**THE UNITED STATES CAPITOL.**

Here a Disastrous Explosion and Fire Occurred on Nov. 6, Wrecking Parts of the Building and Injuring Valuable Records.

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**PRINCIPAL FLOOR PLAN OF THE UNITED STATES CAPITOL.**

The explosion took place while the temporary-committee was in session, in the old part of the East Block. When this accident occurred, there were seated on the floor of the Senate, 19 members of that body, and the President pro tempore and the Clerk of the Senate, who was present. In the cellars of the building there were 25 men employed, and in the basement of the building there were two men engaged in the work of the hour. The explosion was caused by an explosion of the powder used in the building, which was being manufactured in the basement of the building. The explosion was so violent that it caused a large number of persons to be injured, and the building was seriously injured. The explosion was immediately followed by a large number of persons, who were engaged in the work of the hour, who rushed into the building to help the injured.

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**THE UNITED STATES CAPITOL.**

A Destructive Fire of the Supreme Court Apartments.

Somewhere in the United States is a fire in the Supreme Court Apartments. The fire was discovered on the morning of the 6th of November, and the building was immediately surrounded by firemen. The fire was extinguished in a short time, and the damage was confined to the Supreme Court Apartments. The cause of the fire is unknown, and the investigation is continuing.

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**Pennsylvania Reserves.**

Cost of These Veterans from Cold Harbor to Appomattox.

**Organizations Which Did Distinct Service—Led by Good Officers.**

Some of the organizations which did distinct service during the war were the Pennsylvania Reserves, the 75th Pennsylvania, and the 93rd Pennsylvania. These organizations were led by good officers, and were always ready to do their duty.

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**The President's House.**

This is the house of the President of the United States. It is located in the District of Columbia, and is the official residence of the President. The house is a large and magnificent building, and is one of the most beautiful in the world. The house is open to the public, and is visited by many people each year.