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which form a part of that constitu-

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Two planets have been discov lie outside that of Neptune. This teresting announcement. inhabitants of our planet kn of five others, namely, Mercury and Saturn. On that day Sir covered a planet, which he called honor of the king, but it later be name of its discoverer, until a was called Uranus, after one ian mythology. For sixty planet outside the orbit of Uran ut in 1841 astronomers reached there must be such a body, or the orbit of Uranus would b f the discovery of the more rem romances of science. Among the who were giving attention to the Adams of Cambridge University rier of the Paris Observatory. carefully calculated the position ought to be found, if there was municated his calculations to Dr. asked him to search the heavens September 23, 1846, Dr. Galle foun cated a star of the eighth magnitu the star-map in his possession. the supposed planet and a short set proved this to be the case. Mean had sent his calculations to Profe began a search with the Northu On August 4 he found the planet, map was unable to distinguish On August 12 he again observed fied that he had made the hope having no star-map at hand, and to map his own observations, he d his discovery until Dr. Galle had Therefore, though the first discov ofessor Challis acting under d Adams, the honor is shared equa who followed Mons. Leverrier's i Comparison with previous obs randa made by astronomers, or lande, a famous French astronom century, showed that the planet, . Neptune had been seen, but the nlanet had not been suspected. Th Neptune from the Sun is 2,761 is the mean distance, the planet's of is sometimes nearer and someti It is about a billion miles more r than Uranus.

When we come to consider the overed planets we have to deal startling magnitude considering the members of the Solar System, for tune is a billion and a half miles Sun, and the other is nearly a miles yet more remote. In other wor known member of the Solar Syster be 5,580,000,000 miles from the Sun ade the new discoveries, has

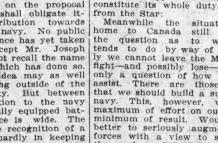
report of his observations, at as reached America. We are whether he was led to seek f tronomers were who found i non them accidentally. In the he heavens now in progress if inknown planets, if there are a

Photography is able to detect stars eye cannot find even with the mo copes. If photographs are taken for a series of nights and on exam are found to show points of light position, the inference is that planets or comets.

It is interesting to know that the newly discovered planets is sixty t m the Sun as we are, and that quarter as far away as the nearest latter statement is only an approx is a very wide difference in the re ations of the distance of Alpha (supposed to be the nearest of the be supposed that around Alpha (circling planets, as is altogether them is as far away from that star of the Sun's known planets are planets representing different syste them bridge half the distance be etary systems. Therefore, if on

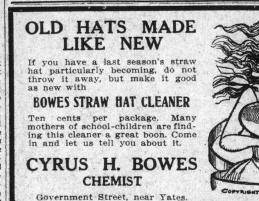
imagination a little rein, he can t ing a message to the outermost of ters, which in turn would communi

ermost of Alpha Centauri's attenda



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that Imperial Federation is approaching. Imperial Federation is an example at all. There are federations and federations. The States of the American Union are federated; so are the provinces of Canada; so are the Swiss of the German Empire; so also to a certain degree are the component parts of the British Empire. Uniti a man tells us what he means by Imperial Federation, we cannot say whether or not we are in favor of it. Our Imperialist friends in the Mother Country are disposed to be in too much of a hurry. It is better to hasten slowly in empire-building, for in nothing it easier to make a mistake. It has taken conturies to bring the Empire to its present stage; it cannot be completed by the passage of a few resolutions by a number of well meaning people. We must trust to the British instinct for self-govern ment, to the influence of the Common Law, to the formative operation of what for want of a better name man be called our racial irraditions, to the what for want of a better name may cause it was a motion of want of con be called our racial traditions, to the fidence. In the course of his speech attraction of mutual interests, to the Mr. Burrell favored the United States fraternity developed by mutual de- plan of a fixed day for elections and a



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MINOS Some of the weirdest of all anci cluster around the name of Mind have been king of Crete and the s are not greatly concerned with particular set of myths, some loathsome, but mention may be ma Daedalus figures in them, and his fame was that he flew across the set of wings of his set of wings of his own construct left behind him a wonderful reput His greatest work is said to hav Labyrinth, wherein was confined Minotaur, a creature that was half Perseus, who was also a son o Minotaur. He also slew the mons been rewarded by a place amon Until comparatively recent times been to regard the myth of Minos a been to regard the myth of minos a although there was an attempt to been undertaken in the case of ot signing it a place among the fan sun-worship, but a writer in the l us that "the recent excavations in it necessary to reconsider the who iterranean history before the cla other words the conviction is being vestigators that mythology is or The Times article describes cond very remote period in these words: "Although many questions are has been established beyond any the rule of the Eighteenth Dynas Thebes was at the height of its g centre of a great empire whose t extended from the North Adriatic and from Sicily to Syria. "This civilization was as an

established as it was wonderful. the flint deposits found beneath t sos is considered by Dr. Evans to 10,000 B.C., and from that time or ment of the Minoan people can be "The Minoan civilization was ranean, and is most sharply dist that arose in Egypt or the East, also it is strikingly modern. The aces, some of the pottery, even

ladies seem to belong to the mod ancient world. At the same the Minoan sites and their extraord ceed anything that Crete could duce, and must be due in part which the ancient legends attrib In view of the inventions of story that Daedalus, who lived of civilization, for it was a of Crete was such that it was the ed only on the supposition that