

HELPS HIS PEOPLE

Work W. H. H. Hart Is Doing to Elevate Poor Negro Boys.

Remarkable Career of a Colored Philanthropist—Has a Boy's Farm Near Washington Which is Attracting Much Attention.

W. H. H. Hart, the colored philanthropist, whose experiment with a boys' farm just outside of Washington is attracting considerable attention, has a remarkable career.

Having received a legal education he became secretary to Senator Everts at a time when the great lawyer lost the use of his eyes.

SIBERIAN RAILROADS.

Freight Handled by the Great System in Two Months Amounts to 233,333 Tons.

During the first two months of the present year the amount of freight transported on the Great Siberian railway amounted to 233,333 tons.

The industrial impulse given to the great line can be seen in many ways.

IMPORTANT CHANGES.

Made in the Navy Yard Apprentice System—Rules Concerning Receiving of Applicants.

Acting Secretary Allen has issued an order making important changes in the navy yard apprentice system.

PEACE IS CENTURIES AWAY.

Emperor William Holds That a Big Army is the Only Thing That Will Prevent War.

Emperor William, addressing the burgomaster of Carlruhe the other day and expressing his satisfaction at the bearing of the troops, said:

Killed in This Century's Wars. A German army officer estimates that in the century just closing no less than 30,000,000 men have been killed in war in civilized countries.

A Heavy Youngster. A 12-year-old Richmond (Mo.) girl weighs 245 pounds, and is still growing.

MAUSOLEUM FOR RESCUER.

Wealthy Woman Who Has Not Forgotten the Man Who Saved Her Life Even After His Death.

A wealthy woman, whose identity 11 years of patient inquiry has failed to make clear, has, at her executors have, if she is dead, erected a costly mausoleum.

O'Donnell saw her. There was just time to drag her back upon the platform she had left, and while she lay there, fainting, the express flashed by.

When New Year's day came a little box arrived at O'Donnell's home. In it was a valuable gold watch with a diamond set in it.

There came no more gifts. But in March of the present year a local marble dealer received an order to erect a mausoleum on the O'Donnell plot.

PLANS FOR WATER STORAGE.

Study Being Made in the West for the Reclamation of Vast Areas of Arid Land.

F. H. Newell, hydrographer of the United States geological survey, is on a trip west for the purpose of studying the plans of the organization formed for the purpose of urging the government to construct systems of storage reservoirs to hold flood waters for the reclamation of the arid west.

Chief Clerk Metzger, of the general land office, recently returned from an extended inspection tour, and upon his return reported that millions of acres were yet to be taken up—open to entry and settlement.

Within it are great resources in minerals and vast tracts furnishing excellent grazing for hundreds of thousands of cattle and sheep.

It is the belief of the hydrographer's office that by the conservation of all water supplies it is probable from 75,000,000 to 100,000,000 acres can be added to the wealth of the country.

Mr. Newell will not be home for a month yet, and his report is eagerly looked for by the officials who are interested in the work.

MALE DOMESTICS ALLIED.

They Incorporate a Mutual Aid Association in Illinois with No Capital Stock.

The House Domestic's Mutual Aid association has just been incorporated at Springfield.

It is believed that the organization was formed for the purpose of cementing the forces of the male domestics, who, it is said, have of late, in a measure, come to supplant the women in doing housework.

With the increased demand for good servants," said an official of an employment bureau, "the men are making more marked advances every day, and though I do not think they will ever completely displace the women, yet they may oust thousands of the latter, who are now doing housework in a slipshod and perfunctory way, which leads my customers to complain frequently to me.

This Is Not a Temperance Story. In the Rakai, New Zealand, railway smash drink was the direct means of saving the lives of about 60 excursionists who, as the night was cold and wet and the train was waiting, left the rear carriages and trooped into the railway hotel a few yards off.

Origin of Arabic Figures. According to tradition, Arabic figures were derived from Solomon's seal, upon which they can all be traced with a little care.

WILL MAKE POWDER.

United States to Have Its Own Plant Near Indian Head.

Smokeless Powder to Be Turned Out at the Rate of Two Thousand Pounds a Day—Mills to Be Most Complete.

The navy department expects to begin the manufacture of smokeless powder at its powder mills, a few miles back from the Potomac river, near Indian Head.

The various buildings of the powder plant cover a wide area. The general purpose has been to keep the buildings as far apart as requirements of manufacture would permit, in order to avoid the danger of explosions.

One building is used exclusively for the picking process; another for the mixing; another for the acids. In this way each stage of manufacture is detached from all the others, not only reducing the chances of accident, but also giving some security against widespread damage in case of explosion in any one stage of the process.

In order to connect the many buildings and permit the powder process to be carried on expeditiously a complete trolley car service is to be in operation.

BUSINESS IN PHILIPPINES.

Notwithstanding the Disturbed State of the Country It Has Been Well Up to the Average.

Regarding trade prospects in the Philippines, the British vice consul at Iloilo, Mr. Fyfe, says: "The preferential tariff hitherto enjoyed by Spanish goods and which was rapidly diverting this trade to Barcelona, being now abolished, competition from that quarter should scarcely be possible any longer.

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WEDS HIS AUNT. Romantic Nicknack Courtship Ends in a Strange Marriage—He Is 24 and She 24.

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FAITHFULNESS RECOGNIZED. Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Employees to Be Decorated with Service Stripes.

There are many uniformed employees of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad who have spent the better part of their lives with the company.

WILL BE BALKED.

Obstacles Offered by Land Owners to the Improvement of Pearl Harbor to Be Overcome.

Admiral Bradford, chief of the bureau of equipment, and Gen. Wilson, chief of engineers, have been in consultation respecting the improvement of Pearl harbor, Hawaii, with a view to the establishment of a naval station there, as directed by congress.

The navy department has just received the detailed survey of Pearl harbor made last year by the Bennington. It is far more complete than anything before undertaken, and one result of a study of this survey has been to satisfy the engineer officers that a good deal of unforeseen work must be done in straightening the channels connecting the harbor with the sea.

Champagne in New York. New York's consumption of champagne during the year was the greatest ever known.

MARKET FOR IRON BEDS.

Reports to the State Department Indicate That There is a Good Opening in the Orient.

According to reports to the state department, waiting for a large market in the orient, is a large market in the orient, waiting for the American manufacturers of iron beds.

The form of bed most suitable for use in tropical countries differs from the present American model in two respects. The body of the bed must be raised so as to be two feet clear of the floor, and the four posts must be extended to a length of seven feet.

NOVEL IDEA IN RAPID TRANSIT. O'Brien Proposes a One-Rail Line to Be Operated by Electricity—Plans Appear Reasonable.

It is the claims of Harris F. Smith, of Middletown, O., for his new railroad are borne out, and engineers who have examined his plans see no reason why they should not be the problem of rapid transit is solved.

NAVAL VESSELS.

Report by Admiral Hichborn Shows 47 Craft Under Construction and Some Nearly Completed.

Admiral Hichborn's periodical report of the progress in the construction of naval vessels shows that of the first of the month there were 47 naval craft on the list.

Kearsarge, at Newport News, 95 per cent.; Kentucky, same place, 92 per cent.; Illinois, same place, 79 per cent.; Alabama, at Cramps, 66 per cent.; Wisconsin, at Union iron works, 77 per cent.; Maine, at Cramps, 12 per cent.; Missouri, at Newport News, 1 per cent.; Ohio, at Union iron works, 6 per cent.

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CAMERA FIRED TO BE TAKED.

It Has Been Decided That He Must Pay to Take Pictures at Paris Exposition.

A. S. Capehart, director of the department of liberal arts of the United States commission to the Paris exposition, has received a ruling concerning cameras and photographic supplies.

NEW TELEGRAPHY TRIUMPHS.

Oklahoma Man Sends a Message Sixty Miles Without Wires—Fidelity Telephone Without Wires.

Peter Pearson, an Oklahoma man, has invented a system of wireless telegraphy which he claims is perfectly successful.

Hard on Twins.

The natives of Central Africa kill twins as soon as they are born, and force the mother either to kill herself or become an outcast.

Maps of Ptolemy's Time.

A set of maps of the time of Ptolemy, the geographer, has been found in some eleventh century manuscripts in the vatican library.

MILES IS PLEASED.

Successful Tests of Throwing of High Explosives as Projectiles.

Can Be Fired from Any Kind of a Gun and Thrown Any Distance with Sufficient Force to Penetrate Common Plate.

FAIR LADY PRESIDES AS HOSTESS AT A SUPPER GIVEN BY A BACHELOR AND ACCEPTS IT PERMANENTLY.

George W. Bowditch, who had bachelor quarters at 213 Congress street, Jersey City, recently gave a supper to a few friends.

Miss Helwig, a prepossessing blonde, was one of two unmarried women in the party.

How about Miss Helwig? said one of the party.

Capital idea! said another.

Miss Helwig blushed, but after some persuasion she accepted and made a capital hostess.

I wish she was the real hostess," said Bowditch, and he smiled on Miss Helwig.

TO MAINTAIN SECURITY.

Secretary Root Issues Strict Orders Concerning the Testing of Arms and Munitions of War.

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