

MONITOR AND MERRIMAC

Recollections of a Famous Naval Combat by a Participant.

SCENES IN THE MONITOR PILOT HOUSE

The Burning and Sinking of the Union Fleet by the Confederate Terror — Graphic Description of the Great Battle by Lieutenant Howard.

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WASHINGTON, July 18.—Among the bills which will be presented to congress at the coming session will be one for the increase of the rank of Lieutenant Samuel Howard. Lieutenant Howard came within one-tenth of 1 per cent of passing the technical examination given by the marines of the Department of the Navy in 1876, and by them he was recommended for a posthumous promotion.

But first let us mention the name of Lieutenant Howard. He is now old and his eyes are nearly blind. Still his eyes are bright, his step is firm, and he is mentally as sound as ever. He was born in 1812, and his generation ago, he took his military education in the United States Army.

When the day broke, however, the sea was a new figure to the scene. It looked, says Mr. Howard, "like a massive iron turret with a gigantic black cheese box on its back. Yet it was not a turret, nor a cheese box, but between it and the Merrimac."

As the day grew brighter, through their glasses the confederate officers could get a better view of the Monitor. They thought it was a parent's raft plated with iron, with a great round tower rising from its center. As the officers looked they saw this tower move slowly on the water.

HOW HOWARD WAS APPOINTED. The main facts of the engagement between the Monitor and the Merrimac are well known, but there are many details which have never been given to the public.

THE FIGHT WITH THE MERRIMAC. "The sun rose that morning on waters like a millpond. It was a beautiful Sunday, and you could see the hills on each side of the river."

CAPTAIN WORDEN'S NARROW ESCAPE. "It was some hours after the beginning of the engagement, a little after noon."

RAMMING OF THE CUMBERLAND. Only a few miles from Norfolk is Fortress Monroe, with Hampton Roads lying between.

struck the pilot house square, and we were so close that nothing could have saved us. As it was it hit the iron logs at an angle of seventy-five degrees, and only broke them.

THE CONGRESS BURNED. The Merrimac, after striking the Cumberland, backed out and began a new attack on the Congress. The men at Fortress Monroe could see the smoke of both vessels as they rained shot and shell upon one another.

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HOUSING THE TEACHERS

The Sleek and Oily Book Agent Conspicuous at the Denver Convention.

LAVISH WITH CONFEGIONS AND MUSIC

Economy Ignored in the Management of the Public Schools—Plea for Teaching the Spanish Language—Specimens of Boston Lull.

One of the largest armies of suave camp followers that ever trailed a convention surrounded the annual meeting of the National Educational Association, recently held in Denver.

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Now, they learn that it is the bounden duty of the state to give them an education, and that it is the duty of the state to look after them after it has given them an education.

PLEA FOR THE SPANISH LANGUAGE.

A periodical outcry is made against the study of ancient languages in our high school and universities.

Let parents and pedagogues, therefore, cease their bickerings as to the respective merits of Greek and French, and put into the hands of the young people of this country the study of the Spanish language.

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The clothes stuck to her like a porous plaster. It only took her a few minutes to get to her bathing house, but she was seen by every one and the little affair was the topic for gossip during the bathing hour.

REAL BAR STORIES.

Lawful Tales About Men on and Off the Bench.

On one occasion a gentleman had a dispute with a laborer over some trifling matter and the hired man made complaint to Judge Charles Reaume of Wisconsin.

Judge Wallace was chief justice of the supreme court of California when an attorney from Montana, who is now a well known lawyer in San Francisco, says the Post, applied for a certificate to practice before the courts of the state.

QUEER ANSWERS BY CHILDREN. Since wit has been defined by Noah Webster as the quality of being witty, and wit is usually connected, so as to produce a pleasant surprise, may not the pupils of some of Boston's public schools, who gave the following answers to the examination questions, lay claim to it?

1. Who were the pilgrims? A dirty, filthy set of low-down rascals.

2. Name a domestic animal useful for clothing and describe its habits. The ox. He don't have any habits, because he lives in the street.

3. If you were traveling across the desert where would you choose to rest? I would rest on a stool.

4. Describe the white race and show that it is superior to the other races. A white man will nod at you when he meets you on the street.

5. Of what is the surface of the earth composed? Dirt and mud.

6. Name five forms of water. Hot water, cold water, faucet water, well water and ice water.

CLEVER WORK OF A CROOK

Ex-United States Treasurer Wyman Goes Into the Details.

PAPER SUBSTITUTED FOR GREENBACKS

Winklow, Who Robbed the Government of \$1,000,000 Afterward Captured and the Money Recovered.

An account of the famous Winklow case, which was suggested by the recent conviction of Howgate, and appeared originally in one of the Washington papers, was printed in The Bee. According to this account, in February, 1877, the treasury officials at Washington received a dispatch from the First National bank of Chicago, announcing that a package which was labeled to contain \$12,000 when opened was found to be made up of rolls of tissue paper.

TALKS OF THE CRIME. Mr. Wyman, speaking of the occurrence the other day, said that it had occurred during his administration. When the theft was discovered suspicion at once fell on four employees, all of whom had borne excellent character.

RELIGIOUS. Ohio's capital has three divines whose fame has spread beyond our own country—Bishop Doane, the Rev. Dr. Gladden and Rev. Dr. Cassel, a Pennsylvania German, has a library composed entirely of bibles. His collection comprises nearly all the old and curious editions.

THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES REMAINS IN GOOD CONDITION. The constitution of the United States—the original copy—has been dragged from its place of concealment in the State department to be photographed, says the Washington Post.

TO DOROTHY. By Right Hon. W. E. Gladstone, to his Grand-daughter. I know where there is honey in a jar, Who does not eat it, I give it to you; And, Dorothy, I know where daisies are, That only wait some small hands to interfere.

TO DOROTHY. The thought that thou art coming makes me glad; And I am glad to see thee with thy dress all low; And many a little lass and little lad, Excepting me, are running to and fro; The fire within our hearts is all aglow.

A Living Picture. Some of the girls at Atlantic City seem to enjoy wearing suits that are extremely loud, and mothers and chaperons seem to be oblivious of the fact that the girls are attracting so much attention.

THE UNION WORKS OF SAN FRANCISCO has received an order for eleven steel barges to be used on the Amoor river in Siberia. The barges will be made in Russia, and the company which has its headquarters in San Francisco, says that the barges will be of light draft, will suit the shallow waters of the Amoor, and will have a carrying capacity of 600 tons each.