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There is a hot race between the warships bound for Manila, Wagers are being made as to which will be the first McCalla has the most backers for the reason that he started for San Francisco and has the shortest route, while the others left from various points along the Atlantic coast, and have several thousand miles more to travel. Still

the contest among the four east-bound ships will be a pretty one. The Newark left San Francisco o

October 18, and no one knows where she, is or what route she has taken. Captain McCalla, who commanded the Marplehead in the Spanish war is considered one of the most tireless workers in the navy. Nothing will be known

of his progress until he reaches Honolulu or some of the Japanese ports. T.A. The Brooklyn, under the command of

AN ADVENTURE BY NIGHT.

One of Detroit's wealthy citizens has efstroom and gave him a better salary. drive wheels measure more than a rod as his guest a Christian Endeavorer. Subjoined is a literal transcript from at every revolution, but when going whe is particularly welcome because the report of the First Volksraad of pointers."

sixty miles an hour they must turn they were country lads together. One August 25th: Petitions from various incident will serve to show how they districts with 258 signatures were read, are rejuvenated in living over old times. praying that a law should be passed "Twm," said the host in the presence immediately prohibiting the reappointof half a dozen others, "remember the ment in the state's service of officials

things besides these described that are time we robbed the watermelon who had been dismissed for embezzlement, fraud and so on. The memorial-The two laughed heartily and Tom ists said it frequently happened that

to toris on each piston head every tenth blushed deeply while admitting the m- officials were dismissed for embezzletegrity of his memory. "Guess I better ment and were subsequently promoted tell it myself," for he is smart enough to a higher position in the civil serman is throwing into the furnace two- to know that the victim of a joke gains vice, to which procedure they objected. thirds of a ton of coal every hour; one sympathy by confession. "We boys up The memorial commission suggested engine burns coal faster than ten men there used to get what money we that these petitions should be referred could make by raising table melone, to the govornment, with instructions Right next to our farm was a crusty to publish a draft law as prayed, and

hour to keep her journal boxes greased old bachelor, who had a spiendid crop submit it to the "aad next year. The of watermelons. As he was without a commission's report was carried. It means that the engine, with its son to reap the profits and was rich An Orange Free State burgher in enough to do without them I organized reply to the assortion that the ada cooming expedition to invade his ministration of his republic was more atch. The night was very dark but honest than that of the Transvaal, return with a refinement quite out of set away with all the said: "Yes; we are not so had as they harmony with their rustic surround-

there's nothing to steal." What was that?"

"In the darkness we had blundered the wrong side of the fence and forty of my finest melons were gone."

A STUDIED PROPOSAL. From Collier's Weekly.

A young lady was acting temporarily as hostess, and her time was much occupied. One of her admirers, a nerv-

a chance.

"Mention rise in salary. Mention loneliness. Mention pleasure in her so-ciety. Mention prospects from Uncle Jim. Never loved before. Propose."

NOT AFRAID OF COMPETITION. "And now that you are through col-

a friend of the youthful graduate. grave reply of the ambitious young taken my coat and my trousers, and man.

overcrowded?" asked the friend. "f ossibly it is," unswered the know tog youth, "but I propose to study to study medicine just the same, and those who are already in the profession will have

to take their chances."

to do their duty. The piston and con-recting bar of a modern locomotive weigh some six hundred pounds. When the lo's figure in the lo's figure in the to be a few Uitlanders in Krugersdorp, on recklessness. As his long, lithe colthe speed is sixty miles an hour these minute column, and six movements of and these, with the more respectable unin moves forward he quickly disparts travel back and forth five times the 10's causes one movement of the burghers, did not relish the repeated patches parties to the right and left, references in the Critic to the "un- to ascend the hills and scan the view punished thief," and they kept remon- there from, to lescond into and beat strating. So, to make things pleasant out flanking valleys and destroy deserall round, the reverse president remov. ted roads, and to make good the ex-

ed the mining commissioner to Potch- ploration of the whole section of country which he has set himself to scout. His men quarter the ground like

BOER WOMEN AND THE WAR.

the English as Eligible Suitors.

Pall Mall Gagette.

the present Boer war is due to the machinations of Mr. Chamberlainand others; but, according to the Natal press, Mrs. Boer is largely responsible for the bellicose attitude of her husband. She is nothing more or less than a bucolle counterpart of Dido, jealous of the Englishman, whom she wishes for a husband for her daughter. That is the ideal of her life, so seldom realized, for her daughters are many, and eligible Englishmen are few and far between. Many Boer girls are

ripe fruit we could lay our hands on. The next morning I made a horrible are: but it's casy being honest where ings. They won't marry their unkempt kinsmen, and the young Englishman In case of a postmuster in the Trans- is a rara avis; so this in time generates vaal put on trial recently for misap- bitter hatred of their more favored propulation of government funds, mer- sisters and of the English race in gen-

ciful Roer jurists acquitted the erring eral. official on the ground that, "after all, Apart from the light side of this the he had stolen only £400, and he might ory, any one who knows the domestic have taken £2,000." A fellow feeling life of the Boer can vouch for its accuracy. When the passions of the makes us won-frous kind.

The plous Bible-reading, psaim-singous and absent-minded lover, perceived the Boers are unable to comprehend number are arroused it is truely a ous and absont-minded lover, perceived the Boers are unable to comprehend number are arroused it is truely a that this would be the case, and to the new-fashioned notion which the case of "furens quid foemina possit"facilitate matters he determined to Anglo-Saxon Ultianders have introbring affairs to a point. He didn't get duced into the Transvaal that the Kaffirs have some rights. Great indigna-

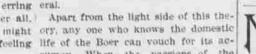
"Afterward," says the object of his tion was expressed recently because ill-starred d-votion, "I found this mem- the interfering foreigners caused a orandum on the floor, where he had Mr. Uys to be put on trial for such a to arrive. So far Captain Bowman H. dropped it in his agitation. It read triffe as flogging three Kaffir girls to

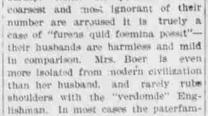
outbreak of war has saved Mr. Uys. No wonder Paulus Stephanus Kruger is moved to tears when he thinks of lege what are you going to do?" asked the trouble the Uitlanders have brought upon him and his godly flock. No "I shall study medicine," was the wonder he asserts that "they have

now they want my independence," al-"But isn't that profession already though what part of Mr. Kruger's apparel represents his in spendence is ot known.

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llins and the family are completely under her thumb, and it is not too much to say that the energy now displayed by the Boer forces is in great

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