WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our negular correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, D. C. June, 1 1884 The revelations issuing out of the quarrel, among the lawyers in the Star Route cases, are getting to be as interesting to the people as they are profitable to the Government. Yesterday Ker was on the rampage before Springer's Committee, and having sworn to tell the whole truth, I dont believe that he kept auything back. From the fact appears to be conclusive that George Bliss was employed by the Government special in the interest of Dorsey, and was paid \$150 per day not to be disturbed! His zeal in behalf of Dorsey became so conspicious that Mr. Merrick was compelled to insist that Mr Ker should remain in the case especially to watch Mr. Bliss. The facts sworn to by Ker, show how the Government has been handicapped not only in its attempt to punish the Star Route thieves, but in the other cases where the power of money could be invoked to effect the conversion of that pliable portion of mankind

Congress has gone into the busines of erecting public's buildings at this season by whoesale. So far no less than 67 have been ordered, ranging in price from \$50,000 to \$2,500,000, and the end is not yet. But there are some things about this public building buisness that should be ventilated, and this very week two bills were adopted in the Senate that never should have been. One is the Potatoes giving of \$250,000 for the new custom house at Portland, Oregon, a place of 30.000 inha bitents, which already has a building that cost the Government \$200,eno. The other is the apprepriation of \$100,000 tor a public building at Saratoga, a little watering place of 10,000 population, which has not half the need ot a public building of this cost that it has for missionaries during the gambling

denominated a Washington jury.

It will be rememembered, through the effort's of the saintly Mr. Frye, of Maine, and the theological Mr. Blair, of New Hampshire, the truely good men in the Senate concluded to abolish it, the dispensing of "cold tea" in the basement of the capitol. Fray declared that the whole capitol bad become a virtible ginmill, and Adminidab Sleek Edmuns turned his eyes to the cealing and called down upon the Senate the terrors of public sentiment if this "cold tea" adomination should continue. I don't know how it is about Frye, but it is well known that Edmuns makes out to get rid man under the capitol dome. But I was going to say that the anti-cold tea resolthe House for concurrence. The temperence folks have just six months watching this resolution, or watching for it, and you may bet your silverware that Edmuns has been watching it too, for it has reared its head over the speaker's table in the House, while the infinitessimal "tea cups" down stairs are clinking from morning till night-yea from night till morning, toe.

As the results of a logical corrollary, the fact is established that the revenues of the Post Office Dapartment increase as postage is reduced, I cannot see why Congress should hesitate about passing Mr, Robinson's bill which provides for a still further reduction of postage on letters to one cent for each balt ounce. The Stationer's Board of trade of New York, and other commercial organizations the country are petitioning for the measure, and should it fail in the present Congress as it doubtless will, there will be a good chance for the economists in the next Congress to perpetuate its record as being distinctively a party to which sione the people need look for benefits like these. And here is one thing that the attention of postal and political economists should be called to, and that is the fact that the Government is paying the price of a mail-stermer every year to carry our mails to Europe by a single line! And the Government contracts with half a dosen of these foreign lines. What sort of economy is it to do this thing - subsidizing Euglish, French, German and Scandinavian vessels, while a whole fleet of equally serviceable vessels for this purpose, rotting at our own Gov-D. P.

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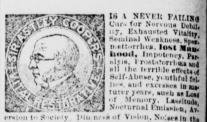
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