#### An Explanatory Letter.

"Ashford, Wash., Nov. 21 .- To Coroner, Lewis county: You will be notified by this letter of a tragedy which occurred Friday, November 20, at I P. M. Mrs R. Swenyer cut the throats of her three children and then cut her own throat The children's ages, respectively, are 5 and 3 years was at work, he entered the house and that being the instrument with which may not enter. she did the awful deed, lay by the mother's side. Her only cry is, 'Why interpreter nor counsel. Those partly did I do the deed?' and still she regrets acquainted with Spanish were comthat she did not kill herself as she intended. There is no doctor in this part of the county, and the only treatment that the family will get will be what the settlers can do for them, which will be very poor at best, as our means of treatment of such cases are very limited. They will bury the dead children near the house. The tragedy happened just about four miles from Ashford postoffice, which is in Pierce county.'

#### TERRIFIC EXPLOSION. Asphaltum Mine Near Fort Duchesne

Salt Lake, Utah, Nov. 26.-A special to the Tribune from Price, Utah, says that a heavy explosion occurred at the St. Louis Gilson Asphaltum Company's mine, near Fort Duchesne, at 3 o'clock this afternoon, in which two men were killed and three others injured. The killed are: Charles Anderson and Andy Garner. The explosion was terrific, the report being distinctly heard at Vernal, thirty miles distant. All the buildings at the fort Killed His Step-Father, Who Was Beatwere shaken and many windows

broken. The explosion was caused by the combustion of asphaltum dust and gas, the mine immediately taking fire. The heat is so intense that it is impossible to get near it. The flames are rising from all three shafts 100 feet in the air, and there is no possible way of extinguishing them. It is not probable that the bodies of Anderson and Garner will ever be recovered. The entire command at the fort was hurried to the

scene, but could render no assistance. MERE MATTER OF ROUTINE.

Nothing Secret or Sensational About

Fortification. Washington, Nov. 26.-At the war department it is stated that there is nothing significant or new in the prepafenses at Florida ports, as Key West the chief of engineers, made public on near future. June 30, calls attention to the anti-St. Augustine and on Florida Keys. It states that large sums could be expended on them to advantage, and adds that, "under the authority given by congress to the secertary of war, it is intended to advertise at an early date for proposals for constructing emplacements for four ten-inch and two eight- Barely Time to Save the Children From inch guns on disappearing carriages, and sixteen twelve-inch mortars." These are the guns referred to in the Lieutenant-Colonel Beinhard has proceeded with great secrecy, and that the contracts are the regular execution of the work publicly reported five months ago. Some plans are similarly made concerning the work at Pensacola and Fiorida Keys.

#### Barrison's House Robbed.

Indianapolis, Ind., Nov. 26.-Burglars entered the residence of ex-President Harrison last night. From Mrs. Harrison's room a gold watch and a small sum of money were secured. It is believed the burglars were frightened in Egypt between the two lower falls

Minneapolis, Nov. 26 .- By the overturning of a gasoline lamp a terrible explosion occurred at the residence of F. A. Walker last night, and as a re- net decrease of \$43,714, or 1 4 per cent, sult Mrs. Walker and her daughter as compared with October of the pre-Mabel, 13 years old, and the domestic, vious year. There is nothing signifi-Mary Overland, are in Asbury hos- cant in this fact, as it is attributed to pital. The latter cannot survive, the business inactivity in the political clothing having been burned entirely campaign. The increase of mail caroff her body and leaving her in a ter- ried during the campaign is stated by rible condition. The girl Mabel, is postoffice officials to have been made not expected to live, but some hope is held out for the mother.

Chinese Returning flome.

Tacoma, Nov. 25.—The steamer Walla Walla today arrived from San Francisco with over 100 Chinese passengers, who will sail on the Olympia for the Orient, leaving Thursday. Several dozen Celestials have arrived from the east to take passage on her. The exodus of Chinese to their native land is greater this fall than usual.

Maids of honor may retain their posts in the royal household of England long as they remain unmarried. There is no age at which they are obliged to retire.

#### SOLD LIKE SHEEP.

Natives of the New Hebrides are Being

Sold Into Slavery. Sydney, N. S. W., Nov. 26.-Re-No reason is given for the or the establishment of a protectorate

jects living in these islands and others. The Anglo-French control was fixed by a convention between Great Britain and France October 24, 1887, in which Chehalis, Wash., Nov. 26.—Coroner it was agreed that the protec ion of Sticklin this afternoon received the fol- persons and property by means of a lowing letter, giving an account of the mixed commission composed of naval tragedy, near Ashford, from J. B. officers belonging to the English and French naval statio s in the Pacific.

#### TRIED AT CANABAS.

Competitor Prisoners Have Been Secret-

ly Court-Martialed. Havana, Nov. 26.—The Comptitor prisoners have been tried by court marand 9 months, all girls. The one 3 of Consul-General Lee's official protest, tial in the fortress of Cabanas in spite years old is dead, and the eldest is not filed just before he left Havana. The expected to live. The baby will pull exceptions taken by the prisoners were through with care, also the mother, overruled by the naval cours. Gen-Mrs. Swenyer, and the oldest girl, eral Lee's note was pigeon-holed, and each have a hole in the windpipe, but in defiance of Secretary Olney's intithe baby has not. The husband was mation of disapproval, the Competinot away from the house more than tor's crew and Mr. Melton, the Ameriforty minutes, and when he returned can newspaper correspondent, have from the front of the barn where he again been tried by a drumhead court, sitting within the walls of a Spanish saw the family lying side by side on fortress, where, according to Captain-the floor with their throats cut, one General Weyler's orders, the representdead, the others dying. The razor, ative of the United States con-ulate

The prisoners were allowed neither pelled to interpret for the others. So quickly was the affair conducted that Acting Consul-General Springer does not yet know, it is said, that the case was virtually closed November 14, on which day Melton, Maza, Dr. Vedia and the witness, George Ferran, were forced by Naval Judge Fernandez to sign statements admitting their complicity in the filibustering expedition which the Competitor is alleged to have been brought under Monson and Labord to the Pinar del Rio coast. This written evidence is now under consid-

eration by the court. Judge Saul said today that a decision may be rendered at any moment. It is expected that all the members of the party whose American catizenship has not been clearly shown will be shot. The bona fide Americans probably will be sentenced to from three to ten years imprisonment in some Spanish penal tation off the coast of Africa.

#### DECLARED NOT GUILTY.

Red Bluff, Cal., Nov. 26.-The grand jury of this county, which adjourned this morning, states in its report that the district attorney had submitted to it testimony taken at the preliminary examination in the case of the people versus Joe Sousa, an 11year-old boy, charged with the murder of his stepfather, A. C. Nunes, and asked the advice of the grand jury as to what further action he should take in said case and that the grand jury, after full examination of all the circumstances connected with the case and also considering the tender age of the defendant, did not believe that a jury would convict. Defendant, therefore, recommended the district attorney to take steps towards dismissing the case. rations for improving the battery de- District Attorney Andrews states that he will probably comply with the recdispatches state. The annual report of ommendation of the grand jury in the

Nunes was killed by young Sousa at quated coast defenses at Fort Marion, Battle Creek, this county, October 26, while in the act of beating his wife, Sonsa's mother, with a stick of wood, and the boy claimed that he killed Nunes to save his mother's life.

#### FARMHOUSE BURNED.

the Flames.

La Grande, Or., Nov. 26.-The farmhouse on F. S. Richardson's place, at dispatches from Key West, stating that the foot of Mount Emil, burned to the ground this morning. The house was occupied by a family of newcomers. The fire was well under way when discovered, and the members of the family, including five children, barely had time to escape with little wearing ap to the blood and restore shattered parel. Two or three cihldren were wrapped in blankets and taken from for such diseases as locomotor ataxia, the house, and none of their clothing partial paralysis, St. Vitus' dance, spiwas saved. The fire originated from the stovepipe.

Rain has never been known to fall

Washington, Nov. 26 .- The October statement of receips at the thirty largest postoffices in the country show a up largely of franked matter, so there is little to offset business listlessness.

A Preacher Murdered. Bloomington, Ill., Nov. 26,-Rev. James Miller, pastor of Grace M. E. church, Bloomington, was found murdered and robbed in an alley at Decatur, Ill., this morning. A revolver with which the crime was committed was lying by the dead man's side. His pockets were rifled and a gold watch was missing. The murder was evi- don't like it. was missing. The most substitute of the schilling & Company and the schilling & Company San Francisco had written a note to his son, Dr. John Miller, in Decatur, stating that he would visit him today, and had evidently just arrived from Bloomington.

Miller was a very able minister.

#### PREE SILVER.

The coinage of silver might have been too free, but the free use of it in a small sum may be a very big investment with very sure and large profits. What it costs to buy a bottle of St. Jacobs Oil for the cure of rheumatism is within the reach of the poorest. It is the best investment in this line—best cure, and the profits are sure, be cause it will surely cure. This is so well known it is almost a maxim, and so much good is wrought out of the free use of sc little that a strong, active wurkman can be made out of a man who before may have been a helpless invalid or a hobbling cripple.

His will displays his qualities in their entirety. The language sounds simple and sincere; there is a hidden meaning in almost every line. His religion had been, at best, that of a deist; at the last he professed a plety which he never felt or practiced. During his life France had been loved and used as a skillful artificer uses his tool; the last word of his testament suggest a ommended the "love of right, which alone can incite to the performance of great deeds;" for his faithless wife he expressed the tenderest sentiments, and probably felt them. It was his hope that the English people would avenge itself on the English oligarchy, and that France would forgive the traitors who betrayed her-Marmont, Augereau, Talleyrand, and Lafayette-as he forgave them. Louis he pardoned in the same spirit for the "libel published in 1820; it is full of falsehoods and falsified documents," The blame for Enghien's murder he took to himself. The second portion of the document is a series of munificent sounding bequests, disposing of his supposititious private fortune, estimated by him at 250,000,-600 francs, to a list of legatees, which includes every one who had done the legator any important service since his earliest childhood. In codicil he remembers one Cautillon, who had undergone trial for an alleged attempt to assassinate Wellington, "Cautillon had as much right to assassinate that oligarch as he (Wellington) to send me to the rock of St. Helena to perish there."-

### A Good Showing.

a Certain Medicine.

From the Journal, Minneapolis, Minn. There is one proprietary medicine in become a household word and that is the preparation known as "Pink Pills for Pale People." Shakespeare said, "a rose by any other name would smell That may be so, but pills put up by any other name would not have the same attraction nor popu- liver or blood diseases. lar sales that Pink Pills have in Spokane, Wash.

Journal started out the other day to inwidely-sold household medicine. The evidence was on every hand. Hamilton B. Merrill, a young money loaner of Spokane, was seen by the newspaper man. Mr. Merrill made no secret of your sister at home? his remarkable cure by these little

"Do I know the efficacy of Pink Pills?" he reiterated. "I should rath. old maid, or the pretty one what ain't er think I do, they have been a blessing goin' to have anythin? to me. I am not in the habit of praissay that Pink Pills as far as my case goes have no equal in the world. A little over a year ago I began ailing and commenced to lose flesh rapidly. The doctor told me to stop smoking; this I did, but the result was even worse. My heart beats decreased to less than by my doctor, but without receiving ally say that he means well any benefit whatever. I continued daily to grow worse and my parents became alarmed over my condition. Some one suggested Pink Pills; I thought I would try them anyway. And I tell von I cannot endorse them too highly; they worked like a charm in my case. My heart soon became normal again, my flesh increased and I felt like a new man. To tell you the truth I am still taking them. I have a sort of fondness for them yet and I am loath to

"I know of a young lady living in tons. this city, whose condition was even worse than mine, she took Pink Pills and is one of society's gayest young ladies now. I wish I were at liberty to give her name, as I am sure she would only be too delighted to give them a hearty send off. I believe Pink Pills cannot be too highly recommended

They are gems, indeed." Mr. Merrill is a young man of 22 or 23 years of age and today is the pink of health. He has a splendid complexion and would be the last person to be taken for one who has been so seriously ill only a few months ago. He is a splendid athlete besides and moves in the best circles of society here.

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That Paine's celery compound cer-A representative of the Minneapolis M. D., LL. D., of Dartmouth college, tainly cures such diseases as neuralgia, embodied in Paine's celery compound sleeplessness and dyspepsia does not advestigate the merits of this popular and the most progressive, yet thoroughly es- mit of a doubt. It builds up the entire

Bill of Particulars. Good minister (to a man wishing to

be married)-Do you wish to marry Little Dick-Which sister? The homethis woman? ly one what's goin' to have all pa's Man-I do. money, because she's likely to be an Minister-Do you wish to marry this

Minister-Do you like the suburbs?

Woman-No, indeed; I prefer the

Minis er-Are you a vegetarian in

Man -No; I hate vegetables, I live

Wornan-I can't bear meat. I am a

Minister-Do you like a sleeping-room

Man-Yes; I want the window away

Minister-Do you like so much fresh

Woman-No; it would kill me. I want

Minister-Do you like a light in the

Man-No; can't sleep with a light;

Minister-Are you afraid in the

Woman-Indeed I am. I always have

Minister-Do you like many bed-

Minister-I hereby pronounce you

man and wife, and may the Lord have

mercy on your souls.-New York

There is a little girl in Columbus, O.,

whose mother is in the habit of using

the phrase, "Oh, don't mention it!"

when any one apologizes to her. This

little girl was naughty one day and

her mother said to her: "Elsie, what

will God think when you tell him to

night how bad you have been to-day?"

"My mamma," said Elsle, "he will say

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Woman-No; they suffocate me.

Woman-I do. Young Man-Um-er-both of them. Minister-Do you like the city as a -Woonsocket Reporter. place of residence? Man-No; I prefer the suburbs.

on beef.

vegetarian.

well ventilated?

all windows closed.

down, summer and winter.

a bright light in the room.

Man-All I can pile on.

Minister-Do you?

clothes?

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When you can't say anything else forty a minute. I was prescribed for complimentary of a man, you can usu-

AN APPEAL FOR ASSISTANCE.

The man who is charitable to himself wi The man who is charitable to himself will listen to the mute appeal for assistance made by his stomsch, or his liver, in the shape of divers dispeptic qualms and uneasy sensations in the regions of the gland that secretes his bile. Hostetters Stomach litters, my dear ir, or madam—as the case may be—is what you require. Hasten to use if you are thoubled with heartburn, wind in the stomach, or not that your skin or the whites of your eyes are taking a sallow hue.

room? The production of Bessemer steel during 1895 amounted to 9,500,000 want the room dark.

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Miss Alice Berry, a boarding house keeper on State street, Bridgeport, Conn., called a doctor one morning. stating that she was in terrible agony. having swallowed her false teeth, plate and all. She could feel the choking object in her throat and was in constant danger of strangling to death. On consultation it was decided to resort to tracheotomy, as the patient was liable to die. Dr. C. E. Sanford and Dr. C. N. Payne got their instruments ready and were about to administer ether to the woman when one of them stepped on some object under the edge of the bed. Picking it up, he found it to be the missing plate and teeth. It was shown

to the woman, who was about to go into

another convulsion, and as soon as she

recognized it the pain left her and she

Medical Students. The ratio of medical students to the population in this country is about twice as great as it is in Europe. The reason of this curious difference is found in the greater case with which a diploma can be obtained in the United States-the medical schools of Europe requiring more complete previous preparation, and compelling the student to undergo a longer course of study before be is eligible to a degree.

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starts the blood into healthy circulation the best physicians, but received no All of the imitators of Paine's celery and regulates the action of the nerves. permanent relief. When I commenced compound-every one knows how many It makes people well, strong and ener-getic. Mrs. R. Pratt of Center feet and hands were swollen so bally there are-have proved to be entirely wide of the mark. Their promises of astonishing curative abilities are easily here, says plainly:

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