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NUMEROUS WAYS OF RECKONING TIME

CUSTOMS VARY IN DIFFERENT COUNTRIES.

Firing a Noon Gun at Teheran, Persia-Very Good Time in Africa if There Is a Telegraph Line to Greenwhich-Four Kinds of Railroad Time in El Paso.

From the New York Sun.

The ordinary method of reckoning time in Mohammedan countries is from sunset to sunset. Twelve o'clock is at sunset, and this is the beginning of the day. Two periods of twelve hours then pass till the next sunset, whereupon everybody sets his watch, if he has one, backward or forward, according to the season. Of course, accurate time is impossible under such a system. The telegraphs and rail-roads in Syria, for example, keep anything but exact time, though it might be procured from the observatory at Beyrout, which uses its mean time. In Teheran, Persia, a midday gun is fired by the time shown on a dial, and this in spite of the fact that the correct local mean time might be procured at the telegraph office, which is regulated daily by a time signal from Greenwich and is the time standard for all telegraphic business. But the merchants and the street car company keep gun time, and the railroad trains do not seem to require a time table at all, as they seldom start until full or required to start by a government order.

There are out of the way parts of the world that keep very good time, because their clocks are regulated by telegraph from Greenwich and then the Greenwich mean time is reduced to local time according to longitude difference. Thus, at Lagos and the Gold Coast, West Africa, the local time is checked daily by telegraph from Greenwich and transmitted to all the telegraph offices in the colonies. The time at Accra is only forty-six seconds slower than that of Greenwich, and is the time used throughout the Gold

Most any sort of time is kept in China. As a rule, the Chinese use an apparent sun time obtained from sundials. The foreigners at the ports on the coast use an approximate local panies. In the great city of Tientsia, determined by the municipal chronometer, which is the town-hall clock. It | kept. is supposed to be regulated every Saturday, when the community may set their watches, but it has been known to be in error at least three minutes.

Last December was the time when all the towns in Colombia were expected, thereafter, to use the time of Bogota, the capital. With this responpublic clocks of that city will improve in their timekeeping, for visitors at Bogota say it is nothing unusual for the public clocks to disagree by fully a quarter of an hour.

In India, the standard time for the whole of the peninsula is the mean time of the Madras Observatory, and this time is used on through lines of railroad, and in recording the time of sending telegrams to foreign countries Local time is, however, used in most towns and villages, and it is announced by clocks striking, gongs, bells and guns, the signals being given from churches, treasury buildings, forts and telegraph offices. The local clocks are set daily by the time telegraphed from Madras, and each telegraph office has a closely printed table, filling about fifty pages, giving the difference be tween Madras and local time for all the government telegraph offices in In-

TWO STANDARDS.

Not a few countries constantly use two standards of time. This is not troublesome at all when we consider that, before the adoption of the hour zones, the railroads across our own continent employed about seventy standards of time in making up their time tables. Railroads and telegraphs throughout Spain use Madrid time, but for all other purposes the official time

When a mother thinks she is going to die and rather wishes she could, what happens to the child? Where else shall the child get the love, kindness and care that is to ripen it into useful, happy maturity? Where is the husband to turn for the com-

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Mrs. Claus Nelson, of Pico Heights, Los Angeles, Cai., Box yr., writes: "I send you my picture taken with my little boy. I do not look so sad now as I do in the picture; I was sick then and I thought my days would not be long, but your kindness and medicine would not let me die. You have my beart-felt thanks for your kindly advice to me in my sickness; also for your book which I received two years ago, and which I could not do without. It is all the Doctor I have had since I got it. I had female trouble, and Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, together with the advice given in his book, cured me of five years' sickness."

The book Mrs. Nelson mentions is Dr. Pierce's 1,000 page "Medical Adviser," the most useful "doctor book" published. A copy in stiff paper-covers sent on receipt of 21 one-cent stamps to pay expense of mailing only; in cloth-binding ten stamps extra. Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.

is determined by the meridian of each locality. Throughout Russia, St. Petersburg time is used for telegraphic purposes, and each place has its own cal time besides. In Portugal the country towns keep their local time very roughly, but Lisbon and the railroad and telegraph services have the time of the Tapada Royal Observa-tory. There is considerable confusion in the Netherlands, and if one's watch does not agree with the town clock as he travels through the land it doesn't follow that he has a poor timekeeper. In the railroad stations, telegraph and post offices the exact time of the Greenwich Observatory will be found. In many towns Amsterdam time is in use, and it is about twenty minutes faster than reliable clocks in many

and still other towns use their own local time, so the Netherlands do not lack for variety in time standards. Every place in Newfoundland uses St. John's time for all purposes, excepting Heart's Content, which has special privileges as a cable station. For local purposes this little town employs local Every day it receives a signal from London giving the Greenwich time, and as the difference in time between the two points is 3 hours, 33 minutes and 33 seconds, it is only necessary to keep the local clocks that much slow on Greenwich time to have the exact local time. But in the cable office all foreign business is transmitted with Greenwich time.

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IN ENGLAND.

In Great Britain Greenwich mean time is the standard, and is used for all purposes nearly everywhere. Among the few exceptions is the city of Canterbury, which uses a time about four minutes fast on Greenwich, and clocks at - few railroad stations are kept one or two minutes fast. Ireland uses the time of Dublin, and so all the clocks in the island are 25 minutes 22 conds slow on Greenwich time.

The official time throughout Argenina is that of the city of Cordova, which is telegraphed every day to control the timepieces in the various cities. It is used everywhere in the railroll and telegraph offices, but many citizens in the provinces prefer to use local time of doubtful accuracy. The people of the Hawaiian Islands try to keep their timepieces 10 hours 30 minutes slower than those of Greenwich and call this standard time. At Belize, British Honduras, the clock over the Court House, which furnishes the time for the town, is usually regulated by the time kept by the ships in the harbor. The town of Nukualofa, which furnishes the time for the entime calculated from the Shanghai tire Tonga group, is in west longitude, time, supplied by the telegraph combut because all business relations, except with Samon, are with places in with a million inhabitants, the time is east longitude, the east longitude time for the day of the week and month is

AMERICAN VARIETY. We have plenty of time variety in our own country. For example, any town that happens to be on the d'viding line between two of the hour-tim: zones will have its own time, and, in addition, at the railroad station there will be two times, differing by an hour, one for the west and the other for the east bound trains. The city of El Pasco labors under the embarrassment of four kinds of railroad time. It has central time for the Atlantic section of the Southern Pacific, Pacific time for the Pacific section of the same road, Mountain time for the Santa Fe and City of Mexico time for the Mexican Central, all the railroads of Mexico beng run on the time of the capital.

ADMIRAL SAMPSON'S CALL.

Pays His Respects to the Mayor of Philadelphia.

Philadelphia, Sept. 4.—Rear Admiral Sampson today called upon Mayor Ashbridge, returning the mayor's visit of yesterday, when he received the admiral upon the arrival of the fleet Accompanying Admiral Sampson were Captain Chadwick, Lieutenant Commander Winslow. The admiral's lieutenant and personal aides and Lieutenant Bennett, Thaddeus L. Vanderslice, ex-chief engineer acted as es cort. The visitors were attired in full dress uniform.

The visit was a brief one and aft a exchanging courtesies with the mayor the admiral departed, going direct to the starting point of the Naval Veterans' parade, taking his place to line after which he reviewed in company with Admiral Poss, commander in chief of the Navat Veterana associa-

Bicycle Race.

New York, Sept. 4.—A 25-mile race on the cycle paths of Brooklyn, managed by the Associated Cycling clubs of Long Island, was won today by H. E. Blecker a 5.30 handicap man and hitherto an alnost unknown rider. Time. L07:51 1-5. second. Clyde Chuse, 5.30 handicap. Time, .07:51 2-5. The spectators were estimated at 50,600.

His Affliction. The train from the South came to a salt, and the returning soldiers piled out of it, "May I ask what is the matter with your foot?" inquired one of the sympa-hizing and curious spectators, addressng a gaunt, camp-worn volunteer, who was limping along the platform. "Gout, ma'am," answered the soldier, ifting his battered hat and passing on -fiting his batter. Chicago Tribune.

An Unfortunate. Smith-Great time we had at the club

Jones-You bet! Did you get home all ight?
"No, I was arrested before I got there, and spent the night in a station house."
"Lucky dog! I reached home."—Life.

Knowledge.

After Eve had partaken of the fruit of he tree of knowledge, she became very nhappy.

he cares to tell," mused Adam, pitying-Everybody is doubtless aware how perfeetly sad it is with a woman in that ondition of mind.-New York Journal.

Epigrams Up to Date.

way of the reformer is hard. War is either hell or a foot race. There is now and then a man who is A foible is the folly of a fool who hasn't parted with his money yet. It is doubtless merely a coincidence, but the woman who knows how to put up good preserves seldom has spoiled chil-

ENCAMPMENT IS FORMALLY INAUGURATED

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they will win hands down. At present they have no opponent of any consequence. It was reported that Denver, San Francisco, St. Louis and one or two other cities are in the field, but if those cities are they are "lying low." as there is no evidence on the surface that they are in the fight.

President McKinley and his party arrived here at 9 o'clock tonight after a few hours run from Washington The president was accompanied by Secretary of War Root, Secretary of Agriculture Wilson, Prof. Schurman, president of the Philippine commission; J. Addison Porter, the president's private secretary, and Assistant Secretary Cortelyou. Mrs. McKinley was not with the party. Assistant Secretary Cortelyou says her health is very much improved, but she remained on the advice of her physician.

The presidential party was met at the Pennsylvania railroad station by Mayor Ashbridge, General Louis Wagner, chairman of the executive committee, and a number of other city officials.

The station was thronged and a cordon of policemen was necessary to keep the crowds back as the distingluished visitors made their way from the train to the carriages in waiting.

President McKinley walked with his

ncovered head from the train shed to the street and was cheered to the echo. He acknowledged the ovation with many smiles and hows. The party was driven rapidly to the Hotel Wal-ton and the president immediately retired to his private sitting room.

At 10 o'clock members of the United German singing societies, accompanied by a band, arrived at the hotel and serenaded the president. They sang three German selections and finished with the "Star Spangled Banner," in which the multitude joined. During the rendition of the songs President McKinley sat on the window ledge an ! at the conclusion of each led the ap-There were loud cries for a plause. but the president merel? bowed and waved his white fedora

Rear Admiral Sampson, who occapies the suite of rooms directly over those of the president, enjoyed the serenade equally as well as the president. He stood at the window of his parlor until the last song was sung. It was some time before the throng in the street observed him, but when his presence became known he was loudly cheered.

The president retired about 11 o'clock. Tomorrow at 8.45 o'clock he will recelve Admiral Sampson and the captains of the fleet. Later he will ride over the route of the Grand Army parade to the reviewing stand on the city hall plaza. After the parade he will be entertained at lunch at the city hatt.

The Grand Army will be officially welcomed tomorrow night at the Academy of Music by Governor Stone and Mayor Ashbridge. The president will attend and later will be the guest of honor at a banquet tendered by Meade post, of this city, Lafayette post, of New York and Kingsley post, of Bos-

He will leave for Washington at 11.50 tomorrow night.

AT PHILADELPHIA.

Labor Day Fittingly Celebrated by Two Parades.

Philadelphia, Sept. 4.-Labor day was fittingly celebrated here by two parades and other demonstrations. There was a general suspension of business, all the government buildings. banks and other public institutions

An interesting feature of the day's vents was the parade of the Amaigamated House Painters' association. Three thousand men were in line. A section of the procession was com-

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posed of painters from Cramp's ship yard. They had in line a float carrying a model of the battlesh's Maine, that was sunk in the harbor of Ha-vana. After the parade the painters spent the remainder of the day at varlous river resorts.

The second parade was composed of members of the United German Trades and the Labor Lyceum asymplation. At the river resorts elaborate programmes of sports were prepared for the mechanics. A number of well known ba-bor leaders also addressed the throng. the more prominent of the speakers being Hon. L. Irving Handy, Congressman from Delaware, and Sam tel Gonzpers, president of the American Feleration of Labor.

JIMINEZ ARRIVES.

The President of San Domingo Lands at Cape Haytien.

Cape Hayilen, Sept. 4.—General Juan Isidro Jiminez, the revolutionary aspirant for the presidency of the republic of Santo Domine, arrived here this afternoon on the Georges Croise from Baracoa, accompanied by his son and several friends.

In the course of a brief interview General Jiminez said that his plans were progressing favorably and that the Georges Croise would sail tonight for Porto Plata, where General Jiminez intends to rest for a day or two before resuming his journey to the capital of Santo Domingo.

RETURNS DEWEY'S CALL.

"Hail Columbia" Makes he Echoes Ring at Gibraltar.

Gibraltar, Sept. 4.-This afternoon Sir Robert Biddulph returned Admiral Dewey's visit, receiving the usual salutes on his arrival. The Devastation manued yards and her band played "Hall, Columbia," the Olympia returning the compliment with the British national anthem and dipping her flag

While the Devastation was firing the salute in honor of the American admiral, Gunner Pepplatt's hand was shattered by the exploding of a charge which he was ramming home.

Pennsy's Big Purchase.

Pittsburg, Sept. 4.—The Pennsylvania Railroad company contracted with the Pressed Steel Car company today for 1,000 self-cleaning hopper cars of one hundred thousand pounds capacity. An order for four hundred cars of the same type was received from the Great Northern Rall-way, the two orders aggregating \$1,600.-600. The company is now sold shead for an entire year.



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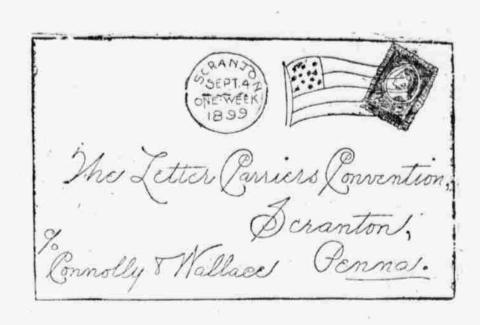
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