Persistent Joe Wheeler.

Previous to appointing General "Joe" Wheeler to a command in the war with Spain President McKinley consulted the late Senator Davis, of Minnesota, about the matter. "I think it would be a splendid appointment," said Mr. Davis. "I am a living witness of Joe Wheler's grit and persistence. During the civil war he chased me like the devil through five states."

#### Martha Washington Relics.

Colonel Edwin A. Stevens, the present owner of Castle Point. Hoboken, one of the oldest houses in America, has among his collection of curios vis-Iting cards of Martha Washington, written by the president, a book of Martha Washington's, with her own name and the date of 1759, and a piece of Mrs. Washington's red and white brocade gown.

#### Paris Electric Cops.

A remarkable innovation is about to be made in Paris. The policemen on night duty are to have electric lights on various parts of their uniforms and at the extremities of their batons. These will be worked by pressing a waistcoat button and the object is the regulation of the street traffic.

#### Dog-Wise Congressman.

Congressmen Beidler of Ohio; Rupert of New York, and Shallenberger of Nebraska are recognized authorities on various breeds of dogs and the three are often together talking dog. Beidler runs to pointers, setters and fox terriers, Rupert to St. Bernards and Shallenberger to mastiffs and St. Bernards. Each is very proud of his kennels.

The Roosevelt "One Hoss Shay." An old phaeton, built for President Roosevelt's father sixty years ago and in which the president frequently rods when a boy, has been painted up and taken to Washington from Oyster bay for the use of the White House children. The vehicle is hand made, both as to iron and wood; it is not too pretty to look at, but very comfortable, and as good to-day as ever.

The intellectual type of beauty is heard but not seen.

An old bachelor says that matrimony and not Wisconsin is the "badger" state.

If a married man would know hlmself he should get his wife to introduce him.

#### WHEN YOUR GROCER SAYS

he does not have Defiance Starch, you may be sure he is afraid to keep it until his stock of 12 oz. packages are sold. De-flance Starch is not only better than any other Cold Water Starch, but contains 16 oz, to the package and tells for same money as 12 oz. brands.

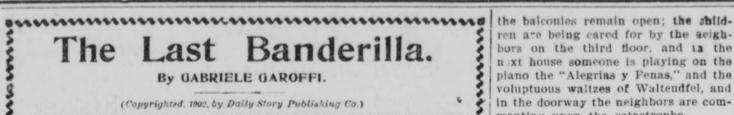
Some men's minds are cumbered with useless memories.

DON'T SPOIL YOUR CLOTHES.

Use Red Cross Ball Blue and keep then, white as snow. All grocers, 5c, a package.

Wise is the weather prophet who predicts both ways.

a laundry starch anywhere near as me so sad to think that-" good as Deflance.



My neighbor, Soledad Jimenez, an only as they go around the corner, he Andalucian with black hair and flash- | turns his head to see the handkering eyes, is the beauty of the street. chief which the graceful Soledad waves Her husband, José, serves under the to him in loving "Adios." orders of the first swordsman of the . Plaza de Madrid, and this afternoon The bull-fight must have already

there is a bull fight. José arrived yescommenced.

terday from Malaga; he is an honest The afternoon has become dark: fellow, modest and sympathetic, who leaden clouds are rapidly hiding the thinks a great deal of his wife and of rays of the sun and in the houses the the two pretty children who add such shadows are becoming every moment happines to his humble home. If he more pronounced. The waxen candles tries very hard and undergoes many of the altar seem to burn with double hardships and takes many risks with intensity and the yellow glow from the bull, it is in order to bring a little them falls full upon the white face comfort and warmth to that nest of of the gentle Andalucian. Soledad love that just now in the winter is remains kneeling, her lips move slowvery cold; perhaps it is because of ly; in her hands there is neither cross the fatigues that he endures that he is nor rosary, for the ardent devotion of known among his comrades by the the woman removes all need of them: instead her fingers press with nervous Soledad went to the station very movements, a little watch that marks early this morning and when, just with desperate slowness the hours of after davlight, I opened my window, the interminable struggle.

The night has fallen. Suddenly a there appeared much rejoicing in the dazzling glitter of lightning flashes out house of the bull-fighter. She, seated by the balcony, was hastily patch-



across the sky and a fearful storm breaks over Madrid. Soledad gives a cry and runs to the balcony to see for herself if the storm will be of importance to her. The bull-fighters do not return, but the "corrida" must surely be finished because, aside from the fact that the usual time has passed, the tempest must, of course, have put an end to it. What indefinable bitterness is painted on the face of José's wife! The rain has ceased for a moment, and the street is filled with, a her, asked: It will be a cold day when you find so to have those attacks; it makes thousand confused rumors. The shopkeeper of the corner has returned.talk-

ren are being cared for by the aeighbors on the third floor, and 1a the noxt house someone is playing on the piano the "Alegrias y Penas," and the voluptuous waltzes of Walteudfel, and in the doorway the neighbors are com- | number of accidents, fatal and othermenting upon the catastrophe.

# SEVEN MILLIONS IN GOLD.

Greatest Amount of Bullion Ever Car-

died in a Single Vessel. "I notice that the newspapers have 000,000 of bullion to a foreign country

greatest amount ever transported." said a man who has been with the navy for years to a reporter. "It is entirely wrong. In 1885 there was brought from the mint in New Orleans to the treasury in Washington \$11,-000,000, and iet was brought in a steamer.

"The government decided to transport \$15,000,000 from New Orleans, It was first thought best to bring it by rail, but this was assuming a great risk. The cabinet discussed the matmoney was brought by train.

"The United States ship Swatara was first designated to carry the steamer Yantic was pressed into serfrom the shellroom were removed, as were also the sails from the sailroom, so that all available space was utilized for packing the coin. The only weapon of defense was a Gatling gun.

"The money was conveyed from the mint to the vessels in wagons. A squad of secret service officers watched the work. The two vessels were in tow and the trip from New Orleans to the Washington navyyard occupied a little more than four days. Considerable wind was encountered off Hatteras, but otherwise the trip was without incident. The money was carried from the navy yard to the treasury by an express company.

"The money was in boxes of \$2,000 each and in bags. My recollection is that the money was in silver dollars, or the greater part of it, for, while unloading at the navyyard, one of the bags, rotten from being in storage so wharf.

the flagship. The prince, when he saw dumbbell fruit.

#### **RUSSIAN RAILWAY ACOIDENTS**

### Ir 1899 Averaged Twelve a Day, with 1,226 Killed and 3,860 Injured.

The Russian railways have always had an evil reputation for the great wise, annually recorded against them. Judging from some statistics just issued by the ministry of ways and communications, this unenviable notoriety would appear to be more or less well

deserved. The latest compiled data are for recently spoken of the carrying of \$7,- 1899, in which year there were 4,447 accidents, that is, on an average, a by one of the ocean liners as the little more than twelve per diem. Of this total 1362 were derailments, 750 collisions and 2,335 of various other descriptions. The derailments resulted in twenty-one deaths and 172 cases of serious personal injury; the damages incurred by those accidents were 552,861 rubbes. The collisions were re-

sponsible for nineteen deaths, 238 cases of serious injury, and damage to the amount of 600,000 rubles. Other accidents resulted in the deaths of 1.146 persons and 2,665 cases of personal inter carefully and it was finally decided jury. Railway accidents unconnected that the safest way would be by water. with passenger traffic were responsible The members of the cabinet saw that for thirty deaths and 3.860 cases of there was a chance for a hold-up if the personal injury. Altogether 1,226 persons were killed and 6,993 injured.

During the twelve months under review there were not so-called serious money, but it was found that she railway accidents in England. If the would be inadequate to transport the trains, ordinary and express, in Ruswhole amount, so the wooden salling sia were run at anything like the speed which obtains on English and vice to help out. We removed from French lines, says a London Standard the Swatara her magazines. The shells correspondent, the number of fatalities would be at least tenfold greater. more especially in cases of derailment and collision. Railway traveling in Russia is proverbially slow, but by

no means sure.

# DELICIOUS NEW FRUIT.

#### It Is Called Dumbbell, and Tastes Like Peach Flavored with Pineapple. The newest product of scientific gardening is the dumbbell fruit. It resembles a Siamese twin peach and tastes like a peach flavored with pineapple. It is said to be delicious-far surpassing any known fruit in the delicacy of its flavor.

There is a romance connected with the story of its cultivation. In the year 1886 a scientist named Jeffreys. embittered by an unfortunate love aflong, gave way, and a large number of fair, turned his back on civilization, silver dollars were scattered about the and, with a Cingalese servant, made his home on a small island 1,000

"The Swatara was a historic craft. miles south of Ceylon. Here he re-John Surratt was brought back from | mained until his death, in 1898, occu-Malta in the Swartara. The prince of pying himself with scientific studies Wales, now King Edward, paid her a and the cultivation of fruit trees. By visit once when she was with the grafting and other methods he pro-American squadron at Villefranche in duced several curious varieties, his the Mediterranean. She was then most astonishing success being the

After the death of Mr. Jeffreys the "'Is this a yacht or a man of war?' native servant took a few samples of "The Swatara is now in 'rotten row' the new fruit and set sail in a trading

#### Gwin's Valued Memento.

William Gwin, the colored messenger, v who has served thirteen secretaries of state during the past thirty years, car ties a gold watch inscribed "From William M. Evarts to William Gwin, February, 1893.'

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#### Few Rabies Cases.

Dr. Antonio Lagorio, who has had such remarkable success in his treatment of hydrophobia at his Pasteur hospital in Chicago, says that he has personally examined 10,000 patients, the vast majority of whom, however, he has turned away as having been bitten by innocuous animals.

#### Minus the Sporting Column.

A well known London newspaper is to try the experiment of leaving out racing news of every kind and excluding all betting quotations. A great many people will be sufficiently interested to watch the effect on that journal's daily circulation.

Adam was the one and only man created free and equal.

CHANGE OF LIFE. Some Sensible Advice to Wo-

men by Mrs. E. Sailer,

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM :-- When I passed through what is known as 'change of life,' I had two years' suffering, -sudden heat, and as quick chills would pass over me ; my appetite was variable and I never could tell for



MRS. E. SAILER. President German Relief Association, Los Angeles, Cal.

a day at a time how I would feel the next day. Five bottles of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound changed all that, my days became days of health, and I have enjoyed every day since-now six years.

"We have used considerable of your Vegetable Compound in our charitable work, as we find that to restore a poor mother to health so she can support herself and those dependent upon her, if such there be, is truer charity than to give other aid. You have my hearty endorsement, for you have proven yourself a true friend to suffer men."-MRS. E. SAILER, 756 Hill St., Los Angeles, Cal. -\$5000 forfeit if above testimonial is not genuine. No other person can give such helpful advice to women who are sick as can Mrs. Pinkham, for no other has had such great experience-her address is Lynn, Mass., and her advice free-if you are sick write her-you are foolish if you don't.

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People buy Hamlin's Wizard Oil because they have learned by experience that it cures pain of every kind.

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MORE FLEXIBLE AND LASTING. won't shake out or blow out; by using Defiance starch you obtain better results ossible with any other brand and one-third more for same money.

If a man is a genius his neighbors all say he is crazy.

Big Industries Built up on Small Articles. Few people realize the wants and requirements of the eighty millions of people in the United States. Who would think that it requires over a million dollars capital to carry on the package dye business in this country, and that there are twelve different factories in the United States that manufacture package dye? One of the largest package dye factories in the world is that of the Putnam Fadeless Dye Co., Unionville, Mo. In this factory alone over three million packages are put up every year. When you know that each package colors from 3 to 6 pounds of goods, or that the output of Putnam Fadeless Dyes alone will color from 9 to 18 million pounds and that It would require more than 800 cars to hau! this amount of dyed goods, you will realize the magnitude of this seemingly small business.

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José's face became clouded: "You shall call the doctor to-day, Soledad. You occupy yourself too pear. much with thinking of me, dearest one: but this cannot continue and

must be remedied at once, no matter what it costs. After all, the year will not go so badly with us; more than sixty fights will be almost certain to make me a matador.

alias of "Senor Fatigas."

ing the red and yellow cloaks that

blood, hardly dry; the children were

playing with the ribbons of a rosette;

stretched on a chair was the costume

from time to time, said something to

clothing in the next room; two turtle

doves in a divided cage were wooing

canary, constant companion of the

Andalucian, was pouring out its full-

"Did they applaud you a great

"A great deal, child of my soul;

"And you didn't have any accident?"

"Nothing of the sort. One of the

down when I decorated him, but I left

him with the desire, because I didn't

"Ay, Pepé! What joy it would be

"There's no use talking about it;

I'm not good for anything else and by

keeping on at the bull-fighting I will

be able to provide all the things that

As the street is so narrow, I lost

no detail of the dialogue. José finish-

ed his toilet and came out into the

parlor; he kissed his wife on the fore-

head and repeatedly embraced his

children. Soledad gave her husband

a glance of great love, and said in a

"Yesterday I was ill again. I hate

if you would only go into some other

deal?" asked Soledad of José.

more than I deserved."

throated song.

stay there."

we want so much."

very sad voice:

business."

Three o'clock in the afternoon. The street seems almost deserted:

the shops are closed. It is a street where workingmen live and-it is Sunday. José has just finished dressing: a shirt, white as snow shows all the beauties of embroidery and ruffling that the hands of Soledad know how to give it; the numerous folds of the crimson sash hide his graceful waist. To-day José will wear a new costume, green and silver. The younger child has possessed herself of his velvet cap and, standing before the mirror, is putting it on and off, an action which produces a strange effect on that little blonde head with its long silky curls.

Soledad is impatient; the big clock. the one ornament of the almost unfurnished room, is about to strike four.



"If you would only go into some other business, Pepe!"

Suddenly an unrepressed frown on her face, she comes to the balcony; an open carriage, drawn at full trot enters the narrow street with a great deal of ostentation, escorted by a number of ragged urchins. "Seated in it is one of the companions of "Fatigas," dazzling the passers-by with his rich, gold-embroidered cloak, and emoking a fine cigar. José does not keep him waiting. He quickly takes ieave of his wife and children and then, pretending a great indifference, he goes down the stairs and gets into the carriage, which drives away to get the other "Peon" and the matador, I don't know why it is, but José, once

ing in a loud voice with a group of in the navyyard at San Francisco, vessel for Bombay. The merchants to friends; and the carriage does not ap-

Night! And José does not come! The newsboys are calling out the extra paper that gives the account of the afternoon's sport and of the adventures of the matador.

Soledad hears nothing. She hastens out into the street, without heeding the children that have just come in from their play, in order to be in time to help their father take off his costume of "banderillero." In a few minutes she is in the Prado and then in the old Aragon high-road, which is dark, lonely and full of mud and that acrid and penetrating odor that always remains after a rain storm. Some of the lamps have been blown out by the violence of the wind and among the little whirlwinds of muddy leaves that are blown against Soledad's lace mantilla, is a bit of yellow paper, a remnant of the programme of the "corrida," which took place in a near-by amphitheater. The branches of the trees in the Retiro are agitated by continual gusts of wind and seem like gaunt specters. A few black clouds drift across the horizon, half illuminated by the mist hidden moon. When yet not far from the Plaza, she sees in the distance a sad cortege. Several dependents are carrying on their shoulders a mattress covered with a dark cloak. Two or three curious wayfarers are talking with the men. "Poor Fatigas!" one of them was saying.

Soledad gives a choking cry and can see nothing more.

The papers of the evening speak of the "corrida" dedicating more than half a column to the fall given to the matador by one of the bulls; farther down it says with pitiless laconism:

"When the trumpet gave the signal for the banderilla the afternoon was threatening. The rain, the thunder and the lightning gave a most singular aspect to the combat. The banderillero 'Fatigas'' slipped in the mud as he was planting his last rosette and was caught and tossed by the bull. It was not possible to remain longer in the Plaza, so relying on the benevolence of our readers, we retired."

Caught and tossed! If the fear of the storm had not made the reporters run away, they might have been able to add something else. The horn of the bull struck the unhappy José in the left breast, and as the beast tossed him, it pierced his heart. \* .

They have buried José in the lonely Sacramental, and the matador who gave his friends such a fright went next morning to Seville, where he will lead to-morrow's "corrida."

To-day the house of Soledad is as she left it. The candles of the altar have burned out and covered the candelabra with smoke and stains; the crested canary is singing sadly because he is in the carriage, never looks back; there is no one to give him his seed; would be far more effective.

waiting to be surveyed. The \$11,000,- whom he showed his specimens at once 000 carried by the Swatara from New formed a syndicate and have since Orleans to Washington was the greatest amount of money ever carried by a single craft."

## MUCH MONEY FOR CANDY.

Nineteen Million Dollars Spent in Paris in Two Months. Nineteen million dollars for candy! a decade, but what the French people

price is 60 cents a pounds, so you can see your Parisian sister has a sweet tooth of no mean proportions.

France makes about 143,299,000 pounds of confections every year and exports

only one-tenth of it. England makes more than this and exports nearly half its product-they don't give little girls

long.

of candy has only the best. The fa- day.' mous marrons glaces come from Ardeche, Gard, Rhone, Cantal, and Clermont-Ferrand. Don't forget that, and make sure the name is on the wrapper. French manufacturers of sweetmeats are complaining now about the high tax on sugar and cocoa. On the latter a duty of \$20.07 is imposed on each 220 pounds, while the impost on sugar

amounts to \$11.68 for the same amount. Even at that French confectionery would be cheap if the makers didn't have to pay nearly 10 cents a pound tax of the manufactured goods.

### Natives Keep the Secret.

The Antaimoro, one of the oldest tribes of Madagascar, possess the secret of making from the pulp of a native shrub, a very beautiful and enfew sheets of this paper, on which its the coast, who desired to transcribe Youth's Companion. The Antaimoro will only make the paper for sale when some pressing necessity arises.

Prayer is the pulse of the Christian's life-there is no secular, no sacred, all is God.

been diligently cultivating the plantations.

Several ship loads have been sold in the seaport cities of Australia and India, and the syndicate is making preparations to meet an enormous demand next season. In London, where the dumbbell fruit has appeared this sea-No, that isn't what the world spends in son in small quantities, it has met with much favor from those fortunate pay out for sweets in two months, De- enough to obtain it. A suburban concember and January. The average fectioner who concocted a new drink with the juice of the fruit did a thriving business.

# HE FELT BETTER.

Because He Had Got Rid of the Cause of Disturbance.

Bishop Williams of Connecticut used candy in England the way they do over to tell the following story of the late here. Germany ranks third in the can- Dr. Ducachet: "One Sunday morning dy-making business among nations, Dr. Ducachet arose feeling wretched. and threatens to pass its rivals before After a futile attempt to eat breakfast he called an old and favorite col-

The best French chocolates come ored servant to him and said; 'Sam, from Paris, Bordeaux and Lyons, so be go around and tell Simmons (the sexsure the young man who comes to see ton) to post a notice on the church the grown-up sister and brings a box door that I am too ill to preach to-

"'Now, massa,' said Sam, 'don't you gib up dat way. Just gib him a trial: you get 'long all right.'

The argument went on and resulted in the minister starting off. Service over, he returned to his nouse, looking much brighter.

"'How you feel, massa?' said Sam, is he opened the door.

'Better; much better, Sam. I am glad I took your advice.'

"'I knew it; I knew it,' said the darky, grinning until every tooth was in evidence. 'I knew you feel better when you git dat sermon out o' your system.' "-New York Tribune.

## Albert and Victoria.

Queen Victoria has set down in her journal her feelings after her wedding. "Oh, how I feel for my dearest, during kind of paper, resembling precious husband at this moment," she parchment. Each family possesses a wrote. "Father, brother, friends, country-all has he left for me. God grant chronicles and traditions are recorded that I may be the happy person, the and the same paper is used for tran- most happy person, to make this dearscribing the laws of Mohammedanism. | est, blessed being happy and content-The paper is said to have been invent- ed! What is in my power to make ed in the middle of the ninth century him I will do." The proceedings in by a Mohammedan shipwrecked on parliament on the eve of the marriage were not such as to make Prince Alhis torn and water-soaked copy of the bert happy, and the queen's journal Koran in an enduring form, says records her indignation at the course events took in the House of Commons. A long and heated discussion took

place on the proposal to grant \$250,000 a year to the prince, and ultimately the grant was limited to \$150,000. Prince Albert learned of these things on his way to England and complained bitterly in a letter to the queen. "All

Sympathy is all right in its proper I have to say," he concluded, "is that place, but there are times when a kick while I possess your love they cannot make me unhappy."



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