

## GEN'L CROZIER UTTERS DENIAL

Says That Uncle Sam Has  
Not Yet Solved Aerial  
Navigation.

### BOGUS STORY IS AFLOAT

ADMITTED THAT ORDINANCE BUREAU HAS BEEN INVESTIGATING, BUT NO STEPS TAKEN TO BUY A MACHINE.

(Publishers' Press.)  
Washington, Dec. 1.—General Crozier, chief of ordnance of the war department, is indignant, because he has been quoted as stating that the government is on the threshold of practical aerial navigation, and that he will be in a position to report to the next Hague conference such progress as will make it practicable to drop explosives with such certainty as to obviate the destruction of hospitals, churches, etc. He denies the assertions in toto, and declares that words have been put into his mouth which he never uttered.

General Crozier admits that his bureau has been in communication with the Wright Brothers of Dayton, Ohio, who have experimented with an aeroplane, but he says that no offer has been made for the purchase of such a machine, and declares that the government will not furnish money for experiments.

### CHURCH AND CLERGY.

An Illinois preacher has arranged to deliver his own funeral sermon by means of a phonograph.

To save Andover seminary it is proposed to make it a great training school for missionaries, home and foreign.

Rev. W. S. Baer of Brooklyn called upon the police to remove from a fence opposite his church a theatrical poster he considered indecent, and it was done.

The most benevolent church in America is that in Oklahoma whose membership is composed of 120 Kiowa Indians. Their gifts for benevolent purposes last year amounted to \$1,000.

The second synagogue in the state of Vermont has been built in West Rutland. It will seat about 150 people. Burlington is the only other city in Vermont which boasts of a synagogue.

### THE ROYAL BOX.

William III originated England's national debt by obtaining a loan in 1634.

The sultan of Turkey is said to possess a fire screen 200 years old; made from the tanned skins of twelve faithful slaves who rescued a former sultan from a blazing palace.

Because of her devotion to her children the Princess of Wales is called an old fashioned mother, to distinguish her from the smart set mothers who regard their offspring as a bore. When ever it is possible she takes her young stars with her.

Prince Ferdinand of Bulgaria is a very distinguished ornithologist, and his knowledge of the science of birds is equaled by very few in Europe. He devotes a good deal of time to the subject and is a member of the Ornithological society of Vienna.

### LAW POINTS.

The purchase by a corporation of shares in its own capital stock is held in Hall versus Alabama Terminal and L. company (Ala.), 2 L. R. A. (N. S.), 130, to be a fraud upon its creditors.

A supplemental bill in the nature of a bill of review is held in Hardwick versus American Can company (Tenn.), 1 L. R. A. (N. S.), 1020, to be a proper proceeding to bring before the court new matter discovered by defendant while the decree is in process of execution.

Abusing and assaulting a judge after he has retired from the courtroom upon adjournment subject to notice because of his disposition of a case immediately prior thereto was held in ex parte McCown (N. C.), 2 L. R. A. (N. S.), 603, to constitute contempt at common law.

### THE ELUSIVE NORTH POLE.

Another trip with an equal gain, and Peary will win the great victory.—Chicago Record-Herald.

The spirit of the age is for the domination of nature, and the surrender of the last fortification of this old planet is sure to come.—Boston Post.

The problem of the geographical pole, it is evident, is to be solved by the methods of the labor and miner, each new application the honor reducing the distance a few miles.—Minneapolis Journal.

Has the world, looking at it from either the standpoint of the scientific man or that of the layman, been the gainer, even in science? There is much that is useless, to use no word with more vitriol in it, in polar expeditioning.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

**Beauties of Editorial Gentleness.**  
The office boy had pied the first page by dropping the form down two flights of stairs.

"I wish," murmured the gentle editor, "that you had broken the news more gently."—Washington Star.

### CLASSIC SCRAPS.

"The ancient Greek and Roman deities were said to wage terrific battles among themselves."

"Yes, I've often read of the mills of the gods!"—Washington Herald.

After a heavy meal, take a couple of Doan's Regulites, and give your stomach, liver and bowels the rest they will need. Regulites bring easy, regular passages of the bowels.



PRETTY ELSIE JANIS, A SUCCESSFUL STAR AT EIGHTEEN.

The youngest star on the stage and one of the prettiest is Miss Elsie Janis whose real name is Elsie Bierbower. She is only eighteen, but has been a star for more than a year. She made a great success last season in "The Van derbilt Cup" at a New York theater, and this season she is appearing in Chicago in the same piece, which is a musical comedy and the first of the automobile plays to be staged. Elsie comes from Columbus, O. She was so young when she first essayed the vaudeville stage that the Gerry society made

## NAVY WINS AFTER FIVE LONG YEARS

With All Odds Against Them,  
Cadets Capture Annual  
Game With Army.

### WAS SPLENDID STRUGGLE

NEITHER TEAM WAS ABLE TO  
SCORE IN FIRST HALF BUT  
NAVY GOT TEN POINTS IN  
LAST PERIOD OF PLAY.

(Publishers' Press.)  
Franklin Field, Philadelphia, Dec. 1

It was with a whirlwind finish that the doughty Middies eleven of the U. S. naval academy wound up the 1906 football season today by decisively defeating the crack West Point team in their annual gridiron struggle by a score of 10 to 0.

Five years had elapsed since the navy lads had tasted victory in a game with West Point. They had accumulated an ancient grudge, and today they fed it flat. Outweighed, and in the minds of all but the most partisan rooters, outclassed in the finer points of the game, the Middies trotted onto the field the short enders in the betting and the supposed prospective victims of a slaughter at the hands of the West Point lads who had played Yale and Harvard to a standstill.

**No Scores in First Half.**  
With the wind against them the Middies fought manfully in the first half and prevented their line from being crossed while in the second half with the wind helping them the sailor lads showed superior football. They could not gain against the heavy line of the Army but at last the forward pass did well.

The first points scored by the Middies were the result of one of the most spectacular field goals of the season, Northcroft booting the oval across the bar from a difficult angle on the 44 yard line. The touchdown was scored from the 40 yard line by the most cleverly executed forward pass seen in a big game in the east this season, Norton on the army's 40 yard line, tossing the ball 20 yards to Ingram who ran 20 yards more to plant the oval between the goal posts.

**SIRES AND SONS.**  
M. Pailhiers, the French president, has two hobbies—shooting and reading.

Thomas Kinsey, purser on the steamer ship St. Paul, has crossed the Atlantic 900 times, thereby holding the record.

One of the ambitions of Vice President Fairbanks is to reunite the northern and southern Methodist churches.

A photographer at Joplin, Mo., named William Latour, is said to be the only survivor of the troupe which played with John Wilkes Booth just prior to the assassination of Lincoln.

The largest native Texan is said to be J. L. Ingram of Sulphur Springs. He weighs 390 pounds. He is a commercial traveler and is well known from one end of the state to the other.

Mr. B. F. McFarland and Henry L. West, two of the three commissioners who are at the head of the municipal government of Washington, were both newspaper men when they were appointed.

J. Pierpont Morgan has imported \$200,000 worth of the manuscripts and relics of the poet Robert Burns. For twenty years he has been fighting to outdo British collectors of the poet. A number of unpublished poems are included in the purchase.

Samuel Putnam of New Salem, Mass., a kinsman of General Israel Putnam, who directed the Continental troops at Bunker Hill, and of General Rufus Putnam, chief engineer of Washington's army, celebrated his one hundredth birthday recently.

When James R. Garfield enters the cabinet he will be the youngest member of that body, being three years the junior of Postmaster General Cortelyou, who has held that distinction ever since he became a member of the president's official family.

"Fiddling Bob" Taylor, the new senator from Tennessee, can dance a jig, play the fiddle, argue a lawsuit, debate political questions, lead a prayer meeting, tell funny stories, write interesting poetry and has many other accomplishments. Taylor was recently elected senator after five attempts.

**ERRONEOUS PARIS WATER.**  
We are far from blaming the prefecture of the Seine for warning us that it is dangerous to drink the water that it supplies us without boiling it. The system, in spite of the millions wasted, is absolutely barbarous. When it does not rain we have no water, and when it does rain the water is not drinkable.—Paris Eclair.

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## BEAR BURDENS WITH SILENCE

Senator John T. Morgan Tells of Fortitude of the Isle of Pine Residents.

### UNITED STATES BLAMED

ALLEGES THAT THE EXECUTIVE  
COMPELS THE ISLANDERS TO  
SUBMIT TO CUBAN TYRANNY.

(Publishers' Press.)  
Washington, Dec. 1.—Senator John T. Morgan, of Alabama, has sent a vigorous letter to an American resident of the Isle of Pines, in which he discusses the grievances of the Americans there. Among other things he says:

"Your people have borne repeated wrongs with wise and admirable self-control. You are between the upper and nether millstones, the Cuban ruler being on top and the executive of the United States compelling you to submit to the crushing, and your duty of protection to your families constraining you to make no forcible resistance. In this attitude you have won the admiration and confidence of the people of the United States, and have given notice to Cuba that your obedience, even to the absurd edicts of a defective government, is proof of a more determined obedience to a higher duty when the time comes for its assertion."

Furnishing an Opportunity.

A Milwaukee man with a great head and some regard for the tender feelings that the young carry around in their bosoms has built a large apartment house, one side of which will be rented to bachelors and the other to sweet and lovable girls. In the center will be a common meeting place, presided over by a chaperon with not too bright eyes.

That should help some. The reason why more young people do not marry is that they do not have a chance to get acquainted. There is many a bashful young man who would gladly assume matrimonial responsibilities if some one would lead him up to a girl and hold him there until he got acquainted.

We hope the building will prove the boon that its owner intends, but matters will be much facilitated if he will equip it with plenty of fire escapes and have a good fire about once a week.

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