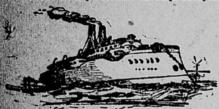


ries of steel forging for heavy guns or for iron-clad vessels, and of machine pid-firing guns. All these manufactories win process of construction under con-with the department. The plant at Beth-Pa, for the production of armor and gun

is to be second to none in the world, Secretary says it was a mistake for this try to depend on any other country for imats of war, because in time of warsuch the second war because in time of warsuch the second when the second could not be obtained. According to the second could not be obtained. it heeded could not be obtained. According the department declined to make any pursues of the Hotchkiss arms except on condition it a manufactory be established in this count. The condition was accepted, and now the tokkiss Company has found that it can manufacture secondary batteries for ships cheaper



THE CHICAGO.

han at home. The armor and gun-steel acts are but 25 per cent, more than Eu-

othlehem Company \$2,500,000.

All the unarmored vessels authorized by Concess are completed or in course of construc-Chicago, 8839,000; the protected cruiser Charleston, \$1,017.000; the protected cruiser Baltimore, \$1,325.000; gunboat No. 1 (cruiser), \$455.000; gunboat No. 2 (cruiser), \$247,-



THE NEWARK.

0; the protected cruiser Newark, \$1,248,000; otected oruiser No. 4, \$1,350,000; protected uiser No. 5, \$1,428,000; gunboat No. 3 (cruiser), 80,000; gunboat No. 4 (cruiser), \$490,000; dynamite cruiser (including dynamite guns, etc.),

Of coast and harbor defense, for which Con-ress appropriated \$2,000,000, the Secretary says ittle has been done. A board of officers, ap-mointed last August to consider the matter, has reported, but the Secretary has not yet re-riewed the report. Two bids have been re-served for the construction of one first-class torpedo boat, and the Secretary thinks both offers will be accepted. "Beyond this," says the report, "the department is not disposed to go into the construction of these unprotected torpedo boats," since they have been



found to be almost useless in coast defense. But says the Secretary, the weapon of the torpedo boat is the most destructive known, and the department hopes soon to find some elective way to use it. The submarine torpedo is believed to be the coming solution of roblem. The pneumatic dynamite gun is also receiving some attention, and tests are to be made of its efficacy in a few months. If both these devices fail, says the Secretary, protected

these devices fall, says the Secretary, proceeded torpide boats can be built and made useful.

An interesting feature of the report is that relating to the Tennessee. This vessel, between 1869 and 1875, had had three months' service, and had cost in repairs and improvements \$1,446,513,21—an amount largely in excess of a fair price for a new ship of her charac-ter. The report goes on to say: "Twelve years afterward (on April 4, 1887) she is condemned by the statutory board as un-



U. S. GUNBOAT, NO. 2.

sold, having had put upon her between 1875 and 1987 the additional sum of \$37,716.17. She brought \$34,525 at the auction sale. She had cost the Government \$3,800,000 in round numbers and had done about ten years of active service, outside of repair-shops and navy

Of a naval reserve the report says: "The de-partment has informed itself fully of the differ-ent systems of organization for coast defense and naval reserves at present in force in foreign countries, and is prepared to formulate a gener-al plan for a similar organization to meet the requirements and conditions of our own institu-tions. It should resemble in organization that of the militis or National guard, rest upon the militia or National guard, rest upon the ation of local interest, contemplate the yment and rapid mobilization of steamers

semployment and rapid mobilization of steamers enrolled on an auxiliary navy list, and be calculated to produce the best results upon a comparatively small National expenditure."

The rest of the report is devoted to a detailed description of the condition and situation at the several vessels belonging to our avy, to the receipts and expenditures of the department (a balance of \$164,592.22 on hand and available on December 1), to estimates and spropriations for next year (over \$2,000,000 less than for the current year), to sales made of neval vessels, to developments made in speed if years in the admiral and the several bureaus of the department.

Working After Marriage

The practical independence of the Massachusetts woman shows itself in a monetary self-reliance that has pleasant and unpleasant aspects. I have in mind a couple, type of some thousands of others, who have been married six or eight years perhaps. Before marriage he was a foreman of the lasters in the inevitable shoe manufactory. She was boss of the stitching room. He earned perhaps \$18 per week. She earned about \$12 to \$14. After marriage hoth retained their positions riage both retained their, positions. It is part of the creed of shoe towns that shoemaker's wife works in the shop. Usually his wages compel her to. When that is not the case, habit, which has bred in the shoemaker a way of giving his wife no money, compels her to all the same. This couple keep house. They have no children. The wife is proud of her neat home, and rises early and goes to bed late to keep it in order out of working hours. She washes summer and winter before the sun is up. She irons and cooks and sews by lamplight. She does all her household duties well, for she is a genuine,old-time New England housewife. As an equivalent for this home labor on his wife's part the husband pays the rent and settles the provision bills. All other money that he earns is his and it would give him a shock of surprise to be called upon for a penny by his wife. If she wants furniture she buys it, and has invested a good deal, first and last, in upholstery and dainty hangings that women love. She buys her clothing and puts what she saves into the saving bank in her own name. The financial relations of the two are as well defined and as distinct from their conjugal relations as if they were business partners. Even in the matter of benefit associations they stand on an exact equality. He insures for her with the Red Men; she insures for him, and for the same sum, in the Daughters of Pocohontas, whose lodges are officered and affairs conducted entirely by women. He pays his assessments; she pays hers.

I have seen this instance repeat it self innumerable times. When husband and wife are of the right sort the arrangement does not work badly. The money-making power of the wife in such a practical community insures her respect and improves her position. Both bank accounts prosper if the pair are prudent, and the time comes when they buy a homestead together on very even terms. When there are children or the characters are ill-balanced it does not go so well. There are women in plenty who are dying by inches because their husbands know that they can support themselves and by withholding supplies compel them to do so in spite of a growing family and work enough at home for any woman's strength. It is not so many women who are physically able to do two day's work in one, nor so many men who can be trusted with the knowledge that they can get so much from their wives if they try.

"The man that blushes is not quite a brute." We suppose not, but they say there is a whole family out in Dakota, who had never even heard of Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup. How they must blush to have it found out.

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"If I cannot have the fat of the land, tramp, as he leaned against a lamp-post.

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Have you aches and pains unnumbered,
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Reach, oh, suffering one, and grasp it,
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"You are looking so much better, Mrs. De Ponsónby. Is your health improved?"

"O, yes; my new doctor has stopped my taking chloral to make me sleep, and instead has Mr. Howell's novels read to me every night, and I get off in half the time I did before."

"Dust thou art, to dust returneth," remarked the servant girl, as she picked up the feather brush.

A calf can not go into society without re-vealing himself.

A judge was recently maimed, paradoxical as it may appear, by the court plaster falling on him.

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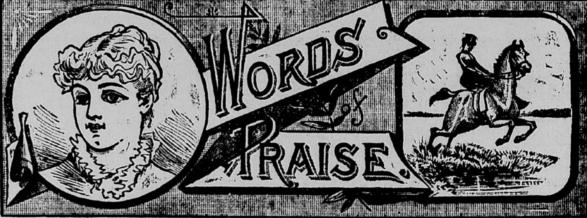
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WONDERS.

Mrs. MAY GLEASON, of Nuntea, Ottawa Co.
Mich., writes: "Your 'Favorite Prescription'
has worked wonders in my case.
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TREATING THE WRUNG DISEASE.

Many times women call on their family physicians, suffering, as they imagine, one from dyspepsia, another from heart disease, another from liver or kidney disease, another from nervous exhaustion or prostration, another with pain here or there, and in this way they all present alike to themselves and their easy-going and indifferent, or over-busy doctor, separate and distinct diseases, for which he prescribes his pills and potions, assuming them to be such, when, in reality, they are all only symptoms caused by some womb disorder. The physician, ignorant of the cause of suffering, encourages his practice until large bills are made. The suffering patient gets no better, but probably worse by reason of the delay, wrong treatment and consequent complications. A proper medicine, like Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, directed to the cause would have entirely removed the disease, thereby dispelling all those distressing symptoms, and instituting comfort instead of prolonged misery.

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they would do me no good. I finally told my husband that if
he would get me some of your medicines, I would try them
against the advice of my physician. He got me six bottles of the
'Favorite Prescription,' also six bottles of the 'Discovery,' for
ten dollars. I took three bottles of 'Discovery' and four of
'Favorite Prescription,' and I have been a sound woman for four
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was troubled in the same way, and she cured herself in a short
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