

turn the victim round  
of its surface comes in

is refreshing to meet the  
his last jacket, which is  
ers, who are industriously  
ace. A mighty weapon,  
g a projectile of 2,000 lbs.,  
miles, and warranted to  
ulates yet applied to ships.  
ems devise a craft capable  
ems safe to predict that  
fforts vain against the  
rich giants.

ant few among the many  
tute the Arsenal one of  
f industry to be met with  
ew as they are, they will  
friends that the English  
ine preparations for war

## DEPARTMENT IN AN ARMY.

es an account of the field  
German army (remarks  
The first duty of this  
o make as rapid and  
as possible of the rail-  
restored, so as to ob-  
of the work to be done,  
ur which will be required,  
ements have been made  
a railway, other detach-  
ment of the captured sec-  
re reconnoitering detach-  
the army. The principal  
nd Bohemia were restored  
e most important work  
y department during the  
struction of the railway  
ly to Pont-à-Mousson,  
t five miles long, was  
4,000 workmen, under the  
s of pioneers. One of  
restoration was that of  
western outlet of which  
nce of forty feet. A new  
assed round with strong  
re broken through by the  
whole work had to be done  
of the hill. Other import-  
o-opening of the tunnel of  
restoration of the bridge  
way from Paris to Stras-  
of establishments for un-  
the whole of the artillery  
of Paris. The experience  
ly showed the value of a  
nt also the necessity of or-  
and especially of giving  
raining in time of peace.

ignorance, but they have been patient and forbear-  
ing. In New York city they are known principally  
as dealers in cheap cigars, or as laundrymen,  
and they have not had to pass through the  
same severe ordeal there that their brethren in Cali-  
fornia have been subjected to, where the Chinese may  
be said to have no rights that a white man is bound to  
respect. But even in New York there is a feeling  
among some classes against "Chinese cheap labour,"  
and the path of our Asiatic friends is not always a  
pleasant one. The coloured washerwomen especially  
look with contempt and suspicion on the quiet, unob-  
trusive Chinese.

## THE RHINOCEROS.

In his work, "The Large Game and Natural History of  
South and South-east Africa," the Hon. W. H. Drummond  
says of the rhinoceros:—

"The two-horned variety (*spetsynae* in the Kaffir  
tongue, and *borele*, if we remember correctly, among  
the tribes on the Limpopo, in Gordon Cumming's ex-  
periences) is, in the author's opinion, the most dan-  
gerous of all African game. The first of these splenetic-  
ally, and without rhyme, reason, or provocation,  
charged the camp one evening, just as the hunters  
were sitting down to a roasted and succulent  
antelope. The brute scattered them all right and  
left, and amused himself by kicking the fire  
about, on to the bedding, and trampling the  
dinner to pieces. He got three bullets then and  
there for his pains, which brought him down for a  
second, but he regained his legs, and made off in a  
sobered mood. He was, however, followed up, and  
brought to book next day, after receiving several more  
bullets. The last shot which felled him was in the  
chest, and this was the third in the same spot, showing  
how little reliance can be placed upon a single bullet  
to stop or turn one of these animals, unless by accident.  
There are four, and perhaps five, species of African  
rhinoceros. The so-called 'white' rhinoceros is the  
largest, but the most inoffensive of all. The  
colour is really brown, but in the glare of a noon-  
day sun, or from the stains of mud in which it  
may have been rolling, often appears white. The  
black rhinoceros, though so ferocious to man, is  
inoffensive to all other animals. It fears no other  
beast, and the lion will drink from the same water  
with it, without either regarding the other's presence.  
The upper part of the heart is the best place to aim at,  
as there is always a chance of cutting an important  
artery; also a shot in the centre of the chest, for the  
same result. But the head is not fairly vulnerable,  
unless by a shot up the nostril. The cunning of a  
*borele* is equal to its ferocity. If it gets the wind of a  
human being it will follow him up like a dog. It will  
wait in watch in the jungle till a man is close up, and  
then suddenly charge him. If it can catch him, it  
improves the occasion by kneading him to a jelly with  
his feet."

It is stated that the weather in Australia is unusu-  
ally cold for the present season of the year.

EATING THE

The pest now devastating so  
America forms, it appears from the  
fruit, good food. A few bushels  
cured, and placed in charge of one  
in St. Louis to be served. A num-  
ber were invited by Professor  
was set forth at which the lively  
animal food. Martyrs to science  
but so far from this being the case  
the veriest epicure might envy.  
began with *Caloptenus* soup—a  
rules of etiquette, they asked for  
hopper fritters, vastly better than  
and so on with roast, boiled, fried  
name, each better than the last, un-  
feast was reached in locusts served  
locusts feed on the fat of the land,  
not in turn eat them. It is again  
but, when we coolly consider the  
really no more repulsive than a  
oyster, and that they are really  
palate these gentlemen enthusiastic  
portions of Kansas, Nebraska,  
where, people were actually suf-  
with all the while untold quanti-  
them, not only food which will be  
palatable kind; and, whatever joy  
made about this hopper dinner,  
gentlemen who partook of it did  
work, and one which in future  
much suffering.—*The Garden.*

## CHINESE QUARTER FRANCISCO

The Chinese quarter is a syste-  
sages, labyrinthian in their dim  
sunlight never enters; where it  
even at noonday. A stranger at  
them would be speedily and hope-  
them seem mere slits in the flanks  
rivulets flowing into the great st-  
they have no exit—terminating in  
wall, a gambling or opium den.  
with life, for this human hive is  
den and angle—every nook and cras-  
foot of surface on the ground is  
mate problem of Mongolian exist-  
to get the greatest number of hun-  
possible space. They herd togeth-  
workshops, eating-houses, and pla-  
lodging-house represents an almost  
anatomy. The authorities some-  
necessary, for sanitary reasons, to  
prescribing 500 cubic feet of a  
of eight feet square) to each  
tenements; but such contempt  
for oxygen, that they constant-  
it. You might suppose these  
breeding places of pestilence, bu-

