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## WASHINGTON.

## From our Kegular Correspondent. Washington D. C. Oct. 19,1905 . An amendment to the Civil Ser-

 vice rules that has spread dismayin Washington was authorized by the President just before he left the the president just before he lett the
Capital for his trip through the
South. This was in effect an amendment giving to the Cabinet an
Caisers the right to dismiss any officers the right to dismiss any
officer or employee in the classified service whose inefficiency or mis
conduct in office is brought to the head of the department. charge may be made sum recourse. A boubb dropped in each ereated mure consternation than this order which came as a bott
from the blue. Heretofore when an employee in the classified service
was to be removed charges had to ef filed and the employee was given
time to show why he should not be istuissed. By the present order
the head of a department who
wishes to remove a person will mereof the inefficiency or misconduct of
he employee and bis power of rethe departments or familiar with
their workings can undertand their workings can understand the
full meaning of this order, or com-
prehend the effect that it will have. prehend the efmeet that the Civil Ser
The estalishment of
vice rules for the employment of departuctnt workers was scarecty
more of a blast to those who had
hild the ir places for years by in
fuence a id preterment than this is now to those who have passed their
examinations and felt themselves
secure tor life in their places. The Government work in the dspart
ments has long been obstructed by the presence of persons in each
burean inefficient, indifferent and requently dishonest. The new
order will result in a ciearing out of this dead timber and though the
process is going to be unpleasant
the effect will be a vast improvement ot the service both in efficien-
sy and econouy. There is not a
department that will not be bene. ated by a wholesale application o
the amendment. There are depart ments far behind in their work,
notably the United States Pateni the Navy are impeded in their work
by many superannuated clerks and all are suffering from the presence
of persons unequal to the work for which they are appointed, from
dissipated clerks who stretch their
sick leave and annual vacation time Who use Government tume, the
services of amannesses paid by the
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collected by the Government, and literary work for which they re
ceive outside pay. The number
who engage in smalt spenations use for private purposes of station
ary, ink, books and poeket knives
and the employment as messenger ment messengers is so large as to
melude probably nine tenths of the employees. One acquaintance of
your correspondent, a woman employed for more than thirty years
in a government office has the mes. er furnace in her house twenty blocks distant from the office. He
also takes care of the side walks for the chief of the department and acts
as bu'ler when the chief's wife is receiving. This same woman pre-
then children of grandchildren and the friends with rubber balls the size of an average apple made of rubber bands taken from
the office supplies. All her private the office supplies. All her private
letters are written during office hours on department stationery and thirty days annual vacation arranged after this fashion.
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o'elock in the morning and receives
pay for the full day. She then has
half of Saturday, all of Sunday and
Monday and she returns to the
office late Tuesday in time to sign



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confined to ter ued she goes the the
department, signs as present and

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or prevent even halt, but any move-
ment looking toward that end is
salutary one and should be appre-
ciated by the public. It will never
be possible to conduct the Govern-
ment business as a private corpora-
tion conducts its business, with the
The are besides stories by Sajuuel
wise judgment and economy which
Hopkins Adams, Mrs. Wison
Hoodrow, Jean Webster and others.
produces good work with consist-
ent economy but it is a step in that
direction when the head of the de-
partuent is given the right to which
the smallest private employer is
entitled, the right to discharge his
employees when they are known to retard and obstruct the work for
which they are employed.
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ters. Following on the one above
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printing bills. The basements of the Capitol and other storage
houses are filled with thousands of houses are filed with thousands of
volumes printed, bound and stored
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stammered the law
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here, but I can't find it now !"
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