Presidents of the United States.

existence to-day than china which can be identified as having been used by all the other early presidents combined. This is doubtless due to the fact that both George and Martha Washington described the ware in detail in their wills.

Miss Mary Lee, daughter of Robert E. Lee, now possesses a greater quantity of this ware than any other person in the country. Her collection ineludes many pieces of the Cincinnati and Van Braam sets, a quantity of the French gold rimmed white china set, some blue and white earthenware and a number of unclassified pieces.

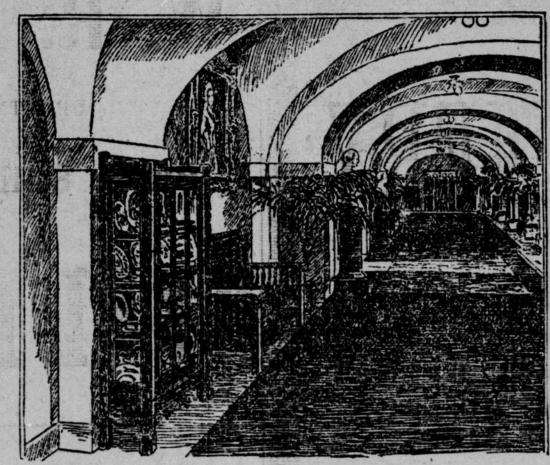
Mrs. Kennon's collection of Washington china contains many other things besides china. She has some fine plate, several sconces and candelabra, some of the furniture and pic-Jures that were at Mount Vernon during Washington's lifetime, and the old brass andirons which stood in the wide mouthed fireplace of the room in which he died. The Ladies' Mount Vernon association has succeeded in bringing back to Mount Vernon a number of interesting pieces of the Washington ware, among which is a big punch bowl.

The National Museum has a large heirs. It includes many pieces of age. center.

phtain specimens for the cabinets in the garret and forgotten.

haps more interested in American White House in 1814. history and in preserving the things This bowl now graces the sideboard

eight administrations is still in use Widespread interest has been shown the walls of the state dining room, at the White House, besides a num in the undertaking which Mrs. Roose- where all of the presidential china ber of pieces unidentified. velt has started of collecting, as far as | would have been placed. Mrs. Harri- | Two cabinets have been secured to It is possible, and preserving at the son did not succeed in putting her display the specimens of the china of 35 years, says What to Eat. With White House specimen pieces of all plan into execution, but she did suc- the eight administrations. They have all our scientific advance and our nomena of senility and old age is for a bird's nest. This father-in-law "Here, here," said the old fellow, the china which has been used by the ceed in restoring many of the dis- dark walnut frames with glass doors due directly to the microbes of the is not a bad fellow. In fact, he is a as soon as he recognized his favorite doubtful historical associations was and sides. Were they entirely of There is probably more Washington | carded pieces of china and plate, and | glass with glass shelving the china china of indisputable authenticity in while she was its mistress none of the would show to far greater advantage



Where the Presidential China is Shown in the White House.

blue earthenware, others of the gold | One day in rummaging through the | White House. be found in private homes throughout | ing room during the Lincoln adminis- | Tyler, and Mrs. Polk. the country, and from one or all of tration. It probably, at that time, be-

which she has recently placed in the Through Col. William H. Crook, who the Presidential ware—the Rooseveit gent, well educated, some of them the ancient capital of the grand dukes and in what an awful state he would "That's dear Uncle Ephraim. Con-White House. It will be difficult to has been connected with the clerical set. It is beautiful china in both tex- speaking four or five languages; and of Muscovy are yet to be seen re. leave his family and creditors, Blivins sumption did it. There is dear Cou-Recure specimens of all the presiden- force of the White House for forty ture and design. It is Wedgwood, many of them excellent musicians; mains of beacon mounds where warn- hit upon a new scheme. dial ware, but it is believed that those years and who has made a compre- and each piece bears a simple Colo- the men, mostly officers or titled dig- ing fires against the raids of the Tar- The next morning Blivins took to grandfather. Consumption. And who own such china will be glad to hensive study of its china, this piece nial device in gold, with the observe nitaries of one branch of the govern- tars were burned not 300 years ago. his office all the old photographs he there is ______. lend it to the White House for the was identified by the late Mrs. Nealey of the Great Seal of the United States ment or another, for nearly every man and the Tartars are the faithful Cos-The matter of preserving the presi- Virginia records she was able to iden- feature. The display includes a large with the government. The bureauc- Ten decades and more it took, but them on the wall, stood them on his Blivins there was no hope. As the dential china has been seriously con- tify the fruit bowl as belonging to the dinner platter, a dinner and breakfast racy and the army constitute the no- the southern boundary of Russia to- lesk and put them at every point agent went through the doorway Blive sidered by several of the presidents' set of Dolly Madison china that was plate, an exquisite round dish for bility. House parties, merry informal day is marked only by the hoary head n the office where they could be ins leaned back in his chair, laughed. wives. Mrs. Harrison, who was per- destroyed when the British burned the chilled oysters, and a coffee and tea dances and musical matinees, are of Mt. Ararat, 700 verst to the south seen.

collection of Washington china which old furnishings of the house of even, but as it is they have awakened the the government bought of the Lewis allowed to be sold or thrown into stor- interest of hundreds of sightseers who daily throng the public part of the

first a wide band of gold, then a nar-

rower curved rim of the blue, followed by a wide band of small gold dots,

outlined with threads of blue and gold. Medallions of gold decorate the bot-

tom of the bowl and the same design

At this time some of the china of

is carried out on its standard.

and white china set, besides a hand- garret of the White House, she found | They stand in the east ground floor mighty steppes to Vladikavkaz, nessome Neiderweiler bowl, and a very the three pieces of a high and classi- hall of the mansion, one on its north, tling below the snow-cloaked mounand quaint plate containing an | cal fruit bowl which was evidently of | just at the entrance of what is known tains of the Caucasus, a world of hisancient Chinese battle scene in its great age, but which at that time as the picture gallery of the house. tory and romance, lies our route; could not be identified. Capt. Pen- Hanging on the walls near them are and within two days we are in real Aside from these collections some dell, the oldest employe of the house, the paintings of Mrs. Roosevelt, Mrs. Russia—the Russia untouched by forof the presidential china will of course | remembered seeing it in the state din- | Harrison, Mrs. Hayes, the second Mrs.

Mrs. McKinley selected but little make the life of a great land pro- winged crow.-Outing. china while she was mistress of the Executive Mansion, but the cabinets include three of her plates, two with green and gold borders, and one having a deep wild rose design outlining it. There are also two tea cups and

saucers matching them. Like President Arthur, Mrs. Cleveland selected a large number of plates to supply the White House table, and

Six plates of what was called the gypsy set and two dainty cups represent the Arthur selection in the cabinets. Mrs. Harrison was nothing it not patriotic, and this was shown even she designed for the White House.

bears the American golden rod and Indian corn, as well as the coat of selected a quantity of cut glass, and two or three pieces of it are included

ware with a pale yellow border, and each piece of the original set bears the coat of arms in its border and an American wild flower in its center. Of this set a long fish platter, a large openwork fruit dish, a small compote, a breakfast plate, a tea plate, and small butter plates are shown in the

Of the Lincoln china, with its reddish purple border and dainty seal of the United States, there is comparatively little left in the White House, but Mrs. Roosevelt has put into the cabinets a large fish platter, a tall fruit dish, one of three remaining

water pitchers and two plates. This completes the collection as i now stands, but as the way opens to secure more of the historic ware other cabinets will be added, and it is the earnest desire of the mistress of the White House to make the collection complete by including some dish from Shout them. For this reason she tried | Presidential ware it is intended to give | the administration of each of the Presidential ware it is intended to give | the administration of each of the Presidential ware it is intended to give | the administration of each of the Presidential ware it is intended to give | the administration of each of the Presidential ware it is intended to give | the administration of each of the Presidential ware it is intended to give | the administration of each of the Presidential ware it is intended to give | the administration of each of the Presidential ware it is intended to give | the administration of each of the Presidential ware it is intended to give | the administration of each of the Presidential ware it is intended to give | the administration of each of the Presidential ware it is intended to give | the administration of each of the Presidential ware it is intended to give | the administration of each of the Presidential ware it is intended to give | the administration of each of the Presidential ware it is intended to give | the administration of each of the Presidential ware it is intended to give | the administration of each of the Presidential ware | the presidentia to unraye' the history of the oldest the piece the place of honor. Its idents.-New York Sun.

> Rather Than Pay Rent. Blox-Does Rover move in good so ciety?

Knox-I don't know about the society, but I know he's always moving

Plenty Going On. Mrs. Greene-You'll excuse me. Experiments Have Proved Them to ican, British and French scientific so-Mrs. Gray, but they tell me this is cieties that thousands of ships pronot a very popular neighborhood.

Mrs. Gray-Nothing could be fur ther from the truth. Why, it is awfully popular; people are moving in Young hope to try her wings in wanton and out all the time. And then it is so interesting here! One can't be And nimble fancy builds the soul a nest pers notes that on a recent voyage in the efficacy of plasters for the back lonely, so much of one's time is taken up criticising other people's furniture Burned lightly out-while we repeat the struck by lightning, which shattered and fortune tellers that confidence in as it is being put into a house or taken out.-Stray Stories.

Pike's Peak Electric Line. The famous cog railroad up Pike's Peak, in Colorado, may soon be supplanted by an electric road, plans for the building of which are now under consideration.

Failures in Germany. Commercial failures to the number of 11,952 were reported in Germany in 1903. The average amount of each failure was \$10,856.

Big Gain in Churches. The Methodist Year Book for 1904 reports a gain of nearly a thousand churches during the last year.

Man's Days of Life

It is a sad commentary upon our | sion from all this? Man cannot wait | Spilkins is a man with a father-in- | ever hear-no, you haven't. It's a we have cut down the life of man large intestines, which are continually very congenial sort of an old codger, story, one he had told Spilkins a hunto nearly one-sixth since the days of breaking down the higher cells of our who thinks the world of Spilkins. He dred times. "Here, what are you try-Abraham and Isaac. We have it on structure. The only course is to fight likes his daughter's cooking pretty ing on me now. I told you that And what is the scientific conclu- gienic living.

he average life of a man to-day in the course of the ages, and he great while, but being a philosophical the name of Patgood authority that Abraham lived the intestinal microbe, and as there well, too, considering everything, and once." 175 years and that Isaac died at the are 128,000,000,000,000 of him formed every Sunday he goes out to the newripe old age of 180, being "full of each day it will be seen that the job ly wed couple's little flat for din- Spilkins. years and of days." Job's life was is no summer-day picnic. The pro- ner. full of trials, boils and vicissitudes, fessor speaks highly of buttermilk. Spilkins' one objection to this came another one of the old mossand yet he was 120 years old when and warns us to beware of all un- father-in-law is the stale old jokes grown yarns, and then another and he gave up the ghost. Prof. Eli cooked products of the microbe-in and stories he is always working off still others, until the father-in-law be-Metchnikoff, of the Pasteur institute fested earth-salads, artichokes, as brand new material. The old man gan to get a little ruffled. has fixed the minimum limit of man's strawberries, melons, onions, cucum- has told the young fellow the same life at 140 years. Having lived a bers, celery, radishes, turnips, carrots, stories time and time again. During ter with you?" he said. "Those are natural and scientific life from birth, cabbage. Unless they are thoroughly Spilkins' courtship he heard them re- my stories. I've told them all to you indeed, man need not expect to shuf- cooked they should not enter into peatedly, and since the wedding they time and time again." fle off this mortal coil at 140 years. the human organism. By rigid ad- lave become intolerable. At that time of life he will merely herence to this theory of alimenta- Last Sunday afternoon the old "Then I beg your pardon. I'll not begin to feel himself "full of days." tion, and with the aid of certain cy- codger rang the bell at Spilkins' flat. tell another one, but say, have you Prof. Metchnikoff shows that man's totoxic serums prepared in the Pas- Spilkins, wearing a demoniacal smile, heard about-" vermiform appendix is a moral dis- teur institute, man may fight off old harmony, for whose useful existence age. He will not "grow old" at 60, fellow by the arm and dragged him old man, throwing up his hands, "and we must go back to herò-eating crea- 70 and 80, as he does now. Whether | nto the little parlor, tures like the rabbit, in which it ful- the theories of Prof. Metchnikoff are "Oh, I must tell you, father, I must And Spilkins feels relieved .- Chials a notable function in the diges- scientifically sound or not, there is tell you before I forget it. Did you cago Inter Ocean. tion of raw vegetable matter. In little doubt that man was designed man it is nothing but a deathtrap, one to live to a much greater age than Paris hospital having treated 443 he now attains, and that longevity is cases of appendicitis in five years. even now a question of rational, hy-

mer. On the other hand, the attend-

ant duties and trials are severe, with

crops to be planted and reaped by

methods more or less old-fashioned.

although American harvesting ma-

rushed to the door, grabbed the old

scholarship and our civilization that for his great intestine to disappear law. He has not been married a new one. Well-a young Irishman by

should be somewhere between 30 and does not care to run the risk of hav- sort of a fellow he has about the same ' Spilkins stopped to laugh, and the

"No, it's a brand new one." said

"Confound it, boy, what is the mat-

"Oh, have you?" said Spilkins.

"Yes, yes, I've heard it," said the I'll never tell you another one either."

Got Rid of Agent

When the Worm Turned

Blivins had learned by many years | came in and began reading Blivins' signs of spring is the activity of the face out an inch or two and drew ife insurance agents. He has for a good many years been paying premiims on several thousand dollars more insurance than he feels like he is able to do, and for that reason he considers the spring insurance solicitor as one of the worst ills of the chinery is now being introduced very season.

Ingenuity has always been the one Northward, southward, eastward, marked characteristic of Blivins, and On the upper shelf of the cabinet | Unexpectedly one finds here in the | westward, have grown the dominions after the first one of the agents These sources Mrs. Roosevelt hopes to came disjointed and was laid aside on the north side of the hall are wilds of Russia a coterie of refined, of the great white "Tsar." Not more tackled him the other day and began for a cent. See that dear face?" he specimens of the latest additions to charming people. The women intelli- than 250 miles to the southward of telling him how soon he was to die

some of the features which tend to of Vladikavkaz as files the gray- Blivins had not been in his office pound letter press and swung it unfor an hour when an insurance agent | der the table.

of experience that one of the sure obituary. The latter lengthened his out his handkerchief and mopped his

"I fully realize the value of insurance," said Blivins, as blue as indigo. 'and I wish I could get a million dollars on my life, but-"

"You are the man I like to talk to." said the agent enthusiastically. "Our company will write a million dollars on your life and-"

"Isn't that too bad?" said Blivins "I am sorry, but I can't get a policy said, pointing to one old picture. sin Seth. Consumption. And there is

Words in the Language

The Spread of Russia

To the unknown south, across the | prietor in Russia pleasant in the sum-

extensively.

as the Cleveland red, green, gold and doubtful standing. The Century Dicporcelain plates. Besides these there tionary contains 225,000 words, and are a cup and saucer decorated with the new edition of the Standard Dicrosebuds and a gravy bowl bordered tionary lays claim to over 300,000. Of these many are obsolete, and many in print, but does not himself use. others are rarely used. Science has in the decorations of the dishes which no place in general literature. The used is enormously increased. A companies in the United States mainordinary English vocabulary may be well-read college graduate should be tain what they call scrap departments.

eign influence.

The Grant china is white French whose range was narrower, employed Republican.

No one can say how many words tonly about half that number. The ly that the "ordinary workingman" uses from 2,000 to 3,000 words, while of course he is familiar with several thousand more, which he recognizes

The common estimate of the averadded a vast vocabulary of polysylla- age vocabulary of educated people is bles that are scientific formulae from 5,000 to 6,000, but in this case pieces of equipment. rather than real words. They have the number of words which are not Almost all the big transportation Shakespeare, whose vocabulary is reporters find about 2.500 word signs larger than that of any other English and contractions ample for representin the cabinets with the dishes of her poet, unless it be Browning, used ing the words which are commonly about 15,000 words, while Milton, used in public speaking.-Springfield

The margin of each dish of the set said to contain from 30,000 to 50,000 familiar with perhaps 100,000 words. At two or three points on the road, words, the latter estimate being large. while in the course of a year he generally where there are any con-No single writer of literature has used | might not use 5,000 of them in his struction or extensive repair shops, arms of the United States. She also so many as the lower number named. writing or conversation. Shorthand this scrap is gathered from all parts company for using all this waste iron

See Interior of Eye

fecting optical science in general, and ground of the eye. the further development of the eye | The fact that all attempts to phospecialist's profession in treating eye, tograph the interior or the backdiseases and faulty vision in particu- ground of the eye had remained fruitlar, was recently made in Berlin. Ac- less so far, was due to the peculiar cording to a German exchange, the as- | construction of the eye. It is difficult sistant of the university clinic of the | to light up the interior to such an ex- rom 5 to 15 per cent (net) a year, so | from whom he would purchase the Royal Charity hospital, Dr. Walther | tent as to enable one to take a phoproblem which had received much attention from many others before him, but with little or no success. He has eye would have to be fixed, which managed to photograph the back- would mean great inconvenience to owner of his seat. More often he has on his business record and no slur on ground of the eye and obtain good pic- the patient. Now Dr. Thorner has contures of it, too. His invention represents a material improvement on the first succeeded in photographing the

A highly important invention af, only admitted of viewing the back-

strong sources of light the exposure would require so much time that the structed an apparatus with which he ophthalmoscope invented by Helm- eyes of animals, especially cats .holtz in 1850. The latter, however, Jewelers' Circular-Weekly.

A Little Further On

There will be time-I shall find rest Thus do we say, while eager youth in-On some far crag; but soon youth's flame is gone-

A little further on—
I shall find rest; half-fiercely we avow
When noon beats on the dusty field, and Threats to unjoint our armor, and the

With smiling confidence-I shall find rest

A little further on.

glare
Throbs with the pulse of battle, while life's best
Flies with the flitting stars; the frenzied Pains for the laurel more than for the

Coal Consumption by Czar's Pleet. The coal bill of the Russian Pacific squadron at anchor is said to be \$1.-930,000 a year. One fronclad used twelve tons of coal daily for electric lighting. It is principally Cardiff coal. which costs \$17.51 a ton.

Where Love soft-nestling waits. Not or it. Here a candidate must be a tury, With feverish breath we cry, I shall find A little further on,

A little further on-I shall find rest; half sad, at last, we when sorrow's setting cloud blurs out the gleam Of glory's torch, and to a vanished dream Love's palace hath been turned, then— all depressed, Despairing, sick at heart—we may not

Our weary feet, so lonely then doth seem This shadow-haunted world. We, so

sweet clay, We speak the fading world farewell and Not on this side-alas!-I shall

Criminals Kept in Suspense. In France, when a convict is sentenced to death by the guillotine, the day of his execution is not named in his presence, and he knows not when he is to be led forth until within fifteen minutes of the fatal moment.

Scraps Are Worth Money

In the successful management of the road for the purpose of gathering of these there are displayed in the there are in the English language, vocabulary of the illiterate has been the railways of the country there are cabinets specimens of what are known because there are so many words of set as low as 300 words, but this many seemingly insignificant matters must be exceptional. It is more like- that require constant attention. Thousands of dollars are saved to the companies each year by detailing men to the pieces of iron and steel that fall doned machinery or from broken

of the system. ers and repair gangs is to pick up and

up these odds and ends. They are taken to the gathering point and there carefully sorted.

Some ingenious mechanics have devised machinery to separate and handle these scraps. After being run through a sort of hopper that divides the small and the large from the other different sizes men are put to work to pick out from the various heaps what may again be utilized. Bolts. nuts, bars, couplings and the like which may be used again are worked over for further use.

The refuse, amounting to thousands of pounds, is shipped to some iron works that has a contract with the and steel.

This plan of systematically caring for the waste iron of railroads is of throw into little heaps along the track | recent origin. It is one really of slow all bits of iron and steel that may be growth. Of course, pieces of iron and 'ound along the right of way or that steel waste material or the refuse of may be left whenever any piece of | shops or wrecks has been taken care work is completed. At irregular of for years, but only in a desultory. intervals a scrap train is sent over haphazard way.

On the Paris 'Change

It may be said that a seat among | Frenchman and at least 25 years old he Seventy (they call it a charge) He must have served four years in costs about 3,000,000 francs (\$600,000) | certain forms of business. He must or sometimes 2,500,000, a charge earns | be personally acceptable to the agent hat the annual profits are from \$30,- | seat, and often to his family, including Thorner, has succeeded in solving a tograph of it, and even in the use of 100 to \$90,000, or more in exceptional the ladies. He must be passed upon years. But these are usually divided by the Seventy with formal voting, as among several associates, for it rare- if he were joining some select club, ly happens that an agent is the sole | which he is. There must be no stain paid for only half of it, or a third of it, and has three or four silent part ners who own the rest and who may again have sub-partners, so that you will hear of a person owning an sighth or a sixteenth of a seat, or even a thirty-second, these being samale investments that carry no rights | ister of finances and the approval of or privileges on the bourse.

his personal character. A candidate vas rejected recently for bad habits. and another for no fault of his own. but because his brother had been concerned in questionable transactions With all this faborably settled, there is till needed the approval of the min the president. This makes it clear As to procuring a charge, the thing | enough why many of the ablest on has none of the Stock Exchange sim- the bourse have not been members of plicity, where the main requirement | the parquet, but of the coulisse. They for getting a seat is to be able to pay | could not get into the parquet.—Cen-

Stray Poem of Moore's

H. J. H. Petry of Trinity College School, Port Hope, Canada, claims to nave discovered a copy of some verses by Thomas Moore, hitherto unpublished. 'I found them," he says, "some little ime ago among the papers of my uncle, he late Wentworth G. Petry of Quebec, ogether with a memorandum to the ffect that they had been copied for him n 1870 by Major Johnston, to whom they and been given by Major Johnston. lad been given by Moore. Major Johnston, to whom they had been given by Moore. Major Johnston was a British officer, who lived for some time in Quebec and who after he eft the army was appointed stipendiary nagistrate in that city. He was a hephew of Lord Palmerston."

When Time, who steals our years away,
Shall steal our pleasures, too;
The memory of the past will stay
And half our joys renew.
Then, Chloe, when thy beauty's flower
Shall feel the wintry air,
Remembrance shall recall the hour
When theu alone were fair,
Then talk no more of future gloom,
Our joys shall always last;

For hope shall brighten days to come, And memory glid the past.

Come, Chloe, fill the genial bowl;
I drink to love and thee!
Thou never canst decay in soul,
Thou'lt still be young to me.
And as my lips the tear drops chase
Which on your cheeks they find.
So hope shall steal away the trace
Which sorrow leaves behind.
Then fill the bowl, away with gloom;
Our joys shall always last;
For hope shall brighten days to come,
Whilst memory gilds the past.

But mark, at thought of future years,
When love shall, lose its soul;
My Chloe drops her timid tears,
They mingle with my bowl.
How like this bowl of wine, my fair,
Our loving life shall fleet.
Tho' tears may sometimes mingle there,
The draught shall still be sweet.
Then fill the bowl, away with gloom;
Our joys shall always last;
For hope will brighten days to come,
Whilst hamour silds the road.

For hope will brighten days to c Whilst memory gilds the past.

the classics-milton, for example.

value in warding of lightning.

ightning-rod question, with the final espit that thousands of experiments with maste fitted with lightning rods ed the belief that they are of no an average net return of \$150 an acre,

LIGHTNING RODS ON SHIPS.

Be of No Value.

it to bits. The writer of the article

stated that "if the ship had been fitted

with lightning conductors the current

would have been deflected from the

The value of lightning rods for ships

was investigated by Capt. Folger of Nantucket, Mass., a brother-in-law of

. Benjamin Franklin, the inventor of

the types of lightning rods in common

use the world over until a few years

After Folger many other Americans

and British shipmasters studied the

White House Relics.

The Dolly Madison Fruit Bowl, two dancing girls of Sevres presented by President Loubet of France, and some historic silverware.

historical value in the White House of the private dining room at the

furniture in the executive mansion, shapely bowl is held by a standard,

and wanted to place on each side of on the upright shaft of which are the

it a small label that would identify figures of the Three Graces, and in its

net, that she planned to have built in | Its decorations are in blue and gold.

Several European shipping periodi- vided with lightning rods were struck

cals are advocating the use of light- by lightning. Time was when naval

ning rods on ships which convey ex- and army magazines were fitted with

plosive compounds, says American lightning rods. That practice ended

Syren and Shipping. One of these pay years ago. It is only among believers

the foremast of the Umbria was and side, blood purifiers, divining rods

lightning rods exists.

the deceased emperor.

She also designed an elaborate cabi- ures fully two feet in height.

entirety-bowl and standard-it meas-

As a matter of fact abundant evi-

dence exists in the archives of Amer-

Where Czars Are Buried.

remains of all the Czars of Russia

since Peter the Great lie in a memo-

rial chapel built on one of the islands

of the Neva. All the cenotaphs are

exactly alike, each being a block of

white marble, without any decoration

whatever. The only distinction by

which one is marked is the name of

Money in Canteloupes.

Growers of the famous Rockyford cantaloupe, at Rockyford, Colo., report

It is not generally known that the

han any of her predecessors, felt the White House, but when another cabi-

cessity of placing some safeguard | net is added for the exhibition of the