

Baxter's Fourth of July a day in advance of the playing, and for that reason someone must be designated as leader, whose duty it by Charles Barnard. The practical or successful so

hould be so positive something big."

arters sat under a di- each and have battles like they did ed, talking in mourn- at Manila, Ladysmith and Santiago. ow they were going to "Oh, that will be splendid!" cried courth of July. The children, clapping their hands. rd," said Leslie, "of "Will tomorrow ever come ?"

th and no fireworks, "Can I be commander-in-chief or no smoke, no no- sentinel?" asked Sissy, who did not at folks do any oth- know the difference of honor.

"Of course you can," said the oldagine," put in Sissie, er brother, "we are all going to be

is to do this work. You will understand what the work of preparation

says that he is going to ask them to name certain persons, places and things from the various descriptions letters in the names. We will describe an actual game, and that will give a clear idea of how it is done.

The leader says: "I am thinking



THEY CHARGED THE FORT.

after we have been saving Leslie ?" ney for weeks."

ed up a post that flag !"

your feet send it victory,

answer, but constic performance, ke with much dewill take a good lots of things and it it's just the thing

s," said Sissy, "I s to know."

too dreadful," wailed Joe, Miles, and later I shall be down in and is right. s toes back and forth in South Africa, tending to things gengravel, making ditches and erally. Now, then, you had better "It's all because last get the battleground ready."

another reason," cor- the army and navy. Toy guns were ner. "is that Mrs. Mason is placed for defence, while ships with puse on the corner, and national flags were proudly sailing at s her nerves. Course, different harbors. As the little ie is sick, but I'd just guests arrived the next day they wasn't any Fourth of were immediately enlisted into the service.

an't," said Leslie, with Their caps here the name of the you know mother is go- country they were defending, and as as a party, and she said they paraded with weapons of ware just as patriotic as we fare they challenged attack. Howept the fireworks. But ever, neither force seemed in a hurry nelty hard to be patriotic for an encounter, but the inevitable sthing exciting, unless finally came. "Charge!" shouted ng." The child- Leslie. Every man to the front! silent for a few minutes Fight as you never fought before! the question. Sud- Your country, your honor, your

This fired the youthful forces with called, as he hung desperate zeal. Boats were sunk, I the rafters, "I've forts were torn down and flags sidea in my head." trampled under foot with shouts of

Joe, looking up. Hour after hour the battle increas-g good let us have ed, till the command was given to

Then the flag of truce was raised and the conflicting forces sat down to increase his new to the good things which Leslie's mother had provided.

A new Recess Game.

The primary object of a game is of course, to give entertainment, but to know." It is intended in most of these red the elevated cess games of ours to give a little securred to me that instruction with the entertainment, arch with guns and all the better, for the one is never am battles and cap- allowed to interfere with the other. at like the real Most instructive games are restrict-At this the children's ed to one subject. For instance, one may be geographical, another his-torical, another botanical, another arithmetical and so on, but the one playground, build forts, jects, and the variety may be a ground different counhere described takes in several sub-Preparation must be made for it'a

we can't have none of those or Then I shall be Cervera and his of an animal that lives in the woods skyrockets or even shoot fleet," put in Bud, "only I am not of the west, and its name has four in uncle gave us last Christ-going to be submerged this time." letters." The first player in the h, how could he," she con- "What are you going to be, row answers "bear," and is wrong. The second player, to whom the "First, I am going to be General question then goes, answers "puma,"

The next question goes to the third player, and so on, in turn, all down "It's all because last get the battleground ready."

below got careless and a Off they hurried and soon their the questiona have been answered or missed. At the close of the game of the plans were all arranged with militates of people were hurt and tary precision. At different posts were stationed most questions correctly is the win-

> The other questions asked by the leader are such as follows :

"I am thinking of a warrior who wept because he had no other nation to conquer, and his name has nine letters"-Alexander.

"Of a great city in the United States that was once called New Amsterdam, and its name has seven letters"-New York

"Of a delicious fruit of Persia and Arabia, that will soon be grown in Southern California, and its name has four letters" date. "Of a famous battle fought be-

tween American and British soldiers some time after a freaty of peace had been signed, and its name has 10 etters -New Orleans.

"Of a vegetable that is taking the place of cane in making sugar, and ts name has four letters"-beet. "Of a statesman who said that he

had rather be right than he presient, and his name has nine letters" -Henry Clay.

"Of an animal that sometimes aughs like a human being, and its ame has five letters"-hyena.

Of a river whose mouth is further ource, which makes some people say that it runs up hill, and its name has eleven letters"-Mississippi.

"There is only one place where an merican is content to have another above him," remarked Bellingham to

"And where is that, I'd like to "In the upper berth of a sleeping car."-Detroit Free Press.

He-Good-bye, Madge, dear ! (The ocean waves.)

(The seaside.) He-Kiss me just once more. (We hear the Sound.)-July Smart

when the players are seated the drifts. More snow continually fallleader stands in front of them and ing may press upon the old snow and it will gradually turn into ice. In the middle moved faster than the Colombia's fature and the prosperity time, as more snow falls, the ice two sides next the edge of the valley, of the Isthmus of Panama, which slips down the mountain sides and The top of the glacier is always full would become the commercial route he will give, including the number of forms in the valleys great rivers of of deep and dangerous cracks. Many of the world. ice called glaciers. Such a glacier, travellers have lost their lives by The members of the committee beforced down by the weight of new falling into the cracks in the ice lieve Colombia should gratuttously snow behind it, may fill a valley sev- The cracks tell us that the ice con- permit the canal company to transeral miles long, till at last it reaches tinually breaks in its slides down fer to the United States its conceswarmer air in the lowlands and the valley and recongeals again. It sion, bearing in mind not only the melts as fast as it advances, flowing is this continual breaking apart and tremendous losses the original away in a stream of white ice water. freezing together again that enables French shareholders already have Get a piece of sice from the refrig- the apparently solid and continuous sustained and the millions of frances erator and examine it. We can break stream of ice to pass around the paid by the company to the Bogata it into irregular fragments having corners of the valley. Sometimes government at different times, but sharp edges. If we try to bend a two glaciers meet and congeal to- also the indisputable fact that the piece we find it will break, but will gether and form a new, larger and United States engineers have been not bend. Should we visit a glacier, yet solid glacier. The immense influenced in their selection of the or look at a good photograph of a weight of ice in a glacier that is a Panama route over all others, pringlacier, we would observe that the hundred feet deep also helps to press cipal, y on account of the amount of valley may be very crooked and that and squeeze the ice around sharp practical work already done on both the solid river of ice bends and corners. Very great pressure may sides of the isthmus, especially the twists about as if it were so much soft dough. How can a river of ice like soft lead, and yet it may only In the committee's opinion a very turn a sharp corner when ice is a be the breaking and recongealing of liberal and reasonable concession brittle splid that will not bend? minute concession of ice that give it should be greated to the United

basket and about a yard of stove things. wire. Pass the wire through the handle of the pail and twist the ends together to form a loop. Then to form a bridge between them. Now tled without further obstacles. lift one end and slip the wire loop He instructed Governor Salazar, of arrived from the Orient on Sunday

Snow falling on top of a high top of the ice. In a few days the of the century, the report continues, down, and that, like so much water, uncalled for sentiments compromise

No Time to Lose

wide. Rest this on the two tables ing the business satisfactorily set- \$4,000.

If we want to know anything this appearance of flowing water un- States, provided the sovereignty and der great pressure. So by little dignity of the Republic of Colombia form an experiment. Get a pail or things we learn the meaning of great is maintained and effectually guaran-

Their Trunks Held

Panama, Columbia, July 14. - San Francisco, July 16. - Eight place two tables of the same height President Marroquin, of this repub- trunks, the property of Mrs. Charles sisde by side, leaving a space nine lie, last month decided to ascertain Boettecher and Miss Nettle McMur-inches wide between them. Ask the the opinion of the isthmian residents trie, of Denver, have been seized by ice man to cut a block of ice twelve regarding the canal question, they the customs officers here. The trunks inches long and six inches thick and being most vitally interested in hav- contain contraband goods valued at

Mrs. Boettecher and her comp



THE ICE WILL FORM INTO & SOLID LUMP.

the wire, will now hang under the matter carefully. fron in the pail for weight.

have in the most surprising manner. Gradually the wire, pressed on the ice by the weighted pail, will sink into the ice. As it sinks deeper we feel sure it will cut the ice in two swers is aubstance are: pieces, and pail, ice and all will fall. The gentlemen of this commission from the centre of the earth that its as the wire sinks deeper we make a not only consider it convenient, but that no attempt had been made to discovery. The ice is being cut, but emphatically declare that it is urgparts having frozen together. It re-

will be found frozen, recongealed to in a suicidal manner if by unpardongether into an irregular mass of ice. able neglect or want of diplomatic These experiments are the key to the ability on the part of her representatives she should impose on the people did not believe a glacier United States government the alter-

Presently we shall see the fee her probably is already in the bands of had not been declared according to President Marroquin, having been the customs laws, and were seized forwarded to Bogota some time ago. Mrs. Boettecher, in explanation, said so far as it is possible to ascer- she regarded the contents of the tain the salient points of the an-trunks as "personal effects," and had

does not break. At last the wire ent to authorize without unsecessary simply the result of her lack of knowledge of proper procedure in the pail falls. The block of ice appears pany to transfer to the United to be as whole as ever, the two States government the concession it holds to build the interoceanic canal ongealed. through Colombia territory. They place the ice in a pail, and with a suggest prompt, government action. ammer break it into small pieces. with prudent tact, but advise accel-Shake the pail to prove the lumps crating the pending negotiations in are loose. Then lay a plate on the order to bring to fruition the United broken ice and place a flatiron on the States' preference for the prompt plate. In twenty minutes take the construction of the canal over the plate off, and the broken troups of ice Panama route. Colombia would act

over it, resting it on the middle of this department to appoint five night on the steamer Nippon Marut the block. The pail, supported by prominent citizens here to study the the wire, will now hang under the matter carefully. ice. Place a pan under it to catch. The committee rendered a report Rere found to be full of dutiable the drip from the ice and put a flat- which was almost unanimous except goods of all kinds, including silks, iron in the pail for weight.

On some trifling points. This report embroideries and curios. The trunks not declared the contents in the usual manner for that reason. She said simply the result of her lack of mitted to the collector of the m and it is very probable that the ladies will be permitted to pay the duty on the trunks, as it is ev there was no intent to evade the cus-

"You're the light of my life," she

And then from the top of the stair Came a voice, "Well, put out. the