A solicitor in a Georgia court related that he once overheard a conversation betwen his cook and a nurse, who were discussing a recent funeral of a member of their race, at which there had been a great profusion of flowers. The nurse said: "When I die, don't plant flowers on my grave, but plant a good old watermelon vine, and when it gets ripe you come dar, and don't you eat it, but jes' bus' it on de grave and let dat good old juice drible down through de ground."

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Down at Squashville.

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Aunt Mirandy—Dew tell! What on airth did she want with so many tablecloths?—Brooklyn Life.

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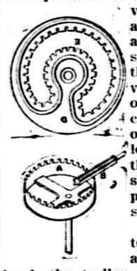
New Inventions.

A very curious invention has just been patented to a Massachusetts inventor who provides a shoe, the upper, and sole of which slidably connected, the upper being provided with plaits upon the side which can be lengthened out or taken up to lengthen or shorten the shoe, so that one shoe will take the place of several sizes.



An Omaha inventor has just received a patent for a trolley head, the trolley wheel of which is provided with two eccentrically mounted wheels adjacent to the trolley wheel, so arranged that in case the trolley wheel left the wire the eccentric wheels would be engaged to instantly throw the trolley wheel upon the wire.

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Oregon woolgrowers expect to get 20 ments for their 1900 crop.

Piso's Cure for Consumption has been a God-send to me.—Wm. B. McClellan, Chester, Florida, Sept. 17, 1895.

Ainslee's Magazine for February is notable for an extraordinary varied table of contents. Perhaps the most valuable contribution is the character sketch of Cecil Rhodes, by Allen Sangree. Harry Thurston Peck, in an article on "This Decade's Immortal Books," contends that this is the most sterile decade of the century, holding that only two writers of the period will live. "The United States of the World," by George Leland Hunter, is a paper of great significance at this stage of the world's politics. The cruise of the Wilmington up the Amazon is vividly described by E. H. Coleman, while G. H. Payne tells of Howard Gould's transatlantic cruise in the Niagara. Both articles have noteworthy illustrations. The weird color of Sable Island has never been better convinced than in Gustave Kobbe's dramatic picture of this ocean graveyard. Street & Smith, publishers, New York.

The humors of examination papers were illustrated by Dr. Haig Brown, who, speaking at the City of London college upon the responsibility which rested upon examiners in weighing fragments of knowledge, said that the question, "What are the Chiltern Hundreds?" once received the reply, "Small animals which abound in such great numbers in cheese." The inquiry, "What is a cherub?" elicited, in its turn, the answer, "An immoral being of uncertain shape."

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Lawton's Bravery Was Great—Recklessness of the Dead Officer Under Fire of the Filipinos—Twelve Men Charge Six Hundred—Three Cornered War.

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Beloved by heaven o'er the world beside;
Where brighter suns dispense serener light,
And milder moons emparadise the night;
A land of beauty, virtue, valor, truth,
Time-tutored age, and love-exalted youth;
The wandering mariner, whose eye explores
The wealthiest isles, the most enchanting shores,
Views not a realm so bountiful and fair,
Nor breathes the spirit of a purer air;
In every clime the magnet of his soul,
Touch'd by remembrance, trembles to that pole;
For in this land of heaven's peculiar grace,
The heritage of nature's noblest race,
There is a spot of earth supremely blest,
A dearer, sweeter spot than all the rest,
Where man, creation's tyrant, casts aside
His sword and sceptre, pageantry and pride,
While in his softened looks benignly blend
The sire, the son, the husband, brother, friend;
Here woman reigns; the mother, daughter, wife,
Strew with fresh flowers the narrow way of life!
In the clear heaven of her delightful eye,
An angel-guard of loves and graces lie;
Around her knees domestic duties meet,
And fireside pleasures gambol at her feet.
Where shall that land, that spot of earth be found?
Art thou a man?—a patriot—look round;
O, thou shalt find, howe'er thy footsteps roam,
That land thy country, and that spot thy home!

—James Montgomery.

Lawton's Bravery Was Great.

I could not help but be amused when I examined the church at Paranaque, says a Pasay, P. I., correspondent of Indianapolis News. The reports sent out had spoken of the total demolition of it by the bombardment of the fleet. But, nevertheless, it is standing there peacefully, used as barracks by the soldiers. It is true a few stones here and there are misplaced, a stairway to the choir damaged and a sacrilegious shell has utterly destroyed the "heaven" above the altar. The insurgents used a small cannon from the belfry, and it can serve the same purpose for us yet if needed. Gen. Lawton's orders are very explicit. He insists that there be no firing of any kind until we have been fired upon. Amigos are all around us, and they are in great danger from careless firing. The general is now riding a beautiful white horse, and in this connection a good story is told by him, how recently, when a detachment of marines were ashore to assist in an assault they themselves were assaulted by the insurgents, and while the marines were hugging the ground and wishing every blade of grass were a stump, up rides Gen. Lawton. The men say that it seemed he was on the largest white horse that ever was, and with a large white hat, too, and making a tremendous amount of noise. He was laughing as gayly as the Mausers that were singing about him, and nodded and chatted with his staff. It was revelation, so the marines say, of what all absence of fear was, even when under the most dangerous conditions. Shortly afterward one of his staff was shot through both knees, but Lawton did not ride away until he completed his work. He has the headquarters of his division here in town in a modest house on a quiet side street. I found it so crowded that the clerks were compelled to do their work on the porches. He often takes his son out with him on his rides along the front, and it is an all-wise Providence that has spared them, for his bravery is splendid in its daring. Gen. Wheeler expects to get fat now, as he is getting his fill of fighting. The fore part of this week he was sitting on top of one of the intrenchments enjoying the cool of the evening. While sitting there dangling his feet like a schoolboy and with his back to the front, the insurgent rifles began their evening tune. The men around him were horrified to have him thus expose himself, but unwilling to stoop down themselves as long as he was sitting on top. On one side of him a bullet took out a seam from a man's trousers, on the other side a canteen strap was cut in two. The old general got excited, and yelled to the men to lie down at once, never thinking of his own safety until one of the officers pulled him down.

Twelve Men Charge Six Hundred.

A medal of honor—the highest compliment which can be given to an American soldier—has been recommended for presentation to each of the ten surviving members of a band of twelve scouts who performed a brave feat near San Miguel de Mayume Ori, in the Philippines, on May 13, 1899. These scouts were under the lead of William H. Young, a civilian who had been a famous scout on the western plains of America, and whom Gen. Lawton made his chief of scouts in the San Ysidro campaign this year. On the day mentioned, Gen. Lawton was advancing on San Miguel. A small body of Oregon volunteers came suddenly upon the enemy, drawn up in an advantageous position in front of San Miguel, the right flank resting on a stream, the left on an elevation made secure by a dense thicket. It was afterward ascertained that the Filipino force in this position numbered about six hundred men. Without waiting for the re-enforcing battalion to support them, or to be in a position to do so, this squad of ten scouts, led by Mr. Young and by Private James Harrington of the Oregons, an old frontiersman—twelve men in all—charged the enemy's line, about one hundred and fifty yards distant. The line fired, then wavered, and then completely gave way, to be followed up by the re-enforcing battalion, and driven from the city and environs of San Miguel, a place of great importance. Young and Harrington, while shouting and cheering and leading the men up, were shot and killed.

Waning of the Grand Army.

From the New York World: One of the bravest "standing armies" in the world is dying out. The Grand Army of the Republic, that band of gray-haired warriors whose pride and dearest recollection it is that they once served their country, is shrinking with appalling swiftness to the point where it will be only a memory of good deeds and brave men who have done them. Statistics as to the membership and death rate of the organization tell a story as touching as the tenderest funeral sermon. They show that in a few years more the roll call will be an empty ceremony—the summons to the national encampment a vain appeal to the heroe of 1861. Within twelve months—the year of 1898—according to a report just issued, more than 17,000 members of the Grand Army died. This death rate was more than double that of the previous year. If the past year (1899) has shown a corresponding decline in membership the friends of the organization have ample ground for the concern they express as to its future. The high water mark of the Grand Army's prosperity was not reached until some time after the death of its founder, Dr. Benjamin F. Stephenson. The army's excellent organization, however, is due to Dr. Stephenson's genius as a founder. It is set down to the eternal credit of the army that it originated one of our most inspiring national holidays—Memorial day. This is the most interesting act in the history of the army and by all means the most popular act of General Logan's administration. This holiday, which has been celebrated with such fervor for thirty years, was originally the suggestion of a citizen of German birth, whose very name has been forgotten. It was established by General Logan and the leaders of the army and a few years later made by congress a legal holiday.

Too Much of a Salute.

From the New York Tribune: "When we were at Camp Merritt, in San Francisco, last summer," said I. R. Welles, last of the Fifty-first Iowa, at the Hoffman House recently, "there were a number of amusing occurrences. You know, among the first things taught the recruits is to salute all officers. If the soldier is unarmed at the time of meeting the officer, he brings his hand to his hat at six paces. If armed, and doing sentry duty, say, he brings his rifle to a 'present' until the officer has passed. To understand thoroughly my story, you must also bear in mind that when the grade of general is reached the form of the field uniform differs from that of the officers of inferior rank. The cut of coat and collar is different, and there are more buttons. In this particular case an exceptionally raw recruit was doing sentry duty, when a brigadier general came along. From his uniform the newly enlisted one felt he must be of high rank, and for that reason something exceptional in the way of a salute was his due. So, first, he stood stiffly, with his rifle at 'present,' but as the general drew nearer he evidently felt that it was no ordinary occasion, and that he must make a more ceremonious salute. Rapidly shifting his rifle to his right shoulder, as the general came opposite him, with his left hand he almost swept the earth itself with his cap, so low was his bow. The general, who was a thoroughly good fellow, said nothing to him personally, but next day I noticed that a general order was issued in that brigade that none but experienced and trained soldiers should hereafter be placed on sentry duty."

The Officer's Useless Sword.

The officer is, as we all know, armed with a sword. The public naturally always looks upon the sword as inseparable from the officer. It has always, from time immemorial, been alike the weapon of offense as well as of defense, says Blackwood. It is besides the badge of rank of the officer. In days gone by the sword was doubtless a very useful weapon of offense as also of defense, but now it is universally recognized that an officer would rely more on his revolver than on his sword. If we are to carry out the assimilation of the officer and the private, I see nothing for it but to discard the sword when proceeding on field service. This is a suggestion which will probably stagger not only public opinion, but possibly also a large percentage of officers themselves. But I know for a fact that there are many officers in India who are of this way of thinking—men who have done much campaigning. Yes; the sword belonging to the infantry officer should be left behind when he proceeds on active service. The time has come to be thoroughly practical in our equipment for field service, and all so-called smartness should give way to what is really sensible and practical. The question naturally arises: What will you arm the officer with? To carry out the general scheme of assimilation I would reply: Arm him with a carbine—the Martini-Metford for preference, with a magazine attached.

And the Captain Still Wonders.

During the retreat of the first battalion of the Fourth Infantry from Perez Dasmarinas on June 19 last one of the newly enlisted men came back to the road from the jungle, where his company had been skirmishing. He reported to his company commander that he had taken two prisoners. He was driving the prisoners before him at the point of his rifle. The prisoners were both old men, neatly dressed, and did not look as though they had been recently fighting. The captain was annoyed. There was no safe place in which to put the prisoners. He could not spare the necessary men to guard them. He did not like to set them at liberty when to walk in any direction from the main column meant almost certain death, as the insurgents were pouring in a heavy fire. "What did you bring these men in for?" he asked, turning on the soldier sharply. "You ought to have more sense." "Well," answered the soldier slowly, "I wasn't intendin' of a-bringin' uv 'em in, but they jess fell on their knees and begged so hard that I didn't have the heart, Capting, to knock 'em on the head." The captain is wondering yet whether the soldier was in earnest or was only laughing at him. —Chicago Tribune.

Three-Cornered War.

When Col. Cartwell was military governor of Norfolk under the confederacy, in 1862, he ordered the British consul to report for duty on the home guard. To this the Englishman objected on the ground of being consul at Norfolk. "To what government?" asked Col. Cartwell. "To the United States government," was the reply. "But you are in the Confederate states, and you must show papers accrediting you to the Confederate states of America," said the colonel. "But my government doesn't recognize you as a government," said the consul. "Very well, then, my government doesn't recognize you as consul," briskly retorted Col. Cartwell. "Shoulder your musket and join your company." At this the peacefully disposed consul threatened to have a gunboat come and bombard the place before he would serve. "That's just what I'd like to see," returned the colonel, cheerily; "for then the United States will fight you, as she claims that Norfolk is still part of the union, and between England and the United States fighting, we shall go free." At last the consul appealed to Mr. Benjamin, the Confederate secretary of war, who ordered his exemption from military duty, and the "three-cornered war" so desired by Col. Cartwell never came to pass.

A Great Map on View.

The topographical map of the city of New York, which is to be placed on exhibition at the Paris exposition, was opened to public a day or two ago. It represents 1,000 square miles, and shows every house in the city, including farmhouses in the outlying districts.

A Gem from Lunnon.

There is a young man in London so careful that in calling on his girl he always knocks, for fear if he came with a ring she might consider it a proposal.—Tid-Bits.

Important Inventions.

Patents have been allowed upon applications prepared and prosecuted by us for interesting subjects as follows:

To C. W. Cross, of Grinnell, for an auxiliary air heater adapted to be connected with a stove in such a manner that it will receive and direct the products of combustion and aid in warming and circulating air in a room, as required to maintain a uniform temperature, by admitting cool air at its botom, heating it and discharging it at its top. An undivided half is assigned to W. S. More of same place.

To J. Morgan, of Atlantic for a plant planting machine adapted to be advanced across a field by horses to set out cabbage and tobacco plants in rows at regular distances apart. A boy on the machine hands plants in succession to automatic plant holders on a wheel and as the wheel revolves it places the plants in a furrow in advance of the wheel by a furrow opener and furrow closers immediately cover the roots and rollers pack the ground around the roots. An undivided half has been assigned to E. Whitney, of Chicago.

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France and England may have trouble over New Foundland fisheries.

Deep Water Ports.

The growing interest in deep water seaports and cheap transportation by water, gives added importance to the building up of the city of La Porte, Texas. The high, dry ground of La Porte is in direct contrast with the greater portion of the Mexican Gulf Coast. Marshes, malaria and fevers are unknown. La Porte is to be formally "opened" and introduced to the public February 14 to 17, when it is expected a great crowd of Northern and Texas people will be on hand to inspect the much talked of new seaport of the Gulf. So great is the interest shown that the American Land Co., 188 Madison St., Chicago, acting as Northern Manager, is deluged with letters of inquiry.

The Boer trenches at Colenso are bomb proof.

The Land of Bread and Butter.

is the title of a new illustrated pamphlet just issued by the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway, relating more especially to the land along the new line it is now building through Bon Homme and Charles Mix counties in South Dakota. It will be found very interesting reading. A copy will be mailed free on receipt of 2-cent stamp for postage. Address Geo. H. Heafford, General Passenger Agent, Chicago, Ill.

The Denver Postscript's man suggests the name, "The Hen House," for the proposed $400,000 hotel for women in New York.

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Wu-Ting-Fan, the Chinese minister, in an after dinner speech in Washington the other night, said there were some things about Oriental civilization far better than ours, and laughingly alluding to Mr. Willis Moore, chief of the weather bureau, who sat by him, he added: "For instance, we would have cut off this young gentleman's head long ago."

Sir Augustus Lackash (to tailor)—My son tells me that you have allowed him to run a bill for three years. I have, therefore, come——." Tailor—Oh, pray, Sir Augustus, there is really no hurry. Sir Augustus Lackcash—I know that, and, therefore, I have come to tell you that in future I want to get my clothes from you, too.—Tit-Bits.

There can never be a fat life on a lean soul.

Michel in Paris Again.

Louise Michel, who has just entered her seventy-second year, has returneed to Paris. She is hale and hearty and full of energy. On one day she delivered two lectures at Bodiniere on "Concord Between Nations" and "The Traffic in White Slaves." Her voice was as resonant as ever.

A man is said to have been elected to a responsible state office in Pennsylvania and to have served acceptably who could not write his name. He was intelligent and of sound business judgment.

The astronomers learned just about enough from the recent non-appearance of the Leonids to project that the real exhibition will take place next November. The many experiments made, however, demonstrated the feasibility of using curved photographic plates in astronomical work, an important item in the study of the heavens. These plates gave excellent results at the Allegheny observatory.

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An Ottawa dispatch says that treason is talked openly among the French Canadians.

Buckle attributes the great succes of Scottish men of science to their preference for a priori or deducive argument. The following story of similar trend was attributed to Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman. A Scotsman was asserting that all the great poets were of his nation. "Well, but," said one, "how about Shakespeare? You can't say he was a Scotsman." To which the other replied, 'His talents would justify the supposition."

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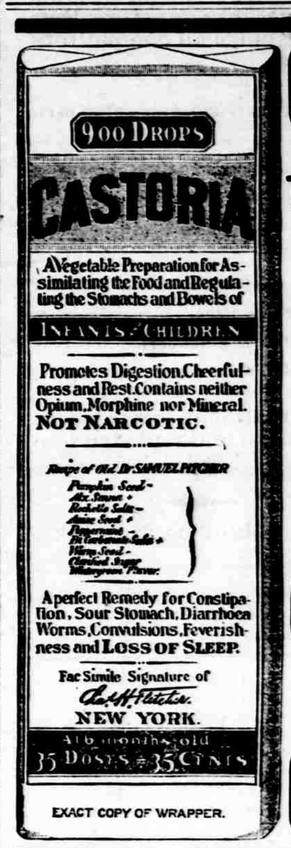

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