

Ambassador J. J. Jussenand and Mine, Jussenand have returned to Washington after spending several months in France. The ambassador declares his country is dissatisfied with the new American tariff law and it is expected that he will endeavor through diplomatic channels to bring about some changes.

Government Makes New Rules Wiping Out Big Graft.

Flagrant Abuses in Importation, Entailing Thousands of Dollars of Loss to Nation Hit by Order of Treasury Department.

Washington.-Flagrant abuses in Truit importation, entailing thousands of dollars of loss to the government, occurring especially on the docks at New York, are simed at in regulations proclaimed by Acting Secretary of the Treasury Reynolds and directed to collectors of customs "and all others concerned.

The regulations prohibit importers from delaying for a week or ten days the filing of claims for allowances for decay, destruction or injury of fruit imported but not taken off the docks, making it impossible for the authorities to determine what to allow for the deterioration of the imports. California fruit raisers took up this question with congress at the last session. contending that the delays operated to the undue advantage of Italian interests, particularly as to oranges and

> The government is entitled to the duty on the arrival of the fruit. Fortyeight hours is fixed by the department ander the new circular as the time within which, after the arrival of the vessel, importers may file claims for allowance for shortage or nonimpor-

Immediately on notice of these claims the appraisers, under direction of the collectors, will detail one or more examiners to determine promptly the percentage of decay. These examiners will be called on to set aside representative packages, consisting of at least five per cent, of each lot or mark, and to open and examine them. Immediately on notice of these claims the appraisers, under direction of the collectors, will detail one or more examiners to determine promptly the percentage of decay. These examiners will be called on to set aside representative packages, consisting of at least five per cent, of each lot or

mark, and to open and examine them. Within ten days after the landing of the fruit the report of the appraiser must be made to the collector, fixing the percentage of rotten and worthless truit found. On this percentage I the allowance will be made in the liquidation of the entry.

Where imported or other perishable soods have been condemned at the port of original entry within ten days after landing, by the health officer or other authorities, no allowance will be made until the importers or their agents within 24 hours after the condemnation file detailed notice with the collector

No allowance will be made for dam-"A" age to any imported merchandise other than the allowance on unperishable goods, on the ground of nonimportation. Importers, however, are permitted under the new regulations to abandon to the United States within ten days after entry all or any portion of any goods included in any invoice and be relieved from payment of duty on the abandoned portion, provided that the abundoned part amounts to at least ten per cent, of the total walue or quantity of the invoice. This right of abandonment may be exereised regardless of damage or com-

5. mercial value The importers will have to deliver the abandonded goods at some designated place within the limits of the port, when the allowance will be made in liquidating the the entry and the marchandise sold or destroyed. On failure to deliver as required the govgoods at the expense of the importers. paid fines amounting to \$107.27.

GIANT AMONG THE CABBAGES Massachusetts Gardener Exhibits Vegetable That Would Make Meal

for Twenty Families.

Boston.—A young retaurant was brought into this city a few days ago in the form of a cabbage that is a giant in its class. And there is some class to it, as it fills the top of a good-sized table and would make a meal for 20 families. The monster is fully three feet in height and

weighs in the vicinity of thirty

pounds. It was raised in the garden of Albert Todesce of Rostindate. The seed that this cabbage came from has heretofore never been guilty of any such conduct and has been satisfied to bring forth ordinary editions? of the vegetable that is commonly, embraced with the name of corned

When the head grew in size Mr.s Todesce was about to cut it off when he noticed that, although it was larger than any of the others, it was not nearly full grown, and allowed it to remain on its stalk and awaited its growth. He expected the head would be a large one, but never anticipated that it would become what it really did. After waiting several weeks and seeing that the head was still enlarging, he cut away the surrounding plants to allow it enough room for growth.

Finally be thought it had had time enough and clipped it. Several farmers were consulted, and all declared that the freak was fully as important a discovery as the north pole, and advised Mr. Todesce to have it photographed and measured by competent

CAT BAFFLES HAWK IN MIDAIR

Bloomington (Ind.) Farmer Tells of Discomfiture of Bird When Clawed by Feline.

Bloomington, Ind.-A remarkable midair battle between a house cat and a large chicken hawk on the farm of Paris Hazel, a leading citizen south of this city, is reported by Mr. Hazel himself, who was an eyewitness.

According to Mr. Hazel's story, he was awakened early Wednesday morning by a commotion in his poultry yard. The hawk was hovering over a flock of chickens preparing to sink its] talons into one of them and carry it away, when Mr. Hazel appeared.

Through a mistake the invader caught up the cat, and as it arose 25) feet from the ground the feline began to scratch and fight, at the same time letting out "yowls" that plainly indicated its distress. The biting and scratching of the cat caused the hawk to release its hold and tabby came to the ground with a thud. The hawk made another attempt to attack the cat, when Mr. Hazel quickly drove it

Mr. Hazel states that he and his family vouch for the truth of the unusual story.

Pig's Brave Act. Jacksonville, N. J - When a large red fox attacked a litter of suckling pigs belonging to Martin Specht, squeals aroused the mother, who atatcked the fox, which tried to get out of the pen, but the jump was too high to negotiate. Driven to desperation, the fox turned on the defensive. When the old sow dashed at him she drove one of her tusks clear through his skull and into his brains and killed him.

Nimrod Bonds His Home. Chester, Pa. In order to pay a fine imposed on him for illegal gunning a foreigner, who appeared before Alderman Stockman, was compelled to mortgage his home. Giovano Delasando was charged with killing one rabbit and nine robins and was fined \$170.47; Dominico Desarando, charged ernment will take possession of the with killing six robins and our fileker,

MAKE FUNNY ERRORS

Examination Papers of Would-Be Teachers Reveal Unique Ideas.

Some Unintentioned Human Displayed by Men and Women Wine Want to Teach Young Hoosiers How to Shoot.

Indianapolis, Ind. A .. of ludi crous answers gathered feet, manusocieties recently submitted by aspirants for teachers' because in Indiana Eas been compiled by Mrs Marietta H. Dunn, chief manuscript clark in the office of the state superintendent of public instruction

In each list of monthly questions on literature is one having to do with a biblical reference One in the Aug ust examination asked for an explanation of the reference

> One was a Tislibite. Whom the ravets ted

One answer ran: The refers to Tishbite, whose duty it was to feed the ravens, which was a very low down occupation, and gives the person to whom it is referred a very low reconmendation as to a Tisklite"

Another: The Tablic had a dream one highs where he thought the ravens were earng him. This Tishbite was Pharaol, s reitler."

Still another in which religious and secular history is strangely mixed:

"Aligah, having been told by God to flee from those who sought his life, was sed by the ravens. He was concealed in a cave, protected by a spider web, which after he had entered the cave built the web across the door. When those seeking his life passed by they did not enter the cave. for they thought Elijah could not have entered without breaking the web."

Early in the year, writes Mrs. Dunn, a question in the literature list asked for a discussion on the value of "memory gems." Some of the "discussions" follow:

"Memory gems make us more ambissious."

"Memory gems are sometimes little advices on etiquette and the right and wrong side of things.

"They are a source of instruction, peace and enjoyment to those who contain them. "Memory gems are valuable be-

cause they impart a thought that becomes fastened in our powers and which are continually producing some effects on our make-up." "They electrify the soul"

"Many times in after years, when adversities come thick and fast, a beautiful memory gem will be present to help bear the burden."

"I think by memory gems our conversations are of more interest to our In a recent discussion on "The Sci-

ence of Education the following was "Emulation has an important place in the work of the school, for character is what a person is and emulation

is what people think you are." James Whitcomb Riley, the poet, was a topic in a recent examination. Here are some of the opinions expressed concerning him:

"His scenes are all lain in Indiana." "He is a child and a nature poet." "I consider his poetry brilliant, wholesome and witty, and think he at

tains the end he aims at." "I should say he is a portrayer of child nature in his writings. Nature is dealt with likewise, both nature and the child being blended together makes him very desirous to read." "He is real good for child life and

is among the best for there Lit. His poetry will stand the wear and tear." On the international date line the following was submitted: "The international date line is the

date of the revolutionary war because after that the history of the world was in a manner changed. It is necessary to have such a line as a convenient date to refer or compare things to Concerning the Conway Cabal one

The Conway Cabal was a cable laid from Newfoundland to Ireland. Mr. Conway had a body of about 20 men, who undertok to lay a cable across the Atlantic ocean so that we would communicate with the people of Eu-

INDIA TO GROW U. S. COTTON

Indian Agricultural Department Experimenting with Southern Prod-- uct-Demand Unlimited. ________

Calcutta, India.---Interesting experiments are being carried out by the agricultural department in Said with a view to the growth of United

States cotton. Indigenous Suidhl cotton has a short rough staple and is largely used in Europe for mixing with wool in the manufacture of carpets, whereas the United States product has a short period of growth, is hardy, and has a good staple, for which there is practically an unlimited demand in Great Britain and elsewhere.

The experimental lots show a luxuriant growth, and should the product turn out favorably, cotton cultivation will be largely entered on.

No Vacations for Children. Lawrence, Kan.-E. A. Ross, professer of sociology in the University of Wisconsin, in an address here doclared that school vacations are a relic of pioneer days and that children

should attend school if mouths in the

GAS REPLACES STEAM POWER

United States Steel Corporation and Other Large Manufacturers to Use New Force.

Washington --- A new development of greatest importance to the industrial world has been brought to light within the part week by the announcement that the United States Steel corporation, the largest user of steam power on this continent, and perhapin the world, has decided to consign all apparatus used for steam power to the junk pile, and substitute modern gas and electric motors

This change is based on the calculation that it will result in a saving of not less than 50 per cent, in the cost of power. Officials of the corporation state that this decision has been reached after years of practical experiments by expert engineers.

The change means that engines capable of producing about 1,250,000 horse power propelled by gas explosion will have to be installed, as it is estimated that the horse power furnished by the steam engines amounted to nearly that much.

Millions of dollars will be expended within the next year by the corporation as the result of the decision. Hundreds of steam bollers which have for years done service in the greatest steel plant in the world will be consigned to the scrap pile to be sold as old iron. It is estimated that the value of the botters, engines, and fittimes that will have to be done away with to make room for the installation of the more modern motive power will amount to something like \$10,000,000:

Almost simultaneously with the report of the decision of the steel corporation comes the news that a New England interest controlling a large chain of cotton mills and having \$20,-000,000 invested in steam-power plants has decided to follow the example of the steel corporation, a move which means the dumping of more than \$10,-000,000 more into the discard.

It is claimed by engineering experts that the recent development of the gas and electric power engine demonstrates that they are now as reliable and powerful as the steam engine, not to mention the fact that it requires less expense to operate them and that they are much cleaner and take up just half the room.

It was the late Charles T. Yerkes, prominent in the financial world, who first voiced the manifest economy of a junk pile composed of the manufacturer's steam engines and boilers and suggested the use of the later power.

It is said that chief among the results of the revolutionary development foreshadowed by these recent changes will be a demand for an enormous supply of gas and electricity for cities and towns and manufacturing plants. ...

MINUTE HAND 612 FEET LONG

Planned to Be Placed on Top of Singer Building in New York to Signal Midnight Hour.

New York.—The longest minute hand in the world-that will be in the tower of the Singer building, if a plan proposed by Commander E. E. Hayden, U. S. N., in charge of the department of chronometers and time service of the Naval Observatory at Washington goes through to completion.

The towering illuminated shaft caught the commander's eye on a recent visit, and he at once conceived the idea of making the ilumination mark the five minutes preceding midnight-a minute hand stretching 612 feet into the air.

The plan was first broached to shipping men the latter part of August in a circular letter by Commander Hayden. He suggested in this that by connecting with the "minute break" of the transmitting clock at Washington each night the 21 searchlights that now make the tower a pillar of flame could be made to stop for the first second of each minute, giving an exact time signal visible to all shipping in port.

Lieut. Ridgier Hunt and Engign B. 8. Dent of the branch office here have been sounding ship masters for the last fortnight, and without exception they favor the plan. It has been indorsed unofficially by the Maritime exchange.

Missouri Fish Story. Keytesville, Mo.-While at the ice pond fishing a few days ago, W. R. Sweener noticed a large spider on as leaf at the edge of the water that seemed to be fishing also. The spider would put out one leg in the water, shake it a little bit and then wait. By and by a minnew came to the top and grabbed the sudder's foot.

This seemed to be what R was waiting for, and without a minute's heattation it spring onto the minnow, being enried under the water several times, but never releasing its hold on the fish until it censed to struggle and was dead, when the spider hauled its prey ashore, to be devoured at letsure, In trying to had the struggling minnow the spider would lay hold of a leaf or wood on the shore and hang there with a death-like grip, and at last landed his estab in that way.

Farmer Dies of Churchen. Morse, La.-Martin LeBlanc, a farmer, died near here, the other day, of charbon. LaBlanc recently buried two cows whose deaths were attributed to the same cause. While thousands of dollars' worth of cattle have been destroyed by charbon in southwest Louisians this is one of the few human beings who have fallen victims to the (******* ...

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CITY MAN AMAZES FARMERS

Collegy Postoalf Man Bought Sand Hills and Made Them Exceedings ly Valuable at Farm,

Hardanson, Kan cally the average farmer the experience of the care Durand, whose farm is five males from Quiennson, will promitly to looked apon he exaggerated he to its truth littless. And yet here was a city fred young man, totally authorit previous agricultural knowledge or experdence, who came into western Kansas and made a fortune in space of the fact hat all his neighbors and town folk Loked upon him is a tenderroot who had fallen into the meshes of shrewd And dealers. Now he is looked upon as one of the most soon istal farmers in Reno county. Seven years ago this same land was sapposed to be practieally worthless, except for grazing Now it is worth \$50 000

Seventeen years ago young Durand was at Andever academy. He was the captain of his tootball team. His great ambition was to go to Yale and make the team there. In his senior Andover year he injured his knee to seriously that he went to his home in Chicago, gave up his college career and went puro business with his tather For-- arly ten years he stuck to inside in rearrifle work. All the time, however there was the call of the land within him. One day he told his father that he was going west to become a tarmer. The elder Durand smiled in dulgently. The young man insisted that he now had money of his own, and that he was going. It began to be serious to Durand, Sr., and heasked a perfectly natural question; "What do you know about farm-

ing?" "Not a thing," was the answer, "but

I'm going to learn " And so seven years ago young Durand came to Hutchinson looking for a farm. East of town there were 640 acres, known as the "sand hills". He had just about \$16,000, and he paid it for the place. The farmers in the neighborhood smiled behind their hands as he passed by "Poor fellow," tney said, "the city chap is the eastest thing on earth, anyhow

The townpeople chuckled and asked each other if they had heard about the tenderfoot from Chicago

"I expect I was looked upon as a ancker," said Durand in discussing the trade, "and I den't know just exactly yet why i bought the place, but for some reason or another I had a 'hunch' that things would grow there Honest, there never was any one quite so green. I didn't know the difference. between Kaffir, broom, cane and Indian corn

FENCE TO KEEP OUT INDIANS

Mexican Mine Owners Use Electrified Wires to Prevent Trespassing on Their Land.

Oaxaca, Mexico - Electrified fences in the neighborhood of the Natividad mine has been the cause of considerable trouble between the Cia Minera La Natividad and the Indians of the region in which the mine is located. The trouble started over the precting of some fences by the mining company. These fences crossed several roads, thus closing them for traffic. It is claimed by the Indians who make use of the roads that the routes closed by the company were public highways, while the company claims that the are on the propowned by them and can be closed as they see fit. When the fences were first erected it is stated that the indians would cut the wires and use the road as before. In order to stop this, fences were electrified, and the fury of the residents of the section knew ro bounds. It is stated by the Indians that dead dogs had been found along the fence, and if the current was strong enough to kill a dog it would kill a child. The company is said to have claimed that the dogs were killed by some one and laid along the fence Serious trouble is threatened and Gov. Pimentel has sent Lic Enrique Vanconceles to the district to make a report on the matter.

WILD TURKEYS PLENTIFUL

Quail, Too, Are Thicker Than Common This Year in Ozark Mountain Country.

Springfield, Mo -Reports from the

White river country in Taney and other sparsely settled counties indicate that wild turkeys are more plentiful this season than in many years. Many young ones were raised this season and the old gobblers can be heard every morning in the deeply wooded hills of the Ozarks. Quall were never more plentiful in the Ozarks and coveys containing as many as fifty birds are commou sights within a few miles of Springfield. The entire Ozark country in south Missouri is to be patroled by deputy game wardens during the open season and it is believed their work will prevent the ruthless destruction of game and birds.

To Raise Egyptian Lotus. Pontiac, Mich.—Attorney Joseph E. Sawyer will endeavor to raise the Egyptian sacred lotus lily at Keego harbor, the entrance to Cass lake. Her has secured a shipment of pods containing the lotus seed and will sow them in the muck about the shore of the barbor. The lotus has been raised with success at Monroe and in the Calumet river in Chicago. Mr. Sawyer will make an investigation and study the lotus in his efforts to onverthe beautiful little harbor with the rellow bloom.

SHOPS ACT AS INTOXICANT

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As for The super given off by Corporation, which this most donor in ter of men who were unloading a cargo of it it Pristel, is not the only Cirrious includent beautiful the homesy chop taken atter long at tention from meat tood, may stimulate to the point of drunkenness.

"Ordinary protect, or benzine, if he halod in officient quantities for a long enough period," a corresponden was informed to a medical analyst "will produce the same result.

Intersection is by no means an ef tect of alcohol alone. The intoxication caused by airchol is complete and, generally speaking, lasts longer; but it is quire possible to develop al! the symptom of trankenness through excessive enceron whether joy, grief or the exhibitant ion excited by music

"What really happens is that the nerve (cent) is an in such cases thrown out of unison with each other and with the brain so that mentally directed actions walking, talking and so on secome difficult and thought diself tends to its sherency

"A tretor sud-sin trish air, especfally to a forcen unused to it, will of an produce, see the rate is, owing to ex essive as geracion of the blood, in plain words exceptionalition

"Again, a r on who has been ill for any length of time and, having been on a milk diet, takes too hearty a meal of their when he is first allowed that food may expect to experience symptoms of intextestion. A chop, can; under such eireumstances, make him distinctly dramk.

"Strong coffee will also produce results not unlike spiritz especially I' taken on an empty stomach after come hours of brain work. Tea is the distinctly stimulating, as is shown at an lat homed where it is asually poriced that the women's tongues was most freely after the second or third cup"

ONION QUEEN OF NORTHWEST

Miss Turner of Dayton, Wash., Clears \$8,330 from Ten Acre Patch-Crop Immense.

Davion Wash - M -s Alice Turner of this place is being dubbed the Onfon Queen of the Pacific Northwest" This season she planted and harvested ren acres of onions and cleared above all her expenses \$ - 31" The crop was an immense one, between raised on new and and watered with artesian wells. Miss Turner carne into possession of a small farm by the death of her tather a year ago. She was at a lone to know what to do with the old home. and her mother, when she decided to become an onion grower all by her

She eaguged men to plow and plant her acreage to onion seed, and throughout the summer superintended the weeding and watering of the crop. In spite of many scofings from neighbors, who declared onlogs were be worthless this fall, she persevered and now is envied by all. The total crop was purchased by a New York

commission man for distribution in the east. Miss Turner realized 75 cents a sack for the onions, which vielded nearly one thousand sacks an acre

BARBER CUTS OFF WHISKERS

Cultivated Van Dyke Beard Belonging to Japanese Editor Lost by Misunderstanding.

Washington-Lack of mastery of the English language was responsible for the loss of a carefully cultivated Van Dyke beard that graced the chin of S. Zumoto, editor of the Japan Times of Tokyo and a member of the commercial commission now touring his country

Mr. Zumoto visited a local barber shop the other day "I would like to be shaved," he said, stroking his beard, "not altogether,

but conservatively " The barber began. Americans in the shop were startled a little later by a flow of what probably was strong Japanese language. Half of the Japanese beard already had fallen beneath the barber's keen blade. It was necessary therefore to cut off the whole Van Dyke.

Members of the Japanese party onjoyed the situation later, but Mr. Zumoto declined to see it in a humorous

Will is Death to Horses.

Brocketon, Mass .-- Duke and Dandy, known for years as the finest harness horses in Massachusetts and formerly noted trotters, are soon to meet their death in accordance with the will of their late mistress, Mrs. Clara-K. Snow, of this city.

Both animals are now more than 30 years old, have outgrown their usefulness and by the terms of Mrs. Snow's will must be chloroformed.

The trotters once belonged to Russian duke, and were brought to America 25 years ago by Mr. Snew, who paid \$1,700 for them.

First Lincoln Cents Gone. Philadelphia...All of the original-WV. D. B." Lincoln pennies, which aroused such wide interest because of the prominence of Designer Brenner's initials on them and the subsequent change in dies to make the initials less conspicuous, have passed entirely into the public's hands. There were 18,328,000 of them issued, and not a. cent of that famous issue is left in the treasury at Washington or subtreasury here.

L'ABEILLE DE LA NOUVELLE-ORLÉANS de Louisians of any tree los Blats du Bade file published often done dus novembres des avantagent incorptionnelle. But de l'absence of the l'angel il Bell' Contidionne 332.0.