

THE GOVERNMENT REPORT.

WHAT THE DEPARTMENTS HAVE TO SHOW AT THE EXPOSITION.

INTERESTING DISPLAYS TO ILLUSTRATE THE AFFAIRS OF THE UNITED STATES ON LAND AND SEA.

A member of the United States Government Board for the Pan-American Exposition said in his speech on the opening day that the display in the Government Building was in the nature of a report to the people. Doubtless there is no other country in the world where the people are so keenly interested in all that the government is doing as they are in the United States.

The United States Government is a famous exhibitor at fairs, and always has its space ready before anybody else. This time the government exhibit is the only one which can be intelligently discussed as a whole at the opening of the exposition. It is so nearly finished that what is left to be done is mere detail. Indeed, it is not unlikely that it will be absolutely complete when this article is printed.

CLOSEST TO THE PEOPLE. There is no other department of the government which comes so close to the whole people as the postoffice. That even a government department may have a sense of humor is shown by the cases filled with strange articles which have been from time to time committed to the care of the mails.

MAIL CARRYING METHODS. The methods of carrying mails, old and new, are shown by wax groups, models and, in one or two cases, by actual conveyances. Among the last named is a battered old mail coach, built in 1808, in which President Garfield, President Arthur and General Sherman all rode in their time.

MODELS OF WARSHIPS. These models illustrate the progress of the arts of peace and the most efficacious means of the advancement of civilization. Just across the passage from them are the models of warships, which, some say, are agents in the advancement of civilization also.

MODELS OF MANY OTHER THINGS. The whole exhibit seems almost entirely made up of models. New sorts are found in the space devoted to the Smithsonian Institution. These show types of the aboriginal inhabitants of America, from Alaska to Patagonia.

THE 6TH LIEUTENANT-COLONELCY. There is such a division among the officers of the 6th Regiment over the question of the vacant lieutenant colonelcy that it has been indefinitely postponed. At present the officers are divided into three factions, and no love is lost between them.

CONNECTICUT TOPICS.

THE FIGHT OVER THE CENTRAL NEW-ENGLAND EXTENSION.

Hartford, Conn., May 11 (Special).—The General Assembly took an excursion trip in a body on Thursday, going up on the Central New-England road to examine the disputed territory known as the Wagner farm, in Granby, over which the extension of that line (the original Connecticut West-ern) was built for a few brief hours and then torn up by order of the reputed owner.

The temperance textbook substitute bill, which has been one of the interesting minor features of the session, has been passed by the House, and will probably become a law. The bill is regarded as a direct blow at what are known as the "Mary Hunt textbooks."



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PORTO RICO'S IMPROVEMENT.

SECRETARY HUNT CONTRADICTS STATEMENTS MADE BY THE ISLAND'S COMMISSIONERS HERE.

San Juan, Porto Rico, April 30.—When Acting Governor Hunt was asked the other day to express an opinion on the statements made by Borla and Ballarín, the Porto Rican Commissioners in the United States, his reply implied that these men are not representing conditions here as they actually exist.

"Why," said Secretary Hunt, "since the American occupation the island has never been in as good condition as it is to-day. The customs books last month and this show a balance in our favor. The sugar crop is large, and we are exporting more than we import. All this opposition comes from the anti-American party. Now that the Hol-



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DEATH AT CITY HALL LOOP

A RAPID TRANSIT TUNNEL WORKMAN KILLED BY THE FALLING OF A STEEL BUCKET.

Thomas Lyons, a rigger, thirty-five years old, was fatally injured in an accident at the excavation for the rapid transit tunnel loop in City Hall Park at 7:40 o'clock yesterday morning.

The accident occurred when people were passing in throngs to business. The laborers in the trench, thirty feet from the surface, fill a steel bucket, which is lowered to them by means of a boom and derrick. This derrick is manipulated by a small engine placed about a dozen feet from the excavation.

At the time of the accident the bucket was being hoisted from the excavation, and was suspended in the air preparatory to being swung to the cart. Suddenly, without warning, there was an ominous cracking, and the flange at the top of the upright boom, which controlled the swinging boom, gave way.

Martha Kross, the janitor of the City Hall, was watching the work at the time, and ran to the Third Precinct station house, at the east wing of the City Hall, and told Sergeant Kelly, who was at the desk of the accident. Policemen were at once sent to the scene to keep the large crowd back, and a hurry call was sent to Hudson Street Hospital for an ambulance. Dr. Johnson reported, Lyons was sent to the hospital, where he died in less than an hour.

alcoholic and anti-narcotic teaching. The new law will also take such teaching out of the lower grades and out of the high schools. The N. Y. C. T. U. of the State supported the substitute because it wished to get a system into the schools that would not meet with so much opposition from teachers and scientific men, but Mrs. Hunt is decidedly displeased with it for this attitude.

The most notable gathering of Union veterans in this city for many years was that of the Third Army Corps Union, which held its annual banquet at the Allyn House, out of compliment to the Rev. Joseph Twichell, who was president for the last year.

The financial interests of Hartford have had two rather important episodes to contend with recently. The first was the Jacksonville fire, which hit the Hartford fire insurance companies a stiffer blow than they have received for many years.

There are models and models in the exhibits of the Geological Survey, the Patent Office and the Department of Indian Affairs. In this last department there is a most fascinating collection of drawings of men and things in Alaska, by native artists. They have the naive simplicity of a child's picture, and the actual landscape with the very existence of the people of Alaska is illustrated because of the want of food due to the destruction of whales and seals and fish, and the hope seems to be in the reindeer, which, if it can be introduced in sufficient numbers and made to thrive, will be the food, the clothing, the milk producer and the draught animal of the country.



MODEL OF A PORTO RICO MAIL CARRIER, IN THE GOVERNMENT BUILDING AT THE PAN-AMERICAN EXPOSITION.

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lander law is better understood, it is accepted by all excepting the Federals, who have never before paid a land tax. "To use an old expression, with the advent of the Americans the people here expected the millennium, and they got a hurricane. I am told that the Porto Ricans for years have been chronically pessimistic. They are always grumbling. A man now here who visited the island twenty years ago tells me that, according to reports, the island was then on the verge of ruin. Later, ten years ago, everything was going to the dogs. Pessimism seems epidemic here.

"A more hard working man than Governor Allen could not have been selected. He is untrifling in his efforts. Why, that man can get anything he wants at Washington simply for the asking. His personal magnetism is wonderful. Since he has been at Washington he has secured many privileges for Porto Rico, such as a good roads appropriation, a promise that the tariff will soon be lifted, a promise from Secretary Hay that France would be requested not to tax Porto Rico coffee, as she threatens to do, and he has brought about a better general understanding between the Federal and Insular administrations. And yet, with all the work he has done for the island, but one paper, the 'Pais,' has a good word to say for him.

"The Federals are only hurting themselves in creating this opposition. The Federals consider themselves a sort of aristocracy. The government is spending thousands of dollars for schools, but the Federals dislike to see all these schoolhouses springing up. To them it means that the common people will be educated perhaps to take their places. This party, it is true, is made up of the wealthiest element of the island. They are in a position where they need not worry about the education of their own children, but they are educated to see education placed in the way of the common

hoisted from the excavation, and was suspended in the air preparatory to being swung to the cart. Suddenly, without warning, there was an ominous cracking, and the flange at the top of the upright boom, which controlled the swinging boom, gave way. This immediately allowed the heavy swinging boom, and the still heavier steel bucket filled with earth, to fall, with a tremendous crash, into the excavation. The bucket struck the supporting heavy beams and fell between them to the bottom of the tunnel. Lyons was directly beneath the bucket, and it struck him on the head, knocking him to the ground. He received a deep fracture at the base of the skull. Fennell was standing alongside of Lyons, and the boom gave him a glancing blow in the side, knocking him down, but not seriously injuring him. McGuire was also knocked down, but escaped serious injury.

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A second accident happened at the same place soon afterward. A hoisting block fell and struck a colored workman, on the head, knocking him to the ground. He was carried into the police station and an ambulance was called from Hudson Street Hospital. Before the ambulance arrived Leslie had recovered consciousness. Dr.

Arrangements are making in the 22d Regiment for a visit of the entire command to the Pan-American Exposition at Buffalo the coming season. The matter has now progressed to such an extent that it will be put before the different companies in a few days for a vote. Corporal Eugene Fornes, who was noted as being the tallest man in the volunteers in the war with Spain, his height being six feet six inches, has enlisted in the private in December, 1897, and served with the volunteer regiment in the war with Spain. The winners of the six months' rifle competition in Company K of the 22d Regiment are: Corporal Kroenberger, 64; Corporal Lewis, 62; and Private Maus, 60.

Johnson dressed an ugly gash on the side of the negro's head. Leslie then went back to work.

7th REGIMENT CHANGES. Company H of the 7th Regiment has elected Lieutenant James Wetherpoon captain in place of Captain Lydecker, elected major. Captain Wetherpoon has been connected with the regiment since January, 1881, when he joined as a private. Second Lieutenant James S. Jocelyn will be elected to the first lieutenant. The First Battalion, under Major Conover, consisting of Companies D, F, G, A and K, will proceed to Creedmoor next Wednesday, and the Second Battalion, under Major Lydecker, will proceed to the range next Thursday. This battalion consists of Companies I, E, C, H and B. The annual competition for the O'Donohue trophy will take place on the days named among the several companies. The trophy will be awarded the company making the best score in skirmish firing.

FOR CHARITY'S SAKE. The Charity Organization Society appeals for \$200 to provide a monthly pension for a widow and three children, the eldest a boy of thirteen years. The woman has long been in ill health, and unable to work, but the amount asked for, supplemented by assistance from another source, will enable her to keep her family together until the eldest child is able to work. The case is one of special interest, and is peculiarly deserving. Any money for this purpose sent to the Charity Organization Society, No. 106 East Twenty-second-st., will be duly and publicly acknowledged. The society also

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acknowledges the following contributions received in response to its recent appeals on behalf of a family consisting of an aged grandmother, a daughter and two young children, and for an American, ninety-seven years old, and his daughter, fifty-three, the health of the latter having been undermined by a heavy burden of responsibility: "C. M. H.," \$50; "A. R. W.," \$25; "T. E. L.," \$15; "Cash," "J. W.," and "W.," \$10 each; "Cash," "A. C.," "Miss E.," through "The New-York Times," and "Cash," through "The Evening Post," \$5 each; "Mrs. S. P.," and "L. H.," \$3 each; Mrs. E. Hammann and "Teacher," \$1 each; "A.," \$1.

THE BAY SHORE GOLF CLUB.

DESCRIPTION OF THE LINKS BY THE GREAT SOUTH BAY.

There are few golf clubs in this neighborhood which anticipate a more active season than that which has been mapped out by the managers of the Bay Shore club, an organization got up and maintained largely through the influence of Hyde & Behman, on his country place at Bay Shore, Long Island. The links, now being put into shape for the season's campaign, is to be reckoned among the best, and is an attraction for those who make their summer homes on the south shore of Long Island in the neighborhood of Babylon and Bay Shore, for it is between these two towns that the links is situated.

Mr. Hyde's place, which he has owned for the last nine or ten years, is on the South Country Road, generally called the Merrick Road, about a mile and a half west from Bay Shore. His property, extends from the Great South Bay back inland almost three miles, and is nearly a mile wide. This property is largely covered by timber, but that part bounded on the south by the bay and on the north by the South Country Road, a tract of 125 acres, is open, and on this he has constructed one of the finest links herabouts. It is a nine hole course, and while the land is rather flat, it has been well broken up with hazards and bunkers, and these, with the natural hazards, such as a few straggling trees and a number of natural ditches, make it as attractive as could be desired.

Some years ago this tract of land was covered principally by salt marshes, and was totally useless for any purpose. In those days Mr. Hyde's yacht used to be anchored out in the bay. One night, about four years ago, one of those southerly easterly winds for which the Great South Bay is famous (or infamous) came up, and the water and waves carried the Pastime on shore, and left her stranded high and dry in a cornfield half a mile inland. It was an almost impossible task to float her again, but when it was done Mr. Hyde decided that it would not happen again, so he had constructed a

canal, with a pond at the end, where his boat is now kept. This canal is 120 feet wide, has a minimum depth of eight feet, and is almost half a mile long—2,500 feet, to be exact. At the end of the canal is a pond 160 by 200 feet. This waterway thoroughly drains the land, and the hundreds of springs and tiny streams which used to make the land marshy now find their outlet by it direct. Over 25,000 cubic yards of earth were taken out in its construction, and this was used to fill in the surrounding land, till it is now as dry and firm as land should be for the purpose to which it is in itself an advantage, for crossing of play not only frequently causes tire some waits for one couple to pass before the other can proceed, but it is sometimes positively dangerous.

The clubhouse is on the east side of the links, and has a fine veranda a full view of the entire course may be had. In this house are lockers for the men, and a room for the ladies, and for as many women at the south end, the central part being reserved for a large sitting room. Upstairs consists of one large room.

MAN OF MANY ALIASES CAUGHT. HAD A NUMBER OF JEWELS THAT HAD BEEN STOLEN FROM A HOUSE.

Frank Schneider, alias Mike Fisher, alias Frank Miller, alias Mike Lehr, was arrested yesterday afternoon by Detectives Brown and McDonough at one hundred-and-fifty-fifth-st. and Eighth-ave. Schneider was just about to get on an elevated train, when the attention of the detectives was attracted to him because of a large bundle which he carried. They knew him to be a crook and arrested him on suspicion. When he was taken to headquarters and the bundle was opened, the following goods were found in it: One Tiffany open face gold watch, a chateaufort and gold watch set with three diamonds and three sapphires, two child's gold band bracelets, four gold chain bracelets, one gold wire bracelet, one silver chain bracelet, five gold brooches, one silver thimble, four gold rings, one gold chain, one book-make, a gold medal, on one side of which was engraved "St. Joseph's Academy" and on the other "Martha C. Fitch, Graduated June 25, 1879," and a souvenir badge.

Captain Titus at once telephoned to all the precincts in the upper part of the city, telling them of the arrest. Word was received from the West One hundred-and-fifty-second-st. station that Mrs. K. C. Fitch, of No. 68 West One hundred-and-forty-seventh-st., had called at the station and reported that her house had been entered while she was out and a considerable amount of jewelry stolen. She gave a list of the things stolen, which corresponded to the list of articles found in Schneider's possession.