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Tur gratifying progress mad
by the south in the developmen of manufactures was incidentally of manufactures was incidentally
alluded to in the report of the sec retary of agriculture in connection
with the statistics on the cotton crop. It is shown that the num-
ber of cotton mills in the southern states has increased in ten year - 1886 to 1896-from 232 in the The increase in the number spindles has been still greater, the
advance being from $1,100,132$ $8,341,575$, while the value of the cotton manufactured into goods
has been increased in still larger proportion. The Choctaw and Chickasaw In-
dians, of Indian territory, seem in dians, of Indian territory, seem in
earnest in the determination to leave United States soil if arrange
ments can be made with the Mex can government for the location
colonies aggregating 26,000 native sonth of the Rio Grande. The
white men who covet the valuable lands held by the Indians will not
regret their going, but the Indians themselves may make a seriou
mistake. mistake. Doubless they have
some real grievances, but in the and many of them have becom rich and prosperous. sas City is arranging to do. Some
40 years ago a cargo of corn whisky was sunk in the Missouri river, Where the river then ran is no
dry land, and it is proposed to di down and lift out the barrels. Bu it is no use for old topers to start
for Kanisas City until further no-tice-the hoops may have give
Gov. DEsHA, of Kentucky, than half a century ago had a wild
son who was convicted of murder in that state. The governor promptly pardoned his oon and he disappeared. That son is now the
most eloquent preacher in the Ha-
wailan isiands. He knows the language perfectly, and his
est sermons are preached in A traveled member of parlia
ment recently ture is so low that "the breath i frozen into crystals, and you mus
move about to avoid being hedged in by the result of your own respi-
ration." That M. P. during hi ply of the frozen truth. cover from the internal revenue saloons in proportion to its popu
lation than have the northern has but 649 and Mississsippi only York or Chicago would probably
exceed either figure. use of hot sandbags instead of hot
water bags in the sitk water bags in the sick room. by the use of cold sandbugs the
is an element of poetic justice A caliast California judge has
the proposition.
decreed that "a wife can be com-
pelled to support her, husband by
labor." I is an undoubted fact
that multitudes of wives do that
without any order of courts.
Tbirten crimes were punishable
by death in Great Britain when
Queen Victorin ascended the
throne. Today there are practi-
cally but two-treason and murder.
Amoso the bills introduced into
the house by Representative
Tougue are several the object of
 certuin men who are scheduled deserters from the United States
army. It is proposed army. It is proposed to remove
by act of congress the charge of desertion lying against these meu, and furnish them with papers of honorable discharge from the
ranks. The circumstances attend-
ing ing a desertion must be indeed ex-
traordinary to justify legislative lraordinary to justify legislat
enactment transmuting it in
honorable discharge. Since it the desire of the government to hold men enlisted in its military
service to the terms of their contract, and, indeed necossary for it
to do so, as far as possible, it would seem to be a measure of doubtful
expediency that would place the deserter upon an equality with the
soldier who faithfully earns his full term of his enlistment. The Overman bicycle company
recently asked that a receiver be appointed to take charge of the
company's factory and all ranch houses. Business matters
bust be rotten must be rotten when a company
that makes ten thousand per cent from every wheel they sell, and
they cannot keep out of the hand of a receiver. The Overman wheel
company has always been consid-
ered one of the most substantial icycle institutions. The Examiner's account of the
hanging of Dorrant sounds a good
deal like Robespierre's joy at the suczess of the Parisian head-chop-
ping knife during the French rev* olution. The details in all their
minuteness, accompanied by cuts
ilt during the various stages of the
proceedings from the cell to the
drop from the scaffold can be seen
in the Examiner. Ture sham autonomy proposed
for Cuba deceives no one. The
persecution of Christians in Asia a
year ago was not more terrible than the Spanish oppression today
in that unfortunate colony. Tue heaviest distribution of
holiday presents ever made by
single man, under a republican
form of government, has just been 두율․․․․





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