

WASHINGTON.

From our Regular Correspondent.

Washington, Aug. 21, 1899. Frequenters of the War Department, which continues to be the busiest of them all, are reminded by the present situation of the adage about the difficulty of teaching old dogs new tricks. There's a new head to the department, but the machinery is just the same as it was during the Alger regime, and there is the same disinclination to tell the public anything that can be hid. Although it is well known that more men have already been enlisted than will fill the original announced number of Philippine regiments of volunteers, and that enlistments are still being made as rapidly as possible, War Department officials say that no official decision has been made to increase the number of regiments, and that no additional call for volunteers is likely. This is nothing more than quibbling. It is so certain that more regiments will be organized that lists of their officers have been made out. As to issuing a new call for volunteers, none is necessary to continue the recruiting up to the limit fixed by Congress—35,000 men. As a matter of fact, no call was issued when the present recruiting was begun—a simple order of the Secretary of War was issued.

Senator Clay expresses the belief that there will be an anti-expansion Republican presidential ticket in the field next year, and that such men as Tom Reed and Ex-Secretary of the Treasury Boutwell, of Massachusetts, will support it, and that its vote in New England will be large enough to throw the electoral votes of those states to the Democrats.

That nearly all of the negroes' trouble has its origin in bad advice, given sometime thoughtlessly, and not a few times with the malicious intention to make trouble, is well known to those who have taken the time to study the race problem. A Washington lawyer deserves a place among the bad advisers of the negro. He stated in an argument in defence of a negro who was charged with being disorderly and found guilty and fined; that his client would have been justified had he shot the policeman who arrested him. If some negro desperado who heard that statement should kill the first officer who attempted to arrest him for some petty crime, wouldn't that lawyer be an accessory to the murder?

The administration crowd is really becoming alarmed at the extent of the "nigger" animosity to Mr. McKinley, and the word has been passed around to the "nigger" officeholders to whoop it up for the administration at every turn, and especially to try to counteract the anti-McKinley talk at the gathering, in Chicago, to be known as the Afro-American Council. The negro voters of Ohio have it in their power to make it impossible for the McKinley-Hanna candidate for Governor to be elected; consequently, they are being "jollied" by everybody connected with the administration, but some of those "niggers" are just smart enough to make it plain that an office with a good salary attachment is the only sort of a jolly they will take from the administration.

The revival of the story alleging the intention of Ex-Czar Reed to remain in Congress and lead the fight against expansion, on the floor of the House, probably had no more substantial basis than a desire to worry those Republicans, who for one or another reason, welcome his retirement from Congress. Even if he remained in the House, he would not lead the fight on imperialism; that patriotic duty will be performed by a Democrat.

Representative Bankhead, of Alabama, was in Washington last week. He was indignant because of a publication several days ago alleging that he attended an anti-Bryan meeting at Saratoga. Speaking of it, he said:

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The Sampson clique, taking advantage of the absence of Mr. McKinley and Secretary Long, is again scheming to get orders issued by the Navy Department for Sampson's squadron to go to sea to meet Admiral Dewey and escort him into New York harbor. Sampson isn't satisfied with his attempt to rob Schley of honors bravely won, but has the nerve to try to share in the honors that will be bestowed on Dewey, and unless the clique is called down by Mr. McKinley or Secretary Long, he may succeed in getting the desired orders. Already Acting Secretary Allen has ordered Sampson to prepare plans for the participation of the navy in the reception of Dewey.

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Takes Place of Wheat. The Nut is used Considerably by Foreigners as a Food.

We have little idea in this country to what a considerable extent the nut is used for food in a few foreign lands. Our consuls have been sending information on this subject from far and wide, and the facts here given are condensed from a number of these reports. We are trying to teach foreign nations that Indian corn is an excellent article of food, but most of the European peasantry still believe that maize is fit only to fatten hogs and beef cattle. Many of these same persons sit down to a dish of steamed chestnuts with much relish, and are content if they have nothing else, which shows that tastes differ.

Throughout France, from the Bay of Biscay to Switzerland, there are large plantations and almost forests of chestnut trees. The nuts are very large, resemble the American horse chestnuts, and are extensively eaten by the peasantry and animals. In the fall and winter the poor often make two meals a day on chestnuts. They are steamed and eaten with salt or milk, and physicians say they are wholesome, hearty, nutritious and fattening. In some parts of France walnuts also are a regular article of diet, but they are losing ground as an article of food because of their comparative scarcity. Walnuts are also used to make oil, and the convicts in some prisons are employed cracking the nuts and picking out the kernels, from which the oil is expressed.

Almonds grow well in the middle and southern parts of France, and while the shell is soft, green and tender, the nut is sold largely as a table article. The meat is white and creamy. Hazelnuts are always high priced and are a luxury. The peanut is rarely eaten in France, though the taste for it is growing. It is imported in enormous quantity for its oil. A few years ago there was a good deal of talk about the merits of bread made of peanut flour, and it was thoroughly tested in the German army, where for a little while it was a part of the ration issued to a number of regiments. It was declared to be a too highly concentrated and an irritating sort of food, and the soldiers didn't like it. The use of peanut flour was accordingly discontinued.

In Italy almonds are eaten while green or soft as dessert by the well to do, but the poor cannot afford them. Chestnuts are the only nuts that enter into the regular diet of the people. Almonds, filberts and walnuts are more of a luxury, and are served as dessert or with wine at social gatherings.

The chestnut almost takes the place in Corea that the potato occupies in the Western world. It is used raw, boiled, roasted, cooked with meat and in other ways. In Syria nuts are not a part of the regular diet, but enter into the composition of some popular native dishes. "Nuts in this country," writes our consul of Alexandria, "may be classed as a luxury, for use as dessert and for consumption by the natives at right just before going to bed."

Uncle Haicede—"I have lived in this here house over twenty year come next September."

Fresh Air Boy—"Chee! How do youse get out of payin' de rent?"—Indianapolis Journal.

She—"Do you really and truly love me, Arthur?" He—"Yes, really and truly? You may ask what proof you will, dearest—not exceeding \$20!"—Hithere, Well.

ONE OF OUR HEROES. An Instance of the Splendid Courage and Loyalty of Uncle Sam's Soldiers.

The brightest page in the history of any war, perhaps, that which records the thoughtfulness of the officers and the faithfulness of their men—qualities which, when conjoined, make a regiment an almost irresistible force. In "The Story of the Rough Riders," Edward Marshall tells how, when Capt. McClintock was wounded, one of his troopers came and lay down beside him.

"You'd better get out of this," said McClintock. "It's too hot." "Don't worry, captain," the man replied. "I'm between you and the firing line."

McClintock, touched as he was by this exhibition of the man's devotion, still wanted him to get away. He urged him to leave. The man refused. Finally McClintock said: "I'm your captain, and I order you to go. You are doing no good to anyone but me. This is no place for a wall man. I order you."

STRANGE MARRIAGE CUSTOM. Spendthrift Spinners Were Able to Avoid Their Debt Liabilities by Foregoing Finery.

It was an old idea that a husband whose wife at her marriage was clothed only in a sheet or in the most elementary linen garment was not in any way liable for the debts previously contracted by her, says the writer of "Love and Legend of the English Church." Our parish registers and local traditions give us ample illustration of this quaint idea. At Chiltern, All Saints' Wiltshire, is the following entry: "John Bridmore and Annie Selwood was married Oct. 17, 1714. The aforesaid Annie Selwood was married in her smock without any clothes or headgear on." Similar cases occurred at Gorton Green in 1738, at Ashton-under-Lyne in 1771 and at Otley in 1808. Avis' Birmingham Gazette for 1797 vouches for an extraordinary story, according to which a bride disrobed in the vestry and appeared at the altar without even the amount of clothing worn by the ladies in the above cases.

The latest example of which the present writer knows comes from Lincolnshire. The register of Gedney has this commonplace entry: "Dec. 2, 1842. David Wilkinson, full age, bachelor, laborer, of Gedney, to Susan Farrar, full age, widow, of Gedney." Local tradition supplements this brief account by relating that the bride was dressed in a sheet stitched about her, with holes cut for the passage of her bare arms.

Our Fish Industry at Paris. It has been decided that the fisheries and forestry exhibit of the United States at the Paris exposition shall be utilitarian only. An exhibit of natural fish will be avoided, but tinned, preserved and dried fish and fishing tackle will make the department of forestry and fisheries one of the most attractive sections in the United States division of the exposition.

Foe of the Trained Nurse. A German journal is authority for the statement that two-thirds of the trained nurses actively engaged acquire and die of tuberculosis.

Smallpox in London. Only one death from smallpox has been registered in London during the past 12 months.

Mrs. Col. Richardson Saved by Mrs. Pinkham.

"You have saved my life, snatched me from the brink of the grave almost, and I wish to thank you. About eighteen months ago I was a total wreck, physically. I had been troubled with leucorrhoea for some time, but had given hardly any attention to the trouble. At last inflammation of the womb and ovaries resulted and then I suffered agonies, had to give up my profession (musician and piano player), was confined to my bed and life became a terrible cross. My husband summoned the best physicians, but their benefit was but temporary at best. I believe I should have contracted the morphia habit under their care, if my common sense had not intervened. One day my husband noticed the advertisement of your remedies and immediately bought me a full trial. Soon the pain in my ovaries was gone. I am now well, strong and robust, walk, ride a wheel, and feel like a girl in her teens. I would not be without Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound; it is like water of life to me. I am very grateful and sincerely your well-wisher, and I heartily recommend your remedies. I hope some poor creature may be helped to health by reading my story."—MRS. COL. E. P. RICHARDSON, RHINELANDER, Wis.

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Table with columns for stations and train times for the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad.

Table with columns for stations and train times for the Philadelphia & Reading Railway.

Table with columns for stations and train times for the Atlantic City Division.

Pennsylvania Railroad. Time Table in effect May 21, '99.

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