

TORAL LAUGHED AT SHAFTER

Cutting Off Santiago's Water Supply Amused the Spanish General.

BUT SHAFTER SMILED LATER ON

An Episode of the Campaign Thrilling in Performance and Amusing in Results—Captures of a Jolly Trooper of Immunes.

Next to the observation balloon, the cutting of the water main supplying Santiago was the greatest feat, to use a homely Americanism, of the late Spanish-American war.

When the American forces left the coast on their way to attack Santiago it was understood that one of the most important items in the scheme of campaign was the speedy cutting off of the capital's water supply.

"Shutting off their supply of water will have more effect than a ten days' siege with heavy artillery," remarked one of General Shafter's aides.

"An April Fool on Americans." The party returned and reported that after many perilous incidents they had succeeded in breaking the main about four miles from the city.

more water than useless, is that it was constructed free of charge and donated to the city by a Spanish colonel of artillery.

Colonel Manuel Alvarez, generous of heart and plethoric of purse, sent to Madrid for private engineers and began the construction of a dam in the San Juan hills, six miles from Santiago.

A limestone wall twenty-two feet high and five feet thick was thrown across a little gorge, then an oblong receiving tank hardly larger than those supplying the ordinary American houses was built at one side.

Now came the question of laying the pipe line. The stretch of country between the hills and the city was rough and broken.

"Nevertheless, there is enough in the city to last a month. Almost every house has a cistern or tank, senior. They are all full.

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SANTIAGO'S WATER WORKS.

who had made their escape from Santiago were taken before General Shafter.

"Very poor, senior," was the reply. "The Spanish soldiers are eating horse meat. There is no flour, no bread, no rice."

"Hum! And the water?" "Plenty," he echoed. "Why that's impossible. We cut off the supply days before yesterday."

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TEMPLE SINAL OF CHICAGO

and professor of Semitic languages at the University of Chicago, has received the call to Temple Emanuel in New York.

Leo XIII. will enter upon the 60th year of his age on March 2 and the twenty-second of his pontificate February 20.

Two hundred and sixty-two pontiffs have preceded Leo XIII., but of these only seven have occupied it for twenty-one years.

The engines for the World's fair, to be held in Paris next year, will be built in Providence, R. I.

Employers of the American Steel and Wire company, numbering 36,000, have been notified of an advance of wages ranging from 5 to 10 per cent, to take effect March 1.

The export of coal from Great Britain to the United States has suffered a decline of about 7 per cent, the total export in 1897 being 167,570 tons, while that of 1898 was 159,171 tons.

The Buttonmakers' union has issued a circular announcing that for the time being the American Federation of Labor would be placed upon cards of buttons made by their members.

Last year there were imported into the United States 1,535,935,759 grains of quinine, consisting of 1,535,935,759 grains of quinine, consisting of 1,535,935,759 grains of quinine.

Some of the Indians of the United States are among the richest farmers in the world. The annual income of the Osage tribe, for instance, is estimated at \$2,500,000.

During the calendar year ended December 31 last, the value of the breadstuffs sold abroad was \$317,000,000; provisions, \$174,000,000; and cotton, \$23,000,000.

An eastern trade paper says a machine has been invented which will turn out 10,000,000 matches a day.

State Factory Inspector O'Leary of New York opposes the movement to abolish "sweatshops" in that state, which, he says, give employment to 83,000 persons in New York and Brooklyn alone.

It is announced that all of the unions affiliated with the board of working delegates in New York City have agreed to a proposed agreement between the organization of employers, known as the United Building Trades, and the board, whereby sympathetic strikes are to be abolished.

The American packer says that more than \$5,000,000 has been invested in the tanning industry in the last four months.

A recent report issued concerning the textile industries of the United States shows a number of corporations doing business here as follows: capital stock, \$25,198,740; number of mills, 82; spindles, 2,961,056; looms, 70,878; employees, 287,717; pay roll, weekly, \$17,300,000.

The world's product of tobacco is estimated at about 1,900,000,000 pounds, valued at about \$200,000,000.

A suit was brought in the United States court, in Springfield, against a citizen, for an infringement of a patent right.

Thankful words were written by Mrs. A. E. Hart of Groton, S. D., that she was given a bad cold which settled on her lungs; cough set in and finally terminated in consumption.

A narrow escape. Mrs. Sheridan and Mrs. Logan are among the largest women pensioners of this country. They receive, respectively, \$2,500 and \$2,000 a year.

SHELTERED ORANGE GROVES

Unique Devices of Growers to Prevent Damage by Frost.

FORTY ACRES OF ORCHARD UNDER ROOF

Some of the Methods Pursued to Block the Raids of Jack Frost in Florida—In Readiness.

DELAND, Fla., Feb. 18.—Since the frosts of '96 and '98 Florida orange growers have been the result of the winter visitor finds many orange groves under an assured success.

Many are the schemes devised and the experiments being tried this winter, with the result that the winter visitor finds many orange groves under an assured success.

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GIRLS WHO COULD RIDE

Bred and Reared on the Range They Have No Superiors.

Frederick Remington tells, in "Crooked Trails," how he went down to the Soledad ranch, in the state of Coahuila, Mexico, to visit the manager of the Mexican International railroad.

The manager's wife appeared, with her little brood of three, and then two visiting friends. These "Soledad girls," as I call them, were well bred by Mexican stock and were sturdy little beauties.

From over the hills came the half wild cattle, strutting along at a trot, while behind them followed the cowboys, gay desert figures with bronzed faces, long hair and wild cries.

As we watched, the chase had gone a mile away, but little Miss Yellowlegs drew gradually to the far side of the bull, quartered him, and, whirling on, headed her quarry back to the herd.

Instantly a small Soledad girl was after him, the vaqueros drawing back to delight in her daring. Her hat flew off and her long curls flapped in the rushing air.

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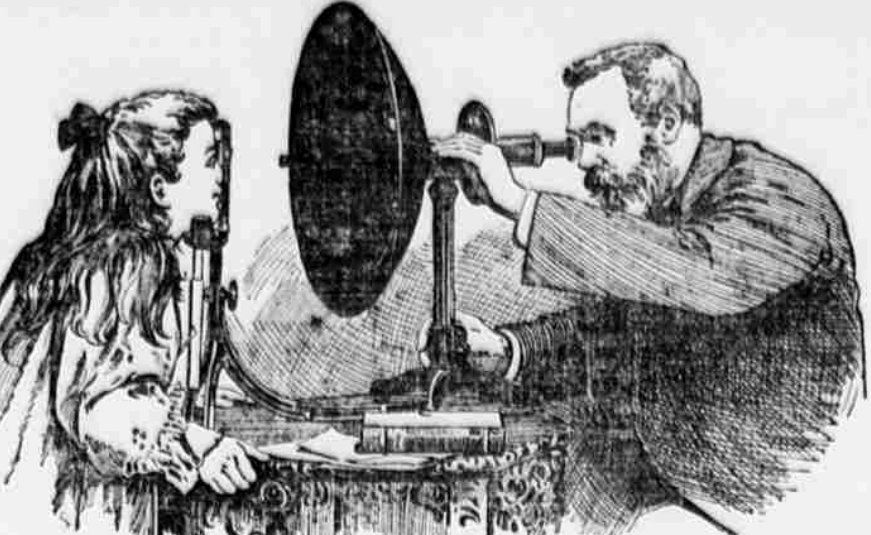
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