

BEEF REPORT IS IN.

Miles and Other Officers Are Severely Criticized.

WASHINGTON, May 2.—The Wade court of inquiry has concluded its work in connection with the allegations of General Miles concerning the beef supplied to the army during the war with Spain.

The verdict is that the charges which General Miles made before the war investigating commission are not sustained in reference to the refrigerating beef, although his contention that the canned roast beef was not a suitable continuous ration is admitted.

The court finds the charges of "embalming" the fresh beef to have been unsubstantiated by testimony, and says no chemicals were used to preserve it. It also finds that it would have been impracticable to secure beef on the hoof for the Cuban campaign.

The fact is set forth that the canned roast beef had not been used to any appreciable extent before the beginning of this war and it is therefore regarded as a practically untried ration.

FIVE DAYS MUST ELAPSE.

New Wisconsin Law to Prevent Hasty Marriages.

MADISON, Wis., May 2.—During the five days from May 5 to May 10 there can be no marriage in Wisconsin without a special order from a court of record permitting such ceremony.

The True marriage license law has been signed by Governor Scofield and will be published and go into effect May 5.

CRY DOUBLE TAX.

NEW YORK, May 2.—Had a bomb-shell burst in their offices the corporations holding public franchises could not have been more surprised than they were at the passage of the Ford bill, under which franchises will be taxed as real estate.

ALTGELD CRITICALLY ILL.

Surgical Operation Performed as a Last Measure of Relief.

CHICAGO, May 2.—Friends of ex-Governor John Y. Altgeld were greatly alarmed yesterday over a report to the effect that he was critically ill, and that a surgical operation had been performed as a last measure for his relief.

Transvaal as a Gold Producer.

PRETORIA, May 2.—In the course of his speech at the opening of the volkreed, President Kruger announced that the Transvaal was now the largest gold producing country in the world.

Mr. Hobart Still Very Sick.

WASHINGTON, May 2.—Vice President Hobart's condition continues to improve slowly, but he is still a very sick man.

Cost of Training Carriage Horses.

The question is now quite frequently asked, how much does it cost to train a carriage horse and get him ready for the market? Indeed, the idea seems to prevail in some quarters that a regular, expensive course of training is required with the coach and carriage horse as it is with the trotter, says Farm and Home.

The horse must be well broken, well groomed and well conditioned; that is all. Of course the better broken a horse is and the more accustomed to the sights and sounds of urban life, the better he will sell.

PACIFIC COAST TRADE.

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Selected Pleasantries.

Clara—I wonder if it is true that one is likely to catch something from being kissed? Maudie—Of course not. You've been kissed enough, but you haven't caught anything yet, have you?—New York Herald.

Clippings.

WHAT FOR?

The entire group of Samoan (Navigator) Islands contains a population of about 35,000, of which 34,000 are savages and 400 whites. There are 200 British, 120 Germans and 26 Americans.

WHAT FOLLY.

The wealth of the United States exceeds that of Great Britain by twenty billions. Our exports exceed that of any four nations of Europe. We have less than seventy-five million population and at our rate of increase it will take a thousand years to have a population as dense as Belgium.

SOCIAL CHAOS.

We cannot show how a non-competitive system would work, without considering the prodigious influence which the atrocious education of children would have on their future life. Take a generation bred under our present methods of education, which assume competition as normal, and by a sudden overturn throw upon it the responsibilities of a non-competitive regime, and you would no doubt see plenty of trouble, if not social chaos.

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Floresam and Jettam.

"Do you go to church to hear the sermon or the music, Maud?" "I go for the hymns," said Maude.—Harper's Bazar.

He—How well Miss Elderberry carries her age! She—but then she has become so accustomed to it, you know.—Boston Transcript.

Mr. Newcome—What is the latest at the opera? Miss Wagner—For the last three nights it has been young Mrs. Polix in her latest Parisian gown.—New York Ledger.

"Can't you manage to get up something new to attract people here?" "I have it. We'll advertise that Trilly will not be among the living pictures." Chicago Inter-Ocean.

She—Why, this is only thirty-two inches, and you advertise it as a yard wide. Three feet makes a yard. Galant Mahaman—Not such feet as yours lady.—Boston Transcript.

"There's a good deal that is swell about Cholly Cadkins," said one girl. "Yes," replied the other; "the only trouble is that most of it has gone to his head."—Washington Star.

Traveler inquiring at famous castle—"Can I see the antiquities to-day? But what I am afraid not, sir. My lady and her daughter have gone to town."—Household Words.

"I saw De Castro, the magician, make a big gold piece disappear in three minutes." "That's nothing. You ought to see my wife with a ten bill at a church bazaar."—Atlanta Constitution.

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Mr. Gripp (an ex-car conductor)—Fare, please. In the "Sweet Sunny South." "Yes, sir, this here's the sunny south—you're right in the middle of it now."

When some of the hogs fall sick do not leave the well hogs in the pen, and remove the sick ones. Remove the well ones, as the sick ones may have already contaminated the ground.

HOW IT COMPARES. Gering, Neb., Feb. 1, 1899. Nebraska Independent, Lincoln, Neb.—Dear Sir: I purchased from you through your paper, last September, one of the machines you recommended in your paper called the Independent.

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