THE OMAHA DAILY BEE WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6, 1890

MEN ON THE SKIRMISH LINE.

A Day of Exceptional Pleasure at Bellevue Rifle Range.

IN CAMP WITH MILITARY MARKSMEN.

Some Remarkably Good Scores Being Made at the Annual Rifle and **Carbine** Competition of This Department.

Even to a civilian's car there is something pleasing in the ta-ra-ta-ra-ta-ra of a trumpet. Did you ever live near a military post, and early in the morning, just as you were rolling over to take mother map, hear the buglers of a military station play :

"I can't get 'em up,

I can't get 'em up,

I can't get 'em up this morning?' In summertime, when the dewis on the grass and the birds are singing from the fence posts, that "Can't get 'em up" comes through the windows of your quarters and tells you that a new day has been born.

It is like the heralds of old announcing the race-the bugles announcing the advent of a day.

out at Believue rifle range, ninety-nine tirod soldiers turned in their cots, yawned and in a twinkling were in their uniforms.

Breakfast was soon dispatched, and ther came those were notes of first call. It was a glorious merning. The old Missouri looked as fimped as a lake in the early morning sun-rise. The spray of dew that had covered the trees during the night glistened and gleamed so dazdingly that onestanding in officer's row could scarcely see across the range. A gentle breeze fanced the soldiers as they sat at breakfast, and despite all this lovelness, the veterans of the range said it would be a poor day for shooting.

But the dew dried up in the sun and kindly clouds floated by and excellent scores were made. This was the first day of real interest to

spectators in the competition. It was a day of uncertainties. The day previous the men had shot at known distances, but yesterday they were upon the skirmish line, dropping and firing at the sound of the bugle.

It was a pretty sight, those blue and white uniformed men dashing over the range, droping and firing and away again.

Behind the skirmishers Major Benham, the inspector, rode, with trampeters on either side to give the commands from the brazen throats of their instruments. From the shade of the statistical officers'

tent bright eyes watched the progress of the contest

It reminded one, in a small degree, of West Point. There were the girls in white, the fluttering fans and the delicate applause. Among the visitors to the camp yesterday were General Brooke, the department com-mander; Mrs. Wilde Dr. Bache and daughter, Mrs. Bettens of Fort Robinson, whose husband is a range officer at the camp; Mrs. Palmer and Mrs. McAndrow of Fort Sidney,

whose hu bands are also at the range. Major Benham, after the shooting was over, entertained the visitors elegantly, and until the evening train arrived the time seemed short indeed.

The marksman are doing magnificently this year, and the average is far ahead of what it was on the second day of the competition last season, and it must be remembered that the carbine practice has been united with the rifle competition this year. The skirmish firing is particularly good.

Here is the score of yesterday of the twelve leading men in each class: THELE COMPETITION.

I Day's Skirmish I Day's-Known distance

within a quarter of a mile of her the engi-near whistled for a crossing, and he supposed the woman heard the approach of the train. Soon after he whistled again, but the woman seemed not to heed it. The train was running at a speed of twelve miles an hour. The woman's neek was broken, and she was otherwise bruised and mangled. The supposition is that the woman thought the approaches that the Milwankee the approaching tain was on the Milwarkee track, which ruts parallel with the Rock Island, and heard its approach. She leaves a family of four children. The coroner held an inquest. The verdict was in accordance with the above facts, and was a complete ex of the railway employes from any

responsibility for the accident. Yesterday morning, when the reveille rang

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District Court.

KILLED ON THE TRACK.

a Locomotive.

Mrs. Thella Harrington of Council Bluffs,

a widow forty-eight years of age, was struck

by a Rock Island freight train yesterday

moming while walking on the tracks and

The unfortunate woman had been in the

employ of Dr. Gorden, living in the southern

portion of the city, and had also done

domestic work at the deaf and dumb

of mestate work at the deal and dumb institute. She had been in the habit of com-ing into the city at an early hour walking on the railroad tracks. The train was in charge of M. Hibbard conductor, Fred Schultz engi-neer and G. Zennor freeman. The track is perfectly straight where the accident oc-curred, and the train crew saw the woman when she was a mile some meridence in the

when she was a mile away walking in the mildle of the track. When the train got within a quarter of a mile of her the engi-

instantly killed.

Burke & Frazier, commission men of South Omaha, have commenced suit to recover \$1,600 from Lillie May Sigmore, who is in the cattle business at Beatrice. The plaintiffs allege that some time ago Lillie wrote them that she had shipped a lot of cattle, consigned to them, and that she had drawn on them for \$1.600. As the plaintiffs had been in the habit of cashing her drafts, they cashed this one and waited for the cattle, which never The draft was made through the Nebraska National back of Beatrice. When correspondence was opened up with this bank information was forwarded to the plaintiffs that Lillie had received the money and converted it to her own use, hence the suit. Henry Ostoff has filed his bond in replevin and commenced suit to gain possession of the stock of paints and oils now held by John F. Boyd, as sheriff, taken from Hobos & Co., who were formerly in business at 519 North Sixteenth street. Ostoff chains that he is the owner of the stock, and besides wanting it delivered to him, he thinks he should have \$100 as damages.

County Court Judgments.

Judge Shields called the county court docketin the presence of a gathering of lawyers that taxed the capacity of the little court.

The called embraced 186 cases, of which sixty-five were finally set for trial. A number of judgments were entered as follows, the plaintiff being winner in every

nstance: William T. Whales vs 0. R. Cala et al. William T. Winden vs O. R. Calu et al., 281, 28; George W. Freeman et al vs Rachel Schlank, 222, 85; Omaha coal coak and lin, e company vs Charles Johnson, \$270,34; Wil-liam H. Bridge vs T. F. Mulligan, \$624,37; Nebraska saviaga and exchange bank vs Richard A. Stevens, \$511,78; William Cohen vs Alexander, Polack \$341,90 s Alexander Polack, \$344.20.

In the county court yesterday John R. Harris, trustee, brought suitagainst J. L. and Althouro Rice, The plaintiff alleges that on the 16th day of February, 1889, the defendants made their promissory for §742, payable to one Charles B. Jacobs, and that the same is due and unpaid

he same is due and unpaid. D. R. Edwards has commenced an action n replevin to recover possession of a lot of ersonal property mortgaged to plaintiff by ne Ellen McNamara. The amount in controversy is \$300.

Progress. It is very important in this age of vast material procress that a remody be pleasing to the taste and to the eye, easily taken, accept-able to the stomach and healthy in its nature and effects. Possessing these qualities, Syrup of Figs is the one perfect laxative and and effects. most gentle diuretic known.

SOUTH ONAUA NEWS.

FRAUDS IN OUR DAILY FOOD. Mrs. Thella Harrington Run Down by

Some of the Adulterations Practiced on an Unruspecting Public.

CINNAMON MADE FROM CIGAR BOXES. Boston's Favorite Bean Worked Over Into Old Java Coffee-The Government Chemists and the

Work They Perform.

With all due respect to politicians and editors, we Americans have a very decent sort of a government, state and federal, over our heads. It is clumsy and stupid, and if we belive what we hear and read, it does an incalculable amount of harm. On the other hand, it does a world of good. And, strange to say, of this side of its career and conduct we hear much less than we ought, says the Boston Globe.

Broad and butter are probably the most important element in the life of every citizen. Our daily food is of greater importance than our annual suffrage, and in this field the government has long been doing a quality and quantity of work that are admirable to the highest degree.

At this point you naturally ask, what is the work, who do it, and what is the

practical result? Hhe work is the examination, analysis and valuation of every kind of food and drink that comes to this country from abroad, as well as of many kinds that are produced at home; the suppression, confiscation or destruction of unwholesome and injurious food; the punishment of offenders of all sorts and the publication of all the transactions involved in scietific and sporific form for future reference.

The work, it must be confessed, is done in rather a haphazard way. In the first place, the rational government em-ploys a score of skilful chemists, who are tiached to the custom houses of New York, Boston and such other leading cities as are legal ports of entry. Sec-ond in importance is the national board of health, which every year publishes one or more ponderous volumes of its proceedings. The third machine con-sists of the state boards of health, which tre of all sorts, varying from that of Massachusetts, which has a world-wide name and farme, to that of Delaware, which has no name at all; and, last, the local boards of health, which are likely occasionally, to do something of value, but seldom indulge in the luxury.

So far as our daily food is concerned the most interesting, if not the most valuable work has been done by the cas-tom house chemists and a few of the state boards of health. They are the bulwarks between our stomachs, if not our health and life, and the mercenary merchants and menufacturers who are only too glad to turn an honest penny by adulterating and imitating value ble goods, repairing and disguising wo thess goods and substituting good, and and indifferent articles for those which are the best. The struggle between the two is very much like that between the safemaker and the safebreaker, or the banker and the burghar; first one is slightly ahead and then the other

The dishonest merchant and manufacturer are men of brains, and rely upon science to obtain fraceated prolits. Under various projects they retain great suvants to solve chemical and technical questions whose solution

down, and then it was as pure and white a sugar as can be produced. On account of this fraud the government changed its system of valuation and now uses the polariscope to determine the strength of imported raw sugars.

Equally striking was an experience of the Massachusetts state board of health. In examining what was sold all through New England as powdered cinnamon, but which lost its strength so rapidly as to excite complaint, they were amazed to find that it did not contain a particle of that famous aromatic bark, and on the other hand they could not discover a trace of the substance with which powdered chnamon is usually ndulterated. Finally in the red powder they found something green, which under the microscope turned out to be a fragment of an internal revenue stamp, such as is used for tobacco. This gave the clue and enabled them to show that the mysterious stuff was old elgar boxes, dried and ground up and flavored with a few drops of essential cil. The imposition was so outragrous that the authorities not only published the discovery forthwith, but attacked the brand so igorously that in the next monthall that there was in the market had been

configated and destroyed. The action of the officials is said to have cost the guilty makers over \$10,000. The artifices in this field are sumber-

ess and the ingenuity and even genius at times displayed in cheating and falsifying are simply wonderful. In Boston, a man has a machine which takes the favorite food of that city, splits each bean into twograins, channels and finshes those so much like coffee that when they are reasted, they'll deceive the average grocer,

In Chicago, another commercial crook has a machine which makes a reast coffee bean out of coarse and damaged wheat flour. The diet which cut out the grains are so well contrived that out of 200 no two arealike. The bean coffee is sold chiefly in NewEngland and Canada, the wheat-paste coffee in the west and southwest. The government, whether federal or state, does not interfere with these preparations, because although arrant frauds upon the consumers, they away. are wholesome foods rather than other

Sophisticated wines and liquors were formerly very common, but in late years have become very ram. One house in Hamburg and one in Bremen not very long ago did a large business with the United States. They were quite honest in their dishonesty and spared the government by announcing in their bills of ading that their champagne was "carbonated gooseberry, "their old cognac, favored "potato spirit" or "industrial "medicinal cordial." They loft the lying to the American customers, knowing probably that the new world is far superior in this regard to the old world. Barring brandy, of which two thirds is fraudulent, it ne longer pays to import imitations and adulterations. The false wines will no longer compete with the vintages of California, Ohio, Missouri and New York. The liqueuers have gone largely out of fashion, and even the sale of imitation cognae and otard has fallen way down on account partly of the excellence of American brandy and partly the in-creased popularity of rye and bourbon all over the land.

In spite of the cheapness and wholesomeness of our native wines, the officials occasionally run down people who make a scant livelihood by compounding poor imitations. The New York board of health found a "vineyard" in the cellar of anold warehouse in the heart of the business center. It consisted of a lot of old hegsheads in which the proprietor was fermenting damaged raisins and decayed currants. The resulting "wine," after being filtered and forlified, was not altogether vile. The officers threw technical questions whose solution means a new way of deceiving the pub-lic. As an illustration of this, any number of one or tricks can be given which are

WHAT TEARS ARE MADE OF. They Perform a Useful as Well as Semimental Function.

It is said that people sometimes weep for joy, as well as for sorrow, but such cases are at least rare; any way there is not probably any difference in the material of the tears so shed, says the Brooklyn Standard. They are both made of the same staff. The principal element in the composition of a tear, as may readily be supposed, is water. The other elements are salt, sola, phosphate of lime, phosphate of sola and mucus,

each in small proportions. Adried tear seen through a microscope of good average power presents a peculiar appearance. The water, after evaporation, leaves behind it the saline ingredients, which analgamate and form themselves into lengthened cross lines, and look like a number of minute fish bones. The teamare secreted in what me

called the "lachrymal glands," situated over the eyeball and underneath the lid. The contents of these glands are carried along and under the inner surface of the cyclids by + means of six or seven very fine channels, and are discharged a little above the cartilage supporting the lid. The discharge of lears from the lackrymal glands is not occasional and acci-

dental, as is commonly supposed, but continuous. It goes on both day and night—though less abundantily at night -through the "conduits" and spreads equally over the surface of the lids

carried away by two little drains, situated in that corner of each eye nonrest the nose, into which they run, and called the "lach rymal points," The useful ness of this quiet flow of tears to both man

There is an immense quantity of fine dust floating in the nirand constantly getting into the eyesthat, but for it they would soon become choked. Very little is requisite to keep the ball free, and when some obnoxious substance -- smoke, an insect, or the like, that affects the nerves-does make its way in an increased flow is poured out to sweep it

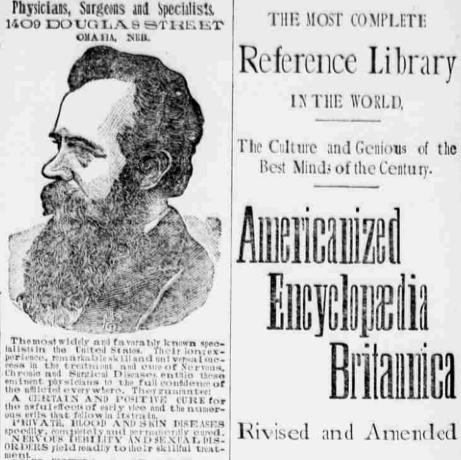
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The Princess of Monaco.

Nearly everybody is interested in prettywomen. Their beauty is, first of all, a card of introduction, and after that, if they have a little history, even if it is only a little bit of ancelote, a beautiful woman will command more interest than one who depends on her intellect or charm of manuer to faseinate. Among the most famous women in Paris today is the princess of Monaco, about whom much has been written, but curiously enough it is never told that she is the daughter of an Americaa woman, says a French writer. Her mother was a Miss Miltenberger of New Orleans, who married the rich banker, Heine, and had two children, a son and a daughter. The daughter inherited the mother's exceptional beauty, and at seventeen years of age married the Due de Richelieu. After three years of marrid lifehe

died, and for eight years the beautiful young widow, rich, not only in more ducats, but very fascinating, was courted by all the men whose attention was worth consideration. Her most ardent wooer was the prince of Monaco, and after a long wooing she said "res" to his proposal and was married last

more like an American than a French woman. She has blonde hair, dark brown eyes and the peach-like skin that is so often seen here and so seldom in France. She writes and speaks English. French, German, Italian and Spanish Her



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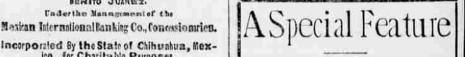
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Random Shots.

Sergeant Stearns of C company, Sixteenth infantry, scored thirty hits out of a possible forty at a kneeling figure in the skirmish run

Corporal Dramery made a wonderful per formance vesterday. On the day before, up to 600 yards, he scored over an average of su percent. At 600 yards he made ten direct misses, placing him among the lowest of the misses, pacing him along the lowest of the competitors. Yesterday in the skirmish he second life on the first run and 117 on the second, and jumped up to within the halo of the first twelve. The chances are that he will be in the department team as he certainly

has wonderful nerve and a clearvision. Lieutenant Henry Wright, "Light Horse Harry" he is called at the range, is in the competition again this year and declares that when it comes to the revolver competition he

will score the highest percentage. Lieutenant Grote Hutcheson is the most industrious officer in the camp He has to score while the other fellows shoot.

Captain Duncan of the Twenty-first infantry, who has been commissioned to take charge of the department rille team, is keep-ing a sharp lookout over the lenders. Captain Duncan, by the way, is the son of that dis-tinguished officer, General Duncan, one of the most prominent officers in the service. Lieutenant Parke of the Twenty-first, talks

of his rapid transit project at all times. Lieutenant Palmer of the Twenty-first and

Lieutenant Arrasmith of the Second taik and talk of cushion caroms and masse shots. Major Benham cannot do too much to entertain visitors from the city. In his quarters

everyone feels at home. Mrs. Palmer and Mrs. McAndrew are stopping at Bellevue college.

\$20 St. Louis to Boston and return via the Ohio & Mississippi railway, account G. A. R. reunion, with choice of routes via New York and Sound, steamers via Poughkeepsie, Hudson river bridge via Newburg and via Troy. Tickets good August 8, 9 and 10, and returning until September 30. Proportionate rates from all points west. Call on ticket agents of connecting lines or address A. J. Lytle, western passenger agent, St. Louis, Mo.

Building Permits. Permits were issued as follows by Superintendent Whitlock yesterday : 2,500 2,500 2,500 2,500 2,500 2,500 2,500 A Brown, 115-story frame dwelling, Forty-second and Charles streets 500 500 Same 500 Theo. Olson, 2-story brick tenement block, Twenty-ainth and Izard streets 2,400 For physical aliments, especially those ineldent to declining years, there is no remedy that produces such satisfactory results as Dr. I. H. McLean's liver and kidney balm. Its

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Board of Education. The board of education met Monday evening

with President Persons and Secretaries Car roll and Funston and Richard Swift John D. Robinson and Walter J. Slate present. The president appointed Richard Swift emporary secretary. An effort to elect a secretary failed for lack

standing committees

of a quoran voting, The president appointed the following Finance and Claims-Messrs, Richard Swift, John D. Robinson and Frank J. Perimmediately.

Teachers, janitors, examinations and sala-es-Messrs. John C. Carroll, C. T. Van

Akea and Richard Swift. Buildings and grounds—Messrs. Richard Swift, C. T. Van Aken and John C. Carroll. Text books and course of studies—Messrs. John D. Robinson, Walter J. Slate and Frank J. Persons.

Repairs, furniture and supplies-Messrs. John C. Carroll, John D. Robinson and Richird Swift.

Rules and regulations-Messrs, Walter J Sinte, Frank J. Persons and John D. Robin-

Sonitary affairs-Messrs. C. T. Van Aken, Walter J. Slate and John D. Robinson. The bills of Eggers & Beck, \$1,500; Con-tractor Fitzgerald, \$1,000; the superintenmail bills were ordered paid. Messrs. Richard Swift, John D. Robinson and Frank I. Persons were appointed a com-mittee to terrace and drain the high school

rounds. A school will be opened in the Fourth ward. President Persons was appointed a sustedian committee of the keys. Adjourned to meet Saturday evening. ward.

Postmaster Glasgow.

Telegraphic advices from Washington have been received that Dr. John M. Glasgow is sure to be appointed postmaster at South Omaha and that the president will send his name to the senate today for confirmation.

Notes About the City.

A daughter has been born to Mr. and Mrs. Edward C. Ryan.

A delegation of Good Templars, headed by Grand Secretary Watts, came from Omaha and attended the installation of the officerselect of lodge 100 Monday night.

The ladies of the Baptist congregation will hold a social and ice cream festival in the shurch, Twenty-seventh street north of N. thisevening

Ludvic Kratsky, an employe at the pack-ing houses of Swift & Co., accidentally cut his right hand Monday.

Announcem nt.

C. B. Moore & Co. have been appointed wholesale agents for the celebrated waters of Excelsior Springs, Missouri.

Learning to Write at Forty.

James Robinson, tall, robust, with a andy complexion and forty years of age has spent almost his entire life mining in the mountains in the west, says a Kansas City dispatch to the Chicago Herald. Two months ago he came from Phoenix, A. T. He could neither read nor write. During the past eight years he has been engaged in the transaction of business involving the buying and selling of mines, through which he has been placed in comfortable circumstances financially. His "mark" had been at-tached to deeds and contracts so often that he was brought to realize the necessity of an education. Hence his pres-ence in Kansas City. Mr. Robinson has applied himself assiduously under the direction of a private tutor and can now read and write. He says he will remain another month in Kansas City and then return to Arizona and look after his mining interests. After the lapse of a few weeks he will return to pursue his educational course. In three years' time he expects to have a good business education, supplemented with the embellishments of literature.

of queer tricks can be given which are now a matter of official record. In the tea trade, for instance, black tea was found to be adulterated with aloe and other leaves in ever increasing propertions and green tea to be weighed with impurities and colored with copper salts. The wealthy British teadealers in the east were the guilty parties in every case. When the government declared war on both frauds they dwindled away

As cheap teas remained as universal for several years thereafter as they had been before, another investigation was made, resulting in the discovery that over twenty domestic concerns were buying spent and damaged tea leaves, commercial article.

More remarkable is the story of cheap readers pure pepper was the rule and impure the exception. Our foreign until the condition of affairs was rewersed. The government finally took a hand in, and the bogus pepper business forthwith began to decline, at least, so far as the custom house was concerned, in our own market, on the other hand. t increased with even greater rapidity. A careful analysis by the Massachusetts bord of health showed that two or more of our leading dealers in cocoa-

and mixing the resulting powder with ground pepper. When the attention of of the largest manufacturers the authorities was called to the swindle which, strange to say, is confined to Boston, New York, Philadelphia and pepper all over the country took a sud-den rise.

The improvement did not continue a a long time, for the the trade price-lists had hardly more than reached Europe when some enterprising French and up almond shells, olive stones, cherry twigs and other ligneous fibres. It is utilized by flavoring it with a few drops one-half to one-tenth its weight of genu-

ine ground pepper. Amusing to relate when the wholesale grocers and spice dealers found out about, "poivrette," which they did a few months after its appearance in the new world, the loudest denunciations of the new odulterant came from the lips of the worthy cocoanut-shellgrinder. He was so anxious for the health of his fellowcountrymen as to urge the passage of a law making it a crime to sell or treat 'poivrette" as pepper, under any or all ircumstances.

Sometimes the custom house chemists came out ahead. 'At one time when the sugar duty depended upon the color of the article, being lowest upon the raw dark brown and highest upon pure white, the officials noticed a sudden falling off in the imports of the latter and an immense increase in the former. To the eye and judged by the ordinary standards the stuff seemed the poorest and impurest raw sugar imported. The chemists went to work with a will and in a short time demonstrated that the sugar had been refined in the West Indies and then to make the tariff as light as possible had been mixed with fine clay until it looked more like mud than anything sweet. When bought by an American refiner it only needed to be dissolved in water, filtered in the ordinary way, boiled

may not seem good, but is splendid. And I wish it distinctly understood that it is respectable because I sell it to a thousand churches for communion wine!"

In the manufacture of jellies, confectionery and bonbons, the soul of the adulterator runs riot. A cheap crabapple jelly made in New York but sold by the trade, generally consists of water, glucose, burned sugar, eider vinegar, oil of vitroland vegetable gelatine. It is sold as cheap as 5 cents a glass and is said to cost less than 3, the tumbler included. Of the Turkish fig paste, Arabian delight and jujube paste, much of which was once and all of which is still believed to be imported, nearly every ounce ismade in the great manufacturrecurling and recoloring them, and then selling them as a bonafide first-class and coarse and is made from wholesome ingredients by powerful machinery. It contains nothing but glucose, starch, a

little flavor and a little coloring. These are cheap and steam power is cheau For this reason the falsifier of the past lealers began to adulterate their goods who used sugar and terralbafor materials and hand labor in their elaboration

It is very difficult with chocolate, plain or confectionery, whether imported or domestic. Of 200 brands examined officially not twenty were pure. Sugar, starch, glucose, terra alba barytes, brown ochre, clay, venetian brown and other adulterations are added were increasing their profits to it until in some cases, there is not by pulverizing broken cocoanut shells more than 15 per cent of the genuine which had formerly been thrown away, article in what is offered under its article in what is offered under its name. Recently, in the factory of one in this country, the board of health found a ton of venetian brown in the workroom, with Boston, New York, Philadelphia and the workmen busy mixing it in the Baltimore, the general quality of ground machines with the chocolate. The manufacturer, by the way, is one whose standing and much advertised claim for patronage is "absolute purity and the finest workmanship." The national government takes notice of these deceptions only when any ingredient is

Italian manufacturers began to send us huge bags of "polyrette," This de-lectable compound is made by grinding slightest consideration. In conclusion it is but just to state

that the adulterator is in a minority, and of pepper extract, or mixing it with from | that our foeds and drink are good, fresh and wholesome nine times out of ten.

Ease ball Beats Bull Fighting.

Baseball has taken a popular hold upon our Spanish-American neighbors in the island of Cuba. I met Charles Rever of Brooklyn who has just returned from Havana, says a writer in the New York Star.

"Baseball will soon be the national sport in Cuba," he said, "if its popularity increases in the same proportion asit has during three or four years. Every one is interested in it and it promises to be as general a pastime as it has

"One thing seems strange, the natives do not understand English, yet all base ball terms are in English, and in speaking of a game the Cubans use exactly the same words and phrases as are used here. How they get them nobody knows, and to hear a Spaniard, speaking no other language, talking of home runs, errors, daisy cutters and red-hot liners, sounds very funny. At any rate it looks now as if base ball would eventually take the place of ball fighting as an annusement among our tropical cousins."

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American.

A Countess Begging Bread.

Out near the Cliff House there sits everydaya weary looking woman who plays a hand organette, says the San Francisco Examiner. A placard calls the attention of the public to her desti-tution and that of her two children. The dimes and nickels of the charitable passers-by areall that give her and the children food and shelter. Yet this woman has a title that half the heiresses in California would give themselves and their fortunes for. She is Contesse Von Schlaegen, the widow of an Austrian nobleman. She comes of a noble Polish family, Von Schlaegen squandered her little dowery, as he did his own fortune, and when he died ten years ago she was left almost penniless with two bables. She came to America, whither her brother had emi-grated some years before, but found him ick and erippled and almost as poor as herself. He lived but a short time and then she weat towork. She first tried to teach drawing, but did not know enough of the art. She sewed for a time, but her eyes could not stand the strain, and finally she became a factor operative. The poor food and other hard hips broke her health, until at last there s nothing she can do but ask for charity She is sensitive about her former life owever, and never speaks of her title The story only became known through an application she once made to a loca benevolent society for assistance.

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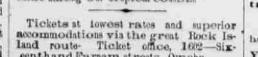
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