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easion four weeks. Hidalgo County-Fourth Mondays af-ter the first Mondays in February and September; continues in session two

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CHINA AND JAPAN.

An American Traveller Speaks Interestingly of Them.

San Francisco, Cal., Sept. 21 -F. Curtis, Washington correspondent of the Chicago Record, was a passenger on the steamer Orient on yesterday. He went to Japan in May last to study the commercial and industrial prospects offered Americans in that country, and lately he has been in China, which he des. New York Herald. cribes as "the pest breeding exclusively to the Chinese." taking for persons outside of planter an immense advantage Speaking of the commercial Wall street, yet it is but a few by placing him in constant comand industrial future of papan, hours' labor to the men who munication with all his work market in the Mikado's realm tion is a very simple one. fore if reaches the Japanese sibility ceases. and American growers are de-

IT MAKES A DIFFERENCE A story is told of a young lady who found a package of love letters that had been written to her mother by her father before they were married. The daughter saw that she could have a little sport and read them to her mother, substitut ing her own name for that of her mother and a fine young man for that of her father. The mother jumped up and down in her chair, shifted her feet and seemed terribly disgusted and

to be shipped direct to Japan."

AMERICA'S CUP

London, Sept. 21 .- Mr. Grant. secretary of the Royal yacht squadron, is authority for the statement that Chas. D. Rose has sent a challenge to the cup committee of the New York yacht club for a race for America's cup.

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center of the universe." Cholera of gold withdrawn from the know what is going on without has attained fearful proportions United States sub treasury and making a trip that requires a in China, said Mr. Curtis, "the put aboard steamers for ship-day's ride. In India lines are Chinese dying by thousands, ment to Europe in one day The desease is confined almost sounds like a pretty big under- Such a service gives the tea-Mr. Curtis said: "I return con- make handling gold their bus- men, making his intelligence at vinced that America has no iness, and the whole transac- once available, and reducing the

for machinery, as well as cotton, at the subtreasury. Uncle Sam warnings. iron and other raw materials; is bound to maintain his credit, cotton, particularly, as the Jap- much as he may dislike to see TURKS LAYING anese are now using cotton very the gold go, and the treasury largely and here is a pointer officials turn over the equiva

> packing of a keg of gold is an in the straits. easy matter to the "gold cooper." A keg will hold \$50,000 of MEXICANS NOT gold coin, and a cooper will have a million dollars of it all to the steamer.

A great curiosity exists in forbade her daughter having Weltytown, Westmoreland co-, anything to do with the young Pa. Several years ago a citizen man who would write such bored a well expecting to find sickening and nonsensical stuff gas. After going down 900 feet to a girl. When the young lady they were compelled to abanhanded the letter to her mother don it, owing to the rush of to read the house became so water. Ever since that time still that one could hear the the well has been filled with a grass growing in the back yard. very peculiar water. It is cold in warm weather and in midwinter warm. It has never been known to freeze. Once a year it overflows and sends forth a gas and cold water. Wednesday morning the people awoke to find a magical fountain throwing water high in the air. A fire was kindled and thrown into the foam. A blaze shot up far above the tree tops, and it cannot be quenched.

Gallie, which arrived from the THE EXPORTING OF GOLD, TELEPHONES IN MEXICO. Detroit Electrical Student.

In Mexico private telephone lines are being run to haciendas that are 20, 30 and even 60 miles from the nearest village, so as to enable the owners to Two or more million dollars talk with their foremen and proposed to the tea plantations. risks that attend the isolation for manufactured goods. The When a banker, or coffee of the industry. At New Ha-Japanese make almost every- merchant, or whoever it may ven, Conn., arrangements are thing they want. They are be, determines to send gold being perfected by which the stealing our patents and copy abroad to meet his obligations, tobacco districts in the vicinity ing our inventions and are now instead of buying bills of ex are to be telephoned a warning almost ready to export their change he accumulates the of approaching weather condiwares and thereby enter into amount he intends to ship in tions which are likely to affect rainous competition with the currency in the form of green-injuriously the tobacco crop. other nations. There is, how- backs, treasury notes or gold Some protection to the tobacco ever, a splendid market there certificates, and presents them plants could be given by such

TORPEDOES.

London, Sept. 21,-Some time for American cotton producers, lent of the currency presented ago a firm of cartographers, While a great deal of American in gold coin at short notice. doing business in this city, recotton is used in the Orient, it When the gold is handed to the ceived an order from a house in goes through English hands be-shipper all government respon | Constantinople for British admiralty charts of the Dardanel-The yellow metal is put in les. The order was promptly prived of the commissions, canvas bags and carted to a filled, and the Chronicle this which go into the pockets of cooper, whose specialty is mak- morning publishes a dispatch the English middle men in ing kegs for shipping gold. from its correspondent at Con Liverpool. Our cotton ought The gold kegs are about eigh-stautinople, saying "These teen inches high and ten inches charts were procurred for the in diameter at the center. They Turkish minister of war and are made of oak and are firmly they were intended for the use strapped with iron hoops. The of engineers in laying torpedoes

JOINING CUBANS.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 21. packed ready for shipment in -The minister of war of Mexon hour's time. Each keg ico denies that Cuban agents weighs 225 pounds and is sec- have enlisted Mexican army urely sealed. It is then ready officers on the retired list and for the truck man, who takes it that a good many of them had left for the seat of war. He says that no Mexican officers in ac tive service or on the retired list has intimated his desire to go to Cuba and he does not know of the enlistment of any of those not in active service.

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