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A HOUSE IN LONDON.

AN AMERICAN'S EXPERIENCE IN TRY-ING TO RENT ONE.

Whether You Take It on Lease or Worst of the Transaction.

I have an American friend here who got tired of hiring furnished apartments and paying for furniture which he could never own. Houses are very much cheaper in London than in New York. One Ameri-Condon than in New York. One American correspondent lives beautifully in Chelsea, a part of London, at \$450 a year rent; another pays \$350 rent, and another lives in Earlscourt, in London, in a fine house, for which he pays \$600 rent. For my part I have paid for various house \$15, \$22,50 and \$30 a week. but have always hired furnished houses. Wheever hires a furnished house pays no taxes, or "rates," as they call taxes over he se, but if you take an unfurnished house you must pay the ward or parish rates, which are usually estimated at about one-thad as much again as your rent, so that if you agree to pay \$600 rent you must really part with \$800, including the rates.

Well, my friend looked over many houses and at last settled upon one at a rental of \$500 a year. It was very spacious and

tures or the old fashioned gas stoves or the gas burners that were stuck in the grates to avoid the use of coal, but he thought to

was what the house agents told him he must pay for repairs on surrendering the dwelling. I mention this case because there is nothing peculiar about it. It is a typical, average case, according to English methods. He also found that the charge for draw

He also found that the charge for drawing up a lease is \$78.75 (15 guineas). Think of it! Lawyers have to be employed, and this is their legal charge for the service. Old as the country is they have never yet learned our method of printing legal forms at a few cents each and filling them up or altering them to suit cases. He discovered that by taking the house on an "agreement" instead of a lease he could avoid the worst of these burdensome expenses. An agreement is a lease for any term less than seven years. It does not carry the repairing clause with it, and it only costs a guinca, or about \$5. So he took the house for five years in an agreement. ters, awnings, gas fixtures,

bargain.

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That being concluded my friend looked That being concluded my friend looked about him and discovered that he had to buy fenders for all the fireplaces, fire tongs and pokers, hooks to put in the closets, bell ropes to work the bedroom call bells, and, really I have forgotten nine-tenths of the expenses, but they amounted to \$250 before he finished with them. At the same time he was presented with an inventory of the handlord's property, and this included every window catch, doorknob, key plate, lock, hook, bell, bolt and fastening or appointment of every sort. These he was told must be left in the same order in which they were turned over to him.

I am told that in New York it is better to rent an unfurnished than a furnished house. They say that if a New Yorker tries to rent a furnished house the presumption is that he is hard up and will

is that he is hard up and will sumption is that he is hard up and win stand very close bargaining. Herein Lon-don there is no such feeling, because all, except the very rich, are in the habit of renting their houses furnished. These are renting their houses furnished. These are almost a nomad people. They live in town in the season, which is the middle of summer. After that they go to the seashore or to the south of France or to their country houses for the autumn shooting and again at Christmas time. The consequence is that tens of thousands of well to do folks rent their houses for six months or nine months, if not for a whole year. When they rent a furnished house to you, they send an agent of their own to meet your agent for the purpose of taking an inventory of the furniture. Your agent Is pretty spry. He examines things as carefully as he knows how and points out the cracks and kicks and dents and

carefully as he knows how and points out the cracks and kicks and dents and scratches that he sees as he looks at each article. The landlord's agent seems very lethargic. He shows no curiosity or interest in what is going on, but, loads through the job as if his duties were personnel. Scheme to Hiss Her.

But, oh, dear reader, you should see that same man when your lease has expired and he is seeing what damage you have done. He rings every saucer and plate with a lead penell, he turns every chair upside down and studies the bottoms and legs, he examines the mantelpieces, he even stares at the doors to see whether they swing evenly or not, he takes down the gas globes to see if the edges are nicked, he even makes as note of a spot-of rust on a pillowease. He who was so slow and indifferent has changed into a sleuth hound, into a microscopist, into a demon of conscientious alertness. Lord pity you life you have had careless servants rour utmost to put things back into as good order as you found them. Your bill,

which they call your "dilapidations account," will make you ill.—Providence
Journal.

Transferring a Leaf.

It is possible to transfer to paper the outlines and natural times of a leaf with all the fidelity of a painting or a colored photograph. Soak a piece of linen free from starch in a solution of salipeter Take a sheet of smooth paper, place the leaf upon it and on that lay the wit linen Another sheet of paper is laid on the linen, the whole inclosed between two pieces of cardboard and put under a heavy box or in a letter press. After three days under this weights it will be found that the leaf is bleached and the impression of the leaf in all its natural coloring is on the paper. This is very effective for decorative purposes.

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"Oh, nothing, except that, being an Italian, she has sung in Munich and Vienna to German audiences, and we think she ought to receive some castigation for her unpartiotic conduct.'

"I agree with you, and now please tell me what I am to do."

"Take this whistle,' said the leader. At a signal to be given at the conclusion of the air sung by Rosina the noise will begin, and you will have to join in 1."

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MRS. BILLTOP'S WAYS.

Only One Disturbing Peculiarity, and Eyen That For the Common Good.

"I suppose," said Mr. Billtops, "that we all have our peculiarities—eyen Mrs. Billtops has ome. But she has only one that is disturbing—she will insist on calling up the subject of our expenses at night—the last thing at night—and this I hold to be bad, because it skeeps me awake thinking about it., My idea is that nothing of that sort should be discussed after dinner. With that meal ample, let us hope, if not sumptuous, we should put up a barrier against the cares of the day and devote ourselves thereafter to comfort and tranquillity, so as to insure that calmness of mind that is essential to sleeping well. I don't know of anything that breaks all this up more than a discussion of ways and means ha called up by Mrs. Billtops.

"She says that there's no other time to speak of it; that I am away all day, to begin with, and she doesn't want to speak

speak of it; the I am away all day, to begin with, and ahe doesn't want to speak to me immediately after dinner. She wants to give me time to smoke my cigar, and then, she says, she has things to look after herself, and she wants to read the evening paper, and all that, and what else can she do? I don't know, but I do know that when at about a quarter of 10 I see her lay the paper down on the table and look across at me and say:

'Now, what are we going to do about' about—
"I know that we're in for it sure. And then follows the usual list of things, gradually pilling up till it becomes so mountainous that, honest, it makes me laugh.

ly become very sober and pay strict attention.

"And then she goes through the solemn details and I listen, and when she is all through I say that we shall have to do the best we can about it of course.

"That's what you always say," she says, and then she gives up for the time her efforts to make me understand. She gets up with a resigned expression upon her face and folds up the newspaper, which means, I know, that the conference is ended, and I keep very dark then and say mothing. And she thinks that I mean all right, but that it's hopeless to talk to me about business matters. And sayish that she wouldn't insist on always bringing up that subject just at that hour of the day, but it's her only disturbing peculiarity, and even that's for the comman good."

FREAKS OF APPLE CULTURE.

Paints on the Popular Fruit.

It is no difficult matter in any sphere of
life to come across people who think they
know a great deal better than nature herself how things ought to be, and this unfortunate idea prevails to a great extent
among the gardening fraternity. Now
they are producing apples that exhibit armorial bearings. Any person therefore
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who wishes for a supply of, the fruit with his family crest upon it has only to forward an illustration of it to one of the Montreuil fruit growers who make a specialty of such things, and he will duly receive the apples the following season.

This end is attained by growing the apples in paper bags, which are slipped on when the fruit is about the size of a walnut. Being thus sheltered from the sun, the apples do not color as shey swell, and when fully grown still remain groen or yellow in color. As soon as they reach their noximum size the bags which cover are replaced by others on the side o

her dovice which the paper forms.

Quite recently many Parislan fruiterers
ave been exposing for sale apples with
he arms of Russia printed upon them, the arms of Russia printed upon them, and others have them with monograms. Christian names, arrow pierced hearts and other tender devices. Probably it will not be long before they are seen in England, although, apart from the novelty of the thing, they have nothing to recommend them.—Golden Penny.

It is such an unusual thing for one wife to flow into another so smoothly as not to ruffle the placid flow of the general stream that the experience of a delightful old elder

that the especience of a delightful old elder in the church seems worthy to be record-ed. Says the New York Times: The elder, who was married early in life and is now living with his third wife, was talking recently of the civil war.

'It was so dirty in Washington after the war!' he was saying to the assembled company. 'The streets were dirty, and even the inside of the buildings. Why, we were stopping at one of the best hotels in the city, and it was astonishing—the condition of that place. Don't you recondition of that place. Don't you re-member, my dear," he said, turning to his wife for corroboration, "how dirty the rooms we occupied were?"

answered Mrs. Elder, with a little laugh, shaking her head. "You forget I wasn't your dear then."

The Force of Instinct.

Several Northumberland pitmen who rewaiting to hear the result of a pigeor ming contest began to discuss the mer of various well known breeds of pi ons. One of the miners said he knew ar nstance of a young pigeon that had nev distance of about 65 miles, yet the first time it was liberated it came straight

Father—Why, when I was your age I dn't have as much money in a month as

were to be found, she donned male attire, to which her short hair and robust figure helped to complete her disguise, and went to the cafe at which the conspirators met. Here she found them in full consultation, and taking a seat at a table she listened to their conversation for a time. After awhile she addressed the leader, saying:

"I hear that you intend to play a trick upon some one. I am very fond of a lits, the practical joke myself and should be glad if you would allow me to join you on this occasion."

"With pleasure,' was the reply. 'We intend to hiss an opera singer off the stage this eventing.'

"For a moment a deathly stillness prevalled; then suddenly the house broke into thunders of applause, which was led by the conspirators themselves."

. A SEAMLESS TUBE.

There Are Three Operations Which It May Be Made. Which It May Be Made.

Henry Souther said at a recent meeting of the National Association of Mechanical Engineers that the soientific and technical designation of a tube, whether seamed or seamless, depended solely upon the tube itself and not upon the process followed in its manufacture. Referring to the dictionary you will find that the word "seamless" means without seam, which conveys no light upon the subject. Turning to the word "seam," it is found that it is defined as a joint, sture, or line of union, and here

less" means without seam, which conveys no light upon the subject. Turning to the word" seam," it is found that it is defined as a joint, suture, or line of union, and here in the last term we find the key. A tube jointed in any way cannot be seamless. If in the primary stages of its manufacture it be lap, but or lock jointed, it cannot by any subsequent operation be deprived of the seam and therefore cannot be considered when completed as being seamless. A strictly seamless tube may be made by any one of three operations—first, a billet may be by successive steps punched into the form of a tube with extremely thick sides, and these may then by the ordinary drawing processes be reduced to a tube with thin walls; next, the billet may be bored or the blank may be east with a hole in it and in either case then drawn to the required dimensions; thirdly, the tube may be made by the cupping process, which consists in taking a disk of the metal, forming it into a cup shape, gradually elongating the cup and reducing it in diameter and finally by this means preducing a tube.

Each and all of these processes yield a tube which its absolutely seamless and about which there is and can be no dispute. In all tubes formed with a seam the edges have first been separated, then united, either by lap or butt weld or by some lock joint system, and in these the joint cannot be eliminated by any after processes. The custom houses of the United States recognize the difference between a seam and a seamless tube. A seamless tube is one in which the walls have never been separated from the time the metal was in a molten condition to the

have never been separated from the time the metal was in a molten condition to the time of the completion of the tube.—Iron Age.

Spanking Convicts. When convicts in the Colorado prison become unruly, instead of being confined to bread and water solitary conconfined to bread and water solitary coninement they are spanked, the instrument used being a paddle a little more
than 3 feet long, 8 inches wide and weighing 15% ounces. According to the chief
of the institution, this method is entirely
satisfactory and is free from the perniclous
effects that often follow the ordinary
treatment.

"During the spanking process," says the warden, "the prisoner has no time to brood—to store away in his mind vicious thoughts and grow mentally one sided as he grows physically weaker, for all of his time and thoughts are concentrated into one spot for a minute or two, and when it one spot for a minute or two, and when it is over he goes back to his work none the worse for the treatment."—San Francisco

Wax Figures.

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The best wax figures in the world are made in New York. One firm here has two to show in its store. Each of these figures cost \$200. They are made entirely of wax and are the exact counterparts of two famous New York models. The first figure was sculptured after a French girl. Almost the only difference between the little French model and the polite, dainty figure in wax is that the girl of fesh and blood has dark hair and the hair of the wax figure is yellow. The second figure is that of an American woman. Her figure and the soft pink flush of the skin seem almost perfect. The woman who stood for the model of this one was said to have the best American figure in New York.

Might Fit the Case. Peddler—Wouldn't you like some mos-toes for your house, mum? It's very cheer-ing to a husband to see a nice motto on the wall when he comes home. Mrs. De Jagg—You might sell me one if you've got one that says "Better Late Than Never."—New York Weekly.

The laborers who built the pyramids did not work under such disadvantages as have long been attributed to them. Re-cent research shows that they had solid and tubular drills and lathe tools. The drills were set with jewels and cut into

Thresher Crushed to Death. Thresher Crushed to Death.

Elora, Ont., Feb. 10.—John Beam of
Garafraza, living about four miles from
Elora, was instantly killed by a threshing machine falling en him, while moving it along the gravel road. He was on
the lower side of the road, to keep the
machine from upsetting, and being unable to do so, he was crushed to death.
He was about 30 years of age, and leaves
a wife and one child to mourn his loss.

Killed by a Falling Tree. Duntroon, Ont., Feb. 13.—About two
miles from here on Saturday morning,
Mr. Nathan Davine of this village, while
engaged in chopping wood was instantly
killed by a falling tree. The deceased
leaves a wife and shree children.

It Hurts Us All Alike.

Oh, wealth outranks the might of per And power in plenty lurks, But all are on a level when The vaccination works!

—Cleveland Plain Dealer. When He Is Wisest.

"At what age does a man show the most intelligence?"
"At the age when he reaches the conclusion that he has the least." Sensible Physical Exercises.

Son—Well, pa, don't scold me about it.

Why don't you go for grandfather?—Chicago News.

The population of the earth at the time of Emperor Augustus was estimated at 54, 700,000. It is now estimated to be about 1,530,000,000.

The value of the average annual production of the earth has been estimated at \$4,050,510,500

SHE FOILED A PLOT.

How Mmc. Alboni Frustrated see Scheme to Hiss Her.

"Once upon a time, when Mmc. Alboni Was at Trieste," writes Henry C. Lahee in "Famous Singers of Today," "she was informed of the existence of a plot to hiss her off the stage. Having ascertained the names of her detractors and where they were to be found, she donned male attire, to which her short hair and robust figure helped to complete her disguise, and wen's Point and at Annapolis, and I am least the stage was the stage. The stage of Having ascertained the names of her detractors and where they were to be found, she donned male attire, to which her short hair and robust figure helped to complete her disguise, and wen's Point and at Annapolis, and I am

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I have long thought that the graduate of Harvard ought to possess physical accomplishments equivalent to, even if not identical with those of his brothers at Annaulia and I am

Important Events in Few Words

For Busy Readers. Compiled and Put Into Handy and Attractive Shape For the Readers of

Our Paper-A Solid Hour's Enjoyment POLITICS-CANADIAN.

THE LABOR WORLD. The cabbies of London, 7,000 in number, are on strike because the police commissioners prohibited empty cabs standing on the Strand, Piccadilly and Bond street. The hotels and theatres are rd. RAILROAD RUMBLINGS.

Grapd Trunk Railway system earnings, Feb. 1 to 7, 1899, \$444,918; do., 1898, \$395,785; increase, \$49,138. \$395,785; increase, \$49,128.
At Pickering on Friday a head-on collision between two freight trains, one of which was a double header, damaged all three engines and several cars were reduced to kindling wool. Conductor Kelly of the Little York train was seriously injured. No one else was hurt. THE AGRICULTURAL WORLD.

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The Department of Agriculture has published a bulletin on truit pulp. A careful investigation has been made by the department during the past year and the fruit men are expected to benefit by it and to ship to Britain large quantities of the fruit pulp from which jam is made. The bulletin concludes that there might be a good opening for black currants, green gages, apricots and strawrants, green gages, apricots and stra berry pulp. Rosberry pulp brought high as £50 to £60 per ton last year.

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SUICIDES.

Henry P. Rhodes, attorney, Denver, Col., has just died as the result of wounds infloted by himself. MFs. Olga Lavrenius, a yeung and handsome Russian widow, said to have been his fiances, killed her son and herself at the same place on Wednesday. The triple tragedy is thought to be the result of a lovers' quarrel. Mrs. Lavrenius and her husband, who died a year ago, were Siberian exiles pardoned by the Czar, and were of high birth. Rhodes was a Kestuckian. CASUAL/TIES.

Mrs. Daniel O'Hearn of London, Ont., was severely burned in her home on Saturday. Her clothes caught from the scal stove. Her condition is critical trem the fact that she is past 70 years of age. the fact that she is past 70 years of age. The chief officer and boatswain of the stammer Martelle, from New York for Hull, were killed on the voyage over, owing to the rough weather, and the captain and second officer were injured. The steamer lost her boats and ventilators and was etherwise damaged.

FOR MEN OF WAR. The Supreme Military Court of Spain has decided that Admiral Cervera and Commandant Emillio Diaz de Moren of the Cristobal Colen, shall be tried by

ago Bay.

General Eagan is to be placed on the retired list of the U.S. army in a few days on his own application, after 30 years' service, and Col. John F. Weston is to be nominated to the Senate as Com-

WICLASSIFIED.

William J. McHarg, a clerk in the
London, Ont., postofice, is under arrest,
charged with stealing money letters. Two gold bricks, worth \$5,000, have reached Vancouver from the Dorothy Murton mine at Phillip's Arm, B.C. An English company owns the mine. Eighteen magnificent specimens of wild anadian trout have been added to the Engagement magninous specimens of white Canadian trout have been added to the New York Aquarium. They are the gift of H. J. Beemer of St. John's, and were caught several weeks ago in Lake Edward, 100 miles north of Quebec.

According to Mr. Conmes, M.P.P., an effort will be made to induce 1,000 of the Russian Doukhobers who are coming over in the spring to settle in the valley of the Kaministiquia and White Fish Rivers. The Ontario Government is will-In the build shelter buts and roads for the immigrants and the country is well timbered. There will be a chance for those without money to earn some by working on the Ontario & Rainy River

THE FIRE RECORD. Later developments of the Manitoba total fire show that the total loss will Hotel fire show that the total loss will be in the neighborhood of \$700,000. The village of Forestport, in Utica County, N.Y., was destroyed by fire Thursday morning. Telegraph and tele-phone offices birned.

\$5,000, which will nearly cover the loss J. I. Simpson, grooer, Chatham Ont., lost his entire grocery stock and part of building by fire on Thursday. The family resided over the store, and barely escaped with their lives. The thermometer registered nearly 15 below, zero at the time. Loss about \$5,000.

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The groocy store of Mrs. Griffin, London, Ont., was almost completely destroyed by fire at noon Thursday. Mrs. Griffin had \$50 in money is a drawer upstairs, which was made by a stout gentlement of the matine and which was also consumed. The damage to the building is \$400, and on stock \$200, partly covered by insurance.

At Albany, N.Y., Saturday night a \$70,000 fire occurred. at which one life was probably lest and a solid block of buildings gutted. The Hudson River Garment Company, employing 150 girls, and Antheny & Gledhill, manufacturers of mattresses, lose \$40,000. E. E. Mack slept in one of the buildings and is believed to have perished in the flames.

Faid Him Back.

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THE BUSINESS WORLD. Ottawa has a new factory. James W. Woods goes into the lumbermen's supply business on a large scale and will employ 75 hands.

A Midland mass meeting has approved f granting, by way of bonus, the sum of granting, by way of bonus, the sum of \$50,000 to the Canada Iron Furnace

John McGowan of Aima has had plans prepared for a large linseed oil and oil cake mill, which he intends building at Abogue, on the Grand River.

PURELY PERSONAL Mr. Ottowell of Goodwood, Ont., has just received \$40 for two old , 12d

Eatl de la Warr, of the Dunlop Tire Company, has agreed to surrender the £10,000 received from Hooley, the company prometer.

James Reid's son, John, of Kingston, will be discharged from the United States army on account of illness. He is now at Manila. Henry Dunham, sub-collector of custems at Campbellford, has been dismissed for farming out his office. William J. Mather has been appointed in his place.

Thomas Avery, the deputy collector of customs at Port Huron, Migh., who foreibly deported a Canadian named Meagher from Pert Lambton, Ont., in Meagher from Port Lambton, Ont., in September last, has been dismissed.

Andree's brother does not believe the bones found in Siberia were those of Prof. Andree and his companions. He says the locality is cultivated and that under such circumstances it is incredible that they should have lain there a year and a half without discovery. THE NEW COLONEL

minute I stand nero I'll nave an ounce or your blood," said he to the colonel.

"Gag him!" roplied Grant.

One by one, as the hours passed, the other offenders were released by the officers of the guard. Grant released Mexico himself. The bully saw that his colonel was his master, and the regiment began to find out that it had a colonel.—Youth's Companion.

"When Paderewski came to Leschetizky, "When Paderewski came to Leschetizky, in Vienna, it was as a concert performe' whe had already achieved success in Russia and mastered an extensive repertory, writes Cleveland Moffet of "The Man Who Taught Paderewski" in The Ladles' Home Journal. "Leschetizky heard him play for awhile and then said: 'You have some very bad faults, but you have talent. You have played too many things and nothing well enough. Your wrist is hard and stiff. If you come to me, you must forget for six months that you have a repertory. You must play nothing but exercises for technique, six hours a day of exercises, and nothing else."

exercises for technique, six hours a day of oxercises, and nothing elso." "Paderewski thought the matter over and decided that he had the strength of will for this severe test and put himself entirely in Leschetizky's hands. All day long for six months this finished concert performer worked away at the mechanics of piano playing, at exercises specially devised for him by Leschetizky and some devised for him by Leschetizky and some devised by himself with reference to peculiarities of his own hands. Every evening he took a lesson at the professor's house, in the afternoon, and one leason in two weeks is the best that even the most profile in the afternoon, and one leason in two cleint may attain. One hour, two hours, three hours, these nightly lessons lasted, for Leschetizky gives no heed to time once his serious interest is aroused. These two men were together constantly. They took long walks; they played hard fought games of billiards, both being adepts at the game; they talked incessantly, for Leschetizky has a fluent tengue, and what the older man knew of the sounding art he gave freely to the younger man, and that the disciple has given to the world."

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PONDEROUS PLODDERS.

Logan and McCrernand, two congressmen, made patriotic speeches, and Logan and they swim beautifully, not hesitating to cross half a mile of deep water if need a quiet man in plain citizen's clothes, saying:

"Allow me to present to you your new commander, Colonel U. S. Grant."

"Most of the soldiers observed him for the first time," writes Hamlin Garland, from whose "Life of Grant!" we have quoted. "They were astonished and disappointed." Grant looked like a grave country doctor. But he showed that spould manage the "unruly boys." There were loud calls: "Grant! Grant! Grant!" A speech!" Their late colonel used to "orate" before them. The new colones stepped two paces toward them and said in a clear, calm voice:

"Men, go to your quarters!"

If an 8 inch shell had exploded in their ranks, she "boys" would not have been more surprised, but they went to their quarters. There was that in the new colonel's voice which expressed command. The tone was not loud, but it was given with a clear cut inflection which showed him a master of man.

That evening at dross parade, as he stepped to the center of the regiment, wearing no uniform save a pair of gray trousers with a stripe running down the outside seams and an old sword, the men jested in low voices about their new commander. Colonel Good, the late colonel, not infrequently used the daily parade as an ocasion to make a speech, and the men expected one from Grant. The line officers advanced, and the adjutant saluted.

"A soldler's first duty is to learn to obey his commander. I shall expect my ordies to be obeyed as exactly and as instantly as if we were on the field of battle."

That was all he said. As the men marched back to quarters a private asked: "What do they mean by sending down a little man like him to command this regiment? Ho can't make a speech. Look at the clothes he wears. Who is he anyhow?"

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"Boys," retorted a sergeant, "I'll tell you who he is. He's the colonel of this regiment, as you'll find, and don't you forget it."

The sergeant was a prophet. The regiment had obtained all the liquor it wished for. Grant stopped that. A man resisted arrest.

"What's the matter?" asked Grant of the officer of the day.

"The man persists in bringing liquor into camp and refuses to give it up."

"Put him into the guardhouse."

"He refuses to go."

"Grant stepped up to him, selzed him by the collar and jerked him outside of the camp gate. "Get out of my regiment," he camp gate. "Get out of my regiment," he said. "You are not worth disciplining. If you come back, I'll have you shot!" A big, dangerous man named Maxico was tied up with a score of others for leaving camp without permission. "For every minute I stand here I'll have an ounce of your blood," said he to the colonel.

"Gag him!" replied Grant.

days, without any particular name, it the week. Their year had seven times 5 days, or four times 13 weeks. The father was compelled to support his illegitimate child to the thirteenth year. The Aztee had weeks of 13 days, each with a special name. Their century had 52 years or four times 13. Their public archices were of circular form, with a sun in the center of each of the 13 parts, and 13 were their tribes.

tibes.
This is the brief ancient history of 18, and it may be said of modern times in Ger-many that even today a "baker's dozen" is 13—that js, the original 12 with one thrown in for luck.

Sam Kennedy was found frozen to death in a coal shed at St. Louis, Mo., on Thursday. Ezekiel Cudney, who had his skull fractured while getting into his wagon at Fort Dalhousie a few days ago, died

on Thursday morning.

A despatch from Bucharest to the Ex-change Telegraph says that the Sultan of Turkey is ill. He has a variety of de-lusions, and is in constant fear of assas-

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It takes longer for the war generals to tell how it happened than it did for the privates to fight it out.

"I los' two husbands in de las' war," said the old colored sister, "but we livin under a grateful guver mint now, en it done give me \$50 apiece fer each or dem!"

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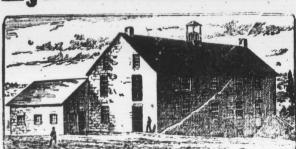
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