are for war, the navy and ar-
icials getting everything in or-
d shape in their several depart-
for active service. It was the
urry, scurry, then as to-day with
Sams fighting forces. Fortresses
be strengthened all along the
ic seacoast towns, and recruit-
s in full blast and every pre-
n made for a determined war
pain. The New York Times on
ber 14 declared that "nothing
left to America but to declare
th Spain for the Americans mur-
and to take possession of Cuba."
vember 20, it was stated that
l Sickles the American Minister
time at Madrid was about to
d his passports, and everything
ded war, war. On November, 26
asked for his passports, but sud-
in the afternoon of the same
received a letter from the Dons
ng conditionally and in part, the
is of the United States. In this
pain agreed to surrender the Vir-
and the surviving passengers
ew and to punish those guilty of
re and to salute the flag if it
be shown that the Virginius
gally entitled to carry the Unit-
es flag. All these details were
uently arranged at a confer-
t Washington. The ship and sur-
prisoners were given up on De-
r 15, and about $80,000 paid over
in as compensation to the fam-
f the Americans who had been
The United States were forced,
er, to admit that according to
own law the Virginius had no
to fly the United States flag,
he salute demanded was there-
ispensed with. The officials at
go went scot free of any pun-
t and the Virginius itself on
y to the United States founder-
a storm. Unquestionably it was
llant conduct and firm bearing
Lambton Lorraine that saved
es of the surviving Americans
ubans. The American Congress
eople recognized this in many
Congress voted him and his crew
of thanks and medals, but the
were declined by the British
nment, with the statement that
ptain and crew of the Niobe had
ne their duty as British sailors.
miners in Nevada, however, sent
ne a small gold brick with his
stamped on it on the front side
n the reverse "you're a brick."
Ramsden has passed the best part
life in Santiago and is now an
n but full of fight when his coun-
n or those under his protection
r his aid. He stands by and with
g of the British Empire in the
of freedom and civilization.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

re is an able-bodied African in
every man's private wood-pile.
n a cycler is thrown from his
he feels the gravity of his po-

r a woman has passed a certain
e is willing to get married on
y.

easier for us to see the faults
ers than it is for others to see
rtues.

man never loses money on fast
. It is the slow ones that drive
o the free-lunch counter.

PERSIAN ETIQUETTE.

Persia, among the aristocracy, a
sends a notice an hour or two
calling, and gives a day's notice
visit is one of great importance.
met by servants before he reach-
house, and other considerations
own him, according to his rank.

AIR MEASURE OF SUCCESS.

eman of Torrent Engine Company,
lunk, gazing at the smoking ruins
peaking cheerfully,—Well, boys,
ved the engine!

ORIGIN OF GOLDFISH.

dfish are of Chinese origin. They
originally found in a large lake
Mt. Tsientsing, and were first
ht to Europe in the seventeenth
ry. The first in France came as
sent to Mme. de Pompadour.

KEEPS HIM BUSY.

Kinder, reflectively,—I wonder
man never pays his wife any com-
nts after they are married?
der, briskly—He does better, my
he pays her bills.

AT THE KLONDIKE.

rder—Hash, again?
rding Mistress—Don't sneer at it.
Golddust. I'd have you know, sir,
this hash is made of very expen-
materials.

TOUCHING.

hat caused you to become a tramp?
ove affair, lady.
w sad! Tell me about it.
ell, yer see, when I wuz very
g an' didn't know any better I
n love with idleness, an' I have
r bin able to conquer me con-
n' passion.

APPROPRIATE.

at submarine boat seems to be a
ess.
es? I suppose she goes down with
g colors.

IN KLONDIKE.

ugget McNab—Gimme a san'wich.
orekeeper—What kind— mule meat
heel, hoss blanket er dog?

NOT SO WARM

e had money to burn.
nd he burned it.
olish, you think?
ell, perhaps so.
ut a man has to keep warm, even in
Klondike, so he burned his money

How Roads May Be Made and Kept in Good Repair.

1. Every good road has two essential features:

(a) A thoroughly dry foundation.

(b) A smooth, hard, waterproof surface covering.

2. The foundation is the natural subsoil, "the dirt road," which must be kept dry by good drainage.

3. The surface covering is generally a coating of gravel or broken stone which should be put on the road in such a way that it will not, in wet weather, be churned up and mixed with the earth beneath. That is, it should form a distinct coating.

4. To accomplish this,:

(a) The gravel or stone should contain very little sand or clay—it should be clean.

(b) The road must be crowned or rounded in the centre so as to shed the water to the open drains.

(c) Ruts must not be allowed to form as they prevent water passing to the open drains.

(d) The open drains must have a sufficient fall, and free outlet so that the water will not stand in them but will be carried away immediately.

(e) Tile under-drains should be laid wherever the open drains are not sufficient and the ground has a moist or wet appearance, with a tendency to absorb the gravel and rut readily. By this means the foundation is made dry.

5. Do not leave the gravel or stone just as it drops from the wagon but spread it so that travel will at once pass over and consolidate it before the fall rains.

6. Keep the road metal raked or scraped into the wheel or horse tracks until consolidated.

7. Grade and crown the road before putting on gravel or stone.

8. If a grading machine is available, grade the roads which you intend to gravel before the time of statute labor, and use the statute labor as far as possible in drawing gravel.

9. A fair crown for gravel roads on level ground is one inch of rise to each foot of width from the side to the centre.

10. The roads on hills should have a greater crown than on level ground otherwise the water will follow the wheel tracks and create deep ruts, instead of passing to the side drains. One and one half inches to the foot from the side to the centre will be sufficient.

11. Repair old gravel roads which have a hard centre but too little crown and high square shoulders, by cutting off the shoulders, turning the material outward and placing new gravel or stone in the centre. Do not cover the old gravel foundation with the mixture of earth, sod and fine gravel of which the shoulders are composed. The shoulders can be most easily cut off by means of a grading machine.

12. A width of twenty-four feet between ditches will meet most conditions, with the central eight feet gravelled.

13. Wherever water stands on the roadway or by the roadside or wherever the ground remains moist or is swampy in spring and fall, better drainage is needed.

14. Look over the road under your charge after heavy rains and during spring freshets. The work of a few minutes in freeing drains from obstruction or diverting a current of water into a proper channel may become the work of days if neglected.

15. Surface water should be disposed of in small quantities, great accumulations are hard to handle and are destructive. Obtain outlets into natural watercourses as often as possible.

16. Instead of having deep, open ditches to underdrain the road and dry the foundation, use tile.

17. Give culverts a good fall and free outlet so that water will not freeze in them.

18. In taking gravel from the pit, see that precautions are taken to draw only clean material. Do not let the face of the pit be scraped down, mixing clay, sand and turf with good gravel. There is a tendency to draw dirty gravel as it is easiest to handle.

19. Gravel which retains a perpendicular face in the pit in the spring, and shows no trace of slipping is generally fit for use on the road without treatment. Dirty gravel should be screened.

20. Plan and lay out the work before calling out the men.

21. When preparing plans keep the work of succeeding years in view.

22. Call out for each day only such a number of men and teams as can be properly directed.

23. In laying out the work, estimate on a full day's work from each man and see that it is performed. Specify the number of loads of gravel to constitute a day's work. Every wagon box should hold a quarter of a cord.

24. Make all returns clearly, showing who have done their work and who have not.

25. Make early arrangements for having on the ground when required, and in good repair, all implements and tools to be used in the performance of statute labor.

26. Do all work with a view to permanence and durability. — Municipal World.

A SIDE-LIGHT ON HISTORY.

The manipulations of the world's first woman barber soothed the strong man to sleep.

Presently, however, he awoke, looked hastily at himself in the large plate-glass mirror, put on his coat and started to go.

Delilah stopped him.

Samson, she said, that hair-cut is 25 cents!

Samson weakened, and presently the Philistines had him.

Some men are candidates for office because they can't help it—and some because the people can't help it.

That Tired Feeling

What does it mean? As tired in the morning as at night, can't get rested, nervous, sleepless, dull, languid.

It means that the blood is poor. Muscles cannot be elastic and strong, nerves cannot be steady, energy and vigor cannot be felt, when the blood is impure, impoverished without nourishing power.

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Little Girl—I dess I takes after my step-mother.

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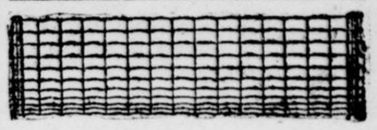

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