

Washington, Nov. 29.—The report of the secretary of the navy was made public today. It shows that the present effective fighting force of the navy consists of four battle-ships of the first class, two battle-ships of the second class, two armored cruisers, sixteen cruisers, fifteen gunboats, six double-turreted monitors, one ram, one dynamite gunboat, one dispatch-boat, one transport steamer and five torpedo-boats.

New York, Nov. 29.—Ada Rehan in silver is to be outshone by William McKinley in gold according to the Herald of today. The added fame which the actress acquired by posing for the Montana statue of solid silver exhibited at the world's fair is to be approached if not eclipsed by the president of the United States who will furnish the figure for a life-sized statue of solid gold.

Issued by the Cuban Constitutional Assembly. New York, Nov. 29.—The Cuban constitutional assembly, which met recently at Camaguey, to remodel the constitution and elect a new president, issued a manifesto, which reached the office of the Cuban junta in this city today. The document is dated Dayaguay, October 30, 1897, and is signed by Domingo Mendez Capote, as president of the assembly. The manifesto is the address of "The representatives of the Cuban people to all those who have independence and the future welfare of Cuba at heart."

Caretaker is a word adopted into modern use and means one who takes care of, and is very generally applied to those employed to take care of things committed to their keeping. The way some people have of taking care of themselves is very suggestive of the need of a caretaker. The human body to such is a mansion filled with precious things uncarved for, where thieves may break in and rust doth corrupt. Pains and aches are thieves, and the body left uncarved for to their spoilage will be robbed of all its comforts and despoiled of its peace of mind and happiness.

The event of the week in the Chicago wheat market was a jump of 4c in one day in the price of December options. The sentimental figure of \$1 was reached for a moment. The bulk of the wheat in Chicago is in the hands of a powerful clique, who are in a position just now to dictate to the short sellers of December. These people keep on declaring there is to be no corner, but a squeeze is almost certain.

\$2000.00 says "It is worth a great deal to us to have you try Schilling's Best baking powder and tea." Money-back says "We have a great deal of confidence in your good faith and in Schilling's Best baking powder and tea." Schilling's Best baking powder and tea are because they are money-back.

There are 64 other naval vessels, including those used as training, receiving and naval-reserve ships, tugs, disused single-turreted monitors, and some unseaworthy craft. There is, further, the auxiliary fleet. This consists, first, of more than 20 subsidized steamers, which comply with the requirements of the postal act of March 3, 1891, with regard to their adaptability to naval service, and to an armament of main and second batteries; second, of a very much greater number of large merchant marine steamers, which can be availed of at any time of need.

"You know," said Mr. Higby "that I designed and built the Montana statue at the world's fair for which Miss Rehan posed. I suppose it was because of my experience that I have been retained to build this statue, which with the base will contain bullion to the value of \$1,050,000.

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Is what chronic inactivity of the liver gives rise to. It gets into the blood and imparts a yellow tint to the tongue, foetor, and so does the breath, sick headaches, pain beneath the right ribs and shoulders, and the bowels become constipated and the stomach disordered. The proven remedy for this catalogue of evils is Fowler's Sarsaparilla, a medicine long and professionally recommended, and soverely also for chills and fever, nervousness and rheumatism.

Nothing would affect the sentiment at Chicago quicker than a falling off in Northwestern receipts. But on this comparatively simple problem there is no unanimity. Pillsbury a fortnight ago predicted confidently that the car lots at Minneapolis and Duluth by November 20 would be down to small figures, with not over 20 per cent of the crop left in the hands of the farmers.

Chicago is justly proud of her new public library. It has taken ten years to build and the actual cost was \$1,315,077 less than the \$2,000,000 originally appropriated. Barfield ays has been found by Herr Levinstein to produce strong fatty degeneration of heart, liver and muscles, with death through deficiency of oxygen.

Five additional battle-ships are under construction, which should be completed by the end of the year 1899. One gunboat and 17 torpedo-boats are also under construction. The first cost of the gunboats was about \$250,000 each. That of the cruisers nearly \$2,000,000 each.

Reported That Flax Will Be Made Up Into Wares at Salem. Salem, Or., Nov. 29.—There are prospects that the "Scotch Mills," in Salem, which have long stood idle, will be converted into an important manufacturing plant. It is understood that Mr. T. B. Wilcox, who owns a controlling interest in the mills, has submitted a proposition to Dr. Deimel, the importer of linen goods, whereby a linen manufacturing establishment is to be located here, and Mr. Wilcox is to be one of the stockholders.

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Japanese officers who fought in the late war against China have petitioned their government to erect a monument to the memory of the horses that fell in battle. HOME PRODUCTS AND PURE FOOD. All Eastern Syrup, so-called, usually very light colored and of heavy body, is made from glucose, "Ten Grades" is made from pure cane and is strictly pure.

Wheat—Walla Walla, 76¢@77¢; Valley and Bluestem, 78¢@79¢ bushel. Four—Best grades, \$4.25; graham, \$5.50; superfine, \$2.25 per barrel. Oats—Choice white, 34¢@35¢; choice gray, 32¢@33¢ per bushel.

AN OPEN LETTER TO MOTHERS. WE ARE ASSERTING IN THE COURTS OUR RIGHT TO THE EXCLUSIVE USE OF THE WORD "CASTORIA," AND "PITCHER'S CASTORIA," AS OUR TRADE MARK. I, DR. SAMUEL PITCHER, of Hyannis, Massachusetts, was the originator of "PITCHER'S CASTORIA," the same that has borne and does now bear the fac-simile signature of Chas. H. Fletcher on every bear the fac-simile signature of Chas. H. Fletcher wrapper.

NITROGLYCERINE EXPLOSION. Nearly Wrecked an Entire Town in Indiana. Andersonville, Ind., Nov. 29.—Ches terfield, Ind., was almost wiped off the map at an early hour this morning by an explosion of 80 quarts of nitro-glycerine in an oil field half a mile from town. James Goll's house, about 300 rods distant, was torn to pieces. The explosion tore a hole in the ground down to the water line. A three-ton engine was torn to fragments, and every animal in the neighborhood was killed instantly.

Legislation for Alaska. Washington, Nov. 29.—The president in his message will recommend speedy legislation to insure the best possible government for Alaska. He will point out the difficulties which the people living there are under, and will urge that something be done to protect the property of the government. He will allude to the fact that the government is losing large sums because there is no way of protecting timber from indiscriminate use.

Cheered for America. Havana, Nov. 29.—Advices from Porto Rico say a riot occurred there yesterday. It appears that a steamer having on board a number of political prisoners, recently released from the Spanish penal settlement on the African coast, in accordance with the amnesty decree, arrived there, and the liberated men were allowed to land. They soon found their way to a drinking saloon, partook of stimulants and began cheering for the United States, crying: "Hurrah for free America."

ABOUT CHANGE OF LIFE. "I suffered for eight years, and could find no permanent relief until one year ago. My trouble was Change of Life. I tried Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and relief came almost immediately. I have taken two bottles of the Vegetable Compound, three boxes of Pills, and have also used the Sanative Wash, and must say I have never had anything help so much. I have better health than I ever had in my life. I feel like a new person, perfectly strong. I give the Compound all the credit. I have recommended it to several of my friends who are using it with like results. It has cured me of several female diseases. I would not do without Mrs. Pinkham's remedies for anything. There is no need of so much female suffering. Her remedies are a sure cure."—Mrs. ELLA KENNEDY, Knightstown, Henry Co., Ind.

San Francisco Market. Wool—Newada 11@13; Oregon, 12@14; Northern 11@12 per pound. Hops—10@14 per pound. Millett's—Middlings, \$20@22; California bran, \$17.50@18.00 per ton. Onions—New red, 70¢@80¢; do new silverskin, \$1.40@1.60 per cental. Eggs—Store, 18¢@20¢; ranch, 40¢@41¢; Eastern, 17¢@24¢; duck, 25¢ per dozen. Cheese—Fancy mild, new, 12¢@13¢; fair to good, 7¢@8¢ per pound.

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Another Cable to Victoria. Victoria, Nov. 29.—Frank Jaynes, superintendent of the Western Union Telegraph Company, who is in the city, said today that his company would enter Victoria by laying a cable from the mainland. Railways in Holland are so carefully managed that the accidental deaths on them average only one a year for the entire country.

Chicago, Nov. 29.—The Lutegert case will be called for a second trial tomorrow morning, in Judge Horton's court. The state will announce its readiness to go on with the trial at once, but it is very probable that Attorney Phalen, for the defense, will ask for a continuance or a change of venue.

Frankfort, Ky., Nov. 29.—Following the requests of the boards of trade and the Commercial Club of Louisville, some numerous letters urging Governor Bradley to appoint his daughter, Miss Christine, who is now in school in Washington, D. C., to christen the new battle-ship Kentucky. While it is somewhat embarrassing for the governor to confer the honor on a member of his own family, it is quite likely that he will comply with these popular requests.

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