

WASHINGTON.

From our Regular Correspondent. WASHINGTON, August 23rd, 1896.

Everybody around democratic headquarters has worn a broad smile ever since Mark Hanna's interview, trying to hedge on the silver question, was published. Senator Faulkner says of that interview: "I never saw a more significant interview appear during a campaign. Mr. Hanna virtually admits now that unless he can force some other issue to the front he is beaten on the currency issue. He recognizes, what is the absolute truth, that the great masses of the people of the United States, in the west especially, are bimetalists. He sees that they will have nothing to do with the single gold standard, and he proposes now, with the election only ten weeks off, to swing around and try to undo the work of the Republican convention by claiming that there is no hostility to silver in the Republican platform. He admits the Democratic contention that bimetalism is the proper thing for this country, but I do not think he can fool the people by his profession of friendliness at this late day."

Not a little amusement has been the result of the Henry Watterson boom for the gold bolters Indianapolis nomination. Should Watterson head the ticket, President Cleveland would probably decline to support him for personal reasons, as there has been ill-will between the two men since early in the first Cleveland administration, but as most of the bolters are Cleveland men, Mr. Cleveland will most likely be able to head off the Watterson boom.

The literary bureau of the Democratic National Committee, which was organized this week, will do its work in connection with the Congressional committee. Mr. Clark Howell, of the Atlanta Constitution, is the head of the bureau, but the exigencies of the State campaign in Georgia will prevent his remaining in Washington until after the State election, and Representative Richardson of Tenn. is in charge. Before returning to Georgia, Mr. Howell said of the literary bureau: "This department will do its utmost to meet every reasonable demand for campaign literature. It is important that Chairmen of State Committees, and that Democratic leagues and other organizations wishing literature should communicate with us at once, indicating the character of literature desired. We are prepared to supply campaign material with special reference to the currency question, the bond issues, the income tax, and other matters of like character. The Committee is not overburdened with money, and for this reason it will concentrate its attention as far as possible to the doubtful states."

One of the busiest places in Washington is the headquarters of the National Association of Democratic Clubs. The formation of Bryan and Silver Clubs in all sections of the country are daily going on at an unheard of rate, even at McKinley's home, as may be seen by the following extract from a letter received from the Secretary of the Bryan Free Silver Club of Canton, Ohio: "This club is the central organization of the city and county. We have in the city at this time four other Bryan free silver clubs that are auxiliary to this. These clubs are composed of members of all parties. Party politics and party names are scarcely mentioned here any more. They are either 'gold bugs' or 'silver men,' and the 'silver men' far outnumber the 'gold bugs.' I feel certain that McKinley's own ward, city, county and state will be carried for Bryan."

Secretary Hoke Smith, who will, solely because of his determination to support the regular Democratic ticket, add the prefix "ex" to that title next week, did not at first intend to take any active part in the campaign, but an answer to numerous requests he has agreed to take up the stump in Georgia for the state and national tickets. Missouri Democrats in Washington regard the selection of ex-Governor Francis as Secretary Smith's successor as an attempt to throw that state to McKinley by building up the strength of the gold bolters. Some of them say that Gov. Francis had almost made up his mind to come out for Bryan when he was tendered this position, although he says he intended to bolt from the first and was only waiting for the proper time to make the announcement. It is not thought in Washington that Gov. Francis will

take the time necessary to familiarize himself with the intricate affairs of the Interior Department, but will devote his time to politics, allowing his competent corps of subordinates to run the department.

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FROM WIRE TO TYPE.

A New Improvement that is Proposed in Typesetting.

The general public has but a faint idea of the strides that are making toward perfection in matters electric, telegraphic and mechanic, says the Jersey City Journal. When typesetting machines were invented it was thought there could be no further improvement in that direction. It remained, however, for a clever young man in Brooklyn, N. Y., to demonstrate the practicability of using the typesetting machine in connection with telegraphy. About three years ago it occurred to Frank J. Kihm, special telegraph operator of the Brooklyn Eagle, that it would be possible to set in type the telegraphic news sent over the Association Press wires. Hundreds of operators are copying telegrams with the aid of type writers, and Mr. Kihm decided that with extra care and expertness a typesetting machine could also be used with fair success.

The editor of the Eagle at once placed a type-setting machine at the operator's disposal, and after some weeks of practice the telegraph wire of the Associated Press was extended to the composing room, and Mr. Kihm proceeded to demonstrate the practicability of his idea. As the operator in the New York office of the news association clicks off the dots and dashes they are simultaneously reproduced by the giant telegraph sounder at Mr. Kihm's type-setting machine. As the different letters come over the wire Mr. Kihm touches the same letter on the keyboard of the machine, and instantly there is formed a metal letter corresponding with the letter transmitted over the wire. When a whole word has been formed Mr. Kihm touches the blank space button and a space block of metal drops down into place. Then another line is set in type, and so it goes.

So expert has Mr. Kihm become that he runs the machine with surprising speed, and with very few typographical errors. He is the only telegraph operator in the world who receives the news by ear and runs a type-setting machine with his fingers at the same time.

Stick to His Principles.

In Kentucky it is necessary for a voter to pay a poll tax of \$2 in order to be allowed to vote. This necessitates a campaign fund in both parties, in order to enfranchise such voters as cannot pay the tax.

At Mount Sterling an old man came in and the manager of the Republican campaign asked him if he had voted.

"No, hain't got my poll tax paid yet," was the reply. Two dollars was given to him and he started for the Collector's office. On the way he met the Democratic candidate.

"Voted yet?" inquired the politician.

"No, hain't paid the poll tax." The candidate produced \$2 and the old man went, paid his poll tax, returned and voted.

"Well, you voted right, did you?" inquired the Republican.

"Yaas. I allus votes as my conscience dictates. I never allows no consideration but duty ter influence me. I voted as I allus does, th' straight Prohibition ticket, ter do away with rum, and drive the corrupt old parties out of the country."—Washington Star.

POINTS FOR ROADMAKERS.

Information About Ditches and Drains Keep the Water Out.

The Ontario Department of Agriculture has issued a bulletin, prepared by the Ontario Good Roads Association which contains much good information concerning roadbuilding, from which we take the following:

Where a road is to be constructed on a wet retentive soil a perfect system of underdrainage must be provided. This is best done by cutting ditches diagonally across the road-bed with discharge into side ditches. These diagonal ditches should have a good fall and good outlet should be from 18 inches to two feet and about one foot wide at the bottom, with a slight rope outward. In these should be laid coarse broken stone, broken bricks or other material suitable to form a drain, filling them up to the level of the subgrade.

Open ditches should be cut on each side of the roadbed at a distance of about 12 feet from the outsides of the metalling. They should be deep enough to drain the foundation—at least 18 inches below the subgrade.

Where tile is cheap and a good outlet obtainable tile side drains are preferable to open ditches. Shallow gutters should be made over the tiles to catch the surface water and conduct it to catch basins placed at convenient distances apart. The catch basins should be made of durable materials of sufficient size to be freely cleaned and should be covered with iron gratings. The basins should extend at least two feet below the bottom of the tile to provide space for the deposit, and they should be cleaned at least twice a year.

The strips of ground between the metalled road and the open ditch should be properly graded to conform with the crown and grade of the metalling and should be seeded and kept in sod. This will always be pleasing to the eye, is cheap and largely useful in preventing the carrying of mud on the metalling. Moreover, the informity of the grade facilitates the passing of the teams.

In a soil that is gravelly and pervious to water the open ditches on each side of the road, even of a 66 foot wide road, are sufficient for draining the roadbed.

If there be any springs under the road, a subdrain leading directly to the side ditch will be required. Should the road be on a sidehill, a deep, open ditch on the upper side, to arrest the flow from the adjacent land, may be sufficient, the water being at intervals conducted across and under the road by an ordinary stone culvert. Do not make the mistake of giving insufficient outfall to the drains.

THE READING'S BIG TUNNEL.

It Will Shorten the Distance to Philadelphia About Twenty-Five Miles.

A force of Philadelphia and Reading engineers have been at work near Fountain Springs, two miles from Ashland, locating a spot for the beginning of a tunnel to be driven from that point through the Broad Mountain to Mine Hill Gap, three miles. The tunnel will shorten the Reading company's line from Williamsport to Philadelphia by 25 miles, evading all the steep grades and doing away with the Mahanoy and Gordon planes, over which coal is now being hauled.

The tunnel is to cost \$3,500,000, and it will take at least two years to drive it. The Reading route from Shamokin to Tamaqua has numerous grades which have frequently been the scenes of disastrous wrecks. The line will be constructed by the way of the Tunnel Colliery Side Hill to the beginning of the tunnel, which is to be for double tracks and 17 feet high. The tunnel will be driven from both the eastern and western termini, the former being located at Mine Hill Gap.

The eastern approach will be via Minersville, a mile to the mouth of the tunnel. When the tunnel is completed it will do away with the necessity of running through trains by a circuitous route via Mahanoy City and Tamaqua, all going by way of Mine Hill Gap and Minersville, thence to Port Clinton on the Mine Hill branch of the Philadelphia and Reading, saving 15 miles additional. Local traffic, however, will be carried over the old line.

The proposed tunnel will be second in size in America only to the Hoosac tunnel.

To Keep Flies off the Cows.

According to the Dallas Post this is the way a Trucksville milk man helps his cattle in fly time. He takes one gallon of cheap black oil, one ounce of crude carbolic acid and one ounce of oil of tar. These he mixes together and rubs on his cows' backs and legs where the flies "most do congregate." Six quarts of the mixture will annoy his seventy cows and last four days. The cost is perhaps a shilling a day and the increased quantity of milk he gets is worth at least two dollars a day to him. Real goodness pays in this instance as in all others.

Russell Sage's Safeguards.

It is a certainty that not a man alive will ever get into Russell Sage's office to throw another bomb at him. His outer room is furnished like a bank, and the visitor's card is shown through a small hole in the high fence, just such a hole as that through which the paying teller hands money for an honored check. Outside of the fence, against the white platered wall, stands a long bench, upon which visitors sit.

NO MORE SIGNAL TOWERS.

Electricity May Supplant Them on the P. & R.

The P. & R. telegraph men are planting the poles between Pottsville and Port Clinton for the Hale electric railway signal, and it is expected that it will be in operation between these two within a month. The signals are to be placed one mile apart. That end of the road was selected because of the numerous curves, and if the signals prove a success the entire main line is to be equipped. It is the purpose to do away with all signal towers.

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