

INTERESTING INFORMATION.

Marion Crawford's medieval romance, "Via Crucis," now running serially in the Century, is announced by the Macmillan company for publication in book form during the coming spring.

Aluminium has found still another use in France. Violins and larger string instruments are being constructed with it, and are said to have a richer tone than their wooden rivals, especially in the higher registers.

Joel Chandler Harris has created a new character, "Aunt Minervy Ann," who is expected to take a permanent place alongside of "Uncle Remus." The first story about her appears in the February Scribner's.

A feature of the January number of the School Review is a paper by A. F. Nightingale of Chicago on "History in the High Schools," in which he pleads for a larger freedom on the part of the student in choosing his studies.

Edward W. Harden, who went with Admiral Dewey's fleet to the Philippines and remained there until a month or two ago, when he returned home to make some special reports to the government, will give in the February McClure's an account of Dewey and all his operations in Manila down to the present time. The article will be fully illustrated mainly from photographs taken during and soon after the battle at Manila by J. T. McCutcheon, who was also with the fleet. Both young men belong to Chicago journalism.

From the Philippine Islands to San Francisco direct is 6,520 miles. From Manila to Honolulu is 4,700 miles, and from Honolulu to San Francisco is 2,039 miles. From Honolulu to Cape Horn is 6,300 miles, and from Cape Horn to New York is 13,109 miles, making the total distance from Manila to New York by way of Honolulu and Cape Horn 17,809 miles. The distance from San Francisco by way of Cape Horn to New York is 13,240 miles, making the distance from Manila by this route 21,760 miles.

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