## Red Cloud Chief.

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Some girls who profess to be highly educated have merely been immersed in a weak solution of accomplish-

A new island has recently sprung up hear the northwest coast of Borneo, opposite the town of Labuan. Its formation is connected with the earthquake which was observed on Sept. 21, last year, near Hudat (British North Borneo).

Minnesota alone produces approximately about 80,000,000 bushels of wheat, or about one thirty-seventh of the total production of the world. Of this she is able to export two-thirds. Of the Dakotas, not having begun to reach their limit of productiveness, North Dakota raised in 1898 55,000,000 bushels, and South Dakota 42,000,000. Oregon produced 24,000,000 bushels.

The Associated Jewish Charities of Chicago have taken a laudable step in abolishing henceforth all balls, fairs and charity bazaars as methods of swelling their fund. They have resolved to give of their means according to their ability, and promise that their already magnificent philanthropies shall not suffer by the change. Gentiles may well ask themselves if their own "entertainments" are not sometimes repulsive rather than attractive.

Since logs cut on timber lands leased by the government of Ontario must henceforth be manufactured within that province, many Michigan lumbermills are being removed to Canada, The millmen seem to take the matter calmly. Other philosophers and all statesmen should do the same. Canada is only doing as, under like conditions, the United States would probably do, and if we were to be generous we might even congratulate her on finding a new way to increase her trade and population.

A popular color for canary-birds in England at present is a reddish yellow, or deep orange. This color, it is said can be produced artificially by dieting the birds on a number of different substances, the chief of which is cayenne pepper mixed with molasses. Dealers are able to produce particularly desirable shades by varying the quantity of pepper and by adding occasionally a little turmeric or madder. Each dealer has his own formula, which he keeps secret. The plumage of the birds thus treated is apt to fade, and they are kept as much as possible out of the light.

The play of "Robinson Crusoe" is now given in one of the Paris theaters with four animals in the cast of actors. These are a goat, a monkey, a paroquet, and chief of all, a dog who enacts the part of Robinson's faithful companion, "Toby." The dog's real name is Faro, and a writer in La Nature says he will respond to that name only when in the street or at his master's home, but on the stage he answers promptly to the call, "Toby." When Robinson shoots a bird, "Toby' runs and picks it up, climbs up a ladder into Robinson's hut, and gives the bird to "Friday," who acts as cook.

The opposite of rest is not work, it is restlessness, an one of the popular "quick-lunch counters" is its exponent. The modern time-saving young man. says a keen satirist, gives his order before removing hat or coat, thus economizing fifteen seconds. When his order arrives, he gets his fork into it as it appears over his shoulder, and cleans the plate before the sauce appears. which thus has to be eaten by itself. Cups of coffee go down in two swallows. Little piles of cakes are cut in quarters and disappear in four mouthfuls; and the really accomplished luncher assimilates his last quarter of cakes, wiggles into his coat and pays his check at the desk at the same moment. The next he is half a block away in pursuit of a receding trolley!

At the Royal Technical school in Charlottenburg, Germany, Prof. Josse has recently tested, with remarkable results, a method of increasing the efficiency of steam engines, which was invented by two Germans some ten years ago, but has only now been effectively applied. The principle depends upon the employment of the exhaust steam from an ordinary compound engine to evaporate another liquid having a lower boiling point than water. The liquid used is sulphurous acid. The heat of the exhaust steam is sufficient to liberate sulphur dioxide gas, and this, passing into the cylinder of an auxiliary engine, acts the part of steam. It is afterwards condensed and goes back to the vaporizer. The result is said to be that to every indicated horse power developed in the main engine about half a horse power is added by the auxiliary engine, without increasing the consumption of fuel.

An interesting discovery, showing another link between the living forms of the old and new worlds in former ages, was announced at a recent meeting of the Cordilleran section of the Geological Society of America. Some bones discovered at Glen Eyrie at the foot of Pike's Peak proved to be the remains of a goat-antelope, unlike any animal of the kind now inhabiting America, but closely resembling the antelope of the Himalayan region in Asia. Other bones found in the same place belonged to a slender-limbed species of horse now extinct.

# FIGHT NEAR PEKIN

Chinese Soldiers Attack Boxers and Many Killed.

THE SITUATION BECOMES VERY ACUTE

Clash Between Japan and Russia Imminent-Preponderance of the Czar's Troops More Than Mikado Will Stand-Other News.

A Shanghai, June 6 dispatch says The soldiers dispatched to attack the boxers have fought an engagement quite close to Pekin. Many were killed on both sides.

Alarming reports are current here of the hurried completion of the mobili-

zation of the Japanese fleet. In consequence of the representations of Japan the landing of a large Russian force at Take is alleged to have been stopped. It is believed here that should Russia persist in sending a prepondering military force to the front a collision with Japan will inevitably result.

#### Bad News From Conger.

A Washington, D. C., June 6, special says; Bad news continues to come from Minister Conger and the American naval force in the Pei Ho river has been ordered to be reinforced. The minister cabled that the situation was worse at Pekin and this statement, taken in connection with Admiral Kempff's alarming cablegram announcing that an engagement had been begun, decided the state department to strengthen the naval forces nearest the scene of

Accordingly, a cablegram was sent to Admiral Remey at Manila, directing him to dispatch at once to Admiral Kempff's command the gunboat Helena, or if that craft is not at Manila. and ready for immediate service, then some craft of correspondingly light draft and power. The purpose is to place at Admiral Kempff's disposal an efficient warship capable of ascending the Pei He river as far up as Tien Tsin. Admiral Kempff,s flagship, the Newark, daawing twenty-three feet of water, cannot ascend the river safely beyond the Taku forts, near the entrance, but the little Helena drawing only eleven feet can safely ascend to Tien Tsin, forty miles above.

The Helena was especially designed for service in these Chinese rivers and so is likely to prove much more effect, ive than any other of the foreign warships which can pass the Taku forts and reach Tien Tsin. She carries a battery particularly adapted to dealing with such half organized mobs as the "boxers." Besides her eight four-inch rypid-fire guns, she carries four sixrapid firers, two colts and one threeinch rapid firer field gun. She is commanded by Commander Swinburne and her complement is ten officers and 126 men. In view of the service ahead of her, it is expected that Admiral Remey will'add to this one or two companies of marines,

## SCOURING WHOLE COUNTRY

Number of Minor Engagements With

the Filipinos. A Manila dispatch says: Major Johnon, with two companies of the Twenty-ninth infantry and twenty-five men of the Eighteenth infantry, sailed from Romblon to the neighboring island of Tablas, where they encountered about sixty rebels who retreated. They captured forty, including all officers, together with 10,000 rounds of ammunition and seventy-four rifles. Forty men of the Twenty-ninth regiment with a lieutenant, were left as a garrison, the others returning to Romb-

Company E, Thirty-fifth regiment, encountered fifty insurgents behind stone trenches in the high mountains near Norzagaray, province of Bulacan. There was persistent fighting and several Americans were wounded. Finally G company, by a flanking movement, carried the trenches.

Troop G, Fourth cavalry, company C, Thirty-fourth regiment, and company A. Twenty-second regiment, are pursuing the captors of Charles D. Roberts, who was taken by the Filipinos while scouting near San Miguel de Mayumo May 29. It is reported that the Filipinos have separated among the trackless forests.

Forty rifles with artillery and a considerable quantity of ammunition have been captured by the Americans in the mountains back of Munaluaihan. Three Filipinos were also taken.

American scouts have destroyed the camp of General Mascardo. The natives report that Mascardo, with 200 men and 500 rifles, will surrender if given assurances that they will not be imprisoned.

## Loveland-Steel Wedding.

There was a fashionable wedding at All Saints Episcopal church at Omaha. Neb., Wednesday evening. George A. Loveland, weather bureau director at Lincoln, was married to Miss Lilly A. Steel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Steel, residing at 1318 South Thirtieth avenue.

## Ministry May Not Resign.

The Holland ministry has apparently reconsidered its threat to resign and has now informed parliament that it will introduce a demand for the prompt passage of a new employers' liability bill, which will be a slightly amended version of the measure just rejected by the upper house.

## Six Killed by Dynamite.

Six persons were killed by an explosion of dynamite in the home of William Brochm, at Forest Junction, Wis. | separation of several years.

SINKING ARTESIAN WELLS FOR HOME AND WOMEN of increasing the birth rate of their

Water Problem Solved in Northwest Nebraska.

Geological experts who have found strong flowing artesian wells in Dakota and the north, Wyomiag on the west, and Colorado on the south, have alwas mnintained that the semi-arid Pine Ridge and sand hill belt of western Nebraska was barren of subterranean water. This theory has at last been exploded by the sinking of an eight hundred foot well at Whitman, Grant county, where a flow was found that rises to within sixteen feet of the surface, making pumping easy and is practically inexhaustible. The drilling rig has been moved to Hyannis, the first station west on the B. & M., where a nine hundred foot well will be sunk at a cost to the town, after which Alliance intends to operate.

Box Butte county is now actually agitating the proposition of sinking artesian wells so that small farming might be successfully prosecuted, and it is argued as favorable that some of the nearby counties have been able to obtain artesian water. The proposition is to sink one well in Box Butte county by way of experiment, and if the one should prove successful then interested parties could sink their own wells with the full knowledge of acquiring a flow of subterranean water. It is doubtful that the bonds would carry should the proposition be submitted to the voters. Notwithstanding the Whitman experiment it is still doubtful whether an artesian flow could be obtained so far west as Alliance.

The present capacity of the Alliance water system has failed some years to supply the demand which each year has increased, and although a new pumping plant is being put in, which will help replenish the shortage, yet there seems to be no remedy for the water famine that threatens the town during the hot summer now commenc

#### Trade With Porto Rico.

The war department has made public a summary of the regular bulletin of the division of customs and insular affairs concerning the trade of Porto Rico for the seven months ended January 31, 1900. The total value of merchandise imported into the island during this period was \$6,219,118. Merchandise to the value of \$1,731,046 was admitted free of duty. The total amount of import duty collected was \$691,678. During the above period goods to the amount of \$2,692,069 were exported from the island, upon which was collected export duty to the amount of \$357.

#### Two Killed At Primaries.

Two fatalities occurred as a result of the bitter fight over the republican primaries of the Twenty-second Illinois congressional district. At Anna, pounder rapid firers, four one-pounder Ill., M. Mays was instantly killed by a man named Johnson, the former being a Roberts man and the latter being for Congressman Smith. At Grand Tower, Jackson county, a man was instantly killed for expressing his opinion on the merits of the two contestants.

## Lumber Plant Burned.

The lumber plant at Ste Etienne du Saguenay, belonging to Prince Brothers & Co., of Quebec, Ont., was des troyed by fire. The loss will reach \$400,000. Forty families are homeless as a result of the conflagration, and it is believed several perished in the flames. The telegraph office and other buildings are destroyed. The fire is supposed to have been started by colonists.

## Declares Martial Law.

General Baden-Powell has extended martial law to the Marico and North Lichtenburg districts. Shots were exchanged between Boer and British patrols, eighteen miles east of Mafeking on May 18. Part of the forces lately at Pretoria are reported to have gone westward to meet Baden-Powell and to make a show of holding the country through which he and General Hunter are moving.

## No Proof of Death.

Late advices from Manila say that it is all guesswork as to whether Aguinaldo was shot. Before the Americans struck Sagat the insurgent chief divided his forces into parties of ten, following different trails. The party shot was probably Aguinaldo's secretary or adjutant. The report among the natives of the region is that Aguinaldo was shot in the shoul-

## Fined a Thousand Dollars.

Sol ftopper was fined \$1,000 in the ederal court at Omaha for sending an obscene letter to a female in Des Moines. The letter was intended for a woman but got into the hands of a lady of the same name who sent it to Anthony Comstock. The latter sent an agent and procured Hopper's indictment.

## Hangs Himself in His Cell.

Andy Anderson, a Swede, about 50 years old, and who has lived in Kearney for the past twenty years, hanged himself in a cell in the city jail Wednesday. Anderson was put in jail for being intoxicated. No charge had been filed against him and he would have been released as soon as sober.

A. S. Holmes, ex-congressman, a well known Iowa politician, living at Boone, has been declared insane by a committee. He served two terms in congress and was selected sergeant-atarms of the house following his retirement from his seat. Financial troubles are said to be the cause.

A happy reunion occurred at the home of Mr. Burbank near Springfield the other day. Two brothers, one from Portland, Ore., and the other from Portland, Me., met there after a

AND MATRONS.

The Creation of Woman-How the Event Is Described in the Chronicles of Hindu Mythology - Notes of the Current

#### The Bravest Battle.

The bravest battle that ever was fought; Shall I tell you where and when? On the maps of the world you will find

'Twas fought by the mothers of men.

Nay, not with cannon or battle shot, With sword or nobler pen; Nay, not with eloquent words or thought From mouths of wonderful men.

But deep in a walled-up woman's heart-Of woman that would not yield, But bravely, silently, bore her part-Lo! there is that battlefield.

No marshaling troops, no bivouac song, No banner to gleam and wave; But, oh! these battles, they last so long From babyhood to the grave,

Yet faithful still as a bridge of stars She fights in her walled-up town-Fights on and on in the endless wars, Then silent, unseen-goes down, Oh, ye with banners and battle shot,

And soldiers to shout and praise, tell you the kingliest victories fought Were fought in these silent ways.

Oh, spotless woman in a world of shame With a splendid and silent scorn, Go back to God as white as you came, The kingliest warrior born!

#### A Summer Serge.

No one should think of going away for the summer without taking along



at least one cloth dress to wear on cool days. For such a gown nothing is better than summer serge.

They are making these serge gowns this year with a plain skirt trimmed probably with a few rows of braid. The waist is made upon a fitted lining and in plaits at both the front and back. It is cut low at the neck to be worn with a chemiscite of white linen. A very effective finish is afforded the waist by broad lapels of silk or very narrow soutache braid.

## About French Bables.

It is not generally known that in France it is a penal offense to give any form of solid food to babies under a year old, unless it be prescribed in writing by a properly qualified medical man. Nurses are also forbidden to use for their charges any sort of feeding bottle having a rubber tube.

These and other equally stringent laws have recently been enacted by the French government, for, in despair | machine embroidery. The fashion that | mer wear.

most to save the lives of the compara-ITEMS OF INTEREST FOR MAIDS tively small number of babies who are born.

#### The Creation of Woman.

At the beginning of time Twashtri the Vulcan of the Hindu mythology -created the world. But when he wished to create a woman he foun! that he had employed all of his madid not remain one solid element. Then T., perplexed, fell into a profound meditation. He aroused himself to do as follows: He took the roundness of the moon, the undulations of the serpent, the entwinement of climbing plants, the trembling of the grass, the slenderness of the rose vine and the velvet of the flower, the lightness of the leaf and the glance of the fawn, the gayety of the sun's rays and the tears of the mist, the inconstancy of the wind and the timidity of the hare, the vanity of the peacock and the softness of the down on the throat of the swallow, the hardness of the diamond, the sweet flavor of honey and the cruelty of the tiger, the warmth of fire, and the chill of snow, the chatter of the jay and the cooing of the turtle dove. He united all this and formed a woman. Then he made a present of her to man, Eight days later the man came to Twashtri and said:

"My lord, the creature you have given me poisons my existence. She chatters without rest. She takes all my time, she laments for nothing at all and is always ill." And T. received the woman again.

But eight days later the man came again to the god and said: "My lord, my life is very solitary since I returned this creature. I remember she danced before me, singing. I recall how she glanced at me from the corner of her eye, and that she played with me, clung to me." And Twashtri returned the woman to him. Three days only passed and T. saw the man coming to him again. "My lord," said he, "I do not understand exactly how, but I am sure that the woman causes me more annoyance than pleasure. I beg of you to relieve me of her.'

But T. cried: "Go your way and do your best." And the man cried: "I cannot live with her!" "Neither can you live without her," replied T.

And the man was sorrowful murmuring: "Woe is me, I can neither live with nor without her."

#### Summer Fabrics.

Some very smart gowns are being shown at the moment for summer wear. Cotton and linen fabrics have never been so alluring. The silky effect added to the great variety of mulls, batistes, zephyrs, linens, organdies and other warm weather materials renders them more than ever desirable and attractive. Many of the cotton materials thus treated, either in plain or fancy patterns, have much of the lustre of an India siik or satin foulard. The linens are especially attractive and are being used for entire gowns, skirts, waists and even trimmings. Nothing could be more serviceable or stylish than the colored linen suits made with plain or tucked skirts and modified sailor blouse waists. These are sometimes strapped in white braid and others are adorned with coarse lace in collar form, with cream-white cloth stitched with blue cuffs and girdle matching. No prettier finish can be imagined than the heavy ecru lace thus applied to brown or blue duck or linen dresses. These are admirable for morning wear. Embroidered Holland is a favorite this year among the summer fabrics, and pique treated with incrustations of coarse lace is as effective as it is striking. Pique and duck costumes will again be worn. Some piques shown are quite light in weight, having an open work dot, really an eyelet hole

has heretofore been popular of wearcountry, they are now doing their ut- ing silk waists with pique skirts will still prevail, but now the white waists, are the correct thing, and the thin may terials, like embroidered muslin, wash silk or those made of lace and ribbon. are preferred, and over them will be worn bolero or Eton jackets of pique. Among the new washable silk materials there is, notably, "silk cheviot," as it is called. This fabric appears in soft, beautiful shades of rose, amber terials in the creation of man. There and reseda; heliotrope, russet and mignonette, chamois, cream, pink, stem green, and in shades of blue.

#### Smart Pique Gowns.

The fashionable pique gown of summer will be tailor-made and will be carried out in one color, with the ex-



ception of the contrasting touch in the trimmings. There will be no stripes or figures upon the entire pique suits. The patterned materials will be limited to separate skirts. It cannot be conscientiously claimed for the pique suit that it is an article of economy. To the contrary, it is tallor-made and costs almost as much as the stuff gowns. It is, however, very chic, and this consoles the woman of fashion for her reckless expenditure. Two very pretty models displayed in advance of the summer season are described. One is in French black pique, relieved by strappings of white. The white bands outline a double tunic upon the skirt and are employed upon the bodice to accentuate the curves of the figure. There is a wide lapel upon the bodice, made of white pique and stitched with black linen thread. A gown in striking contrast to the one just mentioned is developed in white and stitched with bands of pervenche colored thread and the lapels of the jacket are of the same color pique, bordered with bands of white. Underneath the jacket is worn a waist of sheer white linen.

#### The Partiality of White. One is early impressed with the fa-

vor which is being shown for white fabrics, every variety of which will be extremely fashionab

Summer gowns of white cloth and cloth of the faintest putty color are being made up over delicate silk linings. The cloth is cut out in graceful scrolls and arabesques, the silk showing through the narrow line of the cut. The combination of white taffeta silk with white cloth is convincingly displayed among some of the most elegant models. The cloth applied in bands, covered with rows of heavy black stitching, stripes one entire costume in vertical lines rounding into wider bands, where they join at the hem. White nun's veiling and all coarse meshed canvases in white will be very much worn for afternoon frocks. White hats with white gowns that is worked around with hand or promise to be quite in vogue for sum-



A NOTE OF BLACK GIVES A TOUCH OF DISTINCTION TO SUMMER GOWNS.