

CATCHING A TORPEDO.

Young Officer on the Torpedo Boat Porter Shows Great Heroism.

Unofficial information reached Washington of another act of courage near Camp McCalla, Guantamou Bay. It was performed by the son of Commodore Gillis (retired), who is the executive officer of the torpedo boat Porter.

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MAIL TO SOLDIERS IN CUBA.

Arrangements have been made to Forward All Letters and Express Packages.

Arrangements are actively under way for forwarding mail and express packages to our troops. The war department has refused to furnish the post office officials information of the positions of the military forces.

This proposition was advanced with the intention that it would simplify the sending of mail and would insure the delivery of matter intended for the soldiers. The war department officials, however, took the position that a daily report of the positions of the various military forces, volunteers and regulars, amounted to furnishing information to the enemy.

For instance, mail matter for the troops in Santiago or any part of Cuba should be forwarded to Key West, just as is the mail matter for those on board the blockading vessels and the ships off Santiago. The navy keeps a vessel for no other purpose than for carrying messages back and forth between the blockading squadron and Key West.

TO HAVE NEW FURNITURE.

Supreme Court Chamber at Washington Undergoing a Complete Renovation.

For the first time in several years the supreme court chamber at Washington is being renovated. Mechanics have full possession of the room and are tearing up the carpet and removing the furniture preparatory to giving the ceilings and walls a coat of fresh paint, which will lighten the chamber to a considerable extent.

At the Whitehead sale of medals in London the "Petition" crown piece of Charles I., by Simon, brought \$840; the "Reddit" crown, by the same, \$255; Cromwell Lord Protector's gold crown, \$658; the Duke medal of the Commonwealth, \$2,150; Charles I., gold, 1630, \$350; Gen. Monk, gold, \$265.

A Kansas Tannery. A tannery to tan the hides of dogs and wolves has been established in Cheyenne county, Kan.

Big Primitives in Russia. There are a dozen Russian provinces each larger than the state of Kansas.

KISSED BY CERVERA.

How the Spanish Admiral Greeted Hobson and His Associates.

Feeling Tribute Offered to the Bravery of the Men Who Sank the Merrimac at Santiago.

A special from Albany, N. Y., says, according to the story related by James Myers, of the flagship New York, in a letter written to a friend in Troy, Admiral Cervera kissed Hobson and his associates of the Merrimac for their bravery. Mr. Myers' letter in part follows: "Hobson and his men fought bravely to cut their way back to us, killing many Spaniards; but the tide was too strong and they were carried shoreward and taken prisoners of war."

"Every body is admiring the pluck of the Spaniards, as the odds are all against them. They have no food, clothes or way of being helped, yet they will not give in. However, in another week we will take it without loss of blood by having them surrender or will kill every Spaniard on the island. We are in it for fair, and will hold up glory in spite of every human feeling. The Spaniards have been cruel to our boys of the Maine, and now we will show them what justice is and give them a little of Uncle Sam's wrath."

A NEW METHOD.

German Way of Preserving Meat - Bleeding the Animal and Injecting a Brine.

A special to the Times from Washington says: Oliver J. D. Hughes, consul at Sonneberg, Germany, in a report dated April 27, tells of a new method of preserving meat. His report is as follows: "A new method of preserving freshly-killed meats has been discovered by the Danish zoologist, August Fjellestrup, already well known through his method of condensing milk without the use of sugar. The system (according to the printed reports) has stood a remarkably hard three months' test at the Odense (Danish) company's slaughter houses, in a very satisfactory manner."

"The method in itself is extremely simple, and might be of great service for the troops in the tropics, (the writer having had considerable experience in trying to keep meat fresh in Cuba). The animal to be used is first shot or stunned by a shot from a revolver (loaded with small slugs) in the forehead, in such a way as not to injure the brain proper. As the animal drops senseless, an assistant cuts down over the heart, opens a ventricle, and allows all the blood to flow out, the theory of this being that the decomposition of the blood is almost entirely responsible for the quick putrefaction of fresh meats. Immediately thereafter a briny solution made of coarse or fine salt, more or less strong, according to length of time meat is to be kept, is injected by means of a powerful syringe through the other ventricle into the veins of the body."

"The whole process takes only a few minutes, and the beef is ready for use and can be cut up at once. This method has been examined and very favorably reported on by the general councils at Odense and Aarhus, and also by many experts."

COMPRESSED AIR.

The Terrible Cable Car in New York City to Give Place to This Better Motive Power.

The terrible cable car in New York city will presently disappear from Broadway, from Columbus avenue, and from Lexington avenue, to give way to the underground trolley, while the Metropolitan Street Railway company is about to experiment with compressed air motors on some of the cross-town lines. President H. H. Vreeland, of the Metropolitan, said:

"We shall use compressed air motors to propel the cars on Twenty-third street. Work on our compressed air station on Twenty-third street has been delayed, but we shall be ready to try the new power by the first of the year."

"The present cable lines on Broadway, Columbus and Lexington avenues will be operated by underground trolley. These routes, with those on Fourth and Second avenues and Fifty-ninth street, will constitute the electrical service for the present. The remaining parts of Eighth and Sixth avenues, for which we have permission to use electricity, will be pushed to completion, but they will not be available until our new power house at Ninety-sixth street and East River is completed."

A Neapolitan Dungeon.

The Castel Nuovo, in Naples, is to become visible to the people by the removal of the inclosing walls and the shops built against them. Under the Bourbons the castle was used as a dungeon for political prisoners, many of whom were shot without trial in the ditch that surrounds the structure.

Odd Ways of China.

In China horses are mounted on the right side and ships are launched sideways.

B. & O. REORGANIZATION.

The Bonded Debt to Be Refunded by the Issuance of \$70,000,000 of Prior Lien Bonds.

The long looked for plan of reorganization of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad is to be made public shortly. It is stated upon trustworthy authority that the plan includes the refunding of the bonded debt by the issuance of \$70,000,000 of prior lien bonds, bearing 3 1/2 per cent, and \$63,000,000 of second lien bonds bearing four per cent interest.

It is said that a small loan of 1853 and a small issue of northwestern Virginia bonds are not included in the plan. There are outstanding about \$10,000,000 of receivers' and equipment certificates, which must be paid off at par. Under the plan the fixed annual charges will be about \$6,250,000. In the report of Receiver Little the net income of the road was set down as follows: In the year 1896, \$6,334,253; 1897, \$7,449,890; 1898, \$7,175,000; 1899, \$7,146,350; 1894, \$6,557,109.

For the year ending June 30, 1898, the earnings (estimated) were \$7,750,000, which would leave about four per cent earnings on the new preferred stock.

It is stated that there is to be \$40,000,000 preferred stock under the plan, and \$35,000,000 common stock. The present common stock is to pay, it is said, a \$20 assessment, for which an equal amount of preferred stock is to be given. A syndicate is to provide \$30,000,000 to meet all cash requirements. A voting trust will have the management of the property for five years.

One of the most interesting features connected with the plan is said to be the disposal of the 39,100 shares of the Western Union stock, which has been held for so many years in the treasury of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad. It is understood that a syndicate, headed by George Gould and Russell Sage and the Equitable Life Assurance society, which about a year ago obtained an option on this stock, is now ready to take it at the market price.

NEW MISSIONARY FIELD.

Presbyterian Board Eager to Send the Gospel to the Philippines Now Held by Dewey.

The committee on China and the executive council of the Presbyterian board of foreign missions, to which was referred the expediency of opening missionary work in the Philippine islands, have reported that they "feel that the political and military relations into which the United States has been so strangely forced with reference to the Philippine islands and also to Cuba and to Puerto Rico involve certain moral and religious responsibilities," and that "the Christian people of America should immediately and prayerfully consider the duty of entering the doors which God in His providence is thus opening."

"It is significant," the report continues, "that already letters have come to the board from persons in five different states urging the importance of taking up this work, and making offers of cooperation in men and money, one pastor having actually raised an amount toward the support of the first missionary, while the general assembly itself gave strong approval to a paragraph in the report of its standing committee on foreign missions to the effect that 'That we cannot ignore the fact that God has given into the hands of American Christians the Philippine islands, thus opening up a wide door to their populations, and has by the guns of our battleships summoned us to go up and possess the land.'"

LARGE SHIPS SHUT OUT.

Dry Tortugas Proves a Poor Coaling Station, Owing to Lack of Depth of the Channel.

The naval coaling station at Dry Tortugas is likely to be of little use, owing to the delay in dredging a channel of approach. A large quantity of coal has been stored at that place, and the smaller ships of the service in Cuban waters find the station accessible. The larger ships are unable to approach on account of the insufficient depth of the channel. A contract for a large amount of dredging was awarded about the time war was declared with the understanding that it would be completed about this time. Civil Engineer Endicott, who has charge of this work, will probably make a trip of inspection to Dry Tortugas in a week or two, and urge the contractors to add to their facilities for carrying out the project. There is a possibility that the contract will be revoked unless more satisfactory progress is made at the station. The dredgers find the work difficult of prosecution, since the material to be removed is of a coral nature, which resists the ordinary methods. It is necessary, say the naval authorities, that this coaling station shall be accessible to all the vessels; at present it being necessary to use lighters and rollers—a system which necessitates handling the fuel more than once.

Fish in a Bottle.

A fish in a bottle was captured by a Maryland oysterman, and it seems to be content with its quarters. Apparently it had entered the bottle under favorable circumstances and found itself unable to wriggle out.

Fire Engine for Dawson City.

A \$15,000 fire engine, ordered by Dawson City, has just been shipped to Alaska on the Roanoke by the North American Transportation and Trading company.

Salaries of Kansas Teachers.

In Kansas last year the average salary of male teachers was \$39.26 per month and of females \$34.29.

Women Outnumber Men in Europe.

In the whole of Europe the women have a majority of 4,579,000.

Bulletin Financier.

Jeu, 15 septembre 1898.

COMPTON D'EGANGES (CLEARING HOUSE) DE LA NOUVELLE ORLEANS.

Marché de la Nlle-Orléans. Le Colonne Exchange a reporté aujourd'hui les ventes de 900 ballons à 900 à arriver. Le marché est calme. Les cotons sont dans de la hausse, mais les cotons étrangers sont en baisse.

MARCHÉ MONÉTAIRE. Nouvelle-Orléans: Papier conventionnel, 7; Papier hypothécaire, 7; Papier hypothécaire, 7.

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