

WASHINGTON.

From our Regular Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 13, 1897.

Is John Sherman losing his mind? It certainly begins to look that way. He has had conversations one day with well known gentlemen, and the next day denied every word that he said to them.

The absurdity of allowing the Spanish minister to send officials of the Customs service off on all sorts of wild goose fillibuster chases was accentuated this week when he had Customs officers seize a steamer at Bridgeport, Conn., that had on board a lot of ammunition belonging to the U. S. government, which was being moved under orders from the War Department.

A system of spying on the clerks in the Treasury Department has been put in force that is causing much dissatisfaction among those who believe that men and women do not become slaves when they enter government employ.

Mr. Benjamin Butterworth, Commissioner of Patents, has gone further than any of his predecessors have dared to go in regulating the practice before the U. S. Patent Office, in the new regulations he has issued providing the qualifications of patent solicitors.

The evidence in the hearings in the case of John Wedderburn & Co., who are under charges and are trying to show cause why they should not be disbarred, shows that Mr. Butterworth has not gone too far in those regulations.

It is learned that Minister Woodford has been instructed to take his time in traveling to Madrid to an even greater extent than was contemplated when he left Washington. It is stated that the administration prefers in the unsettled condition of affairs in Spain, since the assassination of the Spanish Prime Minister, that Mr. Taylor, our old Spanish Minister, who is presumed to be better posted on the condition of affairs than a new man would be, should continue for a while to represent the United States at Madrid.

Boss Hanna's fight for election to the Senate is being aided by the administration wherever possible. Mr. George P. Hamlett, of Ohio, who was recently made Chief of Post Office Inspectors, was given that place as a reward for what he is expected to do for Hanna.

Reduced Rates to Grangers' Picnic at Williams' Grove via Pennsylvania Railroad. For the accommodation of persons desiring to attend this interesting picnic and exhibition the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will sell excursion tickets on August 21, 23, 24, 25, 26, and 27, good to return until August 30, inclusive, at rate of one fare for the round trip, from principal stations between East Liberty and Bryn Mawr on the Northern Central Railway north of and including Lutherville, and on the Philadelphia and Erie Railroad Division.

For information in regard to train service and specific rates application should be made to ticket agents. 8-12-97.

Swallow Meets Hastings' Challenge.

Rev. Dr. Swallow, has written an open letter to Governor Hastings in reply to his challenge to show fraud in the bill of \$56,590.36 for the fitting up Grace Church for the use of the legislature after the destruction of the capitol.

The doctor offers to furnish the affidavits of four responsible furniture dealers in Philadelphia that on one week's notice they would have furnished desks for \$12 that the state paid \$25 for and others at \$20 that the state paid \$37.50 for.

"Every intelligent man," Dr. Swallow adds, "who has examined it knows that repairs cost the state three times as much as the state paid for. Also the affidavits of steam heat experts that they would have done the job as satisfactorily for \$4,000 as the state did for \$13,000.

\$100 Reward, \$100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity.

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DON'T GO TO KLONDYKE.

Secretary Bliss has taken cognizance of the rush to the Klondyke gold fields and Alaska and has issued the following warning:

"In view of the information received at this department that 3,000 persons with 2,000 tons of baggage and freight are now waiting at the entrance to White Pass, in Alaska, for an opportunity to cross the mountains to the Yukon river, and that many more are preparing to join them, I deem it proper to call the attention of all who contemplate making that trip to the exposure, privation, suffering and danger incident thereto at this advanced period of the season, even if they should succeed in crossing the mountains.

"To reach Dawson City, which is over the pass, 700 miles of difficult navigation on the Yukon river, without adequate means of transportation, will still be before them, and it is doubtful if the journey can be accomplished before the river is closed by ice.

"I am moved to draw public notice to these conditions by the gravity of the possible consequences to people detained in the mountainous wilderness during five or six months of an arctic winter, where no relief can reach them, however great the need.

SUDDEN DEATHS ON THE INCREASE.—People apparently well and happy to-day, to-morrow are stricken down, and in ninety-nine cases out of every hundred the heart is the cause. The king of heart remedies—Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart is within the reach of all, and if there are symptoms of heart disorder it should be used without delay. It relieves in 30 minutes, and cures most chronic cases. Sold by C. A. Kleim.

What Constitutes a Tax Day.

The County Solicitor of Luzerne county has decided that under the alien tax law the day for which the three cents tax is to be paid means any part of a day. If the unanalyzed laborer works only an hour the three cents tax must be collected.

PILL SENSE.—It stands to reason that Dr. Agnew's Liver Pills will crowd out of the market many of the nauseous old timers. A better medicine at less than half the price is all the argument needed to keep the demand what it has been—Phenomenal—40 doses to cents. They cure Sick Headache, Biliousness, and all stomach irritations. At all druggists. Sold by C. A. Kleim.

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CURRENT FUN.

He—Clearly, we men have more finely developed senses. She—Yes, but less sense.—Paris Journal Amuseant.

Mrs. Gabel—Do you know that you talk in your sleep, James? Mr. Gabel—Do I? Then I bet you join in—London Fun.

"Woman," said the lecturer, "is pure gold." "Yes," interrupted a thoughtful man in a rear seat; "money talks"—Puck.

"Have you ever noticed that most ball players chew gum?" "Yes, except when they chew the rag with the umpire."—Philadelphia North American.

Bertie—Are we any kin to chickens? Gertie—Of course not; we're people. Bertie—Well, Uncle Harry says papa was a mighty bad egg when he was young.—Brooklyn Life.

"The New York Press says that kissing is love's Worcestershire sauce." "I suppose that's because a man has to sneeze off when he gets too saucy."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Husband (groaning)—The rheumatism in my leg is coming again. Wife (with sympathy)—Oh, I am sorry, John. I wanted to do some shopping to-day, and that is a sure sign of rain.—London Tit-Bits.

"George, I fear you are marrying me just because my uncle left me a fortune." "No, my precious, I'd marry you just the same if any other friend had left it to you."—London Tit-Bits.

Glad—I remember when Gasser, the famous orator, used to be one of the worst speakers you ever heard. Dootell—How did he ever get to be so persuasively eloquent?

Glad—Begging hired girls not to leave.—New York Evening Journal. "Oh, the mean things," she sighed, "that are done behind a person's back!"

She might have been thinking of the things that mankind does in deceit. "But there are others."

Notably her skirt and her shirtwaist weren't doing a thing, roughly speaking, but coming apart around there.—Detroit Journal.

Little five-year-old Jennie's mother had gone to church, leaving her and her baby sister with their grandmothers. After awhile grandma got weary and put the baby to bed. Then she suggested that it would be nice if Jennie also would retire.

"I don't want to yet, grandma," said the little girl. "But see how nicely little Jennie has gone to sleep," grandma urged.

"Oh, well," replied Miss Jennie, "she ain't old enough yet to realize that it's not dark."—Cleveland Leader.

Agreed With Him.—The citizens of Guthrie, Ok., determined recently to present medals to three young men who had shown bravery in rescuing people during the flood. A young woman who was getting subscriptions for this purpose came up to a group of several young men, among whom was McCartney, one of the men for whom the medals were to be procured.

"Boys, I'm collecting money to buy medals for McCartney, Willis and Platt. Will you help?"

"Yes," replied McCartney, with a wink to his companions, "but while I am willing to help in getting medals for Willis and Platt, I don't think McCartney deserves one. He simply fell into the river had to be helped out."

"Well, between you and me," confidentially responded the subscription taker. "I don't think so either, but folks are afraid he might feel hurt if he was left out—so they counted him in."—New York Tribune.

He Was Safe.—Rusty Rufus—"Dis here paper says work ain't what kills men." Weary Waggle—"Dat's right, too. 'Taint a loaded gun what shoots folks; 'taint pizen what poisons of 'em, and 'taint work what kills 'em. It's not knowin' enough to let things alone—dat's what!"—Truth.

An Advantage.—"Mrs. Wellup says she is going to spend a large part of the summer at home in the city," said Mr. Cumrox, reproachfully.

"Yes," replied his wife. "She can afford it. She's so rich nobody can insinuate that she's obliged to."—Washington Star.

Thoughtless.—"Arabella, dear," said the weary mother, "I wish you would dust the parlor."

"Indeed, I'll not. It's very inconsiderate to ask such exertion when you know I'm training for a century run."—Detroit Free Press.

Helping Her On.—She—perfectly lovely child; isn't it? He—Are you a member? She—No; only married women are eligible.

He—Ah! Would you allow me to make you eligible to membership?—Pearson's Weekly.

Very Rapid.—"From what I hear, Mr. Earnestly, that son of yours at college is a little fast."

"A little fast," repeated the old man disdainfully. "He holds the amateur record as a 100-yard sprinter."—Detroit Free Press.

If She Only Were.—Hogan—It is a fable told by monkeys they do be makin' av themselves in th' old world.

Grogan—Bedad, if only Oireland wor free th' first brick av th' shindy would have been throwed long since.—Indianapolis.

Well Qualified.—"What makes you think Smoothly is an experienced fisherman?" "Because he is one of the most natural and artistic lars I have ever had the pleasure of meeting."—Detroit Free Press.

A Natural Question.—He—"No, I couldn't go to Europe this year, because I had to have my plumbing done over."

She—"When does your plumber sail?"—Truth.

Biliousness

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Reduced Rates via Pennsylvania Railroad for Mount Gretna Farmers' Encampment.

From August 16 to 20, inclusive, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will sell, for the above occasion, round-trip tickets to Mount Gretna and return at rate of one fare for the round trip, from principal stations between East Liberty and Bryn Mawr, on the Northern Central Railway north of and including Lutherville, and on the Philadelphia and Erie Railroad Division. Those tickets will be valid for return passage until August 23, inclusive.

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The Viking Ship.

The New Yorker who failed to see the Viking during the few days that the gallant little vessel was lying or cruising in the waters of the harbor missed a sight that it would be almost worth while to go to Chicago to see. To those with a fair idea of what good boatbuilding requires the lines of the Viking are said to have been very satisfactory, and the soundness of their judgment is established by the achievement of the vessel in crossing the Atlantic against unfavorable winds, sound and safe as an ocean going steamer. But even to one with no claims to expert knowledge the vessel is very beautiful. It is easy to see in her the jurisdiction of her chief officer's proud remark, when asked if she did not ship water over her open sides: "No. Her model is so perfect, her lines so fine"—here he made a sweeping gesture with both hands, illustrating the lines—"that she swishes all the time to be on top."

But what impressed the ordinary observer is the courage of their conviction shown by the crew of a dozen modern Norsemen, who, persuaded that the original on which the Viking was modeled was seaworthy, and that what their ancestors had done they could do, took this little vessel, without a deck, with a broad oar for a rudder, with a single mast and sail, with no room aboard to swing a hammock, and barely sufficient to store the needed supplies, and sailed her over the course that they believed the ancient Norsemen had sailed with a like craft centuries before the discovery which all the world is celebrating at Chicago. That is a striking and splendid way of arguing a disputed question in history. No one after this can say that the Norsemen could not have reached the shores of America on the vessels then known.—Harper's Weekly.

NIAGARA FALLS.

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WEST.

Table with columns for Stations, A.M., P.M., and P.M. Rows include Scranton, Taylor, Lackawanna, etc.

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