EAGAN WAS MISTAKEN From our Regular Correspondent.

His festimony as to Time Beef was to Keep Is Contradicted.

CONTRACT SAID 24 HOURS

It Was Shown by Yesterday's Testimony That Chicago Packers Had Stored Canned Roast Beef in New York Which Was Afterwards Returned to Chicago, Then Sold to a Wholesale Grocer Who In Turn Sold It for Export to Manila.

Washington, March 29 .-- Capt. George B. Davis, Commissary of Subsistence, before the beef inquiry court yesterday, said while in the office of the Commissary-General he assisted in preparing the Santiago beef contract with Swift & Co., dealing especially with the clause covering the time beef was to be kept in refrigerators on shore. He talked with Gen. Eagan on this subject, he said, and understood from him that the beef was to be kept in refrigerators seventy-two hours after arrival and twenty-four hours after its removal.

Capt. Davis said boards of survey examined beef which had been com plained of while in the refrigerator at Manzanillo and Santiago. In the first case the beef was condemned and in the latter a portion was.

In reply to Major Lee, Capt. Davis said the understanding in the Commis sary-General's office was that beef was to be kept good seventy-two hours by the contractors after leaving the ship. "This," he said, "was the extreme limit, but it was not supposed beef would be kept more than twenty-four hours."

Capt. Davis said he heard something of the Powell process for preserving beef, Gen. Watson calling it to the attention of the Department as the result of an experiment made at Tampa.

Major Lee pointed out the apparent discrepancy in Capt. Davis's and Gen. Eagan's testimony as to the conditions under which beef was to be kept for seventy-two hours. He read Gen. Eagan's statement saying that the twenty-four hour clause must be a clerical error. Capt. Davis said:

"Gen. Eagan had simply forgotten. Probably he had not seen the contract for six months. It is not customary to depend upon memory, the contracts being on file."

The witness declared there had been discussion in the office of the Commis-sary-General on the feasibility of shipping beef on the hoof, but it had been decided not to try the experiment be-cause of the difficulty of getting ships. of landing the cattle, and of taking care of them after landing. Edward Morris, of the Chicago firm

of Morris & Co., stated that his company for ten years had been in the habit of storing canned roast beef on Staten Island for shipment to foreign or domestic points. Some of this beef in 1898 was returned to Chicago.

None of it had been sold to or rejected by a foreign government, and none had been sold abroad and condemned and sent back to the United States for American troops. The beef returned to Chicago was sold to a wholesale grocery house, which sold it to the Government, 90 per cent. going to Manila.

Charles E. Smith, of Jacksonville, Fia., who acted as agent for Armour & Co., testified that the beef delivered at Lakeland was first class. There was nothing to indicate that it had

straightforward report as the evidence WASHINGTON.

since it was made public. All sorts of

opinions are expressed concerning its

effect upon the party in next year's

campaign, but the general tendency

is that Col. Bryan only did what any

other man of spirits would have done,

in striking back at those who have

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calls for and to get some word juggling done than can be made to mean anything or nothing, according to the WASHINGTON, March 27, 1899. wishes of the reader; but there are The Bryan-Belmont correspondence men on that Court who are not in the has naturally been the principle topic habit of suppressing their conscienof conversation among Democrats tious opinions."

Another blessing of annexation has just been officially uncovered. When it was stated in Congress that the annexation of the sugar producing island would mean a speedy end of the sugar industry in the U.S. the been hitting at him for months, and rabid annexationis,s hooted at the idea. Now, an agent of the Agriculence has precipitated had to come tural Department, sent to Porto Rico anyway and that it is better to have to carefully investigate the subject, makes an official report saying that it now than next year. It is an open the sugar industry in the U. S is secret that the element of the party doomed, if Porto Rico, Cuba and the represented by Mr. Belmont, which Philippines are allowed to send bolted the regular party platform and ticket in '96, has been working to us their sugar free of duty. He says the same grade of sugar that costs 31 down Col. Bryan and to get control cents a pound to produce in the U.S. of the next National Convention of the party. Col. Bryan's friends have costs but 2 cents a pound to produce contended that men who bolted in '96 in those islands. This will be a hard and who openly threatened to bolt nut for the next Congress to crack. again in 1900, if the same platform is

Dun's Review-

Dun's Weekly Review of Trade has the following to say:

gle electoral vote that they can prom-"In business, this year cannot be tainty, even if they were allowed to compared with any other. It can be dictate both candidate and platform, said that payments through the prinand consequently that their defection cipal clearing houses for the past week will not reduce the electoral vote of have been 57.4 per cent. greater than the Democratic party by a single vote; in 1892, and 45.9 per cent. greater also that the party in every state that than in 1898, but that exaggerates the went Democratic in '96 is overwhelm- gain in some branches of business, while ing in favor of a new readoption of in others u talls far short of the gain. the principle planks of the Chicago Thus the February exports of manuplatform, next year. The discussion factured products have about doubled of this correspondence will have a since 1892. Omitting New York tendency to show whether these claims clearings, where speculation in stocks are correct or not ; also to cause the is most active, payments through the rank and file of the party to make other principal clearing houses for the sure that they are properly represent- same week show increase of 37.6 per ed in the next National convention. cent. over 1892, and 27.1 per cent. A movement has already been started over last year. But without regard to to make every delegate admitted to such details all realize that the volume that convention pledge himself to sup- of business in all branches is the port the ticket nominated and the greatest ever known. Such performances as the rise in Sugar on Thursday from \$141 to \$170 and its reaction to \$151 within an hour have not much to do with real business, but show the When they have no power to be otherwise, Republicans are always fair.

inflammable state of public feeling. Earnings of railroads for the first week of March show an increase of only 1.1 per cent. over last year, and 7.2 percent. over 1892. The tonnage movement from Chicago shows an in crease over 1882 of less than 20 per cent., with decrease last year. Earnings reported for February were smaller than are now reported in March. These are not figures on which to sell stocks, and yet they warrant no wild speculation for an advance, Prices of sixty most active railroad stocks averaged \$72.15 last week per share, and \$72 22 at the close this week, snowing a fair degree of confidence in Cur-country. There were seventeen pawn rent prices, although it is proper to tickets inside a notebook he carried. say that the speculation ran largely to There are some men in the Alger Trust stocks which advanced from

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D. D. WORMS, Bots, Grubs.

New York, March 29.-Treasurer Eugene Brewster of the \$1 Democratic Dinner Committee issued an ultimatum yesterday, declaring that he would no longer bow to the dictates of the Committee of Seven, which, he said, was trying to change the proposed Jeffersonian dinner from a silver affair to mere labor demonstration. Mr. Brewster has been having a hard time

for the past few days. When the committee found that the treasurer was not in favor of calling the affair a "Workingman's Jeffersonian Dinner" it appointed George Warner official press agent, with a view, its opponents say, to suppressing the real news. Warner did not attend to his duties satisfactorily, and on last Saturday E. B. Van Vleck, a municipal employe, was selected to succeed him. Since that date Mr. Van Vleck has occupied a chair in Treasurer Brewster's office, and has sought to prevent any news but committee news from becoming public. Treasurer Brewster was not to be

suppressed in that manner, however, and when asked to talk about the present mixed condition of affairs in regard to the dinner, he said:

There is no telling now just what will be the result of last night's meeting at Clarendon Hall. A sad mistake has been made, and the best that I can hope for is that too many of the supporters of the idea of making the dinner a silver dinner will not with-draw. If the committee wanted to change the name of the dinner it should have done so sooner. It was wrong to do so at this late date. The newly chosen name does not express the idea which prompted the organizers of the dinner in their first endeavor The public has been led to believe that

the dinner was to be a Bryan affair. and many persons have sent subscrip tions and purchased tickets for such a dinner. I now have on hand a sum of money approximating \$1,000. "Nine out of every ten of the persons who have sent me money for the dinner have done so on the understanding that it was to be a silver dinner, with Bryan present. I cannot tell whether or not Col. Bryan will attend now that the name has been changed, but I will certainly make an effort to send all this money back if the committee should ever pass any resolution to signify a change of opinion as to the

DARING MAIL ROBBER CAUGHT.

Chicago platform.

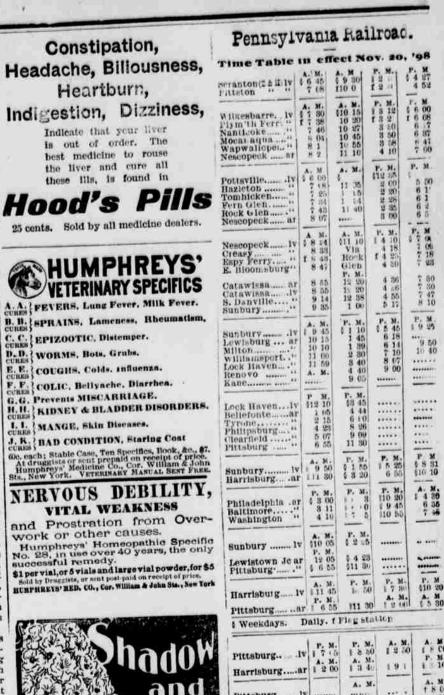
of Letters, Including Many Check Mass the Result of One Day's Work.

New York,, March 29.-By accident an expert letter box thief was caught in the act of robbery last night. Patrojman Dickerson was standing at Church street police station. There the policeman was talking to Paul Hermann of No. 40 West Twelfth stract when they saw a man take a package from the top of a letter box on the opposite corner.

He was arrested and taken to the Church street police station. There the police found in his pockets startling evidence that he had made his particular style of robbery exceedingly profitable. Checks ranging from \$6 to \$500, prom-

issory notes and a huge bundle of letters recently mailed in this city and which had not been opened were found in his pockets. The letters were addresed to firms in every part of the The prisoner gave his name as Carol Abeles, 26 years old, living at No. 126

He said he was a East Tenth street.



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TALK OF ALGER'S RETIREMENT.

More Ground for It Now Than Previously -The Ohio Election.

Washington, March 29 .- There is more ground now for crediting the reports of Secretary Alger's retirement from the Cabinet than at any prior but the signs indicate that the time, event need not be looked for immediately. The President is now getting some advice on the subject from Ohio, where there will be a governorship election next fail, and the idea of some of his advisers is that in a State where even a little scandal goes so far in a campaign the Democrats can make terribly effective use of the cry of "bad beef for the soldiers." It looks, therefore, as if Alger would find "important private business demanding his attention" about the time the Ohio campaign begins, and will draw out without any sensational performances or any outward appearance of being kicked out.

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The speech of Representative Lentz, which has been held back and "fixed up" for a belated issue of the Congressional Record, indicates the probable line of Democratic conduct of the campaign in Ohio, and Ohio must be carried at any price this year for its effect supon the Republican moral Presidential nomination next summer.

Some Pension Abuses,

Washington, March 29 .- One of the reforms which some of the honest pensioners of the government will try to press upon the next Congress is a law regarding pension attorneys, compeliing them to include in their first claims whatever their clients are entitled to, instead of nursing and pettifogging the various demands so as to string them out and collect several fees instead of one. The present practice of the shysters is to put in first a claim under the dependent act of 1890, and collect one fee, then to make a claim for the lowest pension to which the client is entitled under the particular classifica-tion within which his case falls, and collect a second fee; and then to apply for an increase under tha classification and collect a third fee. The result of this is to heap a great quantity of needless work upon the Pension Office, and thereby clog machinery which should be employed in grinding out the legitimate business.

Mr. Sherman Coming North

Norfolk, Va., March 29 .- The cruiser Chicago passed in the Capes and arrived in Hampton Roads yesterday. She is bound for Old Point Comfort, where ex-Secretary Sherman will disembark. It is anticipated that he will be sent to his home in Washington aboard the regular steamer of the Washington Line. The condition of ex-Secretary Sher-

man is improved.

taken to prevent a complete list of the

A case in point is the distribution of

the Senate patronage. When the

Republicans were in the minority

they thought the plan of dividing the

patronage of the Senate among Demo-

crats, Republicans and Populists, in

proportion to the strength of each in

Senate, as just right, as it unquestion-

ably was. But now, having a majority

of the Senate, they have undergone a

change of mind and are advocating a

change that will give them entire con-

trol of the Senate patronage, and with-

out waiting for a change to be form-

ally adopted Democratic employes are

being dismissed to make places for

eight or ten men getting published.

Sherman alive and his attitude in at Mifflin, and the others along the Ohio politics uncertain, neither Hanna river shore, between Mexico and nor McKinley would wish the administration to stand sponser for any praise of the man they had forced out of the Senate and out of the Cabinet. Telegrams were sent requesting that the eulogy be suppressed.

Military officers who have closely Court of Inquiry say the verdict is bound to support the charges made by Gen. Miles. One prominent officer said : "I dont see how the Court can do anything else but report that every charge made by Gen. Miles was justified, and I expect it to go further and fix the responsibility upon Alger and Eagan. I know that great presure will be brought to bear to prevent such a

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party, now on the way to Cuba, that are ashamed of being with him, or per share. The punishment of short per share. The punishment of short trian passport was in his possession. The detectives worked for several else he has some along that he is sellers in Sugar was but one of the in- hours with Abeles, and finally got a ashamed of, as particular pains were cidents in a market naturally strong.

A. F. Heinkles, of near Lewistown, has a collection of 50c arrow heads, purloin letters by a friend. Secretary Hay had a bad spell when ranging from the midget, less than it was learned that the report of Ex- one-half inch in length, to the large Secretary Sherman's death was talse. ones four inches long ; spear heads of the He had caused copies of an article all sizes ; several skinning knives ; five highly eulogizing the public career of little axes and seven tomahawks. The Sherman to be sent to a number of greater number of the relics was the big newspapers. He isn't much of found by Mr. Heinkles along the a politician, but he knew that with shores of the Juniata, about the island

Thompsontown.

A Letter to Mrs. Pinkham Brought Health to Mrs. Archambo.

[LETTER TO MRS. PINKHAM NO. 42.305] " DEAR MRS. PINKHAM-For two

years I felt tired and so weak and dizzy that some days I could hardly go followed the testimony taken by the around the house. Backache and headache all the time and my food would not digest and had such pains in the womb and troubled with leucorrhoa and kidneys were affected.

"After birth of each child I grew weaker, and hearing so much of the good you had done, I wrote to you and have taken six bottles of Lydin E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, one box of Lozenges, one box of Liver Pills, one package of Sanative Wash, and to day I am feeling as well as I ever did. When I get up in the morning I feel as fresh as I did when a girl and eat and sleep well and do all of my work. If ever I feel weak again shall know where to get my strength. 1 know your medicine cured me."-MRS. SALINA ARCHAMBO, CHARLEMONT, MASS.

The present Mrs. Pinkham's experience in treating female ills is unparalleled; for years she worked side by side with Mrs. Lydin E. Pinkham, and for sometime past has had sole charge of the correspondence department of her great business, treating by letter as many as a hundred thousand ailing women a year. All women who suffer are invited to write to Mrs. Pinkham at Lynn, Mass., for advice, which will be promptly given without charge.

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confession from him. He said he had been robbing mail boxes for three weeks, and had been taught how to

His method and the sort of wire instruments he used in drawing the letters through the drop near the top of mail boxes the police, last night, refused to disclose. They said they had no wish to enlighten other thieves on the subject of robbing mail boxes Abeles's system evidently was a good one, for he said that all of the plunder found in his possession last night, except the promissory notes, was the itsult of one day's work. The police say that either Abeles is

a scapegoat for some one else or is one of the cleverest criminals they have come across in a long time. Many de-tectives went to look at him in the police station last night, but no one recognized him. Inquiries will be made in Vienna and

through Hungary if the police fail to find anything concerning his antece-dents in this city. They think he is too clever a thief to have been at work only three weeks.

A photograph of a young and handme woman was found in Abele's in-"Next my side waistcoat pocket. heart" he said, with a faint smile, as the detectives took it from him. The photograph was taken in Vienna.

In the prisoner's notebook opposite the pawn tickets was written what the police say is Abeles's motto and rule conduct. It reads: God helps those that help them-

selves.

Wages Increased,

Philadelphia, March 29.-Isaac Sheppard & Company, iron founders, have notified their employes, nearly 200 in number, of an increase in wages, beginning next week. An advance of 19 per cent, will be made on the piece prices of moulding, and an advance of per cent. will be made on the piece

price of stove moulding. Excter, N. H., March 29 .- The cutdown of 10 per cent. made in the wages of the employes of the Exeter Cotton Mills in January, 1898, has been re-The Excter Manufacturing stored. Company, which controls the mills, has six hundred hands on its pay-roll.

Returning Dead from Cuba.

New York, March 29 .- The United States transport Crook arrived here today from Cuba and Porto Rico, bringing the bodies of more than 500 soldiers and sailors, volunteers and regulars, who died from wounds or disease in' those islands since the beginning of the

war with Spain. When the Crook arrived all government buildings and forts displayed flags at half-mast and Fort Wads-worth fired a salute. The ship docked at the foot of Pacific street, Brooklyn.

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