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responsible for opinions expressed, but will give
place to any which are fairly stated and not intend-
ed to do injustice to anyone or any enterprise.

The official statements of the clerks of
the Senate and House committees on
Appropriation have been published.
They show that the Fifty-Fifth Congress
spent \$1,568,282,637 and authorized con-
tracts that will call for \$77,000,000 more.
This kind of expansion will follow terri-
torial expansion as surely as night fol-
lows day. To pay all this expenditure
the war tax will stand indefinitely, and
the next Congress will be called on to
meet a large deficiency.

Never before in the history of the
territory has there been so much inter-
est manifested in mines and mining as at
the present time. From every point in
the territory we hear of mines being
bonded, hundreds of new claims located,
new strikes made, new smelters being
put up, old ones repaired, capitalists
coming from all over the United States
to the territory, etc. Copper is the
metal in demand; it is king. Arizona
will in the near future be the greatest
copper producing section in the United
States, and also the world.—Star.

Hundreds of Mexicans with their fam-
ilies have entered the United States from
Mexico during the last few weeks. The
object of the men in removing to this
country is to avoid being pressed into the
military service. A law soon to go into
effect in Mexico make military educa-
tion in the standing army compulsory.—
Tombstone Prospector.

Saratoga Chips at J. & A. Smith's.

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Miles declines to comment on the beef
court's report with the words—"My duty
is done." Alger seems to think that
Miles is done—and done brown. But
there are a few million people who think
otherwise.

The sheep men of Navajo, Coconino
and Apache counties have been granted
permission to run their flocks on forest
reserves under proper restrictions. These
counties are mostly devoted to the sheep
industry, and the ruling in the interest
of the wool industry is a guarantee of a
prosperous future for the northern coun-
ties.

The reflection from the slag dump was
unusually bright on Monday night and
caused a sensation in the valley, where
it was thought that Jerome was again on
fire. Quite a number came up to view
the ruins and were agreeably surprised
to find our brick and concrete blocks at
their old stands.—Jerome Reporter.

An Indian child aged about four years,
was bitten by a fly about three weeks
ago, from the effects of which it died
last week. The fly bite produced blood
poison and the agony of the little one
prior to its death was intense.—Kingman
Miner.