LOTS OF VOLUNTEERS

The British Corps Numbers 250,000 Unseasoned Men.

They Have Never Seen Service, But They Are Enger to Go to the Front -The Honorable Artillery and Ycomanry.

The British volunteer corps as it ex-ists to-day is the result of an culistment act of 1860, the act, in turn, being the fruit of a fear of invasion in that prepare effective intrenchments. There year. The volunteers number roughly 250,000 men, cost the government a trifle over \$3,000,000 a year, and none of them ever has seen service. That is to say, the volunteers as a body have existed only since 1860, but there are two or three regiments which date fought at Kroonstad in about a fort-back far, indeed, notably the Victoria night. rifies and the duke of Cumberland's sharpshooters, which were in being when William IV. was prince of Wales. when William IV. was prince of wates. Older by far, however, is the Honorable Artillery company, which received a visit from its American offspring, the Ancient and Honorable Artillery company, of Boston, last year, and which will repay the compliment by making a trip to the United States this year.

As he will be a regular when in the field, the British volunteer will be treat-ed as one. He will receive "Tommy's" pay, which is about "30 cents a day and found." He will eat Mr. Atkins' rations-s pound of tinned meat and half a pound of fresh meat, when it can be had, fresh bread or crackers-he will call them "biscuits"-and sugar, tea and coffee, when possible. His kit, blankets and great coat he will furnish himself, but the government will trans-port him to the scene of action.

Friends and advocates of the volunteers and yeomanry say that those branches of the service have been discouraged, succeed at and generally sat on by the war office ever since their establishment, and that their acceptance for service now may be regarded as a great victory, giving to Lord Lands-downe the credit for the new order of things. An officer connected with the war office told me, however, that the hubbub was entirely without reason, that all the poise was made by a few malcontents, and that no change whatever had taken place under Lord Lands-downe's administration so far as the volunteers were concerned. On the volunteers were concerned. On the other hand, people who have no par-ticular interest in the volunteers say that their being permitted to take part in the war at this time is a direct insult the militia.

At any rate, it can never be said that volunteers, to whom was given that chance, were slow to accept it, as a or more of commanding officers throughout London and the provinces, who are being harassed to desperation by every individual member of their nmands, can testify. Men have almost taken to figuring on their chances for going with paper and pencil. For instance, I have heard volunteers say: "There are 1,000 men in my battalion, and there will be 110 chosen; that gives me about one chance in ten. Then my record for marksmanship is so many ints, and marksmanship is going to be the deciding test, and the general average is about so much," etc. When the fortunate 110-"fortunate" is the volunteers' word-are told off there is going to be actual bitterness.

The venerable organization of hon-orable artillery and yeomanry was formed by Henry VIII., in 1507 for, as the king quaintly put it, "the bettere encrease of the defense of this our realm" This commany them was This company, then, was formed more than a full century before any other existing corps; it was in garrison at Tilbury when Drake met Phil-ip's Armada; it fought under Cromwell in the civil wars and was almost wiped out by the great plague. Later, half of its barracks was destroyed in the London fire. Since its beginning it has taken part in all public ceremonials and all crownings of sovereigns of England.

THE PHILIPPINES.

NEW YORK, March 24.—A cable from Loudon says: The military situation as a whole is not regarded in England with as much satisfaction as it was a week ago. This is due chiefly to the serious repulse of the Mafeking relief forces and the apparent dotermination of the Boers to offer a desperate resistance at the second line of defense. Lord Roberts was evidently unable to follow up quickly the burghers who re-treated from Bloemfontein, and there-

fore plenty of sime has been allowed to can be little doubt that when the British do move, with their immensely superior forces, the same outflanking tactics of frontal attack will again be successful. Many experts expect that the greatest battle of the war will be

NEW YORK, March 25.- A cable from Manila, says: General Hughes, mili-tary commander of the Island of Panay. has arrived here from Iloilo for the pur-pose of consulting with General Otia. He says that the Island of Negros has a model civil government. Everything is peaceful there, and the crop-sublock is excellent. The situation in Oebu is improving. In Panay the natives are restive, and General Hughes expects that some campaigning will be neces-nery. BALTY.

The rainy season has commenced, and supplies are being sent to various gar-risons in preparations for the time when they will be isolated by reason of bad The west coast cannot be apweather. proached during the southwest monsoon, and hence it is probable that only two garrisons will be kept on that coast. The natives are suffering owing to the scarcity of food.

The mother of Agninaldo, as well as the mother of Mabini, formerly the Fili-pino minister of foreign affairs, are still kept under guard here. They are not allowed to talk with the natives.

La Patria and El Liberal, Spanish organs of the extreme Filipino party, have recently been publishing articles inimical to the military government. General Otis has suppressed the former journal for sedition and imprisoned the editor, at the same time issuing a waraing to the members of the extreme party that they should observe greater moderation.

Senora Paterno, at one time president of the so-cailed Filipino cabinet, having received permission from the au-thorities to come to Manila, is expected to present himself this week at San Fernando, province of Union.

The rebels in General Young's district are becoming aggressive. The four consecutive nights recent'". Re-enforcements are now arriving there. General Young purposes to pursue the rebels aggressively before the rainy season sets in.

Osman Pasha, Turkey's great general, is dead. His death is announced in a dispatch received from Constantinople According to the dispatch, when the sultan heard of his death he exclaimed: 'Allah is unmerciful. He has deprived me of my honest, true friend and most valiant supporter." The body will be interred with all possible honor.

Through the breaking down of the first floor in a factory building at New York, which was totally destroyed by fire, three firemen were killed and two injured. The men wer precipitated into the basement, in which was about six feet of water, and pinned under the debris. It is supposed they were drown-ed. The dead are William J. Smith, Peter Bowman and Foreman John Grady. The injured are Fireman Kuchs and Captain William Clark.

Three officers of the Dutch warship General Pel were captured in Dutch New Guinea and eaten by the natives.

The Carnegie Steel company (limited) of Pittsburg becomes a stock company with a capital varionaly estimated at signed his position recently. mgland. The Yeomanry, 10.000 of whom will from \$200,000,000 to \$250,000,000, the be selected for service in South Africa, dates back as a force much further than famous "ironclad agreement" is wiped of all bitmatic backets because the service of the se the volunteers or militia. The Yeo-manry consists entirely of cavalry, and is members are mostly country gentic-men who are in the saddle much of the men who are in the saddle much of the bodied in an anthorized statement issued recouly by the Carneg.e Steel company (limited).

WAR IN THE TRANSVALL.

Progress of the Fight Between Briten and Boer.

LONDON, March 21 .- The war office has received the following dispacth from Lord Roberts, dated Bleemfontein,

Tuesday, March 20: "Kitchener occupied Prieska yester-day unopposed. The robels surrondered their are as. The Trausvallers escaped across the river.

"Mr. Stoyn is cloulating a notice by means of dispatch riders in reply to my proclamation, to the effect that any burgher who signs a declaration that he will not fight against us again will be treated as a traitor and shot.

"The Bloemfontein people are affording us every assistance in the matter of hospital accommodations. We have con-sequently been able to arrange for 500 beds.

"Thirty-three prisoners were taken at Priesks, 200 stands of arms and some supplies and explosives. The Boers have begun to surrender on the Basuto-land frontier."

CAPE TOWN, March 28 .- The followinS telegram has arrived from Nicholsen, Buluwayo, March, 16th:

LOBATSI, March 14.—The Boers ad-vanced from the south in considerable-force this morning. They first ad-yanced from Goope's Siding. After a sharp engagement Lieutenant-Colonel Bodie's advanced post was compelled to retreat. The retirement was excelleutly carried out to our main position. The casualties included Lieutenant Chapman and a corporal prisoners, and two missing, probably prisoners. Five troopers were wounded. Obapman's horse fell with him close to the enemy, who 'immediately surrounded him The exact Boer casualties are unknown but several were shot at short range. In the afternoon the Boers advanced further north and shelled our position from a ridge on our left. Our 13-2-pounder replied, the artillery fire oontinuing until sunset. Lieutenant A. J. Tyler has since died of his wounds. One native was killed.'"

PRETORIA, March 19.-President Kru-eger today discussed the war in a force-ful manner, defending the Transval in its course and avowing the purpose of his people to fight on to freedom or death. He said:

"The war was forced upon us by England, which has been deceived by Cecil Rhodes and the other mining men who want the country. We yielded as far as possible until we saw that nothing but complete surrender of our independ-ence would satisfy England. Now that we are fighting we will conquer or die. I do not look for aid from other countries, but we are glad to have their sympathy and friendship. We are will-American battalion garrisoning the ing to make peace at any time, but only town of Namagpacan was attacked on on the ground of absolute independence.

> In the house of commons, London, Lord George Hamilton, secretary of state for India, said that the Indian famine affects territory in which there is a population of 60,000,000. Five million persons are in receipt of relief, and the number employed on government relief works is 4,200,000. The amount devoted to the relief work in 1896 was £2,055,000, and it is expected that £8,-885,000 will probably be required for the same purpose during the current year.

The president has nominated Walter H. Chamberlain of Chicago to be assis-tant commissioner of patents.

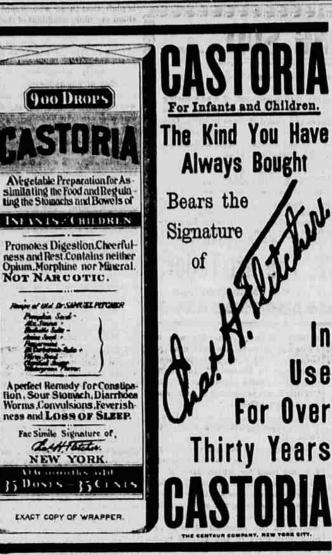
Captain Thomas Wilson, chairman of the Central National bank of Cleveland and a widely known vesselowner is dead.

Judge Jesse H. MacMath, who was consul-general to Morocco during President Lincoln's administration, died at Cleveland recently, aged 67.

Owing to an ice gorge a large portion of the Third ward of Mouroe, Mich., is under four feet of water. Great damage has already been done. The city authorities haved decided to employ dynamite to break the gorge.

Arthur P. Greeley, assistant commis sionner of patents, at Washington, re-

The suspension of Arthur M. Hunter, ent in



SHERIFF'S SALE.

Grant Herbert, Plaintiff.

Grant Herbert, Plaintiff, Ya M. J. Armstrong, Defendant. BY VIRUE of an excention lasued out of The Circuit Court of the State al Oregon, for the County of Jaekson, on the 6th day of March, A. D. 1900, upon a judgment duly ren-dered in skild Court on the fird day of January, A. D. 1898, which said judgment was d. c'eted in the clerk's office of said Court. in the County of Jackson, on the 4th day of January, A. D. 1898, which said judgment was d. c'eted in the clerk's office of said Court. in the County of Jackson, on the 4th day of January, A. D. 1898, in farmer deventy bitros and 50-100 1875, in farwor of Grant Herbert, plaintiff, and against Mrs. M. J. Armstrong, defendant, for the sum of one hundred seventy-three and 50-100 1875, 500 (911.50) dollars, attorney's fees, 1 did on the 16th day of March, 1900, duly lery upon and will sell as provided by law, at the front door of the court house of said county, In the town of Jackson ville, Oregon, on **Sturday, April 38th**, 1000,

Saturday, April 28th, 1900,

At the hour of 2 o'clock p. m. of said day, the following described property, to wit: Lots 1. 2,5 and 6, in block 22 (rusated in the Town of Jacksonstille, in the County of Jackson. State of Oregon. to sail signment, costs, at torney's fees and accruing costs. ALEX ONNE.

torney's fees and accruing costs. ALEX. OBME. Sheriff of Jackson County, Oregon. Dated this 19th day of March, 1900.

SUMMONS.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, In the Circuit Jackson County. Minnie E. Callaban, Plaintiff,

Suit in Equity for a Divorce. versus Daniel callahan, Defendant. To Daniel Callahan, the above named defend-

Defendant. J To Daniel Callaban, the above named defend-ant: In THE NAME OF THE STATE OF ORE-gon you are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint of the above named plaintiff in the above entitled court, now on file with the clerk of add court, within ten days from the date of the service of this sum-mons, if served upon you in Jackson County, Oregon but if served in any other county of the State of Oregon, then within twenty days of the date of the service of this summons upon you; or if served upon the service nor the state of Oregon or by publication, then six weeks from the publication thereof, or of service nor you out of the State of Oregon; and you are hereby notified that if you fail to appear and answer the said complaint as hereby required the said complaint as hereby required the said divored dissolving the marriage con-tract now existing between you and the said laindif. Bervice of this summons is made by publica-tion under and by virtue of an order of the Hon. If. K. Manna, one of the judges of the above named court, which said order was made and dated the 3th day of Pebrusry, 130, and ordered that said summons he served by pub-lishing the same for six weeks in The Marpore

FOREST LIEU SELECTION NO. 8.

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FORRET LIEU SELECTION NO. 8. United States Land Office, Roseburg, Oregon, Peby, 15, 1980. Notice is hereby given that Wm. I Vawter, whose postoffice address is Mediori, Oregos, has made application to select under the Act of Jame 4, 1897, 30 stat. 56), the follow-ing described tracts: The nel, eff sel, aff swi, see. 19, 19, 55 a, r. 2 cast. Within the next hirty days from date bareed protests or con-tests against the selection on the ground that the land described, or any portion thereof, is more valuable for its milnerals than for a driving valuable for its milnerals than for a cuitural purposes. Will be received and uoled for report to the commissioner of the general hand office. and office.

J. T. BRIDGES, Register.

FOREST LIEU SELECTION NO. 11

FOREST LIEU SELECTION NO. 11. United States LandOffice, Roseburg, Oregon, Fery 16, 1300. Notice is hereiny given that C. W. Kahier, whose postoffice address is Jack-sonville, Oregon, has made application to select under the act of June 4, 1897. (30 Hiat, 36), the following described trates. The swi, ne's, sel-net, met, section 32; the nw', ne's, section 32; the nw's, met, social and, the 32 s. A least. Within the next thirty days from the date hereof pro-trats or contests against the weltertion on the grount that the land described, or any portion thereof, is more valuable for its minerals than for agricultural purposes. will be received and noted for report to the commissioner of the general land office. J. T. HRIDORS, Register.

FOREST LIEU SELECTION NO. 15.

TIMBER LAND ACT. JUNE 3, 1878. NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, (ROBERTRG, ORBIGN, FOBTARY 7, 1900, (Notice is hereby, given that in compliance which is hereby, given that in compliance of the state of the selection of the selection limit, and in the States of California Ore where the selection of Prospect, County of Jack-son, State Of Oregon, has this day filed in this observe the selection No. 80, for the pur-sense of the States of No. 80, for the pur-base of the States of No. 80, for the pur-base of the States of No. 80, for the pur-observe of the States of No. 80, for the pur-base of the States of States

P. of A. -Court Mt. Pitt No. 24, moets in For-esters Hall every Wednesday at 8 p. m. G. W. Braynismoon, "Infor Ranger. B I. L. FURD IN. Financial Secretary. I.O.O.F.-Lodge No. 55, meets inl. O.O.F. hall every Baturday at at F. p. m. Visiting brothers always welcome. J. R. SILBARKS, N. G. J. H. STEWART, Rec. Ben 1. U. U. F. - Hogue River Encamplment, No. 30, meets in 1. O. O. F. built the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month at 8 p.m. U. T. LAWTON, O. P. W. T. YORK, Seribs.

SOCIETIES OF MEDFORD.

Olive Rebekah Lodge No. 28, meets in 1. O. O. F. hali first and third Tuesdays of each month. Visiting sisters invited to attend. Sus. Lit.LiAN HARVEY, N. G. Mus. MINNIE CALSINS, Roc. Sec.

A. F. & A. M.-Moots first Friday on or be fure full moon at 8 p. m. in Masonio ball. N. L. NARIEROAR, W. M. W. V. LIPPIRCOTT, Rec. Sec.

K, of P.—Talisman lodge No. 31, meets Mon tay evening at 8 p. m. Visiting brothers al ways welcome. EXCENSIONS, U. C. S. E. COLE, K. of R and S.

Knights of the Maccances. Triumph Tens No. 14, meets in regular review on the lat and id Tueslays of each month in A. O. U. W. Hall at 720 p. m. Visiling Sir Knights cordial-iy invited to attend. G. L. WESS, Commander. W. T. YORK, B. K. 2

A. O. U. W., Degree of Honor-Rather lodge No. 56, incens every second and fourth Tuesday evening of each month, at A. O. U. W. hall, Man. CARNER M. CHOUCH, C. of H. Man. DELIA DODOR, Rec.

A. U. U. W.-Lodge No. 95, meets svery fire and third Wedneeday in the meeth at 9p, m in their hail in the opera block, Visiting bachiers invited to attend. N. L. NARREGAN, Recorder.

Woodmen of the World-Camp No. 10, meets every Friday evening in Adkins-Deuel block, Medford, Oregon. JOR BHONE, Clerk, W. H. MERKER, C. C.

Chrysanthemum Circle, No. 84, Women of Woodcraft - Meeta second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at 7.30 p.m. in Woodmen hall Visiting sisters invited. ADA M. MILLS. Cierk.

W. R. C.-Chester A. Arthur Corps No. 54 meets second and fourth Monday of each month at 9 o'clock p. m., 'n Woodman's hall. Visiting slaters invited. MRS J. H. WHITMAN Pres. MARY E. REEVES, Sec.

G. A. R.-Chester A. Arthur Pest No. 47 mosts in Woodman's hall every second and fourth Monday night in each month at 7:30. Visiting Comrades cordially invited to attend. F. M. STEWART. Adjustat.

W. C. T. U -Meets every other Wednesday

Mrs. MAY COX, Bec. ADDIS HALLEY, Pres.

CHURCHES OF MEDFORD.

Bain, Marks Rpiscops, Bunday School meets at Episeopal Church every Sunday morning at 10 o'clock: divine service every first and third sundays at 7:30 p.m. Rev. Chas. Booth, Stec-

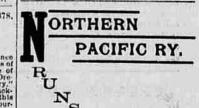
Ior. Methodist Episcopal Churca.-W. H. Moore, pastor. Preaching every Sabbath at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sunday school at 10 a.m. H. L. Gilkey, supt. Chass meeting every Sabbath at close of sermon, Levi Fauceit, leader. Ep worth league every Sabbath evening at 6:30, O. Fauceit, preat. Hegulat weekly prayer meet-ing every Thursday evening at 7:30. Ladies' seving circle every week. Missionary society meets the first Friday in each month.

Presbyterian Church-Hev. A. Haberly, pas tor. Presching at 11 a. m. and 730 p. m. Sun-day school at 10 a. m. Y. P. S. C. M. 6300 p. Junior Endeavor Seciety at 230 p. m. Sundar, Prayer m eting on Wednesday evening at 1 30 o'clock

Hapitst church - Rev. T. L. Grandall, pastor. Sabbath services: Preaching 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. ; Paybrath school 10 a. m. H. Y. F. U. 4:30 p. m. ; prayer inceting Widnesday as 7:30 p. m. ; covenant meeting at 2:30 p. m. on Maturday pre-ceding first sabbath. Strangers and friends al-ways welcome.

Christian church - Corner of Sixth and I streets. Preaching at 11 s. m. and 7, p. m. Sunday school at 10 s. m. Junoir Endeavor at p. m. Y. P. N. C. K. at 6:30 p. m. Prayer meeting every Thursday evening. Ladies Missionary Auxiliary to C. W. H. E. first Thurs-day 7:30 P. M. each month. Choral Union every Friday at 7:30 pm. The people welcome. O. J. Gist pastor. Resides at the church.

Methodiat Episcopal Church South-Hev. E. F. Wilson, pastor. Preaching every Sonday at 11 s. m. and 7 p. m.; Stunday school at 10 s. m.; Epworth League, prayer and uraise meeting wach Sonday aidp m.; Prayer meeting Wodnes-evening at 7 o'clock; Woman's Homo Mission Society meets first Thursday in each month at 200 p. m. Mrs. E. B. Pickel, president.



dime. They are obliged to furnish their own mounts and equipment, and are drilled much more severely and fre-quently than either of the other two branches of volunteers. Their total is 11,900, and they cost the government \$375,000 annually. The first detachment of 1,000 sailed on January 15 .-Oincinnati Commercial Tribune. -

Italy's Olive Crop.

There is an almost complete failure of the olive crop in southern Italy, and in Sicily, this season, owing to the rav-ages of the oil fly, which appeared in unusual numbers on account of the prolonged drought of last summer and fall. The loss to the province of last fall. The loss to the province of Bari and Lecce alone is estimated at 60,000,-000 lire, or \$12,000,000. There will be a corresponding scarcity of oil, of course. The country people are having their eyes opened to the consequences of their wholesale destruction of insectdevouring songbirds .- N. Y. Tribune.

A Pampered Cow.

On their recent visit to the ancestral some of the czarina at Hesso Dramstadt, there was attached to the impetrain, the luxuriousness and completeness of which have never been surpassed, a coach occupied solely by a splendid cow and her attendants. The matter of pure milk for the royal - youngsters was one of vast importance, and so it was decided to take along the best cow to be found .- N. Y. Journal.

Basily Convinced.

The Chicago Record has discovered that it does not take much to convince the man who has a bet on the loser Shat a prize fight was crooked.

The bubonic plague is fast increasing in India. In Bengal 4785 deaths oc-curred last week. These included 744 in Calcutta and 2044 in Patna.

The old publishing house of D. Apple-ton & Co., founded by Daniel Appleton in 1825, at New York, went into the hands of a receiver on Wednesday afternoon. It had estimated assets of \$3,604. 028 93 and liabilities, exclusive of capital stock, of \$1,694,028 98, or an apparent surplus of \$2,000,000, which is the amount of the capital stock.

A combination has been secured on the estrich industry. All the birds in the United States, excepting about 100, have been secured and are to be placed on a farm near Poenix, Ariz.

June 1 the task of taking the un tional census commences. Four weeks is all that is allowed to complete securng names.

The doors of the Merchant's National bank of Rutland, Vt., are closed, pend-ing an examination of its books by a committee of its directors. Certain as-sets have been impaired, and the cashier Charles W, Mussey, will be asked to explain certain discrepancies in accounts. Experts are at work on the books.

Governor Jones of Arkansus has an nonneed his withdrawal from the sena-torial race, leaving the field clear to Senator Berry, who is seeking re election.

-The Mining Laws of Oregon for sale at this office. Price 25 cents.

operations, was announced at the Nev York stock exchange.

Among the bills introduced in the house was one by Mr. Stephens of Texas, for an international dam on the Rio Grande river to control the distribution of the river between the United States and Mexico.

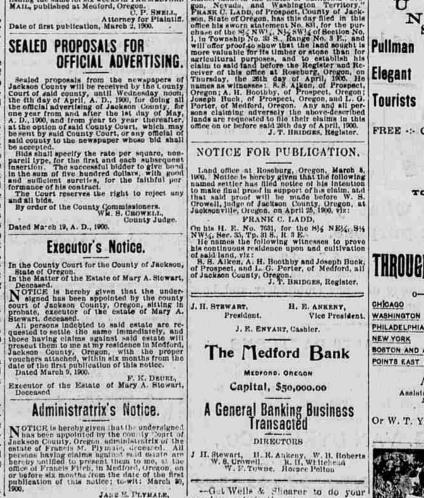
G. H. Miller, president of the Georgia Frait Growers' association, says that not more than five percent of the fruit crop was killed by the recent cold snap and freeze. The lowest temperature registered was 35 degrees. The fruit trees are three weeks later than usual in budding in this section, otherwise the cold would have caught the trees in full bloom. That northern Georgia will have an enormous fruit crop this year is now almost beyond reasonable doubt. President Miller bolleves that the crop will be of unusual excellence, and that the killing of a small percentage of the buds will be a benefit, as it will prevent the trees from overloading and thereby dwarfing the fruit.

Louis Polaski, a retired merchant and pioneer of Los Augeles, was stricken with apoplexy at the home of his son, and died a few minutes later. He was and died 72 years old and a native of Poland.

Miss Annie Strother, night cashier in A Chicago restaurant, was shot and killed by an unknown woman one night recently. Her slayer escaped.

The Metropolitan Street Railway com pany of New York, has secured a con-trolling interest in the Third-avenue Street Railway company. The trans-action involves the control of \$16,000, 000 of stock, \$50,000,000 of bonds and the responsibility of about \$23,000,000 of floating debt.

-THE MAIL will print 50 calling cards for 25 cents.



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