conspleu ous spot on the desk as a way of laughing at him. Of course it wasn't possible that he could have absentmindedly dislodged it while he was looking over the papers and gene off and left it there. Lately the same man had a slender little ward the transformation of the same man had a stender little

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pencil about two inches long. It was a very amiable little pencil, of pleasing manners and suave movements, and the man used to hold it between his forefinger and his middle finger and direct it with his thumb while he was scrawling memoranda or do ing other things which required a pencil The set of the set of

He sat down to write with a long, un-congenial pencil. It seemed to balk and mock him, and he said to himself, "Oh, Lord, I wish that little pencil would ap-pear!" And at that very moment it drop-ped upon his paper as if from the sky, but really from over his right ear, where it had humorously concealed itself. Though, of course, the humor came in the near. of course, the humor came in the reap pearance rather than the disappearance articles without a grain of humor in them may conceal themselves behind one's ear, especially if the car offers ample oppor-tunity for such concealment, but to flip out just at the psychological momentthat takes real humor -- Boston Tran script.

## way.

There is something almost plaintive in the truly English word "why." It may be indefinitely prolonged upon the lips "Why" is almost poetical in itself and fitly introduces the best hexameter in the language: Why do the heathen rage and the peo

ple imagine a vain thing?' Its uses in poetry are almost influite, and one modern writer makes almost a

line of it alone: Why do the night winds sigh, The sea birds wildly ory, The summer clouds pass by, The lifes droop and die, The light inde from the sky? Why-oh, why?

To most of the whys there is not a r od cause. The inquiring mind is puzzled account for many things besides its own existence. Hundreds of such ques-tions occur to us at every step, and no satisfactory reply can be expected. Life is too short. Socrates was always saying "Why," and we have all heard of the man whe called Pope the "fittle crooked thing that asked questions."—Exchange.

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can be little doubt that inanimate things, especially if they are small and elusive, instead of gluss in windows or lanterns especially if they are small and elusive, possess a strong sense of humor. For instance, a man had in his desk one of those curving things with a handle in which sheets of blotting paper are held. It was convenient as long as it could be prevented from getting snowed under on his desk. One day the man missed the pal when he was writing and wanted it. He had a chared space occupying the cen-ter of his desk, and all around things. Naturally he supposed that the pad had got under these things. He searched among the papers, but took care not to get

est grain. Here is an example of their po-litences: A Chinese arrayed in his most beautiful costume who presented himself

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the pivot gun was disabled. The Alabama began to leak. She hardly responded to her helm. An 11 inch shell exploded in the engine room. The Alabama gave the death shiver.

Sails were set in the hopes of reaching the French coast, where thousands were

the French coast, where thousands were lined up to see the great duel. "All hands save yourselves!" was given, and the wounded dispatched in the only boat which was not shot to pieces. Semmes and his officers in full uniform stood on deck. The Alabama was rapidly sinking, its famous career was over. Semmes step-ped to the edge of the deck and threw his word into the sea. Then he followed. He was picked up by the English yacht

He was picked up by the English yacht Deerhound and escaped to London, where he became a hero. They presented him with swords and toasted and feted him continually. He made his way back to the south through Mexico. He was made rear admiral in command of the James river squadron and guarded the approaches to Richmond until the close of the war. Semmes died in Mobile, Ala., in 1877. After the war he was a lawyer, judge, edi-tor and author. There is no doubt that for intrepidity and daring no American has ever commanded a vessel who surpassed him in sheer courage. He was also ex-tremely skillful, a good tactician and an

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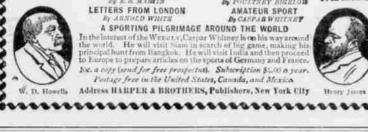
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