

New Commander of the Battleship Alabama.

SWISS WILL FOUND COLONY.

Company Buys 200,000 Acres in Wash-

ington for 24,000 Fersigners.

Seattle, Wash.-Four years hence

24,000 Swiss people will come to Ma-

son county. Washington, to make their

homes, according to George M. Ob-

radovich of Hillman. Obradovich is a

land cruiser and surveyor. For the

last seven years he has been in the

employ of the Switzerland Colonica-

tion company, which has purchased

200,000 acres of land near Olympia as

a site for the proposed Swiss colony.

The site is 19 miles northwest of

Olympia, having a frontage on salt.

water near Shelton, at the extreme

end of Hood canal, and at Skookum

bay, and several other points. The

Swiss Colonization company paid five

dollars and ten dollars an acre for it,

The original owners are required to

clear off all the timber within four

years. At the end of that time the

colonists will be brought here, coming

20 acres and a few lots in his nearest

townsite. He will also be given a

horse, a cow, and a few other things

with which to make a start. Each

year he will be required to pay 30

to pay off his indebtedness, keeping it

Only married men will be allowed to

settle on the land. A town and post

office will be established in each town-

The scheme is not an untried one.

The Swiss Colonization company has

already seven colonies in California.

containing, as nearly as Obradovich

can judge, at least 20,000 people, and

also some in the Atlantic states. A

few years ago it established an im-

HAR A DEED MADE IN 1357.

Claim an Estate.

Findlay, O.—George J. Klein of

He had with him a deed that was

made in the year 1367. It was writ-

The deed is made out on parch-

ment, and the writing is in old Ger-

man text. The letters are nearly

ink is somewhat faded on parts of

. Mr. Klein recently fell beir to the

estate described in the deed, and he

will shortly leave for Germany to

Custer's Widow Plans Home.

New York.-In the purchase by the

widow of Gen. George A. Custer of

16 lots in Paimer avenue, ciose to

cherished, but which is still of the

a home for the indigent daughters of

. Dream Locates a Corpes.

Fairmont, W. Va.-Mine No. 8 at

visions, and there the body was found.

claim it.

mense colony in New Zealand.

ship.

but did not purchase the timber.

GOVERNMENT WILL EXPERIMENT WITH PRICKLY PEAR. -

Many Articles May Be Made from Pulp-Texas Man Converts Fruit from Plant into Candy and Preserves.

San Antonio, Tex.-Experiments which may result in bringing great wealth to the landowners of Texas, and add another industry to the list of San Antonio enterprises, will be conducted in this city during January by the federal department of agriculture. Should the experiment prove successful, the despised cactus prickly pear may prove to be a valuable asset for the land owner, and the waste lands of Texas become immensely valuable.

partment recently arrived in San An-W. N. Mason of the agricultural detonio and will soon begin his experiments at the federal experimental farm south of the city. He believes that prickly pear is excellently suited for the manufacture of a certain quality of fibrous pulp, which can be used sils, insulators and a great variety of per cent. of his profits to the company in making water buckets, kitchen utenuseful articles.

His idea is not a new one and he up until he is free of incumbrance. has experimented with great success on the federal reservations in Arizona. The officials of the agricultural department are so impressed with his plan and the undoubted value of his work that he has been permitted to abandon all other work in order to carry on. his experiments.

Mr. Mason claims that he has demcastrated that the prickly pear is the most valuable plant in the world for the manufacture of pulp articles and coarse, tough paper. The only question remaining to be solved is the economical method of handling the pear leaves in order that they may be Cleveland Man Going to Germany to turned into the manufactured articles at little cost.

His discovery is of twofold value, as he also claims that the green pulp Cleveland was in Carey several days left after the fiber is extracted is the ago visiting Rev. Father Mizer, pasfinest stock food obtainable: The hills, tor of Our Lady of Consolation church, dales and plains of southwest Texas, the two having been choir boys in now covered by vast fields of cactus, Cleveland many years ago. will become as valuable as good farming land. Rocky hills and land where crops cannot be grown may be utilized ten long before Christopher Columbus as prickly pear pastures where the was born and a century and a half befibrous plant may be grown for the fore America was discovered. market.

It is Mr. Mason's plan for the farmers to scorch the plants with gasoline torches, thus removing the thorns, perfect and the making must have inand then pack the leaves in bales and volved a great amount of labor. The ship them to the factory.

An El Paso confectioner is making the manuscript, but some of it is delicious candy and preserves from still quite black. The fruit of the cactus, the demand excooding present means of supply.

PARIS HAS MANY VISITORS.

Mearly 2,000,000 Arrival and Departsures in City of Light in a Year.

Paris.-According to the police figures Paris has the largest floating the Bronzville railroad station, the population in the world. In January first step has been taken in an enter-128,000 visitors came to the city and prise which Mrs. Custer has long 180,000 departed.

distant future in its consummation. In February and March there was a She hopes to erect on this property in drop, but the number went up again memory of her husband, who was in April and May. In the latter month with his command by Indians. the arrivals were 163,000 and 161,000 visitors left the city.

army officers, and proposes to devote In June the number dropped again, to that end only her own resources. but in July those who came and went were alike 157,000 in round numbers. September brought 167,000 arrivals and there were 165,000 departures. The maximum was in October, when Monongah gave up one more of its the number either way was more than dead from the recent disaster—David Riggins, one of the best-known miners

November was about the same as of this section. The body was found September, with departures in a large in the exact spot where his brother majority, and December, it is esti- George, an electrician, had three sucmated, will be about like January, cessive nights dreamed the missing The total of comers and goers for the man was lying dead. On waking entire year is estimated at not far George Riggins, accompanied by a from 1.750,000. The transients are ac- friend, started for the remote section commodated by 11,530 hotels and of the workings he had seen in his

MENU THAT SUITS JACK TAR.

Substantial Fare Given Preference Over Dainty French Dishes.

"Scouse of lob-scouse, a parson's face seaple, junk, tack, slush and duff -there's a meal ye can't beat nowheres," said the sailor.

"Yes," he went on, "ye can talk about yer ris de veau, yer vol-au-vent, yer mousses and other French dishes, but they ain't none o' them in it with good sea fare dished up by a good ses lawyer.

"Scouse is soup, soup made o' salt best. Add some good sea vegetables to it, sitch as spud sprouts and split peas, and ye get an extra fine soup, what is gener'ly called lob-scouse. Pot-au-feu is slops beside a rich lobecouse.

"Foller up yer scouse with a parson's face seaple. That's a ple made of bullock's head. Good? Why, friend, there ain't nothin' like it on earth.

"Junk is salt beef. Junk ain't no brain food; it don't strengthen the mind like a correspondence course; but, by tar, I'd ruther have it than caneton a la presse or a supreme de

"Tack and slush is the sailor's bread " and butter. What if ye do have to break yer tack with a tack hammer, and what if yer slush is sometimes strong enough to queer the compass? Sailors need strong food, for they must do their work."

ON TWENTIETH CENTURY FARM. Bathroom for Pigs Looked Upon as a

Necessity. "And this is the pigs' bathroom,"

said the twentieth century farmer, as he fitted an Egyptian cigarette into & long and elegant tube of meerschaum and amber.

"I have heard of hog wash, but I didn't know pigs bathed. Do they?"-The farmer struck a match on his London-made walking breeches.

"Yes, the modern pig bathes," he said. "With squesis of, rage and disgust he tumbles once a week into a hot bath, and is thoroughly scrubbed with stiff brushes dipped in strong, soft soap. This cleanliness keens him always well, and it increases his weight 20 per cent.

"All our agricultural colleges now advise the pig to bathe. By experiments they continually show that baths cause him to fatten a fifth better. The pig's bathroom is a feature of the twentieth century farm."

If You Suffer from Headache. Many suffer needlessly from headache. It is not a normal condition and unless due to some functional disorder or to defective eyes usually can be

traced to overeating or to sleeping in

badly ventilated rooms. Be careful about your diet, take plenty of exercise, do not overstrain your eyes; above all get plenty of fresh air and your headaches are apt to vanish.

Never sleep in a room that has not at least one window up high, winter and summer. It will not do to ventilate from the next room or the hall: what is needed is air fresh from out of doors.

Abelard and Heloise.

Heloise was noted as much for her intellectual ability as for her personal heauty. She was familiar with the literature of four or five languages-Italian, French, Greek, Latin and Hebrew. Her knowledge was remarkable, her conversational powers were brilliant. It was her bright mind and varied learning that first attracted the attention of Abelard. Abelard died 1142. Heloise 1164. First buried at St. Marcel. Abelard's remains were shifted several times, but finally reached the well-known tomb at Pere-la-Chaise, wherein also rest the ashes of Heloise. -New York American.

Test of the Housekeeper. Some one fond of generalizing has said that the conditions of the windown reveal the character of the housekeeper. A small quantity of water with alcohol in it is recommended as the best medium for wisdow cleaning, with a newspaper rub afterward. A dry clean for a window may be made with liquid whiting spread over it, and there are numerous substances sold for the purpose that make it possible to keep the windows so clean that even an indifferent housekeeper may get the credit of being a better one by virtue of her clean

. Her Grievance. "Mr. Clugston," said the caller, "you

may stop my paper." "It doesn't fit your pantry shelves, perhaps, ma'am," said the editor of the Spiketown Blizzard, sarcastically. "That hain't got nothing to do with

"You've found that you can borrow it from a neighbor hereafter?" "That ain't the reason, neither."

"Possibly you don't like the editorial policy of the paper." "No, sir; I don't. My nephew was arrested last week for stealin' a hog, and you didn't say a word about it!"

Failed to Relieve. On the mighty deep.

The great ocean liner rolled and pitched. "Henry," faltered the young bride,

"do you still love me?" "More than ever, darling!" was Henry's fervent answer.

Then there was an eloquent silence. "Henry," she gasped, turning her pale, ghastly face away, "I thought that would make me feel better, but it

ALL FAIR IN LOVE AND WAR. Proof That the Modern Maiden is Not

Easily "Stumped."

. It was his first dinner at her house, mother was away, and it was the maid's day out. The girl sat down and considered. She didn't know a blue bean about cooking.

But dear, dear, Rome wasn't built in a day and one couldn't acquire the gentle art of cooking in an afternoon. So the old rule of "When in doubt use the telephone," was applied, and little girl smiled to herself and set the table its prettiest.

The cakes, saind and ices for that dinner were perfect and the roast and vegetables were delicious. He looked elated and she maintained a discreat air. Only the baskets and boxes in the kitchen told the story. Some were from one of the best caterers in town. the others, the ones that the rosst and vegetables had come in, were from a delicatessen shop that makes a specialty of sending out dinners to order. So of course, he liked the dinner, and the demure little maid only puckered up her brow and said to herself, "I wonder if I am an old fraud."

JIM ONCE MORE UNSHACKLED.

Probably Mrs. Jones' Views Coincided with Her Husband's.

One day a tall, gaunt woman, with rope-colored hair and an expression of great flerceness, strode into the office of a county clerk in West Virginia. "You air the person that keeps the

marriage books, ain't ye?" she demanded. "What book do you wish to see, madam?" asked the polite clerk. "Kin you find out if Jim Jones was

married?" Search of the records disclosed the name of James Jones, for whose marriage a license had been issued two

years before. "Married Elizabeth Mott, didn't he?" asked the woman.

"The license was issued for a marriage with Miss Elizabeth Mott." "Well, young man, I'm Elizabeth. I thought I oughter come in an' tell ye that 'Jim has escaped."-Harper's Weekly.

According to Training. The traveler belonged to the "effete civilization of the east," and when the unmistakable odor of sauerkraut permeated the atmosphere of the litthe Pennsylvania inn where he had halted for his midday meal he was first perturbed and then irritated beyond measure by the smell, says the author of "Old Schuylkill Days."

"Sanerkraut! Ugh!" he shuddered, with an indignant glance at the venerable Dutch landlord, who was nodding over his pipe in a corner of the room. How anyone can eat sauerkraut I cannot see. I'd as lief eat dirt as to eat saverkraut."

The landlord stirred in his chair: "Well," he began, without opening his eyes, "that is just as you were brought up. If you were brought up to eat sauerkraut von eat sauerkraut. If you were brought up to eat dirt you eat dirt."-Youth's Companion.

Easy to Swallow Raw Egg. Raw eggs are bloodmakers and may be taken in any way one wishes. The simplest method of getting them down is to take a shallow wine glass, put in a drop of clear lemon juice and then break the egg in this, taking care not to injure the volk. Over this put about four drops of lemon, scattered. to make the egg go down easily with one swallow. This is readily accomplished if the head is held back and the contents of the glass tossed into the back of the mouth. Eight eggs a day are none too much when one is trying to recuperate.

Pitch-Iners and Crawl-Outers. There are two classes of people in the world, the Pitch-iners and the Crawl-outers. We do not commonly use the term, yet everyone will recognize the faithfulness of the classification. Test it. Present a good cause, a hard duty, a difficult proposition (everything these days is a "proposition") to a group of men. They will divide like oil and water. There will be a minority who will discern the opportunity and pitch in; the majority most likely will crawl out.-Zion's Herald.

In Time Past. Julius Caesar was making a few

changes in the calendar. "I could get along with the old one well enough," he said; "but the life! insurance companies have begun to kick for something new in the way of advertising matter."

Then, ostensibly to please the women, he decreed that every fourth year should be a leap year.

The Trouble with Carr. "I rather like your friend." Mrs. Page said, graciously, after Carr had gone home. "He is good looking and agreeable, but you can't call him a brilliant conversationalist. The Lawton girls talked all round him."

"Unfortunately," replied Mr. Page, "Carr cannot talk on a subject unless he knews something about it."-Youth's Companion.

A Modern Development. "Your child undoubtedly has chicken yex," says the attending physician.

'And why does she have continual chills with it? Is not that unusual?" asks the parent.

"Well-ah-no doubt it is a new manifestation of our changing conditions. I might diagnose the case as cold storage chicken pox."-- Success Magazina.

ANYTHING TO OBLIGE A LADY.

Gallant Dancer Simply Misunderstood Fair Partner's Request.

The story is told of a young Oregon girl, a favorite in society, but who was poor and had to take care not to get her evening gowns soiled, as her number was limited.

At a dance not long ago a great big. red-faced, perspiring man came in and asked her to dance. He wore no gloves. She looked at the well-meaning but moist hands despairingly and thought of the immaculate back of her waist. She hesitated a bit and then said, with a winning smile:

"Of course I will dance with you, but, if you don't mind, won't you please use your handkerchief?" . The man looked at her blankly &

moment or two. Then a light broke over his face. 'Why, certainly," he said. And he pulled out his handkerchief and blew his nose .- Woman's Home

Companion.

GOOD ADVICE FOR HUSBANDS. Written Long Ago, But in Every Way

Applicable To-Day. A clergyman took down a small

volume. "This is called," he said, "the 'instructions of Ptah-ho-Tep.' It is one of the very oldest papyrus writings known. It gives, among other things, advice to husbands, and that advice is as good to-day as it ever was. Listen."

And he read: "If thou be wise, furnish thy house

well. "'Woo thy wife ever, and never quarrel with her.

"Nourish her daintily. "'Deck her out, for fine dress is her greatest delight.

"Feed her upon sweets. ." 'Perfume her.

"'Make her glad with praise. "'Adorn her with jewels, feathers, and the skins of beasts, as sumptuously as thy purse will suffer."

How Sawfish Uses its Saw. More energetic than any other sharks are the sawfish, whose snouts are prolonged into a broad blade of cartilage, which is horizontal when the fish is swimming in a normal position and has both its edges set with alightly curved teeth about an inch. apart. The end of this formidable looking weapon is blunt and comparatively soft, so that it is quite incapable of the feats popularly attributed to it of piercing whales' bodies, ships' timbers, etc. It attacks other fish by a swift lateral thrust of the saw beneath them. Then it feeds upon the soft entrails which are apparently the only food it can eat from the peculiar shape of its mouth. It has an enor mous number of small teeth, sometimes as many as 50 rows in one individual, but they are evidently unfit for the rough duties required of their teeth by the garbage-eating members of the family -rish Lore.

Fish Insensible to Pain. How sensitive to pain are fish? A correspondent writes: "I have a small pond which is stocked with trout. I keep an accurate account of those I catch and note when I lose any. The other morning a big rainbow trout broke the worm hook with which I had hooked him. That evening I hooked and landed a good trout, also with worm tackle, which proved to be my friend of the morning, as right down in his stomach was the broken gut and hook, and, besides this, in his lip was a March brown fly hook which, according to my fishing hook, must have been there many weeks. A fish with a fiv hook in his mouth, a worm hook in his stomach and ready to gulp down bait must be quite impervious to what we mortals call pain."

Butterflies in Mimicry. Caterpillars and butterflies go far in the line of mimicry. They assume the strangest, most impossible disguises, appearing now in the shape of a leaf or stem, now as a bundle of dark-green pine needles, and now again as a bud or flower, all for the innocent purpose of concealing themselves from the inquisitive gaze of their enemies, the birds. When the caterpillar lives on the grass he is strined up and down like the foliams that supports him. When he feeds upon broad leaves that have midriha and branching veins, his stripes and streaks run crossways at the same angle as those of the food plant.

Aids to Self-Assurance. "There are two things which I always insist on to myself," said the girl with a small income. "One is to keep my hair well brushed and becomingly arranged; the other is to have my shoes polished and the heels in perfect shape. If my hair is all right, then I know I look nice, and if my shoes are good, then I can stand or walk with more assurance than a brand-new gown would give me if my heels were run down. It's not alone the way they look that is important, but the way they make me feel."

Witty French Writer. Of Edmund About it is said that to those who saw him for the first time he seemed to be an intellectual miltionaire, but his pockets were full of fifty-centime pieces. He once wrote in a feuilleton that Alboni's singing (she was fat) was "like a nightingale piping out of a lump of suet." The indignant prima donna sent him a goose quili by the hands of a marquis. About received the pen with his most charming smile, and said: "I regret, sir, that Mme. Alboni should have plucked you for my sake."

"GREATER LOVE HATH NO MAN." Commander Craven Yielded Life That Pilot Might Be Saved.

The higher and more valuable a life the more ready it is to lay itself at the service of others. It would sometimes seem that the sacrifice were too great, as in the example instanced by Mr. Hutchinson in his "Battle of Mobile Bay." Yet the very act of heroism impresses the merit of the whole charsoler with a dignity and worth which carries it far in influence and reverence.

During the battle a shot from the shore struck a cask tornedo and exploded it near the Tecumseh. A hole was torn in the bottom 20 feet square, and the ram sank like a stone, turning over as it went down in eight fathoms of water. One hundred and ten men out of 120 were lost in at instant.

Commander Craven, one of the most sallant officers of the service, was in the pilot-house with the pilot, close to the only opening in the vessel. There was only room for one man to pass. Craven felt himself grasped by the leg. It was the pilot.

"Let me get out first, for God's sake, captain!" he cried. "I have five little children.' The captain drew back.

"Go on, sir," he said, and he went down with the ship, while the pilot was saved.

WORLD'S TRIBUTE TO MOTHERS. Proverbs of Many Nations Show Love

and Veneration. At a mothers' meeting a young woman recounted with some pride &

number of proverbs about mothers. "'It is easier for a poor mother to

keep seven children than for seven children to keep a mother.' That sad and striking proverb," she said, "is from the Swiss.

"A mother's love is new every day." 'He who will not mind his mother will some day have to mind the latter' 'Better lose a rich father than a poor mother. A father's love is only knee-deep, but a mother's reaches to the heart.' Those splendid proverbs are all German.

"The Hindoos say poetically, 'Mother mine, ever mine, whether I be rich

or poor.' "The Venetians say, 'Mother! He who has one calls her; he who has none misses her. "The Bohemians say, 'A mother's

hand is soft even when it strikes." "The Lithuanians say, Mother means martyr."

Politeness and the Clock. When a very polite woman has company she never looks at the clock If by any means her eyes must wander to that side of the room she very carefully looks above the clock, or below it, or to one side of it, but never is she guilty of the rudeness of looking at the clock itself. When a guest looks at the clock and comments upon the lateness of the hour, then a hostess may look at it, but she must immediately, in very polite and ladylike terms, insist that the clock lies; that it is at least four hours too fast. The clock is an important factor in true politeness. Only by utterly ignoring it when there is company can a woman become a perfect lady.—Atchison

Women Growing Younger.

No women need now regard herself as passee at 50. Ripened charms should be at their meridian. Society. so far from relegating her to the background, ignores the flight of years in a belle of past conquests. In the words of a competent London observer. "there has been a complete disappearance of the middle-aged woman. The accial world seems now to be made up of girls, young married woman and old ladies who are great-grandmothers. Every one has bright eyes, a" flower face and a slender form, and every one is dressed to perfection, the same style suiting equally well the girl of 18 and her mother."

Knewledge of Reality. Nothing is so valuable as a knowledge of reality. No other knowledge is permanently valuable without it. The extent to which the human mind is capable of deceiving itself with knowledge of phenomena, the better to avoid the temporary discomfort of recognizing the vital truths of progress, is only less remarkable than the extent of the power it is capable of exerting when once inspired by the consciousness that it has become the vehicle of some truth necessary for the world's advancement.-William Vincent Byers, "An American Commoner."

Queer Effect of Extreme Cold. Some idea of the effect of extreme cold can be gained from the account given by Dr. Kane of an incident which occurred when an expedition went north in search of Franklin. The crew organized some amateur theatricals, says Dr. Kane, and the condensation was so excessive that "we could barely see the performers; any extra vehemence of delivery was accompanied by volumes of smoke: their hands steamed. When an excited performer took off his coat he steamed like a dish of potatoes."

From Bad to Worse. Wife (angrily)-Well, there's no use in arguing the matter. When I set my foot down that covers the entire ground.

Husband (calmly)-I wouldn't make it quite that strong, my dear, but your foot certainly does cover a good deal of ground.

L'ABEILLE DE LA NOUVELLE-ORLEANS

"I mentitue en l'antistant el dans tous les Etais du Sude Er unblistif afre ideus les frommerce des avantages exceptionnels. Erix de Pahonnement un l'anni l'Aditi vi Oustidienne Beitige eib . an eirgi Ir.Ce.I