

WASHINGTON.

From our Regular Correspondent. Washington, Oct. 2, 1899. Unless Mr. McKinley exhibits a little more backbone than usual, his party managers are going to compel him to drag Admiral Dewey along with him on the stumping tour upon which he is to start next week.

The administration is very glad of the Dewey excitement, which is now at white heat. It serves to distract public attention from the humiliating fact that the Filipinos, who have no navy, succeeded in sinking a U. S. gunboat and killing and capturing its entire crew, within 25 miles of the city of Manila.

If the Cubans all feel as strongly concerning the action of Gen. Ludlow, in pushing aside the civil authorities in Havana and putting an end to a labor strike by arbitrary military authority, as Gen. Carlos Garcia, who is now in Washington, does, there is danger ahead. When the news of Ludlow's action reached Washington, Gen. Garcia sent Ludlow a telegram saying: "I beg to remind you that you are not in Russia," and speaking of that action he said: "Of all the blunders and arbitrary acts committed by the military authorities in Cuba this act of Gen. Ludlow, approved by Governor General Brooke, is the most vicious. Gen. Ludlow has been most unwise in taking military charge of affairs in Havana without being asked for help by the civil authorities. There was absolutely no need for such a display of brutal authority. The strike was as peaceable as any people's gathering can be. Gen. Ludlow has taken a wrong view of the objects of government in Cuba. He ought not to have meddled in the strike. The civil authorities ought to have prevented his action, taking in advance the necessary precautions to settle the differences between the employers and laborers. The charging on helpless laundry women, reported in the newspaper dispatches, shows that brutal force has been unnecessarily used in Havana. I protest against such outrages and denounce them as a violation of the rights my people are entitled to under the guidance of the American government. Gen. Ludlow's ukase, in which he threatened to plunge into the Cubans a fortress a thousand or more men, is the most abusive ostentation of power that I have ever heard, including those issued by Weyler. I hope that the administration will take this matter up immediately, so as to prevent serious complications that may arise from the inability of Gens. Brooke and Ludlow to cope with the situation in Havana.

The Census Bureau is to be the same old political machine and the republicans have invariably made it, and those who control the appointments don't care how much it will cost the people. An indication of this has just been given by the choice of a tabulating machine to be used. The Committee decided to use the same machines that were used ten years ago, although a new machine was offered which would do the work much faster. The decision is said to have been made because the new machines, if adopted, would have largely reduced the number of clerks required, which republican Congressmen protested against.

According to the talk of citizens of Michigan, who have been in Washington recently, the passing of Pingree is more pleasing than otherwise. One of them—Mr. M. I. Duke, of Grand Rapids, said: "Hon. Hazen Pingree's Deafness Cannot be Cured by local applications as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

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retirement from politics marks the finale of a stupendous demagogue. He has accomplished very little in his spectacular career, save to spend the public funds recklessly and increase the taxes of the people. A great many who looked upon him as a modern Moses now see that he was the commonest sort of politician. His administration has been a costly one for the tax payers of Michigan, and now that the voters see him revealed in his true light they are thankful that his official career is ended.

A Washington man has received a letter from a republican friend in Ohio, from which the following is extracted: "You ought to see Hanna. He has the scare of his life on, and believes that McLean is going to win, unless he can get the disgruntled republicans back into the traces. He and his henchmen have dropped their bulldozing tactics towards republicans and are talking as sweet as pie to them. We are enjoying his scare, and will decide later whether we'll stay at home on election day."

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A FORGOTTEN CRIME.

A Murder Committed Twenty-five Years Ago Tragically Recalled. Quite a sensation was sprung in the county courts last week, when Elizabeth Delamater, who was suing her husband, James H. Delamater an aged resident of Ashley, for support, suddenly turned upon the lawyers and screamed: "Who killed Dr. Durkin?" Before the Court recovered from its amazement the old man faced Judge Woodward and calmly admitted that he had killed Dr. Durkin. The declaration brought back old memories to Judge Woodward and he remembered having heard the case twenty-five years ago. He made no further comment but advised the old people to go home and try and spend their remaining days in peace.

Twenty-five years ago a doctor by the name of Durkin registered at a hotel kept by John Zeigler in Scranton and was assigned to a room for the night. Later in the evening a stranger called at the hotel, asked for the doctor and was sent to his room. Next morning the doctor was found dead in bed, his skull crushed with a cobble stone and \$800, which it was known he had carried, was missing. The brutality of the crime and the boldness of the murderer attracted general attention and the authorities of the county offered a reward for the capture and conviction of the murderer.

The authorities kept a sharp lookout for the murderer and finally an arrest was made at Lake Champlain. The man arrested was Delamater. He was brought to Wilkesbarre and placed in the county jail, which at the time stood on the site now occupied by the Lohmann restaurant.

Hon. Garrick M. Harding, who has since been president judge of the courts, was district attorney. Landlord Zeigler employed the most eminent counsel of the day to assist in the prosecution Hon. Stanley Woodward, now the president judge of the Luzerne county courts; Hon. Fred C. Westbrook, who has since been a judge in one of the New York State courts; Gustave Hahn, the present United States commissioner, and T. H. B. Lewis assisted the district attorney. For the defense were two young lawyers, Hon. Henry W. Palmer, who has since been attorney general of the State, and Charles Pike eminent as a criminal lawyer at that time.

Judge Conyngham presided. The case attracted widespread attention, and the court room was crowded daily. The evidence was damaging to Delamater. Landlord Zeigler identified him as the stranger who had come to the hotel on the night of the murder and asked for Dr. Durkin. The bookkeeper identified him as the man who had been arrested at Hawley, and who escaped, a little boy who worked with him in a brick yard at Lake Champlain, identified him as the man who confessed to having killed Dr. Durkin and robbed him of \$800.

The defense put Delamater on the stand. Delamater said he had been working in Hazleton and walked to Berwick, thence to Wilkesbarre, and finally to New York and drifted to Lake Champlain. On the night of the murder he said he was in Wilkesbarre. The jury believed the evidence of the Commonwealth and returned a verdict of murder in the first degree.

Messrs. Palmer and Pike, attorneys for the defense were not satisfied. Neither was Judge Conyngham. The attorneys went to the jail and inter-

viewed Delamater. He stuck to his story and they believed him. They renewed their efforts in his behalf. A new trial was obtained, depositions were taken, and evidence to establish Delamater's innocence was piled up. When the second trial was called nobody appeared against Delamater, and he was discharged by proclamation. Now, twenty-five years after, Delamater is again in court, charged with desertion and non support by the wife who at the time worked indefatigably to save him from the gallows, and by a curious coincidence the judge who heard the case and granted leniency is the man who, a quarter of a century ago secured his conviction of murder in the first degree.

Spendthrifts in Superlatives.

The average young girl converses principally in italics. She is a prodigal in emphasis and a spendthrift in superlatives. Her joy is in hyperbole. She strives to force the conviction of her young charm on her hearers simply by stress of voice and exaggerated phraseology.

A thing of mediocre charm must be "perfectly lovely!" with strong accent on both words. All adverbs are overworked in her painstaking enthusiasm, but "perfectly" is reduced to the verge of nervous prostration. She is "simply crazy" over peach ice cream, and her new hat is "absolutely luscious!" A dull occasion is "unequivocally ghastly!" and a pleasant time is "grand" or "perfect." She is "bored to extinction" with the greatest facility, and she "collapses" at the simplest misadventure.

The fit of an unsuccessful gown is "weird" or "beastly." She is "literally paralyzed" to find it so late, and "scared stiff" at a sudden noise.

She "simply howls" instead of laughing, and finds a very commonplace situation "killing."

"Like" and "dislike" in her vocabulary are ousted by "love" and "hate"—both invariably underscored. She "loves hot gingerbread" and "hates chiffon ruffles."

In fact, she so recklessly squanders her verbal resources that there is nothing left her for genuine emotional emergency. "When she gets there, the cupboard'll be bare," and the poor girl will have to keep dumb.—The Puritan.

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A conservative estimate of Nebraska's corn crop, which is now safe from frost, is 300,000,000 bushels. It is hard for the mind to grasp just what these figures mean. Counting sixty bushels of shelled corn to the load, it would take five million teams to haul the crop to market, a caravan that would reach around the world. It will take an army of 80,000 men over two months to husk it if they husk 60 bushel per day each. If loaded into cars of 30,000 capacity it would take 60,000 cars to haul the crop, a train 40,000 miles long. At no time within the past ten years has there been such a tendency on the part of farmers to look for new locations, either to better themselves or to provide homes for their children. Many sections in the east are overcrowded while thousands of acres of rich, well watered lands can still be had in Nebraska and Northern Kansas at comparatively low prices. Thousands will visit that country this fall as the railroads have announced cheap-rate harvest excursions for October 3rd and 17th.

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PHILADELPHIA & READING RAILWAY. Engines Burn Hard Coal—No Smoke. In effect July 1, 1899. TRAINS LEAVE BLOOMSBURG For New York, Philadelphia, Reading, Pottsville, Tamaqua, weekdays 11:30 a. m. For Williamsport, weekdays, 7:30 a. m., 3:40 p. m. For Danville and Milton, weekdays, 7:30 a. m., 3:40 p. m. For Catawissa weekdays, 7:30, 8:30, 11:30 a. m., 12:30, 3:40, 6:30, 9:30 p. m. For Williamsport, Washington and the West via B. & O. R. R. through trains leave Reading Terminal, Philadelphia, 3:20, 7:25, 11:28 a. m., 3:46, 7:51, p. m. Sundays 3:20, 7:25, 11:28 a. m., 3:46, 7:51 p. m. Additional trains from 24 and Chestnut street stations, weekdays, 1:25, 3:41, 5:53 p. m. Sundays 1:25, 3:41, 5:53 p. m.

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