CAMPFIRE SKETCHES.

GOOD SHORT STORIES FOR THE VETERANS.

John Hancock-Gen. Grant's Cousin as a "Newsboy."

Nelson's Famous Signal.

I'wo sturdy tars of Scotia's stock in fam Trafalgar's Bay,
Where glorious Nelson's gallant fleet established Britain's sway.
Where standing on the Sovereign's deck,
like herd lads eating honey,
Anticipating lots of fight and more-esteemed prize money.

Their criticisms of the foe were plain than polite, And clearly pointed to their issue of the fight. They called the Spaniards "bull stickers" and "lubbers" every one, And swore that ne'er a one of them knew

how to lay a gun.

The Frenchmen were but "frog spitters and Sandy would give bail

That ne'er a one in all the fleet could hand or reef a sail.

And Jack vouchsafed that none of the

could either con or steer;
And swore the gibberish that they spoke
to decent folk was queer. Just then the signal grand and terr

"England expects that every man this day will do his duty." Flew from Victoria's tallest spars, was welcomed with a cheer-The last from many a gallant throat that Britain held so dear; But Jock he turned to Sandy, with rather injured air.

Aral said, "There's ne'er a word at about Auld Scotland there." Quoth Bandy, "Jock, yer but a gowk, or else ye weel micht ken That ilka ane kens that Scotland's sons aye dae their part like men;
It's only that pock puddins, wilk you should regaird wi' pity.
That need remindin' noo an' then that they maun dae their duty."

—Scottish American.

The Character of the Soldier It is a matter of congratulation that the character of the United States army has much improved within the past few years.

The standard for admission has been of the enlisted men. There is no rea- stallments, but I still owed him a big This was done and Vest got \$185 per son why the army should not be com- balance, and as I wanted to keep the dozen for the can of eggs, or \$1,110 posed entirely of high-class men. Sureremarkable for quality as well as quan- of mc. John, pass the jug."-Atlanta tal product of Vest's undertaking tity. It would be an excellent plan to | Constitution. establish in various localities training schools for the rank and file of the army-schools where boys could be brought up under the watchful eye of competent instructors. These nurseries might be filled with boys without homes-those who are orphans, or, worse than that, with parents who refuse them proper support and care. Military discipline is an exceedingly healthful regime for young persons. It Gen. Ulysses S. Grant. He has a cago Tribune. may be a little severe at times, but the results are salutary in the extreme A habit of obedience to orders is one of the most important requirements, and even though upon arriving at suitable age the boy was found not quite fit for active service, there are many channels into which he might be drifted where he might find suitable and lucrative employment. At all events, he would be educated in the elementary branches, and would have a hopeful and helpful knowledge of some of the higher studies. He would be well bred, courteous, prompt and energetic, as these qualities would be the legitimate result of his training.

Except in times of war excitement, like the present, our home troops play a conspicuous part in the possibilities of the nation's defense. It is, however, well agreed by all practical persons that a reasonable number of regular troopers is absolutely necessary. The United States is able to maintain a creditable army, and surely there is no lack of material out of which to make it. It is a curious experience, however, to spend some time in a recruiting office. The army does not want men who enlist simply for the sake of rations and a place to sleep, but a great many men visit these offices in the hope of being taken just because the life of a soldier is better than occasional nights in a station

If the common soldier got a little more pay and a little better quarters, no doubt a better class of men would apply for enlistment, but the compensation seems very small to them, even though it may be more than they get above their living when they are engaged in other occupations.

Long Wars.

It is argued by many philosophical writers of the day that there never again can be a long war. The facilities of modern communication, the improvements in arms, and, above all, the mighty interests of modern commerce, forbid, in the opinion of these the property I have in the world is writers, the possibility of such a de- in houses and other real estate in the plorable event. Let us devoutly hope town of Boston, but if the expulsion that the conclusion is just. Human of the British army from it, and the passions, however, when thoroughly aroused, cannot readily be governed by being burned to ashes, issue the order rules of policy.

It will not do, however, to trust too the tamed tiger into a sanguinary mon- hardly an extravagant assertion that ster has pretty much the same effect | comparatively few people, after childlatter, it is true, makes his onslaughts | what perfect sleep is, and satisfy themunder certain rules and regulations, selves with a poor apology for this most | which has a flat chamber in which and gives quarter to his prostrate and perfect refreshment. Rising tired and the matches are placed, with a spring bleeding foe. But let the war last long weary from a disturbed, imperfect at one side to push them one at a time enough, and even the chivalry and sleep, they proceed to summon up lost into a tube having a push-rod at the mercy that should mitigate its horrors | energies by strong tea or coffee, which | bottom and roughened jaws at the top will at last be forgotten. The true in its turn again interferes with perfect on a line with the burner, to light the way to prevent a long war is to make rest at night; and this process of life, a strong war. Every overwhelming more than mental or physical labor, blow is a mercy stroke. In a short time | wears women out and makes them precombat, when one party has no hope of | maturely old. victory, he cries "enough," and as it is | "I have been reading myself to sleep with man the individual, so it is with after retiring," said a lady the other aggregates of men. The policy, the day; "and when I have done this for for the insertion of the key and a screw true Christian policy, in war is to smite | two or three nights I can see that I irresistibly and then tender the olive look five years older." branch with brotherly hand.

Called "a Cool 'Ca." "He's a cool 'un," is the way the sol-

ders in a certain English regiment describe one of their officers, a young early youth.-New York Ledger. men whose self-possession in a time of danger saved his men from defeat, and probably from death. The circumstance which gave this officer his repu-tation is related by Rudyard Kipling. that date.

A very young officer, who had gone | full extent of your ignorance.

almost straight from school to the MR. VEST'S DEAL IN EGGS.

army and thence to India, was leading his company through a rocky pass, on returning from a scouting expedition. They were beset by the enemy, who fired at them from behind the rocks, and the men were growing very un- or more has had something to say steady. Those in the rear began to be impatient, and shouted to the men in at various points between the Chilkoot front, "Hurry up! What are you waiting for there?"

The young officer answered quite coolly: "Hold on a minute! I'm lighting my pipe! And he struck a match and lit it.

myself." And he, too, struck a match | and take them in. and began to smoke. This bit of fun Magazine.

"Well," said the major, as he sawed off a plank for his political platform, and packed them in tin cans holding "they may talk war, and talk war, but-here's one feller who won't be in it! The war between the states was | They weighed 2,025 pounds in cold enough for me. It cost me a fortune." | storage.

"In property, major?" "No, sir, in cold cash. You see my family had the measles when the war | Sheep camp and buried them in the broke out, and I had to stay at home snow. He put four cans in a sack and nurse 'em."

"Certainly." "But I was so patriotic-" "Of course." "That I employed a substitute at \$

a day." "Exactly." "And when they killed him-"

"You hired another?" "Yes, sir, I did." "And they killed him, too?"

"No! and that's where I lost my money. The infernal fool fought for was in the worst battles of the war, but not a bullet struck him. They took the suspect. him prisoner, but exchanged him imserene and demanded the remainder of confessed. The police decreed that the raised, and this particularly in the gen- his money. You see, I had paid his man should be punished by giving up habits wife a good deal of it in monthly in- his outfit to the man he had wron thing as quiet as possible I had to in all.

He Is Grant's Cousin.



marvelous memory and relates his country's history with a warm enthusiasm.-St. Louis Star.

During the siege of Boston, General Washington consulted congress upon the propriety of bombarding the town of Boston. Mr. Hancock was then president of congress. After General Washington's letter was read a solemn silence ensued. This was broken | tight when the belt is buckled. by a member making a motion that the house should resolve itself into a committee of the whole in order that Mr. Hancock might give his opinion upon the important subject, as he was estate in Boston. After he left the chair he addressed the chairman of the committee of the whole in the following words: "It is true, sir, nearly all liberties of our country require their

for that purpose immediately." ventive of protracted and vindictive | The ethics of good sleep should form war. The taste of blood that converts a part of household morality. It is sponding sections at right angles, with upon civilized and Christian man. The | hood has passed, know by experience

It is an experience that any woman can verify, and, conversely, she can see that sleeping in a perfectly dark and well-ventilated room brings back the contour and the roses of childhood or

Golf can positively be traced in Scotland history to 1457, and it is believed to have been played much earlier than WINSLOW IS AVENGED

Tubes -Brought Back 96,321. Nearly every man who has come ou of Dawson during the last two months of the "frozen-egg man." They met him summit and the Yukon river trudging along with one companion and four dogs, pulling a cargo of frozen eggs bound for the Klondike, says the Seat-

tle Post-Intelligencer. Eggs at Dawson are worth \$1 or There was a roar of laughter, and a more each and this high price proved soldier called out: "Well, since you're such an incentive to a Portland man so pressin'. I think I'll have a pipe that he resolved to freeze a lot of them

The egg man is in Seattle. He has steadied the men, and they came sold his eggs and returned with a sack through in good order.-Westminster which many a Klondiker might well envy. His name is Charles Vest. Vest left Portland last October on the steamer Elder. Before leaving he obtained 1,743 dozen eggs. He broke one gallon each or six desen. The cane

> With one man to help him and his dogs Vest hurried the eggs up to and tied the sack over the dogs' backs. Each dog carried twenty-eight pounds in this way. Once over the summit the cans were piled on sleds, pulled

were sealed, frozen and put on ice.

by the dogs, and the journey continued. Dec. 21 they stopped at a cabin and bought supper and lodging. In the morning one can of the eggs, now becoming more and more precious was gone. Vest had his suspicions but had no evidence. There were others camping at the cabin and from these two three solid years without a scratch. He or three days later Vest obtained corroborative evidence as to the guilt of

The thief had gone toward the coast mediately, and the blamed idiot went | but Vest followed him and took him to fighting again at \$3 a day. And before the police. Confronted with when the war ended he turned up all | the evidence of his crime the fellow

ly Uncle Sam is not reduced to the ne- shut up and pay up; and the fool | Vest reached the Big Salmon, where cessity of taking up all sorts of ma- charged me interest for the time I'd Major Walsh was camping and bought terial and trying to make it into sol- had it on hand, and wouldn't take con- Vest's eggs at \$3 per dozen. The eggs diers. If it is necessary to maintain- federate money, either! Down with yielded \$5,211, which, added to the a standing army, that army should be war! is what I say. It's the ruination \$1,110, amounted to \$6,321, as the to-

> Observe His Delicate Finttery. Woman of the House-"I don't know Simon Petal Walter, although much about politics, but I don't think eighty-three years old, sells daily pa- any the more of you, my poor man, pers on the streets of St. Louis, crying for boasting of being a free silverite." out his wares as lustily as do the boys | Tramp (with his mouth full)-"I ain't engaged in the same business. His | boastin' of it, ma'am. I said I hapold age and poverty are always forgot- pened to be boun that way. We was ten in his loyal mind when he explains | natchelly a free silver fam'ly. They that he is a cousin, once removed, of was sixteen of us and one gal."-Chi-

> > Tod-"What made you tell Dolly you would give up drinking during Lent?" Ned-"Because every time I call to see her she kisses me to find out if I have been doing so."-New York World.

Method.

He-"Such a thing never entered my head." She-"Probably it couldn't stand solitude."-New York World.

SCIENTIFIC NOTES.

A handy pencil sharpener just out has a casing in which a roughened flat grinder is fixed, with a sliding socket for the pencil, and a cord fastened around the pencil to rotate it as the socket slides along.

An Englishman has designed an apparatus for determining the proper adjustment of the saddle, pedals and handle-bar of a bicycle, thus enabling a purchaser to get the right size of frame without a trial on the road.

In a new musical invention the words of a chant or similar music are exhibited in proximity to the notes by being inscribed on a band carried by rollers at the sides and a thumb wheel turns the rollers to adjust the words. In a newly patented beit both sides can be used and covered with cloth to match any costume, the belt being in two sections which are united at the center and the edges are left open for the insertion of the cloth and drawn

Envelopes are being made with a strip of wire lying inside the flap, with the ends bent downwards and doubled to fit over the ends and hold it in place as the envelope is sealed, leavdeeply interested from having all his ing a small section of wire in view, to be pulled upward to cut the flan.

Machine guns are mounted on a pneumatic-tired motor carriage in a new English patent, the power being obtained from oil motors, which will run the carriage at a fair speed on the road and may be geared to the firing mechanism of the guns when in action.

Picture frames are being made which are adjustable to fit any size picture without cutting, each side being made of a plurality of sections, which fit the interior sections removable to increase the opening in the frame.

Oil and gas lamps can be automatically lighted by a new match holder match as it is pushed through.

Door keys can be securely fastened to prevent turning from the outside by a new attachment consisting of a plate fastened to the knob spindle and hanging down over the keyhole with a slot threaded section at the bottom of the slot to hold a bolt which fills the keyhole and keeps the key from turning.

a hat holder and mirror for opera chairs, which has a horizontal roller pivoted on the back of the seat will the mirror suspended below it, and a wire ball below the mirror with a sectien best estward to support a prop which holds the hat and adjusts the mirror at any angle, the whole device folding against the seat when not in been in swimming.—Melbourne Weekly

A Pennsylvania woman has designed

WILMINGTON POURS COLE STEEL INTO CARDENAS BATTERIES.

On Thursday morning, May 12, the gunboat Wilmington steamed close in-to the coast and keys off the town of Cardenas, Cuba. Its gun crews were at their stations and every man on board, from Captain Todd to the signal boy had but one burning idea, "Avenge the Winslow."

decks and in the heated engine room, where the blackened giants toiled stripped to the waist, was "Remember the Winslow," and "Damn a pacific

inch broadsides were the Spanish gunboats which had decoyed the Winslow up to the masked batteries and had dealt out sudden death, and near the forts lay two schooners at anchor. trance to the channels were disregard-

ed. The Wilmington was no longer a blockader. It had become a destroyer and for an hour a hurricane of exploding projectiles bellowed and shrieked into the harbor of Cardenas, not against the town, but against the ships and defenses, and the Spanish troops and sailors. The gunners of the Wilmington do not waste ammunition, and the execution was remarkable.

six-pound shells screamed shoreward like a steel cataract, and affoat and ashore signal stations, masked batteries, and forts were knocked to pieces and the Spanish had to flee like rats from a sinking ship. They left behind many dead and dying.

It was the most destructive bombardment yet attempted on the Cuban coast. In the harbor two Spanish gunand sunk, their crews having fled to the shore in small boats. They had no time to offer a show of fighting their guns. The two schooners at anchor were sunk where they lay, and one block house caught fire from an exploding shell and flamed out like a war beacon. The Wilmington was not touched by the few shells flung at it.

swept Cardenas bare of defenses as one would brush crumbs from a table The town of Cardenas is three miles back from the gulf entrance to the harbor, so that non-combatants probably suffered but slightly. Of course, it is impossible to know the Spanish losses. because no landing was made, but for the last two weeks troops have been massing in front of Cardenas in antipation of a possible choice of this point for an invasion as the base of supplies by the American forces. Hundreds of men were working on earthworks and block houses overlooking the harbor, and masked batteries were being planted, one of which surprised and made sad havoc on the tor-

torpedo boats had opened fire and dashother matter, however, when the Wil-

men and guns were blown high into

Mistakes of Emigres Mean One of the greatest mistakes a mail m make is that of paying too little attention to his diet, for the neglect is often the cause of aliments that some-times develop into serious disease, Do re not all know the man comewhat past middle age but whose years do not comes fidgety, unfit for business, desesed, and melancholic even to the erge of insanity? We know him to have been a hard-working man of

Musicipal Affairs. The leading and most commen able feature of the management of public affairs is the principle of the

sinking fund, which is applied to every mply any sentility or decay, who be- | enterprise or business in which the municipality is interested. Whatever debts it has are on the sure and safe road to liquidation by the automatic operation of the sinking-fund device. business, always perhaps a little nerv-By this means the city of Glasgow will, ous and very probably an indifferent inside of fifty years, furnish free water sleeper. He is more tired when he party politics enters into no local elec-



CAPT. TODD.

ought to get up than when he went to bed; he rises at the last moment, and, off to catch the train or trolley, worried and anxious lest he be late at his standing, and often bolted in such a particularly if he indulges in frequent himself unfit for the duties of the afternoon. But there is moderation in all things-a quiet, simple lunch taken dinner, very often a heavy mea!, and perhaps not before half-past seven or eight o'clock. Now, granting that this lives virtually on one meal a day. Result, in time a breakdown. A holiday time for a comfortable breakfast is girdle be most gracefully tied, and after all only a question of habit, and whose robe show the most harmowe ought not to forget that a good nious effects; and they are quite equal breakfast, with plenty of time to eat | to their western sisters in the taste it in is the very best foundation for the for personal adornment. The Japan-

tric lights free; electric or water power at cost; allow them to ride on its electric road at the nominal fare of 2 of the scientific evidence actually avail-cents for any distance and furnish to able. all free use of a magnificent public library. The city affairs are managed by business men with the same prudence with which they would manage their own affairs; the question of tion and it seems to be the object of the municipality to administer the city's finances in an economical way, to improve the public health in its piness to civil life. Its success in all these has been so marked as to mand the admiration of the civilized world and to gain for itelf the appellation of the best governed city on the face of the globe.

"The Little Japanese at Home" in May day. Again, a moderate lunch, taken ese parasol is used as a shelter from leisurely, and not bolted, is a necessity. I the sun, and the European umbrella is

WORLD'S BEST GOVERNED CITY | TT IS NOT NICOTINE

PROFESSOR MALLET CORRECTS CIGARETTE CRITICS'

MISTAKES.

J. W. Mallet, professor of chemistry in the University of Virginia, in a communication to the current number of the Scientific American, says with reference to cigarettes of American manufacture: "Ignorance of easily ascertainable scientific facts is, however, common enough, as is often illustrated by the

brown, oily material formed in the

smoking of tobacco being pointed out as nicotine, though in reality this is merely the tar produced by the action of best of the westy there of the leaf.
"Nicotine when pure is a coloriess fluid of somewhat ofly consistence and strong, peculiar, penetrating odor, but it darkens on exposure to air and light, becoming first yellow and then brown, so that it looks, in this darkened condition, something like the tarry matter which soils a smoker's fingers or a handkerchief through which tobacco smoke is exhaled, or is often noticed

as deposited in the stem of a pipe. "This tarry deposit has nothing essential in common with nicotine, and contains but traces of this alkaloid, when any at all. "A part, but only a small part (about

one-seventh in the experiments of Melsens), of the real nicotine of tobacco is volatilized without decomposition: the remainder is burned and destroyed in the process of smoking." The simple facts are, that such cigarettes as I have examined, representing a large part of those in general use throughout the United States, are made from pure, light-yellow tobacco of the high grade produced on certain special soils, prominently in certain of the southern counties of Virginia and the adjacent portion of North Carolina, with wrappers of the best quality of harmless vegetable fiber paper, and are entirely free from the adulterants Paid in Canital which it has been asserted are present, with no evidence in favor of such assertion, and in absolute contradiction

Look on This Picture and on Thes.

"All's fair in love and war," is a

common but, it is to be hoped, not wholly true saying; otherwise some party politics enters into no local elec- of the meanest acts would be excused. Napoleon was not above the paltriest deeds. At the battle of Dresden, in 1813, he noticed that a group of offcers had ridden within gunfire, and physical and moral basis, and to give bade his artillery send a shower of brightness and the possibility of hap- shot amongst them. "There are," he said, "perhaps some little generals in he was the only great general. A gun was discharged at the group, and Moreau, a famous French soldier who had joined the ailies, and who was almost as fine a general as Napoleon, was Miss Ida Tigner Hodnett writes of fatally injured. Curiously enough, in the course of the battle of Waterico (1815), a colonel in command of a battery of British artillery reported to Wellington that he had the range of the spot where Napoleon and his staff were standing, and asked if he might careful eating. To get up in plenty of ingly and artistically arranged, whose have something else to do in battle than fire at each other."

> The Adjective. A writer in Longman's Magazine says that everybody nowadays in prose or poetry claps on an adjective to every noun. It degrades the adjective and enervates the noun. Then, too, there are a host of vulgar, over-dressed people introduced into our company, whom we, the old-fashioned adjectives, hardly recognize-"strenuous," "intense," "weird," "flery," "sympathetic," "splendid," "secure," "naive," "impressive," "poignant," mostly attached, too, to the wrong nouns. There are too many adjectives, and they carry too much sail, like Delllah, bedecked, ornate and gay. I noticed, as an instance, the other day, a criticism in a French review of the academician sea captain who calls himself Pierre Leti, whose style is so defecated that he seldom or never uses an adjective more startling than "good," "bad," "green," "red," "dark," "light," and so on; and yet so orders his sentence that the adjective shines out like a rose on a brier bush.

Strange Star Clustering Among the remarkable discoveries of the Harvard College observatory is that of the existence of many variable stars in four well-known star clusters in the southern hemisphere, the most celebrated of which is the one called Omega Centauri. The latest observations show that no less than 200 variable stars are contained in these clusters, and there may be many more. It seems sufficiently remarkable that these stars should be assembled in such they are almost innumerable—but the interest is greatly heightened by the

discovery that so many of them are

unsteady in their light, alternately

flaring up and dying down in one an-

other's presence, like flickering

torches in the night of space.

Cames Heary with Age. Whipping tops come from the land of the Pharaohs, hoops and swinging are met with in classical Rome, while blind man's buff was an excuse for the equivalent of horse play in the day of the megatherium and the mastodon. The Malay islands give us cat's cradie. Kite flying has been popular in Japan for many centuries, the kites depicting the most abourd figures, generally of aged gentlemen, birds or puppy dogs. Games of ball have always existed, but the bat, with all the sports

Anxious Mamma: "Yes, Mr. Lakeside, the fact is I have three daughters who ought to be settled in life. Is this western friend of your a marrying man?" Mr. Lakeside (of Chitake more than one of 'em."-New York Weekly,

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troduced till after the Christian era.

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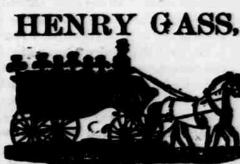
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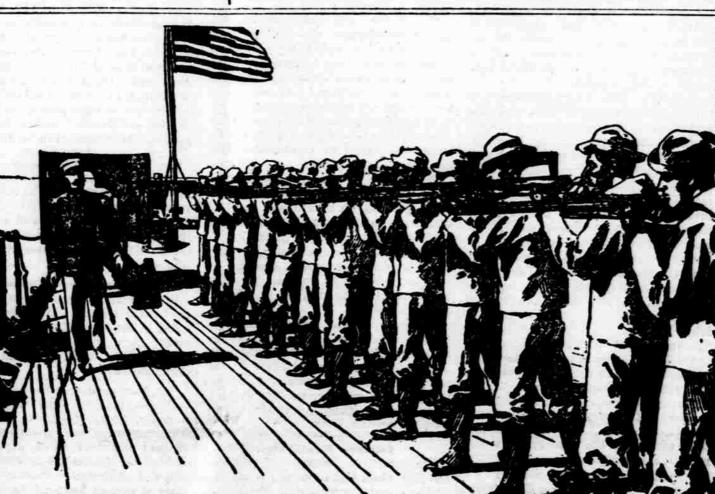
Nearly 300 four-inch, one-inch, and

The attack was sudden and superbly effective. The Wilmington in an hour

pedo boat Winslow. This death trap was located by the Wilmington and

the air. It was terrific punishment at close range, this fierce onslaught of the Wilmington, and it was the first real demonstration against the Cardenas Spanish, who had become indifferent to American warships that were always hovering outside, while only smaller ed menacingly shoreward. It was an-

bolting a mouthful of breakfast, rushes office. At lunchtime, particularly if he is busy, he takes, not a meal, but a biscuit, a sandwich, eaten perhaps manner that the grim flend indigestion instantly claims him as his own, more 'nips." Very often his reason is that if he makes a heavy meal he renders dulged in. In the evening he cats his meal is amply sufficient, such a man No Head-Covering for Girls in Japan. sets him up again for a time, but, if St. Nicholas, Miss Hodnett says: There he persists in this evil course, only to is no special head-covering in the nabreak down again. We cannot too tive costume for girls. Indeed, the strongly impress upon our readers the | mode of dressing the hair would not | absolute necessity in the interests of admit of hats and bonnets such as ours. their health devoting a proper atten- There is rivalry among Japanese girls pick some of them off. "Not at all," tion to this all-important question of as to whose hair shall be most becom- said the Iron Duke; "generals-in-chief



and secondary battery and a nest of

machine guns in its formidable fight-

ing top, slowly circled over the smooth

sea which gave its gunners a platform

as steady as solid rock. It was no

longer target practice, but a spectacle.

It was death in the spurting flame and

enveloping smoke cloud, and the only

respite came when the sweating gun-

ners paused to let the smoke fog drift

The commander of the Wilmington

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erable damage." He was overmodest.

In reality he had caused a considerable

measure of annihilation and absolutely

so in particular instances of certain

gunboats, batteries, small fortifica-

tions, and an unknown number of

Mrs. Figg-Why can't you wash your

Tommy-I'm afraid you'd think I'd

face once in a while without my hav-

Spaniards.

GUNNERS OF THE WILMINGTON POURING THE CONTENTS OF REPEATING RIFLES INTO THE SPANIARDS AT CARDENAS.

mington, with its eight four-inch guns | To neglect this is to court disaster, and it is false economy at the best. Didn't Like Her Speon. She was not much more than 2 years old, and she was having for the first time a meal with the grown-up people. It was a great occasion, and she was consequently much elated. She sat up in her high chair with a knife and fork and napkin in front of her just

like the rest of the people. But what was mamma's surprise to see her little daughter, after examining carefully the table utensils, take up her fork and throw it across the table, her face all wrinkled up, and the tears in her eyes, as she cried: "I don't want a 'poon wiv slits in

Eclipses of the Current Year.

There will be a partial eclipse of the

moon July 3, an annular eclipse of the

sun July 18, a partial eclipse of the sun Dec. 13 and a total eclipse of the moon Dec. 25. Well Supplied with Newspapers. The republic of Uruguay has more newspapers in proportion to its popula-

tion than any country in the world,

rain there are rain coats and rain hats made of oiled paper. ABOUT COOKING.

gaining favor. For going out in the

the juice will escape. Veal must never be laid on a dish. but hung in an airy place till cooked.

Egg shells should be thrown into

the stock-pot directly the contents are

Never pierce meat while cooking, or

Choose butter by its fresh odor, freedom from buttermilk and streaks of Fish for frying should always he dried thoroughly and dredged thickly

with flour before being brushed over

miles, and its distance from the earth

In a bushel of wheat there are 556,-

with egg and bread-crumbe. FACTS AND FIGURES. The diameter of the moon is 2.16

238,650 miles.

200 seeds; rye, 888,400; clover, 16,400.-900; timothy, 41,823,400. A horse power is calculated to be cago): "Not to any great extent, sufficient to raise 23,000 pounds to the mum. I'm afraid he wouldn't want to height of one feet in a minute.