

THE DEPARTMENT WORKERS

Interesting Gossip Gleaned Among Employees of Government Bureaus.

TALES OF DISTRESS FROM CENSUS OFFICE

Assistant Secretary Says They Would Melt Hearts of Stone. Mr. James R. Garfield Has President Roosevelt's Old Desk—New Rule as to Ranches.

An assistant secretary of a department, speaking of the awful pressure for office, particularly on the part of the army of dismissed Census Office clerks, said: "The tales of distress we hear every day would melt hearts of stone. Weeping women come in here dragging their little children with them, and pour tales of starvation into my ears. Men call every day and tell me they have roamed the streets all night for lack of a bed. Just this morning I gave a temporary job to an old man who a few years ago was a millionaire. He attended the Minneapolis convention in his special car. Some of the Senators who had been his guests on that trip came to see me with him, and begged if there was a God in Israel, to give him something to do. He is earning about \$2 a day."

The desk occupied by the new Civil Service Commissioner, James R. Garfield, is the identical piece of furniture which was used by President Roosevelt when he was a member of the Commission. Mr. Garfield will make his home while in Washington with his sister, Mrs. J. Stanley Brown, at 1313 Massachusetts Avenue northwest.

The Interior Department is taking steps to enforce strictly the orders which have been in force for some time prohibiting ranchmen in the far West from fencing in large areas in the public domain for grazing purposes. In several cases within the last year fences inclosing such areas have been torn down by Government officers in compliance with orders from the Interior Department. The matter was discussed at the meeting of the Cabinet yesterday, the reason being that complaints are constantly being received from small settlers who suffer hardship as a result of the unlawful operations of the ranchmen.

President Roosevelt has taken an active interest in the matter, and he does not wish to discriminate against any particular case of interest, but the fencing in of pasture lands is against the interests of the poor settlers.

Accordingly, the Interior Department will enforce the law to the letter. The cases complained of are in Colorado, Montana, Wyoming, Idaho, and several Southwestern States and Territories.

The 1,800 employees of the Government Printing Office who are members of the Columbia Typographical Union are deeply interested in the coming election of officers of the union. The canvass is going on in the most approved fashion. The candidates for the presidency are Joe Johnson and Shelby Smith, both of whom are employed in the Government office. Informal caucuses can be noted in many parts of the city, and evidently an exciting contest is in store. Both candidates are old newspaper men and are fair politicians. The election will be held in May.

There is no more to be said of the chief of the Indian division of the Interior Department than Mr. Isaac Pearson, connected with the office of the Auditor for the Interior Department of the United States Treasury. During a former Administration Mr. Pearson was chief of this division, and is thoroughly familiar with every detail of the work of the office to which he is attached.

Mr. Robert W. Stevens, of the mail division of the Pension Office, has the reputation of never forgetting a face. Being in charge of the personal mail of the office, he is brought in daily contact with all.

SIGHT OF BOY'S WOUND CAUSES WOMAN'S DEATH

Lad Had Been Stabbed by Companions and May Not Live.

CUMBERLAND, Md., May 1.—While quarreling over the manner in which Joseph Thomas, aged seven years, of Frostburg, was watering a horse, Irving Cook, aged nine, stabbed young Thomas, making a dangerous and perhaps fatal cut immediately under the short rib.

Mrs. Richard Morgan, aged sixty-one, who was present at the operation performed by the physicians on the wounded boy, became ill as a result, and only lived a few hours, dying early this morning. She was a sufferer from heart disease. Mrs. Morgan leaves a husband and four children.

HER THROAT PACKED IN ICE.

Heroic Treatment Administered to Miss Blanche Bates Yesterday.

An alarming report concerning the health of Blanche Bates, the actress, was in circulation last evening.

The rumor had it that Miss Bates was suffering severely from a sore throat, which threatened serious results. It was said that on Tuesday afternoon she went horseback riding mackintosh, but later, and was caught in the rain.

Yesterday afternoon Miss Bates complained that her throat was in very bad shape and she was compelled to consult a physician, who ordered that her throat be packed in ice.

Under this heroic treatment she recovered rapidly and was able to go on and play last night.

When a reporter for The Times made inquiries last evening concerning Miss Bates' condition, Mrs. T. M. Bates, mother of La Cigarette of "Under Two Flags," admitted that her daughter's throat was in an extremely delicate condition, and that she was not permitted to use her voice any more than necessary.

Since her severe attack of typhoid fever at Detroit last December, Miss Bates has not been in robust health and her throat has been especially affected.

Little Girl Knocked Down by Horse.

While attempting to cross H Street, between Seventh and Eighth Streets northwest, Irene Reed, the ten-year-old daughter of William Reed, living at 707 H Street northwest, was knocked down by a horse attached to a wagon about 7 o'clock last night. The animal was driven by Charles Thomas, colored. The little girl was painfully bruised about the limbs and body. She was taken to her home by friends. The negro claimed that he attempted to stop the horse.

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most every member of the working force. He is commonly referred to by the employees as the Pension Office as the "postmaster."

Mr. Bernard R. Green, superintendent of the building and grounds of the Library of Congress, is seldom seen by the thousands who visit that great institution daily. He is a busy citizen, and is responsible to the American people for their most popular rendezvous. There is an "great deal" of work involved in the keeping of that beautiful building in order, that it may at all times be the pride of all citizens, as was intended by the builders.

Mr. Frank I. Whitehead, of the Treasury Department, is a popular citizen of Ohio, who has been in the Government employ for several years, and who has the reputation of being one of the best posted clerks in the department. Mr. Whitehead is also a newspaper man, and has been seen as much of the workings of the Government as anyone of the large and alert corps.

Mr. Henry Ives Cobb, who has been detailed as architect of the Chicago post-office building, is a native of Illinois and was eminent as an architect before becoming an employe of the Treasury Department. Mr. Cobb has an office in the building, and there is no dull time there, because of the mass of work to be carried on in the construction of such an enormous building as that going up in Chicago allows no respite.

Chief John Wilkie, of the Secret Service division of the Treasury Department, is no relation of the Scotch family, but there is not a better detective or manager of detectives in the business. When he and his men get on the track of a criminal trail of nefariousness is sure to ensue. People who try to beat the Treasury are the slickest and shrewdest rascals in the world, and only a finely-trained and keen force can cope with them. The Secret Service is a remarkably effective institution of which comparatively little is heard, but it is doing business all the time.

The office of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue is a strictly business place, but behind the mass of documents and the stacks of money handled there is romance—some of it as thrilling as any hope-defating novel could imagine. The returns of the moonshine industry in the country under the direction of Chief W. H. H. Bowen, see and hear a lot of things that are not related on the face of the returns. Of the moonshine industry in the mountains of Kentucky, North and South Carolina, Tennessee, and Georgia, many stories have been written, but there are mines of lore yet untouched. Some of those agents have heard the yell of the crowd on lonesome roads on the most dismal of nights. It was because, however, that it was not a real yell, but the yelling, the thoughts of the agents turned longingly toward home. The crowd call is a favorite signal among the moonshiners in ambush, and when it is heard the time has come to go back or fight it out, because within a half mile there is a mob ready to kill. There have been some horrible battles in the mountains between the men who are trying to enforce the law and those whose mission in life it is to regularly and persistently break the Federal law. Of late there have been none left to tell about it as the Treasury Department or anywhere else.

BATTLE WITH REBELS LASTED ALL SUNDAY

Government Troops Attacked Insurgents in Their Intrenchments.

COLON, Colombia, May 1.—The gunboat General Pinzon and a steam launch have returned from Boacas del Toro.

An important engagement was fought Sunday at Punta Ojeda, near Chiriqui Grande. The battle lasted all day. The Government forces, numbering 500 men, under General Gomez, penetrated seven miles into the interior, and attacked the insurgents, 900 strong, who were entrenched.

The losses of the insurgents are estimated to have been one hundred. The Government lost sixty killed and wounded. The wounded, including General Ferrero and Colonel Lopez, were brought here.

Governor Velez has been granted by the executive presidential powers over the Republic.

WHAT THE BOER WAR COSTS GREAT BRITAIN

Figures Show That \$222,370,000 Was Spent Up to March 31.

LONDON, May 1.—A Parliamentary paper just published shows a total estimated charge on account of the war in South Africa, to March 31, 1902, of £222,370,000, and in respect of operations in China a total of £6,010,000.

A second table shows that the proceeds of the new taxes from 1900 to March 31, 1902, amount to an increase in revenue of £76,025,000, of which the greatest part is supplied by the income tax, which aggregated £27,700,000. The sugar duty, from its imposition until March, 1902, is estimated to produce £11,200,000. The revenue set free by the suspension of the sinking fund amounts to £13,965,000. This, together with the proceeds of new taxation, minus £16,957,000, the excess expenditure over revenue for the period, leaves a balance for war expenditure to be charged to capital account of £152,148,000.

A third table sets down the total amount borrowed at £159,000,000, the cash proceeds of which are stated at £152,415,000.

Pythians Elect Officers.

The following officers were elected by Nelson Court, No. 2, Knights of Pythians, last night: Captain, J. W. Hardell, first lieutenant, A. Laxman; second lieutenant, J. H. Houston; recorder, Thomas Adams; treasurer, J. Brown; guard, J. A. Walker; sentinel, J. T. Minnis; and chaplain, C. T. Bodrick.

The following committee was appointed to make arrangements for the encampment at San Francisco during the coming August: John C. Yost, supreme representative; J. W. Hardell, and J. T. Minnis.

Bears the Signature of Dr. J. C. H. H. H.

THE DRAMA IN GOTHAM.

New York, April 30.

To all intents and purposes this is the final week of the year theatrical season in this town, and with the exception of four musical comedies, there will be no important productions until August. The season has been a fair one, and in several instances exceedingly profitable. Mrs. Leslie Carter, in "Du Barry," has packed the Criterion Theater at every performance, but her receipts have not approached the almost phenomenal takings at the big Broadway Theater, where "The Sleeping Beauty and the Beast" has held the stage for several months.

Business has been good during the greater part of the season at the Theater Republic, the Empire Theater, the Knickerbocker, the Casino, the Herald Square, and the Fourteenth Street Theater, but has not been quite so satisfactory at Wallack's, the Bijou and the Garden.

At Wallack's, on May 1, the play, played a long engagement to light business, much heated conversation and many disagreements with Manager Charles Burnham. Hackett made an interval of unnecessary trouble behind and before the curtain. In fact, he was so strenuous that it was announced at the end of his season that he would not appear in that theater. Now it is stated that Hackett has apologized to Manager Burnham, and will play an engagement in the Herald Square, the fall, presenting his version of "The Crisis."

The Kecey-Shannon company close an unsatisfactory engagement at the Manhattan Theater Saturday night, and will be followed next Monday by Mrs. Fiske in "Tess of the D'Urbervilles."

There is a lively curiosity to see this fine actress again, after an interval. She has shown her in a variety of roles, not one of which in any manner suggests Tess.

The revival will, it is said, approach the original as near as possible. Frederick de Belleville and John Jack will again be seen in their effective impersonations of Alee and John Burleyfield, and Mary Parker will have the part of Tess' mother. Nellie Liagard and Bijou Fernandez have been engaged for their original roles of the milkmaids. The cast will also include Eleanor Moretti, Emily Stevens and Lillian Claire.

"A Modern Magdalen" is in its sixth week at the Bijou, where it continues to draw excellent audiences. The manager, William McConnell, says: "This play has overshadowed every other production in the history of the theater, the receipts being 20 per cent ahead of Miss Bingham's production of 'The Climber.' The house is packed at every performance."

If Weber & Fields paid Jack Litt \$30,000 to cancel his contract with Willie Collier it is a sure thing that Litt got the best of the bargain. The Rialto gossips do not for a moment believe that any such sum of money was paid to secure the "quaint comedian." It is said that Collier has never been a large money-making star, and it is also whispered that he is suffering from a fatal disease known as "elephantiasis."

There are people who predict that the young actor will not remain for even one season in the Weber-Fields company. He is noted for his perfect imitation of the actor of the stage at all times—and this he cannot get where Fay Templeton and Weber & Fields themselves are in evidence.

It is rumored that this is to be the last season of Buffalo Bill and his Wild West. The story comes from some authority, but it is probably untrue. The show is at the Madison Square Garden, where it is drawing packed houses each day. Colonel Cody is not an old man, and in spite of his iron-gray hair, he is a man of energy. He is twenty years ago, of course, he is independently rich and all that, but the buffalo is almost certain to abide on him for some time to come.

What! No Buffalo Bill—no Wild West? Perish the thought! Where would our spring entertainment come from?

Joseph Jefferson is playing his annual engagement at the Harlem Opera House, which is not half large enough to hold all who wish to see the famous actor, who is in splendid health and doing just as good work as he did a decade ago.

Next Monday Chauncey Olcott comes to this theater for his final engagement here in the present capacity. He will play the farewell appearance of the popular comedian in "Garrett O'Magh," as next he will be seen in "The Great Escape," a Irish drama, which his manager, Augustus Pitou, has written for him. After a week in Brooklyn and a week in other nearby cities, Mr. Olcott goes to Europe for his summer vacation.

He will be followed at the Harlem Opera House by Otis Skinner for a week in "Francesca da Rimini," which is his engagement Mr. Skinner ends his tour. Next season he will produce a dramatization of Katherine Catherwood's widely read "Lazarus." The play, which was his first performance in Chicago, September 1, and if successful will be produced in this city at a later date.

"Hearts Affaire," a play by Mrs. Robert T. Holmes, is to be given a few trial performances at the Garrick Theater, beginning May 12.

This is the piece accepted by Amelia Blagham, but that actress changed her mind and produced "A Modern Magdalen." Robert T. Holmes, the author of the leading man, will play the most important male part, assisted by a competent company. It can only be given for a week.

Among the new stars announced for next season is Alice Fisher. Miss Fisher is a competent actress but does not possess the kind of histrionic ability of which stars are made. She has played many parts ranging from comedy to melodrama, and while she is always acceptable it will be a mistake to place her before the public in a star capacity.

It is dollars to doughnuts that Miss Fisher, who is a level-headed woman, will not enter upon such a venture.

"The Ninety and Nine," a play by Ramsay Morris, founded on the famous hymn of that title, will open the next season at the Academy of Music.

Manager Frank McKee tells me that it is a story of intense heart interest, telling of a young man who has gone wrong but in the end is saved by the love and devotion of a young girl, as good as she is beautiful.

A strong cast of well-known people and a handsome equipment of new scenery is promised for the production.

A summer season of comic opera begins May 31 at the Terrace Garden with a performance of "The Black Hussar." This will be followed by "Boccaccio," "Martha" and "The Chimes of Normandy." The principal members of the company so far engaged are Clara Lavina, who has much better, and after using one bottle was completely cured.—Sally Harris, Salem, N. J. For sale by Henry Evans, Wholesale and Retail, 925 and 924 F Street northwest, and all druggists.

The Schuberts have made a flattering offer to May Edouin to "create" the leading part in "A Chinese Honey-moon" at the Casino, but she has declined and will sail for Europe May 31, to fill a two-week engagement at the Palace Theater in London.

Miss Edouin returns to this country October 1 to appear in a new comedy which has been written for her by A. E. Lancaster, of this city. The music of the new piece will be furnished by a well-known American composer. "NANCY SYKES."

MARTINELLI TOLD TO HASTEN TO ROME

Belief That Pope Will Bestow on Him the Red Hat.

MAY NOT RETURN TO AMERICA

Falconio, Delegate to Canada, Mentioned as His Probable Successor—How the News is Regarded at the Papal Legation in This City.



CARDINAL MARTINELLI.

It was announced at the Papal Legation this morning that Cardinal Martinelli yesterday received a cablegram from Cardinal Rampolla, secretary of state of the Pontifical court, which stated that the next consistory had been postponed to the end of May or the beginning of June, and inviting the cardinal to proceed to Rome at his earliest convenience.

The authorities at the legation say that the cablegram is evidently an explanation of a letter not yet received, in which, it is assumed, reference is made to the consistory. It is admitted that if the Pope has decided to bestow the red hat on Cardinal Martinelli at the next consistory, the latter will not again return to his post in this country, and that a successor to him will be appointed. It is not known at the legation who has been decided upon to fill the place thus vacated by Cardinal Martinelli. Mention has been made in this connection of the Papal delegate to Canada, Cardinal Falconio, but considerable doubt seems to prevail

as to the accuracy and reliability of this information. Considerable surprise was expressed by the officials at the legation that the news of the cablegram should have become known, inasmuch as it carried with it the probability of Cardinal Martinelli's recall, and as matters of this nature are usually not given out for publication until a positive statement to that effect has been received from the Pontifical court.

Cardinal Martinelli is at present in Philadelphia on business, and it is expected that he will return to this city either today or tomorrow in order to prepare for his departure in obedience to the Papal summons.

PRIZE DRAWINGS MARK MASONIC FAIR'S END

Names of the Lucky Persons Whose Tickets Won.

Disposition of Other Articles Not Yet Chanced Off to Begin Tonight at Cabin John Bridge.

With the doors of the great Masonic fair and exposition having been finally closed, the interest of the many people who have purchased tickets for the various articles that are being contested for is centered in the disposition of these articles.

The first of the big drawings will take place this evening at 8 o'clock at Cabin John Bridge, when the members of St. John's Lodge will conduct the drawing for the lucky ticket that will secure a desirable building lot in Sherwood's addition to Brookland, valued at \$500. All ticket-holders are invited to be present at the Bridge at the hour stated and witness the drawing. The various other large articles will be similarly disposed of in the evening, the various subscription books that have been circulated about the city have been turned in.

Last Night's Prize Winners.

Among the many articles that were disposed of last night are the following: A set of clothes, valued at \$35, offered by Acacia Lodge, won by E. E. Roberts, 421 East Capitol Street; the diamond ring, valued at \$20, at the same booth, to C. R. Cassidy, 519 Massachusetts Avenue northwest. The other suit of clothes, donated by A. Feinger, to J. C. Schroeder, of 531 1/2 Ninth Street southwest.

At Columbia, where C. A. Lohr, of 216 Eighth Street southwest, was voted a Racy Girl bicycle, valued at \$90, while J. E. Bonhamer, of 712 Seventh Street, was the winner of the second prize, valued at \$50. Dan Williams, of 301 Sixth Street southeast, was awarded the olive-wood, valued at \$25, while the rubber-tired buggy, valued at \$125, went to T. R. Kelly, of 511 Eighth Street southeast. The pair of \$10 field glasses offered by Centennial Lodge, was won by A. S. Jones, of the Pension Office. The watch offered by Acacia Lodge to the person whose guess should nearest approach the number of beans in a jar, was awarded to Mr. Rohlin, who guessed 6,587, while the jar actually contained 6,590. The suit of clothes valued at \$40 was awarded by Hope Lodge to A. Selinger, of 711 F Street northwest.

The President's Books.

Mrs. Frank H. Thomas was the holder of the lucky ticket for the set of books contributed to the fair by President Roosevelt, and is now enjoying the possession of the articles, each volume of which contains the President's autograph. The handsome sofa pillow, donated by Mrs. Roosevelt, was won by ticket 275, whose owner has not yet been ascertained.

A jewel case worth \$5 was last night awarded to H. W. Bestler, by Columbia Chapter, Wrapper 280, won the handsome doll that was disposed of by Federal Lodge No. 1, and the holder will receive the doll by presenting it at the office of W. A. Brown, 1429 Pennsylvania Avenue.

At Columbia Chapter, where a sofa pillow, valued at \$25, was won by Miss M. A. Hopkins, of 219 E Street southwest. A punch bowl, hand-carved, painted, and valued at \$50, was awarded to Mrs. C. A. Sichel, of 731 Fifth Street northeast. The mahogany chair, valued at \$10, goes to Mrs. Crawford, 1073 Eighth Street northwest. Director General Harry Standford was voted a handsome hand-carved silver and ivory mounted cane yesterday morning.

Mrs. J. I. Hallow, chairman of the committee in charge of National Lodge last Tuesday, has been congratulated on the work she has accomplished, as it appears that the receipts of the booth that night were greater than on any other occasion.

Good for Rheumatism.

Last fall I was taken with a very severe attack of muscular rheumatism, which caused me great pain and annoyance. After trying several prescriptions and a rheumatoid diet, I decided to use Chamberlain's Pain Balm, which I had seen advertised in the "South Jerseyman." After using a small amount I was much better, and after using one bottle was completely cured.—Sally Harris, Salem, N. J. For sale by Henry Evans, Wholesale and Retail, 925 and 924 F Street northwest, and all druggists.

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