WASHINGTON

From our Regular Correspondent,

Washington, D. C., Dec. 19, 1907 The sensation of the week in Washington has been the intimation of President Roosevelt to his Postmaster General that a more personal supervision of federal appointments under his department is not only eminently desirable but will be much appreciated by the Chief Executive, followed by the public statement of the Secretary of the Treasury in which he parades his wounded feelings and assures a long suffering public that his efforts in his capacity as Secretary of the Treasury and as Postmaster General, have been wholly disinterested and exerted solely for the welfare of the country. To make such a statement was the perfectly obvious thing for Mr. Cortelyou to do, and it is the general concensus of opinion among politicians that while he denies everything, he leaves much open for inference and his next move is waited with much interest by men in both parties.

Signs are not lacking that the Democrats in the House are much encourged by the political outlook and it is expected that they will make a vigorous campaign this winter to lay the financial difficulties in the country at the door of the Republican party, where they undoubtedly belong. And if the Democratic Senators succeed in their efforts, they will precipitate a Congressional investigation of the recent financial stringency, in lieu of the informed inquiry into the subject now being prosecuted by members of the Committee of Finance, the suggestion of the wily Chairman, Aldrich, at the first meeting of the committee this season. A resolution has already been submitted in the Senate providing for such an official investigation, and asking for its immediate con-sideration. The expectation is that an aggressive fight will be made, also, against the present tariff by the minority in the House and John Sharp Williams has already introduced a number of resolutions to amend the Dingley tariff on specific

artic'es.

The opinion is expressed on many sides that the positive withdrawal of Mr. Roosevelt as a Republican candidate will help the Democratic party in the coming campaign. The prominence of Mr. Bryan continues. He stands in the forefront of Democrats and his followers still exhibit the fervor of enthusiasm that has marked their conduct through two disasters, It is useless to deny that there is much opposition to Bryan and the opinion is often heard that unless the Democrats get together and settle their difference, the antagonism to Bryan on the part of a few leaders of the party will have its effect. By some of those who are convinced that Mr. Bryan is the choice of the party as leader, former Gov. Aycock of North Carolina, has been suggested as his companion on the Democratic ticket on the ground that he would be satisfactory to a majority of the people of the South and would add strength to the ticket. Gov. Aycock, who is in Washington, is an ardent supporter of Bryan and believes that he will have no opposition for the nomination.

No little interest has been manifested recently in the Hon. George Gray of Delaware as a Presidential possibility and it is said to be no surprise to those who have studied the man, his private and public life, and his eminent fitness for the Presidency. The solidity of his character has attracted some men, politicians in Washington aver, and others turn toward him because of the combination of qualities and circumstances which make him, in their judgment, peculiarly available as the Democratic choice for

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President. Bryan and Gray is suggested as the right combination for the ticket.

There is no intention that the work of the National Rivers and Harbors Congress, which met recently in Washington, shall be allowed to lapse, so far at least as the officers of that Congress are concerned, as they have planned a campaign of education, according to President Ransdell, which will be prosecuted in every State that has an interest in improved waterways. The plan is to raise a fund of \$2,000 in each State that will be concerned to pay the expenses of speakers who will explain, with illustrated lectures and otherwise, the benefits to be had from an improvement of water transportation, so that members of Congress will be made to appreciate the interest people generally take in this matter. It is the purpose of the congress to hold convention in Washington every year until Congress shall take action looking to extensive improvement of the waterways of the country.

A recent poll of New York Republicans show that Gov. Hughes is the strongest man in that state, but it also shows that the Hughes strength is largely made up of men who are inimical to President Roosevelt's policies or who are actuated by personal hatred for the President. A remarkable showing of strength on the part of Secretary Cortelyou is also shown. The friends of Mr. Hughes are asking whether the publication is going to prove of value to Mr. Hughes or the reverse, while the Cortelyon strength is largely discounted by the fact that he is the bankers' candidate. The popularity of Lieutenant Gov. Chanler is not likely to be lost sight of and it is entirely likely that the convention will conclude to give him the second place on the ticket. In view of the disorganized condition of the New York Republicans it is by no means unlikely that "Bryan and Chanler" could carry the state.

A Mussulman at Prayer.

When saying his prayers the true Mussulman is not easily disturbed. Hans Doering, in his account of his travels in Chinese Turkestan, writes: "It is an interesting sight to see a Mussulman perform his devotions. Through the piece of glass in my paper window I saw the interpreter spread his carpet in front of his house just opposite the one in which I was living. His wife and child say quite close to him talking loughy with some visitors, but this did not ir the least disturb the old man ac Lis devotions.

"In spite of the noise the melodious chanting of the koran was quite audtble. The worshiper kowtowed several times and cried 'Aliah! Aliah! Allah!' Then for a while stood reverentially clasping his hands crosswise upon his breast, after which as joined in the conversation. His wife then went through the same personmance, doing exactly the same as her husband. This they do every morning and evening whether there ere friends with them or not."

Ravage Wrought by Rais.

It is estimated that the rat does \$50,000,000 worth of damage a year in England. In a slaughter house near Paris rats in a single night picked to the bone the carcasses of 35 horses. There is very little that they will not eat. Eggs, young birds and animals are among the dainties which they snap up in the ordinary course of business, but when pressed by hunger they will eat anthing through which they can drive their terrible teeth. Rat will eat rat. The idea that a trapped rat will bite off an imprisoned leg and so escape is now said to be wrong; it is the other rats which do the biting. They eat the captive.



HOME COOKING.

Potato Apples.

Three ways to serve potatoes --wo cups of hot mashed potato, two ablespoons of butter, one-third cup grated cheese, one-half tenspoon ilt, a dash of cayenne, nutmeg, two blespoons cream, two yolks eggs. its in order given. Heat and shape the small apples. Roll in flour, egg, and crumbs. Brown in deep fat, peert clove at each end.

Spiced Beets.

Boll beets in salted water until ender. Take vinegar enough to over them, a small piece stick cinnamon, a few whole cloves, and same number allspice. Bring vinegar and pices to a boil, pour over the beets and when they are cold they will be

Baked Brown Potatoes,

Roll, peel and mash 8 or 10 potatues. Beat into them while hot mit and pepper to taste, a spoonful salen juice, half cup milk and allespoon butter.

Have them smooth and creamy, Butter , lon, shallow cake tin and fill evenly with the potato, bake brown in a hot oven, cut like Johnny cake and serve very hot,

Hashed Brown Potatoes.

For a family of four or five take 6 good sized potatoes, cold boiled. Chop fine with a little parsley, season with sait and pepper. Into this stir 1-2 cup of sweet cream. Have ready a hot griddle, greased well with laid or batter, spread the potatoes evenly on the griddle and cook slowly.

When they are finely browned run a broad bladed knife under to lift them from the griddle, fold over like an omelet and press edges together. Leave a few minutes, then turn on to a hot place. Butter well and garnish with parsley.

Fined for Marrying.

The Board of Education has issued new declaration as to term of ser vice for teachers to sign when the are appointed to primary school The women teachers must undertain to serve for five years and the men teachers for seven years. At breaent wemen tearbers undertake to arve only two years.

The rule at first sight seems unexceptionable, for the cost to the State of passing teachers through the training colleges is considerable and it is not fair that the teachers should us, their advantages at the expense or the taxpayer by accepting other appointments after a bric: service in he primary schools.

Many education authorities have a rule that the marriage of women teachers shall be equivalent to resinvation. In that case a women tercher who marries within her five years must under the new rule pay a penalty up to a maximum of £25

In other words it might often happen that a woman would be fine! for marrying at the very marriageable age of, say, tweaty-two to twenty-neven .-- London Spectator.

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FRENCH HUSBANDS.

How They Are Made-Their Wonderful Consideration.

Near Blarritz, in his splendid upto-date Basque villa, lives the post Rostand, a recluse.

To Rostand came two relatives, a youth and his father, for advice. The young man desired to marry a poor girl for love.

The sun was setting in the vale of Cambo. From his high perched terrace the great soul of Rostand swam out to where the golden light turns rose; and back; and he spoke. "A serious family question. The

boy has not enough for himself. To marry a poor girl he must earn for both; and, preoccupied by work, he will not be able to cultivate the lovely parasite. But when a girl brings money to the partnership, she has an exalting sense of aiding her protector; where springs enduring married love. No, no. France is full of lovable girls with money.

The young relative of Rostand acquiesced—he had been trained for marriage as a profession; they are going to wed him to a pretty maiden with \$4,000 a year and a widowed mother in her Biarritz villa, glad to enter the distinguished poet's distinguished family, but do not imagine that any snoozer without this boy's training would have been acceptable; among the French bourgeols youths are prepared for mairimony instead of for work, as carefully as are girls in other lands!

Physically, they are not football players. The mass of these smart young fellows still limit themselves to horseback riding and fencing.

Horseback riding and fencing, however, obligatory and daily from childhood up, produce a type of young men, healthy, lively, graceful, sathsfying to the Ideal of the French girl and her mother-by whom she is guided in technical matters.

s emphasize physical vivacity, quickness, readiness and grace. For instance, these Frenchmen all dance beautifully—and like it. I have known three French girls who chose their husbands for their dancing taste and stamina-dancers through lite; and they actually dance tacir wives to this day.

Do you think that a working business man who has been killing himself at the office all day is coming home to change and dance? No, he will eat dinner, digest and grow

Hat of Purple Crinoline.

The cables say that purple is the color of the hour in Paris and echoes of the report are found in the new season's hats which are making their appearance in the shops. Quite a arming bit of millinery is this purple crinoline with the brim turned up at the front a la Napoleon. The crown is wreathed with pale mauve harebells and pansies which droop over the brim at the back together with quantities of soft, feathery foliage. Asparagus and malden hair ferns are excellent for the now trimmings because they come in exquisite color effects and suggest the feathery decorations that are so



Polaci on the edge of the brim at the front is a smart bow of purpie pagne velvet secured in the centre with a dull gold and purple enamelled buckle. It takes Parls to go pund over a difficult color, and nothing could be more exacting than the new shade of purple. Fortunately it is susceptible to reliefs of white of soft color tones, and it can be made becoming with smart color as nemen.

One of the newest trimmings for ants is a scarf hemmed with passamenterie balls. These balls have also captures of the dressy little coats and frills of fashion. They edge everything that has an edge and are so indispensable that they will form a conspicuous part of the new season's decorative schemes.

Sensible Eighteenth Century Dames.

As wits, theologians, politicians and writers, the women of a hundred and fifty or sixty years ago were certainly in advance of those of to-day; yet apparently they had no wish to push man from his proper place. They held no anti-matrimonial views. They made good mothers, they were excellent housewives, they were socially charming, they managed to be personally attractive. In many directions they had the advantage of us .-Lady's Pictorial.

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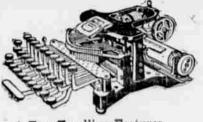
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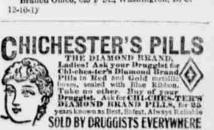
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