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Meantime it is possible that the question of jurisdiction in Behring sea may be satisfactorily and permanently settled. The British government is understood to have been pressing the matter upon the attention of our government, and it is to be presumed that the disposition at Washington to reach a settlement is quite as earnest as that at London.

It appears beyond question that there has been a thoroughly developed scheme to obtain from officers of the navy financial contributions to be employed in influencing congressional legislation in their behalf, and it is not to be doubted that some of them have responded with their money.

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In Rio de Janeiro, and the republican officials are traveling on a rocky road.

With the golden fields of her rich cereal overrunning the crests at country stations and lying in heaps along all the tracks between, the great cereals belt may be said to be in full dress this season.

An archaeologist has discovered that been ball originated among the American Indians. Before the game became the pastime of the degenerate paleface it was probably the custom to burn the umpire at the stake.

The five Central American states have succeeded at last in forming up a scheme of rudimentary union which is guarded, conservative and oscillatory. The integrity with which objections have been evaded is quite remarkable.

With the present magnificent crop of corn it is a shame that the Nebraska farmer should be compelled to rush into market at prevailing low prices.

The rumpus stirred up by the Portuguese explorer in Africa, and which caused England to put on some war paint, turns out to have been an expedition in the interest of military science.

The recent address of Mr. Parnell at Nottingham was a vigorous reply to the long speech of Lord Salisbury regarding Ireland.

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