

WASHINGTON.

From our Regular Correspondent. Washington, May 29, 1899. That another very serious mistake was made by the administration when it instructed the American delegates to the Czar's disarmament conference, now sitting at the Hague, to join the British delegates in working to secure an agreement of the nations represented for international arbitration, is believed by many close students of international politics. Should such an agreement be entered into the United States would be likely to get the worst of every question submitted to arbitration that affects European interests, for the very simple reason that the majority of the arbitrators would necessarily be European, possessing the natural prejudice that every man feels against the inhabitants of another hemisphere. Senator Stewart, whose wide experience in public life and close study of history makes his opinion entitled to consideration, says that we will live to deeply regret it, if we enter any arbitration agreement with the European nations; that every decision under such an agreement would certainly be anti-American, and that we will be all the time fighting a hostile combination, from which we can expect neither justice or fairplay.

Ex-Gov. Evans, of South Carolina, who has just returned from Cuba, where he was serving on the staff of Gen. Ludlow, who is in command of the city of Havana, hasn't a high opinion of the Cubans. He says the talk about the patriotism of the Cuban soldiers is all bosh; that there is no such thing in existence; that, with few exceptions, they were actuated by desire for plunder and to hold office. He also says that Coxey's army was a band of aristocratic gentlemen by comparison with the followers of Gomez, and that it would be a far greater crime against civilization to allow these men to control the island than it would have been to have left in the Spaniards in control, and that property owners over there are unanimous for annexation.

Secretary Wilson, of the Department of Agriculture, who has just returned from a southern trip, is inclined to grow enthusiastic over what he believes will be accomplished by the Southern people in the near future. He says, among other interesting things, that they will in the course of time grow all the tea consumed in this country and manufacture practically all the cotton they grow, and of the people: "The universal sentiment in the South, so far as I could observe, was that they welcome every northern man of education, enterprise or means."

John Sherman has stirred up the administration once more. On his way to Ohio he gave out an interview, at Pittsburg, which caused a sensation in administration circles, when it was telegraphed to Washington. The old man jumped on the Philippine policy of the administration with both feet, so to speak, declaring it to be wrong from beginning to end, or at least, to where it has got. Mr. McKinley fears that this interview will do the Republicans much harm in Ohio, and is trying to bring influence to bear upon Mr. Sherman to get him to repudiate it outright, or, if he cannot be made to go that far, to say that what he said was exaggerated by the reporter.

Notwithstanding official denials everything points to the correctness of the press reports from Manila, stating that there is a clash between the military and civilian members of the Philippine Commission as to how the Filipinos should be dealt with. In the first place, these statements had not been absolutely correct they would not have been allowed to pass the strict censorship at Manila. It is stated, upon good authority, that this clash was of such a serious nature that General Otis appealed to Mr. McKinley, and intimated as strongly as a military man may with propriety to the commander-in-chief of the

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army, that unless he was sustained in the controversy he would ask to be relieved of duty in the Philippines. It is understood that Mr. McKinley decided to uphold Otis, and that was why the official denial of any clash of authority in the Commission was given out.

Although two of the Speakership candidates—Hopkins, of Illinois, and Sherman, of New York—are in Washington, as well as numerous other politicians, politics had to take a back seat last week to give the people a chance to enjoy the three-day Peace Jubilee, which closed last Friday night with a mammoth concert in Convention Hall. Everybody, from President to the humblest individual, have tired themselves out with parades on three successive days, fire works on a big scale for three successive nights, trotting around to see the sights, which included some of the handsomest decorations ever put up in Washington, and they are doubtless better off than if the time had been spent in discussing Speakership possibilities.

Profit in Onion Growing. A Bucks county farmer last year tried the experiment of growing onions and the result was that his crop from a single acre realized \$400 for him. This fact has been widely published in the newspapers of the state, and the suggestion is made that herein the farmers of Pennsylvania have a ready means at their hand to recover their old time prosperity. All this is good advice if it was possible to limit the onion crop within reasonable bounds. The man already spoken of realized his big price because his crop was marketed under normal conditions and when the supply was limited. But if all the farmers in Pennsylvania shall go into onion growing, each putting out one or more acres, the prospect that they will realize at the rate of \$400 per acre will prove very illusory.

It is true that in special crops the farmers must hereafter look for their profits, but there are many such, and all should be taken in a reasonable way and not all should rush into one, which would result in bringing it down to the level of the rest. There are various new fields into which the energies of our farmers can be directed with excellent prospects of success.

Fearless Anna Long. Bellefonte News: On the north fork of Marsh creek lives Mrs. Anna Long, who supports herself and her demented husband on a little farm of twenty acres, which she cleared, and now cultivates with her own hands. She is a robust, fearless woman. During the past winter she shot three wild cats which she caught molesting her chickens, and along toward Spring was awakened one night by her dogs, which were making a terrible racket. She investigated and found them fighting a large panther, which she dispatched with her trusty Winchester. The skins of the three wild cats and that of the panther are now used as a bed for her children.

Fruit as Food. Stone fruit and berries are admirable articles of food. They are of themselves sufficient to cure many diseases and to restore the system to its normal condition. A person suffering with a fever often feels an intense desire for juicy fruits and berries, and with them cools the blood and calms the heated brain. The severest cases of chronic diseases may often be permanently cured by a fruit diet. Rheumatism, gout, acrobatus, scrofula, and consumption, all of which have their origin chiefly in a fatty and diseased condition of the blood, are greatly relieved by this method of treatment.

Gold Brick Shavings. Talk about having a gold mine! It is said that an Italian who occupies the position of "boss" to 500 of his countrymen who are working in the western part of Pennsylvania receives \$100 a day for filling that position. Railroad-men say that every one of the 500 pays him 20 cents a day for securing them the job and looking after his interest. Reads like a fairy tale, but it is said to be strictly true.

An Obliging Postmaster. It is thought that the most obliging postmaster in the state of Missouri, lives at Bethel. He recently put a telephone in his office, and announced that for the benefit of those out-of-town patrons who are connected by wire and who may desire it, he will open their letters and will read the contents to them over the 'phone.

A Great Head. An Omaha preacher has hit upon a scheme that will effectually wipe out the high hat nuisance in his church. He will make a division, putting the women on one side and the men on the other, with the exception that women who take off their hats may sit with the men. It is a great head dominie is wearing!

STRAY PARAGRAPHS.

—Always on the wing—feathers. —The least a man can say about himself is "I". —Scott says: "that every man has his lights and shades." We are not so certain about the shades, but there is no liver without lights. —The idler, the lounger, the spectator and the rambler are all classical works, but many a fellow is all those characters in one—and yet is no student at all.

—A certain resident of town says that he gives no heed to what we say, that our words go in at one ear and out the other. We have no doubt of it. Things pass easily through a vacuum. —A fellow who has taken our paper for two years without ever paying a farthing for it, threatens to be our "patron" no longer. He has been just such a patron as a rat is to a corn crib, or a cat to a pot of cream.

—We advise you girls, when dashing young fellows make love to you, never to believe that they really love you, until they conclusively prove it by committing suicide on your account.

—A partisan candidate in one of our western states says, "that he expects soon to attend the tattered garments of the opposite party to the tomb of oblivion". We suppose he will think himself highly honored walking in procession to the funeral obsequies of a suit of old clothes.

—It is very provoking to see how constantly certain editors are in the habit of stealing the best articles they can find in their exchanges. They should at least be content to pilfer second or third rate matter. Their betters would probably have no objection to setting apart something for their use.

AN ATLANTIC STEAMSHIP'S LARDER. Two and a Half Tons of Butter, Twenty Thousands and Eggs, Thousands of Oysters.

"One tidy little refrigerator about six feet wide and twice that depth is the buttermilk's stall in this market under the sea," writes Helen C. Candee, in telling of the "Housekeeping on an Ocean Steamship," in the June Ladies' Home Journal. "Little tubs of butter are arranged on shelves to the amount of five thousand pounds, and in company with these are twenty thousand eggs. Twenty-five hundred quarts of milk and cream are stored in a separate room, all having been sterilized. This market has a room especially for salt meats, and here are hams, bacon and tongues to the amount of four thousand pounds. There are some articles of food without which the epicure would be unhappy, and which must be alive when cooked. Chief among these are oysters, of which sixteen thousand are carried to meet the wants of the passengers. Clams are only provided to the number of fifteen hundred. Lobsters are not abundantly supplied; seven hundred pounds is all the storehouse shelters. This market in the bottom of the ship contains, beside the things mentioned, fruits, green vegetables and an enormous stock of groceries. The latter is only limited by space, for groceries are not perishable goods and will keep from one voyage to another until used. Tea and coffee are used in large amounts—about thirty-three pounds a day of tea and fifty pounds of coffee. Perishable supplies are taken on board in proportion to the number of passengers booked, and anything of this kind which is left over when the ship reaches port is eaten by the crew.

A country editor who died of starvation was being escorted to heaven by an angel who had been sent out for that purpose, says an exchange. "May I look at the other place before we ascend to eternal happiness?" "Easily," said the angel. So they went below and skirmished around, taking in the sights. The angel lost track of the editor and went around hedges to hunt him. He found him sitting by a furnace fanning himself and gazing with rapture upon a lot of people in the fire. There was a sign on the furnace which said: "Delinquent Subscribers." "Come," said the angel, "we must be going." "You go on," said the editor, "I'm not coming. This is heaven enough for me."

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Talk of the Day.

An English ethnologist says that the name McKinley is of Hebrew origin. "Mac" is Scottish for the Hebrew word "Ben," "son." Kinley, originally "Konley," is a compound of the Hebrew "Cohen," priest, and "Levi," the Levite. Alger, whose name's first syllable is recognized by any one that ever looked into his dictionary for the interpretation of a term of Arabic origin: probably belongs to the Ger-Shornites, one of the chief branches of the Levites, part of whom were dispersed with the lost tribe of Israel.

"The Kansas City Journal" says: "John Pevery, a commercial traveler whose home is in Wichita, enjoys the peculiar distinction of being a second cousin to both Abraham Lincoln and Jefferson Davis. Mr. Pevery's grandfather was first cousin to Lincoln's father, and his grandmother was first cousin to Davis' rather. Thus, while these great chieftains were in no wise related, Mr. Pevery has blood kinship with both. He is as tall and angular as Lincoln."

A story is told of an old Arizona prospector who, after thirty years of bad luck, hardship and privation, finally "struck it rich" a few weeks ago in the vicinity of Flagstaff, and sold a half-interest in his "prospect hole" for \$12,000 cash. When the money was paid over to him at the bank the cashier, who had known him for a long time, remarked casually: Well, Bill, what are you going to do to make yourself comfortable and enjoy life, now you've got plenty of money? Bill thought a minute in silence, and then, as a pleased expression brightened on his rugged face, he answered: "I reckon I won't eat nothin' but canned stuff hereafter." That was his idea of luxury. He had lived so long on salt pork and heavy biscuits of his own manufacture that canned corned beef and tomatoes and salmon represented to him the highest luxuries "that life could afford."

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