THE PUBLIC PRINTER.

He Has to do a Good Deal of Work for Small Pay.

ORIGIN, GROWTH AND PRESENT PROPOR TIONS OF THE GOVERNMENT PRINT SHOP-FOUR MILLIONS REQUIR-ED TO RUN IT FOR TWELVE MONTHS.

in the life of every lawyer when he entertains an ambition to be a Judge," says ex-Senator Moody, of South Da-kota. It may probably also be truth-fully said that there comes a time in lic good. During the closing days of Government printing office at the National Capital.

three thousand men and women. The Government printing office is a hive of industry, and, because of the fact that a \$95,000 increase, and the debate the employes in this great printing house are not under the protection of the civil service law, there are applicants for employment on hand in person every day either accompanied by their representatives or Senators, or bearing letters from men of standing and influence. The office of the public printer, which is upon the second he printer, which is upon the second RECORD. It is a very fine thing to floor of the building, is the most at- have, bound and indexed at the pubtractive camping ground in the city for the unemployed.

It costs nearly \$4,000,000 to pay the yearly expenses of this institution. Over \$2,000,000 are paid out annually to the employes in wages, while the quantities of materials consumed by the Government printing office are almost staggering in their volume. Last year 223,000 printers' reams of paper purchase and pay for them out of were used, costing over \$600,000. There were also ten tons of printers' ink, twelve tons of glue, six tons of twine, two tons of glycerine, two tons of antimony, one ton of bar tin, one half ton of plumbago, 800 pounds of dent Lincoln, after Congress had worpumice stone and 750 pounds of bees-wax consumed in the regular business and satisfactory systems since the of the Government printing office; Government was established in 1789. and there were also 6,000 gallons of For many years the printing was done oil, 4,500 gallons of benzine, 140 gal-lons of alcohol, 3,600 packs of gold leaf, 4,000 pieces of book cloth, 3,000 out of their "appropriations for concrash, 4,000 dozen sheepskins, and 40,-000 feet of Russia leather consumed in the regular business. It is claimed by many that the Government printing office in Washington is the biggest on the face of the earth. From the expense account epitomized above one would judge that there is some ground for that claim.

fact that the big building at the cor-ner of North Capital and H. streets, ooo, and the office of "superintendent in which over 3,000 men and women of public printing" was created by act are employed, is a veritable fire-trap and a gigantic tinder-box. If a fire per annum. Strange as it may apshould occur in any part of the building a fearful holocaust would result for the position, and so was Henry J. Three years ago Congress appropria-ted \$250,000 for the purchase of a site and the erection of a new build-day, and one of them a candidate for for the Government printing office ; the Presidency of the Republic. but real estate dealers in this city have managed, by active and energetic competition, thus far to prevent the selec-ion of any site, and the old death the Government printing office has trap continues in use. In the basement of the building are 75 huge printing presses, while on the floor above there is an immense comple-induced to accept the office but for ment of binding machinery, appliances and fixtures capable of turning out, in phenomenally short time the greatest jobs of printing that can possibly be projected. In the basement and on the ground floor are the press rooms, paper warerooms, safety vaults and machine shops. On the second floor are the administrative offices, the the Government for \$4,500 per anmain composition room, the job rooms, the stereotyping and electrotyping de-partments and proof rooms. On the partments and proof realized its ware-third floor is the bindery and its ware-rooms. The fourth story is devoted to the publication of the CONGRESSION-BECORD, patent office specifications, warerooms. In warerooms. In typers and book binders, there are whole battalions of feeders, computers, helpers, assistants, machinists, enfeeders and assistants are women and girls, numbering about 1,000 in all, who earn a competence by their labor. In addition to this great central public printer. That man came to printing office there are five branches me and asked to be appointed chief printer, and they are located for con-Navy, State and War Departments for asked how he could do it, he said, work requiring special secrecy and dis- that as chief clerk, he would make all cretion in these departments. During the last session of Congress joint committee of both Houses un me an envelope with a thousand dola joint committee of both Houses un dertook to cut down the expenses lars in it ; and that I need not ask any did not act favorably upon the reports of the committee. As a matter of have never permitted him to speak to fact the Congress is exceedingly extra-me since that day." vagant in its orders for printing. One hundred copies of every bill introduced in either House of Congress are print-ed and sent to the Secretary and is armed so strong in honesty that he ed and sent to the Secretary and Clerk of the Senate and House to be placed upon their files. As a matter of fact ten copies would be ample for official use. Thousands of copies of Ayer's Sarsaparilla never before reports of committees are printed from equaled its present daily record of day to day during sessions of Congress marvelous cures.

which should never be put in type. The committees of the Senate and the House having before them bills for consideration very frequently make reports favorable or unfavorable for the purpose of satisfying the demands of claimants and lobbyists who make daily personal appeals for action upon their bills. As a matter of fact no re-ports should be made in any cases unless action can be had by both Houses

of Congress. Then there are thous-"I presume that there comes a time ands of reports of the Executive Department printed which might as well remain upon the archives of the dethe life of every printer in this country when he entertains a desire or an am-bition to secure employment in the copies of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD donated to each Representative from The public printer is at the head of a great institution which employs over shown by the chairman of the committee on printing that the adoption upon the subject grew very warm. The proposition, however, was finally rejected. If carried it would have re-

sulted in the practical waste of \$95,ooo per annum. The common people of the country are not interested in the excessive lic expense for the use of statesmen

and newspaper men, and it makes a handsome addition to the library of a given to each member of Congress, instead of twenty-two, it would be sufficient for the statesmen ; and if they needed more to send to the various people in their districts they could their own pockets.

The present Government printing office was not founded until 1861 when Mr. John D. Defrees, of Indiana, was appointed the public printer by Presidozen Turkey morocco skins, 230 tingent expenses." For about twenty Achiller square feet of calfskin, 4,000 yards of years prior to 1846 the Senate and Days. House elected public printers who were salaried officials. The duties of these officers were to make economical contracts and audit accounts for such printing only as was absolutely necessary. In that year, 1846, when the annual expense of Congressional printing reached the enormous sum of \$65,000, it was decided to return to It is not generally known, but it is a the original contract system. But in oco, and the office of "superintendent pear, Horace Greely was an applicant Toledo, O. WALDING, KINNAN &

of public printer, is still in force, and

Hermit Crabs.

SOME INTERESTING PECULIARITIES OF THESE STRANGE CREATURES.

The hermit crab has suffered injustice from the report that he is accustomed to devour moilusks for the purpose of taking forcible possession of their shells, when the fact is he never adopts such a method of pro-ceeding, if for no other reason be-cause there are always plenty of va-cant shells to supply him and his kind with a domicile with a domicile.

It must not be supposed, either, that the hermit resides in one estab-lishment all his life. He grows like any other crustacean, and just like other crabs cast their coats and adopt fresh ones, so does he vacate the quarters that he finds too small for his comfortable accommodations, moving at proper intervals into more commodious rooms.

Thus the hermit crab may occupy as his tenement, from his birth to old age, a dozen or more empty shells of increasing sizes. Necessarily he may not always find one that suits him properly when he desires to move, just like people, but he must take the best he can find ; and this will account for the fact that you often discover such are not interested in the excessive an individual dragging about an es-publication of the CONGRESSIONAL tablishment entirely to big for him, or, what is worse, with an insufficient roof over his tail.

It is his tail that the hermit crab is anxious to protect. It contains his abdominal parts, and is so soft that gentlemen. But if five copies were daily any fish is likely to bite it off, regardit as an exceptional tid-bit. Therefore he stows away this undefended extremity in any suitable shell that he can find. Without such defense for his exposed part life is a burden to him.

It is great fun to extract three or more hermit crabs from their shells, set them naked in a bowl of water, with one shell in it, and watch them maneuver for it. They will fight fe-rociously if it comes to the point, but, preliminarily, they will resort to all sorts of wiles to first secure the shield that renders the successful one a giant among pigmies. It is as if as many unarmed men were contending for a loaded revolver. The vulnerable tail of the hermit crab is like the heel of Achilles, only more so .- Golden

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FEMININE FEROCITY.

A Spiteful Meeting of the Lady Masage of the World's Fair.

CHICAGO, Aug. 8.-For four hours yes terday afternoon the Board of Lady Managers wrangled and when the meeting adjourned the report of Mrs. Meredith, which was the cause of all the trouble, was still before the body. There were tears, hisses, stamping and other noises. As soon as the meeting was called to order there was a desire expressed that Mrs. Nancy Hous-ton Banks, of Kentucky, explain how a certain deposition made by Mrs. Hall, of Delaware, secretary of the committee, came to be published. The deposition was in an awards support of Mrs. Cunningham's charges that Mrs. Meredith, chairman of the committee, had acted with "malice." This brought forth a great deal of femi-nine oratory but Mrs. Banks finally ex-plained that the first she knew of the pub-licotian of the deposition was when she saw members of the press with type-written copies and she at once notified the officers of the Board. Mrs. Meredith then made a report, injourned the report of Mrs. Meredith, which

Mrs. Meredich then made a report, in-cluded in which was the information that every member of the committee had signed a letter addressed to Mrs. Palmer, asking that Mrs. Hall be excused from further

service on the committee. Then troube began and! for three hours one parliamentary question after another was raised, until even the man who sits as was raised, until even the man who sits as parliamentary expert at Mrs. Palmer's side and advises her, was bewildered. As the debate grew a large number of outsiders, attracted by the noise, pushed by the guards and filled the chamber. None of the many proposition met with the approbation of a sufficient number of members to insure adoption and the board finally adjourned in a very ruffled frame of mind, leaving the matter unsettled.

BLOUNT'S REPORT.

His Statement of Hawallan Affairs Arrives at Washington.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 4.-Minister Blount's long expected report on Hawaiian affairs is in the possesion of the Secretary of State. It arrived in the official dispatch beg from San Francisco in company with a communication from Mr. Severance, the United States Consul General in Hawaii, telling of the Fourth of July celebration at. Honolulu at which Minister Blount pre-sided. Mr. Blount is expected in Washington about Aug. 20 to participate in the conferences of the President and Secretary Gresham over the amended protocol of a treaty submitted by the provisional govern

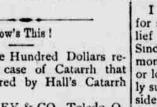
DENVER'S HUNGRY.

The Charity Camp Maintained With Hundreds of Patrons.

DENVER, Col., Aug. 8.-The Public Charity Camp, which has been maintained. under military supervision at River Front-Fark, for two weeks was not abandoned yesterday, as had been announced, and about 400 men are still being fed and lodged in the militia tents there. The authorities dare not break up the camp and turn out upon the city a small army of hungry men. Every effort is being made, how-ever, to discourage unemployed men from the mining towns from coming to the Denver relief camp, as it is very difficult to raise funds to feed those already here.

Sad End of Three Excursionists.

NIAGARA FALLS, N. Y., Aug. 4 .- A. Miller & Brundage surrey, occupied by Stephen H. Hatch, wife and two daugh-ters. of New Bedford, Mass., while cross-ing the New York Central railroad at ing the New York Central railroad at Main street, this city, yesterday afternoon, was struck by a train. The carriage was completely wrecked, Mrs. Hatch al-most instantly killed and the others pain-fully bruised and cut. The crossing where the accident occurred is protected by guard gates, but the man in charge was unable to see the approaching train on account of another which had just passed from the opposite direction. The injured ones were World's Fair excursionists returning home.



nally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system.

the Government printing office has grown to the present proportions. induced to accept the office but for the honor of the position. The public printer gives bond in the sum of \$100, 000 and is obliged to abstain from any connection with or interest in any printing, binding, lithographing or en-graving establishment, so that the en-tire time, attention, ability and energy the Government for \$4,500 per an-num. And yet, the duties and res-ponsibilities of the place require the services of a man who is possessed of

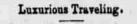
temptations of the position are very great. The following story is illustra-tive: "I do not like that man," said gineers, messengers, watchmen and Captain Meredith, chief of the bureau laborers. Most of the computers, of engraving and printing three years ago, as we passed a prominent character on the avenue. "It was supposed early in '89 that I would be appointed me and asked to be appointed chief under the supervision of the public clerk of the Government printing printer, and they are located for con-venience in the Treasury, Interior, if I gave him the position. When I contracts for materials for the office,

of the Government printing office by questions. He had been introduced recommending the discontinuance of to me only a week before by an ex-certain publications, but the Congress member of a cabinet, and I had presumed that he was a gentleman. I

> The above is a true story. It illus-trates pointedly and practically the dangers of the position, unless a man

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Deceptive Appearances.

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Whiskerly." Todd. "He's stabby enough." Dodd. "I know it. But I suc-ceeded in borrowing \$5 from him yesterday."

alarming degree, appetite fell away, and he was terribly reduced in flesh and strength. Three bottles of Elec-tric Bitters cured him. Edward Shepherd, Harrisburg, Ill.,

had a running sore on his leg of eight years' standing. Used three bottles of Electric Bitters and seven boxes of Bucklen's Arnica Salve, and his leg is sound and well. John Speaker, Ka-tawba, O., had five large Fever sores on his leg, doctors said he was incurable. One bottle Electric Bitters and one box Bucklen's Arnica Salve cured him entirely. Sold by C. A. Kleim's Drug Store.

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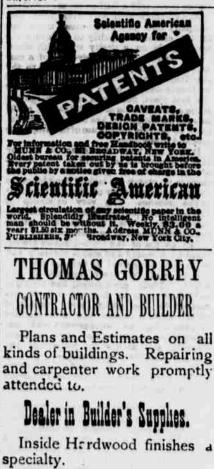
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The Boycott is Unpopular.

CHICAGO, Aug. 4.—Boycotting one rail-road by others is proving a very unpopular method of enforcing requirements with many of the roads. A good deal of squirem-ing is indulged in where it has to be re-sorted to in obedience to association agree-ments. The Wabsah has given notice that the one declared against the Mobile & Ohio by the Western Passenger Association will only be observed by it so far as the lines within the territory of the association are concerned. On all other branches busi-ness arrangements with the Mobile & Ohio will be maintained as formerly. CHICAGO, Aug. 4.-Boycotting one rall-

Cholers in Europe.

BERLIN, Aug. 8.—The report of a death from cholers in the East End of Berlin on Sunday has caused a scare in this city. The correctness of the diagnosis is doubted. An autopsy will be held to clear up the

VIENNA, Aug. 8.—Cholera is spreading in Roumania and Galicia. Several cases have been reported in Lemberg, the capital of Galicia.

The Warehouse Gets Left.

The Warehouse Gets Left. WASHINGTON, Awg. 4.—A lot of wine in a bonded warehouse in Philadelphia, which had been housed for more than three years, was recently sold at auction for its tax. The price obtained simply paid the tax, and now the warehouse owner saks that the government pay him for three years's storage charges. Acting.Secretary Curtin has refused to do so, holding that his only remedy is against the original owner of the wine.

No More Sanday Closing. CHICAGO, Aug. 4.—The optinion is unani-mous among lawyers that the gates of the World's Fair will be opened every day in the week from now on until they are finally closed next October. The Appelate Court will not be in session until after the misummer vacation which ends in Septem-ber, and the appeal prayed for yesterday cannot therefore be passed on until Octo-ber.

New YORK, Aug. 4.—Another judg-ment for \$31,212 has been entered against Mayor David C. Robinson of Elmira, in favor of the Western National Bank on two notes of the Elmira Gas and Illumin-ating Company, which he endorsed. This makes seven judgments entered against him by the above bank, aggregating \$186, 000.