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Only Survivor of the War of 1812.

Over 200,000 men were enrolled in the American armies during the war of 1812. Of this vast host one single man remains on the pension rolls of the United States. This lonely veteran is Hiram Cronk, of Dunn Brook, Oneida county, a man 90 years old.

Mr. Cronk was born on April 23, 1789, at a humble home in the town of Frankfort, Herkimer county. He came of sturdy Dutch stock, of a family which has won fame through a litigation to regain the Cronk estates in the fatherland. In the early childhood of Hiram the family moved to Wright Settlement, about two and a half miles from the city of Rome. There the family lived about ten years, the boy attending school and helping about the chores. From Wright Settlement the Cronks migrated to a farm in the town of Western, then practically in the wilderness, and in that neighborhood Hiram Cronk has spent the greater part of his life. In 1837 he bought about 100 acres of land, on which he erected the house wherein he now lives, with his only living daughter, Mrs. Sarah A. Rowley.

Before Hiram was fifteen years old his spirit was roused over the issues of the war, and with his father and his two brothers, John and Jephiah, he enlisted in the United States army and went to Sackett's Harbor, where he served about 30 days. Hiram was so young and of such slight build that the officers looked upon him as a joke, saying that, if need be, his father could pick him up and carry him to a place of safety. But such an act was unnecessary for a skirmish with the British, the youthful soldier carried himself so well that Capt. Davis, who had command of the troops, felt that he had a successful recruit. The enemy could go into Canada and fight the war in their own ground. For his services in the war of 1812 Mr. Cronk gets a pension of \$8 a month. He is one of Agent Cro's pensioners on the rolls of the Buffalo office.

After the war the Cronks went home, and Hiram took up the trade of itinerant shoemaking, going about the countryside and repairing the footwear of the people in their own dwellings. He generally made the trip twice a year, and thus kept the farmers' boots in condition for wear.

When twenty-five years of age Hiram met his fate and married her in the person of Mary Thornton. For sixty years they lived happily together, and in 1855, six children were born to them. Five of them are living. One son lost his life in the Civil war. Of grandchildren and great-grandchildren Mr. Cronk has about a score.

The Bohn Patent Siphon System of Refrigerators fills all the requirements of the most exacting householders. Call and see them at White Enamel Ref. Co., 406 Jackson street.

### NO PNEUMATIC TUBES.

**Measure Defeated in Senate by a Decisive Vote.**

WASHINGTON, May 19.—By a vote of 22 to 16 the Hoar amendment and the committee report to the postoffice appropriation bill relating to the pneumatic tube service were laid on the table. This defeats the pneumatic tube measure. The detailed vote was as follows:

Yeas—Allison, Baker, Bard, Berry, Butler, Clay, Cockrell, Culberson, Daniel, Fairbanks, Foster, Frye, Hann, Hawley, Jones (Ark.), Keam, Kyle, Morgan, Nelson, Pettitrew, Pettus, Quarles, Rawlins, Stewart, Thurston, Tillman, Turner, Turley, Vest, Walcott—22.

Nays—Carter, Chandler, Gallinger, Geart, Hamblough, Howland, McElderry, McComas, Mallory, Mason, Platt (Conn.), Proctor, Ross, Spooner, Wellington—16.

### THE SIMPLEST CURE FOR INDIGESTION.

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The new medical discovery, Sturt's Dyspepsia Tablets, digest the food instead of making the worn-out stomach do all the work, give it a much-needed rest, and a cure of dyspepsia is the natural result.

You get nourishment and rest at the same time, because these Tablets will thoroughly digest all wholesome food taken into the stomach, whether the stomach works or not. A cure is certain to result, because the digestive organs are given a chance to rest and recover their natural vigor and tone. The Tablets are thus no longer required.

To show the manner in which the remedy acts on different people, and how quickly and effectively it cures stomach troubles, we present a few recent cases.

Mr. J. O. Wondy, of Peoria, Ill., writes: "I was unable to eat anything but the plainest food, and even that often distressed me, but since using one box of Sturt's Dyspepsia Tablets, I can eat anything and everything I want."

Mrs. Samuel Kepple, of Girty, Pa., writes: "I have been effectively relieved of my stomach troubles by your Tablets. I suffered three years with sour stomach and gas at night. I am thankful for them."

Mrs. A. E. Bowen, Barnard, Vt., writes: "I think Sturt's Dyspepsia Tablets are the best thing for dyspepsia I ever took. I would not recommend them to anyone troubled as bad as I was."

Sturt's Dyspepsia Tablets will not disappoint, because they cure dyspepsia steadily and lastingly by curing the food to be properly assimilated, and cure constipation by producing the proper quantity of bile, and sold by all druggists at 50 cents per package.

### RELIEF OF MAKEPINK SAID TO BE A SAVER FOR LORD SALISBURY

### HE WAS IN BAD REPUTE

Russia's Defiant Actions Anger Britons Into Charging the Premier With Inability to Protect Eastern Interests.

LONDON, May 19.—The unexpected relief of the honor of the cabinet, and their timely relief, formed the sole topic of conversation here, the other events of the week being entirely swept out of the memory of the people of England. In fact, the cabinet had been in a bad repute, and the main object of the war, so overwhelming in its rejoicing over the deliverance of the garrison of the little African village. Neither Kimberley nor Ladysmith appealed to their sympathies as did Makepink, and it will probably be days before the country will settle down to a sober appreciation of the struggle still going on on the African plains, and still presents serious military problems.

There is a great demand for the cartoon published in Punch entitled "The Eleventh Hour," in which Col. Baden-Powell is drawing the attention of Makepink, depicted as a wan-faced woman to a telegram posted on a wall, and reading: "Hold on until the 15th—Roberts."

Col. Baden-Powell is represented as saying: "All right. Cheer up, Roberts is a man of his word."

FORTUNATE FOR PREMIER.

The successful turn that affairs have taken in South Africa is most fortunate for Lord Salisbury, as his weakest point, his foreign administration, had threatened to become an all too prominent topic. The news that Russia had secured a victory over Korea, as announced May 18 in a dispatch in the Times, from London, has raised a storm of indignation, and many of the Conservative organs have declared that is another unfortunate instance of the premier's utter incapacity to protect British interests in the far East. Among those who study Chinese questions the belief obtains that Russia's latest move is a breach of contract with another power, and against Great Britain and Japan, which brings these nations face to face with a grave crisis which pacifist diplomacy will neither end nor mend.

The Globe, for instance, openly advocates immediately sending a powerful fleet to Korea, and bluntly demanding that the premier forego the advantages she is alleged to have secured in connection with the agreements of 1881. However, though the important organs are in a bad humor over the matter, it is only a bad humor, and the fact that Lord Salisbury has much to keep in prospect, and that the Dreyfus affair will be revived after the exposition. The Nationalists' speeches and attitude since the exposure, as is threatened by Joseph Reinach and other Dreyfusards, is a most important factor, and the votes of its members that turned the scale against the ministers at the Paris election.

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### FRENCH GOVERNMENT SUSTAINED A CRUSHING DEFEAT IN THE PARIS ELECTIONS

### M. MELINE NOW PROMINENT

He Is Said to Succeed M. Waldeck-Rousseau as Premier—Exciting Scenes Expected When Chamber Reconvenes

PARIS, May 19.—The unexpected result of the recent municipal elections, unfavorable to the government, has thrown France into a state of political uncertainty, which the reassembling of the chamber of deputies Thursday will help to clear up. The opening debates will show how the hostile feeling in Paris influenced the position of the ministry in the proceedings of the deliberation. Prior to the adjournment of the session, it was indicated that the cabinet's hold in the chamber was far from secure, and this day the face received may be followed by a coup de grace from the deputies. In any case, the fight in the municipal arena is only the curtain-raiser to a more deadly struggle between the Nationalists and the Ministerialists within parliament, as the Nationalists, encouraged by their victory, are determined to try a fall with Waldeck-Rousseau at the earliest opportunity. The Nationalists are certain of the support of the malcontent Republicans, headed by ex-President Meunier, who are incensed at the policy of the government, and also by the government's partiality towards the Dreyfus party. This Meunier factor of the Republican party is a most important factor, and the votes of its members that turned the scale against the ministers at the Paris election.

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### OPPOSING PARTIES IN REICHSTAG ARE PREPARING FOR A BITTER CONTEST

### OAVATION TO THE KAISER

German Emperor Seems Popular, and Receives Honors Showed Upon Him Gracefully—Weisbaden Festival.

WEISBADEN, May 19.—The United States ambassador, who has been in the city since he came here connecting his name with the American vice presidency, informed the representative of the Associated Press that such things could not be added that he put no importance in Washington political talk.

There has been much excitement in parliamentary circles and over the destructively destructive prevailing in the Reichstag to defeat, if possible, or at any event to retard the passage of the lex Heine bill. Both the minority and majority are determined to put in a fight out if it takes all summer. The proceedings in the house yesterday and today are rather lively. For the purpose of effecting a compromise, a meeting of the so-called Goethebund (that is to say the federation of opponents of the bill throughout Germany) will hold an immense indignation meeting early next week here. The argument is made now that if the Reichstag passes the bill the measure will in any case be unconstitutional, and the emperor will be obliged to sign it. The Reichstag was conducted secretly with the exclusion of any kind of publicity.

The Russian diet is about ready to pass the so-called department store bill, the Conservative and Centrist majority having rendered the provisions of the original government measure more severe. In the Reichstag the bill is now in the hands of the government, and the department stores to 20 per cent. Dr. Barth, leader of the Freisinnige party, made a strong speech in his majesty's favoring.

OAVATION TO KAISER.

The Weisbaden festival week, which has become an institution of late years with the emperor present, this time took the shape of a British and American ovation to his majesty. This was especially noticeable at a reception given at the Weisbaden, since the emperor's arrival there it has been spangled.

The czar's birthday (May 19) was celebrated here at Weisbaden to the extreme west, similar scenes are being enacted. Extraordinary demonstrations continue outside of Col. Baden Powell's residence, where a brilliantly illuminated device is exhibited. Mrs. Baden-Powell, the colonel's mother, and his sister occupied a box at the Alhambra tonight, where a tremendous ovation was accorded them. These were demonstrations with bands and banners everywhere. All the West end clubs and many other buildings are illuminated.

### MAJ. MARCHEM, CHIEF OF POLICE, IS CAUGHT UP IN THE DREYFUS AFFAIR

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We are offering at same proportionate low prices selected lot of Dining-Room Tables from 6-foot up. They are in round and square shapes, in solid oak and all the new finishes.

**Refrigerators.**  
The science of building Refrigerators has advanced the past ten years. It therefore follows that the 1900 one is ahead of the one built in 1890. The "AUTOMATIC," which we sell, differs from and excels all others because it represents the latest improvements of the year 1900. Call and let us show you the many points of superiority. They are remarkably cheap considering their excellence.  
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**Stewart Ranges.**  
Stewart Steel Ranges—the finest article of the kind that ever graced a kitchen—are here in all sizes. They are the new ones, bearing the 1900 stamp of excellence. If you want to see the very highest example of Steel Range manufacture, call in and examine the Stewart. In the long run they are the most economical in the world.  
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### CAPE-NOME DUSH AT HAND

**PAMPHLET GIVING PRACTICAL INFORMATION FOR SEEKERS OF GOLD**

**FREE STRIP ON THE COAST**

From Twenty to Forty Thousand Persons Expected to Try Their Luck There This Summer.

The rush of gold seekers to the new Eldorado, Cape Nome, Alaska, will begin next month, and estimates of the number of persons who will be camped upon that blessed strip of Behring sea beach before the brief Arctic summer of 1900 is over vary from 20,000 to 40,000. They will gather from nearly all over the civilized world, though chiefly from America, and some will be miners of experience, but most of them will be "tenderfeet," and the necessary hardships which both classes must undergo in their search for gold will be many, but the unnecessary hardships which the "greenhorns" will invite by reason of their "greenness" would be materially lessened if before setting out they would take time to study a pamphlet just issued by the department of the Interior.

This pamphlet contains a preliminary report on the Cape Nome gold region by Frank C. Schrader and Alfred H. Brooks, assistant geologists on the staff of the United States geological survey. Its value is enhanced by maps and illustrations, the whole being based upon personal observations made by these geologists in a brief visit to that region last October. It answers many of the puzzling questions which almost every intending prospector asks before he sets out on a quest which he might not be wise enough to ask before it is too late for the answers to do him any good.

**THE CHANCES FOR NEWCOMERS.**

One of the first queries likely to crop up in the mind of a man eager to dig his fortune out of the Cape Nome earth is, "Will there be any claims left by the time I get there, or will I find all the gold-bearing lands already taken up?" To such the report says that nearly all the gold so far taken out of Cape Nome has been found in placers on gulches, bars, benches and on the beach, from a point about a mile east of the town westward for some ten miles. The gold-bearing gravel does not occur in paying quantities in one continuous streak along this fifteen miles of beach. The line is broken and erratic; rich here, moderate there and worthless in another spot close by.

Just back of this unstacked strip of sea beach the newcomer will find all the known gold-bearing land—the gulch, river, creek, bar and beach placers—claimed, but while the staking of new placer claims in the Nome beach region is probably nearly a thing of the past, those having capital to invest will no doubt find plenty of claims for sale. "Those who lack knowledge of mining matters," says the report, "should invest their money in the purchase of claims, and not in the hands of speculators at Nome, who endured the rigors of the Arctic winter there just on purpose to be ready to 'unload' when the first summer load of 'tenderfeet' arrives. It would be very wise for all inexperienced newcomers to put by enough money for their passage."

**HOW TO REACH NOME.**

If the intending miner, after reading this report on the gold bearing area, and the extent to which it has already been preempted by the pioneers of last summer, is still willing to take his chances of finding new claims or buying an old one, he will probably consider it his best way to get there and the cost of transportation. The report names six routes and gives many invaluable details and directions about each. The shortest and quickest is the all-ocean route from Seattle across the North Pacific ocean and Behring sea direct to Nome, about 2,700 miles, consuming ten days at least. The rates are \$100 to \$120 for a first class passenger rate, \$100; second cabin, \$80. This summer, when the rush sets in, they will be high.

### BOER PEACE ENVOYS.

**Efforts Making to Have Them Recognized in Washington.**

WASHINGTON, May 19.—The Boer delegates devoted most of their time today to receiving visitors and attending to their correspondence. So far the state department has no knowledge of the character of the credentials born by the envoys. In fact it does not even know that they have credentials of any kind. Col. O'Beirne, who, some months ago, vainly sought recognition as a diplomatic representative of the Boer republics, being refused on the ground of his American citizenship, yesterday appeared at the state department in the interest of the three delegates who were then on their way to the capital from New York. Col. O'Beirne had previously had a short talk with the president, who directed him to the state department. Secretary Hay listened to Col. O'Beirne's presentation of the reason why the United States government should not bring the war to a close by recognizing the Boer republics, and the United States would suffer to induce England to cease hostilities. He argued with a good deal of eloquence in support of this contention, but without convincing the United States officials that the government could intervene in the manner proposed without becoming at once involved as a party to the war. For such a request directed to Great Britain being in the nature of an ultimatum would require to be enforced even to the point of hostilities in case the expected stipulations and England refused our request. It can be set down as certain that the present determination of our government is not to request England to stop the war.

### MAY SUE FOR PEACE

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The students indulged in a mild demonstration in front of the residence occupied by Col. Baden-Powell's mother.

### NIGHT SCENES.

**Home of Baden-Powell Surrounded by Cheering Crowds.**

LONDON, May 19.—London tonight is in a state of carnival, so far as the thoroughfare is concerned, and all along the route of hundreds of thousands of the working classes in the afternoon to some extent changed the character of the celebrations which in the forenoon had been marked by the absence of disorder and by many graceful incidents, more especially in the West End. Col. Baden-Powell's house, which faces Hyde Park, was all day the center of a scene which must have been extremely gratifying to his family, who constantly appeared on the balcony to bow their acknowledgments. In addition to the national colors—red, white and blue—were the colors of the Boer republics, and the streets were filled with the waving of the Boer flag.

### IMPORTANT RULING.

**La Crosse Banks Sustained in Revenue Tax Case.**

LA CROSSE, Wis., May 19.—Congressman Esch today wired from Washington an important internal revenue decision, which amounts to a complete reversal of the majority of the commissioner. Local and special agents of the internal revenue department have various times undertaken to collect from two local banks in this city a stamp tax amounting to two cents for each \$100 on the face of certificate of deposits issued. The banks have refused to pay this, holding that a one cent stamp was sufficient, no matter what the amount of the certificate. The commissioner reverses the former ruling and holds the contention of the local banks to be correct.

### TWO THOUSAND BALLOTS.

**And the Third Started When a Choice Was Reached.**

NORWALK, O., May 19.—On the 2,101st ballot taken at 1:30 a. m. today, Wood W. Skiles, of Shelby, O., was nominated for congress by the Republicans of the Fourteenth district by a vote of 123 to 111 for Johnson.

### SGO LINE.

**Special Excursions to Detroit, Mich.**

National Baptist anniversaries, Detroit, Mich., May 22 to 29. 1900. Inclusive and all-rail routes, \$1.00 and \$20.75.

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