

THE GRANT COUNTY NEWS.

Thursday, Feb. 12.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Feathery flakes.
Kids continue to coast.
Attend the night school, which opens tonight.
China new year was celebrated in royal oriental style.
Mrs. Ben Erway and children are visiting at Baker City.
All question of a water supply for placer mines appears to be settled.
Learn to write with a rapid, muscular movement, by taking a two month's course at the night school.
Those who have not fed their stock any hay so far must throw out a few handfuls to the poor brutes now.
The citizens of Prairie feel proud that the Grand Army has honored them, and will do well by the boys.
Europe is enjoying cold weather. Last Monday the wind blew from the direction of Europe, which indicates some more snow.
Canyon City's incorporation bill has become a law, and the first Monday in April we elect city officers—if the Gov. don't veto the bill.
Tommy McKean brought a load of freight through from Baker last week, part of which was the water wheel to propel Dore's sawmill.
Mr. Howell of Prairie City informed us last Monday that snow was reported four feet deep at Quartzburg six miles above Prairie.
China new year is gone, and now comes Valentine's day. We expect a tender missive, but will no doubt be doomed to disappointment.
When grub gets awfully scarce the white rabbits on the hills make very good chicken pie. They are being utilized for pie purposes now.
Set out orchards and care for them. In a few years this valley will have a bountiful, and then a good bearing orchard will be equal to a gold mine.
Fisk has just made final proof of a tract of 80 acres of the Canyon City valley that has been claimed along with another tract for twenty years.
This city presents more coasting territory—not so coasted—than any other city. Half a dozen natural toboggan slides are in reach, and sleds are in demand.
Snow clouds seem to hug the mountains, and snow deepens on the summits where it ought to be. In this valley there has been pretty fair sleighing for a number of days.
M. Dustin and David Blanton while buggy riding last Thursday night drove into a prospect hole below John Day. Dr. Orr was called to see Mr. Dustin who received rather a shaking up.
Harney county remonstrated against Grant getting back any of her territory, claiming that while the "jog off" was straightened the proposed line created a jog equally embarrassing to Harney county.
People in the country frequently have social dances and pass an evening pleasantly. We learn that an enjoyable time was had at Joe Oliver's residence a few evenings ago, and also at Mrs. Hiatt's.
Mr. D. B. Rinehart, Grant county's most successful fruit grower, is in receipt of a letter from a fruit dealer of Minneapolis, regarding the purchase of apples. Grant county's apples are becoming celebrated, and if we only had shipping facilities money would pour in and apples pour out.
About the only important dispatch in the Oregonian's legislative column is the stereotyped one that "the senate was opened with prayer." One day it was not opened with prayer, there being no clergyman present. The big daily did not say how the senate got open, but it is presumed it was opened up with a cork screw.
An Eagle correspondent likens that paper to a good little Sunday-school boy who divided his apple with his little sister, while the News is held up as a naughty boy who goes fishing on Sunday. He says: "Look at the Eagle's items: 'Major Magone has gone down to Salem to work for the enabling act.' Now look at the News' items: 'Sheriff Cresap has gone to Salem to attend the sheriff's convention.' Etc." Voters and taxpayers, does this superior and profound logic set forth by said writer convince you that the county seat should be removed from Canyon City?
Our Representative in the House, Mr. Dustin, makes a bid for a second term. He says: "A man is a great deal better qualified to do something after one session; as he can learn to handle his bills so as to keep them from being swamped." No doubt if Long Creek had all to say Mr. Dustin would get another term, since he seems to represent that section exclusively and to have made the enabling act his pet measure. He says: "It will pass the House if there are enough petitioners to outnumber the remonstrance but may get strangled in the Senate, as money and influence will tell." Is this the way you size up the two houses of the Legislature? And are we to suppose that this was why you were so keen to go to the Senate while the candidacy for the House you took with reluctance?

LEGISLATIVE LAWMAKING.

Wagon road and bridge bills were scaled down from \$207,000 to \$97,000. Dayville to Haystack was cut to \$4,000; Grant county line to Catlow valley to \$2,500; Monument to John Day was left as asked for, \$5,000, while the Monument bridge bill was refused consideration by the committee.
The bill to regulate the observance of Sunday failed to pass.
Blackman's Monument-John Day wagon road bill has passed the senate.
E. S. Hagge, a farmer who lived ten miles south of The Dalles, was burned to death in his cabin lately.
It is said that there is not a lawyer in the legislature of North Dakota, and that 90 per cent. of the members are farmers.
The Long Creek Eagle is made the agent of so much misrepresentation lately that its very ink turns pale with mortification.
The expenditures for Oregon for the fiscal years 1888 and 1889 amounted to \$1,071,128.36. The heaviest item, \$176,168.91, was charged to the Insane Asylum fund.
Died, at 94 Wellesley street, Toronto, Canada, on Tuesday, the 27th of January, 1891, Mary Ann, beloved wife of Augustus James Thibodo, M. A., M. D., of Prairie City, Oregon.
Generally at this season there is immense competition among buyers offering to advance money on the coming wool clip. Now there is no advance offered, which indicates that the distress in financial circles is general throughout the land.
The Portland Evening Telegram has been purchased by a company headed by Geo. H. Moffett, recently from Minnesota. Mr. Moffett has assumed editorial management, and a great improvement is noticeable in the Evening Telegram.
Hard times in the east makes us complain also, for our horses, wool, mutton and beef seek an eastern market. Our gold alone goes at par every where, and if the miners make a handsome cleanup in the spring that will relieve the distress somewhat.
It is not worth while to acquire fame. Lieutenant Schwatka who accompanied an exploring party to Alaska and made important discoveries has just died from injuries received in the very ordinary avocation of falling down stairs at Mason City, Iowa.
The News has a habit of publishing facts, even though a few soreheads are offended thereby. We published the fact that more taxpayers signed the remonstrance than did the enabling petition, that persons who had signed the latter reconsidered and signed the former, and that taxpayers north-west had remonstrated. Truth hurts a certain few about Long Creek.
County Assessor Timms has just completed for the county a plat of all lands within the county for which a final certificate has been issued. He finds 225,840 acres. This is 64,000 acres more than was given in to the assessor in 1890, and 111,000 acres more than was assessed in 1889. A difference in land assessment sufficient to pay for several plates. Parties proving up sell the tract and the final certificate is not recorded, therefore the land heretofore has escaped taxation.
One hundred fraudulent names are reported to be on the remonstrance against the enabling act, is the latest word from Long Creek. No doubt this has been "reported." So have a number of other prevarications equally as stupendous emitted from that portion of the county. They resort to lying in order to shield themselves from being snubbed, by the booming they hurled with such a powerful effort lately. The Long Creek ring cried "fraud," but investigation revealed the fraud all on their side.
The niggardly policy of the Union Pacific in discharging white section hands and filling their places with Chinese should be frowned down all over the state. That company whose lines in Oregon scarcely contain a sound tie or a safe trestle or bridge, will soon be utilizing Chinamen for engineers and conductors on their trains. Plenty of accidents happen on the line now, but then look out!
"Misapprehension" is rampant in the Eagle office, and one continually reading that sheet and trying to believe all it stated would soon have to be conveyed to the asylum. Jan. 23 the editor accused the editor of the News of publishing a bogus communication signed "Monument Taxpayer." We made a statement denying the allegation, saying that our correspondence dated at the places the Eagle mentioned was genuine, and we could produce the signature of the writer. Now comes a "valued correspondent" to the Eagle and alleges that the letter of "Monument Taxpayer" over which there is so much howling was published "at least a year before the editor grazed Grant county with his presence, etc." As the News man never claimed to have the bonafide signature of "Monument Taxpayer" we point the accuser to the balance of untruths and misrepresentations that have been proven against the Eagle and its staff of correspondents, again saying that to such communications as we have published we have the name of the writer, which we can show if necessary.

PRAIRIE CITY NEWS.

Feb. 10, 1891.
News is scarce.
Quite a snow storm last night. Snow is about a foot deep here.
Mr. Whitmore is very sick at his ranch.
Grand Calico Ball next Friday night.
Measles still prevails up at the head of the valley.
The lyceum at the Strawberry school house is running full blast.
Sleighs are in demand at this place. The front part of a bob is good.
Stock on the range will be scarce in the spring; there is a three-bar horse here, he looks kind of thin.
John Laurance has bought J. B. Johnson's place, and also Alex Laurance's place, known as the Crispel ranch.
George Cleaver is very sick. He has not improved much since being brought over home from Granite at which place he was taken sick.
According to the rules and regulations of the Prairie City Dancing Club the girls of Prairie City are worth fifty cents apiece, as each member of the club is required to bring a partner to the club or forfeit that sum. So much for Prairie City.
Last Sunday I saw a fellow out sleigh riding with his girl. He almost ran his team down. He said he kept poking him in the ribs, but he did not take a tumble till he looked down at the road and saw that there was no snow in the road. He concluded to turn back and wait till it snowed some more. I guess he has got his wish, for the snow came down all night last night.
Look out, boys, and don't say anything about one another that might hurt one another, for if he does happen to squander a few dollars and buy a few presents for his best girl and then get left it is nobody's business, only the parties involved. For a man has feelings as well as other animals. I am a man of few words, but would sit right down and argue with you all day rather than have any trouble.
N. G.
DAYVILLE DOTS.
DAYVILLE, Feb. 10, '91.
We've gone "danced" mad. Last one was on the 31st. The "crowd" danced until midnight, ate supper, and then—I guess they didn't go back and dance on Sunday morning. I know I didn't, and I think it a malicious slander to say the majority did so.
We've gone Sunday school crazy. Latest "fad," beats pitching horse shoes. It is especially popular with a few—a very, very few—of our young men. The balance of the boys sit on the fence and view the procession.
After we incorporate we shall have the city fathers build a narrow side walk for "the procession." It will save blacking shoes.
In addition to Sunday school we've had a term of court. A case of "slugging." One man knocked out. Whiskey hit him the worst lick.
But with all the metropolitan incidents crowding on us we've gone "incorporation" daft. Unluckily however, for the future town, we all want the chief offices, and the consequent lack of harmony seems likely to prove fatal to our ambition. Well, we will have lots of fun watching all you other little towns fighting over the same question. But we've gone solid on the road question.
I see that the committee on roads at Salem has reported favorably a \$4,000 appropriation for the Dayville and Haystack road.
The coldness and indifference with which John Day and Canyon City received our subscription paper, which had on it from this small precinct alone, \$1,500 for a road of great public benefit, is not at all liked. We are thinking some of sending it over to Long Creek and making a bargain with them.
Of course we would not like the county seat removed to Long Creek, still we would like to have our near neighbors appreciate our own wants a little.
I wonder if the Long Creek Eagle will accuse Mr. Hellman of writing this letter. I hope it will.
SAGE BRUSH.
Under the snow the grass is growing.
Eighteen inches of beautiful snow at Sloan's Canyon creek ranch.
Country folks are still sociable. We are informed of an enjoyable surprise party at Frank Fisk's last Tuesday night.
A number of telegrams have been received announcing the passage of the enabling act. Time has proven them to be unfounded.
Long Creek Eagle correspondents will soon be asserting that the tax levy for Grant county is not close to three cents on the dollar. The levy is 29 12-35 mills, but we expect them to deny it because the GRANT COUNTY NEWS published it. Correspondents and "informants" over there are having a "most a pleasant time" contradicting each other's statements.

Mrs. Mary A. Live more's Famous Book, "My Story of the War."
In this new and superbly illustrated work, the world-famous Mary A. Livermore narrates her personal work and experiences as a hospital and field nurse during the war of the rebellion. We do not know when 700 pages have given us more genuine pleasure. Mrs. Livermore spent four years as nurse in hospitals, camps, at the front and on the battlefield, and these four years were packed with pathos, glory and sacrifice probably never paralleled in the life of any other woman. Her narrative presents a vivid inner picture of the womanly side of the war, more especially of her own work and thrilling experiences, with many pathetic and thrilling incidents portraying the lights and shadows of hospital life. These are described as only an eye-witness and a tender-hearted woman could describe them.
What a wonderful work she did. How heroic her labors, how thrilling her experience in those dark years. It is a story never to be forgotten. When she first entered upon her hospital career a deathly faintness came over her, but she nerved herself for the work that had to be done, and soon became accustomed to it.
We regard this splendid book as a wholly unique work, for it represents the womanly, or what may be very appropriately termed the heavenly side of the war, and this has never hitherto been written. It lifts the curtain and shows how heroic and devoted her blessed work was. Stranger stories are here told than romance ever dreamed of, every one of them drawn from real life by a woman's hand. Should every other book on the war be blotted out of existence, this one would completely reflect the spirit and work of the women of the North. Such a work, by so eminent an author, at whose feet hundreds of thousands have sat and listened in admiration and wonder, whose power, wisdom, influence and fame are now world-wide, is a literary event of our times.
An able critic has said: "This is the most richly embellished work ever published in America." We endorse this opinion. No newspaper description can do these costly plates justice. They must be seen to be appreciated. There are also splendid fine sample plates of famous old battle flags, from photographs and paintings made from the original flags, printed in sixteen colors from one hundred and twenty-eight engraved stones. They show all colors, tints, blood-stains, rents, shot-holes, and splintered staves, exactly as they appear in the original flags. The story of each flag is told with pathetic incidents attending the death of color-bearers who died under their folds.
Put the book into your homes. It will be read over and over again by old and young, with increasing pleasure and lasting profit, and will be prized by all.
Was it Homicide?
Last Friday night a couple of residents of Dayville, C. Ladrow and Edward C. Braun, became involved in a quarrel at that place, and Ladrow thumped Braun most shamefully, we are informed. For this he was arrested and fined \$20 in the Justice's court. Braun died Tuesday morning, and an inquest was to have been held on his body to determine whether or not death was the direct result of his injuries. We have not yet had time to learn the verdict. Braun was by occupation a sheep herder, and had no relatives in the country.
NOTICE.
Notice is hereby given that for the purpose of making an examination of all persons who may offer themselves as candidates for teachers of the schools of this county, the county school superintendent thereof will hold a public examination in the M. E. Church at Long Creek, commencing at one o'clock p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 25th, 1891.
M. N. BOSTAM.
County School Superintendent of Grant county, Oregon.
Dated at Long Creek, Or., Feb. 6th, 1891.
Chas. Frey's son who returned from California last week reports that boomed country very dry and hard times.
Up to last month we had no authentic news concerning the fate of the enabling act, which has been in the hands of the committee for some time. Major Magone telegraphed to Ed Allen to send down some more names. We do not credit the rumor that he said "manufacture us some more names."
This is a hard winter on coyotes says the Lake County Examiner. Last winter cleaned out the rabbits, and there is no dead stock now, which makes their picking slim, and they are becoming bold enough to jump right into a bunch of sheep and kill them in daylight.
"Informant" in the Eagle admits that he accused Mr. Hellman wrongfully, but says "it is generally believed by the public that you wrote it." Indeed! That shows that they will make all kinds of false statements and still think the public will believe them after they are refuted.

DR. DARRIN'S SUCCESS.
Three More Prominent People of This City and State Testify to the Efficacy of the Electric Cure.
DEAFNESS CURED IN TEN MINUTES.
Oregonian.
The same marked success that has followed Dr. Darrin the past four years suffers no diminution. His rooms at No. 704 Washington st., Portland, are crowded night and day, and many have to go away without seeing the Doctor, or make appointments for the future. It is not often that any known remedy will reach such a large number of chronic, acute and private diseases as does electricity. There seems to be no bounds to its utility in treating disease as well as its application to machinery. The three following cards speak volumes for the Doctor and his new theory in curing the ills of which we are all unhappily afflicted:
EDITOR OREGONIAN: Jan. 17, I came to Dr. Darrin for treatment for deafness and ringing noises in my ears. I was cured in ten minutes, as well as ever in my life. The treatment was by electricity and other methods. Refer to me at 86 Oak st., Portland.
ANDREW DOUGLASS.
Lee McGrew's Good Luck.
EDITOR OREGONIAN: I have been under Dr. Darrin's Electric treatment for three months for nervousness, kidney troubles and other ailments. I am cured and recommend him and his treatment by electricity. My place of business is 145 G street, Portland. I have gained 13 pounds in the time.
LEE MCGREW.
Another Soul Made Happy.
EDITOR OREGONIAN—Dear Sir: It affords me pleasure to testify to the excellence of the Electric treatment given by Dr. Darrin. For several years I have been troubled with kidney troubles and inflammation of the neck of the bladder, for a while unable to get out. A few months' home treatment has put me on my feet again, for which I am truly thankful to Dr. Darrin's great skill.
D. E. HOLLOWAY.
Newberg, Or.
Go to the Red Front Billiard Hall, Canyon City, for fine wines, liquors and cigars.
Mr. G. B. Corad was over from Harney a few days ago, and says Harney county is enjoying considerable snow.
The Pacific Brewery's Celebrated Beer, the best in Eastern Oregon, is now kept constantly on tap at the Red Front Billiard Hall.
When you send away for goods remember the firm of Coffin & McFarland at Heppner. They not only guarantee you first class goods at lowest prices, but they pay mail or express charges on same to any stage office in Grant or Harney counties. See their new "ad" for further particulars.
President Harrison in his message says the imports since the passage of the McKinley bill have been 8 per cent greater than the corresponding period last year. This shows that the people will have a certain class of goods, although they have to pay excessive prices.
Many years practice have given C. A. Snow & Co., Solicitors of patents at Washington, D. C., unsurpassed success in obtaining patents for all classes of invention. They make a specialty of rejected cases, and have secured allowance of many patents that had been previously rejected. Their ad. in another column will be of interest to inventors, patentees, manufacturers, and all who have to do with patents.
The Oregonian has the largest circulation of any Daily, Sunday or weekly paper West of the Rocky mountains. And in order to further increase its circulation they have selected with great care, a large list of valuable books, and other useful articles, and are offering these as premiums to each subscriber to any of its several issues for yearly subscriptions. The Oregonian should be in every household. Send for premium list to the Oregonian Publishing Co., Portland, Or.
Letter List.
List of letters remaining uncalled for in the postoffice at Canyon City, Or. Feb. 1, 1891.
Rev J. Wischer, Mr F. Rapanke, Mrs Clara Loftin, Mrs T S Merritt, Mr John Schurtz, Mr C W Slade.
Persons calling for the above will please say advertised.
MRS. ANNE R. PARRISH, P. M.
Letter List.
Letters remaining uncalled for in the postoffice at Prairie City, Or. Feb. 1, 1891.
B C Phetipiece 2, Mr. Balling, Mr Will Milligan, Mr W F Minard, Mr Walter Still.
Persons calling for any of above letters will please give date of advertising.
RICK B. McHALEY, P. M.

COMMON-SENSE FARM ITEMS.
THE market for the finest products are seldom if ever glutted.
BRAIN on the farm are more valuable than capital. Farming really combines several occupations, and there is always something to learn.
THE wide-awake farmer visits other farms than his own. When he finds conveniences, methods and crops better than at home it inspires him to greater effort.
EVERY farm should be an experiment station, with plots for making experiments. The humblest farmer is capable of discovering something that may be of advantage.
A TUBBLE-DOWN building should be torn down and converted into fire-wood rather than to allow it to disfigure the farm. A single rickety old building, worth not over ten dollars, will injure the sale of a farm ten times its value.
THE farmer who carefully saves all the manure, and uses every endeavor to preserve it, is the one who also uses fertilizers. Such a farmer is never over-supplied with the materials that are necessary to increase the fertility of his soil.
A FARMER should take care to keep easy and safe ways of ingress and egress to his cultivated fields. More wagons are broken down by going through deep furrows or over ridges than by twice the travel on smooth highways.
THE successful farmer is one who keeps his eyes open, his farm clean, and his stock in good condition, who makes money. And, it might be well to add, who uses his means for the advancement, morally and intellectually, of his family and the community.
PECULIAR AND VARIED.
A POST-OFFICE in Charlton County, Mo., has been named Mike.
A MORMON zealot has started a paper at East Jordan, Idaho, which he christened Herald of Millennium. One article in his creed is that it is ungodly to wear boiled shirts.
A WITNESS in a Nebraska trial the other day testified that he believed that a certain person was insane because that person washed his face three times a day.
A SOCIAL INNOVATION in New York City is the "blue-ribbon invitation" to dinners, indicating (by a knot of blue ribbon in the lower left-hand corner) that wine will not be served.
WHEN some boys and a dog were chasing a rabbit at Rich Hill recently, it took shelter under a hen with a brood of chickens. The old hen nearly pecked and scratched the eyes out of the dog, and from that day to this the hen and the rabbit are inseparable.
A NEVADA congregation, wishing to get rid of an obnoxious pastor, lit upon the obviously scheme of giving him a donation party, but the drunken shepherd pulled a gun upon the crowd, and laughed long and loud to see his sheep flying through the woods, dropping baskets and bundles on the way.
A CUSTOMER custom prevails among the bridesmaids of Silesia. Each bridesmaid plants a twig of the bride's myrtle wreath immediately after the ceremony and watches and tends it until it roots. The first twig to show signs of life and growth is supposed to bring good luck, and a husband within the year to the girl who planted it.
PROGRESS IN SCIENCE.
There has been made a list of two hundred and ten birds which inhabit Alaska.
The weight of a crowd of men closely packed is about eighty-four pounds per superficial foot.
The Smithsonian Institution is about to issue a publication showing the comparative value of many valuable animals in a few years.
PAPER or other fibrous forms of cellulose passed through a bath of nitric acid and then washed becomes cellulose, a new material of great toughness.
The museum of the St. Petersburg University has received the remains of a mammoth found in Siberia last summer about a mile from the military station of Litsinsky Yart, on the right bank of the river Lena. Among them is a tooth perfectly preserved weighing about eight pounds.
Photographers for determining the motions of moving animals and flying birds, are now taken on a traveling band of sensitized paper by means of intermittent flashes of light, and the movement of the paper in the focus of the camera is controlled by an electromagnet.
In North America the phalangid, variously known as harvest spiders, harvest men, daddy-long-legs, etc., includes but twenty-two known species. France has a list of fifty-nine of this family, and those of other European countries are proportionately large.
FACTS IN NATURAL HISTORY.
If you catch an animal in a steel trap every minute it stays there its meat is growing worse.
Although the virus from a wolf bite is not more virulent than that from the bite of a rabid dog, yet its action on the blood is much more rapid.
Some hunters will not eat the meat of a deer that has been run and worried by dogs, but only of those which have been killed by what is called still hunting—that is, which are shot and killed and so don't suffer before they die.
It is believed that there is no reason why African elephants should not be tamed and trained to the service of man. The Carthaginian army of Hannibal possessed some elephants, but they may have been imported by the Phoenicians from Ceylon. The natives of Africa nowhere care for capturing and domesticating wild animals.
It is a curious reflection on the intelligence of man and that while animals easily learn our language, we make no advance at all in learning theirs. One cannot help hoping that some future generation of men may be sufficiently kind and patient to believe that what these dependent creatures have to say to us may sometimes be as important as what we have to say to them.
MRS. SENATOR DOLPH thinks that the wife who receives a regular allowance is more economical, and that the husband can better calculate his yearly expenses, thereby benefitting both.
"NO WOMAN should be compelled or expected to ask her husband for every cent she spends," declares Mrs. Robert P. Porter, wife of the census commissioner. "It puts her in a false and humiliating position."

ODD OCCURRENCES.
MAIZE men do some strange things. The owners of an unsuccessful "pants factory" are converting it into a maple syrup factory.
THERE is a woman living at Newton, Kan., who is forty-eight years old and she has never had a proposition of marriage. She thinks Newton is the deadiest town in the world.
THE hunting costume for women is of such a clerical stamp that when a lady was thrown lately in Ireland a countryman rushed up with the remark: "If your reverence will just kape along the bank a bit there is a handy rail you might climb over."
WHILE Mr. Williams, of Montezuma, Ga., was driving under an oak tree at dusk he was amazed to find his horse leave the ground and remain in the air. Investigation proved that the air was not supernatural, as the animal had got caught in a swing hanging from a bough of the tree.
A BARREL of apples opened near the Isle of Wight had a very fine apple in the center with this message written on a piece of paper: "If any young lady who chancs to eat this apple is desirous of matrimony she will please correspond with Hartley Marshall of Fallowfield, Ridge, Annals County, Nova Scotia."
THE Lewiston (Me.) Journal has this William Tell story: "There was a Maine doctor gunning for big game a day or two ago, and he got helplessly hampered over a precipice. His fellow hunterman took aim, cut off the branch of a tree that imprisoned him by shooting it off at 300 yards distance, and the imprisoned deer was rescued."
THE girls in the shoe factories at Gardiner, Me., have originated a new fad. When one of their number needs a set of false teeth a paper is passed around and each subscriber pays for one tooth. When a sufficient sum is collected the set is ordered, and a party is given at which the "friendship teeth" are presented.
NAVAL AFFAIRS.
THERE is a scarcity of lieutenants in the British navy, and every officer on the list is in active employment.
WHEN the vessels provided for have been finished the United States navy will have twenty-nine new steel unarmored and armored cruising vessels. Secretary Tracy has decided upon the names for five new ships of the navy now building. They will be called Chickadee, Raleigh, Indiana, Massachusetts and Oregon.
THE Stationary Engineer remarks: The steam pump on some of the war vessels assumes astonishing proportions and is the principal element of their composition. The new British warship Victoria has in her equipment eighty-eight steam engines, not counting those in her torpedo boats and launches.
THE uniforms of the German marines will be altered shortly, so that the neck and chest, which have heretofore remained bare, will be covered, as is the case in other navies. The object of the change is to prevent illness among the recruits whose nugs are not strong enough to endure the customary exposure.
A SPECIAL phase of the use of powerful projectors in naval warfare has been brought out. In misty weather the reflection and glare of the light from the projectors served only to blind the ship, and the torpedo boats were able to approach within easy distance and discharge their torpedoes without being discovered.
FOR FEMINE READERS.
BRIEF and cloth makes the drest case for a hand.
TO GIVETHE the shiny appearance of silk, sponge with unsweetened gin.
If pretty women would remain pretty they must not permit their tempers to become ruffled. A rage leaves creases and wrinkles, and we all know these give an impress of age.
A NEW bedspread is made of coarse linen sheeting, embroidered all over in gold-colored silk in bold, conventional designs, wrought in the long-stem stitch known to our grandmothers.
ALL dainty women are fond of scent. Some of them use it very extravagantly. They saturate their dresses with perfume, so that when they are taken out of the wardrobe they are as fragrant as a bank of violets.
THE fashion of sewing tiny sachets of fragrant powders in the corsage of dresses is not new, and is certainly a very agreeable one. There also the perfume used must be no stronger than violet or peau d'Espagne, amber or orris-root.
As excellent and inexpensive preparation for cleaning soiled gloves and other delicate articles is the following mixture: One quart of discolored benzine, one drachm of sulphuric ether, one drachm of chloroform, two drachms of alcohol and enough cologne to make it pleasant.

SYRUP OF FIGS



ONE ENJOYS
Both the method and results who Syrup of Figs is taken; it is pleasant and refreshing to the taste and acts gently yet promptly on the Kidney Liver and Bowels, cleanses the system effectually, dispels colds, headaches and fevers and cures habitual constipation. Syrup of Figs is the only remedy of its kind ever produced, pleasing to the taste and a acceptable to the stomach, prompt in its action and truly beneficial in its effects, its many excellent qualities commend it to all. It is for sale 50c and \$1 bottles by all leading druggists.
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