

WASHINGTON.

From our Regular Correspondent. Washington, May 1, 1899. "Like master like man." Secretary Alger's fight upon Gen. Miles has mostly been of an underhanded nature, so it is not very surprising that the report of the Military Court of Inquiry, now in Mr. McKinley's hands, should seek to make its attack upon Gen. Miles seem fair by jumping on a few minor commissary officers and recommending that they be court-martialed for neglecting their duty in connection with the beef supplied to the army—a neglect that the report says was extremely profitable to the beef contractors. This thing isn't done with Gen. Miles was completely vindicated by the evidence taken and he intends to keep on fighting until his vindication is officially recognized, and he has been assured of support by prominent men in Congress, some of them Republicans. He has known from the first that the personal enmity of two men connected with the Court of Inquiry would have prevented his getting fair treatment, even with Secretary Alger's influence against him left out of consideration.

Political pull was stronger with Mr. McKinley than his friendship with General Joe Wheeler; consequently "Fighting Joe's" application for active service in the Philippines was turned down, and that eminent political warrior, Fred. Grant, chosen as one of the three Brigadier Generals that are to be sent to the Philippines at once; the other two being Bates, who has just been detached from the command of the Santa Clara province, Cuba, and Young, who has been supervising the mustering out of volunteers in the South. Gen. Wheeler has repeatedly said that he would resign his commission if he could not get active service, but it is stated that he is to be offered command of the Department of Texas, which is to be revived. If Gen. Wheeler accepts this command, it will be an indication that there is something in the story of his expecting to be appointed Brigadier General in the regular army.

Things are far from being satisfactory in Porto Rico. Thirty-nine deaths from starvation have been officially reported from a single province since the free government rations were suspended, and 100,000 are reported to be continuously hungry. It is proposed by the Red Cross to establish depots in the large cities for the sale of Porto Rican products for the benefit of the poor on the island. The stuff will be given by Porto Rican planters and merchants and brought to the United States free by the Porto Rican Steamship Co., if this government will allow them to be brought in without payment of duty.

In deciding to reprimand Capt. Coghlan, of the cruiser Raleigh, because he told a story that was published all over the world nearly a year ago, in what he supposed to be the privacy of a club room, in New York, Secretary Long and the administration added nothing to their popularity. It looks too much like trucking to the German Government to please the average American. It was unnecessary for Secretary Hay to have taken the proper stand in telling the German Ambassador, when he called at the State Department to make a protest, in the name of his government, that Capt. Coghlan had spoken as an individual at a private gathering of friends, and with no expectation that what he said was to be published, and that this government would take no official cognizance of the matter, if the Navy Department was to punish Capt. Coghlan. It looked too much like Secretary Hay made a bluff for public consumption, and then privately assured the German Ambassador that Capt. Coghlan would be punished. That doesn't square with the American idea of straightforwardness. If that sort of thing is kept up our army and navy officers will be afraid to talk among their friends, until each of them has been sworn not to give his remarks to a newspaper.

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given a straight tip from headquarters not to become a candidate for the Speakership of the House, because Boss Hanna had decided that the administration could not afford to put an Ohio man in that position. The talk about Grovenor having decided not to become a candidate because he thought Ohio was already sufficiently provided with big political honors is all bosh. It was a case of Hanna, not diffidence.

Surely, Alger is surely to be pitted now! Jay Hubbell, of Michigan, whose political methods were too bad even for the Republican party, whose notorious connection with the forced assessing of government employes in the Garfield campaign, when Hubbell was at the head of the Republican Congressional Campaign Committee, has not been forgotten, floated into Washington last week and gave Alger a public endorsement, through a newspaper interview. Of course, Hubbell endorses Alger; they are birds of a feather, but among decent people his endorsement does more harm than would his condemnation. By the way, it has been much commented upon that Alger was the only member of the Cabinet in Washington who did not accompany the Presidential party that went to Philadelphia to see the Grant monument unveiled. It is said that Mr. McKinley did not ask him.

Unveiling Hartranft Statue at Harrisburg. Special Rates Via Philadelphia and Reading Railway.

The equestrian statue of General John F. Hartranft at Harrisburg will be unveiled with appropriate ceremonies on May 12, 1899. President McKinley and members of his cabinet, General Miles and numerous other distinguished persons have accepted invitations to be present and the President will make a speech. Among the participants in the parade (one of the important features of the ceremonies) will be members of the Ninth Army Corps (Commanded during part of the Civil War by General Hartranft) numerous Grand Army Posts and other Veteran Organizations and a provisional brigade of the National Guard of Pennsylvania.

For the convenience of those desiring to attend the Philadelphia & Reading Railway will sell excursion tickets at the special rate of Single Fare for the Round Trip with a minimum of twenty-five cents. Tickets to be sold and good going May 10, 11 and 12 and good to return until May 13 1899 inclusive.

Business of the Week

Dun & Company's Mercantile Agency report the business of the past week thus: "All elements considered, it is rather surprising that business has not been set back a little. The uncertainty about Samoa and the prolonging of difficulty in the Philippines might have counted for something, the rising imports and falling exports for something, the rise in foreign exchange by some attributed to foreign sales of copper stocks, and the hindrance of manufacturing orders owing to the recent advance in prices. But there has been full faith that foreign difficulties would soon be cleared away, and the movement in exchange is generally connected with speculative rather than legitimate operations since accounts of trade still indicate a large excess of exports. After every rise in prices manufacturers have to consider whether hindered consumption will make them difficult, but the confidence with which combinations are formed and extended still shows prevailing belief that no danger point is near.

Timothy and Clover.

Timothy and clover have been seeded on the same land, as a rule, ever since they became known, but, as they do not mature at the same time, it is a mistake to grow them together if some other grass can be substituted for the timothy to sow with the clover. Orchard grass blossoms at the same time as clover, and as it is a grass that seldom fails, grows rapidly and is relished by stock, it should receive more consideration than is given it. It grows in tussocks, but that should be no objection, as it yields well and is adapted to nearly all soils.

Bill Nye's Opinion.

Bill Nye after spoke his witticisms laden with the greatest truth. Among the most appropos is the following: "A man may use a wart on the back of his neck for a collar button; ride on the back coach of a train to save the interest on his money; leave his 'it' or 'it' without dot or cross to save ink; but a man of this kind is a gentleman and a scholar compared to a fellow who will take a newspaper, and when asked to pay for it, put it in the office and have it marked 'refused.'"

LISTENING TO THE PREACHER.

No Sermon Can be Heard Aright Unless the Hearer Gives His Whole Strength. "If it be difficult to some people to listen, it is ten times harder for other people to follow, for it is evident a person may listen and not follow," writes Ian Maclaren, of "The Art of Listening to a Sermon," in the May Ladies' Home Journal. "Very few are accustomed to think about the same thing, or indeed to think about anything, for thirty minutes; after a brief space their interest flags and they have long ago lost the thread of the preacher's argument and have almost forgotten his subject. The sermon which suits such a desultory mind is one of twenty paragraphs, each paragraph an anecdote or an illustration or a startling idea, so that wherever the hearer joins in he can be instantly at home. Sensible people ought, however, to remember that a series of amusing lantern-slides and a work of severe art are not the same, and if any one is to expound the Gospel of Christ worthily he must reason as he goes and ask his hearers to think. The chain may be of gold, but there ought to be links securely fastened together, and a hearer should try them as they pass through his hands. If one does not brace himself for the effort of hearing a sermon he will almost certainly finish up by complaining either that the preacher was dull or that the discourse was disconnected. No sermon is worth hearing into which the preacher has not put his whole strength, and no sermon can be heard aright unless the hearer gives his whole strength also."

Ancient Roman Women of Great Wealth.

Lollia Paulina wore emeralds and pearls amounting to \$1,680,000. She was the wife of Emperor Caligula. The half-witted tyrant fed his horse gilded oats from a marble manger. Faustina wore \$200,000 worth. Domitia wore \$300,000 worth. Kalsonia wore \$400,000 worth. Poppaea wore a ring worth \$750,000.

Calponia, wife of Caesar, wore a ring worth \$1,500,000. Marie de Medici wore emeralds and pearls, so many and heavy that at the last moment she could not wear them at the baptism of her children.

Women in Rome made their living by healing the ears of the dames wearing pendants so heavy with pearls.

A Duke of Burgundy wore jewelry worth \$200,000, and people climbed on each other to get to see him.

Reduced Rates to Harrisburg

Via Pennsylvania Railroad, Account Unveiling Hartranft Monument.

On account of the unveiling of the Hartranft Monument at Harrisburg, Pa., May 12, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company has arranged to sell excursion tickets from all stations on its line in the state of Pennsylvania, to Harrisburg and return, at rate of single fare for the round trip, minimum rate twenty-five cents. Tickets will be sold on May 10, 11 and 12, and will be good to return until May 13, inclusive, but will not be valid for passage on Pennsylvania Limited.

An Ohio Judge's Decision.

An Ohio judge has decided that a glass eye, kept from the knowledge of the lover until after marriage, is no ground for divorce. And now that judge is besieged with requests from would-be beneficiaries as to whether wooden legs and other artificial parts of the human anatomy, so well used to deceive their sweet hearts, would be cause for divorce after marriage. It is impossible that the judge will decide that everything goes but wooden legs, rubber necks and marble hearts.

The Raleigh Speaks.

Out there in Manila Bay, Capt. Coghlan banged away, Loaded up his gun and fired just as if he was inspired; And he was, too, like as not, Dewey done it, that was what. Anyhow, he fired away, All around Manila Bay, With the others shouting, too; Regular Red, White and Blue Celebration, Hip! Hooray! Whoop! La! Ta ra boom de ay! When our Jacks were through with it, Every Spanish ship was "hit"; Gone to meet McGinty, they, Down there in Manila Bay, Never had the Orient Known exactly what it meant; To say that things had gone bent; And the sighs they saw that day All around Manila Bay, Gave the people something new In "Oriental splendor, too. Then Dewey, in his quiet way, Took a mortgage on the Bay; Took it, and he held it, too, Though there was a party who Put up something of a bluff; Not a big one, but enough, Dewey called it saying "Nix"; Was it lost with Diederichs? Coghlin wasn't far away, And his brothers in the Bay Stood alongside, one and all, Ready for the word "Play ball"; Happily it did not come, But, if it had, you bet, by gum— However that is past and gone, And we've put our peace clothes on; The incident is closed, and we Are now engaged on harmony. Coghlin told the story; He Didn't think lese-majesty Was in force here; he had not Well considered "Mich und Gott"; If he were a diplomat, He would know where he was at, But he isn't; all he knows Is to go where Dewey goes; Is to put old glory where It should go, and keep it there; Is to do his duty well, Which means to him to fight like h—, And Raleigh's crew all yell: "Hurrah for Coghlin, plain and loud! The Raleigh's skipper; he's hot stuff!" NEW YORK SUN.

Take a Guess at It.

People who have nothing else in particular to do are guessing on the census next year. Low water mark is 75,000,000, and few go above 80,000,000 in their estimates. The official figures for 1890 were 62,622,250, while ten years before they were partly official and partly estimated, about 50,000,000. At the same rate of increase during the present decade as prevailed through the preceding one, the figures of 1900 would be 76,515,591.

The custom of shaking hands, which is the most common among civilized nations, comes undoubtedly from remote barbarism, when two men meeting gave each other their weapon-hands as a security against treachery.

Good players on the harp are said to be the scarcest of all music performers.

Sick Women Advised to Seek Advice of Mrs. Pinkham.

"I had inflammation and falling of the womb, and inflammation of ovaries, and was in great pain. I took medicine prescribed by a physician, but it did me no good. At last I heard of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and after using it faithfully I am thankful to say I am a well woman. I would advise all suffering women to seek advice of Mrs. Pinkham."—Mrs. G. H. CHAPPELL, GRANT PARK, ILL.

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