

NEW ARMY UNIFORM.

COUGHS UP FOUR SNAKES.

CANVAS SUITS SUGGESTED FOR UNCLE SAM'S SOLDIERS.

MILES' PLAN TO BE TESTED—MANY CLAIMS MADE FOR THE DESIRABILITY OF THE PROPOSED DRESS.

Gen. Miles, commanding the army, after conferring with Secretary Alger, ordered 100 canvas uniforms, with view to their general introduction as light and serviceable field uniform by the United States army. It is a marked departure in uniforming the army, and in the interest of preserving the health of the men while in active service.

The sample uniforms already ordered are of strong canvas, of fine texture, durable material. The color is gray brown, said to be particularly desirable in time of hostilities, as it is difficult to distinguish it from the earth, grass, cords fields or dead leaves. It is light and cool in summer and is very serviceable in winter. It is also pervious to the rain. These canvas suits are already in use on the frontier, and do good service for rough outdoor work.

Gen. Miles' idea has been to combine his serviceable frontier suit with enough color and adornment to give it military aspect. The final designs show the canvas suit and buckskin leggings, with colored cloth cuffs, collar, chevrons and national coat-of-arms above the chevrons. The color of the chevrons, cuffs, etc., depends upon the arms of the service; navy blue for the cavalry, red for the artillery and yellow for the cavalry.

The hat is of light felt or canvas, similar to that now worn, but turned up on the left side, with a colored rosette bearing the arm of the service and short sashette or plume above the rosette. The knee breeches and leggings complete this serviceable military field uniform.

STRESS CASTRO'S ROMANCE

Mrs. Robert Louis Stevenson Describes, However, Women Writers of Erotic Fiction.

MISS VERNE CASTRO, a pretty and popular actress at the Alcazar theater, San Francisco, has had a strange and most unusual experience. She is the young daughter of Joaquin Castro, the last California's Spanish governor.

Twenty years ago Gov. Castro married Miss Anna Fiske, and in time a little daughter was born. It was the other's wish that she be named Verne, the child was his especial pride and delight. Eight months later the mother and father separated. The father went his own way. Again the scene changed, and into the babe's life a new character was brought. Mrs. Castro returned, and the love of the stepfather became no less strong toward his foster-daughter than that of the father, whom in reality she had never known.

The child developed into a handsome young woman. From her father Miss Castro received the lustrous, flashing, dark eyes, and the glossy, black hair of Castilian people, while from her mother she inherited the beauty of figure so typical of America's handsome men. A few months ago she adopted the stage as her profession, and has already won an enviable reputation in the Alcazar. Her name, thus coming prominently before the public, at last came under the observation of her father. For 18 years he had neither seen or heard of his daughter, but had wandered over the country, making and losing a fortune.

In northwestern Canada he chanced to find of Miss Castro's success, and a desire to see his child came over him. He went to San Francisco, and the other sent a note to her behind the scenes, asking if she would receive him. A meeting was promptly arranged, and at place at the box office of the theater. The scene was most affecting.

USH TO NEW GOLD FIELD.

EVERYTHING BOOMING IN THE NEW CAMP OF REPUBLIC IN EUREKA DISTRICT, ON THE COVILIVE RESERVE.

Mining men returned to Spokane, Wash., from the north part of California report a lively rush to the camp of Republic in Eureka district. Four stages run daily and men rushing in by the hundreds in wagons, on horseback and afoot. The roads are in a frightful condition.

Capitalists are coming in large numbers, and many transfers are being made.

Experts who have examined the public mine report that over \$2,000 worth of gold ore has been blocked.

The town site was put on the market two days ago and men stood in line to buy lots. Mining men present the town will have 10,000 population before next winter.

COMPRESSED FLOUR BRICKS.

In England much interest is taken by army and navy authorities in the new method of preserving flour by means of compression. With hydraulic pressure apparatus the flour is pressed into the form of bricks, and experiments are reported to have shown that the pressure destroys all forms of larval life, thus preserving flour from the ravages of insects, and it is equally secure from mold.

BIG GASOMETER IN ENGLAND.

The largest gasometer in the world is at East Greenwich. When full, it contains 12,000,000 cubic feet of gas. It weighs 2,000 tons, is 180 feet high, 300 feet in diameter, requires 1,200 tons of iron to fill it with gas, and costs nearly \$1,000.

LARGEST EDUCATIONAL CORPORATION.

The University of Calcutta is said to be the largest educational corporation in the world.

It seems as though the shortest women have the greatest penchant for ruffled skirts.

POOR MAIL SERVICE.

UNCERTAIN DELIVERY OF LETTERS AND NO POSTAGE STAMPS TO BE HAD.

CAPT. RAY SENDS INTERESTING REPORTS—THINKS TROOPS SHOULD BE SENT UP THE YUKON TO PROTECT TRADE BOATS.

SECRETARY ALGER HAS RECEIVED SOME INTERESTING REPORTS FROM CAPT. P. H. RAY, OF THE EIGHTH INFANTRY, WHO WAS SENT TO ALASKA TO KEEP THE WAR DEPARTMENT INFORMED AS TO THE CONDITION OF AFFAIRS THERE RESULTING FROM THE LARGE IMMIGRATION INTO THAT TERRITORY AS A RESULT OF THE GOLD EXCITEMENT. THE LATEST OF THESE REPORTS IS DATED FORT YUKON, DECEMBER 20, A LITTLE MORE THAN A MONTH LATER THAN THOSE PREVIOUSLY RECEIVED.

IN ONE OF HIS COMMUNICATIONS THE CAPTAIN CALLS ATTENTION TO THE DIPLOMATIC CONDITION OF THE MAIL SERVICE IN ALASKA.

THE REGULAR CONTRACTOR BROUGHT BUT ONE MAIL (OCTOBER 12) AS FAR AS CIRCLE CITY THIS YEAR AND HAD SENT NONE OUT.

THEY ARE AWAITING THE MAIL FROM THE POST OFFICE WITH ANY POSTAGE STAMPS, AND THE MAIL THAT COMES IN BY STEAMER VIA ST. MICHAEL'S IS WITHOUT ANY PROPER SUPERVISION.

THE OFFICERS OF THE COMPANIES HANDLING THE MAIL PAY LITTLE OR NO ATTENTION TO IT.

THE PRESENT MAIL CONTRACTOR IS FROZEN IN SOMEWHERE ABOUT THE MOUTH OF THE TANANA, AND IT IS TO BE REGRETTED, THE CAPTAIN SAYS, THAT CONTRACTS ARE AWARDED TO MEN WHO DO NOT UNDERSTAND THE CONDITIONS EXISTING IN THE TERRITORY.

THEY SEEM TO BE FINANCIALLY AND MENTALLY INCAPABLE OF FULFILLING THEIR OBLIGATIONS.

THE CAPTAIN SAYS THAT THE EMIGRATION OF PEOPLE FROM NORTHWEST TERRITORY HAS BEEN CEASED.

FROM PARTIES DIRECT FROM DAWSON HE LEARNS THAT THOSE WHO ARE WITHOUT PROVISIONS TO LAST THEM UNTIL THE OPENING OF NAVIGATION, ARE GOING OUT BY THE WAY OF JUNEAU. FROM HIS KNOWLEDGE OF THE CONDITIONS EXISTING AT FORT YUKON AND RELIABLE INFORMATION FROM DAWSON CITY, HE DOES NOT BELIEVE THERE WILL BE ANY LOSS OR STARVATION AMONG THE WHITES.

THE INDIANS ALONG THE PORCUPINE AND JUAN DE LEUR ARE STARVING, HOWEVER.

THE CAPTAIN SAYS THE CIVIL AUTHORITIES ARE NOT FURNISHING ANY PROTECTION TO LIFE AND PROPERTY FROM THE BOUNDARY TO THE SEA, AND ARE POWERLESS TO DO SO WITH THE MEAGER MACHINERY AT THEIR COMMAND.

THESE ARE A DANGEROUS ELEMENT GATHERED AT FORT YUKON THAT WAS FORCED OUT OF DAWSON WHO SHOW SOME DISPOSITION TO BE TROUBLESOME, BUT THE CAPTAIN SAYS HE HOPES TO BE ABLE TO KEEP THEM UNDER CONTROL.

SHOULD THE ARMY BE GIVEN ANY POWER TO ACT NEXT SPRING, HE SUGGESTS THAT A SMALL DETACHMENT OF TROOPS UNDER A DIRECTOR OFFICER BE SENT UP THE RIVER BY THE FIRST BOAT. IT CAN BE GUARDED BY THE FIRST BOAT COMING DOWN THE RIVER WITH TREASURE; WILL HAVE AN EXCELLENT MORAL EFFECT, AND THE CAPTAIN ADDS, IT IS POSSIBLE THAT HE MAY BE IN NEED OF ASSISTANCE.

SKATING RINK FOR SHOT.

DULUTH (MINN.) SAILOR HAS AN ORIGINAL PLAN TO SUBMIT TO THE GOVERNMENT.

A DISPATCH FROM WASHINGTON ANNOUNCES THAT CONGRESSMAN MORRIS HAS RECEIVED A PLAN FROM A DULUTH (Minn.) SAILOR TO ARM ORDINARY VESSELS IN SUCH A MANNER AS TO MAKE THEM DANGEROUS MACHINES OF WAR. MR. MORRIS, IT IS SAID, WILL SUBMIT THE SUGGESTION TO THE NAVY DEPARTMENT IN A FEW DAYS. THE PLAN IS TO HAVE A FALSE ARMORED DECK, WITH THE SIDES OF THE SHIP ABOVE THE WATERLINE UNPROTECTED. THIS WILL MAKE HER LIGHT AND EASY TO HANDLE. THE ARMORED DECK IS TO BE CONSTANTLY GREASED WITH HOT TAR WHILE THE VESSEL IS IN ACTION. THIS, THE GIFTED INVENTOR POINTS OUT, WILL SERVE AS A SORT OF SKATING RINK FOR PROJECTILES THROWN ON BOARD THE VESSEL BY THE ENEMY. THE SHOTS, HE BELIEVES, WHEN THEY STRIKE THE HOT TAR, INSTEAD OF SINKING IN ANY FURTHER, WILL SLIDE OFF THE DECK INTO THE SEA AND THUS DO NO DAMAGE. THE INVENTOR INFERS THAT THE ENEMY WILL BE UNAWARE OF THE UNPROTECTED BOTTOM SIDES OF THE SHIP.

BUILDER OF BEAUTIFUL FORMS

FASHIONABLE BUT III-SHAPED WOMEN OF NEW YORK CAN BE MADE OVER.

BEAUTY OF FORM IS NOW MADE TO ORDER. THIS IS THE LATEST OF THE FINE ARTS TO BE INTRODUCED IN NEW YORK. MANY FASHIONABLE YOUNG WOMEN, IT IS NOW WHISPERS ABOUT, HAVE BEEN MAKING A REPUTATION DURING THE PASSING SEASON WITH FAKE NECK, ARMS, OR BUST AND SHOULDERS. THERE IS NOW NO SECRET ABOUT IT, EXCEPT HOW IT IS DONE. THIS POINT MR. ELMER ROEMER, OF UNION SQUARE, THE MOLDERS OF LIVING STATUES, STUBBORNLY KEEPS IT HIMSELF, AS WELL AS THE NAMES OF HIS CUSTOMERS. BUT HE DOES NOT FOR A MOMENT DENY THAT HE MAKES FAKE FORMS. THE METHOD HE PURSES IS TO MAKE A CAST OF THE SUBJECT'S FORM AND BUILD UP FROM IT THE FAKE FORM TO LINES OF BEAUTY. THIS IS THE SUBJECT WEARS.

TO BREAK ST. PETERSBURG ICE.

Russia has ordered a 10,000 horsepower icebreaker of the Armstrongs, to cost \$800,000. It will be ready in October, and will be used to keep open navigation to St. Petersburg through the winter.

BLACK POPULATION OF THE EARTH.

ACCORDING TO THE COMPUTATIONS OF PROF. HAMY, THE BLACK FACE ENBRACES ONE-TENTH OF THE LIVING MEMBERS OF THE HUMAN SPECIES, OR 150,000,000 INDIVIDUALS.

MINES.

IT SEEMS AS THOUGH THE SHORTEST WOMEN HAVE THE GREATEST PENDANT FOR RUFFLED SKIRTS.

L'ABEILLE DE LA NOUVELLE-ORLEANS-MARDI, 26 AVRIL 1898

Bulletin Financier.

LUNDI, 25 AVRIL 1898.

COMPTOIR D'EXCHANGE (CLEARING-HOUSE) DE LA NOUVELLE-ORLEANS.

Jusqu'à cette date..... \$2,078,644 00 \$196,436 00

Même temps la somme des billets..... 2,655,550 00 263,588 00

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