

GOVERNMENT MACHINERY AND THOSE WHO OPERATE IT

Bids Being Received for Addition to Bureau of Standards—Plans for Municipal Building—Revenue Cutter Service—Applications for Pardons Denied—Those Granted—Teaching Young Army Officers—Navy Has Plenty of Coal.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT.

James K. Taylor, Supervising Architect of the Treasury, says that bids are now being received for an addition to the building occupied by the Bureau of Standards. These bids are to be opened January 12.

A competition for architectural plans for the proposed municipal building will open Thursday. This building will contain the municipal offices of the District of Columbia. The building site is the lot once occupied by the power-house of the Capital Traction Company, on E and Thirteen-and-a-half Streets.

Congress has received the following recommendations for promotion in the Revenue Cutter Service:

First Lieut. Charles C. Tengar to be captain.
First Lieut. W. G. Ross to be captain.
First Lieut. Orin D. Myrick to be captain.

Joseph M. Simms to be captain on the permanent waiting list.
First Lieut. J. V. Wild to be captain.
Second Lieut. J. G. Ballinger to be first lieutenant.

Second Lieut. F. S. Van Boserck to be first lieutenant.
Second Lieut. S. B. Williams to be first lieutenant.
Third Lieut. B. L. Brockway to be second lieutenant.

Third Lieut. H. D. Hinckley to be second lieutenant.
Third Lieut. T. M. Molloy to be second lieutenant.

First Assistant Engineer L. T. Jones to be chief engineer.
First Assistant Engineer Charles W. Zastrow to be chief engineer.
Second Assistant Engineer J. I. Bryan to be first assistant engineer.

Second Assistant Engineer F. G. Snyder to be first assistant engineer.
Second Assistant Engineer Charles A. Wheeler to be first assistant engineer.
California C. McMillan to be second assistant engineer.

M. S. Maxwell to be second assistant engineer, with rank of third lieutenant.

A quiet investigation of sick leave is being made at the Treasury by Charles Lyman, chief of the appointment division. It has been alleged that an unfair advantage of the Government has been taken in many cases, where the full thirty days' sick leave was demanded.

The rule is that a department clerk is allowed to take thirty days per year for sick leave if a physician's certificate is given. The clerk draws full pay during this sick leave. Last year Congress demanded an investigation, and one is now on foot.

The merchant marine of the United States, including all kinds of documented shipping, comprises 24,273 vessels, of \$1,765,000 gross tons. A year ago it comprised 24,057 vessels of 5,524,218 gross tons. American shipping is greater in volume today than ever before. The tonnage losses of the civil war have been more than made good. It includes the largest steamer ever launched in the Pacific Ocean, and the fastest steamer for Asiatic trade yet built in our country.

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A. E. Stirling, field assistant, has recently returned from Brainerd, northern Michigan, where he has been collecting seeds from the jack pines for planting in the reserves of Nebraska. Twenty-five bushels of pine cones were obtained, from which twenty pounds of seeds were taken. The sandy, infertile soil of Nebraska is thought to be more suitable for the growth of these pines, which are considered very valuable for posts and railroad ties. Mr. Stirling also brought back with him about 10,000 seedlings. These together with the seeds will be set in beds next spring and then finally planted when they are a year or two old. It is said that it takes about twenty-five years for these trees to become full grown.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR.
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WAR DEPARTMENT.

The appointment in the army since 1898 of more than 1,000 officers—from the ranks, ex-volunteers, and civilians—has made it necessary that a comprehensive scheme of military instruction be instituted, looking, as General Corbin says in his annual report, to the ultimate result of imparting to all officers of the army a thorough technical knowledge of all their duties relating to drill regulations, guard duty, target practice, service with troops in camp, military law, field engineering, and generally in all branches of knowledge deemed indispensable to military men. With this end in view there have been established post officers schools, special service schools, a general service and staff college at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, and a war college for the most advanced military courses in this city. Gen. W. C. Carter is one of the officers most prominently identified with this scheme of instruction, and is located at the war college in Jackson Place.

By arrangement with the chief intelligence officer of the Navy Department the Bureau of Military Information of the War Department has established a system of exchange of information whereby professional data received in one office which is of interest or value to the other is promptly furnished for notation and carding. This method of reciprocal exchange makes the latest data obtained available for immediate reference, and has always proved of much benefit to the War Department, as the navy system of reports of intelligence officers is comprehensive.

PATENT OFFICE.

The second act of the tragedy in which the new elevator plays the leading role, took place yesterday at noon when the dumb creature dropped from the second story to the basement. The car was filled with passengers at the time, but no one was hurt. The accident was caused by the breakage of the rope holding the counter-weights.

A roster of registered attorneys has just been issued by the office, giving the names of individuals and firms entitled to practice before the office. Registrants are requested by the department to give notice of any errors that appear in the list as published or any change of address since the list was prepared.

The office yesterday issued 501 patents to American inventors, five of which went to citizens of the District of Columbia as follows: Edwin H. Hay, paper receptacle; John E. Ruebsam, diaphragm meter and exerciser; Irene H. Sessions, fastening device for articles of woman's wear; and Jacob J. Sander, dumping car.

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NAVY DEPARTMENT.

In these days of high prices for coal, the householder feels a twinge of envy when he reads in the report of the Secretary of the Navy that that department is paying only \$5.26 per ton for its fuel. In the Orient, despite the cost of transportation, the price is but \$7.53. During the past year 382,048 tons of coal were bought for the navy. Of this amount 293,438 tons were obtained at home.

In pleading for the artisan employes of the navy yards, Secretary Moody says: "There are employed as artisans under this department about 15,000 men. With their Congress has dealt liberally in respect of vacations, hours of labor, and rates of pay, but in one respect their condition compares unfavorably with those in private employment. If one of them, while in the exercise of due care, suffers injury or death through the negligence of the Government he is absolutely without remedy either at common law or under any statute. The only compensation which may be given him is, in the case of personal injury, a special preference for re-employment, which has in some cases operated to the detriment of the public service."

"It is a constant occurrence in the navy yards that subscriptions are taken up among the officers and men for employees who have been injured and whose families are in distress during their period of enforced idleness. I earnestly hope that this omission in our law may be cured by legislation, and that the artisan employes of this department injured without fault of their own may be afforded a remedy. An injury which decries or impairs the capacity to work of a man who works with his hands is an overwhelming calamity to himself and those dependent upon him. His death often throws upon the world a helpless family. It is but simple justice that in this respect the Government artisan should be placed upon an equality with his brother in private employment. The total cost to the Treasury would be small, though the benefit to him and his family would be great."

POSTOFFICE DEPARTMENT.
E. P. Kenett has been promoted to the clerkship in the Second Assistant Postmaster General's office made vacant by the death of Denis Griffin. Mr. Griffin died last Saturday, and his remains were taken to Boston. C. J. Simpson was promoted to take Kenett's former position.

Cross receipts of the New York city postoffice, the largest in the country, for November, were \$1,078,550, as against \$1,015,320 for November of last year. The receipts for Washington were \$70,213, as against \$70,560. The gross receipts of the fifty largest cities in the Union were \$5,034,805, which was a net increase over the receipts for November, 1901, of \$420,145.

AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT.
Dr. D. E. Salmon, chief of the Bureau of Animal Industry, has received instructions from Secretary Wilson to destroy all animals infected with the foot-and-mouth disease. This disease was recently brought from some foreign country to localities in Massachusetts and adjacent States. It is characterized by the eruption of blisters in the mouth, upon the heels, and other parts of the animal.

Dr. A. D. Hopkins of the section of forest insect investigation, recently received from the Philippines some bark of a larch tree supposed to have been killed by the work of the Tomieus Combrae or bark beetle. This beetle is the common enemy to the pines and spruce trees of Europe and Asia, but so far no species of it have been found in the United States. Dr. Hopkins will make a thorough study of this insect in order to devise means for its destruction.

On exhibition in Secretary Wilson's office is a new species of cotton, being a hybrid of the sea-island and Egyptian growth. Its fiber has the qualities of the latter and will be sold under that grade. This species was brought from Columbia, South Carolina, last October by H. J. Weber, in charge of the plant breeding laboratory, who says that it is one great advantage over other cottons is that it produces heavier, and will yield more material to the acre than perhaps any other cotton known. It is a fine specimen, and is creating much attention.

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY.
An innovation in the shape of an annual bulletin entitled "Advances in Economic Geology," has been made by the Survey. The bulletin will contain abstracts of all economic papers issued during the year, and also the more important economic results of the preceding field season. The first of these new bulletins will be for the year 1902.

A new series of five papers is now issued by the Survey, the first number of which appeared today. It is entitled "The Ketchikan Mining District in Alaska." A. H. Brooks has added to the paper an introductory sketch of southeastern Alaska. Hereafter the annual report of the director will be in one volume, instead of five, as this series will contain the papers heretofore published in that report.

BAIL JUMPER BROUGHT BACK ON REQUISITION

Washington Couples Wed at Rockville.

ROCKVILLE, Md., Dec. 10.—Saddle Houck, against whom are several indictments for violations of the State gaming and prohibition liquor law of this county, was brought here today, under arrest. Houck, it appears, has been sick up to a few days ago, when he went into the District of Columbia.

Ninlan M. Perry was his bondsman, and it appeared as though Mr. Perry would have to forfeit \$700 bail. Mr. Perry obtained requisition papers and Houck was brought here by the sheriff.

Edward Thomas Green, aged thirty-five years, divorced, and Miss Laura R. Deintner, aged twenty-five years, both of Washington city, were married here today by Rev. S. R. White. Yesterday afternoon Rev. White married Harry S. Jones, aged thirty-one, and Miss Flory S. Dayton, aged twenty-five years, both of Washington. Other marriage licenses issued yesterday were: Lawrence Kemp and Ellen E. Dunavin, both of Grifton, this county, and John H. Webb, of Montrose, this county, and Janie Hartley, of Prince George county, Md.

A. McKendree Bowman, of Damascus, this county, has issued invitations to the marriage of his daughter, Annie Marie Bowman, to Dr. George Milton Boyer on December 24 next at noon in the M. E. Church, Damascus. The young couple will be at home to their friends and relatives after January 10 next at Rockville, Md.

MOTHER SELLS INFANT SON FOR FIVE DOLLARS

Strike Victim's Widow Could Not Support the Little One, So She Disposed of It.

PASSAIC, N. J., Dec. 10.—By means of an advertisement inserted in a Passaic newspaper, Mrs. Fannie Urhouse, of this city, has succeeded in selling her three-weeks-old son.

Mrs. Urhouse's husband was killed in the recent strike in Pennsylvania. She was able to take care of herself by working for \$2 a week until the child came. Friends advised her to get some one to adopt it.

The advertisement was inserted, but for three days no response came. Mrs. Urhouse became discouraged and threatened to kill herself and child.

Yesterday, however, Mrs. John Urban, of Wallington, offered to pay \$5 for the child. The offer was accepted and little Steven was taken to his new home.

CABINET DISCUSSES VENEZUELAN SITUATION

LONDON, Dec. 10.—A cabinet meeting was held yesterday at which the Venezuelan situation was discussed at length.

FALCONIO GIVES HIS VIEWS ON CHICAGO ARCHDIOCESE

ROME, Dec. 10.—The propaganda has received from Archbishop Falconio, the new apostolic delegate to Washington, an opinion on the appointment of an archbishop of Chicago to succeed the late Archbishop Feehan. Falconio thinks, owing to the special conditions in the archdiocese, a man should be chosen who is acceptable to the laity and clergy alike.

BOCIA'S ENDURANCE PERFORMANCE ON PIANO

TRIESTE, Dec. 10.—The pianist Boccia, in the presence of a jury of musicians and journalists, played on a piano for twenty-six hours consecutively, taking only two rests of ten minutes each. A medical examination at the close showed that his physical condition was not affected.

HENRY FRANCIS MOOR DEAD.

NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—Henry Francis Moor, vice president of H. B. Kirk & Co., proprietors of Old Crow Whisky, died yesterday at his home in Bayonne, N. J., in his fifty-ninth year.

DENVER'S ALDERMEN AND MAYOR READY TO APPEAL

Plea Upon Which Confinement Will Be Resisted.

DENVER, Col., Dec. 10.—Attorneys for Mayor Wright and the eleven members of the board of aldermen who have been sentenced to four months in the county jail by Judge Mullins, for contempt of court, in disobeying his injunction restraining them from passing a tramway ordinance, have concluded upon what grounds they will appeal to the supreme court to save them from confinement.

The supreme court will be asked to set aside the sentence on the ground that the council is a legislative body; that it is required by the statutes to perform certain prescribed duties at stated times, and that the action of Judge Mullins is such as to prevent it from performing those duties.

There is no one deputized to perform the duties of the board, as there is in the case of the mayor or the county clerk. They must be performed by the members themselves or remain undone.

It will be contended that, such being the case, the sentence is excessive and unreasonable, and therefore ought not to stand.

ITALIAN MINISTER TO SOFIA A SUICIDE

Throws Himself From Window Under Influence of Nervous Debility.

ROME, Dec. 10.—Signor Bolocco, the Italian minister to Sofia, who has been ill at Milan with nervous debility, committed suicide in that city today.

He threw himself from a window in the third story of the house, where he was stopping, and was instantly killed.

CHILD DUPES BABY SISTER INTO TAKING POISON

Told Her That Dose of Strychnine Would Make Santa Claus Come to See Her.

WINONA, Minn., Dec. 10.—"Drink that and Santa Claus will come to see you," said six-year-old Freddie Rowe to his little four-year-old sister as he held out a small bottle which contained a solution of strychnine.

The child, in her eager desire to see Santa Claus, drank from the bottle. Her brother then ran to his mother and told her what had happened.

Two physicians were summoned, but the child died inside of half an hour.

RED CROSS SOCIETY.

At the annual meeting of the American National Red Cross Society, held at the Arlington Hotel yesterday, presided over by Clara Barton and attended by members from many States, it was decided to amend the by-laws with a view of forming State organizations and enlarging the membership. Miss Barton was chosen life president, and Mrs. John A. Logan vice president. Other officers elected were: Ex-Secretary of State Richard Olney, counselor; William J. Flather, treasurer, and Samuel W. Briggs, secretary.

TEXAS MAY HONOR NUEVO LEON'S REQUISITIONS

Secretary of State Interprets Extradition Treaty.

AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 10.—For some time there has been confusion as to the interpretation of the extradition treaty between the United States and Mexico, on account of the construction placed on the treaty by United States Judge Waller S. Burns.

A short time ago a Mexican, Rafael Gonzalez, was arrested in Texas charged with the commission of a crime in the state of Nuevo Leon, Mexico. A requisition made by the governor of that state on the governor of Texas, was honored.

United States District Judge Burns interposed, holding that the State authorities could not issue extradition papers until the assent of the United States authorities had been received, according to the treaty between this country and Mexico. He ordered Gonzalez released.

In order to clear the confusion Governor Sayres yesterday wired the Secretary of State, as follows: "Please advise me by wire, if requisition made upon the governor of Texas by the governor of Nuevo Leon, Mexico, for extradition of an alleged criminal, is the governor of Texas authorized, under the extradition treaty between the United States and Mexico, to grant the application, and to order the man to be extradited, or shall the application be referred to Washington for final action. Confusion exists in both states as to the interpretation of the treaty."

The following reply was received from the Secretary of State: "In frontier States, according to our treaty with Mexico, the governor may act without referring the case to Washington."

"I know I had an incurable disease in my lungs. Physicians and medicine failed to relieve my cough. I realized that all of my symptoms pointed toward consumption. "As I was losing weight and strength very fast, I decided to go to the Koch Lung Cure doctors, at 730 Eleventh Street northwest, Washington, who make a specialty of consumption and asthma. I was tired of taking medicine into my stomach, for it did me no good. In fact, I never improved until I began to breathe the healing oily vapors of the Koch Lung Cure directly into my lungs. "After starting this treatment all my bad symptoms disappeared. I gained in every way, until today I am the picture of health, having been entirely cured by the Koch Lung Cure, at 730 Eleventh Street northwest, Washington. I have no more sweats and have not spit up any blood since I have been cured. "I live at Brentwood, with my people, where I can be seen every night after I am through work. In order to see me take a Riverside car to Henry Street. My mother also will verify the truth of this statement. "Hundreds of people know of my affliction and will tell any other sufferer what the Koch Lung Cure did for me. "ANNA MILLER. "Brentwood, Washington, D. C."

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Secretary of State Interprets Extradition Treaty.

AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 10.—For some time there has been confusion as to the interpretation of the extradition treaty between the United States and Mexico, on account of the construction placed on the treaty by United States Judge Waller S. Burns.

A short time ago a Mexican, Rafael Gonzalez, was arrested in Texas charged with the commission of a crime in the state of Nuevo Leon, Mexico. A requisition made by the governor of that state on the governor of Texas, was honored.

United States District Judge Burns interposed, holding that the State authorities could not issue extradition papers until the assent of the United States authorities had been received, according to the treaty between this country and Mexico. He ordered Gonzalez released.

In order to clear the confusion Governor Sayres yesterday wired the Secretary of State, as follows: "Please advise me by wire, if requisition made upon the governor of Texas by the governor of Nuevo Leon, Mexico, for extradition of an alleged criminal, is the governor of Texas authorized, under the extradition treaty between the United States and Mexico, to grant the application, and to order the man to be extradited, or shall the application be referred to Washington for final action. Confusion exists in both states as to the interpretation of the treaty."

The following reply was received from the Secretary of State: "In frontier States, according to our treaty with Mexico, the governor may act without referring the case to Washington."

"I know I had an incurable disease in my lungs. Physicians and medicine failed to relieve my cough. I realized that all of my symptoms pointed toward consumption. "As I was losing weight and strength very fast, I decided to go to the Koch Lung Cure doctors, at 730 Eleventh Street northwest, Washington, who make a specialty of consumption and asthma. I was tired of taking medicine into my stomach, for it did me no good. In fact, I never improved until I began to breathe the healing oily vapors of the Koch Lung Cure directly into my lungs. "After starting this treatment all my bad symptoms disappeared. I gained in every way, until today I am the picture of health, having been entirely cured by the Koch Lung Cure, at 730 Eleventh Street northwest, Washington. I have no more sweats and have not spit up any blood since I have been cured. "I live at Brentwood, with my people, where I can be seen every night after I am through work. In order to see me take a Riverside car to Henry Street. My mother also will verify the truth of this statement. "Hundreds of people